



THE VOICE OF IMMANUEL

January, 2010 5

There is always a little lag between the calendar and the weather. December 21 is the shortest day. One might think that as we add minutes every day to the amount of sunshine the temperatures would go up as well. But as we know, that is not the case. The “facts” do not reflect our experience. Experience says that it will get much worse before we have any hope of improvement.

Experience is not the best judge of reality. Feelings are not dependable because they fluctuate for unknown reasons. A person can feel happy one day and sad the next when every event seems the same. Even when we can explain them, they may make no sense.

People may try to convince us that they speak the truth. But we have come to realize that our leaders often twist and turn the words around until we have a hard time trusting what is said. Commercials promise great things – cleaner clothes, brighter smile, safe investments. But when so many products claim to be the best, we know they cannot all be right.

Is there anything dependable? St. Peter, quoting the prophet Isaiah reminds us:

“All flesh is like grass

and all its glory like the flower of grass.

The grass withers,

and the flower falls,

but the word of the Lord remains forever.”

And this word is the good news that was preached to you. (1 Peter 1:24-25)

We trust God’s word, because the Word became flesh. We trust God’s promise, because Jesus fulfilled it. We know it is true, because Jesus is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. We can depend on Him, even when our experiences or feelings seem otherwise. That is the joy of Christmas!

The days are getting longer, though the weather is getting worse. The weather in our lives may be getting worse, but the Light of the World will bring joy to you!

*Merry Christmas
Happy New Year
From
The Staff of Immanuel*



"It is not good for man to be alone." Genesis 2:18 NIV

The celebrations of faith and family during Kwanza, Hanukkah, and Christmas are over, yet attention to family is just as important in January as it was in December. Since the family of the 1950's is no longer the norm, we as a church need to ask what it means to be 'family,' how we support families, and how we reclaim its importance. Today's families are led by traditional parents, single parents, gay couples, blended or step families, or by a group that is unrelated. Even though they may look different, each group is made of people who support and love each other in all of life's situations. Without family, people are often set adrift with no direction or support which tends to make them less healthy. Positive relationships provide unconditional love and encouragement which fosters self-esteem, positive attitudes, and better health habits. They ground a person and provide building blocks for other relationships. How does one build and nurture positive families? Be interested in each other's activities. Attend and support each other's interests and events. Plan outings for the family and offer positive, bonding experiences. Listen to each other and learn to 'agree to disagree' as families also need to understand and deal with conflict. All families have highs and lows so it is important to teach children how to handle disappointment and adversity as well as how to celebrate the joys and wonders of family life. Embrace all family life whether it consists of a biological, church, neighborhood, college, or other supportive 'family.' Each setting is important to your spiritual, mental, and physical health. (Source: Focus on the Family www.focusonthefamily.com/)

By

Nancy Merila RN BSHA
Mary Slutz RN BS MHCA

MEN'S MINISTRY

LUTHERAN BROTHERHOOD

The Lutheran Brotherhood will hold its monthly breakfast meeting in Luther Lounge on Saturday, January 3, 2015, at 7:00 a.m. After breakfast and fellowship, we will take down the Nativity Scene. Come and join us. New members are always welcome.



WOMEN OF IMMANUEL

Ladies, start the New Year out right join us Tuesday Night, January 28th at 7:00 p.m. as Pastor Barbara Busboom leads us in our Study of James 4:8-17 (Lesson 10) – "Faith and Humility." We will learn there is a direct relationship between a critical, arrogant attitude and the lack of prayer and its misuse. The way to get rid of a belligerent attitude is to repent. When repentance is genuine, the spirit of criticism and cruelty will cease. A humble faith will replace a boastful display of self-sufficiency. Join us!

JANUARY STEWARDSHIP PROJECT

The January, 2015, stewardship project for the Women of Immanuel will be towels for LWR Personal Care Kits. The towels should be light-weight bath-size towels. Dark colors are recommended. The LWR collection box will be in the church breezeway.



**Council Minutes
December 9, 2014**

The meeting was called to order by Gary Busboom at 7:00 p.m.

