

A big 'thank you!' to our weekly worship service volunteers!

**Servers for March 8: Lent Week 3 – Daylight Saving Time Begins!**

**Lector:** 9:00 Latisha Smith  
**Acolyte:** 9:00 Ruby Gissel & Lorna Jensen  
**Communion:** 9:00 Kathy Hemsath, Ed Gipper, Sheri Foster  
**Altar Care:** Heidi Gosse & Paula Fleming  
**Ushers:** 9:00 Daryl & Mary Kay Johnson  
**AV/Tech:** 9:00 Mike Schroeder

**Servers for March 15: Lent Week 4**

**Lector:** 9:00 Linda Kress  
**Acolyte:** 9:00 Logan Mestad & Carson Hennessy  
**Communion:** 9:00 Tom Johnson, Nikki Schroeder, Jen Sweeney  
**Altar Care:** Roger & Shirley Allen  
**Ushers:** 9:00 Bo & Andrew Smith  
**AV/Tech:** 9:00 Mike Schroeder

**Prayers for:** Kathy Olsen, Ron Tonn, Cassidy Thein, David McCollough, Harold & Sandy Schneider, Kay Bisinger, Luann Gates, & Carrie Erickson.

**Military:** SSG Ashley Clark & SFC David Clark (daughter and son-in-law of John & Kathy Tegler), 3071 Mondavi Crest, Schertz, TX 78154.

## **Exciting News for Immanuel!**

We want to officially announce that Pastor Brian Moeller has accepted the call to be our full-time pastor. Pastor Brian and his wife, Andrea, are coming to us from St. Petri Evangelical Lutheran Church in Flanagan, IL. ***His first Wednesday preaching will be March 18 and his first Sunday will be March 22!*** Please be in prayer for Immanuel and Pastor Brian and Andrea as we all navigate this new transition!

## **INSTALLATION ANNOUNCEMENT**

With great anticipation and gratitude to God, Immanuel announces the installation service of our new pastor, The Rev. Brian S. Moeller. ***The installation, conducted by The Rev. Stephen P. Brackett, will take place on Sunday, April 19, 2026, 9:00 a.m. service.*** Come, let us rejoice and pray over Pastor Brian as he leads us forward!

# Youth Schedules

## **SWAG** (5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grade)

- ◆ Wed, Mar 11, 3:30-5 pm, at church
- ◆ Wed, Mar 18, NO SWAG – Spring Break

## **BLAST** (7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade)

- ◆ Wed, Mar 11, 7-8:30 pm, at church
- ◆ Wed, Mar 18, NO BLAST – Spring Break

## **CONFIRMATION** (8<sup>th</sup> Grade & older)

- ◆ Wed, Mar 11, 7-8 pm, class at church
- ◆ Wed, Mar 18, NO CONFIRMATION CLASS – Spring Break

## **FORCE** (High School)

- ◆ Sun, Mar 8, 11 am-1 pm, at church
- ◆ Sun, Mar 15, NO FORCE – Spring Break

## *Want to Support a Camper?*

Although we already have our youth registered for EWALU, we are still collecting funds to provide camperships to each active student who wishes to attend camp. If you can help provide a campership for our youth, please give through the offering plate, office, or online giving. Your donation will be added to your contribution report at the end of the year. Many thanks for your support of our children & youth!

## **Easter Lily Sales**

The Worship & Music Committee will be selling Easter Lilies before and after services **now through March 29**. Lilies can be purchased in honor or in memory of a loved one. They are \$15 each. You may also contact the church office to make your purchase.

## **RAGBRAI 2026**

Independence will host RAGBRAI overnight on **Thursday, July 23, 2026**. Immanuel is planning to provide a meal that evening and **MANY volunteers will be needed**. If you have any questions or are interested in helping with the meal, please contact the church office, Wanda Haverkamp (319-269-9130), or Ed Gipper (563-608-2173) for more info. There are also two signups on the office door if you would like to help or provide pies for the meal!

## ***Lenten Suppers & Worship***

We invite each of you to join us for Lenten Suppers (5:15-6 pm) each Wednesday evening prior to Lenten Worship (6:15 pm)! **There is a sign-up sheet in the kitchen, above the microwave, if your group/family would like to prepare & serve a meal for these suppers. *There is just one more opening on March 11!* *\*Please note, there will be no meal if no one signs up.* There will be a free will offering at each supper & the proceeds will go to a ministry at Immanuel of the server's choice.**

## **Community Lenten Meals**

All are invited to attend Indee's Community Lenten Meals. These meals are sponsored by the Buchanan County Ministerial Association. Meals will be held on Thursdays during Lent at 12:00 pm, **EXCEPT** the meal on March 19, which will be at 6:00 pm. The cost is \$10 per person.

**March 12** – First Presbyterian (12-1pm)

**March 19** – First United Methodist (**6-7pm**)

**March 26** – Hope Wesleyan (12-1pm)

## **THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE NEEDS YOU!!**

The personnel committee is looking for additional committee members. A sign-up sheet is located on the office door. Any assistance is greatly appreciated!

## **Giving Options**

**In Person:** Place cash/check in the offering plate

**Online:** [www.immanuelindee.com/giving](http://www.immanuelindee.com/giving) or scan the QR code

**Vanco Mobile App:** get the free app & search for ILC of Independence

**By Mail:** 512 5<sup>th</sup> Street NE, Independence, IA 50644



## **Stewardship Statement**

Yearly Offering Needed (7/1/25-6/30/26): \$326,790

YTD Needed (7/1/24-3/7/26): \$226,239.12

YTD Received (7/1/24-3/7/26): \$222,699.46

# Week of March 8, 2026

<b>Sun 8:</b>		<b>Daylight Saving Time Begins</b>
	9:00 am	Worship
	10:15 am	Fellowship/Sunday School
	11:00 pm	FORCE
<b>Mon 9:</b>	11:30 am	Shalom Circle at Pizza Ranch
	5:00 pm	ATM
	5:30 pm	Women's Connection
	6:00 pm	Property
	6:30 pm	Youth Board
<b>Tues 10:</b>	9:30 am	Ladies Bible Study
	1:00 pm	Faith Circle
	5:30 pm	Parish Ed
<b>Wed 11:</b>	7:00 am	Coffee & Conversation at Em's (Men)
	9:00 am	Coffee & Conversation at Em's (Women)
	1:00 pm	IWELCA
	3:30 pm	SWAG
	5:15 pm	Lenten Supper
	6:15 pm	Lenten Worship
	7:00 pm	Confirmation
	7:00 pm	BLAST
<b>Thurs 12:</b>	12:00 pm	<i>Community Lenten Meal at First Presbyterian Church, \$10</i>
<b>Fri 13:</b>	9:00 am	Bible Study
<b>Sat 14:</b>		
<b>Sun 15:</b>	9:00 am	Worship
	10:15 am	Fellowship/Sunday School
		NO FORCE
	4:00 pm	Fellowship Hall in Use