

March 2024

Immanuel Lutheran Church of Lebanon

The Country Christian

Holy Week And Easter 2024

Saturday, March 23—Eve of Holy Week

4:00 pm-Service of Holy Communion

Sunday, March 24—Palm Sunday

9:00 am-Service of Holy Communion

Tuesday, March 26—Tuesday in Holy Week

11:00 am-Responsive Morning Prayer

Thursday, March 28—Maundy Thursday

6 pm-Solemn Holy Communion with the Washing of Feet and the Stripping of the Altar

Friday, March 29—Good Friday

1 pm-no Communion

Traditional Good Friday Service

6 pm-no Communion

The Trek to the Cross with TENEBRAE and special music

Sunday, March 31—Easter Sunday

7 am-Dawn Service

The new Paschal (Easter) Candle is lit, symbolizing the Light of Christ coming forth from the Empty Tomb.

Fellowship will be enjoyed in the basement between services.

9 am-Festive Holy Communion

A grand celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior with guest musicians.

Sunday, April 7—Low Sunday

9 am—Holy Communion

Immanuel will introduce new members to the congregation.

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30th Annual Palm Sunday

Potato Pancake Brunch



Sunday, March 24th

8:00 am—1:00 pm



Immanuel Lutheran Church of Lebanon

Fellowship Hall
N554 County Road R, Watertown

Featuring...

Homemade potato & buttermilk pancakes, eggs, ham, meatballs, beverages, and other goodies.

Bake sale provided by the *Women of the Church*.

Advanced Ticket Sales

11 & over: \$10.00, Children 5-10: \$5.00, Under 5: Free

At-the-door Ticket Sales

11 & over: \$12.00, Children 5-10: \$6.00, Under 5: Free

Tickets Available From

Bank First—Watertown	Hustisford State Bank
Church Office: 920-925-3540	Bruce Pfeifer: 920-342-8182
Tom Kulke: 920-390-9246	Jack Ewert: 262-709-5050
Wes Kehl: 920-253-7145	Russ Tietz: 847-980-4757
Chris Peirick: 920-988-9888	Literatus & Co.—Watertown

Proceeds to: Facilities, Improvement and Growth Fund

Co-sponsored by: Men's Fellowship Group & Thrivent for Lutherans

Heartfelt Appreciation

Thank you to you the members of Immanuel Lutheran Church and Pastor Repp for making my 100th birthday so special and one to remember always. Thank you to all who sent cards, gave gifts and came to my party to celebrate with me. It truly meant so much to me, more than anyone will ever know. The Lord has given me so many wonderful years and memories, and one special Pastor Repp to come and visit me along with the others who visit me also.

God Bless all of you,
Mabel Pieper



Postern of the Pastor

Make the Time

“You got the time?” Says the Pastor to the ushers as it’s 8:59....

Last month I said distance varies. So does time. Many of us are feeling this with Holy Week and Easter landing completely in March this year. In the early church, the dating of Easter is determined by the first Sunday after the Full Moon date, based on mathematical calculations, that falls on or after March 21 (the equinox). If the Full Moon is on a Sunday, Easter is celebrated on the following Sunday. The possible latest day for Easter is April 25. Easter is called a “moveable feast” because of this (where Christmas is always fixed on December 25).

This is, in part, to remember the Passover celebration that we read about in Scripture surrounding the events of Jesus’ Passion. Christians typically don’t celebrate the Passover as we read in Exodus. Easter – the Resurrection becomes our Christian Passover as St. Paul writes about in 1 Corinthians. Paul is reminding this congregation that Jesus made time for them through His Promise fulfilled not only on the Cross but through the great miracle of the Empty Tomb.

Why all the fuss with time? Well, let’s be honest. Do we ever fuss about our own calendars and schedules – work and personal? What comes first? As a case in point, I hear many grandparents fuss about their children scheduling extracurriculars for their grandchildren on Sunday morning. Likewise, I hear many moms and dads fuss back – that times have changed and everyone is just

busy all the time. And pastors can go on and on about the 3rd Commandment and the 4th Commandment while they themselves spiral into workaholicism that makes Martha look like a Mary.

Our calendars reveal a lot about our priorities. Regardless of our planning and our intentions, life certainly has a way of creating “moveable feasts” and unplanned events that can slash through our best intentions. I don’t think examples need to be provided. Stuff happens. Life happens. But so does God. Making time for God during “fixed” moments in our life helps provide expectation and guidance when “moveable” stuff happens. Everybody goes on about sports and athletics. To be a good athlete – you need to condition yourself. You practice. St. Paul uses this image more than once to remind us that as Christians – we need to spiritually condition ourselves. We practice. We form habits of heart and mind. And not in isolation. We run the race of faith together. Just don’t push people as you approach for Communion – and certainly not as we are dismissed (push the pastor over)!

Holy Week and Easter are coming. Consider making the time – and not out of obligation to a stern faced loved one (hopefully smiling!) – but because you desire to be together and praise a God that did Mighty Acts for us. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Therefore, let us keep the Feast. He kept His promise. He made the time for us.



Dear Immanuel Lutheran Church of Lebanon,
Peace and greetings in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ!

St. Paul wrote these words long ago, and they still apply to our lives today: “He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us.” (2 Cor 9:10-11)

We praise God for you and your faithful support of the work and ministry of the North American Lutheran Church. Your generosity and faithfulness to the Lord Jesus Christ and His Church, the NALC, continues to ensure the strength of our denomination in the future. Here are some of the exciting things to which your generosity helped support in 2023:

We are now 495 congregations strong with new parishes joining each month.

We celebrated eight ordinations and three more scheduled for 2024 already, including the very first ordination of a deacon, Rev. Dcn. James Clapper.

The 2023 Mission Convocation in Oklahoma City, OK in August was a great success. Members of the Global Forum came from around the world to be with us that week, and Bishop Selbo was reelected as our bishop for four more years. We engaged in mission workshops which energized delegates who were in attendance. A Youth and Family Faith Formation Festival was also held and

attended by more than 100 participants.

Enrollment at our North American Lutheran Seminary continues to increase each semester which is a direct result of the work of our Director of Vocation and Discernment, Rev. Jeff Morlock.

