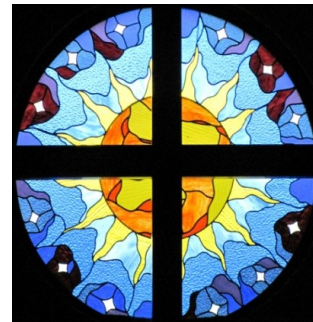


Immanuel Lutheran Church

Children of God, called to proclaim the mighty acts of Jesus
through lives of love and servanthood.

May 2018 Newsletter



Weekly Services and Communion

Sunday ~ 8am &
10:30 am

Starting

May 27 ~ 9 am

Wednesday ~ 6pm

Office Hours

Weekdays

9am ~ 1pm

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“Whoever Has the Son Has Life”

by Peter J. Weller

Two of the Second Lesson selections for May come from the fifth chapter of John’s first letter. As was mentioned in last month’s column, this was a time in the early Church’s history where misconceptions began to develop regarding Jesus’ divinity, whether he was the Son of God, or that he came to earth in the flesh. And, those who believed these misconceptions began to pull away from the Church. In this letter, John encourages those who remain in the Church to believe that their confession of the earthly Jesus as the Christ and Son of God is true.

John writes of Jesus: “This is the one who came by water and the blood, Jesus Christ, not with water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth. There are three that testify: the Spirit and the water and the blood, and these three agree. If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

“I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.” (I John 5:7-13)

In his letter, John builds his case for why Jesus should be believed to be the Christ, the Son of God. He knows that under Torah law, three witnesses are needed to establish his case. Regarding witness or testimony, Torah law says: “A single witness shall not suffice to convict a person of any wrongdoing in connection with any offense that may be committed. Only on the evidence of two or three witnesses shall a charge be sustained.” (Deuteronomy 19:15). That is why John writes, “There are three that testify: the Spirit and the water and the blood, and these three agree.” (I John 5:7-8) It is believed that here the water refers to the water of baptism, the blood refers to Jesus’ death on the cross, and the Spirit refers to God’s Holy Spirit.

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How good and pleasant it is when God’s people live together in unity! Psalm 133:1

Monthly Updates (Month to date)

General Funds ~ \$17,517

Benevolence, gifts outside of church ~\$54

Monthly expenses ~ \$12,000-\$15,000

Building Fund Gifts ~ \$956

Monthly payment ~ \$810

Debt reduction ~ \$668 (March pymt)

Attendance

Sunday, March 25th ~ 8 am ~ 58
10:30 am ~ 45

Wednesday, March 28th ~ 10

Thursday, March 29th ~ 45

Friday, March 30th ~ 51

Sunday, April 1st ~ 7 am ~ 91
9 am ~ 61

Wednesday, April 4th ~ 12

Sunday, April 8th ~ 8 am ~ 58
10:30 am ~ 58

Wednesday, April 11th ~ 9

Sunday, April 15th ~ 8 am ~ 30
10:30 am ~ 52

Wednesday, April 18th ~ 13

Sunday, April 22nd ~ 8 am ~ 51
10:30 am ~ 63

Wednesday, April 25th ~ 11



Confirmation Sunday, April 29th, 10:30 a.m.

The following youth from our congregation have been instructed in the Christian faith, as confessed in the teachings of the Lutheran Church, and desire to make public affirmation of their Baptism: **Lucas Kroll, Quinn Wubbena, Rob Taylor, and Ryan Jones**. Please plan to attend the 10:30 a.m. worship service, April 29th, to support these confirmands as they affirm and underscore God's action in their Baptism. A cake reception will be held in their honor between services.

Christian Sympathy

We extend our deepest Christian sympathy to the family of
+Sheila Boese (Mary Gail Lyon's daughter)
may her family find comfort and peace in the promise of the
resurrection of Christ.

Worship Times Change

The "unofficial" start to summer is the three-day weekend of Memorial Day. Immanuel returns to the summer worship schedule on that **Sunday, May 27th**. Sunday, May 27th through Sunday, September 2nd (Labor Day weekend) Immanuel Lutheran will hold one Sunday, Holy Communion worship **9 a.m.** There will be no Faith Formation classes during the summer months. Wednesday, Holy Communion worship will remain at 6 p.m. throughout the year. Please mark your calendars about Immanuel's Sunday worship time change.

