THE IMMANUEL MESSENGER

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IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OSMAN The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod



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Love one another as I have loved you.

John 15:12

From the desk of Pastor McPike...

Lent is coming! Ash Wednesday is actually February 14 this year. The service is the celebration of Holy Communion and will be held at 7:00 PM. Ash Wednesday is 40 days before Easter (excluding Sundays), and is the beginning of the season where we remember Christ's passion and death for our sins that gives us the hope of eternal life.

Because Alleluia is not used during the somber season of Lent, some settings of the Divine Service have as a verse between the Epistle and Gospel, "Return to the Lord, your God; for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love!" Using these words, "Return to the Lord", we will meditate during the season of Lent on what it means to "return" and how our Lord has never left us.

Ash Wednesday Social Hour

All members of Immanuel Osman are invited to a Social Hour after the Ash Wednesday service on February 14th. The refreshments will be provided by the LWML ladies of the church.

2018 Annual Voter's Meeting

The Immanuel Lutheran Church of Osman held their annual Voter's meeting after church on January 28th. Special thanks are extended to the out-going officers of the Church Council: John Lammle as Chairman, Bob Zimmerman as Treasurer, Don Warsaw and Marvin Clemmons as Elders, Shirley Sprau as Finance, John Gercken as Trustee. Beth Bidner as Sunday School Superintendent, and MacKenzie Delaney as Head Usher. Congratulations to the new officers: Rick Hardesty-chairman, John Lammle-Treasurer, Debbie Lammle - Finance, and Steve Warsaw as Don Warsaw and Marvin Clemmons volunteered to continue as elders, as well as MacKenzie Delaney as Head Usher. installation of officers will be February 4th during the church service. After the Voter's meeting 22 members stayed for a delicious potluck.

Quilting

All ladies of the church are invited to join in Quilting on February 6th and 8th, beginning at 8 a.m. We began with 21 quilts at the end of 2017. Thanks to all who come and participate in this great activity.

Statistics

Date	Worship	Sunday School	Adult Class
12/31	35	-	-
1/7	45	1	6
1/14	48	1	8
1/21	43	1	6
1/28	56	n/a	n/a

Congratulations!

February Birthdays

Bryan Edwards	02-03
David Peyton	
Theresa VanWakeman Wilson	02-07
Austin Miller	02-09
Christie Delaney	02-10
Jenna Mangold	
Lora Nelson	02-16
Neil Bidner	02-17
Lisa Miller	02-17
Jeff Warsaw	02-19
Sarah Schuh	02-21
Amanda Burgess	02-24
Reese Gallier	02-26
Marti Brandt	02-27

February Anniversaries

Sara and Dave Kunde	02-14-19
Susan and Austin Miller	02-12-1977
Barb and Jerry Reifsteck	02-04-1998
Sandy and Lee Whitehouse	02-28-2015



2018 Elder Schedule				
Jan	Feb Roy	Mar		
Apr	May	Jun		
Jul	Aug	Sep		
Oct	Nov	Dec		