Rev. Brad Hales led more than 15 workshops of renewal and aging around the church, including multiple workshops done for Mission Districts.

These are just a few highlights of all that has been happening in the NALC over the past year. So much more could be added about disaster response, mission starts, the 2020 Vision Initiative, the new continental office, and more, but the point is that the NALC is growing and thriving. Our churches are outposts for discipleship and they are digging deeper into the big questions of “How do we do excellent ministry in our context?” and “Who needs to hear about Jesus?”

Our prayer is that God will continue to bless you in every way in 2024, and that you, through the power of the Holy Spirit, will be strengthened and renewed in the service to which HE has called you!

In the Love of Jesus Christ,

C. Michael Johnson, NALC Treasurer

In Loving Memory



IN HONOR OF MABEL PIEPER'S 100TH BIRTHDAY

Special Project Fund

Ward & Karen Genz

Jack & Kathy Ewert

Don & Lisa Kuehl

Bruce & Debbie Pfeifer

Lebanon Lutheran School

Wes & Judy Kehl

Pipes & Panes

Bob & Judy Kluetzman

Panes

Ellward & Karen Kuehl

IN MEMORY OF DR. RV. WOLF KNAPPE

Special Restoration Project Fund

Ward & Karen Genz

Jack & Kathy Ewert

Pipes & Panes

Tom & Teresa Kulke

IN MEMORY OF MILLIE KOPFER

Pipes & Panes

Anna Christian

General Memorial Fund

Delores Strassburg

IN MEMORY OF JERRY HENSLER

General Operating Fund

Kirk & Connie Kemnitz

Delmar & Debbie Schramm

Panes

Matt Amy Kranz & family

Kevin & Cindy Raether

Anna Christian

Pipes

John & Janet Fiess

Jeff & Lisa Goetz

Special Project Fund

Gary & Judy Schwefel

Pipes & Panes

Bob & Judy Kluetzman

IN MEMORY OF DOLORES BARTEE

Pipes & Panes

Allan & Sandra Wendland

Gary & Dawn Bagaas

IN MEMORY OF SHIRLEY (WITTNEBELL) NELL

Pipes & Panes

Dennis & Nathalia Christian

IN MEMORY OF MORRY BARKA

General Memorial Fund

Dan & Sue Egnarski

IN MEMORY OF MIKE COUGHLIN

Organ

Catherine Turner

Penny Wegner

Mark Kuehl

Panes

Gary & Judy Schwefel

In Loving Memory



IN MEMORY OF WALDEMAR SCHLIEWE

Pipes & Panes
Don & Lisa Kuehl

IN MEMORY OF KEN KRANZ

Panes
Gary & Judy Schwefel

Pipes & Panes
Patty Schwefel

IN MEMORY OF PHYLISS SCHILDER

Special Project Fund
Anna Christian

IN HONOR OF JUDY KLUETZMAN'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY AS ORGANIST

Special Project Fund
Tom & Teresa Kulke
John & Lynn Baumann

Pipes & Panes
Greg Else
Eric & Kathy Fortlage
Linda Hensler
Wes & Judy Kehl
Willard Maas
Kay MacAskill
Wally Nass
Marcella Pfeifer
Joe & Sue Rhodes
Dan & Kathy Stetler
Leroy & Karen Teitz
Russell Tietz

Music
Jack & Kathy Ewert
Don & Lisa Kuehl
Ellward & Karen Kuehl

IN MEMORY OF HERSCHEL WICKERT

Special Project Fund
Ellward & Karen Kuehl
Jeff Kuehl

IN MEMORY OF MARJORIE BAUMANN

Music
Jack & Kathy Ewert

IN MEMORY OF SUSAN (REICHERT) CAMPOS

Pipes
John & Janet Fiess

Panes
Anna Christian

**TOTAL OF MEMORIALS & IN HONOR OF
1/22/24—2/21/24.....\$2640.00**



Ask the Pastor

Q: So, why does the pastor kneel and pray before the start of the Sunday Service.

A: Well, it's Lent and all that, but so should we all. Before we worship in praise and thanksgiving, a little reverence is in order to clear heart and head. Our church has a problem of a small narthex and entry way. Voices carry. While we desire to be welcoming, it's very unwelcoming to interrupt someone praying. Please consider LOWERING your voice in anticipation of Word and Sacrament. Come on down and join us for coffee hour for conversation. As I often say in chapel – whose House is this?



The Palm Sunday Pancake Brunch would not be possible without many volunteers chipping in to make it successful. The Men's Fellowship Group once again is asking for your help this year to do whatever work is needed on Saturday and Sunday. Whether it is peeling potatoes, rolling meatballs, frying pancakes, grinding potatoes, cracking eggs, making coffee, setting up and taking down tables and chairs, mixing juice, serving food and etc. We appreciate all and welcome all to assist. If you have not helped in the past don't worry training is provided. Any questions please reach out to Bruce or Tom. We will be starting on Saturday at 8:00 AM. Thank You!

Pastor's Challenge

The month of March takes its name for a Roman deity of war. Away from paganism, there's conflict occurring in Numbers as God's people. God's people continue to grumble and complain. There's various ceremonial rituals (the Nazirite Vow) and, not surprising a census (hence the Numbers!). There's also a few memorable narratives imbedded – from the bronze snake to a talking donkey. Deuteronomy – literally Second Law – also includes themes of Promise and Redemption – just in time for Easter!

