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# The Newsletter

of Immanuel Lutheran Church Lakefield, Minnesota

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# March



# Immanuel's Statement of Mission

"We Love Because He First Loved Us" - I John 4:19

Acknowledging with gratitude all that God has done for us in Christ Jesus, we the members of Immanuel Lutheran Church and School dedicate ourselves to educating, equipping (2 Timothy 3:17) and building one another up in love as part of the body of Christ (Ephesians 4:16) and to the furthering of His kingdom in and around the city of Lakefield and throughout the world. (Acts 1:8)

JOINT BOARDS AND CHURCH COUNCIL will meet on Wednesday, March 25th at 8:00 p.m. All Board Members are asked and encouraged to attend. Communication between our Boards is a vital key in helping our congregation grow. Joint Boards meets in the church basement. Meeting prior to Joint Boards will be:

- Board of Congregational Services:
   Monday, March 9th at 6:00 p.m.
- Board of Elders
   Monday, March 23rd at 6:00 p.m.
- Board of Finance Monday, March 23rd at 5:15 p.m.
- Board of Ed
- Wednesday, March 25th at 6:30 p.m.

   Board of Trustees
- Board of Trustees
  Wednesday, March 25th at 6:30 p.m.

#### **OFFICIAL ACTS FOR FEBRUARY 2020**

Membership: Baptized: 565 Communicants: 421 ENTERING IMMANUEL...

By Baptism -

Lita Henkelman, daughter of Tyler and Taylor Russell Burmeister, son of Landon and Katie

By Adult Confirmation -

Caitlin Schleicher

Christopher Friesen

LEAVING IMMANUEL...

By Transfer -

Steve Wulf to Living Word Lutheran, New London, MN

Release to Self -

Mason Ferguson

**EASTER FLOWERS:** We will be decorating the sanctuary with Easter Lilies and Blooming Plants on Easer Sunday. If you would like to purchase a flower to help decorate please fill out the form that is found elsewhere in the newsletter or call the church office. Orders need to be in by March 19th.

**NEW PORTALS OF PRAYER** for April through June are available on the welcome center in the narthex in both regular and large print. Please help yourself to a copy.

**LENTEN SERVICES** will be shown on the Lakefield cable channel on Sunday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

**BIBLE CLASSES** are shown on Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. on the Lakefield cable channel.

**SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES** are shown on Sundays at 12:30 p.m. on the Lakefield cable channel.

**PHONE NUMBER/ADDRESS/EMAIL UPDATES:** Has your number, address, or email changed in the last year? Please let us know here at the church. You can call Amy at 507-662-5718 with updates or send her an email to immanuel@immanuellakefield.com

# Lent and Easter Worship Services

# Lenten Worship Services

Wednesdays March 4 - April 1 1:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

# Maundy Thursday Service

Thursday, April 9 7:00 p.m.

# Good Friday Services

Friday, April 10 3:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Caster Services

Sunday, April 12 6:30 a.m. & 9:00 a.m.

IMMANUEL LWML will meet on Wednesday, March 11th at 5:30 p.m. to enjoy the Lenten Supper served that evening. At 6:00 p.m. they will be going to Doman Rose for a Favorite Hymn Sing. All ladies of the congregation are welcome to join them. Serving on Altar Guild for March are Sheila Freking, Berniece Pauling, and LaNell Rossow.

# IMMANUEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR OPENS MARCH 1ST

We appreciate your interest in Immanuel Lutheran School, an educational environment that promotes excellence and growth in the Lutheran Christian Faith where each child can strive to reach his or her potential. We believe that the parent is the child's first teacher. It is only through parents and teachers working together and showing mutual respect that we hope to achieve what is best for each child at Immanuel Lutheran School.



# Pastor's Letter

TO: The Saints of God at Immanuel Lutheran Church From: Your Shepherd – Pastor Phil Beukema

# **COME AND SEE**

January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018 was the start of a whole new understanding for Brandi and me as we woke up in Jerusalem. We felt the anticipation of walking in places our Lord and Savior walked and seeing the land God promised his children Israel. Understandably, many of our friends questioned our safety before the trip, but we have gone and come home to say, "come and see." The people were extremely friendly, the food was out of this world, and the areas we traveled were very safe. The only time we felt uncomfortable was when I took Brandi and another couple for an adventurous walk through the old city of Jerusalem at night apart from our group. As it turns out, we began walking through the



Muslim quarter with very little light and even less sense of direction. As you can tell from my return, nothing happened, and we learned a wonderful lesson...do not get separated from your guide.

When I say, "come and see," it is remarkable to see the faces of all the people who traveled with the past two years. We joined a group of 30+ from St. Louis and another 80 from Mankato, Minnesota, our first trip and our second trip, we led a group of 25 from Wisconsin. Like us, most of them had never traveled to the Holy Land and were looking forward to visiting the sights we often read about in Holy Scripture. But, until you stand in the Garden, gaze upon Mount Zion, touch the Jordan River at its headwaters, and sail on the Sea of Galilee, you cannot imagine what an experience like this will do in your future readings of the Bible.

