



THE VOICE OF IMMANUEL

March 2017



In Confirmation we just finished the last chapter in our book on the Lord's Prayer. This last chapter introduces the kids to the concept of devotion. The chapter stresses staying connected to God. It explains that devotion, which is faithful affection and dedication, is a great way to describe our relationship with God. The chapter says that devotion is often lived out in prayer, it mentions

"I will meditate of your precepts and fix my eyes on your ways. I will delight in your statutes; I will not forget your word." Psalm 119:15-16

Looking for Devotions for Lent?

Go to our website, www.flatvillechurch.com, and click on the link or visit thenalc.org for a pdf version of "From Ashes to Easter," the devotional for the 2017 Lenten season based on Year I of the Lutheran Book of Worship. Written by the Rev. Dr. David Wendel.

To receive **daily** devotionals via **email**, please visit thenalc.org and click on the NALC Lenten Devotional link.

To receive **daily** devotionals via **text message**, please text @NALCLENT to 614-682-8693.

Martin Luther's Morning and Evening Prayers as examples of daily prayer.

Another aspect is spending time in God's Word. The book gives some practical suggestions how to spend your time in prayer.

1) After you have chosen a biblical text.

- Read it slowly, paying attention to each word
- try not to get caught up in questions about the text
- consider the plain sense meaning of what is being said

2) Put yourself in the text

- If the verse are a prayer, let the prayer be from you to God
- If God is speaking, let God speak to you personally
- if the reading is a story, imagine yourself as a character

3) Expect to hear something new

- remember, the Bible is not just what you think or know
- through the Bible, God is speaking His Word to you
- expect to be challenged by God's thinking

4) Listen for Law and Gospel

- don't just look at what you do, but what God is doing
- think of God as the Giver and you as the receiver
- rest your prayers in the promise of his grace and mercy

5) Let the Word work on you and your prayers

- consider how God's Word addresses your life
 - pray for God's Holy Spirit to be at work in you
 - ask God to let His Word impact your life in real ways
- (The Lord's Prayer, Sola Confirmation Series, Sola Publishing)

I am using *According to Your Mercy: Praying with the Psalms from Ash Wednesday to Easter* written by Martin Shannon along with the NALC daily devotionals via text message. With so many approaches I encourage you to choose one to start with. If you are looking for something different please stop in my office to look at different materials or check out what the NALC has to offer. We take the time to do so many things in our life, let us not forget or neglect to get ourselves spiritually ready for Easter.

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/)



CHURCH COUNCIL

Church Council met on February 14, 2017.

Pastor's Report: Approved Jamie Vermillion's release of membership. Visits to the nursing home were limited due to cold and flu outbreaks.

Committee Reports:

Parish Education – A meeting was held on February 16, 2017.

Social Ministry – Lenten offerings are designated to NALC Disaster Response, Pastor Perez radio broadcast, Multicultural Community Center in Rantoul, and the Iraqi Relief Council.

Volunteer – Service schedule is complete through April.

Property – The grounds will be receiving 2 applications of fertilizer and weed control through Darren Ramm. Spring work day is scheduled for April 8th from 7:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. A water heater in the Sunday School building was installed by Vogelsang Plumbing.

Endowment – Pastor Lehmann discussed the possibility of meeting 3 Sunday afternoons to discuss financial planning. Topics discussed would be Living Wills and Powers of Attorney, Estate Planning and Hospice.

New Business – Approved 10 Freese Scholarships in the amount of \$750.00.

Date of next meeting: March 14, 2017 @ 6:00 p.m.

WOMEN OF IMMANUEL

Then the King will say to those on his right “Come, you who are blessed by my Father, take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat. I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink. I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.”

Then the righteous will answer him, Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go visit you?

The King will reply, “I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.” Matthew 25:34-40

After my conversation with Martha Gonzalez, the director of the Multicultural Community Center, in Rantoul, IL, God reminded me of His Holy Words from the book of Matthew.

Martha spoke of so many needs the center has, but she told me of a family with high needs at this time, I could tell this family weighed heavy on her heart. Martha told me this family has a severely disabled 14 year old daughter, who is going to St. Louis for spine surgery. Martha told me the mother will be off work to be with her daughter for some time, and would be in need of money for gas, hotel, food, etc. Martha asked if this might be something our church could help with...I told her Yes!