Day	Reading	Day	Reading
<i>March 1</i>	Leviticus 20-22	<i>March 17</i>	Numbers 32-34
<i>March 2</i>	Leviticus 23-25	<i>March 18</i>	Numbers 35-36
<i>March 3</i>	Leviticus 26-27	<i>March 19</i>	Deuteronomy 1
<i>March 4</i>	Numbers 1-3	<i>March 20</i>	Deuteronomy 2
<i>March 5</i>	Numbers 4-6	<i>March 21</i>	Deuteronomy 3
<i>March 6</i>	Numbers 7-8	<i>March 22</i>	Deuteronomy 4
<i>March 7</i>	Numbers 9-10	<i>March 23</i>	Deuteronomy 5
<i>March 8</i>	Numbers 11-12	<i>March 24</i>	Deuteronomy 6
<i>March 9</i>	Numbers 13-15	<i>March 25</i>	Deuteronomy 7
<i>March 10</i>	Numbers 16-18	<i>March 26</i>	Deuteronomy 8
<i>March 11</i>	Numbers 19-20	<i>March 27</i>	Deuteronomy 9-10
<i>March 12</i>	Numbers 21	<i>March 28</i>	Deuteronomy 11-12
<i>March 13</i>	Numbers 22-25	<i>March 29</i>	Deuteronomy 13
<i>March 14</i>	Numbers 26-27	<i>March 30</i>	Deuteronomy 14-15
<i>March 15</i>	Numbers 28-30	<i>March 31</i>	Deuteronomy 16-17
<i>March 16</i>	Numbers 31		

Prayer Requests

PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING

The family of Bill Bergin, The family of Marge Baumann, Tom Harrington, Westyn Ryan, Trudy Dobbratz, Al Hildebrandt, Marlene Butler, Lyle Braunschweig, Terry Grudzinski, Evelyn Ruehlow, Jim Peirick, Gail Hoffman, Wes Kehl, Kaye Lillge, Delores Strassburg, Rodger Dettmann, Ron Kuehl, Cory Ewert, Kay Thomas, David Ropicky, Jon Schoenike, Connie Kemnitz, Abbey Genz, Mark Haubenschild, Wally Nass, LeRoy & Karen Tietz, Don Pugh, Andrew Dietrich, Nicki Clark, Joanne Todd, Austin & Amanda Field, Kathy Lehman.

Our Homebound Family

Ardelle Bergin, Delores Strassburg, Myrtle Grosenick, Dorene Grosenick, Janet Eigenberger, Allen Grosenick, Stan Kuehl, Mabel Pieper, Pamela Pieper, Steffanie Ropicky, Heidi Strauss, LeRoy Tietz, Robert Wittnebel, and Don Pugh.

Updated: 2/20/24



ATTENDANCE: Pastor Repp, Tom Kulke, Shandra Zastrow, Sue Rhodes, Bruce Pfeifer, Wes Kehl, Sue Tietz, Christina Plasil, Mike Uecker, Linda Hensler, Dan Stelter, Bob Kluetzman, Lori Schwenkner

Pastor Repp opened with prayer and lead a discussion on – *The Parable of the Talents*

Tom Kulke requested any additions or corrections to the January 18, 2024 Council minutes. Following discussion, a Motion was made by Kathy Lehman to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Shandra Zastrow. Motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Shandra Zastrow presented the January 2024 Financials. January had four Sunday services. Total income for January was \$32,072.00 minus expenses of \$42,420.48 plus designated purpose funds in for purchases of \$7,025.55 less designated purpose funds of \$6,591.00 for a negative difference of (\$9,913.93). Checkbook balance is \$11,465.68.

Shandra noted that the final organ payment was made.

Following questions, a Motion to accept the January financial report was made by Wes Kehl seconded by Sue Rhodes. Motion carried.

PASTOR’S REPORT ***Sacraments & Service***

New members - introduce after Lent
So it’s LENT. (What’s that mean)
Bear in mind Holy Week/Easter –
March 24-31

Pastor is in counsel and assenting for marriage at ILCOL in September of this year for Tyler Hoeft and Cassie Strauss.

Pastoral and Catechetical

Pastor will continue with a Lenten Tuesday 10 a.m. Bible Study in Lent about “Jesus” (Who He is and Who He isn’t)

There’s a supply of Lenten devotions

Grief Ministry resumes February 25

Youth & Family: Bowling Saturday, February 25th 12-2:30pm at Watertown North Bowl

Prayers for Baumann family

Administrative and Additional

February publishing of the 2024 Directory

Anniversaries FYI: the church building

Pastor is considering the NALC/NALS professional development virtual seminar – *Why Isn’t My Church Growing?* With The Rev. Brad Hales

COMMITTEE REPORTS –

Outreach – The following was reported

Souper Bowl Sunday – the committee made 130 quarts of chili and broccoli cheddar soup, and raised \$1,060. 225 cans of soup were collected for the Watertown Food pantry.

Valentine’s Day – 70 Valentine’s were sent to an assisted living facility and also our homebound members.

Dockhounds Game will be scheduled for June or July, more information to follow.

Pancake Breakfast – Committee will purchase 15 tickets for Pastor to distribute.

Brad Fry will be in June.

Property Committee: Bruce Pfeifer's report included -

Church

Sidewalk cracks need to be cleaned out of old caulk, sand added and re-caulked-TBD

East windows were trimmed last week
Church Cross metal I beam needs priming and painting

Kitchen cabinets to be primed and painted/starting in February

Railing on front steps-will accept bid to rebuild the bottoms of existing posts from John Ellis

Balcony wall repairs, getting bid for repairs

Church pews and floor have a large amount of wax dripping on them, discussed responsibility for clean-up

Church basement usage -

When using for an event remember to turn down the thermostat to 62 degrees

Group using church basement is responsible for cleaning up and removing garbage to outside dumpster

Parsonage – Walk through to be scheduled for 2024 budget. Repair of dishwasher needed.

Fellowship Hall –

Janitor job description being completed.

Floor Scrubber, continue to look at options

Teachorage –

Building is in need of tuck pointing, scheduling bids and possible repairs

Posts on front porch rotting out on bottoms, scheduling replacement.

School

Main circulating pump on furnace went out, used backup to fix, replacement found.

Stewardship & Finance – report included -

NALC 20/20 Vision: Today-Tomorrow-Forever Campaign. A special offering campaign will be held the last three Sundays in February. Envelopes are available in the back of church to use if you would like to contribute.

Pipes and Panes-Organ – The final organ payment of \$7,000 has been made. There is \$8,900.05 left in the organ room renovation fund. It was decided to leave these monies in the organ fund at this time as there may still be some miscellaneous expenses for the room renovation project.

Pipes and Panes-Windows – Initially \$17,840.55 was paid at the time of signing the contract. \$11,893.70 is due when the work begins, which is estimated to be April. There are sufficient funds at this time in the Pipes and Panes fund to cover the second payment.

