

bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 36:5-10

5 Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.

6 Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your judgments are like the great deep; you save humans and animals alike, O LORD.

7 How precious is your steadfast love, O God! All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

8 They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

9 For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.

10 O continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your salvation to the upright of heart!

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

1 Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. 2 You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. 3 Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. 4 Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; 5 and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; 6 and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. 7 To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. 8 To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, 9 to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, 10 to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. 11 All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

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Thanks be to God

[Stand]

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel

The holy gospel according to John

Glory to you, O Lord.

John 2:1-11

1 On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. 2 Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. 3 When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." 4 And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." 5 His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." 6 Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. 7 Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. 8 He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. 9 When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom 10 and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." 11 Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

[Sit]

Sermon

Silence is kept for reflection.

[Stand]

Hymn of the Day “Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness” ELW 488

Nicene Creed

Inside front cover of hymnal

Prayers of Intercession

Each portion of the prayer ends with:

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

The prayers end with:

Good and gracious God, we ask all these things and whatever else you see that we need with a sure and certain hope in your goodness and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Share a sign of peace with fellow worshipers

[Sit]

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering

[Stand]

Offering Song “Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful” ELW 184

Offering Prayer

God of all creation,
all you have made is good, and your love endures forever.
You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine.
Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world

signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

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Thanksgiving and Preface

Holy, Holy, Holy

Distribution Prayer

Lord’s Prayer

Lamb of God

Invitation to Communion

The gifts of God for the people of God.

[Sit]

Communion

“Here Is Bread” sung by the Choir only

ELW 483

“Come and Fill Our Hearts”

ELW 528

“What Feast of Love”

ELW 487

[Stand]

Prayer after Communion

O God, our life, our strength, our food, we give you thanks for sustaining us with the body and blood of your Son. By your Holy Spirit, enliven us to be his body in the world, that more and more we will give you praise and serve your earth and its many peoples, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Post Communion Canticle “Now the Silence” ELW 460

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Blessing

Light and peace are yours through Jesus Christ. Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

Amen.

Almighty God,
 Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit,
 bless you now and forever.
Amen.

Hymn *“We All Are One in Mission”* ELW 576

[Sit]

Announcements

Dismissal

Go in peace. Share the good news.
Thanks be to God.

Ringing of the bell

Serving Us Today...

	St Matthew	Immanuel
Organists	Ann Sommer	Allison Collins
Readers	Stanley Sommer	Brianna Hupe
Ushers	Billy Scheffer Brian Scheffer Stephen Scheffer Mark Niebuhr	Pauline Hodges Kim Hodde Colleen Bentke Corey Bentke
Altar Flowers	Mark, Shannon, Addie and Tanner Schwartz	Bill and Karen Winkelmann
Acolyte / Communion Assistant	Stanley Sommer	Cheyenne Ridings

Volunteers Serving in the Community

Lay Visitors – Immanuel – Delivering bulletins
 Please support these disciples and our shut-ins with your prayers. Nadine Rau and Dot Yawn are serving in January.

Calendar & Upcoming Events...

Today – St Matthew Choir Practice 8:00 am
Worship w/ Holy Communion 8:30 am St Matthew
St Matthew Church Council meeting after service
Sunday School at 9:30 am
Worship w/ Holy Communion 10:30 am Immanuel
Mon - Bible Study 1:00 PM @ Immanuel
Bible Study 6:00 PM @ Clint & Winnie Boriacks
Tues – Newsletter Deadline
Deadline for St Matthew Reports to office
Wed – Immanuel Constitution Planning meeting @ 6:00 pm
Immanuel Church Council meeting @ 7:00 pm
Sun Jan 24 – St Matthew choir practice 8:00 am
Worship 8:30 am St Matthew
Sunday Schools 9:30 am
Worship 10:30 am Immanuel
Immanuel General Meeting after service
Pot Luck meal after meeting
Immanuel WELCA General Meeting 1:00 pm
Coop Confirmation @ 3 pm @St John’s Prairie Hill

Immanuel General Meeting
Sunday, January 24 after service
Pot Luck Meal to follow
 Everyone is encouraged to come.

Immanuel WELCA General Meeting
January 24 1pm

St Matthew Ladies

You are invited to a party on Sunday, February 14, 2010 at St Matthew’s Church from 2:00 pm till 4:00 pm. It will be fun To get together.

Hostess
 Barbara Kramer
 Dorothy Schulte

We look forward to seeing **all** of you.

Congratulations

To Shelley and Brian Scheffer on the birth of their son, Brayden James Quinly on Jan 11. He weighed 4 pounds, 4 ounces and was 17-1/2 inches long. Grandmother is Bonnie Scheffer and great-grandparents are Edward & Carrie Scheffer.

