

THE VOICE OF IMMANUEL

March 2018

My preaching professor used to warn us about the use of illustrations in sermons. It must be strong enough that people get the point, but not so strong that they miss the point. "For example, you could start the sermon by firing a gun into the air. You will get their attention, but they may remember nothing else." I don't know how we could explain the hole in the ceiling.



St. Mark and St. Luke record the story of the man who was paralyzed. He had four great friends that carried him on a stretcher to see Jesus. When they arrived, they found the house packed with people. Ingeniously, they carried the man to the roof, removed the thatch, and lowered him in front of Jesus. When the event concluded, the man walked back home. The story is so vivid and so visual, that we all remember it well. It is an easy one to teach children in Sunday School. But do we remember what two things Jesus did? Jesus forgave the man his sins and He healed his body. Physical healing and spiritual healing were linked together.

Physical healing and spiritual healing have been hallmarks of the Christian Church throughout the centuries. For example, think about how many hospitals are named after saints or churches: St. Francis, St. James, Methodist, Mennonite, Lutheran, Presbyterian, etc. Consider how much emphasis is placed on confession and forgiveness: virtually every worship service is begun with confession and absolution. But "general" must become "specific." We generally know how to maintain good health: eat well, exercise, moderation. However, when we have a problem, we need a treatment specific to our situation. "The tumor must be removed." "Your blood pressure must be controlled." The same is true regarding the ministry of the Church. We pray for people's health. We collectively receive forgiveness. But there is more.

The Service of the Word for Healing is an

opportunity to join with others for a special worship service asking the Great Physician to touch individuals with His healing hand. Through hymns, scripture, and prayer, we come before our Lord. Then individuals are invited to receive the laying on of hands and anointing with oil. *Those who wish to receive laying on of hands and anointing come to the altar. Pastor lays both hands on each person's head in silence, and, after anointing, says: "O God, the giver of health and salvation: As the apostles of our Lord Jesus, at his command, anointed many that were sick and healed them, send now your Holy Spirit, that, anointed with this oil, your child may in repentance and faith be made whole; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."* A service will be held in the sanctuary on March 22 at 7:00 p.m.

Individual Confession and Forgiveness is an opportunity to privately come before the pastor to receive personal absolution. The confession made by a penitent is protected from disclosure. The pastor is obligated to respect at all times the confidential nature of a confession. It is one of the most sacred duties of the office. *The pastor lays both hands on the head of the penitent. "God is merciful and blesses you. By the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I, a called and ordained servant of the Word, forgive you your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."* "Amen." Private confession and absolution will be offered in Sunday School room #3, next to Pastor's office, on March 24, from 1:00-3:00 p.m.

These two opportunities are the week before Holy Week. This could be a meaningful way to prepare for the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ. He is the one who gave all for the sake of us all.

P.S. I hope you don't remember the gunshot and forget about healing and private confession. ☺

March – Disabilities:

“For the whole law can be summed up in this one

command: Love your neighbor as yourself.” Galatians 5:14 NLT



There are approximately 54 million people living in the United States with various kinds of disabilities that impact the way they lead their daily lives. Conditions causing disability include mental illness, blindness, military injuries, mental retardation, learning disabilities, and problems with hearing. A large portion of this population have physical disabilities or mobility problems because of a link to diseases like multiple sclerosis, cerebral palsy, polio, or various spinal injuries. Historically we have handled this population poorly and rather than encourage them, have kept them isolated in their homes. How welcoming were the sweeping staircases in churches of the 1900's? Are we doing better today or are we still keeping people 'trapped' at home with caregivers that are just as isolated? Churches need to include the disabled into the active life of membership as well as support the families who care for them. Check in with the family of those with disabilities to see how you can be of help. Offer to sit with the husband disabled from a stroke so the wife can get her hair done. Take the mother/spouse of one dealing with mental illness out for lunch to offer her respite from her daily challenges. Sometimes it's the small things that help the most.

Those with disabilities want to be productive at home and at church so look for ways to be inclusive. Is your building handicap accessible? Can a person get into the sanctuary as easily as they can the bathroom? Are there classes, small groups, or ministries in which the disabled can participate? Evaluate the tools that are currently available in your church. Are there devices and magnifiers to help the hearing and visually impaired? Have classes been adapted to welcome those with Down's Syndrome or other mental disorders? Are there groups to support the families of those with disabilities? Christ welcomed everyone to his table; what about you? Ask your parish nurse for additional ways to welcome all to your family.