April Milestones

1) My 3 preschoolers Callie, Axel, & Lauren did a wonderful job saying the Lords Prayer at 8am service 4/8/18. Linda Brown

2) The children (PK-5) sang "Sanctuary" beautifully at end of FF today! They sounded like a "choir of angels" Linda Brown

3) I made it into two honor bands. Mikaila Matheson

4) I had my first dance competition of the year. Ainsley Six

5) Had a great time in CA with my daughter and 2 granddaughters from 2/3 - 2/23. Enjoyed going to church and shopping with them. A kind friend took us all out to dinner; awesome meal. My daughter and I arranged her kitchen. She took a week off work to be with me. My granddaughter Raquel is getting treatments every month to try to regain her eyesight; she has no vision in her left eye caused from a serious eye condition. Please Pray. Thank you for the great Easter Breakfast! Have a nice Easter everyone! Carol Woodruff





Birthdays for May

- 1- Nancy Baker
- 3- James Montz
- 3- Rosalie Montz
- 4- Anna Gaughan
- 5- Scott Bartholomew
- 6- Travis Brink
- 7- Corrine Martin
- 8- Megan Hill
- 11- Brandon Statler
- 16- Carol Woodruff
- 17- Terry O'Neill
- 18- Deb Tisor
- 19- Vanessa Westen
- 30- Kyle Middle
- 30- Cris Gaughan

Anniversaries for May



- 12- Dale & Candace Talbot Scheibe
- 16- Jeremy & Kelly Smith
- 29- Steve & Kathy Vetter

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Exec - Tuesday, May 1 at 5:30 pm
Finance- Thursday, May 3 at 6:30 pm
Council- Sunday, May 6 at 12:00 pm

High School Senior Recognition Sunday

During the 9 a.m. worship service on **Sunday, May 27th** we will be honoring our 2018 high school seniors; Marty Baker will graduate from Keota High School on May 20th and Samantha Holz, who will graduate from Washington High School on May 27th. Marty and Samantha will process into church wearing their caps and gowns, they will receive a gift from their church family, and they will be sent with a special graduation liturgy. You won't want to miss this opportunity to wish Marty and Samantha God's blessing upon their graduations and future.

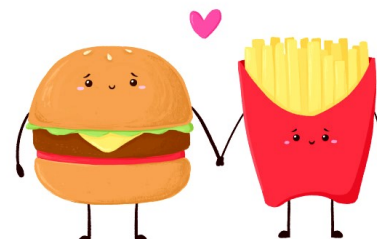
There is a DIRE need for peanut butter!! It's protein month at Immanuel!!

Please consider donating proteins to send to HACAP this month. Other items will be accepted and appreciated as always. Tuna and Peanut Butter will be our focus items. HACAP sends out 150 jars of peanut butter each month.



Thank you, truly, for your generosity!!

Ladies Night Out will be
May 15th at 6:00 p.m.
Meet at Unc & Neph's.
See you there!!



LUTHER LEAGUE
(Youth Group)
6th – 12th Graders

When: Sunday, May 20th

Where: Immanuel Lutheran Church

Why: Game Night (cancelled due to April's inclement weather)

Who: 6th – 12th Graders (friends are WELCOME!)

Time: 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm

Supper: Sub sandwiches; bring \$3 and a side/dessert to share

Leadership: Katie McWhirter, Angela Taylor, and Pastor Howard

By Heart: Conversations with Martin Luther's Small Catechism

Pastor Howard continues to lead an adult class on Luther's Small Catechism on

Sunday mornings, 9:15 a.m.

We continue to use Luther's Small Catechism as our text along with the brand-new publication By Heart which is a richly illustrated, in-depth exploration of the Small Catechism. Join us for this class and deepen your understanding of the Lutheran tradition. We're studying the Sacrament Holy Communion. Each class is independent of the previous class ~ so jump in and join us!



National Youth Gathering Fundraiser

The youth who will be attending the National Youth Gathering in June are selling greeting cards. For \$30 you will receive 30 beautiful greeting cards and a lovely box to keep them in. Please see small table in hallway for more information. Thanks in advance for your contribution!!