Without laying out each day, some of the other highlights along our journey were spent with our first morning standing in the Garden of Gethsemane, gazing upon Mount Zion, walking through the Elah Valley, and standing in the Jordan River.

Another blessing was arriving in Bethlehem on a glorious Sunday morning and holding a worship service atop Shepherd's Field. The picture to the right shows Brandi holding a lamb after the service as we look out over the valley below Bethlehem. Brandi would tell you; this was one of her favorite sites.

I would agree with her, but mine came while in the region of Galilee. We started our sixth day in Caesarea Phillipi at the gates of Hades, surrounded by niches, false idols, and at the headwaters of the Jordan River. The water was teaming with life, and we couldn't help but think of our own Holy Baptisms. We begin our lives by the gates of Hades at enmity with God, and through His work in

Holy Baptism, in water teeming with life, we are adopted into His family. This day concluded with a boat ride and, I was blessed to preach on the Sea of Galilee. As you can imagine, I was excited and eager to share the Gospel with 120 brothers and sisters in Christ from our group. About an hour before sundown, we gathered on two fishing boats joined together a mile offshore as we looked at the city of Magdala and the Valley of the Gospels. The evening was warm, the sun was spectacular coming down the horizon, and the Word of God was about to be proclaimed for all to hear. Our reading was from Luke 8:22-25. Along with the calming of the storm, I reflected back on our morning at the gates of

Pastor's letter continued...

Hades and how the Living Water was our calming at Holy Baptism. As Peter made the great confession in Caesarea Phillipi, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.", we too made the very same confession. What a time to "Come and See" the pages of Holy Scripture open in color and majesty!





Stay tuned for more information, for Brandi and I plan to lead a group early in 2021. If you are interested in hearing more, we'll be giving a presentation after church on March 15<sup>th</sup> during our Bible Study.

Blessings in Jesus Christ, Pastor Phil Beukema

**SPECIAL VOTERS MEETING** to approve a proposed LCMS Constitutional Amendment is on Sunday, March 8th right after the 8:30 a.m. church service.

**LENTEN DEVOTIONAL BOOKS** are available on the welcome center in the narthex in both regular and large print. They are titled "Deliver Us: Jesus Sets Us Free" and are published by Lutheran Hour Ministries. Please help yourself to a copy.

**UPDATE ON OUR MIDWEEK BIBLE CLASS:** During the season of Lent, there will be a change to our evening Midweek Bible Class. It will switch to Tuesday evenings at 5:30 p.m. The morning Midweek Bible Class will stay on Wednesdays. They are going over the book of Genesis and will be discussing the same readings at both Bible Classes. All are welcome to join us at either of these times!

**KEVIN AND HEIDI CHENG**, a talented musical duo will be giving a piano and violin concert at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 18th at Immanuel Lutheran Church. The concert will include sacred, classical, and bluegrass music. Following the concert, the Chengs will serve as accompanists during the 1:00 p.m. worship service. A freewill donation will be received to support the Chengs' music ministry. The Chengs will also be playing at 3:00 p.m. at Valley View should you wish to attend.

GIVING STATEMENTS for 2019 are ready. Please write your name on the sign-up sheet on the window in the narthex if you would like one or give Amy in the church office a call at 507-662-5718. Statements can then be picked up from the welcome center in the narthex.

**COMMUNITY COFFEE** at the Colonial Manor is Thursday, March 12, at 2:30 p.m. Special music by Denny Nelson. Hope to see you there!

MUSIC AT THE MANOR is Saturday, March 28, at 2:15 p.m. Special music by Deb Rentschler. Come join us!

**IMMANUEL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUPS:** Parents, don't forget there will be a youth group meeting on Sunday, March 1st after church for both parents and students in grades 6-12. We are excited to start our youth group back up and look forward to seeing everyone there!

Stewardship Moment....

John 3:16 – "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life." This is perhaps the most well-known and well-beloved verse in the New Testament – and for good reason. This simple Gospel message is the foundation for our whole life, including our new life in Christ. This new life is characterized by thankfulness and devotion to our Father, who has provided for us so lavishly in Christ.

# **LWML Happenings**

# **Lutheran Women In Mission**

Due to the weather, the LWML meeting for February had to be canceled for February but we invite you to join us on March 11th for our regular March meeting. We're doing a little more of a Christian fellowship get together for the month of March and we hope you can join us. We will join together at the Lenten supper in the church basement at 5:30 pm. We know it will be great meal because the Elders are serving Walking Tacos. After our meal, we are venturing up to Doman Rose to share with them our favorite hymns. We're anxious to share with them as much as they are anxious to see and hear us. This is not for LWML members only, please consider joining us. We guarantee, you'll help put a smile on their face and a hymn in their heart! Our plans are to go to Doman Rose at 6 pm and share the hymns until 6:30 pm, giving us time to return to church in time for the 7 pm Lenten Service.

