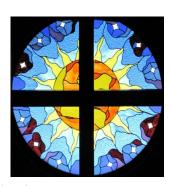
# Immanuel Lutheran Church

Hear Love. Eat Love. Share Christ's Love.

# March 2020 Newsletter



## Weekly Services and Communion

Sunday ~ 8 am and 10:30 am

Faith Formation-

9:15 am

Wednesday ~ Supper Church 6pm

## Office Hours

Weekdays

9am ~ 1pm

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#### **Holy Week and Easter Services**



"For With the LORD There Is Steadfast Love, and With Him Is Great Power To Redeem" by Peter J. Weller

The season of Lent provides us time for reflection and self-examination, particularly in regard to our sins and to Jesus suffering and death on the cross as the sacrifice for our sins. Psalm 130, one of the psalms for February, illustrates well the need for confession and forgiveness.

The psalmist writes: "Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD. Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

"If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.

"I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.

O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem. It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities." (Psalm 130:1-8)

This does not appear to be one of David's psalms. His name is not attached to it. Yet, in substance, this psalm sounds very similar to what David has written in several of his psalms. Psalm 130 is one of fifteen psalms called the Songs of Ascent. Traditionally, these were sung by Jewish pilgrims approaching Jerusalem for any of the three Jewish festivals as they walked the uphill road to the city, and also by the Jewish priests as they walked up the steps of the Temple in Jerusalem.

The author of this psalm appears to find himself in a dark place, as he writes, "Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD." (v. 1) He acknowledges the sinfulness and iniquities that he feels he must confess, and he expresses a desire for and a hope for, and an expectation of, forgiveness. The psalmist also expresses that with the Lord there is steadfast love and great power to redeem. (vv. 7-8)

Interestingly, the psalmist makes no specific confession nor outright admission of guilt or transgression (v. 3). Yet, he implies that sin has been committed. Else, why the question, "If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?" Also implied is the universality of sin. If the Lord does hold each of us accountable for our sins and so marks us, no one would be left standing. We would all be condemned.

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Holy Week Worship Highlights
Palm/Passion Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>: 8 a.m. Worship, 9:15 a.m. Faith Formation, and 10:30 a.m. Worship Palm/Passion Wednesday, April 8th: Holy Communion, Wednesday Worship, 6 p.m. ~ "Now the Feast and Celebration"

Maundy Thursday, April 9th: 7 p.m. Worship: Foot washing, Holy Communion, Stripping of the Altar Good Friday, April 10<sup>th</sup>: Tenebrae (Service of Darkness), 8 p.m.

Easter Sunday, April 21st: SonRise Worship 6:30 a.m., Breakfast served by the Luther League 7:30 a.m., Worship 9 a.m.

## Monthly Updates (Month to date)

Account balances as of 2-14-20

General Fund  $\sim$  \$4,712.82

Building/Visions~\$8,487.04

Endowment ~ \$3,297.24

Community Assistance ~ \$3,822.54

Mortgage~\$73,066.77

#### Attendance

Sunday, January  $26 \sim 8$  am  $\sim 40$   $10.30 \sim 44$ 

Wednesday, January 29~7

Sunday, February  $2 \sim 8$  am  $\sim 28$ 

 $10.30\sim38$ 

Wednesday, February  $5 \sim 12$ 

Sunday, February  $9 \sim 8$  am  $\sim 34$ 

 $10.30 \sim 47$ 

Wednesday, February 12  $\sim$  2

Sunday, February  $16 \sim 8$  am  $\sim 31$ 

 $1030 \sim 42$ 

Wednesday, February  $19\sim 5$ 

# **February Milestones**



Mariah Howard made the Dean's List at Iowa State University for the Fall 2019 Semester

I made it in SEIBA honor band!- Mikaila Matheson 1/26/20

I won Judge's Choice at the Community Talent Show- Mikaila Matheson 2/2/20

## **In Christian Joy**

We extend our Christian Congratulations

Shania Lloyd born January 9th, proud great-grandma, Rose Lloyd.

