

# EMMANUEL HERALD

**Sunday School:** 9:00 (Sept-May)

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



## From the Pastor's Study

There is a joke made that every March 17<sup>th</sup>, everyone is Irish. You probably know Saint Patrick's Day as a day set aside for green beer, corned beef and cabbage, and pinching those not wearing green. You would think these traditions started in Ireland and came with the immigrants, but almost all the traditions we associate with Saint Patrick's Day began in America, possibly as early as 1600, but definitely by 1732. In America, Saint Patty's Day is a day of parties and, to be honest, that's about it. However, the Irish historically have had a completely different attitude towards Saint Patrick's Day.

In Ireland, Saint Patrick's Day was a holy day when people attended church services and gathered with family in the afternoon. Irish laws decreed that pubs had to be closed on religious holidays and until 1961, the only legal place to get a drink in the Irish capital on St. Patrick's Day was the Royal Dublin Dog Show, which naturally attracted those with only a passing interest in dogs.

This day is more than beer or parades as it honors one of the best-known Christian missionaries. Born to a Christian family in Britain around the year 389, he was kidnapped as a teenager by raiders, taken to Ireland, and forced to serve as a herdsman. After six years he escaped and found his way to a monastery community in France. Ordained a bishop in 432, he made his way back to Ireland, where he spent the rest of his long life spreading the Gospel and organizing Christian communities. Part of his success (empowered by the Holy Spirit) was using some of the pagan rituals to point the pagans to Christianity. For example, he superimposed the sun, a powerful Irish symbol, onto the Christian cross to create what is now called a Celtic cross, so that veneration of the symbol would seem more natural to the Irish. Patrick died in about 466 AD.

The Lutheran Service Book has one of Saint Patrick's hymns in it. It's a tricky tune, so we haven't sung it, but the words are wonderful. The hymn is entitled *I Bind Myself to Thee Today*; take a look at it sometime. The version in our hymnal is much shorter than the original and here are some words that were cut out (and perhaps familiar to you).

Christ be with me,  
Christ within me,  
Christ behind me,  
Christ before me,  
Christ beside me,  
Christ to win me,  
Christ to comfort  
and restore me.  
Christ beneath me,  
Christ above me,  
Christ in quiet,  
Christ in danger

Christ in hearts of  
all that love me,  
Christ in mouth of  
friend and stranger.

I bind unto myself today  
the strong Name of the Trinity,  
by invocation of the same,  
the Three in One, and One in Three.  
Of whom all nature hath creation,  
eternal Father, Spirit, Word:  
praise to the Lord of my salvation,  
salvation is of Christ the Lord.

In Christ,  
Pastor



## Resurrection Garden

The Board of Education is hosting an Easter craft event on Easter morning between services. Both adults and children are invited to come and make a Resurrection Garden. A variety of containers will be available and all supplies will be provided. You may also bring a container of your own if you'd like. A \$5 donation is requested to cover supplies but can be waived by talking to Pastor. Please sign up in the fellowship hall if you are interested.



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## Emmanuel Council Minutes—February 10, 2021

**Those present:** Pastor, Jodi Pieken, Marlin Johnson, Lyle Tegels, Kenny Mohrhauser, Dave Woltman, Wes Drost

Wes called the meeting to order, Pastor opened with devotion and prayer. The secretary's report for Jan. was emailed to all council members. A change was made regarding the Evangelism meeting. It should've said Jan. not Dec. The financial report for Jan. was handed out. Dave made a motion, seconded by Marlin to approve the financial report. Motion approved

**Elder Report:** There is a light out in the sanctuary.

**Trustee Report:** A professional needs to be contacted to come and look at the church roof. Thanks to Kenny for doing some painting in the church.

**Evangelism Report:** The fish fry is going to be canceled this year due to covid. The committee is going to be contacting members who have been inactive due to covid. They would like to get bags together to be delivered to these people around Easter.

**Pastors Report:** Pastor visits 6. Black Hawk Life Care Center is now open so Pastor will be able to go up there and visit members. Carole Hanke passed away on January 21, 2021. Her funeral will be at a later date. The new camera is up and running in the balcony and the picture is very clear. Pastor will have a decision made by the end of the month regarding his Call in Nebraska.

**Old Business:** Church cleaning went very well. Thanks to all who helped.

**New Business:** A motion was made by Dave and seconded by Kenny to have the remaining balance on the new camera system be paid for from memorials for Dorothy Stehr, Jim Stock, and Marge Reinhart. Motion approved. A motion was made by Marlin and seconded by Lyle to pay for carpet to be put into the LYF room in the basement. Motion approved.

Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer. A motion was made by Marlin, seconded by Dave to adjourn the meeting. Next council meeting will be Mar 10, 2021.

Minutes taken and submitted by Jodi Pieken, Council Secretary

## LWML Minutes

**Mary & Martha**—Next meeting March 11.

**Daughters of Emmanuel**— February 24, 2021



## LCMS Stewardship Committee

Hudson Taylor, a Nineteenth Century British missionary to China, is reported to have said, “God’s work, done in God’s way, will not lack God’s supply.” To know God’s way, we need to know His Holy Word. Or to say it another way: you need to know your Bible.