*(Source: Interfaith Disability Connection
www.interfaithdisability.org)*

MEN'S MINISTRY

LUTHERAN BROTHERHOOD

The Lutheran Brotherhood will meet for breakfast and Bible study on Saturday, March 3, 2018, at 7:00 a.m. We invite all men of the congregation to join us in Luther Lounge.



CHURCH COUNCIL

Church Council met on February 13, 2018.

Pastor's Report: A discussion was held on the Founding Statement of the Society of the Holy Trinity.

Committee Reports:

Parish Education: A meeting was held on February 27, 2018.

Volunteer: Service schedule is complete through April.

Social Ministry: Offerings received at mid-week worship services will be divided equally among: Lutheran Military Veterans and Family Ministries, Pastor Eddy Perez Radio Ministry, Society of the Holy Trinity (STS), and Women in Transition.

Evangelism: Discussed the upcoming birthdays of members 90 years of age and older, and will continue celebrating with a special bouquet.

Property: Heat exchanger in boiler had to be sealed after a recent problem. Heating issue will need attention in the future.

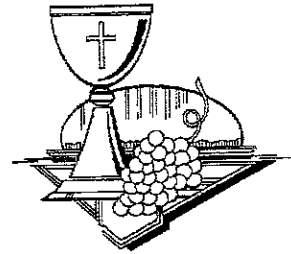
Fellowship: New member reception is March 11th.

New Business : A motion was made permitting Pastor Busboom to resume as Visitation Pastor by Kenny Buhr and seconded by Bonita Kopmann.

Unfinished Business: Church security was discussed. A committee is in place to research this. Council Retreat was held February 18th at 1:00 p.m. at the Thomasboro Fire Station.

Date of next meeting: March 13, 2018 @ 6:00 p.m.

HOLY COMMUNION



We will celebrate Holy Communion at Brookstone at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 8, 2018 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.

MARCH ALTAR GUILD

Teri Travis(Chair)	369-4538
Denise Wolken	202-2663
Bev Heiden	417-5683
Donna Wiltshire	893-1715
Casey Flesner	369-7763
Brenda Barr	493-8265
Mary Huls	377-5215

Altar Guild will have their annual cleaning day and business meeting on Saturday, March 24th at 8:30 a.m.

LENTEN WORSHIP SERVICES

Martyrs of the Bible

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

March 7	Paul	Pastor Chris Thorson Zion Lutheran, Philo
March 14	John the Baptist	Pastor Jay Johnson St. John, Royal
March 21	Stephen	Pastor Allan Oman New Beginnings, Mahomet

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



Soup

suppers

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.

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
- 3/10 Collin Kopmann
- 3/13 Shirley Rademacher
- 3/15 Beverly Wolken
- 3/22 Louise Fruhling
- 3/23 Janice Siuts
- 3/25 Karon Currie
- 3/28 Lloyd Duitsman
- 3/29 Elaine Uken
- 3/30 Marlene Franzen
- 3/30 Lester Wolken



ATTENDANCE

Date	Sat.	Sun. 8:00	Sun. 10:15	Totals
Feb 4	25	85	76	186
Feb.11 10	70	52		132
Feb 14	Ash Wednesday			98
Feb. 18	16	85	82	183

CONFIRMATION CLASS REUNION

Immanuel has for many years hosted reunion for confirmation classes on Palm Sunday. The classes to be honored on March 25, 2018, include the following. Names are listed in the order as they appear on their confirmation picture.