E-Giving – Shandra Zastrow and Sue Rhodes are working to set up a QR code through Vanco so people can use their phones to make a financial gift. The QR code will be printed in the weekly bulletin.

Stewardship Corner of the Country Christian for March topic: Tithing

Worship and Music: Lenten services were reviewed with Pastor. There will be open prayer time from 5:30-6:00pm on all Wednesday's during Holy Week (except Ash Wednesday), please be re-

spectful of this time of prayer. Candles will be available to light.

Discussed February 11th preparations for Judy's 50 years at the organ.

Congregational Life: report included: 94 turkey pies were made for the fundraiser. \$1,395 profit. Current available balance in account is \$2,497.54. \$2,000 will be donated to the property committee to help purchase the floor scrubber for the Fellowship Hall.

Soup/Chili & Bingo was held on January 20th. Approximately 80 people attended. There was a lot of great food, FUN and many prizes donated for bingo.

LLS/ECC REPORT

ECC

There is room available in both the 2-year old room (3 spaces) and 3-year old room (5 spaces). Working on marketing campaign to promote.

Monies from the grant funds will be used to purchase changing tables.

LLS

Kristi Pietz accepted the 5th & 6th grade teaching position, she will start on February 19th.

Tammy Grady will receive extra compensation for adding 5th & 6th grades to her classroom.

A School Choice update was given.

On Monday, February 26th School Choice representative will be available to answer questions.

OLD BUSINESS: Review of the Constitution/Bylaws continues.

NEW BUSINESS:

Budget for LLS will be presented to the congregation on Sunday, February 18th for review and approval.

School Discussion – Sue Rhodes shared information on School Choice, she has sent letters to audit firms (needed for School Choice). Audits are done yearly. Application deadline for School Choice is April 15th. Follow discussion it was decided that a sub-committee would be created to determine what the future of the school looks like. This sub-committee would be lead by an outside resource.

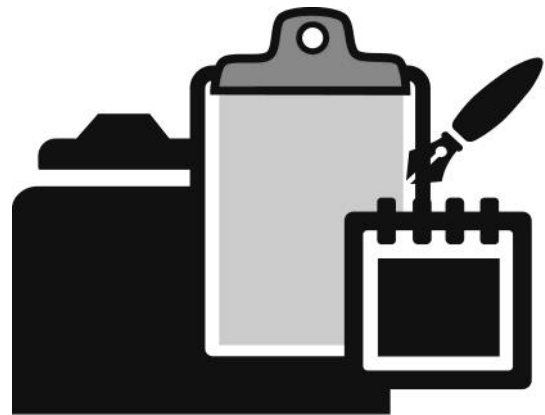
Next meeting – Thursday, March 21st at 6:00pm

Meeting adjourned at 7:58pm.

Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Schwenkner, Council Secretary



Church Council

Special Meeting of the Congregation

February 18, 2024

Council President Tom Kulke called the meeting to order.

Pastor Repp opened the meeting with prayer.

- Agenda item:
Approve 2024/2025 School Budget

Approve 2024/2025 School Budget.

Tom Kulke commented that copies of the budget were sent prior to the meeting for review, copies were also available at today's meeting. Shandra Zastrow shared an overview of the budget, stating there was a 3.7% increase. All school staff received a cost of living increase.

Sue Rhodes shared information on School Choice. School Choice does not affect this year's budget.

An application has been submitted to be included as a School Choice school

Letters were sent to multiple auditing firms for interest to perform audits (three audits are required yearly)

A meeting for more clarification is scheduled on Monday, February 26th at 6:00pm at St. Peter's. Information on applying for School Choice will be available. All applications are completed on-line.

Schools only get financial support for children whose families qualify.

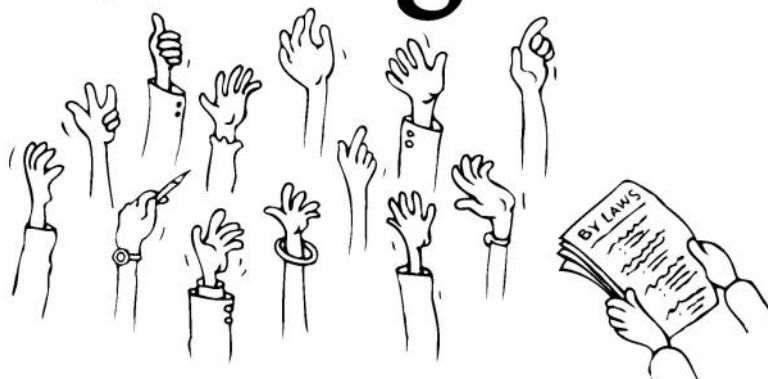
Following additional questions and discussion Sue Tietz made a Motion to accept the 2024/2025 School Budget. Seconded by Bob Sell. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn and closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Schwenkner, Secretary

Congregational Meeting



Treasurer's Report for January

Income:

Sundays

1st Sunday	\$ 5,506.00
2nd Sunday	\$ 3,250.00
3rd Sunday	\$ 4,120.00
4th Sunday	\$ 6,715.00

Misc. Gifts \$ 300.00

Total General Fund: \$ 19,891.00

Simply Giving Offerings: \$ 2,890.00

Total General Use Offerings: \$ 22,781.00

Other Income

Teacherage Gift - Jan 2024	\$ 500.00
Gym Fees - Bball/Rentals	\$ 2,200.00
God's Work/Giving Tree - DRSA	\$ 20.00
Memorial Fund	\$ -
Pipes & Panes	\$ 5,850.00
Turke Scholarship Fund	\$ -
LLL Scholarship Savings	\$ -
Discretionary Fund - Helping Hands	\$ 450.00
LLS Special Fund 2023/2024	\$ 201.00
Lebanon Lutheran School	\$ 70.00
Thrivent Grant Funds	\$ -
Misc.	\$ -

Total Other Income: \$ 9,291.00

Total Offerings & Other Income: \$ 32,072.00

Treasurer's Summary Report

Total Income	\$ 32,072.00
Total Paid Out	\$ 42,420.48
Designated Funds In for Purchases	\$ 7,025.55
Less Designated Purpose Funds	\$ 6,591.00
Difference	\$ (9,913.93)