Ellis Joy Almelien born January 25th, proud parents are Erin and Tracy Almelien and big brother Anders.

Beaming grandparents are Jim and Kathleen Almelien.

Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift! 2 Corinthians 9:15

## **Christian Sympathy**

We extend our deepest Christian sympathy to the families of

+Corrine Shower, Corrine Martin's cousin

+Cindy Radden, Margie Runaas' cousin

+Susan English, Sara Bartlett's sister

may their families find comfort and peace in the promise of the resurrection of Christ.

## **Immanuel's Golden Nuggets**

As a people of God, the following are the identifying, non-negotiable characteristics of Immanuel Lutheran Church.

- 1) God's Word and Sacraments (Baptism and Holy Communion) are paramount in the life of Immanuel.
  - 2) We are an inclusive congregation; ALL are welcome.
  - 3) As disciples of Christ, we live in service to God and others.
  - 4) We are an Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) congregation.

As discerned by the 2019 Council.

## **Birthdays for March**

- 1- Yaro Chmelar
- 2- Laurie Pemberton
- 3- Marty Baker
- 6- Julie Hill
- 7- Sid Manfull
- 8- Clyde Pearce
- 9- Vicki Rebling
- 11- Deidra Baker
- 17- Margie Runaas
- 20- Ryan Jones
- 20- Neil Giesmann
- 23- Taylor Bartholomew
- 24- Tom Gaughan
- 24- Nathan Giesmann
- 26- Cody Jones
- 30- Nora Gutierrez

#### **Anniversaries for March**

18- Stan & Kristin Jones





## Sunday, March 8th

is daylight savings time.
Be comfy and cozy and
come to worship God in
your paiamas.

Find us on Facebook at Immanuel Lutheran Washington Iowa or online at luthwash.org.

Email us at luthwash@hotmail.com Come visit us at 1226 East Washington Street, Washington, Iowa 52353

Church ~ 319.653.3950 Pastor Howard ~ 319.333.7758



## HACAP

Each month we will spotlight items needed for HACAP.

March- Canned meats; tuna, chicken, pork,
ham, and beef.

## Washington School Kindness Closets

Each month we will spotlight items needed for the clothes closets at our schools.

March-Tissues

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

EXEC - Tuesday, February 25 at 4:45 pm Council - Sunday, March 1 at 9:15 am Denver - Wednesday, March 25 at 7 pm

Ladies Lunch Out for March 17th at 12:30 pm. Meet at Mi Pueblo Real. See you there!!





When: Sunday, March 15

Where: Immanuel Lutheran Church

Why: MYSTERY!!

**Who:**  $6^{th} - 12^{th}$  Graders, invite your friends!!

Time: 6:00 p.m.

**Supper:** Bring your favorite GREEN food. **Leadership:** Pastor Howard and Steve Vetter

**Be Prepared.** They're Coming. WATOTO performing "We Will Go" Sunday, May 31st at 7 pm

We will be hosting the choir on their rest day, June 1st and leaving June 2nd.

Start getting excited, invite friends, and clear your calendars!!

More information to follow.

Thank you to my church family for all your care and concern after I broke my arm in November! I am just finishing up PT appointments now, but got word at my last ortho appt that the X-ray now shows the bone is healed. Woo hooooo! Every card, call, food brought to us, everyone who has asked how I'm doing--it is so much appreciated! Thanks for helping me get over another "spill"....!

Peg the Pleased

THANK YOU to Aaron, Avery, Ajay, and Aden Six who will be moving the large, heavy cross into the Chancel. The cross is a foundational symbol of our faith and it becomes a prominent focal point for our Lenten and Easter worship.

**THANK YOU** to **Lee Buchholz** for being here on Wednesday, February 12th to lead in our Wednesday evening worship. We are grateful to you for your commitment to help lead at Immanuel.

THANK YOU to Linda Six for providing a most entertaining Luther League competition on Sunday, February 16th. Your questions did not prove to be difficult for the Luther Leaguers, as they were triumphant over the adults. Are YOU Smarter Than a Luther Leaguer? No, the adults are NOT. What a FUN night!