Class of 1943 (75th Anniversary)

Elvin J. Ackerman; John F. Ackerman; Robert Ackerman; Bernice Franzen; Clarence Fruhling; Marion Grussing; Ronald Harsha; Ernest Hinrichs; George Hovel; Melvin Ihnen; Esther Loschen; Leona Price; Martha Saathoff; Marie Wolken

Class of 1968 (50th Anniversary)

Sandra Blue; Dale Busboom; Marlene Ehmen; Sherrill Ehmen; Gary Flesner; Linda Flesner; Roger Fruhling; William Granger; Marilou Hinrichs; Marlon Huls; Vera Huls; Robert Loschen; David Mueller; Rhonda Peavler; Ruby Schmidt; Rodney Suits

Received as Adults in 1968

Deborah Beckman; Diana Flesner; RaNae Duitsman; Judy Ideus; James Reisner; Leo Studer; Thomas Crane

Class of 1993 (25th Anniversary)

Kelly Ackerman; Amy Appl; Laurie Busboom; Julie Emkes; Robert Loschen; Charity Reitmeier; James Reitmeier; Kurtis Schmidt; Ashley Tucker; Kyle Wiltshire; Derek Wolken

Received as Adults in 1993

Dale Stephens; Debbie Morris; Pat Barth; Kay Pierce; Charles Rupert; Julie Kilhoffer; Jennifer Foley; Timothy Jones; Lori Jones; Trent Shirar; John Church; Sandra Broughton; Alan Anderson; Jessica Duitsman; Jana Henson; Shari Hovel; n

STS RETREAT

Pastor will be out of the office February 26th - 27th to attend the STS Retreat.

EUCHRE



Euchre was held on February 18th. Join in on the next tournament which will be Sunday, March 18, at 3:00 p.m. in Diers Hall.

February Results:

High Score: Corrine Hemrich
 Low Score: Dave Wolken
 Most Loners: Corrine Hemrich
 Most Pokes: Lloyd Duitsman, Lois Harms and Betty Ihnen

NAME: Owen Dean Mennenga
 BORN: November 22, 2017
 PARENTS: Shannon Mennenga & Steven Lowther
 SPONSORS: Amos & Angela Huckstep
 Ashleigh & Chris Schoonover
 Sara Jane Lee
 Emily Mennenga
 BAPTIZED: January 14, 2018

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
 Lela Huls
 Emilie Steffey
 Wilbur Wilken



NAME: Lexi Lee Baxter
 BORN: June 13, 2017
 PARENTS: Matthew & Kristen Baxter
 SPONSORS: Casey Duitsman & Jesse Childress
 BAPTIZED: January 27, 2018

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.

Country Health Nursing Home

Clara Graham
 Esther Kopmann
 Dorothy Fruhling

Holly Brook, Savoy

Bill & Norma Reitmeier

Riverview Assisted Living, East Peoria

Donna Flessner

Brookdale

Ann Duitsman

Prestige Assisted Living, Arizona

Hilda Swanson - in Arizona

Homebound

Gesina Erdman

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 2, 2018
- Third Sunday in Lent, March 4, 2018
- Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 11, 2018
- Daylight-Saving Time begins, March 11, 2018
- Fifth Sunday in Lent, March 18, 2018
- First day of spring, March 20, 2018
- Palm/Passion Sunday, March 25, 2018
 - Holy Week, March 25-31, 2018
- Maundy Thursday, March 29, 2018
 - Good Friday, March 30, 2018

**MARCH STEWARDSHIP PROJECT**

The March Stewardship for the month of March will be the St. Joseph Food Bank. Let's see if we can fill the grocery cart in the church breezeway with items for the St. Joseph Food Bank. When grocery shopping for your own family, why not purchase a few extra CANS for the needy.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT**
EASTER EGG HUNT

The Easter Egg Hunt will be held Palm Sunday, March 25th during the Sunday School hour. Donations of wrapped candy or money to purchase candy would be greatly appreciated. If you have questions please contact Missy Buhr or any member of the Sunday School Office.

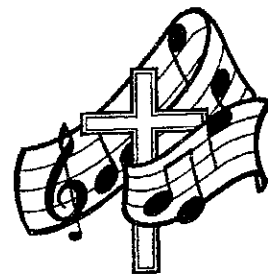
THE LADIES OF IMMANUEL

Ladies join us Tuesday night-March 27th @ 6:30, as we continue our Bible Study "In the Lutheran Household" – Lesson 4 "The Struggle of Marriage and Family" pages 26-31 in your Study Guide. We meet in Luther Lounge and still have a Study Guide or two left.....so even if you have not been with us before WE WOULD LOVE HAVING YOU AND WELCOME YOU TO JOIN US IN OUR BIBLE STUDY!!!