Okoboji March 20-21 for youth in 7th-12th grade.
Pastor Donovan Riley will speak on the topic "Fully Sinner/Fully Saint". The mission of Higher Things is to help, parents, pastors, and congregations promote a Lutheran identity among youth. Check in is at 8:00 p.m. Friday, March 20th. Pick up is Saturday, March 21st at 2:30 p.m. Cost is \$60. RSVP online at www.higherthings.org/retreats by March 13th

**OFFERING ENVELOPES:** With our offering envelopes not being date specific, please continue to use them until they are gone. When you are getting low ask Amy in the church office or an elder for a new box and they will get one for you. Remember, your number will never change and we do have an extra box with your number on it.

## **JOIN US FOR LENTEN SUPPERS**

Our boards at Immanuel plus our LWML will each be hosting a Lenten supper this year. We hope you are able to join us. All suppers will be served from 5:30-6:30 p.m. in the church basement. A freewill donation will be taken at each supper. Here's the groups hosting and what will be served:

- March 4: Board of Trustees serving Pulled Pork
- March 11: Board of Elders serving Taco Bar
- March 18: Board of Congregational Services serving Potato Bar
- March 25: Board of Education serving Chili
- April 1: Board of Finance serving Cheesy Turkey

SOUP AND SANDWICH LUNCH will be held at Martin Luther High School, Northrop on Sunday, March 15 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost is a free will donation which will go to the student tuition aid fund. Menu includes: Home-style Chicken Noodle; Baked Potato Chowder w/Bacon; and Beer Cheese Soups; Ham and Egg Salad Sandwiches; Assorted Cupcakes; and Greg's Heavenly Homemade Ice Cream; and beverages.

**JOIN THE QUILTERS** on Monday afternoons at 1:00 p.m.



On **Friday, April 3rd** from 3:00-7:00 p.m. a Spring Clean-Up of the church

will be held.

We will be cleaning the Chancel area, pews, floors, walls, working sacristy, and Narthex

We need your help — all you need to bring is a bucket and some cloths for cleaning.

Cleaning supplies will be provided.

Stewardship Moment....

Matt. 4:7 – Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.' "Jesus defeats Satan in our place – not by using His power as God but by His perfect obedience in His perfect humanity. Jesus defeats Satan – not by miracles but by quoting the Scriptures and living according to it. This should cause us great joy for two reasons. First, because we see Jesus win the victory for us. Second, because here Jesus shows us how to stand in that victory – on the Word of God alone.

# YOUTH CHESS TOURNAMENT

Saturday, March 28

Immanuel Lutheran Lakefield Activity Center

Grades: Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup>

Check in: 8:30-8:45 a.m. Round 1 begins: 9:00 a.m.

Cost: \$15

Pre-register:

online at immanuellakefield.com/school click on chess tournament call 507-662-5860 (ask for Amy) Players who do not pre-register will need to register between 8:15-8:30 that morning.

Lunch available:
All players will
receive a slice of
pizza and a
beverage.
Additional pizza
will be sold in
our concession
stand for parents
and players.



SPRING RUMMAGE AND BAKE SALE will be held at Martin Luther High School on Thursday, April 2, 4 to 8 p.m.; Friday, April 3, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; and Saturday, April 4, 8 a.m. to noon.

#### PASTOR FRED HINZ TO SPEAK ON LIFE ISSUES AT

TRINITY SIOUX VALLEY: "As baptized Christians, we are called to love our neighbor. That calling certainly includes doing whatever we can to help protect and defend his/her physical life. These days our neighbor's life is threatened in many ways, including both abortion and doctor-assisted suicide. On Sunday March 8, Rev. Fredric Hinz of the Minnesota South District staff will be at Trinity Lutheran Church in Sioux Valley, Minnesota to give an overview of these and other life issues and to inform us about concrete steps we can take to better love our neighbor and guard her life. We hope you will join us for this informative presentation." This is our Life Sunday Service and our church service begins at 10:00 A.M. and there will be a lunch following.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR NAME ON THE PRAYER LIST, PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AT 507-662-5718.

We would rather hear it two or three times than not at all.

Also because of privacy issues we need your personal permission to do so.

#### TREASURERS REPORT FOR FEBRUARY

Current Fund needed for February......\$43,840

Received in February.....\$31,254

Current Fund needed each week .....\$12,000

If you have any questions, please contact Jesse Ackermann

**VBS:** It's time to start thinking about VBS this summer. If you are interested in helping to plan our VBS, please let Amy in the office know. You can call her at 507-662-5718.

CAMP MINNEBOJI will take place this summer from June 21-27 at Camp Okoboji. This year's theme is "Washed". Camp Minneboji is for students who have completed grades 4-9. Cost is \$390 (\$410 after May 1). We had 2 youth from our church go last year. They had a wonderful time. If anyone has any questions they may contact Amy Altman at 507-329-7464 or Leann Henning at 507-220-4441. Our LWML helps campers financially by covering a portion of the cost of camp. Our Sunday School Offerings also help with part of the cost of camp.