St Matthew Reports Due

Reports for the General Meeting are due to the Office by January 19

Choir Notes St Matthew January 2010

St Matthew choir will practice and sing on Jan. 17, 24 and 31.

Immanuel Volunteer as a Lay Visitor

A sign up sheet is in the Parish House to sign up for this important ministry.

Newsletter Deadline is January 19.

Bible Study

Monday, January 18 – Acts 13:13-25, pg 7-12 - 1:00 pm at Immanuel and at the home of Clint and Winnie Boriack at 6:00 pm.

Tri-Synodical Conference

Pastor Abbot will attend the Tri-Synodical Theological Conference in San Antonio Jan 24-26.

President Andre Golike of the Lutheran Church in the Central African Republic will be in Texas Jan. 26 - Feb. 2. He will speak at St. Peter's at Gay Hill on Feb. 1 at 7 p.m. Jana Ahlers will translate as needed. Come and learn first hand about our work there: the Village Education Program, the new Women's Center, and the Gallo Health Clinic.

ST. MATTHEW WOMEN

- January 28 (note date change)

For the month of January we will do something different: Instead of our regular Bible Study on the second Sunday we will combine our Bible Study with quilting in order to have Pastor Abbott lead the study. We will use Romans 7 & 8, a combination of the Dec. & Jan. Bible Studies in LUTHERAN WOMAN TODAY. Read your January study in preparation. Pastor Abbott will lead us in a discussion of law and gospel.

We will quilt from 9 - 11 and then take a break for a light lunch with our study.

After our study we will decide if we'd like to use a different study February - August on the 2nd Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m.: LESSONS FOR TODAY'S DISCIPLES. Come and enjoy fellowship and growth

URGENT NEED FOR LWR HEALTH KITS

Eight countries are currently on a waiting list to receive health kits. These are sent by LWR to areas where disaster relief is being provided. Bring to church and put in the box in the entryway.

Health Kits

6 band-aids

1 toothbrush

1 hand towel

1 wash cloth

1 comb

1 bar soap (new bath size)

1 nail file or small clipper with file

Pastor Abbott

Call - 251-4992 - Pastor Abbott's cell phone –

E-Mail pastorabbott@earthlink.net – for Pastor Abbott

St Matthew: Call - 836-8894 – the office @ St Matthew

E-mail - smichurch@hotmail.com

Website – stmatthewbrenham.org

Immanuel: Call - 836-6780 – the office @ Immanuel.

E-mail - smichurch@hotmail.com

Members in Nursing Homes or shut in...

Margaret Heideman Lorena Randermann
Louise Bell Loesch Mary Helen Cade Bob Eccleston
Alfred Gaskamp Nelda Gaskamp Martha Clough

Those seeing doctors, continuing treatments and/or recovering from surgery...

Trenton Stewart Barbara Hollis Don Bolenbarr
Raleigh Wellmann Tim Wellmann Mike Hodges
Betty Watson Don Goodwin Bob Eccleston
Carrie Scheffer Mildred Moehlmann

In our extended family...

The full prayer list is in the January newsletter. Those listed below have been added or updated in the last few weeks. If you want someone added or wish to report their improvements, please let Pastor Abbott know, 251-4992

Robert Terrian – son-in-law of Ed & Sylvia Dannhaus
Lauren Davis – friend of many
David Ryan Fuller – friend of Pam Schroeder
Doris Jankowiak – friend of many
Shawn Presnell – Barbara Hollis' daughter
Ray Goehring – Barbara Hollis's brother
Leroy Boenker – cousin of Renee Lambert
Gregory Rybarski – brother of Christie Schroeder
Michael Danford – nephew of Doris and Bob Burk
Levi Luvaas – father of Marlene Randermann
Donald Carter – son of Barbara Hollis
Ruby McLain - Aunt of Barbara Kramer & Dorothy Schulte
Jenny Sebastian – Amanda (Wellmann) Sebastian's sister in law
Katherine Kenjura - Edna Schroeder's niece
Bonnie Benkowski – friend of many
Louese Teer – Aunt of Trochelle Ray
Jocine Hanath – Friend of Stanley Sommer
Wayman Bradley – brother of Don Bradley
Jimbo Hardin – nephew of Pauline Hodges
Frank Dickschat – uncle of Renee Lambert
Butch Kevorkian - Philip Kelling's biological father
Carson Leslie – friend of Bill & Dot Yawn
Bobbie Oberhoff – son of Anita Oberhoff

In Christian Sympathy to the family and friends of...

Esther Bradley – Don Bradley's sister-in-law
Jerry Watson