

Garden of Reading'



Emanuel Lutheran Church Newsletter

August 2019

Happenings!

Sunday, August 4—Sliding through the Summer Event, Mental Health Awareness and Support meets

Thursday, August 8—North Broadway Neighborhood Association

Friday, August 16—Help at Our Savior's Food & Pet Food Pantry

Saturday, August 17—Emanuel's Annual Garage Sale

Sunday, August 18—Mental Health Awareness and Support meets

Sunday, August 25—Back to School Events

Mission Statement:
Forgiven
by Grace,
Serving by
Faith

Vision Statement:
To Grow in
Faith, Love,
and Spirit



We had 15 young people who went on a Mission Trip to Eldora, Iowa to help as junior councilors at an Angel Tree Camp. Campers who attend this camp have one or more parents who are incarcerated. This is a way for them to experience summer camp, connect with others in the same situation and focus on healing and faith. Stephen Lewis was the adult chaperone for our kids. Special thanks to the Hansen Family and Steensland-Rickard Family for helping with transportation to and from camp.

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Due to confidentiality, we can't show the campers who attended the camp, but we did want to show the number of kids who are able to be helped by the experience of Angel Tree Camp. This camp was held three different weeks to maximize the number of kids who could attend. Camp staff were grateful for the help and leadership our young people provided.

Youth Mission Trip

BY DEANN OVER

Special thanks to Steve Lewis who coordinated the Angel Tree mission trip. Steve, along with 15 of Emanuel's youth, Mason Garreans, Garrett & Reagan Haats, Kylie & Lauren Hansen, Kade & Hailey Holcombe, Amari Johnson, Angelina Maxwell, Shae Nickels, Alexxia, Emma & Mia Richards, Nikki Rickard and Tyler Steensland served as counselors/mentors for the elementary age campers.

On Sunday, July 21st, several youth shared in their own words, their experiences during the week. Most observed how the campers on the first day were shy - hesitant to participate in worship and the camp activities, but as the week went on, campers felt comfortable opening up and sharing with our youth and their cabin mates why they were there and their home life. On the last evening and when packing to leave on Friday, some campers became sad and even cried as they did not want the week to end and return to their home.

I could tell from each of our youth who spoke, the impact the trip made on them and their faith. I also

have no doubt the campers felt God's love through them in a safe, caring environment during the week.

We can be very proud of our youth!

Thank you Emanuel for supporting our fund raisers which helps assist in the cost to send our children and youth to mission trips, Bible camps and national ELCA gatherings.

An additional note. One of our youth said he was surprised that a camper in his cabin came with almost nothing - why didn't their mom pack what they were supposed to bring?

For several years Emanuel's Wider Ministries committee has provided bags filled with personal care items, soap, combs, toothpaste/brushes, beach towels, etc. for these campers.

In addition, several members have driven the campers to and picked them up from the Angel Tree camps.



There was an added element of entertainment at supper time when campers (and staff) got their mail. In order to get your mail, the counselors had a task for you to complete. Steve gave our parents a heads up about this so that all our mission trip attendees received mail on the last night and had to act like animals in order to get their mail.



Bethany Lutheran Health Services

Golf

**OUTING
FRIDAY SEPT.
6TH**

The Details:

**Dodge Riverside
2 Harrah's Blvd.**

**8:30am Registration
9:00am Shotgun Start
Scramble Format**

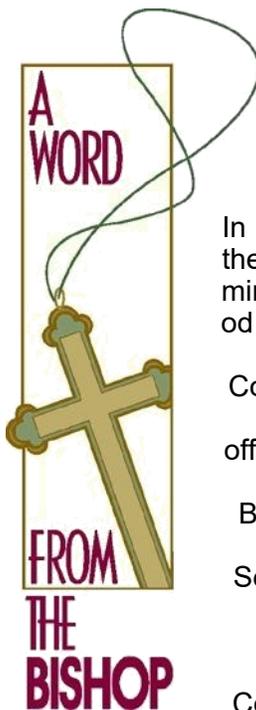
**\$75/ Person
\$300/ Team**

**Includes 18 holes of golf, cart,
hole prizes, food and more!
Proceeds to benefit Bethany
Completely redeveloped for
MAXIMUM FUN!**

**Contact Christine at
712-328-9500 to register!**

THANK YOU: A special thanks to Cindy Richards and Jan Stone who filled in last week in the office so Michaela could be with Steve while he was in the hospital. Thank you to everyone for your thoughts, prayers and messages checking on him as well.

EMERGENCY LINE: We do have a phone number for emergency situations. It is **(712) 796-7887**. A council member will be responsible for answering and directing any calls to the appropriate person or group.



