



THE VOICE OF IMMANUEL

March 2015

PASTOR'S PAGE

Here we are in the season of Lent. On Ash Wednesday, we heard these words of instruction: *As disciples of the Lord Jesus we are called to struggle against everything that leads us away from love of God and neighbor. Repentance, fasting, prayer, and works of love – the discipline of Lent – help us to wage our spiritual warfare. I invite you, therefore, to commit yourselves to this struggle and confess your sins, asking our Father for strength to persevere in your Lenten discipline.*

And if, in your preparation, you need help and counsel, then go privately and open your grief to a discreet and understanding pastor, and confess your sins, that you may receive the benefit of absolution, and spiritual counsel and advice; to the removal of scruple and doubt, the assurance of pardon, and the strengthening of your faith.

In the popular understanding, both inside and outside of the church, Lent is a time of giving up something. People ask, "What are you giving up?" The usual suspects are chocolate, or TV, or meat, or Facebook. Facebook? Wait, that would be asking too much! Abstaining from something is a little reminder of what our Lord gave up. First, He gave up His throne in heaven in order to take our flesh. Second, He gave up His own life on the Cross. Our little sacrifices point to His ultimate sacrifice.

But Lent has a positive aspect. ST JOHN CHRYSOSTOM (4th Cent.) said, "*No act of virtue can be great if it is not followed by advantage for others. So, no matter how much time you spend fasting, no matter how much you sleep on a hard floor and eat ashes and sigh continually, if you do no good to others, you do nothing great.*" I would like to draw attention to our benevolent offerings. It is not about bragging on our generosity. How can

we do that when we are remembering our Lord? It is about seeing the benefit to others.

Our lenten offerings are going to: CU at Home, Courage Connections, NALC Radio Ministry in Miami, the Rantoul Food Bank, and STS – Great Rivers Chapter. Let me explain them a bit. CU at Home is a Christian umbrella group that does social ministry in the Champaign-Urbana area. Courage Connections is the new combination of A Woman's Place and The Center for Women in Transition. Pastor Eddy Perez operates a Christian radio ministry in Miami. It also reaches into Jamaica and Cuba. (Our mission festival offering went there.) The Rantoul Food Bank cares for the needs of the hungry in Rantoul area. The STS is a Lutheran clergy prayer society. Pastor Cindy and I are members of the Great Rivers Chapter. Also, remember our regular benevolence: the North American Lutheran Church; the North American Lutheran Seminary; World Mission Prayer League; St. Elias (Arab speaking) Church, Chicago; Life Stream (Ethiopian language) Lutheran Church, Chicago; and the NALC Theological Education Fund (which aids seminarians).

I encourage your generous support, both through the lenten offerings, as well as our regular benevolence, marked on your envelope. We give up something for Lent as an act of spiritual growth. We give to others as our response to the grace God has given to us.

Since you may have a lot of extra chocolate or meat which you have given up for Lent, I can think of one or two pastors who could help relieve you of your excess!

Pastor Jim Lehman

March – Brain

Injury:

“Jesus replied:
“Love the Lord
your God with
all your heart and
with all your soul
and with all your
mind.” Matthew
22:37 NIV



Your brain is one of the most important organs in your body since it coordinates all of the body’s functions and thought processes. Without it you couldn’t walk to the store, read your grocery list, count out your change, or hide the chocolate when you get home. It controls involuntary actions such as the beating of your heart and voluntary actions like dialing a phone. A traumatic brain injury (TBI) can happen to anyone and create many challenges for families living with TBI.

Those at highest risk are children 0-4 years old, 15-19 year olds, and military personnel. Although many injuries come from risk-taking activities such as sky diving or race car driving, many stem from normal actions of work and play like driving a car, playing a sport, or even falling at home. Long term effects of TBI include problems with memory, managing emotions, and risk of brain disorders in later years.

Decreasing the chance of an injury is easy with some basic safety practices. Wear seat belts to cut down on head injuries in the event of an accident. Have your children wear helmets when they ride bikes or rollerblade. Remove the clutter or throw rugs in the homes of your parents and older adults to prevent falls. A simple fall or blow to the head in any of these situations can cause severe complications requiring months or even years of rehabilitation with no guarantee of recovery.