Secretary's Report

A motion to approve the November minutes was made by Callie Heidbreder and seconded by Ranae Buck. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

A motion to approve the November treasurer's report was made by Ranae Buck and seconded by Kyle Johnson. Motion carried.

Expenditures

A motion to accept the November expenditures report was made by Callie Heidbreder and seconded by Dave Wolken. Motion carried.

Pastor's Report

A motion to accept the transfer in of Michelle Kellogg from St. Paul Lutheran Church, Gilman, IL was made by Kyle Johnson and seconded by Callie Heidbreder. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Evangelism – The committee met and discussed what has been done in the past and how this committee is a hub for all committees. We discovered that many ideas started with this committee. The information trifold brochure from several years ago will be updated. We also talked about a bulls-eye approach for our congregation. No specific ideas were discussed at this time, but it was mentioned that if given the opportunity to see area congregational inactive lists, we might be surprised as to the actual number of our members would really be considered inactive.

Parish Education – Christmas Program being

planned, volleyball against other churches will be February 15. They are still looking for a speaker for that day.

Social Ministry – A motion made by Tim Clink and seconded by Maynard Duitsman to accept the recommendation of the Social committee to divide the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day offerings evenly between TIMES Center, Center for Women in Transition, Special Olympics and Roundhouse. Motion carried.

Property –

Waters Electric will be giving us a bid for installing electric heat in the Sunday School bathrooms. There are still several windows to be replaced in the Sunday School building and the threshold on the west side of the breezeway will be repaired soon. The water cooler compressor needs to be replaced, but it is still operational.

Stewardship – The council continues to encourage the congregation to increase its financial support for the expanded ministry at Immanuel.

Unfinished Business

Budget Committee – A motion to recommend the 2015 budget at the annual meeting was made by Callie Heidbreder and seconded by Kyle Johnson. Motion carried.

Website – Deadlines for committee description is the end of the year. Pastor Cindy is willing to help define committees if asked.

Call Committee – A follow up meeting with Pastor Cindy will be scheduled soon.

Piano – A motion was made by Ranae Buck and seconded by Tim Clink to accept the donation of a piano from Dorothy Fruhling. Motion carried.

New Business

Building Anniversary

Herbert Haferman will be preaching for the service. A motion to pay for travel expenses for some visitors and the dinner was made by Maynard Duitsman and seconded by Dave Wolken. Motion Carried.

Job Description committee – Job descriptions have been updated and will be sent to both Pastors for review.

Deon Ramm’s Contract – A motion to recommend Deon Ramm’s contract be included in the 2015 budget was made by Callie Heidbreder, and seconded by Maynard Duitsman. Motion carried.

Freese Scholarship – A motion was made by Kyle Johnson and seconded by Dave Wolken to accept the recommendation for the Freese Scholarship distribution to be presented at the annual meeting with the following designations: 60% Immanuel Scholarships, 25% STS Scholarships and 15% Agricultural Scholarships through the Farm Bureau. Motion carried.

Annual Meeting Agenda – A motion to accept the annual meeting agenda was made by Shari Hovel and second Maynard Duitsman. Motion carried.

Freese Scholarship Application – Changes will be made to the application to better help define the applicants based on need.

Date of next meeting: January 13, 2015
A motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 was made by Ranae Buck and seconded by Callie Heidbreder. Motion carried.
The meeting was closed with prayer and the Lord’s Prayer.

BIBLE STUDIES BREAK

The two Wednesday Morning Bible Studies (6:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.) are taking a break during the month of January and will not start up until February 4, 2015.



We thank you for your many acts of kindness during this past year. They are received with thanksgiving and deep appreciation. May God continue to bless us as we work together to share the Gospel and to further His kingdom here on earth.

Another year is dawning
Dear Father, let it be,
In working or in waiting,
Another year with thee.

Another year of service,
Of witness for Your love;
Another year of training
For holier work above.