A warm thank you to everyone who donated socks to our "Sock it to'em Campaign". We collected 311 pairs of socks! Think of the feet that will be warmed by those socks!!! Thank you to Judy Grussing for delivering the socks to those in need @ various places. Once again my heart is warmed by the generosity of the members of Immanuel

We also thank everyone who was a part of baking and packing cookies that were sent out to Immanuel College Students and Service Men and Women for Valentine's Day.

Thank you for sharing God's Love in so many different ways.

**CHOIR PRACTICE**

Cathedral Choir will practice every Wednesday night after Lent Services the month of March and also on Wednesday night the 28th.

YOUTH GROUP

LYO NEWS

Easter is coming and again we will be serving breakfast after Sunrise service as well as leading the service. I will be getting with the LYO to see how they wish to participate for the service. I would like to also invite the confirmation students to help us with the service. *I can only Imagine*, the movie inspired by Bart Millard's relationship with his father will be coming out March 16th. We will be planning a night to go and watch this inspiring message.

Again, we are planning a mission trip in June. Information has been emailed to parents and students are encouraged to contact Denise (202-2663 or email denisewolken63@yahoo.com) if they are interested in attending. This year we will be going with Group Missions and the dates are June 16th- June 23rd.

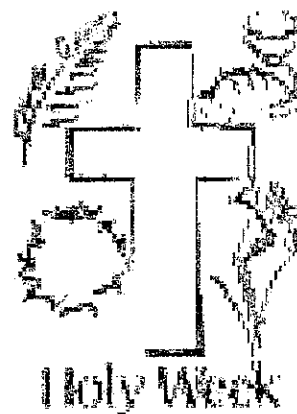
NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The newsletter deadline for April will be Wednesday, March 15, 2018. You may mail or bring your newsworthy items to the church office or email them to flatvillesecretary@wigi.us



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.



PALM SUNDAY: Sunday, March 25th
8:00 & 10:15 am Worship and Holy Communion

MAUNDY THURSDAY: Thursday, March 29th
7:00 p.m. Worship and Holy Communion

GOOD FRIDAY: Friday, March 30th
7:00 p.m. Worship

EASTER VIGIL: Saturday, March 31st at 7:16
p.m. Site to be determined.

SUNRISE SERVICE: Sunday, April 1st at 6:30
a.m. with breakfast at 7:00 a.m.

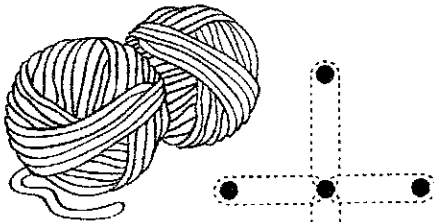
EASTER SERVICES: Saturday, March 31st at
5:00 p.m. and Sunday, April 1st at 8:00 a.m. and
10:15 a.m. Worship and Holy Communion

EASTER LILIES

Please help us decorate the church for Easter by ordering Easter Lilies. Each plant is \$8.00. Please pay at the time of sign up. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board across from the church office.

CROSS CRAFT

Make this special cross as a reminder of Jesus' death and resurrection.



What you need:

- Adult help
- Piece of wood
- 5 nails
- Hammer
- 2 balls of yarn (blue and yellow)

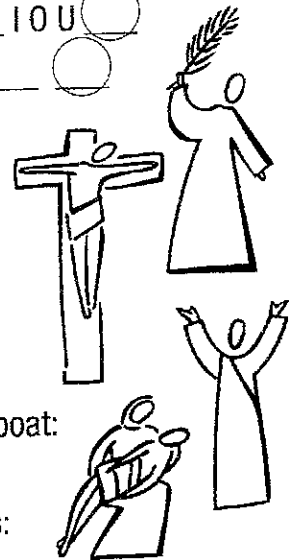
What you do:

1. Hammer the nails into the wood to form a cross shape (see example).
2. Tie the blue yarn to the bottom nail. Wrap it up and around the top nail and back down to the bottom nail. Then wrap it around the middle nail and around the side nails. Repeat until the yarn is wrapped about halfway up the exposed nails.
3. Repeat step two with the yellow yarn. Wrap it around the nails until only the heads are visible.

