

NORTH IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

PELICAN RAPIDS, MINNESOTA •

218-863-5447

NOVEMBER 2024



The first Sunday in November is always All Saints Sunday. We are drawing closer to the end of our church calendar year which is also in November (Christ the King Sunday). So, what has a whole year of hearing God's word, learning what the Bible teaches us, growing in faith, hope, and love lead us to? By now we must accept the truth that we are saints. Yes, we are God's chosen ones. Is this something of our own doing? Absolutely not! Sainthood is a free gift from God. Why did God bestow this gift upon us? Faith.

When we believe in our heart and confess with our lips that Jesus Christ is our Lord and Savior God calls us a saint. By the way, the faith that causes us to confess Jesus as Lord is itself a gift from God. God is the sole actor in the drama of our salvation. We are simply recipients.

Is there something we do that we can take credit for? Yes, we are sinners. Our thoughts, words, and deeds still lead us into sin: against God and against our neighbors. Through the gift of forgiveness won for us by Christ Jesus our Lord upon the cross we are saints. This is God's doing and it is marvelous in our eyes.

Each day we are being changed more and more into

the likeness of Christ. We call this process sanctification. We are the body of Christ on earth. We are holy. It's a lot to live up to, isn't it? It's even scary. Am I, we ask, really such a person? We know we are a sinner, but it's hard to believe we are a full fledged saint. But we are.

"Simul justus et peccator" wrote Martin Luther in Latin, which means "at the same time both saint and sinner."

It takes more than a year to grow into this knowledge I think. When you feel troubled, feel depressed, remember your baptism, said Luther. In the waters of baptism God made you his own, made you holy, made you a saint. Each day we sin but God doesn't give up on us. He has poured his Holy Spirit into us and each day this Spirit is working in us the miracle of regeneration, renewal, new birth. So, in November, as the year is drawing to a close, as green gives way to white, as life gives way to death, and the earth enters into a period of rest, we are reminded that this is true for us too. Because we are saints we know that we will rest and then we will be born again into a new life where there will be no more sin. Only love, joy, peace and all the other gifts of the Spirit that God our Father gives us. Brothers and sisters in Christ, become what you already are in Christ Jesus our Lord—saints.

Roger

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MISSION STATEMENT

As members of North Immanuel Lutheran Church and in recognition of the gift of grace we have received through Jesus Christ, our Mission is:

- To develop a personal and spiritual relationship with Jesus Christ, our Lord,
- To provide an environment for the continuing Education and further teachings of all ages,
- To reach out to welcome all to grow with us in faith through worship and serving others in our community and throughout the world.

CEMETERY BOARD OFFICERS

Chairman—Brian Johnson (218) 863-2204
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North Immanuel is Online:

<http://www.facebook.com/NorthImmanuelLutheranChurch>
<http://www.nilchurch.org>

Do you prefer to get your Seed & Feed emailed to you? If so, please email the church (nilchurch@yahoo.com) and state your preference.



To save postage, the deadline for the newsletters each month will be changing. The date will be sometime between the 15th and 20th of each month. Please see each newsletter for the next month's deadline.



Bring your filled shoebox to church on Sunday, November 24, 2024.

For more information, view this website:

<https://www.samaritanspurse.org/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/>

North Immanuel Lutheran Church	
September 30, 2024	
Year to Date Income	\$188,162.72
Year to Date Expenses	\$79,882.55
Net	\$108,280.17
Not included in YTD expenses	
Stained Glass Repair project	\$47,630.00
Money from Savings	\$34,000.00

Congregational Meeting Minutes

September 22, 2024

Meeting called at 9:50 a.m. by Tanner Nelson following the church service. The call committee members consisting of Conni Axness, Dave Dunham, David Aas, Becky Lage, Bryant Briard and Krystle Meyer were approved by voice vote.

Discussion on whether North Immanuel should call a full-time or part time pastor was held. Ballots were distributed and votes were casted. Tanner made a motion to adjourn, Dave Dunham 2nd. Meeting adjourned at 10:26.

The results were 24 votes for part-time, 5 votes full-time.

Submitted by Brenda Haugrud

Christmas Concert

Wednesday, December 4 | 7:00 p.m.

North Immanuel Lutheran Church

Live concert by:

The Granders

The Christmas Concert
will also be livestreamed
on the
North Immanuel
Facebook on December 4

Fellowship Supper from

5:15 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.

Homemade

Soups, Breads &

Christmas Sweets

Everyone Welcome!

Invite your Friends,

Family & Neighbors.

Free-will offering
proceeds for
Shop with a Hero.



North Immanuel Lutheran Church
12713 County Highway 30,
Pelican Rapids, MN

North Immanuel Church Council Minutes

October 9, 2024

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. Present: Pastor Roger Michaelson, Tanner Nelson, Steve Strandlien, Donna Dunham, Bonnie Harry, Brenda Haugrud, Robbie Shulstad, Grant Meyer, Becky Lage, Lois Aas and Shyla Strandlien. Absent: Nolan Dunham and Tom Axness.

Devotions: Pastor Roger encouraged turning to the Bible when we are feeling anxious or stressed; Matthew 11:28 was read.

Lois Aas offered a suggestion about a trip to Williamsburg, KY for the confirmation class and adults who would be interested in seeing the Ark Encounter and the Creation Museum (in Petersburg, KY). The confirmation students are enthusiastic about it, and the council also is interested in making this happen. Lois needs help with planning and fundraising ideas.