So I/we need your help. We will be collecting money to help this family in need. If you would like to help we ask that you place your donation in an envelope marked, “Multicultural Community Center” and place in the offering plate at church any Sunday in the month of March or

leave your donation at the church office. We at Immanuel are Blessed to Bless...Will you help us Bless this family? Thank you for your prayers and support!

Marilyn Buhr

Multicultural Community Center
1126 Country Club Ln
Rantoul, IL 61866

**MEN'S
MINISTRY**

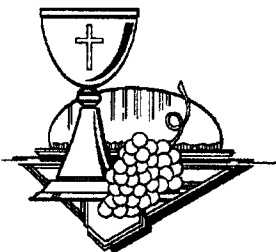
LUTHERAN BROTHERHOOD

The Lutheran Brotherhood will meet for breakfast and Bible study on Saturday, March 4, 2017, at 7:00 a.m. We invite all men of the congregation to join us in Luther Lounge.



Worship and Holy Communion on Ash Wednesday is at 7:00 p.m.

HOLY COMMUNION



We will celebrate Holy Communion at Brookstone at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 9, 2017 and at Country Health 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.



OSTFRIESIAN HERITAGE SOCIETY

The Ostfriesian Heritage Society will gather on Sunday, March 19 at 1:00 p.m. Anyone is welcome to join us.

MARCH ALTAR GUILD

- Julie Wilson(Chair) 202-6515
- Carol Johnson 694-4512
- Janine Standifer 621-3261
- Callie Heidbreder 841-4282
- Sharolyn Worley 469-8084

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The newsletter deadline for April will be Wednesday, March 15, 2017. You may mail or bring your newsworthy items to the church office or email them to flatvillesecretary@wigi.us.

LENTEN WORSHIP SERVICES

Psalms of Repentance and Lament

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

- March 8 Psalm 32 Pastor Alan Oman
New Beginnings, Mahomet
- March 15 Psalm 51 Pastor Jay Johnson
St. John, Royal
- March 22 Psalm 38 Pastor Seth Jersild
Prince of Peace, St. Joseph
- March 29 Psalm 6 Pastor Tim Hubert
American, Rantoul
- April 5 Psalm 102 Pastor Chris Thorson
Zion, Philo

Join us at 6:00 for a soup and sandwich supper and worship.

OFFERINGS FOR LENT

Offerings received at mid-week worship services will be divided equally among: NALC Disaster Response, Pastor Perez radio broadcast, Multicultural Community Center in Rantoul, and the Iraqi Christian Relief Council.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

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

- 3/2 Lorraine Burkhardt
- 3/3 Sylvia Flessner
- 3/7 Ellen Blue
- 3/8 Alice Sieberns
- 3/10 Eunice Frerichs
- 3/13 Shirley Rademacher
- 3/15 Beverly Wolken
- 3/22 Louise Fruhling
- 3/23 Janice Siuts
- 3/25 Karon Currie
- 3/26 Marilyn Mennenga
- 3/28 Lloyd Duitsman
- 3/29 Elaine Uken
- 3/30 Marlene Franzen
- 3/30 Lester Wolken



CONFIRMATION CLASS REUNION

Immanuel has for many years hosted reunion for confirmation classes on Palm Sunday. The classes to be honored on April 9, 2017, include the following. Names are listed in the order as they appear on their confirmation picture.

Class of 1942 (75th Anniversary)

Alfred Ideus; Harold Olson; Claus Hovel; Alvin Ehmen; Edgar Buhr; Wilbert Kopmann; Dick Albers; Alvin Mennenga; Robert Harsha; Lewis Johnson; Edgar Munning; Annetta Wolken; Arnold Hinrichs; Mildred Franzen; Gesina Flesner; Ruth Loesch; Dick Ackerman; Marie Mennenga; Reiner Flessner; Clara Reitmeier; John W. Huls; Erna Hinrichs; Irene Kienietz; Wilbur Flessner; Cecilia Schmidt

Class of 1967 (50th Anniversary)