In His service,

Pastor James T. Lehmann
Pastor Cynthia A. Bisser
Pastor Barbara Busboom
Deon Ramm
JoAnn Duitsman
Myrna Craig





Holy Communion

Holy Communion at Country Health will be on Thursday, January 8, 2015. Please join us even if you do not have a loved one living there. All are welcome.

DEVOTIONS AT COUNTRY HEALTH

Please join us for devotions with Pastor Barbara Busboom at Country Health Care and Rehab on Sunday, January 25, 2015, at 2:00 p.m. All are welcome!

CHURCH *Anniversary* PREPARATIONS

100th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

On January 18th, 2015, we will be celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the construction of the present church building. There will be only one church service that day at 10:15 a.m. with a lunch and program following the service. Special guests will be in attendance. Please join us for this special day!

100th ANNIVERSARY OF THE CHURCH BUILDING BOOK

The 100th Anniversary of the Church Building Book is here. The cost of the book is \$20.00. You may come in to the office to purchase a book or order one by mail. If you order one by mail, the cost will be \$25.00 to cover the book and postage.

KOPMANN CEMETERY MEETING

This is to inform the congregation of the Annual Meeting of the Kopmann Cemetery on January 5, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. at Immanuel. Discussion will be held concerning the future, and the needs that must be met. At the current rate of expenses, and the lack of need help! Thank you

Sincerely, Kopmann Board
Edgar Hovel

NEW MEMBER CLASS

A new member class is being planned early 2015. If you are interested in learning the Christian faith from a Lutheran perspective, please come. It will be approximately seven weeks long. Sing up in the hallway, or call the church office.

REVELATION X2 BIBLE STUDIES

Beginning in January, you have two opportunities to study the book of Revelation. On January 11, from 5:00 - 6:30 p.m., Greg Johnson will lead a six week study. The cost is \$20.00 See the sig-up sheet in the hallway or breezeway.

On Sunday mornings, the adult Sunday School class will begin a study. They are not the same. Feel free to attend both!



NAME: Clayton Hunter Bergman
 BORN: November 6, 2014
 PARENTS: Clark Bergman & Nicole Miller
 SPONSORS: Alex Bergman
 Shannon Bergman
 BAPTIZED: December 13, 2014
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NAME: Sophie Ann Sage
 BORN: February 1, 2014
 PARENTS: Chad Sage & Mari Diaz
 SPONSORS: Ryan & Angie Sage
 Tyler Sage
 Jill Myers
 BAPTIZED: December 21, 2014



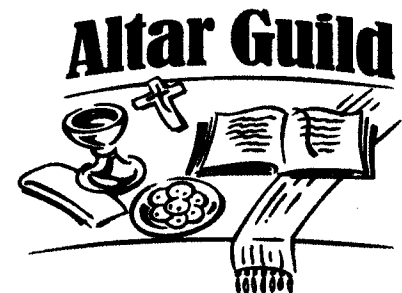
David Lee Wilken completed his baptismal journey on Saturday, December 20, 2014 at his home. His funeral was here at Immanuel on Friday, December 26, 2014, officiated by Pastor James T. Lehmann, STS and Pastor Cynthia A. Bisser, STS. Committal service was at Kopmann Cemetery.

OSTFRIESIAN HERITAGE SOCIETY

The Ostfriesian Heritage Society will be taking a break during the month of January. The next meeting will be Sunday, February 15, 2015 at 1:00 p.m.

CANCELLING WORSHIP SERVICES

In case of inclement weather, the decision regarding cancellation of worship services will be made between 6:00 and 7:00 a.m. The decision will be announced on our website & Facebook page, as well as on WCIA-TV, WIXY, and WHMS. You may also look on illinoishomepage.net.