If an injury does occur, watch the victim for signs of blurred vision, confusion, a severe headache, or repetition of questions or statements after the fall. Contact a doctor or visit the emergency room to determine the severity of the injury. Additional

serious signs of a TBI might include violent vomiting, seizures or even loss of consciousness. As with other conditions, a timely visit to the emergency room is essential for long term health.

(Source: Brain Injury Association of America www.biausa.org/)

**MEN’S
MINISTRY**

LUTHERAN BROTHERHOOD

The Lutheran Brotherhood will meet for breakfast and Bible study on Saturday, March 7, 2015, at 7:00 a.m. We invite all men of the congregation to join us in Luther Lounge.

WOMEN OF IMMANUEL

On Tuesday, March 24, 2015, at 7:00 p.m., we will continue our study of James, Lesson 11, “Faith & Oppression.” We will learn that fighting, violence, revenge, and retaliation are not God’s way to get what we need. To be in God’s will, we will exercise faith in God and patience with him to act and fulfill his promises. Instead of grumbling about our situation or threatening others, we should learn to trust God. As we do this, God will show us his good providence and we will be rewarded in the end.

MARCH STEWARDSHIP PROJECT



“For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.” Matthew 6:21 (NRSV)

The project for the month of March for the Women of Immanuel will be somewhat different. During Lent we’re joining Lutheran World Relief’s

“Baskets of Promise” campaign. Each week through the month of March we will be collecting different items that we’ll use to assemble Personal Care Kits that give people around the world the

tools to stay healthy in life's most challenging situations.

- March 1 Bath Towels (light-weight, maximum 52" x 27", dark colors recommended)
- March 8 Toothbrushes (adult size, in original packaging)
- March 15 Sturdy combs
- March 22 Nail Clippers (metal, attached file optional)
- March 29 (Palm Sunday) Bars of Soap (4 to 5 oz. any brand, in original wrapping)

There will be a basket in the church breeze way to place the items.

Thank you for all the cookies and goodies you provided for the Valentine boxes. We sent a total of 25 boxes. Thank you, also, to the ladies who filled the boxes.



CHURCH COUNCIL
Church Council met on February 10.

Pastor's Report: Brian

Suits was released for transfer to Wicker Park Lutheran Church, Chicago.

Committee Reports:

Evangelism – Discussed information on the trifold brochure with space for personal handwritten notes which will be sent to visitors who complete a "Visitor's Card."

Planning a Sunday in April to encourage everyone to sit in a different seat to encourage interaction with other members.

Social Ministry – Lenten offerings will be divided equally among CU at Home; Courage Connection (A Woman's Place); NALC Radio Ministry in Miami; Rantoul Food Bank; and Society of the Holy Trinity (STS).

Fellowship – Sign-up sheet for Lenten suppers is posted on the bulletin board outside the secretary offices. Tim Clink expressed thanks to everyone for their time and support at the 100th anniversary celebration.

Property – A new water fountain is to be placed in the existing space outside the kitchen with a stainless steel back splash. Windows in the Sunday school building and the auditorium have been replaced and other on-going repairs to maintain the church property were discussed.

Unfinished business – Work continues on the new website which will be ready to go shortly.

HOLY COMMUNION



We will celebrate Holy Communion at Country Health on Thursday, March 12, 2015, at 1:30 p.m. We invite you to join us even if you do not have a loved one living there. All are welcome.

CHURCH ANNIVERSARY BOOK

The 100th Anniversary Book about the construction of Immanuel's church is still available at a cost of \$20. You may purchase a copy in the church office or order by mail (cost for mailing will be additional \$5).

OSTFRIESIAN HERITAGE SOCIETY

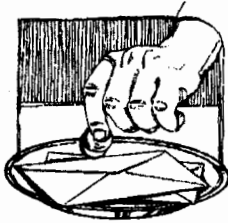
The Ostfriesian Heritage Society will gather on Sunday, March 15, at 1:00 p.m. Anyone is welcome to join us.