Joanne Duitsman; Madonna Ehmen; Kathleen Suits; Arlene Mennenga; David Albers; Dale Ideus; Donna Ihnen; Barbara Harsha; Vicki Uden; Dorothy Ehler; Velma Huls; Russell Buhr; Larry Johnson; Allen Bergman; Darla Franzen; Ricky Ehmen; Charles Ehmen; Barbara Uden; Sharon Albers; Marla Osterbur; Deborah Harsha; Beverly Evans; Sheila Frerichs; Larry Schmidt; Dale Raup

Received as Adults in 1967

Stella Collins; Norma Jean Flesner; Marilyn Jane Loesch; Gustavo Perez; Dan Honaker

Class of 1992 (25th Anniversary)

Rebecca Flesner; Kathy Ramm; Jeremy Worley; Chad Goldenstein; Dirk Harms; Jason Ackerman; Rachel Caldwell; Lisa Sage; Kari Wiltshire; Jeremy Kopmann; Traci Heiden; Matthew Schmidt; Rachel Ihnen; Emily Quinlan

Received as Adults in 1992

Christy Uden; Billy Estes; Kim Busboom; Molly Flesner; Jeff & Joyce Harshbarger



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.

ATTENDANCE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Sat.</u>	<u>Sun.</u>	<u>Sun.</u>	<u>Totals</u>
		<u>8:00</u>	<u>10:00</u>	
Feb. 5	47	107	72	226
Feb. 12	23	77	61	161
Feb. 19	15	80	72	167



**MY MOUTH
WILL DECLARE
YOUR PRAISE.**

Psalm 51:15

EUCHRE

Euchre was held on February 19th. Join in on the next tournament which will be Sunday, March 19, at 3:00 p.m. in Diers Hall.

- High Score: Erna Mennenga
- Low Score: Emma Johnson
- Most Loners: Erna Mennenga
- Most Pokes: Corinne Henrich

SHUT-INS

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

Brookstone Estates

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



Country Health Nursing Home

- Emma Bergman
- Abbie Demien
- Esther Kopmann
- Margie Wolken

Holly Brook, Savoy

- Norma Reitmeier

Riverview Assisted Living, East Peoria

- Donna Flessner

Brookdale

- Ann Duitsman

Homebound

- Clara Graham
- Arnold Hinrichs
- Hilda Swanson - in Arizona
- Ann Wolken



NAME: Hattie Josephine Vogelsang
 BORN: September 21, 2016
 PARENTS: Tyler & Stephanie Vogelsang
 SPONSORS: Jessica Summers & Ericka Williams
 BAPTIZED: February 4, 2017

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

Merle Schmidt completed his baptismal journey on February 16, 2017. Funeral arrangements were at Immanuel on February 22, 2017 by Pastor Cynthia A. Bisser, STS. Committal was at Beckman.

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.

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

- Ash Wednesday, March 1, 2017
- World Day of Prayer, March 3, 2017
- First Sunday in Lent, March 5, 2017
- Second Sunday in Lent, March 12, 2017
- Daylight-Saving Time begins, March 12, 2017
- Third Sunday in Lent, March 19, 2017
- First day of spring, March 20, 2017
- Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 26, 2017



LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS

Soup and sandwich supper is at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesdays. Please see the sign-up sheet across from the office for ways you can help in providing soup, dessert or set up/clean up.

We previously included a letter from St. Elias (Arabic) Church. Here is one from Life Stream Oromo Church. Both of them receive some of our Benevolence offerings.

January 30, 2017

Dear Pastor, Brothers and Sisters at Immanuel Lutheran church Of Flatville;

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,

The Life stream Oromo Evangelical church is pleased to have you as a partner congregation. We believe that God has called us together to accomplish His mission in this world. God's mission includes serving his people in the church and reaching the lost souls. Our church is committed to accomplish both purposes.

As a congregation, our primary commitment is to serve the Oromo immigrants in Chicago and its suburbs. While serving our church members we are striving to reach the wider Oromo Community who are mainly followers of Islam Religion. So far we were building basic connections with this community through family relationships, community events and inviting them to church programs. For the future our plan is to expand these relationships and create favorable conditions for witness of the Gospel. We hope that the Holy Spirit will use these efforts as means to communicate God's Love to our target communities

Again we would like to express our heartfelt thanks for standing with us through your prayers, words of encouragements and financial supports. Your financial support helped us to assist our Pastor as a part time worker and train volunteers in our church. Through the support of congregations like yours, we continue to be that beacon of light and hope to the immigrant community. According to our record your financial support for the year 2016 is \$4,715.78.

