

# EMMANUEL HERALD

Sunday School/Bible Class: 9:00 (Sept-May)

Divine Service: Sundays 10:00 am  
Sundays 9:00 (Memorial Day  
to Labor Day)



## From the Pastor's Study

There's an old advertising axiom that says people must see an ad seven times before they take action. In recent years this idea has been challenged by those who say three times is enough. Thomas Smith, a marketer who lived in 1885, said twenty times is the magic number. I don't know which of these theories is correct, but it's safe to say that repetition is the key to success. Studies have shown that more times you hear something, the more likely you are to believe it (for those of you who play *Trivial Pursuit* or hope to be on *Jeopardy*, the term is "Illusory Truth Effect").

Since I want you to believe and act on what I've already said several times, I'll say it again – **you need to read your Bible**. There are numerous reasons why you need to make time for the Bible in your life and here's a few highlights.

When you were in school you learned about Columbus, George Washington, the Civil War, and the Gold Rush. As an American, it's important that you know the history of your nation. As a Christian, it's important to know the history of your faith. In the Bible you'll learn interesting historical facts that will amaze your friends and family. Do you know where believers were first called "Christians"? Antioch. Do you know how high the water rose while Noah was in the Ark? 22 feet higher than Mount Everest.

There's more to the Bible though than historical facts. You need to learn the history of your faith because you must know the past to face the future. Knowing the stories of David, Thomas, and Solomon help keep us from making the same, sinful decisions. Knowing the stories of Rahab, Peter, and the Philippian Jailer (Acts 16) help us keep the faith when things aren't looking good. Knowing God's Word enables you to trust God even when you don't know what's coming.

You can trust God because in His Word you can see the enormity of His love for you. Did you know God promised the Savior to Adam and Eve before He told them their punishments? Sure, you know Jesus died on the cross, but did you know that He absorbed God's wrath over every sin ever committed in the history of the world? Did you know that He loves you so much that no matter what you've done in the past (or in the future), He's not going to ignore you when you ask/cry/beg for forgiveness?

## From Pastor's Study (con't)

The most important reason though to read your Bible is found in John 20:30-31, ***“Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in His name.”*** Yes, this book is written that you would know Jesus and everything He did for you. But now you might be thinking, “Pastor, I know all this”, and I hope you do. But you can never know it too well! Reading, studying, concentrating on what God says to you strengthens your faith. It gives you a shield to repel that Devil's attacks. It gives you hope when you're hopeless, comfort when you grieve, courage when you're afraid, and forgiveness when you think you're unforgiveable.

The Bible is, quite simply, everything God wants you to know, and if God wants you to know it, why wouldn't you spend some time hearing what He has to say? Pick up your Bible and read, read, read, read, read, read, and read (that's seven times, so now take action).

In Christ, Pastor

## Safety and Security Committee Minutes—January 10, 2019

Present: Helga Gross, Faye Rohrbeck, George Mohrhauser, Lannie Miller, Pastor Peterson

The council has approved the Safety Committee's recommendation that the church be locked 8:00 pm to 8:00 am every night. Keys will be given to those who are determined to need them (trustees, elders, secretary, janitors). Anyone needing access after 8:00 pm should contact Pastor first and an elder second. Pastor will normally be responsible for ensuring the church is locked. While the Committee recognizes this will be a change to our practice, it is one that is necessary to avoid problems in the future and to protect our members and the building. The change will be in the February newsletter and announced to begin in February.

There are only 2 smoke detectors in the building. Council approved the purchase of 6 smoke and carbon monoxide detectors to be placed around the building. Maps will be posted that show the location of the fire extinguishes and exit routes (Jennifer Peterson will be asked to draw them).

We will follow up with Dave Woltman regarding the CPR classes that were previously discussed.

Tornado and Fire evacuation plans were discussed. In the event of a tornado, the members on the lectern side (congregations' right) of the sanctuary will evacuate through the backdoor of the sanctuary and down the stairs. Those on the pulpit side (congregations' left) will exit through the door at the front of the sanctuary and down the stairs. Members will be instructed to help the less physically abled members out of the pews and down the stairs. In the event of a fire, the same exits will be used (depending on the location of the fire). This plan will be announced and described several times a year. It will also be placed in the bulletin occasionally and discussed with individual church groups.