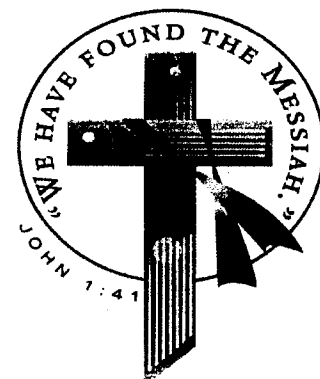


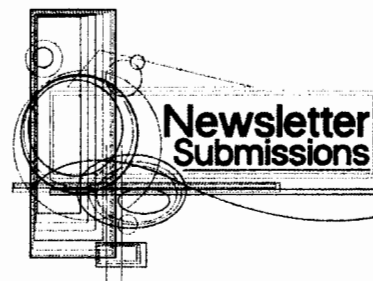
ALTAR GUILD SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY

Toni Brown	692-2838
Karon Currie	643-6825
Judy Grussing	694-4545
Melissa Suits	595-5595
Julie Kellogg	841-4863
Nicole Crites	621-9110



Hymn Sing for January will be on Sunday, January 25th, at Brookstone, at 1:30 p.m. Please join us as the residents love to hear your beautiful voices!





Happy JANUARY Birthdays!

Our warmest and best wishes to each of you as you celebrate your special day!

- 1/1 Lou Ann Mennenga
- 1/6 Hilda Huls
- 1/6 Vera Kelley
- 1/9 Margaret Priebe
- 1/11 Wilbur Dixon
- 1/11 Albert Ehmen
- 1/15 Elvin Ackerman
- 1/16 Larry Frerichs
- 1/17 Gloria Schmidt
- 1/19 Shirley Wyatt
- 1/19 Anna Duitsman
- 1/20 Norman Uken
- 1/21 Arnold Hinrichs
- 1/22 Norma German
- 1/22 Norma Flesner
- 1/22 Marguerite McDonald
- 1/26 Ernest Sjuts
- 1/28 Del Dahl

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The newsletter deadline for February will be Wednesday January 21, 2015. If you have any notes, minutes, or newsworthy items you would like included in this newsletter, please get them to Myrna by this deadline.

ATTENDANCE FOR DECEMBER

	<u>Sat.</u>	<u>Sun.</u> 8:00 a.m.	<u>Sun.</u> 10:15 a.m.	<u>Totals</u>
12/7	106	106	24	240
12/14	33	110	107	250
12/21	22	124	120	266
12/28				



If you have not turned in your Time and Talent Survey and Annual Contribution form, please do so as soon as possible. If you need additional forms, there are extras in the Church Office.

NEW CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES

Please pick up your new contribution envelopes. They are located in the breezeway for your convenience.

SPECIAL DATES IN JANUARY

- New Year's Day, *January 1, 2015*
- Epiphany, *January 6, 2015*
- Baptism of the Lord, *January 11, 2015*
- Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, *January 18-25, 2015*
- Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday Observance, *January 19, 2015*



WEBUPDATES

Work will begin on the website at the end of Dec. with the hopes that by Jan 1st we have something up and running. Through the rest of January we will be working to improve and expand on what this new website can offer. Watch Facebook and the bulletin for updates. We are excited about what we will be able to do and look forward to showing you soon. We will gladly take any updates or changes you would like to have made to the website anytime, we want to make this website as current and relevant as we can. We are also looking for pictures to populate the site with, electronically pass those along to Pr. Cindy (pastorcindy@wigi.us) or Julie Kellogg. The more timely they arrive the better.



Immanuel Lutheran Church would like to welcome the following new member: Michelle Kellog. Michelle has transferred to us from St. Paul Lutheran Church, Gilman, IL.

God's Blessings and Welcome!



THANKS to the many wonderful volunteers who have helped with the bulletins, newsletters, directories and other bulk mailings during this year. Behind the scenes we have so many dedicated people, and we appreciate that they come, sometimes at the last minute, to help out. May God Bless them all!

CALL THE PASTORS

You may be sure of this: Your pastors are willing to come to the hospital or your home, the jail, the street corner, or anywhere at any hour of the day or night when they are needed. Call them if you need them. Otherwise they will not know of your need until it is too late. Do not trust the grapevine to get the message to them. "Everyone already knows" is seldom true and the messages coming through the grapevine are often incorrect. Call the pastors. It is better that they receive the same message several times than to not know of the need at all.