Once again we like to express our appreciation and gratitude for all your generosity and prayers. It is indeed a real privilege to be partners with you in the gospel.

May God bless you and your Ministry

Best regards



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PRAYER HANDS

Make these hands as a helpful prayer guide.



What you need:

- 7 pieces of construction paper (different colors)
- Pencil
- Scissors
- Stapler
- Colored pens
- Stickers

What you do:

1. Trace your hand (the same one) on each piece of paper.
2. Cut out and stack the hands. Staple together atop the pinky.
3. On the top hand (the front cover), write "Prayer Hands." Decorate with stickers.
4. On the second hand, write "Praise God." On the third, write "Ask for forgiveness." On the fourth, write "Thank God." On the fifth, write "Pray for others." On the sixth, write "Pray for me."
5. Use your book to remember what to pray for every day.



The psalmist's prayer

The Psalms are full of wonderful verses about God's care and protection.

Directions: Find each missing letter in the alphabets below. Use the resulting words to complete Psalm 86:7, NIV.

A B C E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z _____
 A B C D E F G H J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z _____
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When I am in _____, I _____ to you,
 because you _____ me. Psalm 86:7, NIV

Answer: When I am in distress, I call to you, because you answer me. Psalm 86:7, NIV

MARCH 2017 CALENDAR-IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Ash Wednesday 6:00a- Mens Bible Study 7:00p-Worship & Holy Communion	2 8:30 a LWR Sewing	3	4 7:00a- Lutheran Brotherhood 5:00 p- Worship & Holy Communion
5 8:00a- Worship & Holy Communion 9:15a- Sunday School/Adult Class 10:15a- Worship & Holy Communion	6 8:30 a- LWR Sewing	7 9:30 a- Pastors' Study & Worship	8 6:00a- Mens Bible Study 6:00p- Soup Supper 7:00p- Lent	9 10:00 a-Communion at Brookstone 1:30 p- Communion at Country Health	10	11 5:00 p- Worship
12 8:00 a- Worship 9:15a- Sunday School/Adult Class 10:15 a- Worship	13	14 9:30 a- Pastors' Study & Worship 6:00p- Council	15 Newsletter Deadline 6:00a- Mens Bible Study 6:00p- Soup Supper 7:00p- Lent	16 8:30 a LWR Sewing	17	18 5:00 p- Worship & Holy Communion
19 8:00a-Worship & Holy Communion 9:15a- Sunday School/Adult Class 10:15a- Worship & Holy Communion 1:00 p- Ostfriesian 3:00 p- Euchre	20 8:30 a LWR Sewing	21 9:30 a- Pastors' Study & Worship 7:00 p- Parish Ed.	22 6:00a- Mens Bible Study 6:00p- Soup Supper 7:00p- Lent	23	24	25 5:00 p- Worship
26 8:00a-Worship 9:15a- SS/Adult SS 10:15a- Worship 1:30p- Hymn Sing Country Health 2:00p-Devotions at Country Health	27	28 9:30 a- Pastors' Study & Worship 6:30 p- Women of Immanuel	29 6:00a- Mens Bible Study 6:00p- Soup Supper 7:00p- Lent	30	31	

MARCH 2017

Date	Acolyte	Lay Readers	Communion Assistants	Greeters	Ushers
MARCH 2017					
Wednesday, March 1, 2017 Ash Wednesday 7:00 p.m. COMMUNION	Jessica Palmer Colin Wayland	Shirley Wyatt	Bev Lehmann Matthew Lehmann	Jason Stalter & Family Mary Wolken	March: 8:00a.m. Gary Busboom (Captain) Keith Sjuts Bob Tuller Lloyd Duitsman
Sunday, March 5, 2017 5:00 p.m. 8:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m. COMMUNION	Tyler Scott Grace Flessner Karsten Wayland Kyle Meccoli	Sue Calhoun Karon Currie	5:00 Lois Harms 8:00 Adam Crites Robyn Camp 10:15 Hailey Braden Callie Heidbreder	Rick & Jodi Wolken Bev Heiden Rodney & Peggy Bergman Julie Hedrick	March: 10:15a.m. Ryan Rademaker (Captain) Ray Rademaker Marvin Rademacher Mike Stark
Wednesday, March 8, 2017 7:00 p.m.	Denley Heller	Elaine Wilson		Jake & Marla Goff Family	
Sunday, March 12, 2017 5:00 p.m. 8:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m.	Josh Burkhardt Hallie Harms	Sharon Emkes Judi Studer		Mark & Kim Wood Bob Tuller Barry & Sandy Maury Bev Lehmann	
Wednesday, March 15, 2017 7:00 p.m.	Lindsay Suits	Ellen Blue		Molly Flesner & Casey Flesner	PLEASE SEE OTHER SIDE