Puzzle!

Use the clues to complete words with various vowel arrangements. Then place the circled letters in the correct blanks below to complete an Easter phrase.

1. Brave: E O U
2. A dark profile: O U E
3. Circular: O U
4. Running away: E E
5. Savage, fierce: I O U
6. Odd or nostalgic: U A I
7. A person from the 50th state: A I A
8. Compress, push together: U E E
9. A large tree in California: U I A
10. Paddling in a small, narrow boat: O E I
11. Upright, moral and righteous: U O U
12. Lining up in a row: U E U
13. Gorgeous: E A U E U
14. Precipitation: A I



Easter phrase:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

 _____ !
 9 10 11 12 13 14

Answers: 1. courageous, 2. silhouette, 3. round, 4. fleeing, 5. vicious, 6. quaint, 7. Hawaiian, 8. squeeze, 9. sequoia, 10. canoeing, 11. virtuous, 12. queuing, 13. beautiful, 14. rain; Christ is Saviour!

MARCH 2018 CALENDAR-IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 8:30 a- LWR Sewing	2	3 7:00 a- Lutheran Brotherhood 5:00 p- Worship & Holy Communion
4 8:00 a & 10:15 a- Worship & Holy Communion 9:15 a- SS/Adult SS	5 8:30 a- LWR Sewing	6 9:30 a- Pastors' Study & Worship	7 6:00 a- Men's Bible Study 6:00 p- Soup 7:00p- Worship Choir practice after service	8 10:00 a- Communion at Brookstone 1:30 p- Communion at Country Health	9	10 5:00 p- Worship - Baptism Lillian Kopmann
11 8:00 a- Worship 9:15 a-SS and New Member Reception/ Luther Lounge 10:15 a- Worship/ Baptisms & New Members 12:00 - 4:00 Diers Hall Reserved for Reitmeier Family	12	13 9:30 a- Pastors' Study & Worship 6:00 p.m. Council	14 6:00 a Men's Bible Study 6:00 p- Soup 7:00 p- Worship Choir practice after service	15 8:30 a- LWR Sewing Newsletter Deadline	16 6:30 p - Wedding Rehearsal Raup/Warren	17 3:00 p - Wedding Raup/Warren 5:00 p- Worship & Holy Communion

<p>18 8:00 a & 10:15 a- Worship & Holy Communion 9:15 a-SS/Adult SS 11:30 Reading of Conf Essays 1:00p - Ostrifresen Society 3-5 p.m. Euchre</p>	<p>19 8:30 a-LWR Sewing</p>	<p>20 9:30 a- Pastors' Study & Worship</p>	<p>21 6:00 a- Men's Bible Study 6:00 p- Soup 7:00 p- Worship Choir practice after service</p>	<p>22 7:00p - Service of the Word for Healing</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24 8:30 Altar Guild Annual Mtg & Cleaning 1:00p-3:00p - Private Confession and Forgiveness 5:00 p- Worship & Holy Communion</p>
<p>25 8:00 a- & 10:15 a- Worship & Holy Communion 9:15 a- SS/Adult SS 11:30 a- Conf Reunion Lunch 1:30 p.m. Hymn Sing Brookstone 2:00 p- Devotions at Country Health</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27 9:30 a- Pastors' Study & Worship 6:30 p- Women of Immanuel</p>	<p>28 6:00 a Men's Bible Study 6:15 p- Joy Bells 7:00 - Choir practice</p>	<p>29 7:00 p- Maundy Thursday Worship & Holy Communion</p>	<p>30 7:00 p- Good Friday Worship</p>	<p>31 5:00 p- Worship & Holy Communion</p>
<p>PAIM SUNDAY</p>						

