

**Saint John's Evangelical  
Lutheran Church and Preschool**

1260 Webster St. Tecumseh, NE. 68450  
(402)335-3816

Secretary email:  
secretary\_stjohnlutherantec@outlook.com  
Office Hours: Monday – Friday 8:30 am – 12:30 pm

**Immanuel Lutheran church**

60798 Hwy 41, Sterling, NE 68443  
(402)866-6601

**Rev. Marcel Kohlmeyer, Pastor**  
Pastor email: revkohlmeyer@hotmail.com  
Home Phone: 402-335-9117

**Website:** [www.2gatherinchrist.org](http://www.2gatherinchrist.org)



*A Member Congregation of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod*

**Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**September 19, 2021**



**LISTENING DEVICES** and **LARGE PRINT BULLETINS** are available in the overflow area of the church. Please speak with an elder or usher to assist you. (St. John's)

**PRIOR TO SERVICE:** Please be respectful of those who would like to meditate and pray before the worship service by keeping conversational voices low. Thank you for your consideration and love in Christ. **Please be mindful of the social distancing we are practicing at this time.**

**ATTENDANCE CARDS:** Please fill them out and give to the usher at the end of service. (St. John's)

### **OUR WORSHIP BEGINS WITH PRAYERFUL MEDITATION**

**AS WE GATHER:** Jesus' disciples did not understand the prophecy about His death and resurrection. They focused, instead, on their personal greatness. So, He inverted their viewpoint, using a child to explain that true greatness is in humble servanthood, in welcoming even children (then considered to be without status). But our inner passions rebel and war against such servanthood, as James explains in the Epistle. Fortunately, by the gracious gift of faith, in place of personal struggles, we can rely on God, as Jeremiah does in the Old Testament Reading and David in today's psalm. Our Lord is the humblest and therefore greatest Servant, and by His death and resurrection He has proclaimed that God's grace knows no bounds. Confidently, we can follow Him in humble servanthood each day.

**WE PREPARE FOR WORSHIP IN PRAYER:** O God, in Your infinite grace You have forgiven our warring against Your will and rule. Grant that the peace our Lord has won will be evident in our humble service to You and the people around us each day; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Creative Worship for the Lutheran Parish, Series B, Quarter 3. Copyright © 2021 Concordia Publishing House. All rights reserved. Used by permission.

### **WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS & MINDS FOR HOLY COMMUNION**

St. Paul, in his letter to the Corinthians, bids us to examine ourselves before taking Holy Communion. Therefore, to faithfully prepare to receive our Lord's TRUE body and blood, we

- ▶ **CONFESS** that we are sinful people- unwilling and unable to be righteous according to God's just Law.
- ▶ **BELIEVE** that Jesus shed His Blood for us on the cross for the forgiveness of our sin;
- ▶ **BELIEVE** that, in the Supper, Jesus gives us His true body and blood in, with, and under the bread and wine – that is, the bread and wine are NOT merely symbols of the body and blood of Jesus, but truly are united to the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, as He said, *“Take eat; this is My BODY... Take, drink; this is My Blood.”*
- ▶ **INTEND**, by the power of the Holy Spirit, repent of our sinful lives and strive to walk according to God's will.

In joyful obedience to the teaching of Holy Scripture, we ask that only those who share unity with us in our confession of doctrine and faith join us at the altar. Guests who are members in good standing in fellow congregations of the Missouri Synod are invited to join us in the Holy Supper. If you have questions or would like to have information about joining our fellowship, please visit with an elder or the pastor. Thank you.

TOGETHER IN WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD AND STEWARDSHIP ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH September 5, 2021			
Adult Bible Study		Offering	\$
Worship Attendance		Offering	\$ 1890.00
		Missions	\$ 190.00
Total for Orphanages		Needed for goal	\$ \$560.00/mo
(as of 7-25-21 \$5,095.00)		Monthly Average	\$ 727.86
Budget for 2021	\$162,013.25	(needed per week: \$3,115.64)	
Total Giving to Budget in 2021	\$ 85,220.50	(37 week avg: \$2,303.26)	

TOGETHER IN WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD AND STEWARDSHIP IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH September 5, 2021			
Worship Attendance	54	Offering	\$ 733.00
(Joint Worship)		Mission	\$ 30.00
Budget for 2021	\$ 60,539.01	(needed per week: \$ 1,164.21)	
Total Giving to Budget in 2021	\$ 40,653.27	(37 week avg. \$ 1,098.74)	

