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IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OSMAN The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod



Reverend Jeffrey McPike, BCC

May 2018

The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.

Psalm 121:8

Phone Number Change

Pastor McPike's new contact number is 312-650-9890. This number will receive texts as well. The old number (217-903-4853) will be active for a while but is in the process of being phased out, and does NOT receive text messages.

Pentecost - May 20th

The church celebrates the Festival of Pentecost as the fulfillment and conclusion of the Easter season. The name Pentecost, meaning "the fiftieth day", originally referred to the Jewish Festival of Weeks. The Christian Church retained the name to mark the completion of the 50-day period after Easter and the first in-gathering of believers into the Church. On Pentecost, Christians commemorate the special outpouring of the Holy Spirit. We recall how a humble fisherman, filled with the Spirit, boldly proclaimed Jesus Christ crucified and risen from the dead. We give thanks that a multitude of hearers repented and believed. 3000 people from all over the world were baptized and received the gift of the Spirit. Sent by God the Father and by His son, the Spirit came to continue the Father's work on earth.

The Spirit's activity continues today. That's why the Christian celebration of Pentecost is such a joyful one and so vital for the church to remember. Through the preaching of the Gospel and Baptism, the Holy Spirit gathers believers to Christ and His Church. This gracious work is ongoing; it is not yet completed in our lives. The Spirit works among people of every nation and language. For this reason, Christians should continue to pray for the continued outpouring of the Spirit and the fulfillment of His sanctifying work.

Communion

Communion in May will celebrated on May 13^{th} and May 20^{th} , but not on May 6^{th} .

Catechism

Catechism will be beginning this fall. If you would like to help teach sections of this class, please see Pastor McPike.

Church Council

Immanuel Lutheran Church of Osman Voter's Meeting – January 28, 2018

The Annual Voter's Meeting was called to order by Chairman John Lammle on January 28, 2018. Pastor McPike opened the meeting with prayer. The secretary, Sandy Whitehouse, read the minutes of the October Voter's meeting. Deb Lammle made the motion to accept the minutes; Dave Kunde seconded; motion carried.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u> - Treasurer, Bob Zimmerman, read the 4th quarter balance with a total of \$63,467.38. Bob reviewed the 4th quarter totals for each category and how each category ended compared to the projected budgeted amount. Bob then reviewed the Memorial fund report for 2017. The 2017 Budgeted amount was \$136,243.00 and we finished the year at \$129,575.43. Darwin Warsaw made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report; Roy Whitehouse seconded; motion carried.

<u>Audit Committee</u> – The Council agreed that using the Helpingstine Accounting Firm to assist the Treasurer is an ongoing audit throughout the year and we would not require an additional audit by church members.

Pastor's Report: This year marks Pastor's 10th anniversary at Osman, and also marks his 30th year of ministry. Pastor McPike thanked the congregation for the continued support and partnership he receives at Immanuel Lutheran of Osman. Pastor Dean has accepted a call and will be moving to Albany, NY and Sadorus has already been backfilled. Pastor reflected how our numbers this past year have been down and we are in more leaner years. He stressed how one on one contacts with the communities is the best way to spread the word about our church. Immanuel Lutheran Church of Osman is the Missouri Synod church for Fisher,

Bellflower, Farmer City, Mahomet and Mansfield.

<u>Sunday School Superintendent's Report</u>: Nothing to report. **Old Business**:

Our ramp project was completed within budget. Thank You to all of the families who allowed us to use their memorial funds and to those who also made generous contributions toward the project.

New Business:

- Proposed Mission Giving Chairman Lammle distributed the 2018 Mission Giving report, which was proposed by the church council. The proposal complies with our Policy of Administration on Mission giving at least 50% to Lutheran agencies and not more than 50% to others. The agencies proposed for 2018 are:
- The Hines Fisher House for families of veterans receiving VA Hospital medical aid at the VA Hospital in Hines, IL
- Back Pak Programs for Blue Ridge, Mahomet & Fisher. These programs assist with purchasing food for children in these districts. Sacks are provided at the end of the school week so kids will have food for the weekend.
- LCMS World Relief and Human Care
- Lutheran Hour Ministries
- Our Stewardship Committee

Our Thrivent Choice contributions were down in 2017 with \$1,971.00 received. To ensure our Stewardship Committee has sufficient funds to continue providing benefits for our community, and the LCMS with their charitable projects, we would like to have some of the missions money go to our Stewardship Committee. An example of the generosity of our church was recognized by Pastor Matthew C. Harrison, the President of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, after our church raised \$3,603.00 for the Hurricane Relief fund

Jill Hardesty made a motion to accept the Mission Giving proposal; Butch Sprau seconded; Motion carried.