CAMP INVENTION will be held here at Immanuel Lutheran School June 15-18 from 8:00-4:00. This year's STEM program is "Elevate!" and the students will play hybrid hover ball games, design the ultimate sports complex, compete in zip line races, and build parachutes to airdrop animals. Each student will bring home their own customizable LINK robot. Camp Invention is for students entering grades 1-6. Cost is \$235 and includes lunch every day. Register online at invent.org/camp. Here are a couple discount codes:

- Early Bird Discount save \$25 with code: ELEVATE25 by March 31st
- \$25 Sibling Discount with code: SIBLING

# **OH! WHAT A KNIGHT! DINNER AUCTION**

will be held at Martin Luther High School on Saturday, April 18th. The committee is seeking donations of new items, crafts, services and unique items. Notification of donations are appreciated before March 1st so that pre-event advertising can be done. Please contact MLHS by calling 507-436-5249.

# $oldsymbol{I}$ mmanuel Lutheran School Highlights

"We love because He first loved us." -1 John 4:19

- **SKI TRIP TO MOUNT KATO** for students in grades 5-8 is Tuesday, March 3rd.
- PTL (PARENT-TEACHER LEAGUE) meets on Thursday, March 5th at 6:00 p.m.
- MLHS (MARTIN LUTHER HIGH SCHOOL) DRAMA TEAM will perform "You Might Be a Pharisee If..." on Friday, March 6th at 9:00 a.m.
- ALL SCHOOL CHOIR sings at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, rural Lakefield, on Sunday, March 8th at their 10:00 a.m. worship service.
- **PRAIRIE ECOLOGY BUS** is on Wednesday, March 11th from 2:15-3:45 p.m. in Mrs. Ackermann's classroom for students in grades 3-6.
- PARENT DRIVE DAY FRIDAY, MARCH 13TH NO JCC BUS
- **FINE ARTS FESTIVAL** is Saturday, March 14th at Martin Luther High School, Northrop.
- **HAMPSTEAD STAGE** will perform for the students on Monday, March 16th at 9:30 a.m.
- **LAST DAY OF THE 3RD QUARTER** is Friday, March 20th.
- **ILS CHESS TOURNAMENT** is Saturday, March 28th for students in Kindergarten through 8th grade.

#### Immanuel Lutheran School Admissions Guidelines:

- *Preschool Child must be 3 years old by September 1 and potty trained*
- PreK Child must be 4 years old by September 1 and potty trained
- Kindergarten Child must be 5 years old by September 1
- *Grades 1-8 Screening and/or interview is required prior to acceptance.* Applications are processed and considered in order to determine if *Immanuel Lutheran School can meet the needs of the applicant.* Enrollment decisions will be communicated through a telephone call or in writing.
- Expectations for Immanuel School Families
  - Families are expected to attend all Parent-Teacher conferences and mandatory meetings
  - Families are expected to follow all policies and procedures as determined by Immanuel.
  - Families are expected to participate in PTL activities including fundraising.
- Hot Lunch Program Federal Hot Lunch Program, free and reduced lunch available if you qualify.
- Curricula Religion, Math, English, Reading, Spelling, History, Penmanship, Geography, Science, Computer Education, Music, Art, and Physical Education.
- Sports Cross Country, Volleyball, Soccer, Basketball, and Softball
- Extra-Curricular Chess Club, Regional Spelling Bee, Regional Fine Arts Festival, Prairie Ecology Bus, Yearbook
- School Day 8:15-3:00 (Subject to change) Preschool: 8:30-11:30
- School Accreditation NLSA (National Lutheran School Accreditation) Registration for the 2020-2021 school year will open on March 1st. Admissions: https://mytads.com/a/immanuellakefield

# Educate ~ Equip ~ Encourage Immanuel Lutheran School ~ est. 1899 2019-2020 School Year Theme:

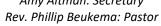
"Joy:Fully Lutheran" ~ 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

Immanuel Lutheran School A Great Place to Grow

> Principal: Jason Roslansky

Teachers: Stacie Soleta: Preschool Sarah Mattila: PreK Jani Sage: Kindergarten LaDonna Peterson: Gr. 1-2 Kelly Ackermann: Gr. 3-4 Gretchen Benda: Gr. 5-6 Jason Roslansky: Gr. 7-8

Support Staff: Raeleen Grein: Computer, AR Sheila Freking: Preschool Aide Mary Lillegaard: Teacher Aide Holly Schmit: Hot Lunch Amy Altman: Secretary





KIRBY'S GALA will be held at the Hi-Lo Club on Saturday, March 14th from 5:30-10:00 p.m. with delicious food, entertainment, and cocktails. This event is hosted by the Lakefield Police Department and Kirby's Closet. Tickets are \$50 and may be purchased from Brian Rossow, Hilary Rossow, or any member of the Lakefield Police Department. Ticket includes meal and trivia contest entry. Silent auction and raffle itmes will also be available with all proceeds going to Kirby's Closet to purchase winter coats, back-to-school supplies, toys, and books to distribute to low-income families in and around Jackson County.

#### THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS

It's that time again for those with an account through Thrivent to direct their Thrivent Choice Dollars. Your Thrivent Choice Dollars can be given to Immanuel Lutheran Church or Immanuel Lutheran School. This can be done online at Thrivent.com/thriventchoice or by calling 800-847-4836 and when prompted saying "Thrivent Choice". Any questions on Thrivent can be directed to Curt Baumgard at the Lakefield Thrivent Financial Office at 507-662-5455.

# Lutheran Hour Ministries

The Lutheran Hour may be listened to on Sunday –
KICD – 1240 AM, Spencer, IA at 10:30 AM
WCCO – 830 AM, Minneapolis, MN at 6 AM
KSUM -- 1370 AM, Fairmont, MN at 11 AM
KJLY – 104.5, Blue Earth at 6 PM
KDOM, 94.3 FM at 10 AM
KDCR, 88.5 FM at 1 PM

#### March 1

"Singled-Out but Not Alone"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Ziegler

Something needs to be done and it falls to you to do it. You might feel alone-but you're not alone.

(Exodus 3-4)

March 8

"Upon Further Review"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Ziegler

God's forgiving love for us in Christ cancels the continuous playback of our regrets.

(Exodus 5)

March 15 "TBD"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Ziegler

(Exodus 6-7)
March 22

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Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Ziegler

(Exodus 8-9)

March 29 "Reckless, Raging Fury"

Guest Speaker: Rev. Ryan Tinetti

(Exodus 10)



3/8/69 Dwayne and Judy Milbrath 3/23/19 Ken and Pat Pohlman 3/29/67 Gary and Ruth Wilson

## **SECRET ANGEL**

For 121 years God has blessed Immanuel Lutheran Church and School with a ministry that has provided a Lutheran education to the children of Immanuel Lutheran Church and beyond. The cost of a Christian education has steadily increased over the years. If you would like to help a specific child or contribute to the "Raise the Roof" Fund which provides tuition assistance, please contact Amy in the church office, Principal Jason Roslansky, or a School Board member.

#### **LAKEFIELD LIBRARY EVENTS**

- After School Programs
  - ~ March 12th at 3:45: 3D Rainbow Craft for Kindergarten-4th grade
  - ~ March 25th at 2:30: Robots for Tweens (grades 5-7)
  - ~ March 25th at 4:00: Robots for Teens (grades 8-12)
- Winter Reading Program kicked off on January 1st and goes through March 31st. It's for adults and teens in 8th grade and up. Stop in at the library to register. Each book you read is an entry into a drawing with winners drawn each week for a prize! Books, eBooks, and audio books all count!
- Children's Story Hour is on Thursdays at 10:00 a.m.
- Adult Movie Day is on the 3rd Friday of the month at 1:00 p.m.
- Book Discussion Group meets on the 1st Wednesday of the month at 3:00 p.m.
  - ~ March 4th: "God's Grace Was Sufficient"
  - ~ April 1st: "The Lost Girls of Paris"



- 2 ~ Whitney Carroll Sherilyn Milbrath Michael Schulz
- 3 ~ Linkon Phillips Louise Rients
- 4 ~ Marlene Hendricksen
- 5 ~ Steve Hall Jada Milbrath Jeremy Rossow
- 6 ~ Viola Voehl
- 7 ~ Tammy Rossow Shane Phillips Darlene Stender Ruth Voss
- 9 ~ Kason Farmer Delores Janssen Lori Rossow Lori Kruger Keyton Kraus
- 11 ~ Emily Rossow
- 12 ~ Gianna Froderman Brenna Moser
- 13 ~ Linda Dempster Cheryl Grein
- 16 ~ Ruby Ackermann Kenny Pederson Dellynne Monson
- 17 ~ Emerson Hendrickson
- 18 ~ Allan Stevens Millie Bieber Delores Martens Emma Bergeron
- 19 ~ Tyler Bale Dana Schmid
- 20 ~ Ardith Westergard
- 21 ~ Kody Burmeister Tyler Henkelman Nathen Monson Jean Oelke Jordan Scholten
- 22 ~ Armond Dorschner Christina Henning Travis D. Rossow
- 23 ~ Ami Swanson
- 24 ~ Taylor Henkelman
- 29 ~ Tara Boogerd
- 30 ~ Dennis Baumann Regan Farmer Kaylee Froderman Adele Hage
- 31 ~ Jean Hendrickson Jeffrey Luebben Eleanor Sydnes