# This week's Birthdays & Anniversaries

- Dan & Kim Bartels (24<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary) ..... 20<sup>th</sup>
- Terry Kuhl..... 20<sup>th</sup>
- Marshall & Michelle VanWinkle (21<sup>st</sup> Wedding Anniversary)..... 20<sup>th</sup>
- Brinley Borrenpohl, Sophia Schmid, Wesley Schmid .....21<sup>st</sup>
- Marissa Borrepohl.....23<sup>rd</sup>
- Marcel & Deborah Kohlmeyer (21<sup>st</sup> Wedding Anniversary).....23<sup>rd</sup>
- Rodger Buhler** .....24<sup>th</sup>
- Kirk & Lisa Bartels (38<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary).....24<sup>th</sup>

## Worship Assistants

**Greeters Today:** ..... Justin Miller Family (St. John's)  
..... Hannah Thies (Immanuel)

Greeters Next Sunday: ..... Terry & Lisa Kuhl (St. John's)  
..... Shirley Bartels (Immanuel)

**Today's Acolytes:** ..... Katelyn Beethe & Isaac Beethe (St. John's)  
..... Emma Thies & Seth Dean (Immanuel)

Next Sunday: ..... Logan Barras & Blayzen Kress (St. John's)  
..... Emma Thies & Seth Dean (Immanuel)

**September Elder:** ..... Kevin McKinney (402) 335-8271 (St. John's)  
..... Galen Bartels (402) 866-1057 (Immanuel)  
October Elder: ..... Dave Borrenpohl (402) 429-5463 (St. John's)  
..... Jon Rathe (402) 866-2142 (Immanuel)

**September Trustee:** ..... Del Lierman (402) 269-8004 (St. John's)  
..... (Immanuel)

October Trustee: ..... (St. John's)  
..... (Immanuel)

**September Altar Guild:** ..... Lois Ann Bartels & Cheryl Bartels (St. John's)  
October Altar Guild: ..... Amy Borrenpohl (St. John's)

**September Flower Committee:** ..... Cassie Pfeiffer & Sarah Dean (Immanuel)  
October Flower Committee: ..... Rosie Sugden & Linda Eis (Immanuel)

**Transportation:** ..... Ron Rathe (402) 335-2208 (St. John's)

**Organist Today:** ..... Ruth Neemann (St. John's)  
..... Donna Rathe (Immanuel)

---



**Needing Urgent prayers:** Shawn Othmer (*pancreatic cancer*), Jackie Boden (*COVID-19*), Tom Lindhorst (*Covid - Brenda Rathe's cousin-in-law*), Laura Heiden, Steven Frye (*Pancreatic Cancer- Billy Frye's brother*) Marlys McPherson (*Cancer – Pastor's aunt*), Michael Buethe (*surgery-recovery*), Lenny Parachini (*Lynn Haughton's Father- Heart Surgery*), Declan Heineman (great-great-grandnephew of Cindy Lierman), Michael Kress (*hospitalized-blood infection*), Deb Kohlmeier (*heart-test*), Hunter Haughton (*surgery recovery*), LeRoy Buethe (*recovery-Covid*), Bonnie Smith (*recovery*), Lois Ann Bartels (*health issues*), Bruce Haughton (*Lymphoma*), Kevin Miesbach (*brain tumor*), Brianna Podtburg (*cancer & leg amputation*), Karen McCoy (*Cancer*), Arlo Miesbach (*cancer*), Alan DeJonge (*pancreatic cancer*) and Josh Wilkins (*spinal cancer – Dave & Paula Carnagey's former foster child*) in your prayers this week. May God grant each of them His protection and peace and bless them with good health.

†**Those needing our sustaining prayers:** Rose Kerner (*recovery*), Duane Krause (*recovery*), Arlene Bohling (*recovery – mother of Lisa Bartels*), Kris Kelle (*cancer*), Deb Lance (*cancer – Katie Griess's mother*), Addy Kohlmeier (*Cancer*), Mindy Johnston (*kidney issues -Shirly Hestermann's great niece*), Sherri Sapp-Stutheit (*surgery recovery*) Sierra Goracke (*torn ACL*), Eldon Bartels (*health issues / pneumonia*), Deb Brinkman (*surgery-recovery*), Robin Whitney (*Various Health Issues*), Haleigh McDonald (*arthritis & degenerative disk disease*), Mary Jo Foetisch (*Alzheimers*), Brian Thies (*Amputation below knee on both legs– Rick Thies' cousin*), Deb Dalluge (*liver transplant surgery - recovery*), Kathleen Barone (*health issues*), Shari Boudle (*cancer – Lisa Bartels' sister*), Harry Bartels (*brother of Dwayne and Lavern Bartels –severe osteoporosis & pneumonia*), Ron Rathe (*cancer*), Dwayne Bartels, Ray Bartels, Suzanne Hughes (*niece of Dwayne and Laverne Bartels - cancer*), Loren Bartels (*brother of Dwayne and Lavern Bartels – muscle disease*), Bonnie Smith (*continued good health reports*) and all others who look to God in their time of need.