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Date	Acolyte	Lay Readers	Communion Assistants	Greeters	Ushers
March 2017					
Sunday, March 19, 2017 5:00 pm 8:00 am 10:15 am COMMUNION	Austin Cotter Brett Brown Brayden Karlson Colin Wayland	Kim Wood Toni Brown	5:00 Sharon Emkes 8:00 Darla Rubarts & Amy Jones 10:15 Shirley Wyatt & Julie Hedrick	Callie Heidbreder & Julie Wilson Mary Quinlan Mike Stark & Joyce Romine Donna Garrell	
Wednesday, March 22, 2017 7:00 pm	Anna Crites	Adam Crites		Gery & Lois Maury Robyn Camp	
Sunday, March 26, 2017 8:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m.	Jessica Palmer Kyle Meccoli	Amy Jones Dr. David Bruns		Larry & Carol Johnson Edgar & Kay Busboom Marie Reitmeier & Danny Roelfs Jeff & Shari Hovel	
Wednesday, March 29, 2017	Grace Flessner	Mike Stark		Virlon & Wilma Suits Lawrence & Clarissa Schluter	

**Please note the changes made to the Ushers. Any question please contact Rodney Bergman.



APRIL 2017

Date	Acolyte	Lay Readers	Communion Assistants	Greeters	Ushers
Sunday, April 2, 2017 5:00 pm 8:00 am 10:15 am COMMUNION	Tyler Scott Hallie Harms Denley Heller Karsten Wayland	Emilie Steffey Jennifer Wayland	5:00 Rodney Bergman 8:00 Ranae Buck Janna Buck 10:15 Nicole Wolken Judy Rademaker	Gary Sage & Sue Swain Janice Duitsman Janine Standifer & Hailey Braden Dr. David Brun	April: 8:00am Rick Wolken (Captain) Jodi Wolken Scott Sage Lois Harms
Sunday, April 9, 2017 5:00 pm 8:00 am 10:15 am PALM SUNDAY COMMUNION	Josh Burkhardt Lindsay Suits Austin Cotter Brett Brown	Robyn Camp Kalista Lutes	5:00 Denise Wolken 8:00 Sue Calhoun Nicole Crites 10:15 Toni Brown Alicia Dowda	Larry & Eunice Frerichs Norman & Darlene Uken Maynard & Jo Ann Duitsman Molly Flesner	April: 10:15am Grant Goff (Captain) Wally Worley Trent Worley Tad Worley
Thursday, April 13, 2017 MAUNDY THURSDAY 7:00 pm COMMUNION	Brayden Karlson Colin Wayland	Wilma Suits	Elaine Wilson Karon Currie	Ernie & Evelyn Sjuts Ranae & Janna Buck	

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Date	Acolyte	Lay Readers	Communion Assistants	Greeters	Ushers
Friday, April 14, 2017 GOOD FRIDAY 7:00 pm	Anna Crites	Leon Schmidt		Shirley Johnson Darlene Johnson	
Sunday, April 16, 2017 5:00 pm 8:00 am 10:15 am EASTER COMMUNION	Jessica Palmer Kyle Meccoli Tyler Scott Grace Flessner	Nicole Crites Bev Lehmann	5:00 Joyce Romine 8:00 Erin Siuts & Megan Siuts 10:00 Molly Flesner Bonita Kopmann	Dan & Becky Dunlap Les & Debra Siuts Leo & Judi Studer Mary Quinlan	
Sunday, April 23, 2017 5:00 pm 8:00 am 10:15 am	Karsten Wayland Hallie Harms	Teri Travis Maynard Duitsman		Ray & Elaine Uken Gene & Joan Schmidt Rosetta Suits Betty Ihnen	
Sunday, April 30, 2017 5:00 pm 8:00 am 10:15 am	Denley Heller Brett Brown	Lloyd Duitsman Joyce Romine		Tyler & Stephanie Vogelsang Dave & Denise Wolken Mike Stark & Joyce Romine Donna Garrell	