St. Paul, before he spends two chapters on giving, wrote that every thought is to be taken captive to the obedience of Christ (2 Cor 10:5). Doctrine matters. And doctrine matters because the Scriptures matter. And the Scriptures matter because this is where we learn the teaching of Christ. Our thoughts must be brought into line with the teaching of Scripture so that our work is what God wants done and so that we do this work in His way.

A good tree bears good fruit. A bad tree bears bad fruit. We have been made good trees in holy baptism. We are fertilized and pruned for bearing good fruit by constantly hearing God’s Word preached and taught in sermon and Bible Class and in receiving the life-giving, faith-sustaining food of the Lord’s Supper. Remember your doctrine, hold on to the Lord’s teaching, and your thoughts will be taken captive to the obedience of Christ.

Bringing every thought captive to the obedience of Christ is recognizing that God does provide. The Lord’s Prayer teaches us to pray for daily bread. Praying this day in and day out reminds us that the Lord is the giver of our daily bread, and that we are to give thanks for His daily provision of it. God is rarely early and never late in His work, as Abraham learned on the mount of the Lord it will be provided. The Lord’s generosity forms our generosity in return.

Thus, we set aside for the work of God a generous, first-fruits, proportion of the daily bread that God has given to us. This act of trust in the Lord’s provision is the working out of our faith in Him. When budgetary discussions pop up our natural reaction is to point fingers. But remember your doctrine, and what your mother taught about pointing fingers. Our first natural reaction is not always right. In fact, when our thoughts are brought into captivity of Christ, our first reaction should be repentance. It should raise questions in our own lives. As good trees in Christ who are to bear good fruit, we should ask whether our thoughts have been taken captive by obedience to Christ. Have we given generously? Have we given our first-fruits? You know. And God knows. “For the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to show Himself strong on behalf of those whose heart is loyal to Him” (2 Chron 16:9).

God will provide. He always has and He always will. He gives His meat in due season. He has not left you as orphans but has grafted you into His own family. You belong to Him. Remember this, letting this thought dwell in you richly. And you will then be rich toward others.

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Thrivent Choice Dollars – The chance to designate your Choice Dollars for 2020 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. Simply 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.” Thank you to all who support Emmanuel through this great program. If you need assistance, please contact Pastor.




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# March 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 7:00 PM Ladies Bible Study	2 7:00 PM Evangelism Committee Meeting	3 3:45 PM Confir- mation 7:00 PM Lenten Service 7:45 PM L YF	4 3:45 PM Confirma- tion	5 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study	6
7 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship	8 7:00 PM Ladies Bible Study	9	10 3:45 PM Confir- mation 7:00 PM Lenten Service 7:45 PM Council	11 1:30 PM Mary & Martha 3:45 PM Confir- mation 7:00 PM Grief Work- shop	12 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study	13 Remember to change your clocks 1 hour ahead before you go to bed 
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28 <b>Palm Sunday</b> 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship	29 7:00 PM Ladies Bible Study	30	31			

## Birthdays

Name	Date
Duane Petersen	March 2
Beth Hatch	March 3
Lori Tegels	March 5
Mallory Williams	March 5
Laryn Sharp	March 6
Mollie Scott	March 7
JoDee Sharp	March 10
Christian Reaman	March 11
Waunita Tegels	March 12
Charlie Bohm	March 12
Vanessa Swenson	March 14
Kiersten Carroll	March 14
Gina Schlepp	March 17
Emmett Hemer	March 17
Myrna Kruse	March 18
Byron Goslar	March 20
Julie Reaman	March 22
Jean Mohrhauser	March 23
Barb Bundt	March 24
Jennifer Peterson	March 27
Jonathan Reaman	March 31

## Anniversaries

Reggy & Faye Rohrbeck	March 13 (45 years)
Craig & Jackie Wallace	March 14 (40 years)
Gary & Myrna Kruse	March 15 (45 years)
Jon & Brigit Frank	March 28 (12 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:

March 7: Dave Woltman (712) 660-3532  
March 14: Lyle Tegels (712) 830-7151  
March 21: Marlin Johnson (712) 210-0879  
March 28: Craig Wallace (606) 584-3321

### Acolytes:

March 7: Kennedy Reaman & Lily Peters  
March 14: Adam Frank & Xander Hemer  
March 21: Jordin Carroll & Paige Zimmerman  
March 28: Kyler Snider & Landon Graff

## Worship Online

Facebook.com/LakeViewEmmanuel— Sunday services will be shown live and a recording will be available.

www.lakeviewemmanuel.com—click on the box with a video camera. The video here is not live but directs to the recorded Facebook video (you do not need a Facebook account to watch the video).

Call (844) 605-2344 and listen to the service live or call later and listen to the recorded service.

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