Dear Immanuel Lutheran Church,
We are fortunate to have supporters like you who care about the less fortunate in our community. We appreciate your generosity!
Sincerely, Lyn White
Date: March 19, 2018 Donation: Misc. Food
Value: 113 lbs. equals to 94.166 meals
Program: HACAP Food Pantry

THANK YOU to Bev Bailey, Steve Bay, Mike Howard, Brad Kroll, Tricia Kroll, and Margie Runaas for setting up the chancel beautifully for Easter and the Easter Season. Christ is Risen! Alleluia! And our chancel is a visual expression of our joy.

THANK YOU to Kelly Smith for skillfully keeping up with all the different bulletins for Holy Week, Easter, and Confirmation. Through your positive and cheerful attitude, the church office is run efficiently and effectively.

THANK YOU to Callie Brink, Lauren McWhirter, and Axel Six in praying the Lord's Prayer for the congregation at the 8 a.m. worship service on Sunday, April 8th. What a tremendous testimony to the faith of our preschoolers.



THANK YOU to everyone who assisted with the potluck lunch (set-up, brought food, or clean-up) on Sunday, April 22nd. Great hospitality was extended to our guests from Lutheran Campus Ministry. Everyone enjoyed wonderful fellowship.

THANK YOU to Linda Brown, Steve Vetter, Lucas Kroll, Margie Runaas, Deb Simmering, Chrissy Middle, Kristin Jones, and Ryan Jones for participating in the Lenten mid-week water game on Wednesday, March 21st. Your willingness to participate, before even knowing what you would be doing, is so appreciated. Yes, team "A" had easy access to clean water and how you "wasted" it. Team "B" had to travel "3.7 miles - one way" for dirty water which only made you sick and unable to get your work completed. You all are good sports! Thank you for playing and powerfully demonstrating the need for clean, accessible water worldwide.

THANK YOU to Gary Fischer, Kelli Gapinski, DeAnn Hakert, Cody Jones, and Grace Taylor for your willingness to have your feet washed during the Maundy Thursday service. You modeled the humbleness of being served through the intimate act of foot washing. Lord, teach us to be servants washing the feet of the world you love so much.



THANK YOU to Rich Baker, Bev Bailey, Sara Bartlett, Mike Jewell, the Immanuel Lutheran Adult Choir, Margie Runaas, and Quinn Wubbena for your special music during the Easter Celebration worship services. Your talents blessed our worship and gave Jesus glory.

THANK YOU to everyone who generously donated at the Easter breakfast fundraiser. Through your generosity, the Luther League received \$351 that morning. The Luther League parents donated the food.

Thank you to all who came to the Vendor Fair and all who participated. It was an extremely successful event. Vendors were pleased with the turn out and would come back again!! The money raised was given to the Lutheran Campus Ministry on Sunday April 22nd.

THANK YOU to Pastor Sarah Goettsch, Maggie Baker, Camille Jamie, Didrik Lundtvedt, Emily Parker, Jacob Schroeder, and David Venzke (board member) of Lutheran Campus Ministry at the University of Iowa for being with us on Sunday, April 22nd. It was insightful to learn about your ministry and to see your enthusiasm for our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ. Thank you for spending time with Immanuel's teens during Faith Formation. It was a joy to have you with us.

May 2018, LSI Bulletin/Newsletter Article and Story Happy Mother's Day!

Mother's Day is a time to celebrate the strong, loving women in your life. At Lutheran Services in Iowa (LSI), we see thousands of Iowa moms through their journey to build the brightest future for their children. We see moms turning to LSI's Mental Health or Behavioral Health Intervention Services to ensure their child is receiving the coping skills and behavioral supports they need to thrive. In our Early Childhood Services, we see young first-time moms who are eager to join our parenting education classes and support groups. In 2016, LSI's Early Childhood programs provided support to 552 first-time parents. We are so inspired to hear their stories and see their hard work pay off as they raise our next generation. As you celebrate Mother's Day this year, remember how many Iowa moms are being empowered because of your support. If you are looking for a way to honor your mother this year, please consider giving a gift in her name at LSIowa.org. Thank you for standing alongside our Iowa families.

Our Mission: Lutheran Services in Iowa responds to the love of Jesus Christ through compassionate service. LSI is an affiliated social ministry partner of the Iowa congregations of the ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church in America) and a member of LSA (Lutheran Services in America). We proudly serve people of all ages, abilities, religions, sexes, gender identities, national origins, ethnicities, races, and sexual orientations. Learn more at LSIowa.org and [Facebook.com/LSI.iowa](https://www.facebook.com/LSI.iowa).