THANK

**THANK YOU** to our Youth:

Thank you to Taylor and Clayton Bartholomew; Taylor and Alison Black, Linda Brown; Issac and Nathan Giesmann; Caitlin, and Viv Kroll; Emma and Thomas Lueck; Mikaila Matheson; William and Lauren McWhirter; Lason, James, and Rosalie Montz; Kenzie and Maci Quigley; Ainsley, Axel, and Armor Six; and Emma, and Grace Taylor for leading worship on Sunday, February 23rd. Your enthusiasm and love for God will radiate throughout the service. The Holy Spirit will be active through you as we are drawn closer to the love of God. Your leadership will be confident in God's presence and your singing will be as jubilant as the celestial choir's.

Our youth are all future pastors for the ELCA!



High schoolers of Immanuel

Congratulations on your successful basketball season. It has been so much fun watching you grow through the years. Thank-you for being wonderful role models for the youth. Your hard work on a court to your presence in a pew show that it all can be accomplished when you put your heart & mind to it. Keep up your hard work and determination. Best of Luck with your next adventure this school year.

God Bless Michelle Bartholomew

#### CONGRATULATIONS

Lucas Kroll and the boys' Varsity basketball team for clinching Conference Champs on Friday, February 14th. Good luck on your State Championship journey!

**Quinn Wubbena** and the Iowa City West High School Swim Team for capturing the 2020 State Swimming Title on Saturday, February 15th!

A boy asked his dad, "Dad, what is the size of God?" Then his dad looked up in the sky and saw a plane and asked his son, "What is the size of that plane?" The boy replied, "It's very small, I can barely see it." The next day his dad took him to an airport and walked right up to a plane. The dad asked, "Now, my son, how big is this plane?" The son said, "It's enormous, dad!!" Then his dad told him, "God's size depends on how close to him you are."

#### March 2020, LSI Bulletin/Newsletter Article and Story

March is National Professional Social Workers Month, a time to recognize social workers and thank them for all they do. At Lutheran Services in Iowa (LSI), we're grateful for the many social workers who have dedicated their lives to serving our communities across the state!

Maybe you've never had a social worker involved in your life. Yet, whether you realize it or not, you've had the benefit of their behind-the-scenes work in your community. Social workers help people help themselves in overcoming life's most difficult circumstances or managing challenges of everyday living: poverty, abuse, mental illness, depression, addiction, disability, and many other situations.

Iowa wouldn't be the same without the patience, guidance, and empowerment that social workers provide. Happy National Professional Social Work Month!

**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 www.LSIowa.org and www.facebook.com/LSI.iowa.

#### **Caring for Christopher**

When Christopher struggled with crippling anxiety at a young age, his mom, Cheyenne, didn't know where to turn. Even going on a simple trip to the grocery store was almost impossible. She knew something needed to change. That change came in the form of LSI's Behavioral Health Intervention Services. Each week, Christopher's BHIS worker, Jose, visited the family in their home or met with them at the local library. He brought activities to engage Christopher and help him develop the coping skills he needed to feel better when he left the house. And at the same time, he provided words of encouragement and helpful parenting tips Cheyenne could use to help her child. Christopher recently celebrated his seventh birthday, and his confidence continues to grow. He feels more comfortable going out in public. He has graduated out of LSI services, and he recently made a new friend all on his own. Cheyenne feels confident that even on the tough days, she has the knowledge she needs to help her child thrive, thanks to Jose.

"LSI gave us the tools we needed to help him succeed, and the reassurance that we were doing the right thing, even when it was hard," she says.

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Yet, despite his sinfulness, the psalmist hopes in the word of the Lord. His soul waits for the Lord, more than those who watch for the morning. As surely as the sun will rise, so also the psalmist believes that the Lord redeem him from his sins. Jerome Creach, Professor of Old Testament at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania wrote of this psalm in the Working Preacher, "To wait in the sense mentioned here is to live expectantly, with awareness of how God has acted in the past and with keen anticipation of what God is about to do. Waiting is thus the opposite of despair and hopelessness. Verse 6 restates this waiting with a poignant metaphor. Waiting for the Lord is like the work of the anxious watchman on the city wall who, fearing the attack of an enemy, finds relief in the arrival of dawn. The certainty of the coming light makes clear that the waiting is not delusional or unrealistic. Such is the nature of the psalmist's waiting for the Lord."