#### **FEBRUARY LAKEFIELD MEAL SITE ACTIVITIES**

- Monday, March 2nd: Lakefield's Favorite Meal Day
- Tuesday, March 3rd: Foot Care Clinic
- Tuesday, March 3rd: Half Price Day and Bingo
- Monday, March 9th: Signature Meal Day (BBQ Pork Riblets/Bun, Tater Tots, Country Blend Vegetables, Ice Cream)
- Tuesday, March 10th: Pinochle
- Tuesday, March 17th: St. Patrick's Day
- Wednesday, March 18th: 500 Cards
- Thursday, March 19th: Lakefield Birthday Party
- Wednesday, March 25th: Pinochle
- Tuesday, March 31st: Half Price Day and Bingo Call 507-662-6714 for reservation to eat and/or play Like us on Facebook to learn activities and menus. SAIL Exercise classes begin Fri. Jan. 28... Attend all the classes that work for you... Mondays & Fridays 1-2PM. Continuing exercise classes... Everyone welcome!!!

a Trivia Knight Battle of the Brains on Saturday, March 21 at Martin Luther High School, Northrop. The "meeting of the minds" begins at 6:30 p.m. Teams of 8 people (ages 13+) should sign up before March 16 at www.martinlutherhs.com/trivia-knight.html. Registration is \$80/team. Prizes will be given out. Questions: Call 507-436-5249. Proceeds will go the 2021 Europe Educational Tour.

IMMANUEL BOOKSTORE NEWS: Confirmation will be here before you know it and if you wish to order Bibles, Hymnals, Prayer Books, etc. for a confirmand now is the time to do it. If you wish to get your gift imprinted, that will take extra time. Confirmation, Easter, and Graduation cards are available along with birthday, get well, wedding, anniversary, baby, baptism, thank-you, and sympathy cards. Stop by the bookstore and check out the selection. All cards are 50 cents. Once you have selected your card, you can either pay Amy in the office or leave it in the empty box by the cards.

Now available at the Bookstore:

- Easter Cards
- Confirmation Cards
- Graduation Cards

CARING FOR ONE ANOTHER... A serious illness or death in your family; a personal crisis; a time of major decision making; a time of great joy; all of these times when pastoral care is vitally important. If you or a family member or a friend is experiencing any of these, please contact the church office.

We, here at Immanuel, welcome the opportunity to provide spiritual care and guidance in difficult times, as well as to rejoice with you in times of joy.

#### FOR LIABILITY REASONS

and safety issues we need to know who is in the church and when, especially as we host benefits and other events. All building use needs to be scheduled with Amy in the church office. Many groups and individuals for whom we are very thankful use our building, but we do need to remember to schedule rooms. Please call the church office to schedule an event or meeting. Thank you for your consideration.

# AFTERNOON COFFEE BREAK PROGRAMS AT THE LAKEFIELD LIBRARY

All programs are Wednesdays at 2:00 p.m.

- March 25th: Round Lake Vineyards and Winery staff member from the winery
- April 1st: "Escape the Vape: presented by Luke **Ewald**
- April 8th: "Food Fear Marketing" presented by Wanda Patsche
- April 15th: "Human Trafficking in MN" presented by Maria Stumpf Ahmed
- April 22nd: "On the (Minnesota) Road Again" presented by Dan and Kory Everson
- April 29th: "God's Grace Was Sufficient" presented by Mary Thurston Hedstrom

A Bus Trip is also planned for May 6th to the SPAM Museum and Rochester City and Mayo Historical Trolley Tour. Check in at the library for details.

#### GARBAGE BAGS FOR SALE

Our Sunday School children sold garbage bags to raise money to go to summer Bible camp. They have some left over bags and we are selling them out of the bookstore. Cost for a roll of bags is \$11 and they are available in these

- 15 gallon: 65 bags per roll in white
- 39 gallon: 25 bags per roll in yellow or pink
- 55 gallon: 16 bags per roll in blue

Contact Amy in the office at 507-662-5718 if you would like to buy some or just stop in at the church.

"THE PHYSICAL DEATH OF CHRIST" will be presented by Dr. Douglas Tewes, M.D. of Lincoln, NE on Sunday, March 8 at 7:00 p.m. at Martin Luther High School, Northrop. Explore the physical nature of Christ's death on the cross by examining scripture, historical evidence, and medical science from a surgeon's perspective. There is much to learn about Christ's death which helps us prepare for the celebration of Easter. You will learn what happened to Jesus Christ from a physical perspective during the Crucifixion process as revealed by a Christian Orthopedic Surgeon. \*A presentation will also be held on Monday, March 9 at 9:30 a.m. for students in grades 6-12. The events are free and everyone is encouraged to attend.