"LSI has been a Lifesaver"

No parent should feel alone or hopeless when it comes to caring for their children's health. But those emotions were common for Judy four years ago. It started when her son began seeing a litany of different doctors and specialists. Judy needed to coordinate his many appointments and medications, but it was difficult to keep track while still caring for her three other children as a single parent. Judy found LSI's Pediatric Integrated Health services, which were a shoulder for her to lean on. Judy's LSI worker, Wyndolyn, coordinated medical appointments and counseling sessions. When Judy's daughter required an Individualized Education Program (IEP) at school, Wyndolyn was there to keep in contact with the school and attend IEP meetings with Judy. When Judy's child began attending school at LSI's Bremwood Residential Treatment Center, Wyndolyn checked on him and provided updates to Judy. Wyndolyn also helped Judy to set up respite care through LSI's Services for People with Disabilities. Now, Judy can get a much-needed break while her children receive quality care from an LSI respite provider. "We're one team now, we're on the same page," Judy says. "LSI has been a backbone for me when I wanted to give up. Wyndolyn talks to me when I'm stressed and ready to call it quits. She's really an advocate for my family. LSI has been a lifesaver."

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But, John goes on to say, ". . . the testimony of God is greater" than human testimony, and God "has testified to his Son." (I John 5:9) And further, ". . . God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life. . . ." (I John 5:11-12) And, John concludes this section of his letter by saying, "I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life." (I John 5:13)

John can say these things because he witnessed Jesus' ministry on earth. Often in his gospel, he quotes Jesus as saying, "I am in the father and the father is in me." "I and the father are one." "If you have seen me, you have seen the father." Doubtless, he had heard Jesus say things like this many times during his ministry. And unquestionably, he truly and fervently believed in his own heart that Jesus was who he said he was.

John did not write down everything that Jesus had said, but there is enough here to make the point that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. At the end of his gospel, John wrote, "Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name." (John 20:30-31) Referring to himself in the third person, John concludes his gospel by writing, "This is the disciple who is testifying these things and has written them, and we know that his testimony is true." (John 21:24)

Which then takes us back to John's first letter, where near the end of it he says, "I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life." John, in effect, is saying, "I have been with Jesus, I knew Jesus, and I still feel his presence. And, I want you to know that if you believe in him, as I believe in him, that you also will have eternal life, and you will know that for a certainty." In John's own words, he wrote, ". . . we know that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding so that we may know him who is true; and we are in him who is true, in his son Jesus Christ. He is the true God and eternal life." (I John 5:20)



Rachel (Howard) Peterson graduates on Friday, May 4th with her Master of Science degree from St. Cloud State University, St. Cloud, Minnesota in Speech Language Pathology.

Brad Kroll graduates on Saturday, May 12th with his MBA from the University of Iowa.

Marty Baker will graduate from Keota High School on Sunday May 20th at 1:30 pm. Marty will be attending Iowa Central Community College in Fort Dodge, Iowa this fall. He will be a member of the rodeo team, and is receiving a scholarship for being on the team. He will be majoring in ag education through the ag transfer program.

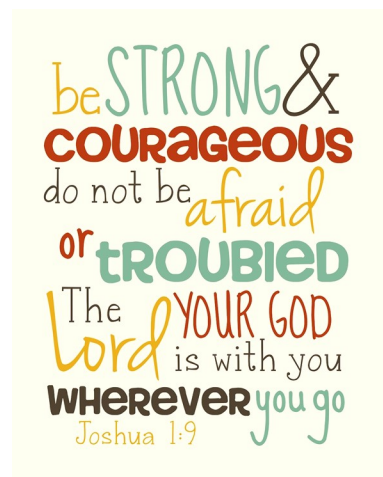
Samantha Holz graduates from Washington High School on Sunday, May 27th. Samantha is planning to attend Kirkwood Community College in Cedar Rapids for liberal arts. After earning her Associates Degree, she will transfer to one of the universities. Right now, she is interested in interior design or event planner as well as photography.

Daegan Brown, grandson of Ron and Linda, will graduate from Washington High School on May 27th. Daegan's future plans are to take welding classes from either Kirkwood or Indian Hills in Ottumwa and continue to work in the family business.

Graduation Open Houses

We will be hosting a graduation open house for Marty Baker at our home on Saturday, May 19th from 4 to 7 pm. Our address is: 2791 Elm Avenue Brighton, Iowa. Please keep Marty in your prayers as he enters the next phase of his life.

