

THE IMMANUEL MESSENGER

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Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that
is within me, bless his holy name.

Psalm 103:1

Church Council Meeting

The next church council meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 4th, at 7 PM in the fellowship hall.

Immanuel Lutheran Church Church Council Minutes

February 4, 2014

(Meeting was cancelled due to the weather so there are no minutes.)

Lenten Worship Schedule

We will begin our Lenten season with Ash Wednesday worship service at 7 PM on March 5th. We will continue with Wednesday night services on March 12, 19, and 26. In April we will have services on April 2 and 9 followed by the Holy Week Schedule of services.

Ash Wednesday Soup Supper!

Ash Wednesday Soup Supper! The LWML will be serving a soup supper before the Ash Wednesday worship service on March 5th. Please plan to come and enjoy a bowl of soup, sandwiches, and some dessert, while engaging in some great fellowship. The serving will start at 5:30. If you are a member of LWML, please sign up on the back bulletin board for your food donations. A free will offering will be collected and will be used for LWML projects.

Phone Tree Update!

We are updating the emergency list of phone numbers. If you did not get a phone call for the two times that church has been cancelled this winter, please let Brenda Hendricks know. We have not used the list for several years, so there may be some updates needed.

Time Change

Daylight Savings Time will begin on Sunday, March 9th. Don't forget to move your clocks and other technological devices up one hour. Be ready to spring FORWARD! Daylight Savings Time will continue until Sunday, November 2.

Thrivent News

By directing Thrivent Choice Dollars, eligible members recommend where Thrivent distributes some of its charitable outreach grant dollars. This month our congregation received \$178. Thank you to Bill Amdor and Wilma Forrest. This year our church received \$2,749 from Thrivent Choice. March 31, 2014 is the last date to designate funds for 2013. You can do so by logging in to Thrivent.com/thriventchoice or calling 800-847-4836. When prompted, say "Thrivent Choice" and when next prompted, say "Choice Dollars." If you have any questions, please see Terri Hooker or Connie Warsaw.

Soup Supper Benefit

We will be preparing a benefit soup supper on Saturday, March 22, 2014 from 4:30 - 7 p.m. for Lexi Peterson from Bellflower. She has leukemia and is undergoing extensive treatments. The meal will be chili, potato soup, oyster soup, sandwiches and pie. There is a signup sheet on the back bulletin board for food donations.

Ladies Aid

The Ladies Aid will meet on Wednesday, March 5, 2014 at 1:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Agnes Martinie will have the devotion and serve as hostess. Wilma Grussing will have the topic. Roll call will be answered with a verse from Matthew.

Lenten Service Refreshment Schedule

Attached to this newsletter is the list of committees for fellowship time after the Lenten worship services. The drinks for each evening will be provided. The LWML will be serving a soup supper on Ash Wednesday before the service. The youth group will be providing a taco night on Wednesday, March 26. If you cannot serve on the committee assigned, please tell the person on the top of the list. If your name does not appear on the list, and you would like to help, please add your name to the list on the back bulletin board.

Recuperating

Joanne Nelson is recovering at Liberty Village of LeRoy. Her address is Liberty Village of LeRoy, Room #202, 509 S. Buck Street, LeRoy, IL 61752. Cards and words of encouragement are welcome to get Joanne on the road to recuperation.

New Address

Wilma Forrest will be moving into Mercy Creek Assisted Living in Normal this month. Her address will be Mercy Creek Assisted Living, 1501 Mercy Creek Drive, Normal, IL 61761.

Guess Who's Coming to Dinner?

All those anticipating a great night out on Saturday, March 8th for "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner", be prepared for a call that day informing you where to go that evening at 6 p.m. You will also receive a call several days earlier to inform you what to bring, such as appetizer, salad, vegetable or dessert. What a great way to have quality time with your church family!

Easter Lilies



Watch for a sign-up on the bulletin board to donate a lily for Easter Sunday service. It will be posted the Sunday after Ash Wednesday and continue until Palm Sunday. Prices will be announced in a later bulletin.

LWML Zone President's Meeting

The LWML Zone President's meeting will be here at Immanuel Osman on Saturday, March 15th beginning at 9 a.m. Pastor Fienen will give the devotional, followed by the business meeting led by Debbie Lammle.

Easter Caroling

The choir will go Easter caroling on Sunday, April 13. The time of our departure is still to be determined and will be announced later.

LWML News

The LWML will meet for their regular meeting on March 13th at 7 PM in the fellowship hall. Deb Lammle will have the topic and Diana Zimmerman and Shirley Sprau will be the hostesses. All the ladies of the congregation are invited to attend.

