Welcome to Immanuel Lutheran Church Sunday, April 25, 2021 Service Provided by: Lutherans Restoring Creation

Prelude

Welcome Phoebe Morad

Call to Worship Rev. Adrienne Strehlow

Rev. Vera McEwen

Opening Hymn "Earth and All Stars!" Martin Luther Lutheran Church

Confession & Forgiveness Rev. Patricia Wolf Hughes

Prayer of the Day Rev. Dr. Niveen Sarras

Psalm 23 Rev. Christyn Koschmann

Second Reading: 1 John 3:16-24 Rev. Cindy Jacobson

Gospel: John 10:11-18 Deacon Sarah Bowers

Pulpit Hymn "For the Fruit of All Creation" #679

Sermon Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Eaton

Hymn of the Day "God Created Heaven and Earth" St. Mark's Lutheran Church

Statement of Faith Rev. Ben Sheets

Keith Keel

Lynette Todd

Sharing of the PeaceLutherans Restoring Creation Board

Offering

Offertory Hymn "We Are An Offering" #692

Offering Prayer Rev. Sarah Locke

Intercessory Prayers Revs. Chelsea & Mandy Achterberg

Lord's Prayer Deacon Darcy Mittlestaedt

Benediction Wes Koschmann

Closing Hymn "God of the Sparrow" Rev. Emily Meyer

Dismissal Phoebe Morad

Postlude

NEWS

Prayer Concerns: Thelma, Esther, Kathrine-Sylvia, Abber, Jezel, Joelle, Odeh, April, Brieanna, Alice, Charissa, Scott, Phyllis, Ashley, Laura, David, Sara, Jeff, Edie, Joan, Jamie & Mike, Pastor Mark (Dixie Burk's Brother), Maggie Westaby, Pat, and Sonya (Jackie's Sister-in-Law), Jim Palmer, and Duane (Joyce Lohr cousin)

Pastor Niveen will be out of the country to Mexico from 4/26/21-4/30/21. Pastor Niveen has been invited by Augsburg Lutheran Seminary in Mexico and the Vice President of the Church Council of the Lutheran Church in Mexico to participate in symposiums.

A letter from Linda Hulstrom, ILC Vice President

Dear ILC Congregation,

We (our church family at ILC) are in desperate need of volunteers for many positions to keep our church council running smoothly. We need to fill positions for President, V.P. Community Dinner Supervisor, GWCS, Youth, & many committees would like to have additional members.

Everyone has busy lives but if we all can help a little, it goes a long way. Please contact Linda Hulstrom 715-297-9067 if you can help with just an hour or 2 per month.

I have loved being a member of this church family but will be leaving the area soon and want to help keep us all working together and be strong, as all churches will be facing struggles in the near future, as politics are trying to take God & religion away from us. Let's stand together for what we know is true, Jesus died for us! We all need to stand together to support our faith and church.

Yours in Christ, May you all enjoy many blessings day by day, Linda Hulstrom

Confirmation Class Camp

On February 16, 2021, the Church Council decided to launch a campaign to raise funds for our confirmation class to attend confirmation camp this summer. We have great news to share! We have raised \$1,100, which means we have met our goal. We have three participants: Grace and Emily Kallio, and Alex Munson. Thank you for your contributions! The church and the participants are very grateful.

ILC Worship In-Person Services:

- April 25, 2021, 9:00 AM masks optional. Service is provided by Lutherans Restoring Creation.
- May 2, 2021, 9:00 AM masks required. 10:30 AM masks optional.

Reverend Kathy Tulman, a Supply Pastor at Grace Lutheran Church in Tomahawk, WI, will preach and cover for Pastor Niveen during her visit to Mexico.

• May 9, 2021, 9:00 AM masks optional -- Mother's Day!

Future dates and options will be published on our website.

Volunteer Needed: Media Assistant. We will gradually be eliminating the videos that we have been producing for upload to YouTube. Our in-service worship services will be live streamed to YouTube from the sanctuary each Sunday. We are looking for someone to volunteer as a media assistant. Jackie will train you on filming the live feed. Please let Pastor Niveen or Jackie know if you are interested and can provide this valuable service for ILC.

Holy Communion is now available at ILC. This table is located by the front office. Each package contains the Body of Christ and a prayer. Pastor Niveen has blessed each one. All the packages were assembled using the highest sanitizing measures.

Olive Oil is Here! Canaan Fair Trade olive oil is available in the church office. The 500 ml bottles are available in the church office for \$25.00. The purchase of this excellent olive oil supports the Palestinian farmers who are part of the cooperative. In addition to using it for your own purposes, it also makes a wonderful gift to give someone!

The following ILC services and ministries will continue to be online, via telephone and Spectrum TV:

- Our Facebook Page: @ILCWausau
- Our YouTube Channel: Search "Immanuel Lutheran Church of Wausau Wisconsin, Inc." on Sunday afternoon. Our Website: http://www.immanuelwausau.org (Click on Video Gallery)
- Spectrum TV Cable Channel 980 at 11AM Sunday, 5:45 PM Tuesday & 9:15 AM Thursday or online: Wausau Area Access Media: waam.viebit.com (Left side, scroll to Immanuel Lutheran.)
- **Dial-a-Sermon is Live. Dial 1-715-200-9495.** Pastor Niveen's weekly sermon is now available on any telephone.

Church office phone number is 715-842-3644. Pastor Niveen's direct line is 510-355-4352.

Our Sister Church is the Lobatla Parish. The address is: c/o Justice Pule, P.O. Box 160, Motswedi 2870, Republic of South Africa.