We will be celebrating Samantha Holz's graduation at Marr Park on Saturday, May 26 from 12:00pm - 4:00pm at the lodge at Marr Park. We would like to thank the church for its support as we launch Samantha into adulthood.





1) Please prayerfully consider being an evening meal host for our EWALU day camp counselors. We need a meal each night June 24-27 for 3-5 counselors. Signup sheets are on the hallway table; contact Education committee for more information.

2) Please prayerfully consider being an overnight house host for our EWALU day camp counselors. We need a house each night June 24-28 for 3-5 counselors. Signup sheets are on the hallway table; contact Education committee for more information.



EWALU Day Camp at Immanuel Lutheran Church

For Kindergarten thru 5th grade
(2017-2018 school year)

June 25 - 28 9am - 3pm and June 29 9am - Noon

Registration fee is \$50/child until May 31st,
& \$75/child June 1st-June 25th (at door).

Registration forms available at church office
9am-1pm M-F or at <http://luthwash.org/>

2018 Theme: "This Changes Everything"

Joined us at the Lord's Table

Congratulations to Viv Kroll and Kenzie Quigley on receiving their First Communion on Palm Sunday, March 25th. During the First Communion Retreat, Viv and Kenzie prepared the Communion bread served on Palm and Easter Sundays. Welcome to Christ's Table!



KINDNESS
begins with
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Meals on Wheels

Once a year for 5 weeks our church is asked to deliver Meals on Wheels. Our volunteerism starts May 21 Monday and ends June 22, Friday. It's fun to work as partners or families. You're at the hospital to pick-up the food at 11:15 and usually done in less than an hour. The route is planned out for you and there is an instruction sheet. Please talk to Judy Venzke if you can help for 5 days. [653-3820] The 2nd delivery week, May 28 thru April 1, has only 4 deliveries because of Memorial Day.



A five-gallon bucket can save lives



Buy a Water Droplet by May 13th!

There are four simple words on your bucket, The Water The Witness, this is also the theme for the upcoming 2018 synod assembly; May 18-19th. Rooted in the waters of baptism, our witness confronts the world's water-related needs. The money you raise with your blue bucket will be joined with all the other ministries, congregations, and individuals who

have pledged for ELCA water projects that will serve people in the U.S. and around the world. We take for granted that we can quench our thirst at any nearby water tap without worrying about illness. 1 in 4 people from around the world drink from contaminated water sources. Water is essential for life. Christ, who claims us in baptism, calls us to respond. Thank you for being part of this shared witness, providing access to clean water to people who need it most.

Immanuel still has \$1, \$10, and \$50 water droplets hanging from the ceiling. The last day to purchase these water droplets will be Sunday, May 13th. Bev Bailey, Mike Howard, and Pastor Howard will bring Immanuel's water project contribution to the Synod Assembly. Let's flood the bucket with an overflowing response of our generosity!!!

Ascension of Our Lord; Thursday, May 10th



We often cast our eyes upward to look for God. When we are feeling lonely or misunderstood, we raise our hands to ask why, or shake our fists in gestures of prayer, anguish, or praise. While the scriptures promise that God is king of all the earth, sitting on his holy throne (Psalm 47), we need not only look up for God's action in our lives. Our ascended Lord lives in the heavens, but Jesus does not leave his disciples—or us—to fumble while he naps in the clouds. Before he ascends, Jesus promises that we are clothed with the Holy Spirit's power, witnesses "to the ends of the earth" (Acts 1:8). We look up to the skies for help, then return our gaze to those among us in need of our care, to the body of Christ and the wind of the Spirit among the baptized, preparing for the time when Jesus comes again to gather us in. (From Sunday and Seasons)

2018 Southeastern Iowa Synod Assembly

The Southeastern Iowa Synod Assembly, the primary decision-making body of the synod, will meet May 18-19, 2018 at the Coralville Marriott in Coralville, IA.

Each spring, synods gather in assembly to lift up and celebrate ministries and address the official business of the synod. The Assembly is this synod's

highest legislative authority, limited only by the constitution and bylaws of the synod and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, and the assembly's own resolutions. Assembly is also a cherished time when we gather from across the synod to reconnect with friends, meet new ones, and share what it means to be the body of Christ. The 2018 Synod Assembly's theme is **The Water** and **The Witness**, calls us to make the connection between the waters of our baptismal witness and the world's water-related need. Immanuel's voting members attending the Assembly are: Bev Bailey, Mike Howard, and Pastor Howard.

