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# EMMANUEL HERALD

Sunday School: 9:00 (Sept-May)

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



# From the Pastor's Study

In the last 100 years, the advances in technology have been incredible. We've gone from the Wright Brothers' first rudimentary airplane to the Space Shuttle. Music is no longer on records but satellite radio, and doctors now have penicillin and other antibiotics to fight disease. Another thing that technology has greatly changed over the last century is the telephone. We've gone from Alexander Graham Bell's first very basic telephone to cell phones smaller than a deck of cards.

Cell phones are really amazing if you think about it. It used to be that if someone wasn't home or if you didn't know where they were, there was no way to communicate with them. If there was an emergency or if you had some exciting news, you just had to wait for them to get home to get them the message. But now with cell phones, you simply pick up the phone and you can talk to people just about anywhere they might be. Cell phones have ensured that no one is ever really out of reach.

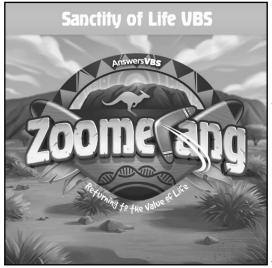
As I thought about advancing technology and specifically the cell phone, I couldn't help but think about God. I've also noticed that as technology has improved we've found less and less time for our Creator. More and more people have big screen televisions but fewer are in church. More and more people have computers and Internet access but fewer are taking the opportunity to access their Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. And more and more people have cell phones but fewer and fewer are actually talking to God.

This is a shame really, especially since we don't need a cell phone to talk to God. Like someone who has a cell phone, we can contact God anytime we want. We can share with Him our emergencies, our good news, we can chat or we can share our fears and feelings. We don't have to do anything special; we just need to "call God". King David wrote, "The Lord is near to all who call on Him, to all who call on Him in truth." (Ps 145:18) Telephones bring someone who is far away somewhat closer, but the Lord is always nearby waiting to speak to us, waiting for us to call upon Him in faith. What a blessing this is that our God is there waiting for us to call on Him. He's near to us because in His Son's death and resurrection the wall that separated mankind from God was destroyed and now we have access to our God whenever we want it.

So for now on, when your phone rings or when you need to call someone on their cell phone, I'd like you to think about your God. Think about the Savior who is always close by waiting for you to talk to Him and who promises that He will always hear the cry of your voice.

In Christ,

**Pastor** 



# You know what this logo means, don't you! That's right, VBS is coming on fast, kind of like a boomerang!

VBS is scheduled for June 5-9 from 9:00-11:30 and we expect 50-60 kids every day!

Sign up sheets are in the fellowship hall for snack supplies and volunteers.

Please consider helping out because without volunteers, VBS simply can't happen. Volunteers are

needed to help with snacks, singing, art, games, and as guides to lead the children around (and keep them out of trouble).

If you have any questions, please contact Pastor (712-830-5017) or Helga (712-661-9422).

Don't forget to invite your friends, family, and neighbors to this wonderful week!

# **Upcoming Events:**

**RABRAI** will be coming through Lake View on Monday July 24th. We will need volunteers to help bake pies and to sign up to work a shift selling pies and ice cream. Sign up in the Fellowship Hall or call/text Pastor at 712-830-5017

**The Staley's Chicken Dinner** is back on the schedule for August 20th following service. This is a wonderful opportunity to work together as a church family to serve a delicious meal that brings people into our church and gives us the opportunity to raise necessary funds. This is perfect time to practice saying "yes" when approached to help! Thank you in advance!

# **Church Secretary:**

After 20+ years as the church secretary, Londa has decided to finally retire (happy for her, sad for us). It won't be quite as sad for us though if we can get a replacement. The requirements are pretty simple and Londa will get you up and running in no time. If you're interested in working 25-30 hours a month putting together bulletins, newsletters, and other office tasks, see Pastor or Wes Drost.

# Emmanuel Council Minutes—May 10, 2023

**Those present**: Pastor, Craig, Jackie, Roger, Randy, Marlin

Craig called the meeting to order. Pastor opened with prayer. The secretary's report for April was emailed to all council members. No changes were made. Financial report for April was given. A motion was made by Marlin, seconded by Randy to approve the financial report. Motion approved.

**Elder Report:** Nothing to report

**Trustee Report:** Mowing sign-up list is in the Fellowship Hall. The gutters and bushes need to be cleaned up. A time will be set up to do that.

**Evangelism Report:** Nothing to report. Next meeting is June 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Pastors Report:** Pastor had 2 hospital visits and 8 shut in visits. Pastor will be on vacation May 22-28<sup>th</sup>. Pastor Carlisle will be covering during this time. 9:00 am service will begin May 28<sup>th</sup>. Vacation Bible School is June 5-9.

**Old Business:** No old business

**New Business:** No new business

Meeting closed with the Lords Prayer. A motion was made by Marlin, seconded by Randy to adjourn the meeting. Next council meeting will be June 14th.