- Bob Zimmerman reviewed each category in the 2018 budget. A total of \$121,540.00 has been budgeted for. Chairman Lammle reviewed statistics for our church:
- We have seen a slight decrease in the past year in attendance. We've had a 16% decrease in the past 5 years & saw an 8% drop off in the past 4 years.
- Income summary: our income has decreased by 2.9% in the last 5 years.
- Cash balance has decreased by 9.6% in the last 4 years.
- We continue to stay within budget, but we have seen an increase of 16% in 5 years for our expenses.
- With the decrease in income and increase in expenses, the Council has decided to keep salaries where they are and no increases for this upcoming year. Pastor McPike has been involved in those discussions.

Don Warsaw made a motion to approve the 2018 budget; Harry Henricksen seconded; motion carried.

• Election of Officers:

Chairman Lammle first thanked the outgoing officers and the Stewardship Committee for a job well done.

Ballots were passed out and Chairman Lammle reviewed each position to ask for further nominations. No other nominations were suggested. A motion was made, seconded, and carried to close the nominations for all offices on the ballot who were running unopposed. The ballots were collected and new officers announced:

- Chairman Rick Hardesty
- Elders Marvin Clemmons & Don Warsaw
- Treasurer John Lammle
- Finance Deb Lammle
- Trustee Steve Warsaw
 - Head Usher Mackenzie Delaney
 New officers will be installed on February 4, 2018.
- Proposed Policy and Procedure for use of Church Property - The Policy has been detailed to provide guidance and direction to the Trustees on how to handle requests to use church property and contents by members and or non-members. Copies were provided. A motion to approve the Policy and Procedure for use of Church Property was made by Erik Henricksen; seconded by Darwin Warsaw; Motion carried.
- Emergency Action Plan The Council has been studying various situations when an Emergency plan would be needed. The Council has verified the Emergency 911 system is working however it was noted that if calling from a cell phone, you must tell the 911 dispatcher you need to be transferred to Bloomington 911, as our cell towers route us automatically to Champaign. The phone in the Hall has also been replaced as it had more reception. There have also been Emergency Contact Information cards placed in the Church, Annex and the Hall. Additional steps being considered are:
 - Develop a crisis plan and training for Elders, Nurses and members.
 - Add additional LED lighting to our parking lot north of the Hall.
 - Possibly change existing lighting on the southeast corner and on the southwest corner of the church to brighter and energy efficient LED.
 - Repair the South door to the church.
 - Have Trustees along with the Council conduct the LCMS recommended Religious facility/Organization Safety Audit in February and review the findings to the newest Church Council meeting.

Next Quarterly Voter's meeting is tentatively scheduled for April 22, 2018.

A motion to adjourn the Annual Voter's Meeting was made by Erik Henricksen; Roy Whitehouse seconded; Motion carried.

The meeting ended with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Sandy Whitehouse

Immanuel Lutheran Church of Osman Church Council Meeting - February 21, 2018

The monthly council meeting of the Immanuel Lutheran Church of Osman was held on February 21, 2018. The following members were present: Rick Hardesty, John Lammle, Dave Kunde, Steve Warsaw, Steve Martin, Don Warsaw, Deb Lammle, Marvin Clemmons and Sandy Whitehouse. Pastor opened the meeting with prayer. Sandy Whitehouse read the minutes from the January council meeting. Corrections were noted – there will be no Lent Service on March 28. Maundy Thursday will be on March 29, and Good Friday on March 30. Don Warsaw made a motion to accept the minutes with corrections; Deb Lammle seconded; Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

• The January 31, 2018 balance was \$62,419.62. John Lammle reviewed income and expenses for January. We are currently \$1,034.59 under budget for the year. Steve Warsaw made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report; Dave Kunde seconded. Motion carried.

Pastor Report:

- Pastor started a new Bible study which reflects the 3 Bible readings for that week's services. Pastor would like to see the attendance for Bible study increase and feels that Bible study reflecting that particular week will be better so people don't feel like they missed out on a series if they can't make it on a given Sunday.
- Pastor Ehlers will not be able to assist with any Lenten services this year. Pastor Ehlers is already covering for another church.