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WEAR RED Pentecost - Sunday, May 20th (Wednesday, May 23rd)

Pentecost is a very important day in the church year. The name "Pentecost" comes from a Greek word meaning "fifty." It's fifty days after Easter and commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit on the early Christians. It's the birthday of the church! The color of the day is red, to remind us of the flames of fire that rested on each of them as they gathered together; "They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit" (Acts 2:3-4a). We thank God for giving us His Holy Spirit at our Baptism. "The Holy Spirit calls us through the Gospel, enlightens us with God's gifts, and sanctifies us and keeps us in true faith. In the same way the Holy Spirit calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth, and keeps it united with Jesus Christ in the one true faith" (The Small Catechism by Martin Luther; the Third Article of the Apostles' Creed). Let's celebrate the birth of the church through the Holy Spirit at Pentecost by wearing red to worship!

Holy Trinity Sunday; May 27th (Wednesday, May 30th)

The doctrine of the Trinity invites us to consider how a God constituted by relationship—the Father with the Son, the Son with the Spirit, the Spirit with the Father—draws us into that relationship with God and one another. Gradually or suddenly, through the work of the Spirit, we come to know our belonging to the Father and to Christ's body. In such loving relationships, truth is discovered. But people cannot bear the truth all at once, so discipleship and faith formation are gradual processes of listening for the Spirit's voice. Christian practices such as worship, learning, and service are occasions for people of all ages to be "guided into truth." Such practices are rooted in baptism, in which God draws us into a lifelong relationship in which we grow into truth and love over time—guided by the Spirit, accompanied by Jesus, and having peace with the Father.

In Romans, we hear the truth of how love originates and grows in us: Poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, God's love gives us a hope that will never disappoint. Christian community offers the delightful opportunity to experience one's own growth in hope, faith, and love, and to witness others' growth as they too are drawn more deeply into relationship with the triune God. (from Sundays and Seasons)



Blast Off for Books ~ 2018 ELCA National Youth Gathering

The Gathering has recognized the need to lift up literacy in Houston. Students who read at home become strong writers, critical thinkers, and more successful students than those who do not. Houston Independent School District estimates that 74% of the students in the district come from families who struggle to provide books for their children. This means the students begin each school year at a disadvantage. In joining the Gathering's Blast Off for Books campaign, you will help ensure bright futures for Houston's students. The books you donate will be distributed at community book fairs, camps and other events around the city as part of the Gathering's Service Learning experience. By putting books in the hands of Houston's economically disadvantaged students, you can help change lives. The goal is to collect 100,000 books through the Blast Off for Books campaign. We have a list of books needed, please inquire at the church.

Faith IS NOT KNOWING
WHAT THE FUTURE HOLDS,
BUT KNOWING
who holds the future.

Thank God for Mother's Love

~Anonymous

There is no love, like a mother's love,
no stronger bond on earth...
like the precious bond that comes from God,
to a mother, when she gives birth.

A mother's love is forever strong,
never changing for all time...
and when her children need her most,
a mother's love will shine.

God bless these special mothers,
God bless them every one...
for all the tears and heartache,
and for the special work they've done.

When her days on earth are over,
a mother's love lives on...
through many generations,
with God's blessings on each one.

Be thankful for our mothers,
for they love with a higher love...
from the power God has given,
and the strength from up above.

