

# The Messenger

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The monthly newsletter of Immanuel Lutheran Church

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<sup>43</sup> Awe came upon everyone because many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles.

<sup>44</sup> All who believed were together and had all things in common; <sup>46</sup> Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts,

<sup>47</sup> praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved. Acts 2:42-44, 46-47

The storms of June have reminded us how much we need each other. Friends, neighbors, and even strangers came together to help each other recover from the devastation. Shelters and cooling stations were opened and free meals and laundry services were offered. When I was growing up, we knew our neighbors and spent summer evenings visiting among ourselves. Friends and families spent weekends together sharing meals and playing cards. But the times have changed. It seems we only come together when a disaster strikes or to attend a funeral or in church each Sunday.

This summer brings us opportunities to once again come together for joyful fellowship with friends, neighbors, and fellow believers. Traditionally, the Fourth of July is a time for all of us to be out and celebrating. Especially this year as we honor our 250<sup>th</sup> birthday. But it is not just a time to celebrate being an American. It is a time to thank God for our many blessings and praise the Lord for his glorious creation.

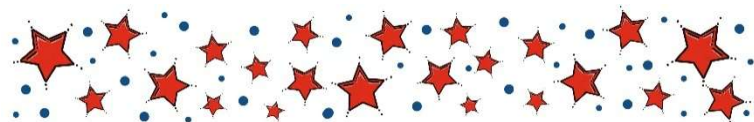
The 12th of July is a day for the three ELCA churches in Salina to come together for fellowship, worship, and a potluck picnic at Jerry Ivey Park. Worship starts at 9:30 so bring your lawn chairs as we break bread together and enjoy homemade ice cream. Our Stewardship Team and Mutual Ministry Committee are also planning a family movie night for another opportunity to come together with fellow believers.

Later in the summer, the women of Emanuel Lutheran Church in Hutchinson have extended an invitation to our women to join them as they host a summer WELCA event on August 1<sup>st</sup>. Although our WELCA is no longer active, the ladies at Hutchinson have emailed us:

We invite all women of your congregation to join us for this time of fellowship, worship, inspiration, and learning. Our speaker, Julie Carlson, will share about her visit to our synod partner church in Papua New Guinea, and we will also enjoy special music from the Grace Notes flute trio.

As Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here." It is good for us to come together, not just in times of disaster or tragedy or once a week on Sunday morning, but day by day. I hope this summer you will take advantage of the many opportunities to enjoy fellowship with fellow believers. Amen.

*Pastor Jaegge*



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*Welcoming All. Growing Together in Faith. Sharing Christ's Love*

## Sunday, July 12 ~ Worship & Picnic

At 9:30 am we will gather with Redeemer & St John for worship and a potluck picnic at Jerry Ivey Park!



## Hot Times, Fun in the City Sunday, August 23 \* 4:00 -7:00 pm



Get your cars ready! Our car show is back for another afternoon of fun and friends!

Volunteers are needed. Please watch for the sign-up sheets.

All proceeds will benefit the Domestic Violence Association of Central Kansas (DVACK) and the Kote District of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Papua New Guinea.

God's work. Our hands.



## God's Work Our Hands Sunday

Two people are needed to serve on a committee to help plan God's Work Our Hands Sunday which is be **September 13, 2026** at Redeemer Lutheran Church. Please let Pastor know if you are interested.

## Church Rummage Sale

The annual Rummage Sale will be **September 26, 2026**. Bring your clean and operable items to the church by September 21, 2026. Furniture goes in the former pre-school room. Other items go to the Sunday school area in the basement.



## Fellowship Opportunity



The Stewardship Team and Mutual Ministry Committee have been exploring ideas for fellowship opportunities. One suggestion is for a family movie night in the Fellowship Hall. Members have suggested a Friday or Saturday evening, or a Saturday or Sunday afternoon. If you be interested in attending such an event, please let the Stewardship Team, Mutual Ministry Committee, or the church office know.

## 2026 Central States Synod Assembly

Dorothy Hanna, Pastor Jacque Thornton, and Deacon Mindy Tillberg participated in the Synod Assembly which was online. They approved the synodical budget, compensation guidelines, resolutions, and constitutional amendments. They also elected members to the synod council. To see a summary of the Assembly visit [immanuelsalina.org/newsletter](http://immanuelsalina.org/newsletter) or pick up a copy at church.



# Thrivent Associate Members

If you are an associate member of Thrivent, a new feature for 2026 is that you also are able to direct \$25 under their Thrivent Choice program to your selected charity. Go to your online account and you will see this option waiting for you. You complete the contribution online.

## Prayer Chain



If you would like to join the Prayer Chain, please email Corlene Lange at [corlene1208s@gmail.com](mailto:corlene1208s@gmail.com). If you do not have access to a computer, please call Corlene at 785-201-2352. A Prayer Chain Covenant will be given to you. It must be signed and returned before you will be added to the prayer chain.

## Odds & Ends

**Summer Office Hours:** Monday-Thursday ~ 8:30 am-12:30 pm; other times by appointment.

**Congregational Council action for April 2026:** Approved motion to distribute 6 unused Bibles to the Share Shed and church members over the next 3 months.

**Congregational Council action for May 2026:** Approved motion to participate in the July 12 Worship & Potluck Picnic at Jerry Ivey Park with Redeemer and St John. Approved motion to participate in God’s Work Our Hands Sunday on September 13 at Redeemer. Approved motion to allow Pastor Jacque to distribute “Pastor Jacque Reads” books to children who attend worship and other church events. Approved motion to sell a chair leftover from a prior rummage sale to a member.

**Do you have an article for the Messenger?** Please send information to [office@immanuelosalina.org](mailto:office@immanuelosalina.org). Deadline for the newsletter is the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month.

	July 5	July 12	July 19	July 26	
<b>Greeter</b>		Worship & Potluck Picnic with Redeemer & St John’s at Jerry Ivey Park			
<b>Usher</b>					
<b>Acolyte</b>					
<b>Cantor</b>					
<b>Asst Minister</b>					
<b>Lector</b>					
<b>Kid’s Sermon</b>					
<b>Communion Asst</b>					
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Carol Ann Sloo			Monica Davis	Carol Ann Sloo
<b>Fellowship Hosts</b>					

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# July 2026

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

			<b>1</b> 6:30 Missions Team	<b>2</b> 5:30 Property Team	<b>3</b> <b>CHURCH OFFICE</b> <b>CLOSED</b> 8:00 Men's coffee	<b>4</b> 
<b>5</b> 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship 11:00 Bible Study	<b>6</b> 5:30 Finance Team	<b>7</b> 1:00 Worship Team  Day of Rock 'n' Roll	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>  Sugar Cookie Day	<b>10</b> 8:00 Men's coffee	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b> 9:30 Worship & Potluck Picnic with Redeemer & St John at Jerry Ivey Park	<b>13</b> 7:00 Council  Beans 'n' Franks Day	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Messenger Deadline 9:15 Stewardship Team	<b>16</b> 9:00 Evangelism Team	<b>17</b> 8:00 Men's coffee  Peace Ice Cream Day	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b> 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship 11:00 Bible Study	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>  Hammock Day	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> 8:00 Men's coffee	<b>25</b>  Hot Fudge Sundae Day
<b>26</b> 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship 11:00 Bible Study  Parents' Day	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>  Waterpark Day	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> 8:00 Men's coffee  Mutt Day	