Finance Committee Report:

Nothing to report this month.

Elders Report:

Nothing to report this month.

Sunday School Superintendent's Report:

Nothing to report this month.

Trustee Report:

- Discussion was made about who should be cleaning off the sidewalks before church. This will be a Trustee responsibility and the job description will need to specifically reflect that.
- Lawn mowing schedule will be completed by the Trustees soon.
- Pew reupholstering: We have enough fabric to fix one of the damaged pews. It was also noted we have some cracked pews that need to be looked at either repair or look at other options.
- Steve Martin will look at the gutter that is over the new ramp, to see if it can be better routed.

Stewardship Committee Report

Nothing to report this month.

Parish Nurse Report:

Nothing to report this month.

Memorabilia Committee Report:

• The Memorabilia committee would like to have a Christmas ornament designed, reflecting the 125th

Anniversary of our church. An example of the ornament was shared with the council. The cost to design our ornament is \$40, and we would need to order a minimum of 150 ornaments. The total cost to do this will be \$560. The cost per ornament will be \$3.73, and it should be money we can recoup by the sale of the ornaments to the congregation. John Lammle made a motion to proceed with the purchase of the ornament set up and initial order; Don Warsaw seconded; Motion carried.

• There are sheets of spare stained glass available. The memorabilia committee would like to take that glass and have 8 inch crosses and 5x7 picture frames made from it, also to commemorate the 125th anniversary celebration. Production costs of the crosses and picture frames will be donated. A motion to approve the use of the spare stained glass was made by Marvin Clemmons; Seconded by Steve Warsaw; motion carried.

Old Business:

- Rick Hardesty noted minor changes to the Policy Procedure for Thrivent Choice Dollars the actual year should be removed and replaced with "current calendar year" verbiage. Motion to approve this change was made by John Lammle; Seconded by Marvin Clemmons; Motion carried.
- In follow up to a question raised at the Annual Voter's meeting in January: "Can females hold Church Council Officer positions?" The answer is Yes the only positions specifically stated have to be a male role is the role of Elder. However, our Church Constitution states that our Chairman of the Council must also be a male.
- The Emergency Action Plan and Facility Audit plans were passed out to council members for review before the March meeting.
- Additional lighting in the parking lot Marvin Clemmons has light poles that can be donated to the church. The church would need to have them installed in the parking lot. John Lammle made a motion to approve using this donation; Deb Lammle seconded; Motion carried. The trustees will take a trailer over to retrieve at least 1 of these poles.

New Business:

- Memorial money which was slated for new stained glass in the bell tower has been approved to replace the 2 North windows. Electricity and lights will also be installed. Steve Warsaw made a motion to approve; John Lammle seconded; motion carried.
- There will be another request coming for additional memorial money to be used to replace other stained glass. Pending a written request.
- John Lammle addressed a misprint in the 2018 Budgeted amount. Pastor's salary read \$49,918.10 on the 2018 proposed budget, when it should have been \$48,736.00. For the Organist pay, the 2018 budget stated \$8,000 but should have been \$6,800. These are salaries that should be the same as last year. The Voters approved the budget, with the understanding there is 0% increase for 2018. These figures will be corrected on

the budget paperwork.

Upcoming Church Activities:

- Lenten Services February 28, March 7, 14, 21
- Maundy Thursday March 29
- Good Friday March 30
- Easter Sunday April 1
- Benefit March 10
- March Council Meeting March 28 (Note this is a change from March 21)

Closing:

The next Council meeting will be held on March 28, 2018. A motion to adjourn the February Council meeting was made by Steve Warsaw; Seconded by Marvin Clemmons; Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted, Sandy Whitehouse

Immanuel Lutheran Church of Osman Church Council Meeting - March 28, 2018

The monthly council meeting of the Immanuel Lutheran Church of Osman was held on March 28, 2018. The following members were present: Rick Hardesty, John Lammle, Dave Kunde, Steve Martin, Don Warsaw, Deb Lammle, and Sandy Whitehouse. Guests included Debbie Martin and Christie Delaney. Pastor opened the meeting with prayer. Sandy Whitehouse read the minutes from the February council meeting. Deb Lammle made a motion to accept the minutes; Steve Martin seconded; Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

- The February 28, 2018 balance was \$62,606.08. John Lammle reviewed income and expenses for February. We are currently staying within budget for the year. An updated Memorial Fund report was also provided. Dave Kunde made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report; Steve Martin seconded. Motion carried.
- Country Financial has some policy verbiage changes on our policy for liability purposes.
- Blue Ridge has sent us a Thank You note for the backpack donation.
- John Lammle has been working with Helpingstine Accounting and the Synod office on whether Pastor Ehlers should have received a 1099 for his taxes or the W-2 which he was provided. The Council decided to stay with what our accounting firm has indicated it should be, and that is the W-2.