# Easter Flowers...

We will again be decorating our sanctuary with Easter Lilies and Blooming Plants on Easter Sunday. If you would like to join us in this celebration of new life by donating a flower, please fill out the form below and place it in the offering plate or return it to the office by **March 19** 

|                                                                               | ne check out to Immanuel Lutheran and write Easter Flowers                                                                     |
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| Your plant may be picked up after                                             | er the 9:00 a.m. service on Easter Sunday, April 12.                                                                           |
| I would like to purchase a flower  A 4-6 bloom Easter L  A Daisy Mum for \$16 | ily for \$16                                                                                                                   |
| My plant will be given in honor of                                            | and/or memory of                                                                                                               |
| Given by                                                                      | Amount Enclosed                                                                                                                |
|                                                                               | ating the chancel area, but choose to bring my own plant (lily, bring it to the church no later than Friday evening, April 10. |
| My plant will be given in honor of                                            | and/or memory of                                                                                                               |
| Given by                                                                      | (Please return form to Church by March 19)                                                                                     |
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# Ushers for March



Sunday, March 1 @ 8:30 AM Justin Farmer Jeremy and Tara Boogerd Wednesday, March 4 @ 1:00 PM 7th-8th Grade Students Wednesday, March 4 @ 7:00 PM Cory and Cheryl Ulferts Sunday, March 8 @ 8:30 AM Roger and Beth Carlson Keith Kolander Wednesday, March 11 @ 1:00 PM 7th-8th Grade Students Wednesday, March 11 @ 1:00 PM Paul and Sue Spoo Sunday, March 15 @ 8:30 AM Amv Altman Dave and Carolyn Hansen Wednesday, March 18 @ 1:00 PM 7th-8th Grade Students Wednesday, March 18 @ 1:00 PM Mike Rossow Sunday, March 22 @ 8:30 AM Dennis and Vickie Baumann Wednesday, March 25 @ 1:00 PM 7th-8th Grade Students

Sunday, March 29 @ 8:30 AM Kevin Schmid Isaiah Schmid

# "GET CRACKING TO MARTIN LUTHER HIGH SCHOOL" on Sunday,

Wednesday, March 25 @ 1:00 PM

March 22nd to help send our EGGceptional MLHS Seniors on their Class Trip to Washington, D.C. by EGGjoying an EGG bake breakfast. The Class of 2020 will be serving a variety of Egg Bakes (gluten free, veggie and more), juice, coffee and something SWEET from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Cost is a free will offering. The students appreciate your support in helping give them this great opportunity.

**DISHES WANTING TO GO HOME....** Please check out the counter in the church basement to see if one of the cake pans or Tupperware containers belong to you. Thank you for your help in supplying meals for our many meals and activities. It is very much appreciated.

NEW EMAIL PRAYER CHAIN: Pastor Beukema has started an email prayer chain so we can pray for our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ when they are in need. If you would like to be added to the email prayer chain, please send Pastor Beukema an email. His email is pastor@immanuellakefield.com

**SCRIP PROGRAM:** Scrip is a great way to help support our church and school. It is simply buying gift cards and gift certificates. Local and national businesses will sell their gift cards and gift certificates to us at a discount. The gift card or gift certificate will still be for the full amount. The discount from the card or certificate can then be applied to tuition for a certain student/family, hot lunch for a certain student/family, raise the roof tuition assistance, teacher salary fund, or just to Immanuel Lutheran School.

- 1. Orders are due on Tuesday mornings by 8:00 a.m. Delivery will then be on the following Tuesday.
- 2. Scrip can either be ordered by filling out the blue order form or online through ScripNow or MyScripWallet. If you fill out the blue form, it can either be given to Amy in the office or taken into the school with payment (either check or cash). If you want to order a gift card that is not listed on the blue order form, you can write it on the blank lines of the form. There are many gift card options available that are not listed on the form. Check out the website at www.shopwithscrip.com to see what all is available.
- 3. Scrip order forms can be found on the welcome center in the narthex, in Amy's office, or in the school office.
- 4. We still try to keep local scrip on hand Maynard's, Cutting Image, and Hage Oil). Amy will have these if interested.

Any questions please ask Stacie Soleta, Gretchen Benda, or Amy in the office at 507-662-5718.

**YOU MIGHT BE A PHARISEE IF..."** will be presented by the Worship Drama Team of Martin Luther High School, Northrop to our Immanuel Lutheran School students on Friday, March 6th at 9:00 a.m. in the Activity Center. This a tongue-in-cheek look at common mistakes Christians make. All are welcome to attend.

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# "Lighting Up" Immanuel

Immanuel Lutheran School is lighting the way to Jesus, literally! There is a new project at Immanuel to replace the outdated fluorescent lighting with new, vibrant, LED lights. Updated lighting is planned to be done in all the classrooms, bathrooms, hallways, cafeteria, and gym. The new LED lighting will be brighter and more effective compared to the fluorescent bulbs currently in the classrooms.

Studies have shown that the proposed LED lighting is able to help kids concentrate more and have increased focus on their school work. Fluorescent lighting can cause some glare in the classroom which the LED lights will eliminate and create a more stimulating environment. This means the students will be on an even better path to success with an enhanced learning environment, which turns into higher test scores and more school productivity.