Pastor's report: Pastor Roger will check in with the confirmation class at least once a month, perhaps challenging the class to "stump the pastor." Women's Bible Study will be at 9:00 a.m. Wednesdays starting October 16th at church. He asked if there would be interest in an adult Bible study on Sundays, or a men's Bible study. He will be doing the nursing home service October 22. He has been doing visitation with communion. Pastor discussed having a worship committee (1 or 2 council members and a couple congregants including youth) who assists with hymn selection and liturgy style, noting that music helps a church grow.

Secretary's report: Correction on Pastor Bai's address: 48651 Yano Ct. Unit 2
Fort Cavazos, TX 76544

Report placed on file.

Treasurer's report: Shyla presented the budget and a statement of financial position for all funds. Report accepted and placed on file.

Committee reports:

Evangelism Committee: The Granders will perform a Christmas concert on December 4 for the Shop with a Hero program. Conni will take care of the advertising and see if the Granders want to livestream. MaryKay will plan the meal. Bonnie will check to see if we need more Christmas activity bags.

Stewardship: Nothing new to report.

Christian Education: Nothing new to report.

Property and Management: Nothing new to report.

Old Business: No action needed.

New Business: Make sure we are checking messages, as large groups may be calling regarding attending Teen Challenge scheduled October 27. Posters were distributed. MaryKay will be helping with the meal planning, council will serve. The call committee wants the salary and benefits package for a part-time pastor. Tanner provided the information.

Benevolence was discussed and distributed.

Meeting adjourned. Next meeting November 13, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

Submitted by Brenda Haugrud

NORTH IMMANUEL WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday Worship

9:00 a.m.

Coffee Fellowship

10:00 a.m. following worship services

Bible Study

8:30 a.m. Wednesdays at NILC

Contact Pastor Roger for more info.

Holy Communion

First and Third Sunday of each month

Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Sept-May

Serving Opportunities

- Serve Sunday Coffee Fellowship
10:00 a.m. following worship
- Be a Reader Sunday morning
Reading material is available ahead of time
- Offer special music for worship service
Contact Bonnie H, Conni A, or Pastor Isaiah

Roger Michaelson, NILC Interim Pastor

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Come Grow old with me, the Best is Yet to Be

The Following is a list of our members who are either in a Senior Living Facility, Nursing Home, or are homebound in some way.

We understand that at times like this, you may want to call ahead to see if a personal visit is encouraged or welcomed. If not, a phone call, a note or card in the mail goes a long way to warm a heart & brighten a day.

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If you know of someone who should or would like to be on this list please call or email the church office 218-863-5447 nilchurch@yahoo.com

The most important thing you can give the elderly is your TIME. Time is the most precious gift of all, and it doesn't cost a thing.



Birthdays are a good time to reflect on the blessings that you have been given by God. Here are our members who have birthdays in November so we can help each other celebrate.

Tanner Nelson	11/03	Grant Meyer	11/18
Gerald Thompson	11/06	Sherry Klovstad	11/19
Jayne Lynnes	11/06	Logan Knorr	11/21
Johanna Knorr	11/09	Joseph Roste	11/24
Amanda Dunham	11/10	Jared Lynnes	11/25
Heidi Fouquette	11/16	Allyssa Ross	11/26
Kelly Osborne	11/16	Ethan Fearing	11/27
Scott Delp	11/17	Kelly Lindell	11/28
Beverly Mahmood	11/18		

This list is not yet complete. If you have a birthday in November and your name is not here, or if the date we have is incorrect, please call it to Kara so we can update our records. May your birthday be a blessed one!

Pastor Isaiah's CORRECT mailing address is

48651 YANO CT, Unit 2
Fort Cavazos, TX 76544

November 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Greeters: David & Shelly Dunham (3 & 10); Larry & Jane Hovland (17 & 24)</p>	<p>***If you are unable to serve, it is your responsibility to find a replacement.***</p>				<p>1 ALL SAINTS' DAY</p> <p>NEW MOON</p>	<p>2</p>
<p>3 DAYLIGHT-SAVING TIME ENDS 9:00 a.m. WS/HC 10:00 a.m. SS/Conf.</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5 ELECTION DAY</p>	<p>6 8:30 a.m. BS</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9 1ST QTR MOON</p>
<p>10 9:00 a.m. WS 10:00 a.m. SS/Conf.</p>	<p>11 VETERANS DAY</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13 8:30 a.m. BS 6:00 p.m. Church Council meeting</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15 FULL MOON</p>	<p>16</p>
<p>17 9:00 a.m. WS/HC 10:00 a.m. SS/Conf.</p>	<p>18 Deadline for December S& F and Calendar</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20 8:30 a.m. BS</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22 LAST QTR MOON</p>	<p>23</p>
<p>24 CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY 9:00 a.m. WS & Shoebox Collection 10:00 a.m. SS/Conf.</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27 8:30 a.m. BS</p>	<p>28 THANKSGIVING</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>

KEY: PTS=Pastors' Text Study; PDO=Pastor's Day Off; LL=Luther League; POH=Pastor's Office Hours; SS=Sunday School; HC=Holy Communion; WS=Worship Service; Conf.=Confirmation; BS=Bible Study; LS=Lenten Service

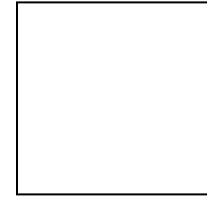


Following Worship service

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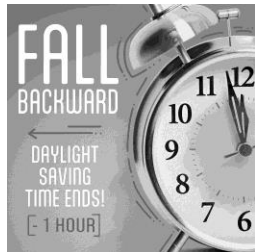
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