www.homemade-gifts-made-easy.com/christian-mothers-day-poems.html#medium

Washington Against Hunger

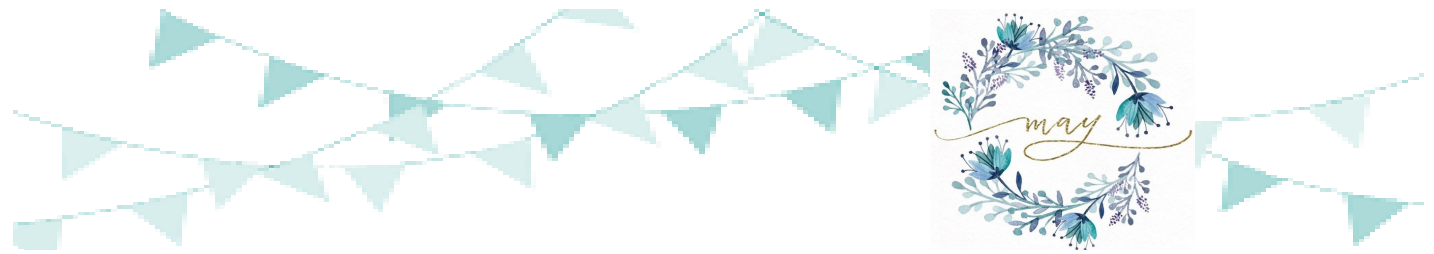
Join the Washington community for the Washington Against Hunger Food Packaging Event on **Sunday, May 6th, 3 p.m.**, at KC Hall. This has become an annual event overseen by the Washington Area Ministerial Association. The food packaging is through Take Away Hunger a non-profit organization which packages a specialized rice-based, soy mixture which is used locally and overseas. One packaging team, consisting of 10 – 12 volunteers, will package approximately 1,728 meals in about 45 minutes at a cost of .25 cents per meal for a total of \$432.00. Since January 2018, Take Away Hunger has packaged over 941,500 meals. Mark your calendars, you will feed the hungry and show the love of Jesus. **Immanuel Lutheran** raised \$562, from the Irish Fiesta, toward the purchase of food for Washington Against Hunger.



Boxing HACAP Food

Ever wonder what happens to the assortment of food we place in Immanuel's HACAP cart? Join Immanuel on **Tuesday, May 1st, 6:30 p.m.** at the HACAP office (Orchard Hill Complex Building 1, 2175 Lexington Blvd) and find out first hand. Immanuel will be boxing food which HACAP will distribute through the month of May to families in need. Your eyes will be opened to the great need Washington has in feeding the hungry of our community. This activity is open to upper elementary students through adults of our congregation (the ability to stand and place cans in a box is a requirement of this volunteer job). This is a wonderful opportunity to participate in the body of Christ.





Service Date	Greeters	Ushers	Readers	Acolyte	Communion Setup/Clean up
<i>May 6</i>	8 am Ken & Susan Baker 10:30 Marty & Joyce Westen	8 am Rich & Deidra Baker 10:30 Michael Howard, Brian & Carrie Lueck	8 am Michael Howard 10:30 Mikaila Matheson	8 am Rob Taylor 10:30 Issac Giesmann	Set up – Mary Gail Lyons Clean up/Set up – Kristin Jones Clean up – Naomi Erickson
<i>May 13</i>	8 am Bev Crandall and Carol Woodruff 10:30 Sherry Ives and Doris Moore	8 am Michael Howard, Katie McWhirter, and Steve Vetter 10:30 Bob Coker, John & Peg Harris	8 am Deidra Baker 10:30 Peter Weller	8 am Viv Kroll 10:30 Thomas Lueck	Set up – Bev Bailey Clean up/Set up – Mary Gail Lyons Clean up – Judy Venzke
<i>May 20</i>	8 am Craig & Tina Montz and family 10:30 DeAnn Hakert and Phyllis Hagensick	8 am Gary Fischer, Tom Gaughan, and Ray Poe 10:30 Stephen Bay, Ben Striegel, and Marty Westen	8 am Gary Fischer 10:30 Bev Bailey	8 am Emma Taylor 10:30 Claire Wubbena	Set up – Clean up/Set up – Ray & Alta Poe Clean up – Bev Bailey
<i>May 27</i>	9 am Ron & Char Andersen	9 am Aaron & April Six and family	9 am Linda Brown	9 am Ajay Six	Set up – Tricia Kroll Clean up – Naomi Erickson



Please prayerfully consider being a host family for Watoto; Sunday, June 17th-Tuesday, June 19th. The Watoto performance is **Sunday, June 17th** (Father's Day) at 6:30 pm. They will also be in Washington on Monday, June 18th for their rest day and leaving Tuesday morning. We need 9-10 families able to provide housing for an adult and 1-3 children. Host families should be available to pick up their guests after the show on Sunday evening, provide transportation, bedding (kids may share a bed or sleep on the floor if needed), possible meals on Monday and Tuesday breakfast, and bring to church Tuesday morning. Kelsey Striegel (515-468-3248) is coordinating housing. Details are in the works and a sign-up sheet is on the table.