Help us build up our students by giving a donation for the new LED lighting to Immanuel Lutheran School in order to help the students have a more enriching classroom environment that they may continue to grow in both their studies and their faith in Jesus ~ the true light of our life.



# We are doing a "Week of Giving" March 29th through April 4th.

We have received a generous donation of \$15,000. The donors are hoping that amount can be matched so the "Lighting Up Immanuel" project can be completed.

Donations may be given 3 ways:

- Dropped off to Amy in the church office
- Mailed to Immanuel Lutheran School, P.O. Box 750, Lakefield, MN 56150
- online at <a href="https://www.givemn.org/story/A94nag">https://www.givemn.org/story/A94nag</a>

Our 2019-2020 school year theme is "Joy:Fully Lutheran". This year's theme is based on 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24 which begins...

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

# March 2020

| Sat | Drama<br>ents "You<br>Pharisee<br>union at                                                                                                                       | nion at Fine Arts  Fine Arts  Pestival at  union at MLHS  anor                                                                                                              | 21<br>harter                                                                                                                                  | 28<br>8:30 ILS Chess<br>Tournament                                                                                                                                     | We love because<br>He first loved us                                                 |
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| Έ   | 6 9:00 MLHS Drama Team presents "You Might Be a Pharisee If" 10:30 Communion at Lakeview, Heron Lake                                                             | 13 9:30 Communion at Valley View 10:30 Communion at Colonial Manor                                                                                                          | 20<br>End of 3rd Quarter                                                                                                                      | 27                                                                                                                                                                     | Z H                                                                                  |
| Thu | 5<br>6:00 PTL Mtg<br>7:00 Cable Bible<br>Class                                                                                                                   | 12 10:00 Communion at Doman Rose 7:00 Cable Bible Class                                                                                                                     | 19<br>7:00 Cable Bible<br>Class                                                                                                               | 26 7:00 Cable Bible Class                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                      |
| Med | 4 7:00 Midweek Bible Class 1:00 Lent Worship 2:10 Confirmation 5:30-6:30 Lenten Supper 7:00 Lent Worship                                                         | 11 7:00 Midweek Bible Class 1:00 Lent Worship 2:10 Confirmation 5:30 LWML 5:30 Lenten Supper 7:00 Lent Worship                                                              | 18 7:00 Midweek Bible Class 12:30 Cheng Duo Concert 1:00 Lent Worship 2:10 Confirmation 5:30-6:30 Lenten Supper 7:00 Lent Worship             | 25 7:00 Midweek Bible Class 1:00 Lent Worship 2:10 Confirmation 5:30-6:30 Lenten Supper 6:30 Bd Ed 6:30 Bd Trustees 7:00 Lent Worship 8:00 Joint Boards/Church Council |                                                                                      |
| Tue | 3<br>5.30 Midweek<br>Bible Class                                                                                                                                 | 10<br>5:30 Midweek<br>Bible Class                                                                                                                                           | 17<br>5:30 Midweek<br>Bible Class                                                                                                             | 24<br>5:30 Midweek<br>Bible Class                                                                                                                                      | 31<br>5.30 Midweek<br>Bible Class<br>6.30 Oktoberfest                                |
| Mon | 2<br>1.00 Quilting                                                                                                                                               | 9<br>1:00 Quilting<br>6:00 Bd Cong.<br>Services<br>6:00 Bell Choir<br>7:00 Choir                                                                                            | 16<br>1:00 Quilting                                                                                                                           | 23<br>1:00 Quilting<br>5:15 Bd Finance<br>6:00 Bd Elders<br>6:00 Bell Choir                                                                                            | 30<br>1:00 Quilting<br>6:00 Bell Choir<br>7:00 Choir                                 |
| Sun | I Lent I 8:30 Communion 9:45 Youth Group Mtg - Parents and 6th-12th grade students 9:45 Sunday School & Bible Class 12:30 Cable Service 7:00 Cable Ash Wednesday | 8 Lent II 8:30 Worship 9:45 Special Voters Mtg 9:45 Sunday School & Bible Class 10:00 All School Choir sings at Holy Trinity, Lakefield 12:30 Cable Service 7:00 Cable Lent | 8:30 Communion 9:45 Sunday School & Bible Class 11-1 Luau for Pastor and Mary Hedstrom in Activity Center 12:30 Cable Service 7:00 Cable Lent | 22 Lent IV<br>8:30 Worship<br>9:45 Sunday School & Bible Class<br>12:30 Cable Service<br>7:00 Cable Lent                                                               | 29 Lent V<br>8:30 Worship<br>9:45 Sunday School & Bible Class<br>12:30 Cable Service |

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# Worship Schedule —

Wednesday Evenings
7:00 PM
Sunday Mornings
8:30 AM
Sunday School and Bible Class
9:45 AM
Cable Services
12:30 PM
Communion Celebrated
1st and 3rd Sunday

MARCH Monthly