Pastor Report:

- Pastor noted we were unable to have church services on Palm Sunday, due to the weather. Pastor requested we still pay Pastor Ehlers for that Sunday since he did put the time in to prepare for the sermon that day. Don Warsaw made a motion to pay Pastor Ehlers for the service, but not the mileage portion. Deb Lammle seconded. Motion carried.
- Bible class continues to go well.
- Holy week is this week. Maundy Thursday meal will

precede the services on March 29, Good Friday services will be on March 30, and Easter Sunday services on April 1 at 7:00 am with the breakfast following.

• Text message service is still a problem for AT&T customers. Pastor sent the church cancellation notices individually to those who use AT&T. Other options to consider would be a paid service.

Finance Committee Report:

Nothing to report this month.

Elders Report:

Nothing to report this month.

Sunday School Superintendent's Report:

Nothing to report this month.

Trustee Report:

- Steve Martin would like to get some ideas from council members on the routing of the gutter on the ramp.
- Steve Martin would like to consider purchasing new splash boxes for the gutters and possibly a new mailbox.
- Mowing Schedule Steve Warsaw is working on this. Don Warsaw said the mower has had maintenance and is ready to go.

Stewardship Committee Report

We held a very successful benefit on March 10 for Tammy Warren. There were 270 people who attended. 25 church members assisted with the benefit. The benefit raised \$9,421.00 plus the \$1,500 Choice dollars. The grand total to be given to Tammy will be \$10,921.00. It is planned to present her with the check on April 8 during the services.

Parish Nurse Report:

• Nothing to report this month.

Memorabilia Committee Report:

Memorabilia committee members Debbie Martin and Christie Delaney were in attendance to show the council members the ornament and drawing planned for it. The ornament will be a keepsake commemorating the 125th anniversary of our church. A minimum order of 150 will be needed and cost would be \$2.99 each with \$34.15 cost in freight, and \$40.00 set up cost. The cost for 200 would be \$2.80, for 250 would be \$2.53, and cost for 300 would be \$2.48 each. The company is in the process of sending us a new finished ornament to display for orders. The committee will put a signup sheet in the church so we can get an idea of how many to order. The selling price for the memorabilia ornament will be \$5.00. This should cover cost of the ornament, set up expense and any shipping charges. Don Warsaw made a motion to approve the \$5.00 cost; Deb Lammle seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The memorabilia committee would like to take the spare stained glass and have 8 inch crosses and 5x7 picture frames made from it, also to commemorate the 125th anniversary celebration. Don Warsaw has obtained approximately 10 bids to make the frames and crosses. The best cost came in at \$30 for the picture frame and \$15 for the cross. Samples are being made and will be on display for orders to be placed.

Old Business:

- Stained glass project a letter from Myron Zimmerman and Terri Hooker stated they would like their dad's memorial money (Paul Zimmerman) going to the new stained glass in the church. This memorial money has already been used for the 3 windows. They would like the additional stained glass to be added as part of future memorial money which will be received for their mother. It was noted we need to put these types of requests in a location that will be frequently looked at as reminders, and for any new Council members to see.
- The Emergency Action Plan and Facility Audit was tabled until a future meeting.
- Light poles in the parking lot Marvin Clemmons has offered to donate light poles to the church. At last month's meeting, we agreed to take 1 of these poles. Don Warsaw drove over to pick one up and it was much longer than we had expected, so he was not able to bring it to the church. Concern over the height and the amount of light this could shine on neighboring houses. It was decided to look at getting a flood light and post on the gable of the hall instead. The Trustees will look into the lighting options. Steve Martin will graciously decline the donation of light poles to Marvin Clemmons.
- Pastor will document funeral duties for the Elders. This had been discussed at a previous meeting.

