



# Emmanuel news

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This year is a special year in the life of the Lutheran Church, it's the 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the beginning of the Reformation. On October 31, 1517 Martin Luther walked to the church in Wittenberg Germany and posted his 95 Theses. While the 95 Theses (statements) were intended to call for a debate on indulgences, they ignited a firestorm of activity that would quickly engulf Europe and the Roman Catholic church in the form of the Reformation.

The Reformation was not about anything new, but about returning to the unchanged and unchanging truth. So it is still today. The celebration of the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Reformation is not a time for novelty. It is a time to return: to the truth, to the basics, to the foundation.

Do you remember the Small Catechism? Many of us were made to memorize the catechism (or at least part of it) during our Confirmation classes. Some of us might have even suffered through a public examination over its contents.

How much do you remember? Say it with me: "I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him..." Can you finish? Do you remember where that is found? (It's in Luther's explanation of the Third Article of the Apostles' Creed.)

It's time to return. Luther wrote the Small Catechism for the instruction of laypeople. Luther intended the Small Catechism to be used at church and in the home to instruct children in the faith and to reinforce the faith in the hearts and minds of adults.

There is no better time than in this year of the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Reformation to review the catechism. Read it for yourself. Refresh the theology in your mind. Pray the catechism daily. Memorize it. But even more, teach it. If you are a parent, teach it to your children. As you have opportunity, share it with your friends and peers.

The catechism teaches the fundamentals of the Christian faith: the Ten Commandments, the Lord's Prayer, the Apostles' Creed, the Sacrament of Baptism, the Sacrament of the Altar and the Office of the Keys and Confession. This small book is well worth your time and study.

I also encourage you to attend the special Sunday morning services that will happen this year, culminating with a special Reformation Service in October. These special services will highlight some important times in Reformation history and remind you that the Reformation was all about Jesus.

The Lord has richly blessed the Lutheran Church and we praise Him for His faithfulness. May this celebration of the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Reformation be a time when we return to the Word and Sacraments, when we turn to Christ and His love. It's *still* all about Jesus.

In Christ, Pastor

# LWML



**Ladies Aid:** Christmas Party

**Dorcas:** Christmas Party

**Daughters of Emmanuel:** The meeting was hosted by Mollie in her home. All members were present. Minutes from the November meeting were read and approved. 3 thank yous were also read.

Treasurer Report: Balance \$1207.29

Deposits: \$99.99 for 3 funerals, \$558 cookie walk, \$120 poinsettias, \$17.25 mites and \$22.00 offering  
Payments: \$78.00 TJs, \$132 Xmas books, \$50 start up cash for cookie walk, \$48.39 bulletins, \$75 quarterly, and \$150.50 to Hilltop for the poinsettias

Committee Reports: none

Old Business:

\*\*\*Cookie walk -\$508 profit

\$100 to Londa for school Christmas bags

\$408 to special Emmanuel church family

Londa motioned for this distribution. Beth 2nd, and the motion passed.

New Business:

LuAnn motioned to sent \$50 to a Audubon family in need. Julie 2nd, and motion passed.

Jennifer requested volunteers to fill vacancies for Treasurer and Secretary. Julie volunteered to continue as Treasurer. Rachel volunteered to be Secretary.

The hostess sheet went around for 2017

Mollie gave a devotion on Depression in the Christmas Season.

The meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

## Information Sheets

Please take a few minutes and fill out the information sheet in the bulletin (If you did not get one in your bulletin they are available on the table in the narthex.)

We are updating the files in the office and want to make sure all information is correct.

When you are finished with the sheet you may get them to Pastor or Londa or email to lakeviewemmanuel@outlook.com.

Thank you.



## Emmanuel Council Minutes— December 15, 2016

Those Present; Pastor Peterson, Gary Kruse, Lannie Miller, Dave Woltman, Lyle Tegels, Ross Moeller, Randy Drost, Beth Hatch, Pat Smith and Deb Stehr.