LENTEN WORSHIP SERVICES

Area Lutheran pastors will be participating in a pulpit exchange for midweek lenten worship. Immanuel will be hosting pastors:

- Mar. 4 Pastor Jeffray Green (Shield)
- Mar. 11 Pastor Dennis Meyer (Helmet)
- Mar. 18 Pastor Jay Johnson (Sword)
- Mar. 25 Pastor Deb Domier (Shoes)

Join us at 6:00 for a soup and sandwich supper and worship to learn more about the Armor of God.



A TIME FOR GIVING

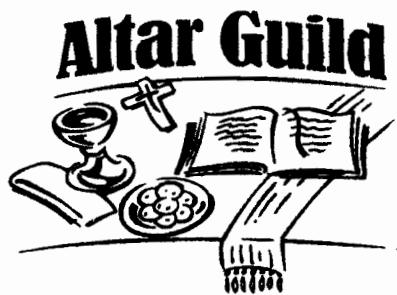
OFFERINGS FOR LENT

Offerings received at mid-week worship services will be divided equally among:

- CU at Home
- Courage Connections (A Woman's Place)
- NALC Radio Ministry in Miami
- Rantoul Food Bank
- Society of the Holy Trinity (STS)—Great Rivers Chapter

EASTER LILIES

Help beautify our worship services for Easter Sunday by ordering an Easter lily. Cost of each plant is \$7 and an order sheet has been posted on the bulletin board in Diers Hall. Our order will be placed on Monday, March 23, so sign up soon.



Altar Guild

ALTAR GUILD FOR MARCH

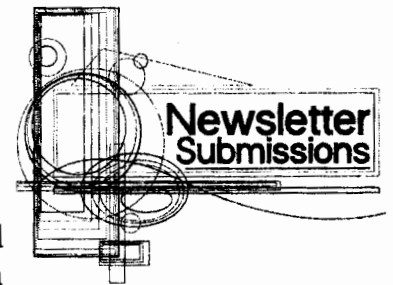
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| Mary Quinlan (Chair) | 643-7958 |
| Wilma Suits | 778-7258 |
| Marie Reitmeier | 377-3763 |
| Elaine Busboom | 694-4738 |
| Karon Currie | 643-6825 |

KOGUDUS RENEWAL RETREAT

The Kogudus Ministry has existed in Illinois for more than forty years and has blessed many people and changed many lives. It is evident that now, more than ever, people need a spiritual renewal, and Kogudus provides that. People of all walks of life are honored to be asked by their friends to attend one of the retreats.

Kogudus Men's Retreat will be March 13-15, 2015

Kogudus Women's Retreat will be April 17-19, 2015; and Youth Retreat will be July 24-26, 2015. More information and registration form is available in the church office.



NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The newsletter deadline for April will be Wednesday, March 18, 2015. You may mail or bring your newsworthy items to the church office or email them to flatvillesecretary@wigi.us.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Our warmest wishes for a blessed birthday are sent to you on your special day!

- 3/3 Sylvia Flessner
- 3/8 Alice Sieberns
- 3/10 Eunice Frerichs
- 3/10 Verna Hewitt
- 3/15 Beverly Wolken
- 3/22 Louise Fruhling
- 3/23 Janice Siuts
- 3/25 Karon Currie
- 3/29 Elaine Uken
- 3/30 Marlene Franzen
- 3/30 Lester Wolken

RADIO BROADCAST AND ALTAR FLOWERS

Flower and radio broadcast charts are posted on the bulletin board in Diers Hall. You may call the church office or sign the chart to reserve a date. Radio broadcast is \$70 and altar flowers are \$35 per Sunday. Please pay for your flowers or broadcast at the time you make your reservations. Open dates for broadcast through May include March 8, 29; May 3, 24, 31. Flowers may be reserved for March 1, 29; May 24.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

Our clocks should be set to spring forward one hour as time will be changing March 8. We don't want to be late for worship!

CONFIRMATION CLASS REUNION

Immanuel has for many years hosted reunion for confirmation classes on Palm Sunday. The classes to be honored on March 29, 2015, include the following. Names are listed in the order as they appear on their confirmation picture.