In verses 7 and 8, the psalmist calls on all of Israel to hope in the Lord. He writes, "For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem. It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities." The psalmist believes that not only will the Lord redeem him as one individual, but the Lord will redeem all individuals, the Lord will redeem the nation.

Professor Creach continues, "Verses 7 and 8 turn from personal confession to public charge: "O Israel, hope in the Lord" (verse 7a). The word 'iniquities' appears here again, thus linking the psalmist's recognition of sinfulness with Israel's failures as God's people. But in the call for Israel to hope in God two new words appear. The first is 'steadfast love.' This word for this in Hebrew is one of the most important theological words in the Psalms. It signifies God's faithfulness to God's promises, even when such faithfulness seems to be missing. The second word is 'redeem.' This word speaks of God as a kinsman who buys a relative out of debt, slavery, or some such desperate circumstance. In this case, the promise is that God will purchase Israel out of the self-inflicted wounds of its own iniquity."

For us as Christians, it is Jesus, the Son of God, whose death on the cross is the sacrifice, the purchase. It is through Jesus that we gain a greater understanding of and access to God's grace. As Paul wrote in his letter to the Romans, "Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast of our hope of sharing the glory of God." (Romans 5:1-2) Thanks be to God for his gift of grace.



## In Gratitude for Bishop Burk

Bishop Burk will be retiring after 12 years of faithful service to the Southeastern Iowa Synod as Bishop. The Synod is collecting letters of appreciation and donations from the congregations, throughout the Synod, as a sign of our appreciation. On Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, we will receive a special offering for our gratitude to Bishop Burk. A

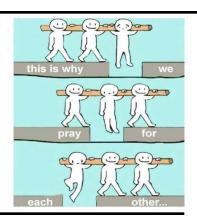
letter from Immanuel Lutheran will also be included. There will be a banquet in honor of Bishop Burk on Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> during the Synod Assembly. Ron Andersen, Margaret Stangohr, and Pastor Howard will be attending the banquet as part of the Synod Assembly activities. If you would like to attend the banquet, you are invited to attend, cost \$45/person, let the Synod know (319) 338-1273.



## **Prayer Link Ministry**

During Lent we will be praying for one another. On Sunday, March 1st and Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> you will be given a name of a brother or sister in Christ, here at Immanuel Lutheran, that

you will pray for. We will hold our person in prayer through May 17<sup>th</sup>. We will have a celebration as we reveal whom we had been praying for. Details on the celebration are still to be worked out. It was such a meaningful experience during 2019 Lent, don't miss out this year to be prayed for.



#### **Hillcrest Academy Choir**

The Choir from Hillcrest Academy (formally IMS) will be singing special music during the 10:30 a.m. ONLY worship service on Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup>. The 27 students will be singing acapella throughout the worship service under the direction of Mike Wagner, Music Director. We will be having a potluck lunch following the service to enjoy fellowship with the choral students and their parents. Please plan on attending the 10:30 a.m. service to welcome our guests with extravagant hospitality and Christ's Love.



The 2020 World Day of Prayer will be March 6th, Friday, at 1:30 p.m. hosted at our church. The program is written by Christian women in Zimbabwe and the WDP Committee based on the Biblical theme from John 5:2-9. RISE, TAKE YOUR MAT AND WALK.

Men, women, and children are invited to attend. It's one hour of information about Zimbabwe, a short skit, singing and prayers for love, peace and reconciliation. Judy Venzke is the chairperson. Hope you are able to attend.