Pastor opened the meeting with prayer. Gary Kruse called the meeting to order. The minutes from the November 9<sup>th</sup> meeting were read and approved. The financial report for November was given. The front Step Project was discussed. Randy Drost made a motion, seconded by Dave Woltman to leave \$871 in the Step Fund and transfer \$3,784.60 from the Celebration Fund to pay off the loan at the bank. \$2,953 was collected on Debt Reduction Sunday. The motion passed. Dave Woltman made a motion, seconded by Lannie Miller to approve the financial report. The motion passed.

**ELDERS REPORT:** Dorothy Wolfe's funeral was December 3, 2016. Mold was discovered in the steps going up to the balcony and will need to be addressed.

**TRUSTEES REPORT:** Snow removal was discussed. It will have to be piled and then removed from the parking lot.

**PASTORS REPORT:** Pastor made 11 shut-in visits, 5 hospital/sick visits and 4 member/counseling visits. LYF went shopping on Sunday December 11<sup>th</sup> for two needy families and spent \$350 on clothes, toys and gift cards. LYF and JIF will be having Christmas parties on December 21<sup>st</sup>. Lake View Christmas went great. Thanks to all the volunteers, Phyllis Brus has requested to join Emmanuel via Reaffirmation of faith. Dave Woltman made a motion, seconded by Randy Drost to bring Phyllis Brus into membership by reaffirmation of faith. The motion passed. Ross Moeller made a motion, seconded by Roger Pieken to approve \$6,000 of Pastor's salary as a housing allowance. The motion passed. The Evangelistic Report was given. Over 700 lbs of produce was donated to the Wheatland Fund. Seven boxes of winter clothing were donated, with \$500 also given by the church. 68 boxes were delivered to Carroll for Samantha's Purse. The Chili Night went well with about 20 people attending. Gary Kruse will be gone for the winter and Marlin Johnson will take over the committee until he returns. The Saturday before Easter will be an Easter egg hunt.

**OLD BUSINESS:** An election update was given. Lyle Tegels is stepping down as Elder and Craig Wallace will take his place. Beth Hatch is stepping down as financial secretary and Jackie Wallace will serve in her place. Roger Pieken's term as Trustee is up. He will serve again.

**NEW BUSINESS:** The Nativity display is starting to look bad, the possibility of replacing it was discussed. It was tabled until January. The carpet will need to be cleaned in the spring.

The 2017 budget was discussed. Dave Woltman made a motion, seconded by Beth Hatch to raise Pastor's salary by \$750. The motion passed. The budget will be presented to the congregation on January 8<sup>th</sup> for approval at the Annual Voter's Meeting. The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

## Emmanuel Annual Meeting Minutes—January 8, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Lannie Miller.

The minutes from December 20, 2016 were read. Minard Petersen made a motion, seconded by Wes Drost to approve the meeting. The motion passed.

**OLD BUSINESS:** The loan for the Step Project has been paid off. Money was left in the account to cover the cost to do stucco in the spring. The 2017 budget was presented, as recommended by the council. The largest changes were in Pastor's salary, with an increase of \$750 and health insurance increase of \$950. The city utilities are going up and the budget was adjusted accordingly. The church is doing well financially and we have been blessed. Don Cole made a motion, seconded by Ross Moeller to approve the budget. The motion passed.

The ballot was presented. The following are on the ballot: Elder, Craig Wallace, Trustee, Roger Pieken and Financial Secretary, Jackie Wallace. Lannie Miller thanked Elder Lyle Tegels and Financial Secretary Beth Hatch for their years of service. There was a call for nominations from the floor or volunteers to fill positions on the financial committee and Board of Christian Education. Wes and Kim Drost volunteered to serve on the financial committee. Ross Moeller made a motion, seconded by Dave Woltman to approve the ballot by acclamation. The motion passed. A volunteer is still needed for the Board of Christian Education.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Judy Kramer asked that more financial information be published in the bulletin. Chicken Dinner profits and the cost of the furnace repairs were given as examples. The information is in the minutes and the monthly financial statements are posted on the bulletin board for review but not everyone looks at it. New paper towel dispensers were installed in the bathrooms.