ENDOWMENT FUND

Have you remembered Immanuel Lutheran Church in your estate planning? It can be an effective way to expand the ministry of the whole Church. Resources placed into the Endowment Fund balance needs of Immanuel with benevolence for others.

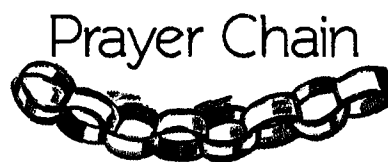
The Immanuel Lutheran Church Endowment Fund is created to offer the opportunity for people to give toward the future work of the church through special gifts, bequests in wills, assignment of life insurance benefits, and memorial gifts, to name a few. This fund is a method for the congregation as a whole to be good stewards of the special gifts given it by members and friends. It will be administered in such a way that these gifts encourage rather than diminish the responsible stewardship and current support of the members. Please contact Pastor or a member of the Endowment Fund committee for assistance.



The Annual Meeting of Immanuel Lutheran congregation has been set for 10:15 a.m. on Sunday, January 26, 2015, in the Church. All confirmed members of Immanuel's congregation, at least eighteen years old, are eligible to vote at the meeting. The Annual Report to the congregation will be mailed soon. Please read the information in the report and bring your copy with you to the meeting.

PROCEDURE FOR SIGNING UP FOR ALTAR FLOWERS AND RADIO BROADCAST

The new 2015 sign-up charts for Altar Flowers and Radio Broadcast are on the bulletin board, next to the office, for you to make your reservations. Altar flowers are \$35.00 per Sunday and Broadcasts are \$70.00. You may call the church office to reserve a date or come in to the office. Please pay for your flowers or radio broadcast at the time you make your reservation.



"First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way." 1 Timothy 2:1-2

Immanuel's Prayer Chain is available for anyone who desires prayer. All requests should be made by the person or family of the person asking for the prayer. We want to protect everyone's privacy, so requests should be made keeping that in mind. This will not become a gossip grapevine.

If you want to request prayer, please contact Pastor. He will start the chain. If you would like to be added to those who pray on behalf of others, please contact Mary Ann Schmidt. She will be happy to include you.

Silent Night

Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel. Isaiah 7:14

It was Christmas Eve in the Austrian Alps. At the newly constructed Church of St. Nicholas in Oberndorf, a Tyrol village near Salzburg, Father Joseph Mohr prepared for the midnight service. He was distraught because the church organ was broken, ruining prospects for that evening's carefully planned music. But Father Joseph was about to learn that our problems are God's opportunities, that the Lord causes all things to work together for good to those who love Him. It came into Father Joseph's mind to write a new song, one that could be sung organless. Hastily, he wrote the words, "Silent night, holy night, all is calm, all is bright . . ." Taking the text to his organist, Franz Gruber, he explained the situation and asked Franz to compose a simple tune.

That night, December 24, 1818, "Silent Night" was sung for the first time as a duet accompanied by a guitar at the aptly names Church of St. Nicholas in Oberndorf.

Shortly afterward, as Karl Mauracher came to repair the organ, he heard about the near-disaster on Christmas Eve. Acquiring a copy of the text and tune, he spread it throughout the Alpine region of Austria, referring to it as "Tiroler Volkslied."

The song came to the attention of the Strasser Family, makers of fine chamois-skin gloves. To drum up business at various fairs and festivals, the four Strasser children would sing in front of their parent's booth. Like the Von Trapp children a century later, they became popular folk singers throughout the Alps.

When the children—Caroline, Joseph, Andreas, and Amalie—began singing "Trioler Volkslied" at their performances, audiences were charmed. It seemed perfect for the snow-clad region, and perfect for the Christian heart. "Silent Night" even came to the attention of the king and queen, and the Strasser

children were asked to give a royal performance, assuring the carol's fame.

"Silent Night" was first published for congregational singing in 1838 in the German hymnbook, *Katholisches Gesang-und Gebetbuch für den öffentlichen and häuslichen Gottesdienst zunächst zum Gebrauche der katholischen Gereinden im Königreich Sachsen*. It was used in America by German-speaking congregations, then appeared in its current English form in a book of Sunday school songs in 1863.