MARCH 2018

Date	Acolyte	Lay Readers	Communion Assistants	Greeters	Ushers
Sunday, Mar 4, 2018 5:00 pm 8:00 a.m.	Lindsay Suits Karsten Wayland	Robyn Camp	5:00 Rodney Bergman 8:00 Ranae Buck Janna Buck	Larry & Carol Johnson Marie Reimner and Danny Roelfs	March: 8:00am Gary Busboom(Captain) Keith Frerichs Bob Tuller Leon Schluter
Wednesday, Mar 7, 2018 7:00 pm	Brett Brown Jessica Palmer	Dr. David Bruns	10:15 Alicia Dowda Matthew Lehmann	Jeff & Shari Hovehn and Janice Duitsman	
Sunday, Mar 11, 2018 8:00 am 10:15 am	Josh Burkhardt Hallie Harms	Bev Lehmann Megan Siuts		Norman & Darlene Uken	March: 10:15am Bruce Wolken (Captain) Kelly Wolken Darren Wolken Mike Stark
Wednesday, Mar 14, 2018 7:00 p.m.	Grace Flessner	Angie Sage		Darla Rubarts	
Sunday, Mar 18, 2018 5:00 pm 8:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m.	Austin Cotter Rylie Huls Kyle Meccoli Colin Wayland	Elaine Wilson Jennifer Huls Wayland	5:00 Lois Harms 8:00 Stacey Huls Nicole Crites 10:15 Hailey Braden Callie Heidbreder	Rick & Jodi Wolken Janine Standifer Jason Stalter Family Rodney & Peggy Bergman	
Wednesday, Mar 21, 2018 7:00 p.m.	Anna Crites	Virion Suits		Jake & Marla Goff Family	

<p>Sunday, Mar 25, 2018 Palm Sunday 5:00 p.m. 8:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m. COMMUNION</p>	<p>Denley Heller Cain Buhr Brayden Karlson Brett Brown</p>	<p>Shari Hovel Mike Stark</p>	<p>5:00 Bonita Kopmann 8:00 Karon Currie Elaine Wilson 10:15 Toni Brown Julie Hedrick</p>	<p>Mark & Kim Wood Dave & Denise Wolken Maynard & JoAnn Dutsman Dr. David Bruns</p>	
<p>Thursday, Mar 29, 2018 Maundy Thursday 7:00 p.m. COMMUNION</p>	<p>Lindsay Suits Jessica Palmer</p>	<p>Shirley Wyatt</p>	<p>7:00 Bev Lehmann Judy Rademaker</p>	<p>Gery & Lois Maury Darlene Johnson</p>	
<p>Friday, Mar 30, 2018 Good Friday 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Karsten Wayland</p>	<p>Leon Schmidt</p>		<p>Leon & Mary Ann Schmidt Mary Quinlan</p>	

APRIL 2018

Date	Acolyte	Lay Readers	Communion Assistants	Greeters	Ushers
Sunday, April 1, 2018 5:00 p.m. 8:00 a.m.	Anna Crites Kyle Meccoli Tyler Scott Grace Flessner	Nicole Crites	5:00 Joyce Romine 8:00 Amy Jones Adam Crites	Julie Hedrick Julie Wilson/Callie Heidbreder	April: 8:00 a.m. Scott Sage (Captain) Rick Wolken Jodi Wolken Lloyd Dutsman
EASTER COMMUNION 10:15 a.m.	Rylie Huls Denley Heller Hallie Harms Josh Burkhardt	Keith Sjuts	10:15 Diana Sjuts Rylee Sjuts	Ray & Judy Rademaker Bev Lehmann	
Sunday, April 8, 2018 8:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m.	Colin Wayland Austin Cotter	Emilie Steffey Judi Studer		Ray & Elaine Uken Lois Harms Ranae Buck / Janna Buck Donna Garrell	April: 10:15 a.m. Dirk Harms (Captain) Bob Clem Edgar Hovel Jerrod Lantis
Sunday, April 15, 2018 5:00 p.m. 8:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m.	Karsten Wayland Rylie Huls Jessica Palmer Cain Bahr	Teri Travis Ellen Blue	5:00 Mike Stark 8:00 Edgar & Sharon Hovel 10:15 Erin Sjuts Megan Sjuts	Lawrence & Clarissa Schuter Bev Heiden Mike Stark / Joyce Romine Mary Wolken / Devin Wolken	
Sunday, April 22, 2018 8:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m.	Anna Crites Brayden Karlson	Denise Wolken Toni Brown		Barry & Sandy Maury Shirley Johnson Larry & Eunice Fretichs Betty Ihnen	