Expenses:

General Operating Expenses

Worship & Programs	\$ 2,333.24
Education	\$ 14,638.10
(LLS Support & Youth Activities & Confirmation)	
Benevolence	\$ -
(Missions & Outreach)	
Administration	\$ 4,439.23
Pastoral	\$ 7,127.70
(Salary, Benefits, & Mileage)	
FICA/WorkComp	\$ 530.91
Interest Costs	\$ 410.54

Building & Grounds - Main. \$ 2,386.65

Utilities \$ 2,529.45

Insurance \$ 1,024.66

Expenses Paid Out: \$ 35,420.48

Organ Payment: \$ 7,000.00

Total Expenses for June: \$ 42,420.48

Debts

Investment Program:	\$ 125,000.00
Pipes & Panes Invest. Program:	\$ -
Memorial Fund Loan	\$ -

Total Debt: \$ 125,000.00

Other Financial Information

Checkbook Balance before January \$ 18,056.68

Less January Designated Purpose
Funds: \$ (6,591.00)

Gen. Fund January Ckg Balance: \$ 11,465.68

Submitted by Shandra Zastrow

A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

This last month we got to celebrate the 100th Day of School, God's love for us on Valentines Day, and reflect and repent on Ash Wednesday to start preparing for the celebration of Easter! Additionally, our 3rd-8th graders went on a field trip to Madison and everyone enjoyed spending time outside with unseasonably warm weather. It has been a fun month at LLS!

As we enter the month of March we are looking forward to celebrating National Lutheran Schools week. During the first week of March, we celebrate our Lutheran School and the blessing that we get to worship our Lord and Savior and grow in our relationship with Him each and every day at school. We celebrate with a regional chapel service with other area schools, dress-up days, partake in a service project, and a whole school field trip. What a blessing it is that we get to experience God's love every day at LLS!

WELCOME

This month we welcome two new staff members to our LLS family! Kristi Pietz will be joining us as our 5th/6th Grade Homeroom and 5th-8th ELA and Social Studies Teacher. Christine Manthey will be joining us as our Kindergarten Long Term Sub while Mrs. Hummel is out on maternity leave. We are very excited for Kristi and Christine to join our family!

SPRING SPEAKER SERIES

Do you run a local business? Do you

know someone who runs a local business? We are looking for area businesses to come into Lebanon Lutheran and speak to our 3rd-8th graders about their business. We are looking to educate and inform our students about a variety of careers and life skills! If you are interested in coming to speak to our students or teach them a life skill please call the school office and our Administrative Assistant, Katie Marshall, will coordinate with you.

VISION SCREENERS

Each year we provide our students with a free vision screening at LLS. We are looking for some volunteers who would be interested in taking over this vision screening for the 2024-2025 school year. *You do not need a background in vision health care. All you need to do is complete a free vision screening training that is done online.* If you would be interested in serving as a certified Vision Screener here at LLS please contact Hannah Walters for more information (hwalters@llsedu.org (920) 925-3791).

4K AND 5K OPEN HOUSE

Do you have a child who will be in 4K or 5K for the 2024-2025 school year? We have open seats and are part of the Wisconsin School Choice program! Come learn more about 4K and 5K at LLS on Thursday, March 14th at the St. Peter's Campus at 6pm.

MARCH EVENTS

Sunday, March 3rd - Sunday, March 10th:
Lutheran Schools Week

Sunday, March 3rd: 5K-8th Grade Sing @
St. Peter's (10:30am)

Tuesday, March 5th: 3rd-8th Rock River
Regional Spelling Bee @ Good Shepherd
(5:30pm)

Wednesday, March 6th: Rock River
Regional Chapel Service @ St. Paul's
Oconomowoc (9:30am)

Sunday, March 10th: 5K-8th Grade Sing @
Immanuel (9am)

Monday, March 11th: JSB Meeting @
Immanuel (6pm)

Thursday, March 14th: 4K and 5K Open
House at St. Peter's (6pm)

Wednesday, March 20th: PTL Meeting @
St. Peters (7pm)

Friday, March 22nd: Last Day of Quarter 3

Monday, March 25th - Monday, April 1st:
No School (Spring Break)

God's Blessings!

Hannah Walters

Principal

Lebanon Lutheran School



KETTLE MORaine BEST BUDDIES

Saturday March 9th

10 AM - 1 PM @Kettle Moraine Athletic Entrance

DRESS SALE



Please donate used dresses!

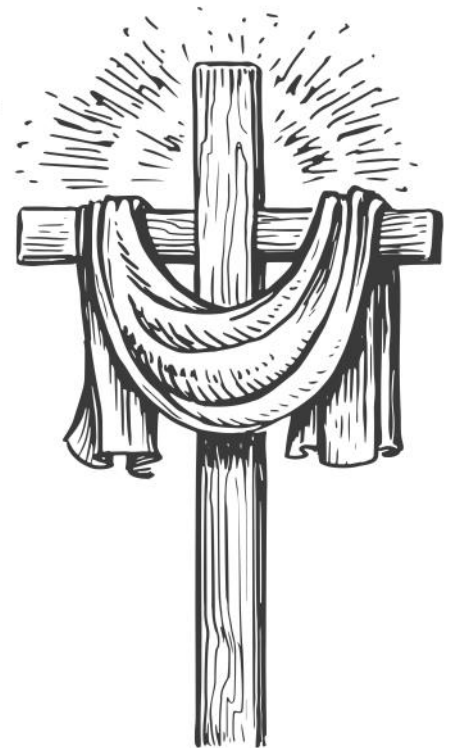
Have formal dresses in your closet? Bring them into the Kettle Moraine front office by March 6th.

All purchases will go to the Kettle Moraine Best Buddies program!

Contact with any questions

Briar Nobel - Nobebri@kmsd.edu
Christina Plasil - Plasilc@kmsd.edu
Haley Lloyd - Lloydh@kmsd.edu
Insta - @kmhs_bestbuddies

Picture Gallery



*Blessing
of the
Babes*

Picture Gallery



Announcements



Our Souper Bowl Sunday was a success. We raised \$1,060 to continue our outreach missions and were able to collect 265 cans of soup for the Watertown Food Pantry. Thank you for making this event so successful.