Class of 1940 (75th Anniversary)

Harm Ludwig, Ernest J. Huls, John A. Duitsman, Heye Suits, Eldred Schmidt, Wilbur Franzen, Martin Wolken, Carl Albers, Arthur Albers, Raymond Ehmen, Emma Mae Theesfeld, Eleanor Grussing, Marie Huls, Wilbert Freese, John Park, Annie Mennenga, Elizabeth Flesner, Johanna Knospe, Erna Franzen, Evelyn Schmidt, Helena Freese. Received as adult—Doris M. Edminson.

Class of 1965 (50th Anniversary)

Merle Kopmann, Deborah Duitsman, Kenneth Ehler, Stephen Flesner, Lauralynn Loschen, Stephen Hinrichs, Randy Ihnen, Stanley Harsha, Eldean Bergman, Karlene Hinrichs, Barbara Ehmen, Gary Huls, Danita Ehmen, Edgar Busboom, Randall Wolken, Mary Blue, Lynn Huls, Amy Schmidt, Darrell Suits. Received as adults on March 28, 1965, were Cheryl Kopmann, Linda L. McKinley, Anita Saathoff, Sharon Uden, Gregory Paul Cooper. Received as adults on December 19, 1965, were Cheryl Jean Kathrens, Mary Louise Huls, Marla Rose Thompson, Ronald Wayne Thompson, Roger Wayne Wrona.

Class of 1990 (25th Anniversary)

Kimberly Frerichs, James Hinrichs, Brandi Carmien, Kyle Ramm, Bradley Uken, Ryan Rademaker, Peral Reitmeier, Bradley Rademacher, Genetti Reitmeier, Corissa Kopmann. Received as adults December 9, 1990, Blaine Baker, Mark Garrell, Sara Johnson, Diane Llach, and Angie Raup.

EUCHRE TOURNAMENT

The next tournament will be on Sunday, March 15, beginning at 3:00 p.m. in Diers Hall. Women will provide snacks. Please join in the fun and fellowship. February's scoreboard included:



Rosetta Suits—High Score
 Agnes Maier—Low Score
 Carolyn Flesner & Agnes Maier—Loners
 Roger Gronewald—Pokes

ATTENDANCE FOR FEBRUARY

<u>Date</u>	<u>Sat.</u>	<u>Sun.</u> <u>8:00</u>	<u>Sun.</u> <u>10:00</u>	<u>Totals</u>
1	24	73	33	130
8	20	104	107	231
15	14	82	80	176
22	<u>17</u>	<u>108</u>	<u>130</u>	<u>255</u>
Avg.	18	91	77	198



SHUT-IN
 Keep our homebound and shut-ins in your thoughts and prayers. They would all enjoy calls or visits:

BELVEDEERE COMMONS OF FRANKLIN FRANKLIN, TN

Marie Mennenga

BROOKSTONE ESTATES

Ann Duitsman
 Dora Ehmen
 Dorothy Fruhling
 Lela Huls
 Emilie Steffey

COUNTRY HEALTH NURSING HOME

Alma Ackerman
 Emma Bergman
 Duaine Brownfield
 Abbie Demien
 Albert Ehmen
 Verna Hewitt
 Hilda Huls
 Melvin Huls
 Arlene Peavler
 Emma Schmidt
 Margie Wolken

EMERITUS AT CANTERBURY

Norma Reitmeier

HEARTLAND OF PAXTON

Norma Flesner
Vera Kelley

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 Arizona
Margie Wolken



RECEIVED IN BAPTISM

Bristol Ann Einck, daughter of Justin and Katie (Schmidt) Einck, received the Sacrament of Holy

Baptism on February 15, 2015. She was born November 6, 2014. Her baptismal sponsors were Justin Schmidt and Jenna Einck.

Natalie Marie Rulon, daughter of Kiel and Kassidy Rulon, received the Sacrament of Holy Baptism on February 22, 2015. She was born January 21, 2015. Her baptismal sponsors were Dirk Harms and Jessica Whitlow.

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.