Next Meeting: February 7, 2019 at 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall.

Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.



Starting February 1st, the church doors will be locked from 8:00 pm to 8:00 am. Call Pastor if you need access while the church is locked. If he is unavailable, contact an Elder.



## LWML Minutes - January 2018

**Mary & Martha**— No January Meeting

**Daughters of Emmanuel**— President Helga Gross called the meeting in the fellowship hall to order with nine members and Pastor in attendance. Jennifer Peterson hosted.

**Secretary report:** Roll call with favorite snow day activities; December minutes read and approved

**Treasurer report:** Balance of \$921.99

**Birthdays:** January 1<sup>st</sup> Tami, and 14<sup>th</sup> Helga; **Anniversaries:** Feb 14<sup>th</sup> LuAnn

**Old Business:** Hat collection – 40 were sent in January; next collection day is March 3<sup>rd</sup>

Poinsettia sales recap – sold 15/20

Passed around hostess sign-up sheet again

**New Business:** DOEs booklet update – 3 members opted to be released

Lenten Dinner is March 27<sup>th</sup> – we will sign up for what to bring next time

DOEs will provide muffins and serve for Mites and Muffins on March 31<sup>st</sup>

Mission ideas – Mollie brought up two ideas:

Spring – donate body soaps, shampoo, and laundry detergent – will collect in laundry basket in fellowship hall through March 17<sup>th</sup>

Fall – donate smoke alarms and fire extinguishers

LYF deliver both donations?

Discussed New Member booklets – Pastor and Jen will plan and then DOEs will put together at a later date

Bible Study with Pastor – Plunging Into The Word of God

Passed out Mites calendar—Collection of Mites and offerings

Closed with the Lord's Prayer

**Next meeting:** February 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the fellowship hall

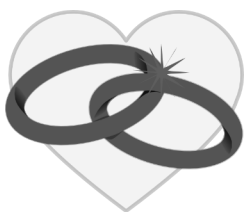
Melissa Frye, secretary

## The Bible Bible Study

Starting Sunday February 10th at 9:00 am, the Sunday morning Adult Bible Class will spend some time studying the Bible. Some of the topic will include how we got it, how to see the Big Picture (and why it matters), how to tell the difference between the types of books, how to use the Bible to understand the Bible, tips for getting the most out of it, and whatever else you need to know to enjoy God's Word.



## Strengthen Your Marriage



Iowa District West is sponsoring a Strengthen Your Marriage workshop which will help married couples to: focus on their marriage, grow in their communication skills, have time to process with each other, celebrate the marriage with which God has blessed them, and couples will enjoy the fellowship of other married couples. Hosted at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Fort Dodge on Saturday March 3<sup>rd</sup> from 8:30-2:00. Cost is \$40 per couple and includes a snack and lunch. Have childcare needs? Indicate on your registration. Register at the IDW website [iowadistrictwest.org](http://iowadistrictwest.org) by February 25. Call 515-576-7666 for more information.

## Church Council Minutes – January 9, 2019

Present: Wes Drost, Lyle Tegels, Randy Drost, Lannie Miller, Pat Smith, Craig Wallace, Jackie Wallace, Pastor Peterson

Pastor opened with prayer.

**Secretary Report:** Minor changes made to minutes previously e-mailed to council. Motion, seconded, passed to approved as amended.

**Treasurer's Report:** Emmanuel was richly blessed in 2018. Expenses finished at 97.42% of the budget, while Income finished at 98.62%. Thank the Lord for He is Good. Randy motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Craig, Passed.

**Trustees:** In order to control expenses, a power switch will be added to the thermostat for the front steps so they don't run when unnecessary. Brief discussion regarding the speakers in the church, we will contact someone to check them out.

