

# THE WORD OF THE LORD

According to John 15:1-8 (NIV)

## The Vine and the Branches

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful. You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. Remain in me, as I also remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me. "I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. If you do not remain in me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.

## Additional Readings:

Acts 8:26-40 and 1 John 4:7-21

## Order of Service 9am:

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Hymns LSB 633 (vs 1-4,7), 878 (vs 1,2,5,6), 480

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*I AM the True Vine*

Fifth Sunday of Easter

**April 28, 2024**



## UPCOMING NEWS & EVENTS

### Nominating Committee

Church council is seeking 2 members to form a nominating committee. This committee plays a crucial role in the election process. Responsibilities include: presenting a slate of candidates for all elected positions within the church. For more details, please email Klaus Witzke (chairman@immanuel.lutheran.ca)

### Let's 🌮 Taco 'Bout Joyful Servants

Please join us May 26 at 11:15am for a celebratory and complimentary lunch (build your own taco or taco salad) as we express deep gratitude to all the dedicated volunteers who selflessly contribute their time and energy to our church community.

### M&M Youth Fundraiser

Thanks for supporting our youth!

### LEGO Show

Join us for an exciting time on Friday, May 3, noon-7pm! Explore intricate Lego creations, marvel at imaginative designs, and enjoy a day of family-friendly fun. Don't miss this colorful event!

### Pentecost Sunday

Pentecost Sunday worship is on May 19th at a combined time of 10am and our Volunteer Appreciation Sunday is on May 26th with worship at 10am and celebration lunch to follow!

## CHURCH COUNCIL AND ELDER OPENINGS!

The following six positions will be up for election at our Congregational Meeting on June 2: **Chair, Secretary, Two (2) Directors, Two (2) Elders.**

Stay tuned for more info describing each role's responsibilities. In the meantime, please consider who you think may be a good fit for these positions!



### Spaghetti Fundraising Dinner

Mhmmm...spaghetti! 🍝 We're hosting a delicious evening of food and fellowship for all ages on Friday, May 10! All funds raised go to the youth traveling to New Orleans for "Endure", the every 3-year LCMS youth gathering happening next in 2025. Tickets are \$20/person and \$60/family. Menu: Spaghetti (+gluten free option), meat sauce or alfredo, salad, garlic toast, and cheesecake. There will be a short program to follow plus a few auction items to bid on as well! Simply RSVP and then pay at the door! Doors open at 5:30pm and dinner is at 6pm.

### Lutheran Women's Missionary League Spring Rally

Join us on Saturday, May 25 for a special rally hosted at the church for the AB South Zone. All women are warmly invited to participate. The event will feature worship, Bible study led by Pastor Lee, a delicious lunch, and inspiring afternoon sessions. Our purpose is to equip, motivate, and encourage women to deepen their understanding of God's Word, share His Son, and serve His people. Contact: 587-486-9444 or edna.mackenzie19@gmail.com to register!

### Kids Ministries

Save the dates(s)! Vacation Bible School (VBS) is back this summer from July 2-5. Kids ages 4-12 are welcome to participate. We will also be having a Kids Sports Camp from July 15-18! Please save that date as well.

## HAPPENING THIS WEEK

### SUNDAY

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9:00am Worship Service  
11:00am Worship Service/Communion  
11:15am Sunday School

### TUESDAY

3:30pm LEGO Club

### WEDNESDAY

1:00pm Empty Spools

### THURSDAY

1:30pm Bridge  
6:00pm Confirmation

7:30pm Youth Night

### FRIDAY

### SUNDAY

MAY 5

1:00pm LEGO Show!  
9:00am Worship Service/Communion  
11:00am Worship Service  
11:15am Sunday School  
Noon Young Adults Movie

### OFFICE HOURS

Open Monday through Friday, 8:30am-2:30pm

### LITTLE LAMBS

Classes Monday through Thursday, 9am-3:15pm

### PICKLEBALL TIMES

Download TeamReach App (Group Code: KITCH3N)

### Prayer Requests

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|----------------|-----------------------------------|--|---|
| • Emil Dorok   | • Edeltraut Schwarz               | • Richard & Linnea's daughter-in-law Kenda | • Achik Duot                                |
| • Betty Nicol  | • Pastor Phil and Irene Jorgensen | • Adele Oglesby                            | • Lori Friesen's sisters Sherrie and Judith |
| • Peter Wigand | • Carole McDermott                | • Christel Spitzer                         | • Norm and Yvonne Clarke's grandson Henry   |
| • Lucille Duke |                                   | • Don Vincent                              | • Paul Loveridge                            |
|                |                                   | • Lloyd Pedersen                           | • Brad Brown's brother Robert               |
|                |                                   | • Sigrid Heinrich                          |   |
|                |                                   | • Jim Porteous                             |   |
|                |                                   | • Joy Leigh Rude                           |   |
|                |                                   | • Kathy Kogler                             |   |
|                |                                   | • Alison Napper                            |   |