BLESSING OF SPRINGTIME AND PLANTING

I&I Antique Tractor Club invite you to a "Blessing of Springtime and Planting Season" on Sunday, March 29, 2015, at 3:00 p.m., at the Club Showgrounds in Penfield, IL. Celebrate Life Singers, outdoor blessing and refreshments will be included.

WEATHER CONCERNS

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

SPECIAL DATES IN MARCH

- World Day of Prayer March 6
- Daylight Saving Time Begins March 8
- First Day of Spring March 20
- Palm Sunday March 29
- Holy Week March 29-April 4



Acolytes, Lay Readers, Communion Assistants, Greeters, Ushers

March, 2015

Date	Acolytes	Lay Readers	Comm Assistants	Greeters	Ushers
Sun. Mar. 1st 5:00 PM			Peggy Blue		
8:00 AM	Alicia Dowda Corbin Lantis	Lloyd Duitsman	Robyn Camp Judy Rademaker	Carlene Lantis Ray & Judy Rademaker	8:00 AM Gary Busboom (captain) Jeff Hovel Brant Hovel Jerrod Lantis
10:15 AM	Madison Buhr Makayla Learned	Tim Clink	Lois Harms Toni Brown	JoAnn Duitsman Darius & Lois Harms	10:15 AM Rick Wolken (captain) Jodi Wolken Ryan Rademaker Todd Wilson
COMMUNION					
Wed. Mar. 4th 7:00 PM	Angela Palmer	Wilma Suits		Emma Johnson Virlon & Wilma Suits	
Sun. Mar. 8th 5:00 PM					
8:00 AM	Rylee Sjuts	Ellen Blue		Keith & Diana Sjuts Julie Wilson & Callie Heidbreder	
10:15 AM	Ben Reitmeier	Maynard Duitsman		Les & Debra Suits Lawrence & Clarissa Schluter	
Wed. Mar. 11th 7:00 PM	Logan Bushman	Sharon Emkes		Bob Tuller Mary and Devin Wolken	
Sun. Mar. 15th 5:00 PM			Sharon Emkes		
8:00 AM	Angela Palmer Emmanuel Lutes	Virlon Suits	Julie Hedrick Amy Jones	Julie Hedrick Gene & Joan Schmidt	
10:15 AM	Grant Goff Kale Goff	Sue Calhoun	Denise Wolken Coley Wolken	Janice Duitsman Dave & Denise Wolken	
COMMUNION					

Acolytes, Lay Readers, Communion Assistants, Greeters, Ushers

March, 2015

Date	Acolytes	Lay Readers	Comm Assistants	Greeters	Ushers
Wed. Mar. 18th 7:00 PM	Alicia Dowda	Nicole Crites		Betty Ihnen Bev Lehmann	
Sun. Mar. 22nd 5:00 PM					
8:00 AM	Logan Bushman	Karen Currie		Donna Garrell Shirley Johnson	
10:15 AM	Caleb Johnson	Kalista Lutes		Larry & Carol Johnson Larry & Eunice Frerichs	
Wed. Mar. 25th 7:00 PM	Rylee Sjuts	Denise Wolken		Mary Quinlan Rodney & Peggy Bergman	
Sun. Mar. 29th 5:00 PM			Joyce Romine		
8:00 AM	Adam Crites Daniel Scott	Bev Lehmann	Nicole Crites Darla Rubarts	Darla Rubarts Ernie & Evelyn Sjuts	
10:15 AM PALM SUNDAY COMMUNION	Madison Buhr Kale Goff	Jennifer Wayland	Edgar & Sharon Hovel	Jake and Marla Goff Family Dorothy Fruhling and Emilie Steffey	

