

THE AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH  
ROCKY MOUNTAIN DISTRICT

Congregational Historical Record

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NAME OF CONGREGATION Immanuel Lutheran Church  
STREET ADDRESS Box 116  
CITY Westby STATE Montana ZIP CODE 59275  
PHONE (406) 335-2341 (Parsonage-406-335-2344)

LOCATION (DIRECTIONS BY WHICH TO COME TO THE CHURCH):

Immanuel Lutheran Church is located just south of Highway 5  
on the west side of the town of Westby, Montana

DATE OF ORGANIZATION 2-1-63 /CHURCH BODY IN WHICH ORGANIZED ALC

PASTORS WHO HAVE SERVED THIS CONGREGATION (NAMES AND YEARS):

Richard D. Forde, 1963  
Joel A. Nelson, 3-16-64 to 6-1-63  
Milan C. Ingman, 9-16-63 to 7-1-73  
John Knapp, 7-22-73 to 9-15-76  
Mark S. Will, 10-26-76 to 7-13-82  
Mark E. Hall, 9-15-82 to present.

BRIEF HISTORY OF THE CONGREGATION:

(Limit size to space below. If your congregation has a historical booklet it would be helpful if you would also include a copy for the district archives.)

Immanuel Lutheran Church began when First Lutheran, Daneville, Oslo, and Scandia congregations merged in 1963. Our Savior's congregation joined the above in 1963.

In 1963 members of the congregation decided that the church needed a new building. The groundbreaking service was held on 7-1-69 with members of the church council and the donors of the property, Rose and Herman Nereson turning shovels of earth.

Members of Immanuel Lutheran church worshiped in their new building for the first time on 3.16.70. A special service followed by a fellowship dinner served by the ALCW marked this festive day.

On 7-29-79 a special mortgage-burning ceremony was held to mark removal of indebtedness for the building.

A new parsonage was built on land donated by Edmer and Helen Westgaard in 1931-32.

The Immanuel Congregation is an active one with many young couples and small children. Programs include Sunday School, Luther League, SEARCH Bible Study, missionary sponsorship, ALCW.

Please attach a photo or ink drawing of the church approximately 3" x 4" in size.

This material submitted by: Carol J. Grover (Mrs. John R. Grover)

ALC - NPD CONGREGATIONAL HISTORICAL RECORD

Conference ROCKY MOUNTAIN DISTRICT

Conference Number 55-

City Westby, State MT Zip 59275

Congregation Immanuel Lutheran Church

Street Address Box 116

Mailing Address, if different \_\_\_\_\_

Phone, Church: 406 / 385-2341

Phone, Parsonage: 406 / 385-2344

Organized 1963 - 2/1 in ALC Synod  
Year Mo./Day

Pastors who have served:

	<u>From</u>	-	<u>To</u>
Richard D. Forde	1963	-	1963
Joel A. Nelson	1964	-	1968
Milan C. Ingman	1968	-	1973
John Knapp	1973	-	1976
Mark S. Will	1976	-	1982
Mark E. Hall	1982	-	
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Any mergers that occurred:

With \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Congregation's former name(s), if any \_\_\_\_\_ Dates \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Former church locations, if any:

\_\_\_\_\_ Dates \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

November 25, 1985

Carol J. Grover  
Immanuel Lutheran Church  
Box 116  
Westby, MT 59275

Dear Friend:

Thank you very much for the information you sent and which we received here in the District Archives November 14.

We are most appreciative of the historical account you submitted, as well as the enclosed ink drawing.

Capsule histories of some 700 Lutheran congregations in the Pacific Northwest will be included in a book to be completed prior to the merger of the ALC, LCA and AELC.

Thank you once more.

Sincerely,

Heidi Emerson, Archives  
Assistant to Milton Nesvig