## **Denver Mission Trip Fundraisers**

WHEN: Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup> WHERE: Unc & Neph's

WHY: Enjoy a delicious meal while supporting those going on the Denver

Mission Trip

**HOW:** 10% of total sales will be donated to the trip

TIME: 5 p.m. – close





WHEN: Monday, March 30th

WHERE: Pizza Ranch, Washington

WHY: Enjoy a delicious meal while supporting those going on the Denver Mission Trip

**HOW:** Tip Night! **TIME:** 5 p.m. – 8 p.m.

#### **THANK YOU!:**

Taylor Bartholomew, Caitlin Kroll, Emma Lueck, Rob Taylor, Emma Taylor, Brad Kroll, Carrie Lueck, Angela Taylor, and Pastor Howard

## Ash Wednesday is February 26th

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent, the season of penance and reflection that prepares us to celebrate Christ's' Resurrection on Easter Sunday. The ashes we receive on our forehead, in the shape of a cross, are an outward sign of our sinfulness and need for repentance. They also symbolize our mortality, a reminder that one-day we will die and our bodies will return to dust. Pastor Howard quotes Genesis 3:19, "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return" to each person as they receive the ashes. With ashes upon our forehead we return to God's mercy and grace. Immanuel Lutheran's **Ash Wednesday service**, with the imposition of ashes and Holy Communion, will be at **6:00 p.m.**; plan to attend this special worship service as we observe the beginning of the Lenten season.

## **Supper Church!**

Join us for Wednesday evening Soup Suppers served during Holden Evening Prayer Lenten Worship.

Who: EVERYONE!

When: March 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, and April 1<sup>st</sup>

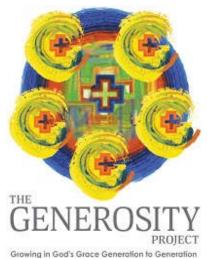
Soup begins to be served: 5:45 p.m.

Special Offering: Renew and Refresh Appeal

Worship: 6 p.m.

Where: Immanuel's Fellowship Hall





# Wednesday Holy Communion Lenten Services ~ The Generosity Project: Growing in God's Grace Generation to Generation. AN ALL GENERATION EXPERIENCE!

We will be experiencing something new and exciting during the mid-week Lenten services. Our worship format for Wednesday evening Lenten Services (March 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th, and April 1st) will continue to be Holden Evening Prayer. Worship will be held around the tables in the Fellowship Hall. We will experience table fellowship as we: eat supper while participating in the Holden liturgy, do a sermon interactive activity fun and creative for ALL AGES (FAMILIES!), and celebrate Holy Communion. The services are at 6:00 p.m. and the soup supper will begin to be served at 5:45 p.m. (the special offering received for the soup supper will be given to the "Refresh and Renew" campaign). We are God's creations, growing in God's grace generation to generation. It is our hope that through The

Generosity Project: all the generations are brought together for meaningful interaction; households are supported and equipped to live into a new way of reliably supporting one another in this interconnected, consumer society, and the capacity to respond joyfully to God's abundant grace and generosity is greatly increased. The sermon time will be an activity that divides people into mixed aged, small groups (five people) focused on the theme:

March 4<sup>th</sup> Being generous: The WHY Genesis 1:27-31a

March 11<sup>th</sup> Connecting Generations: The WHO John 6:1-14

March 18th Equipping Households: The WHERE Acts 2:41-47

March 25<sup>th</sup> Creating Centers of Generosity: The HOW 2 Corinthians 8:1-9

April 1st Living God's Story: The HERE and NOW! Matthew 19:23-30

These worship services promise to be very meaningful. Take time out of your hectic schedules to join us for these Lenten Wednesday evening worship opportunities.

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Is an aspect of one's character, a fruit of the Spirit. (Galatians 5:22-23)

#### **First Communion Retreat**

All children in the 2nd grade, along with their parent(s)/guardian(s), will participate in a First Communion retreat. This retreat will be held on **Saturday, April 4th (1 p.m. - 5 p.m.**). As part of the learning experience, the children will prepare the Communion bread to be used during worship on Palm and Easter Sundays.



The children will receive their First Communion on Sunday, April 5th (Palm Sunday).