JANUARY 2017 TREASURER'S REPORT

Fund Balance Information

GENERAL FUND				BUILDING FUND				
Fund Balance	12/31/2016	\$	159,728.69	Fund Balance	12/31/2016	\$	95,953.87	
Offerings		\$	23,574.12	Offerings		\$	8,362.08	
Dedicated & Other Fund Receipts			7,339.01	Other Receipts			0.39	
	Total Income	\$	30,913.13		Total Income	\$	8,362.47	
Pastoral Ministry		\$	17,446.06	Building Repair		\$	317.63	
Worship & Service			7,355.94	Elevator			268.13	
Our Church Home			3,400.02	Insurance			4,776.50	
Dedicated Fund Expenses			1,028.75	Utilities			3,534.40	
	Total Expenses	\$	29,230.77		Total Expenses	\$	8,896.66	
Total Fund Balance	1/31/2017	\$	161,411.05	Total Fund Balance	1/31/2017	\$	95,419.68	
Less Dedicated Fund Total			69,097.40	Total Unobligated Balance			\$ 85,415.36	
Total Unobligated Balance		\$	92,313.65	Building Fund Invested as:				
<i>General Fund Invested as:</i>				<i>Other Fund Balances</i>				
		Checking	\$ 5,739.44	Endowment Capital	\$	59,590.34	Memorial	\$ 23,513.13
Money Market	\$1,949.65	CD	\$ 42,314.84	Endowment Common	\$	34,989.13	Endowment Interest	\$ 140.46
		CD	\$ 111,407.12					

Offering & Attendance January 2017

By Category

General	\$ 23,574.12
Benevolence	\$ 7,149.33
Building	\$ 8,362.08
Total	\$ 39,085.53

January Attendance

906
181

Benevolence Offering Includes

Gen Benevolence	4,813.33	NALC	1,000.00
Rantoul Food Bank	325.00	NALC Seminary	667.00
World Hunger	25.00	LWR	40.00
Lutheran Disaster Relief	100.00	Christmas Day	139.00
Lutheran CORE	40.00		

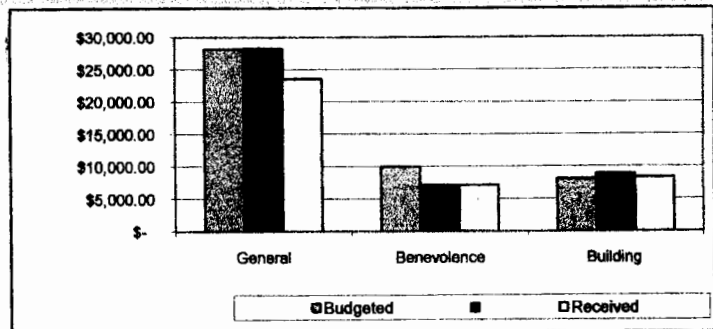
Additional Offerings Received

Sunday School	253.00	Parking Lot	550.00
KFC	20.00	Altar Flowers	245.00
JOY	20.00	LWR Sewing Projects	505.00
Radio Broadcast	910.00	Special Flowers	14.00
Lutheran Brotherhood	49.00	Initial Offering	542.00

Stewardship Progress Year to Date

	Budgeted	Received	Ahead/(Behind)
General	\$ 28,148.00	\$ 23,574.12	\$ (4,573.88)
Benevolence	10,000.00	7,149.33	(2,850.67)
Building	8,175.00	8,362.08	187.08
TOTAL	\$ 46,323.00	\$ 39,085.53	\$ (7,237.47)

	Expenses	Ahead/(Behind)
General	\$ 28,202.02	\$ (4,627.90)
Benevolence	7,149.33	-
Building	8,896.66	(534.58)
	\$ 44,248.01	\$ (5,162.48)



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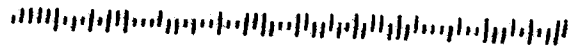
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