**Elders:** Nothing to report

**Pastor:** Pastor made 1 hospital visit, 8 shut in visits. The Sunday School Christmas Program went great. It was decided that starting in 2019, an offering will not be taken during the Children's Christmas Program. The kids will still bring their offerings. LYF and JIF have meetings on January 16. Lannie Motioned, Randy Seconded and Passed to nominate Matthew Harrison for Synod President, Herb Mueller for 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President, and Nabil Nour as Vice President in the Great Plains Region. Officers will be installed January 13<sup>th</sup>. Pastor will contact LifeTouch about a new photo directory. The summer worship schedule will be 9:00 am the Sunday of Memorial Day weekend to the Sunday before Labor Day. Christmas Eve services will be at 7:00 and 10:00 pm

**Evangelism Committee:** Christmas Day Dinner went great. 87 people ate in or had meals delivered (includes 15 volunteers). Fantastic financial support so funds will be carried over to next year. The next Christmas Day dinner will be at the UCC church in Lake View. Ice Cream Social and Game Night in January 27<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm

**Church Safety Committee:** Craig motioned, Randy seconded, and motion passed to accept the Safety and Security Committee's recommendation to start locking the church from 8:00 pm to 8:00 am. A limited number of keys will be made available to those who need them (trustees, elders, secretary, janitors, organists). Motion made, seconded, and passed to purchase smoke detectors for the church, fellowship hall, and basement.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** Annual report will be submitted to the council for the February 13<sup>th</sup> meeting for approval prior to printing and distribution.

Motion to adjourn, seconded, and passed. Closed with the Lord's Prayer

Thrivent Choice Dollars for 2018 will be expiring soon! If you are a Thrivent member, you may be eligible to participate and direct Thrivent Choice dollars to Emmanuel and other LCMS organizations. Go to [www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice](http://www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice) or call 800-THRIVENT (800-847-4836) before March 31 and say "Thrivent Choice."



Thrivent Financial  
"Choice Dollars"

## Birthdays

Name	Date
Pam Wollesen	Feb. 1
Wendy Frank	Feb. 2
Mark Kruthoff	Feb 4
Kennedy Pieken	Feb. 6
Wanda Freese	Feb. 7
Carole Hanke	
Lisa Mohr	
Bob Cleveland	Feb 8
Mike Norris	
Jim Garrels	
Abbey Pieken	Feb. 9
Lori Bogue	Feb 12
Cindy Wilcke	
James Leitz	Feb. 15
Ivadell Huisenga	Feb. 18
Brett Sharp	Feb. 19
Adam Frank	
Ross Moeller	Feb. 20
Shelby Ross	Feb. 21
Mary Meyer	Feb. 22
Jerry Waldrop	
Micheal Naberhaus	Feb. 23
Klara Liehti	
Lori Huffman	Feb. 24
Carly Tegels	
Karen VanMeveren	Feb. 26

## Anniversaries

Lannie & Judy Miller	Feb. 2 (45 years)
Dave & Denise Woltman	Feb. 3 (19 years)
Alan & Barb Kruthoff	Feb. 11 (35 years)
Mike & K'Lee Naberhaus	Feb. 13 (37 years)
Andy & Brook Boeckman	Feb. 14 (8 years)
Garry & Michelle Leonard	Feb. 14 (22 years)
Mike & LuAnn Norris	Feb. 14 (32 years)
Jim & Lisa Garrels	Feb. 16 (34 years)

*If your birthday or anniversary is not listed, please contact the church office so our records can be updated.*

## Serving in God's House

### Elders:

February 3: Lyle Tegels (712) 830-7151  
February 10: Dave Woltman (712) 660-3532  
February 17: Lannie Miller (712) 661-9216  
February 24: Craig Wallace (606) 584-3321

### Greeters:

February 3: Lyle & Linda Schuknecht  
February 10: Bob & Twila Cleveland  
February 17: Roger & Rita Peters  
February 24: Charles & Pam Wollesen

### Acolytes:

February 3: Kiersten Carroll  
February 10: Weston Drost & Kyler Snider  
February 17: Carolyn & Kennedy Reaman  
February 24: Reed Musselman & Ethan Peters

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# February 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 9:00 AM Sunday School/ Bible Study 10:00 Divine Service	4 7:00 PM Bible Study	5 7:00 PM Evangelism Committee	6 4:00 Confirmation 7:00 PM LYF	7 6:30 PM Safety Committee Meeting	8	9
10 9:00 AM Sunday School/ Bible Study 10:00 Divine Service 11:00 Board of Ed	11 7:00 PM Bible Study	12	13 4:00 Confirmation 7:00 PM Council	14 1:30 PM Mary & Martha	15	16
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