MARCH 2015 CALENDAR – IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 8:00am Worship & Holy Communion 9:15am SS/Adult Class 10:15am Worship & Holy Communion 2:00pm. Conf. Class to St. Nicholas Church 5:00pm. Revelation Study	2 8:30am. LWR Sewing	3 9:30am Pastors' Study & Worship	4 6:00am Men's Bible Study 9:30am Bible Study 6:00pm Lenten Supper 6:30pm Youth Choir 7:00pm Worship 8:00pm Cathedral Choir	5 8:30am LWR Sewing 4:30pm Evangelism	6	7 7:00am Lutheran Brotherhood 5:00pm Worship
8 8:00am Worship 9:15am SS/Adult Class 10:15am Worship 2:00pm LYO Open Gym 5:00pm Revelation Study	9	10 9:30am Pastors' Study & Worship 6:00pm Church Council	11 6:00am Men's Bible Study 9:30am Bible Study 6:00pm Lenten Supper 6:30pm Youth Choir 7:00pm Worship 8:00pm Cathedral Choir	12 1:30pm Holy Communion at Country Health	13 6:00pm Wood/Blankenship Wedding Rehearsal	14 3:30pm Wood/Blankenship Wedding 5:00pm Worship & Holy Communion
15 8:00am Worship & Holy Communion 9:15am SS/Adult Class 10:15am Worship & Holy Communion 1:00pm Ostfriesian Society 3:00pm. Euchre Tourn. 5:00pm. Revelation Study	16 8:30am LWR Sewing	17 9:30am Pastors' Study & Worship 7:00pm Parish Ed	18 6:00am Men's Bible Study 9:30am Bible Study 6:00pm Lenten Supper 6:30pm Youth Choir 7:00pm Worship 8:00pm Cathedral Choir <u>Newsletter Deadline</u>	19 8:30am LWR Sewing	20	21 5:00pm Worship
22 8:00am Worship 9:15am SS/Adult Class 10:15am Worship 11:15am Confirmation Essay Reading	23	24 9:30am Pastors' Study & Worship 7:00pm. Women of Immanuel	25 6:00am Men's Bible Study 9:30am Bible Study 6:00pm Lenten Supper 6:30pm Youth Choir 7:00pm Worship 8:00pm Cathedral Choir	26	27	28 8:30am Altar Guild Mtg. & Cleaning 10:30am Joy Bells 5:00pm Worship
29 8:00am Worship 9:15am 9:15am SS/Adult Class 9:15am Conf. Reunion 10:15am Worship & Holy Communion 5:00pm. Revelation Study	30	31 9:30am Pastors' Study & Worship				

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ACTIVITIES PAGE

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PRAYER

REMINDER



Use this fun family activity to remember to pray for other people.

What you need:

- White index cards (at least six)
- Markers or colored pencils (red, orange, yellow, green, blue and brown)
- M&M's candies



What you do:

1. On each card, write a group of people to pray for (family members, friends, teachers, sick people, etc.). Use a different color of writing utensil for each card.
2. While sitting at a table, divide the M&M's among family members.
3. Spread out the cards and explain that each color represents a group of people to pray for. Have each family member choose one candy and consider who they'll pray for.
4. Designate one person to start praying aloud. Go around the circle, and have the last person close.
5. At the end of that round, eat those M&M's.
6. Continue until you've prayed for all the cards. (Make more, if you'd like!)



POWER OF PRAYER

When life gets crazy, worry creeps in. But God tells us exactly what to do – any time and anywhere.

Directions: Circle the word in each group that doesn't belong. Then write those words on the numbered lines below.

1 apple anxious artichoke	2 every eagle emu	3 purple pink prayer	4 Paul petition Peter	5 taste touch thanksgiving
6 rest requests relax	7 God George Greg	8 puddle peace pond	9 transcends train truck	10 unusual unique understanding
11 guard giraffe gorilla	12 hearts hold held	13 many minds more	14 Philadelphia Pennsylvania Philippians	

“Do not be _____¹ about anything, but in _____² situation, by _____³ and _____⁴, with _____⁵, present your _____⁶ to _____⁷. And the _____⁸ of God, which _____⁹ all _____¹⁰, will _____¹¹ your _____¹² and your _____¹³ in Christ Jesus.” _____¹⁴ 4:6-7, NIV

Answers: 1. anxious, 2. every, 3. prayer, 4. petition, 5. thanksgiving, 6. requests, 7. God, 8. peace, 9. transcends, 10. understanding, 11. guard, 12. hearts, 13. minds, 14. Philippians

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JANUARY 2015 TREASURER'S REPORT