New Business:

- The large attendance at our benefits have brought up concerns of additional signage being needed to identify directions to get to our church. There are options to consider lighted signs or temporary signs to put out for big events. It was discussed to possibly add a map on posters and advertising for the events. This is something we should think about and discuss again in upcoming meetings. This would also be a good opportunity to market our church.
- Annette Warsaw would like to donate a 7 ½ ft Christmas tree to the church. It was decided this would be nice to have for the hall. John Lammle made a motion to accept the donation; Steve Martin seconded; Motion carried.

Upcoming Church Activities:

- Maundy Thursday March 29
- Good Friday March 30
- Easter Sunday April 1
- April Council Meeting April 18
- April Voter's Meeting April 22

Closing:

A motion to adjourn the March Council meeting was made. Pastor closed the meeting with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted, Sandy Whitehouse

Ladies Aid News

The Ladies Aid will meet on Wednesday, May 2, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Debbie Lammle will present the topic. Roll call will be answered with a verse on obedience. Shirley Sprau will have devotions and prayer and serve as hostess. All ladies of the church are invited to attend!

LWML News

Military Biblestick Project

LWML will once again be sponsoring the Military Biblestick project for 3 weeks around Memorial Day starting May 13 and running through June 3. Most of you recall that the Biblestick is a small audio player loaded with the New Testament and some Psalms that chaplains give to our service men and women. This was developed by the ministry "Faith Comes by Hearing" which specializes in audio tools and have recordings of the Bible in over 1,000 languages. So far they have sent these to over 800,000 troops and are getting requests for up to 2,000 a month. We will have a presentation and show a short video between Bible Class and church service on May 13 to kick off this project. The cost is only \$25 each or you can donate any amount you want. Please make your checks payable to Immanuel LWML and we will then send one check to Faith Comes by Hearing at the end of the 3 weeks. Thank you for sharing God's Word and love with our troops!

Community Mother-Daughter Supper

The LWML of Peace Lutheran Church, Thomasboro, will be sponsoring a Community Mother-Daughter Salad Supper Sunday, May 6, 2018 at 4:00 P.M. at the Thomasboro community Building. A great program is being planned with Logan Kirby performing—performs 50's-60's country and gospel music. Limited Seating—MUST register by April 28. Please call 217-643-7472 for reservations. We will be giving away door prizes. A free-will donation will be accepted at the door for the Northern Champaign County Food Bank in Rantoul. So bring your mother, daughter, sister, best friend, etc. and join us for good food, fun, and fellowship. If you would like to bring a salad, please do so. Doors open at 3:00 P.M.

Altar Guild News

An Altar Guild meeting is planned for May 5th in the church annex beginning at 9am. Members are urged to attend and review the guidelines of our group, and make any additions or corrections. We will also be making a "Wish List" for items the guild suggests to purchase in beautifying the altar for upcoming anniversary celebrations.

Youth Serve Easter Breakfast



April fools-it's snowing! This wasn't a joke on Easter this year. But that didn't stop us from having 95 members in attendance at church and the Easter breakfast following. The youth and their parents served egg casseroles, sausage, bacon, and pancakes. Thanks to the youth and their parents, Rick Hardesty for frying the pancakes, and everyone who gave a donation. \$552 was the total amount collected.

2018 Graduate



Congratulations to MacKenzie Delaney who graduates from Fisher High School on May 20th. She will be attending Parkland college next year. God's blessings in the future!

Adopted Family

The LWML have adopted a local family with five children to assist financially throughout the year. Thanks to everyone in the congregation for their help in purchasing bunk beds, mattresses, sheets, a bed frame, as well as other financial donations. The family is still in need of spring and summer clothes, so a list of the children's sizes are on the elder's pew. We will also be giving birthday gifts to the family later in the year. If you wish to give a financial donation, please make checks to "Immanuel Lutheran LWML", and place in the LWML donation box found on the elder's pew. Remember-"Whatsoever you do to the least of my brothers, you do unto Me." Matthew 25:40

Zone LWML Spring Gathering

Immanuel Osman, Immanuel Loda, and Peace Thomasboro planned the LWML Zone Spring Gathering on April 7th at Immanuel Loda Lutheran Church. Sixty-seven members from the zone enjoyed food, fellowship, and an informative program. Sandy Zalaker, society President from Loda, welcomed the group. Homemade French toast, sausage, fresh fruit, and a variety of breads were served before the devotion on a "Recipe for a Courageous Woman" by Debbie Lammle. The senior version of "Jesus Loves Me" was sung together. Lisa Lewey Shields, from CI Living, gave a demonstration on several cooking tips. The morning concluded with singing, a skit by Loda LWML members, a "Woman of Courage" poem, and announcements from our Zone President, Marlene Schultz. Thanks to Barb Gaines, Brenda Hendricks, Terri Hooker, Debbie Lammle, Sue VanWakeman, and Connie Warsaw for representing Immanuel Osman at this event!

