

ANNOUNCEMENTS – MARCH 3, 2019

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Today: 9AM-1:00PM Goodhue Lions Spring Brunch
(pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, gritwurst, sweet rolls)
Monday: 1:00PM Ladies Mission Project
Pastor Sorenson on Vacation until March 9th
No Chime Choir Today
Wednesday: Ash Wednesday
7:00PM Service with Pastor Fred Morck
No Confirmation or Choir Tonight
Next Sunday: First Sunday in Lent
9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class
9:45AM Fellowship Time
10:00AM Worship with Installation of Church Officers (Rescheduled)

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Today - Rosemary Dicke
Monday - Gavin Stumpf
Wednesday - Rosie Kohn
Saturday - Fred Stumpf

IN OUR PRAYERS

Jeanette Falkner, Melissa Barbey, Pat Banitt, Bob Langhans, Phillip Sorenson, Roy & Jane Krueger, Dan Kerns (recovering from surgery), Myron Alms (recovering from viral bronchitis and hernia/stomach complications), Robert Schultz (aortic tear), Doug Dankers (recovering from carpal tunnel surgery), the family and friends of Walter Banitt (mourning his passing), and the family and friends of David Sucher (mourning his passing).

INSTALLATION OF NEW AND RETURNING CHURCH OFFICERS RESCHEDULED

Due to the cancellation of church last Sunday because of inclement weather, the installation of new and returning church officers has been rescheduled for next Sunday, March 10th during the worship service. Please let Pastor know if you are not able to participate. As we have done in the past, even officers in the midst of current terms are welcome to come forward for the installation.

SUGGESTIONS FOR MEMORIALS

Anyone who has suggestions for projects that might be funded by memorials given to the church is asked to turn them in to Becky Kirtz so that a list may be compiled. Previous memorials have included things like the mailboxes, communion ware, plant stands, altar linens, etc. Suggestions may be sent to bkirtz@live.com, put in her church mailbox, or given directly to her.

PASTOR AND SARA ON VACATION/EMERGENCY CONTACT

Pastor Sorenson and Sara will be out of the country this week for their twentieth wedding anniversary. They will return on Saturday the 9th and will be here for Sunday morning activities on the 10th. Pastor Tyge Zucker is willing to offer emergency pastoral assistance during the week. His cell phone number is 414-477-8816. You may also call Concordia Lutheran Church at 388-5447.

FROM THE ANNUAL VOTERS' MEETING

Construction of our new Sunday School Classrooms, Youth Room, and Project Area in the lower level has been completed, on time and on budget. At year-end, there was a balance of \$19,465 remaining on an internal construction loan. It is our hope that this balance could be retired in 2019. As you give thanks to God for all He has provided you, we ask for your prayerful consideration of a gift to our Immanuel Lutheran Building Fund. Thank you!

PASTOR SORENSON CALL DECLINED

The Lord has led Pastor Sorenson to the decision to decline the call extended to him by Immanuel Lutheran Church in Lakefield, Minnesota. This was announced two weeks ago after worship, but some people may not have heard the news. Pastor looks forward to many more opportunities for Word and Sacrament ministry among the people of Immanuel, Hay Creek!

LENTEN MIDWEEK WORSHIP

Worship on the Wednesdays of Lent will begin this week on Ash Wednesday, March 6th. Services will be held weekly at 7:00 PM. The series this year is based on our Lord's Sermon on the Mount; the themes for the individual Wednesdays were conceptualized by our former District President, Dr. Dean Nadasdy. The dates and topics are as follows:

March 6: "Blessed Are You"

March 13: "Salt and Light"

March 20: "Prayer and Fasting"

March 27: "Do Not Worry"

April 3: "Judge Not"

April 10: "Build on Rock"

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, March 10, 2019

6:05AM on WCCO-AM (830), Minneapolis

6:00PM on KDHL-AM (920), Faribault

"Through Another's Eyes"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

Art helps us to better see the world. John's Gospel, which is both history and art, puts the world in proper focus. (John 9:1-41)

CATECHISM REVIEW

The Lord's Prayer

The Fourth Petition

"Give us this day our daily bread."

What does this mean?

God certainly gives daily bread to everyone without our prayers, even to all evil people, but we pray in this petition that God would lead us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving.

CHURCH HISTORY

The cholera epidemic (1832-1866) seemed to have a greater impact in the southern cities than in rural Minnesota. The outbreak of scarlet fever (1858) coincided with the forming of the Immanuel congregation, but no record is found of the few families in the congregation losing members to scarlet fever. Typhoid (1906-07) also hit hardest in the larger cities. Everyone buried here during the Spanish flu era (1918-1919) died of other causes. During the diphtheria outbreak (1921-1925), the deaths in the congregation continued to decline. It appears that no one from Immanuel perished in the Sea Wing Disaster (1890), although members were inevitably familiar with some of the 98 victims. St. John's Cemetery in Red Wing contains 23 of the Sea Wing victims.

LIFE QUOTE

"The next time you are burdened with guilt and wondering if God can really forgive you again, look to the cross of Jesus. There He proved His love by giving up His life to pay for your sin. Witness the supreme proof of your forgiveness, which God provided in the resurrection. There He removes all doubts about who He is and what He did for us. We have absolute certainty that we are forgiven and bound for heaven because of Jesus. It's the truth!" *Rev. Jonathan M. Kruschel, St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*