Fund Balance Information

<u>GENERAL FUND</u>				<u>BUILDING FUND</u>			
Fund Balance	12/31/2014		\$ 189,100.62	Fund Balance	12/31/2014		\$ 53,330.50
Offerings		\$ 26,022.71		Offerings		\$ 9,255.00	
Dedicated & Other Fund Receipts		22,512.24		Memorial		\$ 25.00	
	Total Income		\$ 48,534.95	Playground Equipment		\$ 100.00	
					Total Income		\$ 9,380.00
Pastoral Ministry		\$ 17,601.88		Insurance		\$ 4,538.25	
Worship & Service		11,727.58		Building & Repair		2,320.74	
Our Church Home		2,821.26		Utilities		5,944.54	
Dedicated Fund Expenses		12,513.64			Total Expenses		\$ 12,803.53
	Total Expenses		\$ 44,664.36				
Total Fund Balance	1/31/2015		\$ 192,971.21	Total Fund Balance	1/31/2015		\$ 49,906.97
Less Dedicated Fund Total			63,220.05	<i>Building Fund Invested as:</i>			<i>Checking \$ 49,906.97</i>
Total Unobligated Balance			\$ 129,751.16				
<i>General Fund Invested as:</i>				<i>Other Fund Balances</i>			
		<i>Checking \$ 3,470.01</i>		Endowment Capital	\$ 41,981.96	Memorial	\$ 23,048.05
<i>Money Market \$38,041.44</i>	<i>CD \$ 41,382.34</i>	<i>CD \$ 110,077.42</i>		Endowment Common	\$ 14,501.81	Endowment Interest	\$ 66.43

Offering & Attendance January 2015

By Category

General	\$ 26,022.71
Benevolence	\$ 7,656.85
Building	\$ 9,255.00
Total	\$ 42,934.56

January Attendance

997
Average Weekly Attendance
249

Benevolence Offering Includes

Gen Benevolence	6,323.85	Food Bank	360.00
NALC Seminary	692.00	Lutheran CORE	40.00
LWR	55.00	FOTCHO	26.00
Local Storm Relief	10.00	World Hunger	150.00

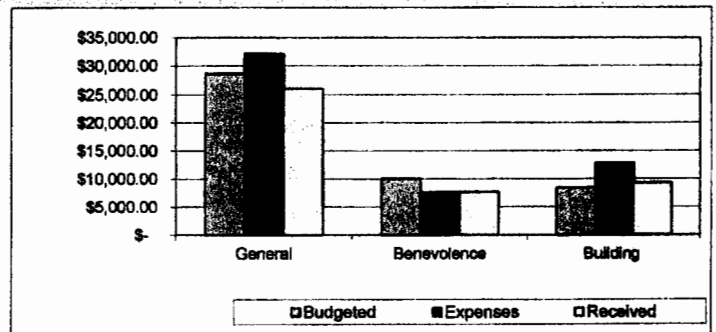
Additional Offerings Received

Sunday School	240.33	Parking Lot	400.00
LYO	105.00	Endowment Fund	10,717.00
Historical Committee	500.00	Altar Flowers	140.00
Pictorial Directory	10.00	Radio Broadcast	210.00
LWR Sewing Ladies	5.00	Lutheran Brotherhood	28.00
Initial Offering	631.00	Cookbooks	30.00
Historical Books	2,480.00	Magnets/DVD's	170.00

Stewardship Progress Year to Date

	Budgeted	Received	Ahead/(Behind)
General	\$ 28,674.75	\$ 26,022.71	\$ (2,652.04)
Benevolence	10,000.00	7,656.85	(2,343.15)
Building	8,433.33	9,255.00	821.67
TOTAL	\$ 47,108.08	\$ 42,934.56	\$ (4,173.52)

	Expenses	Ahead/(Behind)
General	\$ 32,150.72	\$ (6,128.01)
Benevolence	7,656.85	-
Building	12,803.53	(3,548.53)
	\$ 52,611.10	\$ (9,676.54)



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

PERMIT NO. 2



Immanuel Lutheran Church, Flatville
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