LWML Garage Sale

The Immanuel Osman LWML will be sponsoring a garage sale at the home of Debbie and John Lammle, during the Fisher City-Wide Garage Sale on May 12th from 8am to 4pm. The proceeds will be given to the LWML Zone Project-"Feed the Children", a back-pack program for the Danville Schools. The LWML women, along with anyone in the congregation, are asked to bring Garage Sale items (marked or unmarked) to church the next 2 Sundays. The Lammle's will transfer the items to their vehicle after church. Any larger items, like furniture, may be taken directly to 201 E. Randolph in Fisher by May 11th. The ladies of the LWML are asked to furnish baked items as well, if they don't have garage sale items to donate. The baked items may be brought to the Lammle's or Sprau's on Friday, May 11th. Unsold items will be taken to Salt and Light in Champaign, unless you specify your items be returned. Thanks in advance for helping make this project a success!

May Is Better Hearing And Speech Month

Millions of people cope with reduced hearing. The most common causes of hearing loss are noise and age. Over time, the noise you are exposed to at work (power tools), at play (such as listening to loud music or hunting) or even during common chores (like mowing, vacuuming) can lead to gradual hearing loss. Changes in the inner ear as we age can cause a gradual but steady hearing loss. Other causes of hearing loss include earwax buildup, foreign object in the canal, injury to the ear or head, an ear infection, and other causes. Hearing loss can lead to isolation, confusion, embarrassment, and depression. How can we protect our hearing?

Here are 8 tips for noisy environments.

- Wear hearing protection such as hearing protectors or earplugs.
- Move away from noise sources such as speakers.
- Research the noise level ahead of time via online review sites.
- Visit noisy establishments at off-peak times.
- Download a smartphone app that monitors noise levels.
- Take periodic listening breaks.
- Ask managers to reduce the noise in too-loud restaurants, health clubs, etc.
- Leave immediately if you feel pain or ringing in your ears.

Protect your hearing by:

- Never using cotton swabs or hairpins to remove wax. Consult your provider about safe ways to remove wax.
- Ask your pharmacist if any medications you take can affect your hearing. Some antibiotics, blood pressure medicines, NSAIDs (nonsteroidal anti inflammatory drugs) such as Advil, aspirin, or Aleve may cause hearing loss or ringing in the ears.
- During air travel, swallow and yawn a lot when the plane is descending. If you have a cold, use an oral or nasal spray decongestant. Always check with your provider before taking any medications.
- Control diseases that can affect blood flow, such as high blood pressure, heart disease, and diabetes.

When to call a medical provider:

- Hearing loss occurs suddenly (within a matter of days or weeks)
- Hearing loss in only one ear.
- You develop a hearing problem after starting a new medication.
- Hearing loss occurs with dizziness or loss of movement in your face.
- You think your hearing loss is getting worse.
- You wonder if you need a hearing aid.
- Pain in the ear.

American Speech -Language-Hearing -Association Healthwise for Life 8th addition

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you

trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Romans 15:13 Susan Miller parishnurse@osmanlutheran.org 217-671-0900

Benefit Recognition



After the worship service on Sunday, April 8th, Terri and Dwight Hooker presented our benefit recipient, Tammy Warren, the check from the benefit supper which was held in March. The check, which included the \$1500 donation from Thrivent Choice dollars, equaled \$10,971. Thank you once again to all the members who helped make this supper a great success. Tammy was totally surprised and greatly appreciative of the effort that our community put forth in her behalf. She has since traveled to Barnes Hospital in St. Louis for further consultations for more complications. Please keep Tammy and her family in your prayers!