Were it not for a broken organ, there would never have been a "Silent Night."

Then Sings My Soul
by Robert J. Morgan
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REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING:

**BELVEDERE COMMONS OF FRANKLIN
FRANKLIN, TN**

-Marie Mennenga

BROOKSTONE ESTATES

- Dora Ehmen
- Dorothy Fruhling
- Lela Huls
- Emilie Steffey

COUNTRY HEALTH NURSING HOME

- Alma Ackerman
- Emma Bergman
- Abbie Demien
- Albert Ehmen
- Verna Hewitt
- Hilda Huls
- Melvin Huls
- Arlene Peavler
- Emma Schmidt

EMERITUS AT CANTERBURY

- Ann Duitsman

HEARTLAND OF PAXTON

- Norma Flesner

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR HOME

- Mike Franzen
- Margie Huls

**RIVERVIEW ASSISTED LIVING, EAST
PEORIA**

- Donna Flessner

**THE HEARTH AT TUDOR GARDENS,
ZIONSVILLE, IN**

- Eveline Ihnen

HOMEBOUND

- Elvin Ackerman
- Clara Graham
- Arnold Hinrichs
- Marguerite McDonald
- Hilda Swanson - in AZ
- Margie Wolken

Calendar of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 New Years Day 8:30a-LWR Sewing	2	3 7:00a-Lutheran Brotherhood Breakfast 5:00p-Worship & Holy Communion
4 8:00a-Worship & Holy Communion 9:15a-Adult Class 9:15a-Sunday School 10:15a-Worship & Holy Communion	5 8:30a-LWR Sewing 7:00p-Kopmann Cemetery Meeting	6 9:30a-Pastors' Study & Worship	7 6:15p-Bell Choir 6:15p-Wednesday Evening Sewing Group 6:30p-Youth Choir 7:00p-Cathedral Choir 7:00p-Confirmation	8 1:30p-Country Health Communion	9	10 5:00p-Worship & Holy Communion
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Acolytes, Lay Readers, Communion Assistants, Greeters, Ushers

January, 2015

Date	Acolytes	Lay Readers	Comm Assistants	Greeters	Ushers
Sun. Jan. 4th 5:00 PM			Bonita Kopmann		8:00 AM Darla Rubarts (Captain) Bob Clem Marvin Rademacher Lois Harms
8:00 AM	Emmanuel Lutes Elizabeth Reitmeier	Erin Siuts	Sharolyn Worley Jamie Hedrick	Rosetta Suits Molly & Casey Flesner	10:15 AM Derek Harms (Captain) Dirk Harms Tim Clink Tyre Stephens
10:15 AM COMMUNION	Corbin Lantis Abby Harms	Coley Wolken	Morgan Wood Robyn Camp	Mike Stark & Joyce Romine Emma Johnson	
Sun. Jan. 11th 5:00 PM			Sharon Emkes		
8:00 AM	Angela Palmer Alicia Dowda	Karen Currie	Darla Rubarts Nicole Crites	Rodney & Peggy Bergman Ray & Elaine Uken	
10:15 AM COMMUNION	Logan Bushman Makayla Learned	Jason Stalter	Callie Heidbreder Hailey Quinlan	Bill & Kim Learned Mary & Devin Wolken	
Sun. Jan. 18th 5:00 PM			Joyce Romine		
10:15 AM	Adam Crites Daniel Scott	Jennifer Wayland	Lois Harms Toni Brown	Ernie & Evelyn Sjuts Maynard & Joann Duitsman	
100th Anniversary COMMUNION					
Sun. Jan. 25th 5:00 PM			Elaine Wilson		
8:00 AM	Caleb Johnson Ben Reitmeier	Amy Jones	Judy Rademaker Bev Lehmann	Bob Tuller Bev Heiden	
Annual Meeting COMMUNION					