## EASTER BREAKFAST SUNDAY, APRIL 12TH 7:30 AM- 8:45 AM

Luther League will be serving egg casseroles, rolls, fruit, and drinks. We will have a sign up out in March to help us plan accordingly.

Celebrate the resurrection of Jesus with fellowship and food!!

#### **Senior Dining**

Immanuel is partnering with The Heritage Area Agency on Aging to provide a pilot dining (lunch) program for Seniors. A catered lunch, provided by HyVee, will be served at Immanuel on the first and third Wednesdays of the month. The first meal will be served on Wednesday, March 18th, 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. Tickets must be purchased, prior to the meal, at Hy-Vee. Contact DeAnn Hakert to answer your questions. We are so excited to be partnering in this new and exciting ministry.

# Council Highlights

We are a busy, busy congregation! The sanctuary task force is very involved receiving bids for updating and to complete the grant request. We really appreciate the \$15000 pledged to date and would like you to prayerfully consider donating to this project. We also appreciate those who have continued donating to the



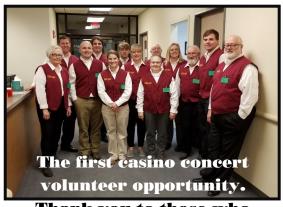
general fund even if not able to attend. We will have supper church during lent beginning March 4 and ending April 1. Please try to attend. It promises to be different and exciting. Don't forget the craft fair March 28th. Contact Deb Tisor if you are able to help set up. And COME! Check it out! Have a walking taco for lunch. We will once again have the prayer chain beginning March 1st and ending May 17th. Details on the reveal celebration are still to be worked out.

#### **HOPE Needs Help**

The HOPE workers are hard at work every Tuesday and Wednesday morning. They have been well supported by our Immanuel congregation in the past. When we have asked for supplies or equipment of some sort these items magically appear.

Our "quilt factory" has slowed some because we are running low on large pieces of fabric, which we cut and sew for backs for our quilts. We make decorative quilt tops out of scraps, but we have run out of large pieces of fabric for the backs of our quilts. Top sheets work perfectly, but bottom fitted sheets can be cut and sewed to work as well. We are asking our members to go through their linen closets to see if they have any of this bedding they do not use. We will take any pattern or color you have. If you have some sheets, or large pieces of other fabrics, you can leave it outside the sewing room door. Then we will be back to work.

The Lighthouse Center for the homeless needs laundry soap, dry bleach, large black bags, any size Ziplock bags. They also need clothes hanger for their new Master's Hand Thrift Store behind the Y. Everything can be taken to the Center at 604 S. Iowa Ave. or bring items to the church and the box in the hallway. Any questions, contact DeAnn Hakert or Judy Venzke.



Thank you to those who helped!!



Don't miss out on our next volunteer opportunity: Saturday, April 25th.

It's the Marshall Tucker Band. Signup sheet is now on the hall table.

Riverside Casino Event Center - We are looking for 15 volunteers to help usher on Saturday, April 25th starting 6:00 p.m. and going to approximately 10 p.m. The concert that evening is the Marshall Tucker Band with Pure Prairie League. The Marshall Tucker Band started in 1972 with songs of "Heard It in a Love Song", "Can't You See", "Fire on the Mountain." One of the hits for Pure Prairie League is know for is "Aime". Both bands come from the early forms of Country Rock - not hard rock. The confirmation members, families, mentors, Pastor and those serving the confirmation dinner will not be available to volunteer on this night so we reaching to members that are not involved with the confirmation dinner to help usher. We would like to know by March 1st or so if you would volunteer to do this so we can let the Casino Event Center Staff know we are on to usher or not so they have time to call another group if we cannot. Immanuel Lutheran Church receives \$400 each time we usher at the Casino and are using it to help in our monthly expenses so we don't dip into any savings or line of credit. Please contact Deb Tisor or Michelle Bartholomew with questions.

Craft/Vendor Show is **Saturday, March 28 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.** We will serve rolls and coffee in the morning and walking tacos and nachos for lunch along with a few other goodies. Please come and visit - we will have crafters, vendors - Mary Kay, Tupperware and more yet to come, if you know of anyone who would like to set up, please contact Deb Tisor.