Minutes taken by Roger Pieken and submitted by Jodi Pieken, Council Secretary

### **Stewardship Thought**

The time that God gives us is a very special gift that we cannot waste. We show our appreciation and thankfulness for the time that He gives us by using our time wisely. In order to live lives as faithful and fruitful stewards, we must leave time on our busy schedules for the Lord. "My time [is] in [God's] hands" (Psalm 31:15). We find the time for things we want to do. "There is a time for everything and a season for every activity under heaven" (Ecclesiastes 3:1). If we give God priority on our schedules, we will never regret it. The blessings of God are greater than any worldly rewards or successes.



# **Special Presentation**

When: June 25th at 1:30 pm

Where: Peace Lutheran in Wall Lake

Who: Everyone!

Why: Rev. Jonathan Conner (Manilla, IA) will give an informative presentation on screen time. Did you know that media producers refer to you as a *user* (the same thing drug dealers refer to their customers)? Are we addicted? What does this say about us? What impact does our screen usage have on our families and church?

Rev. Conner will lead us in an honest, data-driven conversation about screens and challenge people to do hard things in relationship with them.

### **LWML Minutes**

**Mary & Martha** — May 11, 2023—Mary & Martha met with 7 in attendance. Judy Kramer led the group with lesson and Sheryl Huisenga gave the devotions. Minutes and financial reports were given and thank you notes were read. Judy reported on the Spring Rally. It was attended by 58 ladies and 4 pastors.



Judy mentions we need to thank Mollie Scott for all her work with the church decorations. There was some discussion on the shape of the church lawn.

Pillow cleaning is May 31 at the Lake View Laundromat. Guest breakfast is June 15 at Judy Kramer's with program on crosses.

There is a meeting on June 17 at Camp Okoboji and ingathering for National Convention to be announced. Donna is looking for ladies to cut 9" quilt squares. Group received several sacs of fabric from donation from a Wall Lake quilter.

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer and Table Prayer.

Pam Wollesen, Secretary

Daughters of Emmanuel – May 24, 2023



**Orphan Grain Train Update** – For the first time ever, Orphan Grain Train in Ida Grove has run out of clothes to ship overseas. But while they're out of clothes, the need is still great! Please look for clothing and shoes you can donate (please only clean clothes in good condition) and deliver them

to Ida Grove or bring them to the back entryway and someone will deliver them (feel free to volunteer!). OGT does wonderful work, so please pray for their efforts to share the love of Christ.

# **June 2023**

	30 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study	29	28	27	26	9:00 AM Worship 1:30 PM Circuit Convocation
24	23	22 - <b>25</b>	June 19-	20 2: or on Vacation	19 20 Pastor	18 9:00 AM Worship
17	16 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study	15	14 7:00 PM Council Meeting	13	12	11 9:00 AM Worship
10	9 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study	8 9:30 AM Mary & Martha <b>D AM - 11:30 AM</b>	7 8 9:30 AN Martha	6 7:00 PM Evange- lism Committee Meeting  Bible School	5 Vacation	4 9:00 AM Worship
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Sat	Fri.	Thu	Wed	Tue	Mon	Sun

# **Birthdays**

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Name	Date
Lance Peters	June 1
Tammy Peters	June 1
Donna Smidt	June 2
Ryli Racobs	June 3
Tawna Gross	June 4
Courtney Schreck	June 5
Faye Rohrbeck	June 8
LaVerna Schoneboom	June 10
Angelina Huegerich	June 10
Tom Reaman	June 11
Jaxon Carroll	June 12
Sue Anthony	June 13
LuAnn Norris	June 15
K'Lee Naberhaus	June 15
Makaylon Graff	June 15
Mike Frank	June 16
Emilee Drost	June 17
Kristen Norris	June 19
Don Cole	June 22
Kristen Drost	June 25
Elizabeth Drost	June 25
Eldo Schoneboom	June 27

# **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).

# **Anniversaries**

Jim & Kathy Carroll	June 7 (49 years)
Ross & Tami Moeller	June 10 (34 years)
Wayne & Donna Smidt	June 11 ( 56 years)
Rev. Donald & Jennifer Peterson	June 17 (28 years)
Bob & Brenda Bengtson	June 21 (49 years)
Ben & Melissa Wallace	June 22 (10 years)
James & Phyllis Leitz	June 25 (51 years)
Chuck & Pam Wollesen	June 25 (56 years)
William & Christina Caton	June 27 ( 3 years)
Eldo & LaVerna Schoneboom	June 27 (74 years)
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# Serving in God's House

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June 4:	Lyle Tegels (712) 830-7151
June 11:	Marlin Johnson (712) 210-0879
June 18:	Craig Wallace (606) 584-3321
June 25:	Dave Woltman (712) 660-3532

### **Acolytes:**

June 4:	Carter & Kylie Rudd
June 11:	Emmett Hemer
June 18:	Braxton & Talon Graff
June 25:	Macy Monahan & Katie Ryan

#### Counters:

June 4:	Christina Caton, Amber Hadden, & Julie Reaman
June 11:	Larry & Barb Bundt and Lucas & Kalyn Johnson
June 18:	Judy Miller & Faye Rohrbeck

June 25: Christina Caton, Amber Hadden & Julie Reaman

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