Tami Auen made a motion, seconded by Beth Hatch to adjourn. The motion passed.

Submitted by Deb Stehr, Council Secretary

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## Emmanuel Council Minutes—January 11, 2017

Those Present: Pastor Peterson, Lannie Miller, Ross Moeller, Dave Woltman, Jeff Frank, Beth Hatch, Pat Smith and Deb Stehr.

Pastor opened the meeting with prayer. Lannie Miller called the meeting to order. The minutes from the December 15<sup>th</sup> meeting were read and approved. The financial report for December was given. Dave Woltman made a motion, seconded by Deb Stehr to approve the financial report. The motion passed. Pastor thanked Beth Hatch for serving as financial secretary.

**ELDERS REPORT:** Dave Woltman will be taking an advanced EMT training on Wednesday nights through May. Council meetings will be held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month and moved back to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday starting in June. It was requested at the Voter's Meeting that large expenses be published in the bulletin. Non-budgeted items over \$300 will be published in the bulletin in the future.

**TRUSTEES REPORT:** The insulation in the choir loft closet is falling down. The council will look at it after the meeting. Randy Drost will put sand on the parking lot. The smoke detectors in the parsonage were discussed. Pastor will check them all.

**PASTORS REPORT:** Pastor made 6 shut-in visits, 9 hospital/sick visits and 1 member/counseling visit. There was one funeral, Dorothy Stehr on December 31<sup>st</sup>. The Sunday School Christmas Program went well. Thanks to all the teachers and helpers. The LYF and JIF Christmas parties were fun. JIF is going tubing in Des Moines on January 15 and LYF will have a movie night in the Fellowship Hall. Family Fun Night is January 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:00. Ice cream and brownies will be served after the games and other fun activities. Three students and one adult will be attending Higher Things this year. The cost will be more this year because it is Indiana and will require an extra night of lodging. Pastor requested \$1,760 to cover the cost for now using Thrivent funds. Dave Woltman made a motion, seconded by Beth Hatch to borrow the money from Thrivent funds and pay it back later. The motion passed. The Evangelistic Committee will be hosting a fish fry possibly in March. Pastor distributed a draft 2017 calendar for review.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** New paper towel holders were installed in the bathrooms. They are cost effective and they were donated. We still need to find one more person or couple to serve on the financial committee.

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer. Submitted by Deb Stehr, Council Secretary

# Happy Birthday To You !!!

## February 2017



2- 1 Darrell Obman  
Pam Wollesen

2-15 James Leitz

2-17 Ivadell Huisenga

2- 2 William Cates  
Wendy Frank

2-18 Darrell Freese  
James (Gunnar) Stock

2- 6 Kennedy Pieken

2-19 Brett Sharp

2- 7 Wanda Freese  
Carole Hanke  
Lisa Mohr

2-21 Shelby Ross

2-23 Michael Naberhaus

2- 8 Robert Cleveland  
Mike Norris

2-24 Lori Huffman  
Carly Tegels

2- 9 Abbey Pieken

2-26 Karen Van Meveren

2-12 Lori Bogue

2-14 Corinne Meyer

Kathryn Zimmerman

## LYF OUTING

The LYF will be traveling to Sioux City on Friday, February 24th immediately following school.

We'll package Mercy Meals before heading to the arena to see the Sioux City Musketeers take on the Lincoln Stars. If 10 or more go, tickets are only \$11.00.

## JIF TUBING

All JIF kids are invited to come tubing on February 5th at 11:45. We'll leave right after church for a couple hours of fun in Des Moines before heading home.

Tickets are roughly \$20 (+tax) for 3 hours of tubing and Zipfy (come to find out what that is).

