

Let it Go; Let it Grow

Name _____

Busyness vs. Kindness ~ Mark 5:21-43; Colossians 3:12-14
Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. -Colossians 3:12

A Day in the Life of Jesus

Kindness _____ in _____

Kindness is ...

1. _____

He pleaded earnestly with him, "My little daughter is dying. Please come and put your hands on her so that she will be healed and live." 24 So Jesus went with him. -Mark 5:23-24a

2. _____

He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha koum!" (which means "Little girl, I say to you, get up!"). -Mark 5:41

3. _____

At this they were completely astonished. -Mark 5:42

But many who saw them leaving recognized them and ran on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. -Mark 6:33

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Action ___ Interrupt(ion) ___ Powerful ___ Compassion ___ Blanket ___

Welcome to Worship at Immanuel

Pastor Kevin Muyskens
February 12, 2023

Morning Worship: This week's fruit of the Spirit is kindness. Kindness is compassionate action that seeks to benefit another person. In truth, most of us intend to be kind but so often something gets in the way. Could it be that the opposite of kindness is busyness? This morning we'll look to Jesus as our example of someone who refused to allow busyness to get in the way of showing kindness and compassion.

The worship service will be presented at 9:30 a.m. Sunday at our host site: <http://immanuelsheldon.online.church>. It will be posted for later viewing on the Immanuel Church of Sheldon Iowa YouTube page and on our church website, <http://immanuelsheldon.com/>.

Afternoon Worship: Our annual Community Service of Christian Unity will be held this afternoon at 2:00 p.m. at the Crossroads Pavilion. Rev. Jesse Walhof will be preaching. The service will feature a community choir and pastors from the Sheldon Ministerial Association. There is no evening service at Immanuel.

Announcements

Communion: This morning we will share the Lord's Supper in morning worship. The sacrament is a proclamation of our faith in Jesus so we invite all who have a faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and who have publicly proclaimed that faith to participate. Please note that all elements are gluten free.

GEMS and Gents night is coming up on Wednesday, February 15 at 6:30 p.m. at Immanuel. GEMS are asked to invite a father figure in their life to a lumber Jack & Jill themed party. Supply donations for this event that are due **TODAY**.

Next Sunday Rev. Dave Smit will be preaching for us in the morning and Scott Zeilenga in the evening. Pastor Kevin will be in the office Monday – Thursday before stepping away for some vacation time.

No Sunday School or Catechism next Sunday, February 18.

Prayer and Pastries: Our prayer team has moved their regular meeting time to 8:30 a.m. on the third Sunday of the month with the next meeting on Sunday, February 19. All are welcome. Rumor has it that there will be goodies available. Let's join together in prayer for our congregation, church, community, and country.

Youth Sunday is on Sunday, March 5 at 9:30 a.m. at Immanuel! The Youth will be taking a leadership role during worship in various places such as singing on praise team, tech team, reading during the service, giving announcements, being an usher, and other ways!

Save the Date: CES Action Auction is set for Friday, March 31. Start thinking of "actions" to donate for a great cause! "Actions" can be turned in to the church office, texted to Shonna Wassenaar (348-1263), or emailed to secretary@immanuelcrc.net.

Council Nominations: It's time to begin considering nominations for elder, deacon, and ministry partner. Deacons Dan Jacobsma and Joel Gesink along with Elder Jeff Schemper and Ministry Partner Teresa Hoekstra will be concluding their terms in June. Nominations may be submitted to the council on the form in your mailbox and returned to Mark Vander Pol or the church office. Please note we will attempt to fill the positions with qualified people from the appropriate household if possible.

From the Council:

- At their request the membership of Keith and Marcia Vaandrager was transferred to First Reformed Church of Sheldon. May the Lord bless them with a place to belong, to grow, and to serve.
- The survey results regarding the possibility of adding meeting space for middle sized groups were mixed. After discussion the council decided to table this question for a year.
- If you would like someone to park your car before morning worship and retrieve it after, please speak to one of the elders, and we will try to set that up for the remainder of the winter.

Thank you to all who helped with and came to the Valentine's Dinner to support our Youth Group and Youth Service trip!

Love INC invites you to their 20th annual banquet featuring author and professional speaker, V.J. Smith on Friday, March 17 at 6:00 p.m. Please RSVP by calling (712)324-9707.

Prayer Praises & Concerns

Steve Van Den Berg continues with his chemo treatments. Praise the Lord he continues to feel well after treatment again this week. His white blood cell count was low, so he will be more restricted in his interactions with people to avoid illness. Pray that this count will recover and that treatments can continue on schedule.

Pray for Turkiye (Turkey) and Syria: In the wake of a magnitude 7.8 earthquake families and entire communities are in urgent need of life-saving essentials and protection. Please pray for already-vulnerable communities in the region facing yet another major crisis. Thank you for sharing Christ's love—and responding when and where the need is greatest. Pray also for the ministry of World Renew as their on-the-ground partners are working to assess damage and needs, and to prepare a response. Bitterly cold temperatures are a real concern as people are exposed to the elements, including rain and snow. World Renew will respond with emergency supplies within the coming days and weeks.