Commemorative Anniversary Ornament

Please sign up for an ornament commemorating our 125th anniversary. A sample ornament is located by the "sign up" board at the back of the church. Ornaments may be displayed on a hanger, your Christmas tree, or wherever you like. Cost is \$5.00 per ornament and \$5.00 per hanger. Thank you! Commemorative Committee

Easter Caroling



A small but mighty group of choir members, Pastor McPike, and Alicia Haggin sang to Marge Morrissey at Glenwood Assisted Living and Phyllis Burnett at Champaign County Nursing Home on April 8th. The two ladies appreciated the small flower and fruit basket given by the group. Those attending always get as much out of being together as those hearing the Easter cheer! The group ended the afternoon with pizza!

Annual Girls Night Out

You won't want to miss a fun evening out with your girlfriends on June 1st at the Immanuel Lutheran of Osman fellowship hall, beginning at 6:30pm. Everyone is invited for a casual evening of food, fun, and fellowship. The usual game of "bunco" will be played and prizes awarded. A signup will be posted on May 6th in the church. Please let us know if you would like to help with refreshments or prizes and how many guests you're inviting. Hope to see you there!

Important Dates in May

May $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$ and $\mathbf{3}^{\text{rd}}$ - Quilting in the hall; 8am

May 2nd - Ladies Aid meeting; 1:30pm

May 5th - Altar Guild meeting in the annex; 9am

May 12th - LWML Garage Sale at the home of John and

Debbie Lammle; 8am-4pm May 13th - Mother's Day

May 16th - Church Council-7pm

May 20th - Pentecost

So Blessed by You, Mom

A mother who always cares,
A mother who's always there,
A mother who always prays,
A mother who always stays,
When things get rough,
When life gets tough,
When all is just too much to bear,
God's Word she shares,
God's light she shines.
So blessed God made this mother of mine.

2018 Immanuel Lutheran Church of Osman Mowing Schedule

April	Steve Martin	
May 5	Dick Johnson	
May 12	Lee Whitehouse	
May 19	Bill McCleary & Skinner Johnson	
May 26	Jerry Edwards	
June 2	Butch & Steven Sprau	
June 9	Marvin Clemmons & Neil Bidner	
June 16	John Gercken & Mike Miller	
June 23	23 Don Warsaw	
June 30	une 30 Jim Poppe	
July 7	July 7 Steve Warsaw	
July 14	July 14 Shane Zimmerman	
July 21	July 21 Leonard Delaney	
July 28 Jeff Warsaw		
Aug 4	Bob Zimmerman	
Aug 11	Ken & Kent Whitehouse	
Aug 18	Dwight Hooker	
Aug 25	Darwin & Wade Warsaw	
Sept 1	Myron, Randy, Eric Zimmerman	
Sept 8	Roy Whitehouse	
Sept 15	Steve Gaines & Bill Schroeder	
Sept 22	Brenda Hendricks	
Sept 29	John Lammle & Rob Gallier	
Oct 6	Shaun Zimmerman	
Oct 13	Bryan & Greg Warsaw	
Oct 20	John Grussing	
Oct 27	Steve Warsaw	

2018 Elder Schedule

Jan	Feb	Mar	
Butch	Marvin	Don	
Apr	May	Jun	
Roy	Marvin	Butch	
Jul	Aug	Sep	
Don	Roy	Butch	
Oct	Nov	Dec	
Marvin	Roy	Don	

May Birthdays

Doug Majercin	05-01
Susan Miller	
Cheyenne Zimmerman	05-04
Martha Warsaw	05-08
Wade Warsaw	05-12
Alvin Hinrichs	05-15
Moneta McCleary	05-19
Mike Warsaw	
Steve Brandt	05-20
Barb Whitehouse-Gercken	05-21
Jesse Johnson,	05-21
Darwin Warsaw	05-22
Benjamin Brandt	05-28
Jeff Bryan	
Brooke Clemmons	05-29
Kris Zimmerman	05-29
Blaine Martin	05-30

May Anniversaries

Susan and Steve Martin	05-09-1975
Karen and David Brown	05-22-1976
Ashley and Bryce Martin	05-19-2012
Becki and Brant Hendricks	05-26-2007
Amanda and Chuck Amdor	05-30-2009

Statistics

Date	Worship	Sunday School	Adult Bible Study
3/29	41	0	0
3/30	40	0	0
4/1	95	0	0
4/8	68	7	12
4/15	59	1	16
4/22	58	n/a	n/a
4/29	n/a	n/a	n/a