Lenten Wednesdays

The church will be open from 5:30-6:00 for private prayer.

You are welcome to light a candle.



NALC 20/20 Vision

Immanuel has designated February as an opportunity for members to consider a financial gift to support our greater church and its mission.

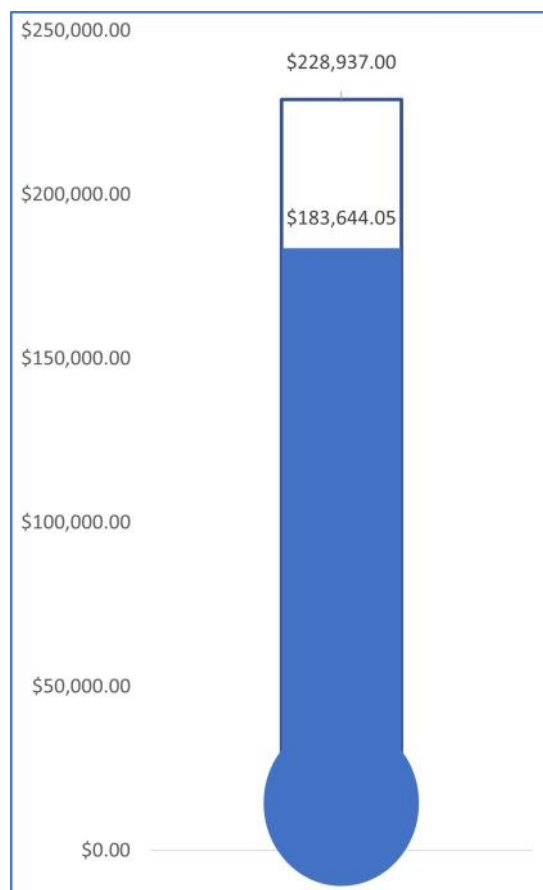
Envelopes are available on the table in the

rear of the church. Please place your gift in the envelope and bring to church or mail the envelope to the office. Checks should be written to "Immanuel", and please note that this is to be given to the NALC Vision Campaign. One check from Immanuel will be sent to the NALC. Thank you,

The F & S Committee

Pipes & Panes

All collected and pledged monies as of January 31st totals \$183,644.05. That's 80% of our goal of \$228,937 to repair the windows and restore the organ!



Get to Know the Flock



Name: Judy Kluetzman

How long have you been worshipping at Immanuel? I am a life-long member; baptized, confirmed and married at Immanuel.

What keeps you busy? Work at The Marquardt, community events and playing the organ.

Any ministries you are involved with or interested in? Church organist, Advisory member of the Worship & Music committee.

Favorite Hymn? That's a tough one! "He Leadeth Me", "I need Thee Every Hour" and "In Christ Alone" would be at the top of the list. There are so many beautiful hymns.

Any interesting hobbies to share? I enjoy golfing —love being outdoors. Flower gardening and keeping up the yard—digging in the dirt! And of course, music—playing the organ.

Favorite Book or verse in the Bible? "I can do everything through Him who gives me strength." Philippians 4:13. I also enjoy the book of Psalms.

Favorite food(s)? This is easy—potatoes. I never met a potato I didn't like! First choice would be mashed potatoes. I also like snacking ("Nashies"), like chips and dip, salsa and chips.

Anything on the Bucket List you would like to share? Looking forward to some traveling.

What do you love best about being a disciple at Immanuel? The feeling of Immanuel being a close "Church family". I especially have enjoyed seeing the great turnout for the monthly family events that have been planned. It's great to get to know all the members more personally.



			Quantity	Total \$
*** GROCERY ***				
Pick N Save - Card	\$25	4%		
Pick N Save - Card	\$100	4%		
Piggly Wiggly	\$25	3%		
Piggly Wiggly	\$50	3%		
Piggly Wiggly	\$100	3%		
Glenn's Market	\$10	5%		
*** GAS STATIONS ***				
BP/Amoco Gas Card	\$50	1.5%		
Watertown Mart	\$50	10%		
Kwik Trip Card	\$25	4%		
Kwik Trip Card	\$100	4%		
Kwik Trip In-Store Only Card	\$25	10%		
Shell Gas Card	\$25 or \$50	1.5%		
Speedway	\$25	4%		
*** RESTAURANTS ***				
Applebees Card	\$25	8%		
Arby's	\$10	8%		
Buffalo Wild Wings	\$25	8%		
Burger King	\$10	4%		
Chill's	\$25	11%		
Cousins Sub	\$10	9%		
Cracker Barrel	\$10	9%		
Culvers	\$5	10%		
Culvers	\$10	10%		
Culvers	\$25	10%		
Dairy Queen	\$10	3%		
Dominos	\$10	8%		
Hardees	\$10	10%		
Little Caesar's	\$20	8%		
Noodles & Co.	\$10	8%		
Olive Garden/Red Lobster	\$25	9%		
Outback Steakhouse	\$25	8%		
Panera Bread Card	\$10	9%		
Papa Murphy's Pizza	\$10	8%		
Pizza Hut	\$10	8%		
Pizza Ranch	\$25	8%		
Qdoba	\$25	9%		
Red Robin	\$25	9%		
Starbucks Card	\$10	7%		
Subway	\$10	6%		
Taco Bell	\$10	5%		
Texas Roadhouse	\$25	8%		
*** TRAVEL ***				
Best Western	\$25 & \$100	12%		
Delta Airlines	\$250 & \$1000	4%		
Hotels.com	\$100 & \$250	6%		
*** OTHER ***				