<p>Sunday, April 29, 2018 8:00 a.m.</p>	<p>Lindsay Suits</p>	<p>Kim Wood</p>	<p>10:15 Denise Wolken Molly Flesner</p>	<p>Gene & Joan Schmidt Tyler & Stephanie Vogelsang</p>	
<p>10:15 a.m.</p>	<p>Brett Brown Hallie Harms</p>	<p>Keith Sjuts</p>		<p>Leo & Judi Studer Rosetta Suits</p>	
<p>CONFIRMATION COMMUNION</p>					

JANUARY 2018 TREASURER'S REPORT

Fund Balance Information

<u>GENERAL FUND</u>				<u>BUILDING FUND</u>			
Fund Balance	12/31/2017		\$ 160,017.62	Fund Balance	12/31/2017		\$ 120,953.71
Offerings		\$ 22,741.35		Offerings		\$ 6,270.25	
Dedicated & Other Fund Receipts		6,959.09		Total Income			\$ 6,270.25
	Total Income		\$ 29,700.44				
Pastoral Ministry		\$ 15,517.25		Building & Repair		\$ 282.01	
Worship & Service		5,974.38		Utilities		5,797.80	
Our Church Home		2,954.16		Insurance		4,953.52	
Dedicated Fund Expenses		2,574.23		Landscaping		595.00	
	Total Expenses		\$ 27,020.02	Total Expenses			\$ 11,628.33
				Total Fund Balance	1/31/2018		\$ 115,595.63
				Building Fund Invested as:	Checking		\$ 115,595.63
Less Dedicated Fund Total			72,345.07	<u>Other Fund Balances</u>			
Total Unobligated Balance			\$ 90,352.97	Endowment Capital	\$ 44,132.48	Memorial	\$ 29,191.82
				Endowment Common	\$ 37,585.95	Endowment Interest	\$ 0.97
<u>General Fund Invested as:</u>							
		Checking	\$ 5,960.15				
Money Market	\$45,956.35	CD	\$42,844.52				
		CD	\$ 67,937.02				

Offering & Attendance January 2018

By Category

General	\$ 22,741.35
Benevolence	7,088.50
Building	<u>6,270.25</u>
Total	\$ 36,100.10

January Attendance

773
Average Weekly Attendance
193

Benevolence Offering Includes

Gen Benevolence	5,004.75	Lutheran CORE	60.00
Rantoul Food Bank	288.75	NALC Seminary	1,465.00
Christmas Eve	100.00	Men's Shelter	5.00
Christmas Day	165.00		

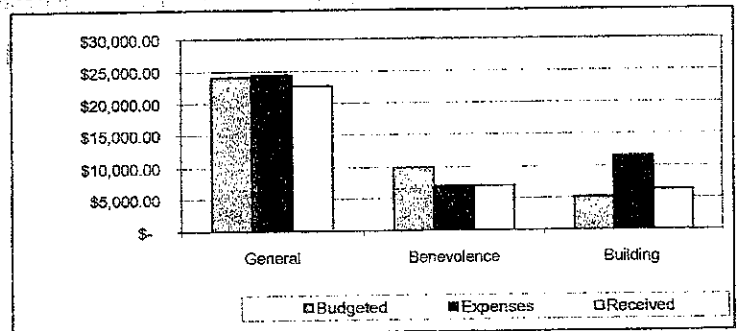
Additional Offerings Received

Sunday School	247.02	Initial Offering	548.00
LYO	30.00	LWR Projects	500.00
Altar Flowers	210.00	Special Flowers	16.00
Radio Broadcast	420.00	Cathedral Choir	100.00
Historical Committee	80.00	Parking Lot	400.00

Stewardship Progress Year to Date

	Budgeted	Received	Ahead/(Behind)
General	\$ 24,107.00	\$ 22,741.35	\$ (1,365.65)
Benevolence	10,000.00	7,088.50	(2,911.50)
Building	5,182.00	6,270.25	1,088.25
TOTAL	\$ 39,289.00	\$ 36,100.10	\$ (3,188.90)

	Expenses	Ahead/(Behind)
General	\$ 24,445.79	\$ (1,704.44)
Benevolence	7,088.50	-
Building	11,628.33	(5,358.08)
	\$ 43,162.62	\$ (7,062.52)



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Darla Rubarts

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