

THE IMMANUEL MESSENGER

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Lenten Season

Ash Wednesday Worship Service will be held on March 2nd, at 7:00 PM with Holy Communion. There will NOT be fellowship time after the service. There will NOT be weekly Wednesday night Lenten services. On April 14th a Maundy Thursday service will be held and on April 15th a Good Friday service will be held. Easter will be celebrated on April 17th with a 7 AM service.

Our Sincere Sympathy

Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Sharon McPike, the mother of Pastor McPike, who was called to her eternal home on February 17th in Jasper, Indiana. Her funeral was held on Tuesday, February 22 at 11 AM at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Martinsville, Indiana. Visitation was held at the church prior to the service. Burial was at Cresthaven Memory Gardens Cemetery in Bedford, Indiana. Memorial contributions can be sent to Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Martinsville, or Emanuel Lutheran Church, Tell City. (Any member who would like to give a memorial to either church can place it in the offering plate in an envelope labeled for memorial. The memorials will then be sent to the appropriate places.)

To Members of Immanuel Osman

Your servant's heart is His work of art. Giving the best of you, in the worst of times is a testament to the beauty of your spirit. Your hard work, dedication, compassion, and care will never be forgotten. My heart is full of thanks and unending appreciation for you and the acts of service you choose to do each day. Thanks to Marsha Warsaw, Jill Hardesty, and Brenda Hendricks for filling in as secretary for Ladies Aid/LWML and church council. Thanks to the members of Altar Guild who have stepped up in my absence while I went through cancer treatment. Please keep me in your prayers as I go through a stem cell transplant during the first three weeks in March. You are all greatly appreciated!

God's Blessings,
Debbie Lammle



Hat, Mitten, and Scarf Collection

At the November Ladies Aid/LWML Meeting, the ladies voted to donate hats, mittens, gloves, and scarves instead of having a Christmas gift exchange at their Christmas Luncheon. The collection box on the back pew that overflowed with donations was given to the Salt Creek Resource Center which is a ministry reaching out to Farmer City and surrounding areas with a community clothes closet and food pantry. There were 24 pairs of mittens and gloves, 17 hats, and 9 scarves donated.

A thank you was received this week. "Thank you for the hats, scarves, mittens, and gloves that you donated to our clothes closet. They are all beautiful and very much appreciated."

Blessings to all of you,
Sue Kopp, Coordinator

Ladies Aid/LWML Meeting

Six ladies met on February 10th for the Ladies Aid/LWML Meeting at 1:30 PM in the fellowship hall. A devotion about "news" was given by Annette Warsaw. The topic entitled "Valentine's Day" was given by Brenda Hendricks. Roll call was answered by a favorite Bible verse. Marsha Warsaw, substitute secretary, read the minutes, and they were approved as read. The mites were collected and one of the mission grants was discussed followed by prayer for the grant. Brenda Hendricks gave the treasurer's report which showed a balance of \$444.02. It was discussed that dues would be \$18 for this year and can be paid at the next meeting. Brenda Hendricks read correspondence from the adopted Seminary student, Jason Scofield. Brenda Hendricks shared a thank you from Pastor and Mrs. Ehlers for their Christmas gift and a thank you for the dresses that were sent to Little Dresses for Africa. Wilma Grussing reported on the cards that she has sent in the last few months. Terri Hooker reported that the ladies have finished 34 quilts. The next quilting dates were announced as March 7 and March 9. Diana Zimmerman reported that 65 pillowcase dresses were sent to Little Dresses for Africa. Marsha Warsaw gave a report on the progress of Amelia Kirkpatrick after her spinal cord surgery. Amelia and her mother, Abby, will remain as our adopted family for this year. The ladies signed up for the months in 2022 to help this family. Thanks was given to the ladies who helped organize the Christmas luncheon at Jacks in LeRoy, and the ladies who helped with the 100th Anniversary Celebration of the Ladies Aid in December. Danville Zone Spring Rally will be held on Saturday, March 19th at St. John's Lutheran Church in Ash Grove. Donations of Christian material will be collected for Love Packages. Reservations are necessary by the second week of March. The next meeting will be March 10 at 1:30 PM. The meeting concluded with the Lord's Prayer. Marsha Warsaw and Brenda Hendricks served delicious refreshments before the meeting.

Contribution Letters

Contribution letters were handed out or were mailed the second week of February. If you contributed to Immanuel Lutheran Church of Osman in 2021 and did NOT receive a letter, please see Brenda Hendricks.

Phone Call List

Last week the church cancellation phone call list needed to be used to notify members of the cancellation of church due to icy parking areas. There were some phone numbers that were not correct and have obviously been changed since the printing of the last church directory. If you have a change in your phone number, please notify Rick Hardesty so updates can be made.

Five Year Anniversary

February 13th was the 5th Anniversary of Rick Hardesty's heart transplant! It has been a wild 5 years, but then again ... 5 years? How time flies! Rick and I cannot thank each of you enough for all your kind thoughts and prayers over the years. He arrived at Barnes Hospital in St. Louis on December 28, 2016, and he had the heart transplant on February 13, 2017. He came home on March 6, 2017. During our stay at "Camp Barnes", as we called it, we were blessed to be visited by Pastor Fale, a dear friend of Pastor McPike, who was in the St. Louis area. Pastor Fale visited us at Barnes Hospital three times during our stay. The final time, he gave us visiting time, a sermonette, and communion. That afternoon about three hours after Pastor Fale left, we received **the call** from the heart transplant team that a heart had become available, and it was ear-marked for Rick. It was fate, or a "God-winking" moment that we knew God had our backs! We started yelling and here came the nurses running down the hall, because they had just heard the good news also. There were so many "God moments" that day, and we could not be more thankful. We have so many stories, but this is one of our favorites, and we wanted to share it on this special anniversary! May God bless all of you!

Sincerely,

Rick and Jill Hardesty

March Anniversaries

Shirley and Butch Sprau03-03-1973

Kari and Chris Genzel 03-10-2006

Brenda and Jerry Edwards03-27-1982

Joy and Skinner Johnson03-31-1979



March Birthdays

Terri Hooker 03-02

Mike Miller 03-06

Brenda Hendricks 03-09

Shirley Sprau 03-14

Melia Warsaw 03-16

Joy Johnson 03-19

Shaun Zimmerman 03-20

Marsha Warsaw 03-21

Nikki Gallier 03-25

<u>Date</u>	<u>Worship</u>	<u>Sunday School</u>	<u>Adult Class</u>
01/30	36	0	7
02/06	23	0	6
02/13	0	0	0
02/20	0	0	0