Contact Pastor if you're an adult willing to drive.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 3:45 PM Confirma- tion Class 5:30 JIF 7:00 PM LYF	2	3	4
5 9:00 AM Sunday School/Bible Study 10:00 AM Worship 11:30 JIF Tubing	6 7:00 PM Ladies Bible Study	7 7:00 PM Evan- gelism Commit- tee Meeting	8 3:45 PM Confirma- tion Class	9 1:30 PM Ladies Aid 7:00 PM Dorcas	10	11
12 9:00 AM Sunday School/Bible Study 10:00 AM Worship w/ HOLY COMMUNION	13 7:00 PM Ladies Bible Study	14	15 3:45 PM Confirma- tion Class 7:00 PM LYF	16 7:00 PM Council	17	18
19 9:00 AM Sunday School/Bible Study 10:00 AM Worship	20 7:00 PM Ladies Bible Study	21 3:00 PM Serve @ BHLCC Charlotte Busch & Wanda Freese	22 3:45 PM Confirma- tion Class 7:00 PM DOE's	23	24 LYF to Hockey Game	25
26 9:00 AM Sunday School/Bible Study 10:00 AM Worship w/ HOLY COMMUNION	27 7:00 PM Ladies Bible Study	28	March 1 <b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b>			

### Elders:

February 5: Craig Wallace  
February 12: Dave Woltman  
February 19: Lannie Miller  
February 26: Ross Moeller

### Greeters

Tom & Julie Reaman  
Judy Kramer & Doris Larsen  
Bob & Twila Cleveland  
Ron & Joyce Bethin

### Acolytes

Feb. 5: Alex Hauser & Weston Drost  
Feb. 12: Ayden & Layne Huisenga  
Feb. 19: Carly Tegels & Kierstin Carroll  
Feb 26: Christian & Caroline Reaman

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**Emmanuel's Values** Jesus Christ, our Savior, leader and teacher has bonded these values to guide us ever forward in expanding God's kingdom to all people. Therefore these values are the foundation and future of Emmanuel Lutheran Church:

- **God's Vision** – Discipling that all people may be saved (Matthew 28:18-20)
- **God's Grace** – A gift to all from Jesus Christ (Eph 2:8-9)
- **Prayer & Praise** – We honor God through prayer and praise (Philippians 4:4-7)
- **Stewardship** – Using the time, talents, and treasures God has given us to serve Him (Matthew 25:14-28)
- **People** – We are committed to the Christian Education and Spiritual growth of all (2 Timothy 3:16-17)
- **Compassion** – Sharing a life of care, concern, love, and kindness for all (2 Corinthians 1:3-7)

*The following are stations and times for the Lutheran Hour:*

KTLB	Fort Dodge	105.9 FM	Sun	8:00 A.M.
KJYL	Newell	96.3 FM	Sun	6:00 P.M.
KSCJ	Sioux City	1360 AM	Sun	8:30 A.M.
KICD	Spencer	1240 AM	Sun	10:30 A.M.
KAYL	Storm Lake	990 AM	Sun	10:00 A.M.

*You can also listen to the Good Shepherd Hour each **Sunday**.*

KSCI	Sioux City	1360 AM	8:00 A.M.
KAYL	Storm Lake	990 AM	10:30 A.M.
	Storm Lake	101.7 FM	10:30 A.M.
KVFD	Fort Dodge	1400 AM	8:00 A.M.

**President:** Gary Kruse      **Secretary:** Deb Stehr  
**Elders:** Ross Moeller, Lannie Miller, Dave Woltman, Craig Wallace  
**Trustees:** Randy Drost, Roger Pieken, Jeff Frank  
**Treasurer:** Pat Smith      **Financial Secretary:** Jackie Wallace  
**Board of Christian Education/Youth:** Jennifer Peterson, Tami Moeller, Helga Gross, Brigit Frank, Rachel Hemer, Tara Reaman, Angelina Huegerich  
**Sunday School Superintendent:** Tara Reaman

**Submit articles to Londa by February 21  
for the March Newsletter.**  
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