			Quantity	Total \$
*** DEPARTMENT STORE ***				
Farm & Fleet (Blain's)	\$25	5%		
Farm & Fleet (Blain's)	\$100	5%		
Fleet Farm (Mill's)	\$25	3.5%		
Fleet Farm (Mill's)	\$100	3.5%		
Kohls Department Store	\$10	5%		
Kohls Department Store	\$25	5%		
Kohls Department Store	\$50	5%		
Kohls Department Store	\$100	5%		
Wal-Mart & Sam's Club	\$25	2.5%		
Wal-Mart & Sam's Club	\$100	2.5%		
Ace Hardware Card	\$25	4%		
Target	\$25	2.5%		
Target	\$100	2.5%		
*** SPECIALTY STORES ***				
AMC Theaters	\$25	8%		
American Eagle Outfitters	\$25	10%		
Auto Zone	\$25	8%		
Best Buy Card	\$25 \$100 \$250	3%		
Barnes & Noble/B. Dalton	\$10	9%		
Bath & Body Works Card	\$10 & \$25	12%		
Dick's Sporting Goods	\$25	8%		
Dunham's Sports	\$25	8%		
Eberts Greenhouse Village	\$25	5%		
Lane Bryant	\$25	3%		
Game Stop	\$25	3%		
Home Depot Card	\$25 \$100 \$500	4%		
JoAnn Fabrics Gift Card	\$25	6%		
Marshalls / TJ Maxx	\$25	7%		
Maurices	\$20	7%		
Menards	\$25	4%		
Menards	\$100	4%		
Office Depot/Office Max	\$25	5%		
Old Navy/Gap/Banana Rep	\$25	14%		
Sally Beauty Supply	\$25	12%		
Staples	\$25 & \$100	5%		
Under Armour	\$25	11%		
Walgreen's Card	\$25	6%		
Watertown Bowl 18 & North	\$10	10%		
*** MAIL ORDER or IN STORE ***				
Cabela's Card	\$25	11%		
WilliamsSonoma/PotteryBarn	\$25 & \$100	8%		
Land's End	\$25	16%		
*** ONLINE RETAILERS ***				
Amazon.com	\$25	3%		
Amazon.com	\$100	3%		
Shutterfly	\$25	9%		

* Items highlighted are normally available from inventory.

Name: _____

Total Dollars Ordered: \$ _____

Church Committee Members

As of 9/22/2023

CHURCH COUNCIL

Meets monthly on the third Thursday @ 6pm

President*Tom Kulke
Vice President..... *Kathy Lehman
Secretary.....*Lori Schwenkner
Treasurer *Shandra Zastrow
Financial Secretary..... *Sue Rhodes
Congregational Life..... Debbie Schramm
Outreach Chair Christina Plasil
JSB Chair..... Wes Kehl
Property Chair Bruce Pfeifer
Stewardship & Finance..... Russell Tietz
Worship & MusicBob Sell

** Denotes executive council member*

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

Meets monthly on the Monday prior to Council @ 6pm

Chair Russell Tietz
Treasurer.....Shandra Zastrow
Financial SecretarySue Rhodes
Designated Funds Don Kuehl
MemberJohn Baumann
MemberKathy Ewert
MemberWes Kehl
MemberBecky Uecker
MemberTom Kulke
Member Mike Uecker
Member Chad Albin

PROPERTY

Meets monthly on the first Monday @ 6pm

Chair Bruce Pfeifer
Vice-Chair..... Wayne Zastrow
MemberJack Ewert
Member Ward Genz
MemberKevin Raether
Member Dick Uttech
Member Dennis Schwenkner
MemberTom Dehnert
Member Brian Hrobsky

OUTREACH

Meets monthly on the first Sunday @ 10am

ChairChristina Plasil
Treasurer Russell Tietz
Member..... Mike Coughlin
Member.....Lori Schwenkner
Member.....Caroline Plasil
Member.....Shari Uecker
Member..... Bob Kluetzman
Member.....Anne Albin
Member..... Miranda Repp

WORSHIP & MUSIC

Meets monthly on the first Tuesday @ 5pm

Chair Bob Sell
Co-chairKathy Ewert
Member Lisa Kuehl
MemberKaren Pugh
Member Dan Stetler
AdvisorBonnie Peot
Advisor Lynn Baumann
AdvisorJudy Kluetzman
Altar Guild Coordinator.....Kathy Stetler

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

Meets monthly on the third Tuesday @ 6pm

Chair Debbie Schramm
Member Patricia Frank
MemberPatty Schwefel
MemberLinda Hensler
MemberShelly Grosenick
Member Julie Christian
MemberShari Uecker
MemberSue Tietz
MemberBrad & Jessica Thomas
Member Anne & Chad Albin

JOINT SCHOOL BOARD (JSB)

Meets monthly on the second Monday @ 6pm

Chair.....Wes Kehl
Member Sue Tietz
MemberLinda Hensler

March Life Celebrations

Birthdays

Karen Kuehl.....	02
Shandra Zastrow	03
Rodney Christian.....	04
Deb Schramm.....	05
Jessica Thomas.....	05
Kaine Otto	05
Dana Tietz.....	06
Delmar Christian	07
Dave Stendel.....	08
Nathan Leis.....	09
Ashlyn Thomas	10
Nolan Thomas.....	10
Ava Vaughan.....	10
Thomas Zastrow.....	11
Carrie Peplinski.....	11
Hailey Schramm	14
Kylie Garity.....	14
Willard Maas	15

Karen Pugh.....	15
Lauren Eisenberg.....	17
Chris Dehnert	18
Kelly Kluewer	19
Brad Thomas	20
Jacquelyn Oestreich.....	20
Hailey Stalker	20
Josh Reichert.....	22
Lynn Frederick.....	23
Wally Nass.....	26
Gregg* Grosenick	26
Sharon Kulke.....	27
Dennis Christian.....	28
Vilas Zastrow.....	29
Linda Hensler.....	29
Joe* Rhodes.....	31

Anniversaries

Jon & Dana Tietz.....	14
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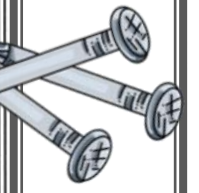