†**We pray for God's loving and gracious care for those homebound and in the nursing home** including: Eldon Bartels, Gary Wilhelm, LeRoy & Evelyn Buethe, Vicki Mandery, (*Darla Gottula and Don Cooper*).

†**We pray for those serving in the Armed Forces** including: Bailey Bohling (Kirk & Lisa Bartels nephew).

†**We lift up all missionaries**, including: Pastor Dale & Suzanne Kaster, Andrew & Noel Schaff and all other church workers. For those served by our adopted orphanages – Smiltene & Togliatti #5.

† **We give God thanks for the gift of Baptism**, as we celebrate **Tayden Borrenpohl, Peggy Borrenpohl** who celebrate their baptismal birthdays (this week). May God continue to bless them and all of us- with complete joy and confidence, through the promises He bestowed on us through His Sacrament of the Water and the Word!



## Joint Announcements

**Daniel Christian Band:** St. Peter's Youth Group will be hosting a free outdoor concert on Sunday, September 19 at 6:30 pm. Daniel Christian Band will be performing songs & stories of Faith. Please bring your own lawn chair. Food will be available for purchase.

## Immanuel's Announcements

**Sunday School:** We are in need of Sunday School teachers for this year. Contact Rachel Goracke or Cassie Pfeiffer is interested as soon as possible. If no volunteers are found, we will be cutting classes back.

**Thank You:** We would like to thank you all for everything done to perfection for the Harms family when Jim passed from this earthly life to meet his Lord & Savior in his heavenly home for all eternity. You certainly held us up during our time of need. God Bless You All, Love, Patty Harms & family

## St. John's Announcements

**Orphan Grain Train donations:** There is a container in the east corner of the basement for OGT donations. These donations will be taken up to Lincoln the second Thursday of each month.

**Sunday school teachers needed:** It will start on September 19th at 9:30. Please talk to Pastor or a Board of Education member if you would be willing to help teach.

**Prayer Chain:** If you would like to be on the prayer chain. Please sign the sheet on the back table.

**Reminder:** Please do not park in front on the dumpster on Thursdays. If they cannot get to it the trash will not be picked up.

**Priscilla's:** Will be meeting Tuesday at 4:00 pm.

**A SPECIAL WELCOME:** We welcome Riley Marie Borrenpohl (daughter of Billy & Michelle Borrenpohl) into God's family by rite of Holy Baptism today. We pray the Lord's blessing upon Riley as she joins our family of faith.

## **This Week With God**

### **Sunday, September 19** *(Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost)*

- ✠ Divine Service w/ Communion (Immanuel) ..... 8:30 am
- ✠ Sunday School (St. Johns & Immanuel) ..... 9:30 am
- ✠ Adult Bible Study (St. John's) ..... 9:30 am
- ✠ Divine Service w/ Communion (St. John's) ..... 10:30 am

### **Monday, September 20**

- ★ No Activities .....

### **Tuesday, September 21**

- ★ Preschool Chapel (St. John's) ..... 9:00 am
- ★ Quilting (St. John's) ..... 9:00 am – 3:00 pm
- ★ Priscilla's Meeting (St. John's) ..... 4:00 pm

### **Wednesday, September 22**

- ★ **Midweek & Confirmation Class (St. John's)** ..... 4:30 pm
- ★ **Bible Study (St. John's)** ..... 7:00 pm

### **Thursday, September 23**

- ★ No Activities .....

### **Friday, September 24**

- ★ Pastor's Family Day .....

### **Saturday, September 25**

- ★ No Activities .....

### **Sunday, September 26** *(Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost)*

- ✠ Divine Service w/o Communion (Immanuel) ..... 8:30 am
- ✠ Sunday School (St. Johns & Immanuel) ..... 9:30 am
- ✠ Adult Bible Study (St. John's) ..... 9:30 am
- ✠ Divine Service w/o Communion (St. John's) ..... 10:30 am

# FAMILY WORSHIP REFLECTION

WHERE THE FAMILY SAVORS GOD'S WEEKLY FEAST

Bring Church  
Home

REVIEW      What was the sermon about?

LISTEN      What grabbed your attention the most? What is something new I learned from the sermon? How did it deepen my understanding of Christ & the Gospel?

RESPOND    How can you put it into practice in your life this coming week?

Share Stories  
and  
Testimonies

SEE          How did you see God at work in your life this past week?

SEEK        What has God been teaching you in His Word?

SHARE      With whom did you share something about God this week?

Encourage

SERVE      Is there something we can do for someone this week?

PRAY        How can we pray for you this week?

## Confirmand Sunday Worship Attendance

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Service: \_\_\_\_\_

Day of Church Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Pastor or Elder Signature: \_\_\_\_\_