NOVEMBER 2014 TREASURER'S REPORT

Fund Balance Information

GENERAL FUND				BUILDING FUND			
Fund Balance	10/31/2014		\$ 183,266.74	Fund Balance	10/31/2014		\$ 45,985.36
Offerings		\$ 32,453.16		Offerings		\$ 10,637.50	
Dedicated & Other Fund Receipts		4,832.94		Parking Lot Reimbs'mt from General		8,727.00	
	Total Income		\$ 37,286.10	Insurance Reimbursement		1,667.75	
					Total Income		\$ 21,032.25
Pastoral Ministry		\$ 17,118.40		Building & Repair		\$ 68.70	
Worship & Service		2,623.57		Insurance Reimbursement		179.50	
Our Church Home		2,577.97		Utilities		4,933.40	
Dedicated Fund Expenses		11,035.46		Special Project - Hallway, O/S Stairs		11,113.31	
	Total Expenses		\$ 33,355.40		Total Expenses		\$ 16,294.91
Total Fund Balance	11/30/2014		\$ 187,197.44	Total Fund Balance	11/30/2014		\$ 50,722.70
Less Dedicated Fund Total			56,308.45	<i>Building Fund Invested as:</i>		<i>Checking</i>	<i>\$ 50,722.70</i>
Total Unobligated Balance			\$ 130,888.99				
<i>General Fund Invested as:</i>				<i>Other Fund Balances</i>			
		<i>Checking</i>	<i>\$ 9,866.22</i>	Endowment Capital	\$ 30,271.45	Memorial	\$ 23,659.10
<i>Money Market</i>	<i>\$26,035.88</i>	<i>CD</i>	<i>\$ 41,382.34</i>	Endowment Common	\$ 14,475.01	Endowment Interest	\$ 268.03
		<i>CD</i>	<i>\$ 109,913.00</i>				

Offering & Attendance November 2014

By Category

General	\$ 32,453.16
Benevolence	\$ 15,452.65
Building	\$ 10,637.50
Total	\$ 58,543.31

November Attendance

1311
Average Weekly Attendance
262

Benevolence Offering Includes

Gen Benevolence	6,414.00	Food Bank	300.00
NALC Seminary	2,068.00	Lutheran CORE	40.00
LWR	120.00	FOTCHO	31.00
Thanksgiving	6,447.15	World Hunger	32.50

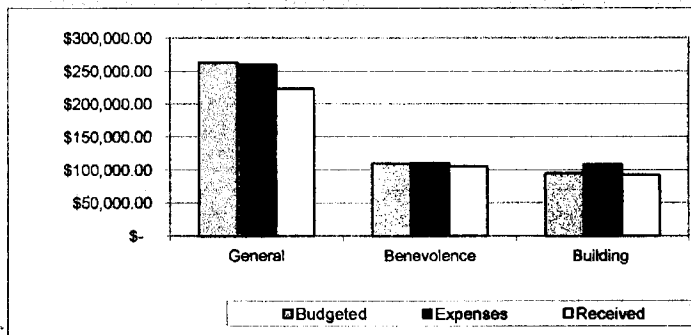
Additional Offerings Received

Sunday School	372.03	Parking Lot	400.00
LYO	85.00	Endowment Fund	713.75
Historical Committee	1,500.00	Special Flowers	60.00
Radio Broadcast	280.00	Altar Flowers	280.00
I.W.R Sewing Ladies	5.00	Lutheran Brotherhood	29.00
Wof I	26.50	Cookbooks	30.00

Stewardship Progress Year to Date

	Budgeted	Received	Ahead/(Behind)
General	\$ 263,319.00	\$ 223,087.03	\$ (40,231.97)
Benevolence	110,000.00	105,552.33	(4,447.67)
Building	95,334.00	92,602.65	(2,731.35)
TOTAL	\$ 468,653.00	\$ 421,242.01	\$ (47,410.99)

	Expenses	Ahead/(Behind)
General	\$ 260,465.06	\$ (37,378.03)
Benevolence	110,528.81	(4,976.48)
Building	108,380.25	(15,777.60)
	\$ 479,374.12	\$ (58,132.11)



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