Worship Assistants Calendar—March

	March 3	March 6	March 10	March 13	March 17	March 20	March 23	March 24	March 28	March 29	March 31	
Third Sunday in Lent	Lenten Wed.	Fourth Sunday in Lent	Lenten Wed.	Fifth Sunday in Lent	Lenten Wed.	Palm Saturday	Palm Sunday	Maundy Thursday	Good Friday	Easter Sunrise	Easter Day	
Purple	Purple	Purple	Purple	Purple	Purple	Red	Red	Red	Black/None	White	White	
9:00 am	6:00 pm	9:00 am	6:00 pm	9:00 am	6:00 pm	4:00 pm	9:00 am	6:00 pm	1:00 pm	6:00 pm	7:00 am	9:00 am
Exodus 20:-1-17		Numbers 21:4-9		Jeremiah 31:31-34		Zeechariah 9:9-12	Exodus 24:3-6, 9-11	Isaiah 52:13-53:12	Exodus 15:1-11	Isaiah 25:6-9		
Psalm 19		107:1-9		119: 9-16		118: 19-29	116:12-19	22: 1-11	118: 15-29	16: 7-11		
2 nd Lesson 1:13-31		Ephesians 2:1-10		Hebrews 5:1-10			1 Cor 10:16-17			1 Cor. 15:1-11		
Gospel John 2:13-22 (23-25)		John 3:14-21		Mark 10: (32-34) 35-45		Mark's Passion	John 13:1-15,	John's Passion		John 20:1-18	Mark 16:1-8	

Worship Assistants

Organist/ Lector	Lynn	Lynn	Lynn	Judy	Bonnie	Bonnie	Judy	Bonnie	Lynn	Lynn	Lynn	Judy
Lauren Eisenberg	Lisa Kuehl	Sandy Nimmann	Bruce Pfeifer	Taylre Tietz	Pam Bartee	Jeff Lehman	Colleen Galaviz	Shawn Ireland	Doug Hoffman	Judy Kluetzman	Pam Bartee	Lisa Kuehl
Greeters Karen & Ward Genz	N/A	Julie & Neal Christian	N/A	Marcella Pfeifer, Wally Nass	N/A	N/A	Lynne & Dick Uttech	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Shari Uecker, Bob
Comm. Assistants Joyce & Howie Gutzdorf	N/A	Mike & Becky Uecker, Lynne & Dick Uttech	N/A	Kathy & Dan Stetler, Colleen & Sam Galaviz	N/A	Dave Bridgham, Bob Kluetzman	Shari Uecker, Chad Albin, Gail & Doug Hoffman	Colleen & Sam Galaviz, Kathy & Dan Stetler	N/A	N/A	N/A	Pam Bartee, Jack Ewert, Sue Rhodes, Keith Schmidt
Acolytes Ivy	Embrey	Brycen	Tenly	Kieran	Addison	Cooper	Callen	Ivy	Ana	Robby		
Ushers Addison	Robby	Callen	Hayley	Kaine	Brycen	Hannah	Kaine	Sophia	Maddy	Tenly		
A. Guild Nolan		Cooper		Ivy		Madelyn						Kieran
Diane Hicks, Sharon Kulke, Sue Tietz												
Tom Kulke, Teresa Kulke, Mikayla Dehnert, Bill & Karen Devlin, Erik & Lillian Kulke, Mark & Sharon Kulke,												



Calendar of Events—March

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Feb 25	26	27	28	29	Mar 1	2
9:00am Lent 3: Service of Holy Communion 10:00am Outreach Meeting	8:00am Walking the Gym 6:00pm Property Meeting 7:30pm Dartball Home Game in Church Basement (Church)	10:00am Pastor's Study 5:00pm Worship & Music Meeting 6:00pm Congregational Life	4:30pm Community Confirmation 6:00pm Lenten Prayer Service	8:00am Walking the Gym	8:00am Good Friday Service 6:00pm Tenebrae	8:00am Men's Fellowship 7:45am Women's Bible Study
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
9:00am Lent 3: Service of Holy Communion 10:00am Outreach Meeting	8:00am Walking the Gym 6:00pm JSB @ Immanuel 6:00pm Stewardship & Finance Meeting	10:00am Pastor's Study 4:00pm Ruby's Pantry @ St. Peter's	8:15am Chapel at Immanuel 4:30pm Community Confirmation 6:00pm Lenten Prayer Service	8:00am Walking the Gym	1:00pm Good Friday Service 6:00pm Tenebrae	7:45am Women's Bible Study
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
9:00am Lent 4: Service of Holy Communion- LLS K-8 Sing	8:00am Walking the Gym 6:00pm JSB @ Immanuel 6:00pm Stewardship & Finance Meeting	10:00am Pastor's Study 4:00pm Ruby's Pantry @ St. Peter's	8:15am Chapel at Immanuel 4:30pm Community Confirmation 6:00pm Lenten Prayer Service	8:00am Walking the Gym	1:00pm Good Friday Service 6:00pm Tenebrae	4:00pm Palm Saturday: Service of Holy Communion
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
9:00am Lent 5: Service of Holy Communion	8:00am Walking the Gym	10:00am Pastor's Study 6:00pm The Chosen- S2, E8	First Day of Spring 8:15am Chapel at Immanuel 4:30pm Community Confirmation 6:00pm Lenten Prayer	8:00am Walking the Gym 11:00am Women of the Church Bible Study 6:00pm Council Meeting	1:00pm Good Friday Service 6:00pm Tenebrae	4:00pm Palm Saturday: Service of Holy Communion
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
9:00am Palm Sunday: Service of Holy Communion 10:00am Pancake Brunch??	8:00am Walking the Gym 8:00pm Country Christian Deadline	10:00am Pastor's Study	6:00pm Lenten Prayer	8:00am Walking the Gym 6:00pm Maundy Thursday Service	1:00pm Good Friday Service 6:00pm Tenebrae	4:00pm Palm Saturday: Service of Holy Communion
31	<div style="text-align: center;"> <p><i>Happy Easter</i></p> <p>Apr 1</p> </div>					
7:00am Easter Dawn Service 9:00am Easter Day: Service of Holy Communion						

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WORSHIP

Sundays 9:00 a.m.

Wednesdays 6:00pm *during Advent & Lent*

We celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion every Sunday.

PASTOR

The Rev'd Daniel Repp

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Colleen Galaviz

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"We'd love to have you speak,
Ezekiel, but we're a non-prophet."

Operated as a joint ministry between the two churches, our state licensed facility for daycare and preschool provides a caring Christian atmosphere where children experience the love of Jesus in words and actions.