**Freezer Meals** - we will have a limited number of freezer meals available at the Craft Show. They will be 8 x 8 pans and we will have

Ham Balls, Lasagna, and a couple of others. Questions, please contact Michelle Bartholomew or Deb Tisor.



Those traveling to Denver will be hosting the concessions for the Craft/Vendor Show and will be serving rolls and coffee in the morning and walking tacos and nachos for lunch along with a few other goodies. They will also have 8 x 8 pans of brownies and chocolate chip bars for sale.

The Sanctuary Task Force Group is meeting regularly working on the WCRF Grant application to tie in with the pledges. We will turn in our request by March 15th and learn probably early May if we are a recipient. Please prayerful thought on your pledge for this project and return to the church in the envelope by March 1st so we may complete the application with the information on pledged monies.

If you have any questions, please contact

Mike Jewell, Jon Runaas, Deb Tisor, Michelle Bartholomew, or Pastor Howard.



Service Date	Greeters	Ushers	Reader	Acolyte	Communion Set up/Clean up
March 1	8 am- Kathy Fischer 10:30- Marilyn Bennett	8 am- Rich & Deidra Baker, Gary Fischer 10:30- Bob Coker, Clyde Pearce, and Fran Victor	8 am- Gary Fischer 10:30- Lee Buchholz	8 am- Clayton Bartholomew 10:30- Issac Giesmann	Set up- Bev Bailey Clean up/Set up- Naomi Erickson Clean up- Karen Heineman
March 8	8 am- Ken & Susan Baker 10:30- Naomi Erickson	8 am- Michael Howard, Brad Kroll, and Marty Westen 10:30- Ron & Char Andersen, Tom Gaughan	8 am- Michael Howard 10:30- Mikaila Matheson	8 am- Vivi Kroll 10:30- Claire Wubbena	Set up- Tricia Kroll Clean up/Set up- Stan & Sharol Kroll Clean up- Corrine Martin
March 15	8am- Alta Poe 10:30- Sherry Ives	8 am- Rich & Deidra Baker, Ray Poe 10:30- Bob Coker, John & Peg Harris	8 am- Deidra Baker 10:30- John Harris	8 am- Emma Taylor 10:30- Emma Lueck	Set up- Bev Bailey Clean up/Set up- Ray & Alta Poe Clean up- Margaret Stangohr
March 22	8 am- Sallie Graves 10:30- Linda Six	8 am- Gary Fischer, Michael Howard, Steve Vetter 10:30- Aaron & April Six and family	8 am- Linda Brown 10:30- Margie Runaas	8 am- Brayden Zywiec 10:30- Mikaila Matheson	Set up- Kristin Jones Clean up/Set up- Naomi Erickson Clean up- Marilyn Bennett
March 29	8 am- Joyce Westen 10:30- Carol Woodruff	8 am- Brad Kroll, Steve Vetter, Marty Westen 10:30- Tom Gaughan,	8 am- Ray Poe 10:30- Bev Bailey	8 am- Caitlin Kroll 10:30- Thomas Lueck	Set up- Bev Bailey Clean up/Set up- Naomi Erickson Clean up- Bev Bailey

## Deepen your faith!!

The Middle School and High School Faith Formation classes invite the adult members of Immanuel to join us for multigenerational Faith Formation during lent. We will meet during FF time (between services) in the Little Lutherans' room. We will watch video lessons from 24 Hours That Changed the World by Adam Hamilton and discuss them. The dates for these FF events are: Sundays, March 1, March 8, March 15, March 22, March 29 and April 5.

We are excited about this opportunity and hope many adults join us.

March will be a month that your youth do not want to miss! Spark kids (K-5) will be taking a 5 week journey during the Lenten season to ready themselves for Easter.

March 1-Fast, March 8-Pray, March 15-Give, March 22-Thank March 29-Serve, and April 5-Reflect

These weeks will be filled with crafts, food, and fun while deepening our Faith in Jesus.