All members are encouraged to sign up on the back bulletin board to provide food for the Ash Wednesday soup supper. The meal will be served from 5:30 – 7, so please have your food to the hall before serving time.

Thanks to all of those who have participated in quilting or who have been making quilts at home. We have completed 26 quilts for Lutheran World Relief, and there are several more ready to be quilted. Because there are some scheduling conflicts in March, we will NOT quilt in March. We will decide the April dates at the regular meeting on the 13th.

Mark your calendars now for the Danville Zone Spring Gathering! We are helping to host the Annual Spring Gathering which will be held at Peace Lutheran Church in Thomasboro on Saturday, April 12th. The theme is "Hats Off to LWML" and the speaker will be Pat from Simply Pat's Hats in Paxton. Devotion, speaker, brunch, and some good LWML fellowship will fill the morning so invite a friend! There will be a \$5 registration fee.

"All through the long winter,
I dream of my garden. On
the first day of spring, I dig
my fingers deep into the soft
earth. I can feel its energy,
and my spirits soar."

~ Helen Hayes



Lenten Service Refreshment Schedule

Spring 2014

March 5th – Ash Wednesday

LWML Soup Supper

March 12

Mr. and Mrs. John Lammle
Mr. and Mrs. Steve Gaines
Mr. and Mrs. Neil Bidner
Mr. and Mrs. Steve Martin
Darryl Redding
Debbie Martin
Wilma Grussing

April 2

Mr. and Mrs. Don Warsaw
Mr. and Mrs. Carol Martinie
Mr. and Mrs. John Gercken
Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Warsaw
Mr. and Mrs. Jim Poppe
Mr. and Mrs. Roy Whitehouse

March 19

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Hooker
Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Warsaw
Mr. and Mrs. Steve Warsaw
Mr. and Mrs. Greg Warsaw
Mr. and Mrs. Myron Zimmerman
Arnita Zimmerman
Deb Peyton

April 9

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Zimmerman
Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Edwards
Mr. and Mrs. Larry Lutz
Mr. and Mrs. Gene Welborn
Mr. and Mrs. Butch Sprau
Karen Bryan
Frances Zimmerman

March 26

Youth Group Taco Supper

Mr. and Mrs. Rob Gallier
Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Clemmons
Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Delaney
Mr. and Mrs. Dave Masko
Mr. and Mrs. Shane Zimmerman
Mr. and Mrs. Shaun Zimmerman
Mr. and Mrs. Chris Duncan

April 17 – Maundy Thursday

Mr. and Mrs. Rick Hardesty
Mr. and Mrs. Mike Hendricks
Mr. and Mrs. Greg Johnson
Mr. and Mrs. Jim Van Wakeman
Theresa Van Wakeman-Wilson
Jeri Bidner
Kathy Brendel

Note: If you do not want to serve on this committee, please tell the person on the top of the list. If your name does not appear on the list and you would like to help, please add your name to a committee.

Statistics

<u>Date</u>	<u>Worship</u>	<u>Sunday School</u>	<u>Adult Class</u>
02/02	0	Snowed Out	0
02/09	62	7	17
02/16	42	n/a	n/a
02/23	n/a	n/a	n/a

March Altar Guild

Jill Hardesty

March Acolyte Schedule

03/02.....Kenzie Delaney
 03/09.....Ryan McPike
 03/16.....Chase Zimmerman
 03/23.....Cheyenne Zimmerman
 03/30.....Hannah Duncan

March Lay Readers

03/02.....Shane Zimmerman
 03/09.....Kim Clemmons
 03/16.....Marvin Clemmons
 03/23.....Barb Gaines
 03/30.....John Gercken

March Birthdays

Terri Hooker.....03-02
 Mike Miller.....03-06
 Brenda Hendricks.....03-09
 Shirley Sprau.....03-12
 Frances Zimmerman.....03-13
 Melia Warsaw.....03-16
 Joy Johnson.....03-19
 Shaun Zimmerman.....03-20
 Taylor Homann.....03-20
 Kim Schuh.....03-21
 Marsha Warsaw.....03-21
 Byron Christians.....03-25
 Nikki Gallier.....03-25
 Matthew Poppe.....03-25
 Amanda Forrest.....03-30
 Jerry Reifsteck Jr.03-31
 Bill Schuh.....03-31



March Anniversaries

Shirley and Butch Sprau.....03-03-1973
 Brenda and Jerry Edwards.....03-27-1982
 Joy and Skinner Johnson.....03-31-1979



Elder Schedule

Bill	April	July	Oct
Jim	May	Sept	Jan
Steve	Feb	August	Nov
Neil	March	June	Dec