Western Iowa Synod

BY BISHOP LORNA HALAAS

In these beginning days as Bishop – and in these new days for the congregations, rostered ministers, and people of the Western Iowa Synod – this is my prayer:

Come, Spirit, into the inner room of our lives today,
offering us your transforming gifts. Open what is closed within us.
Breathe renewed confidence into our fatigued spirits.
Send us forth with a passionate intention to be conveyors of your unconditional love.

Come, Spirit, open our hands and hearts to go beyond a fear of scarcity, to share generously from what we have to assist people in need.

Come, Spirit, soothe our soreness of mind and heart with touches of kindness that heal and restore.

Come, Spirit, assure us that the turbulent animosity and violence of this era can be lessened when we express your love in our attitudes and actions.

Thank you for your call and confidence. Thank you for your continued prayers. I, along with the Synod staff (see attached), look forward to the new days ahead.

Bishop Halaas was installed as the new Bishop of the Western Iowa Synod, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Omaha's 15th Annual

OUT OF THE DARKNESS WALK

to Prevent Suicide

Sunday, September 8th, 2019

Lewis & Clark Landing, 515 Riverfront Drive, Omaha, NE 68102

Registration begins @ 11:00am

Opening Ceremony begins @ 1:30pm with Walk to Follow

For more information and to register, go to AFSP.org/Omaha



**American
Foundation
for Suicide
Prevention**

IN CRISIS?

**Call 1-800-273-8255 or
Text HELP to 741741**

Emanuel does have a team again this year for those who would like to walk. You are welcome to donate to the team's fundraising goal as well. The event organizers are always looking for volunteers that day as well. For more information, talk with Stephen or Michaela Lewis.



David Appel
Paul Heath
Jim Fowler

Glen Fahrenkrug
Deloris Christensen
Phyllis Fowler

Daralene Smith
Esther Bender

Robert Hesselstine
Kaye Bird



Aug. 01 William Schademann
Aug. 02 Ryan McSorley
Aug. 03 Debra Ebsen
Aug. 04 Kimberly Egner
Baylee Snyder
Aug. 07 Andrea Britton
Aug. 08 Peggy Jarrell
Aug. 09 Alexis Gress
Aug. 10 Larry Britton

Aug. 13 Dustin Loos
Aug. 15 Kamryn Maxwell
Jessica Winter
Aug. 16 Mike Garrett
Aug. 17 Katelyn Longnecker
Aug. 18 Ben Clark
Samantha Showalter
Aug. 19 Makenzie Shetterly
Aug. 20 Ryan Loos
Erin Miller

Aug. 22 Jordan Hansen
Aug. 23 Mahala Jankowski
Aug. 25 Jeann Foster
Aug. 27 Pamela Sherman
Tyler Steensland
Aug. 28 Wendi Hancock
Karen Smith
Aug. 29 Alaire Carrier
Aug. 30 Mark Ellis



Aug. 06 Rick & Jan Stone
Aug. 07 Jeff & Sandy Smith
Aug. 10 Barry & Tina Larson
Danielle & Jesse Schaal
Aug. 12 Cynthia & John Borwick
Aug. 15 John & Barb Burns
Aug. 21 Alex & Deanne Skovgaard

*If we've missed a birthday or anniversary, we apologize. Please let the church office know!
Contact Michaela at (712) 323-9665 or emanuellutheranbia@msn.com*



Have you visited our website?

You can view events, the newsletter, past newsletters,
announcements, sermon videos, make a gift online and more!

You can even sign up to help with worship!

www.emanuelcb.org

Worship Assistant Schedule

(if unable to serve as scheduled, please arrange a substitute and notify the church office of the change)



Sunday, August 4	9:30 a.m. Service
Assisting Minister	Robert Vergamini
Ushers	Alan Ellis & Mark Ellis
Acolytes	Cole Holcombe & Kade Holcombe
Lector	Alan Ellis
Children's Message	Elaine Sasso
Communion Assistants	Elaine Sasso, Alan Ellis, Kevin Epperson
Communion Set-Up	Char Les Kemmish
Visual Tech	Peggy Jarrell
Sunday, August 11	9:30 a.m. Service
Assisting Minister	Alex Skovgaard
Ushers	Alan Ellis & Mark Ellis
Acolytes	Reegan Haats & Angelina Maxwell
Lector	Elaine Sasso
Communion Assistants	Alan Ellis, Angel McGee, Kevin Epperson
Communion Set-Up	CharLes Kemmish
Visual Tech	Darlene Jeppesen
Sunday, August 18	9:30 a.m. Service
Assisting Minister	Carly Sorensen
Ushers	Alan Ellis & Mark Ellis
Acolytes	Grace Hansen & Hanna Ferguson
Lector	Rosie Spangenberg
Children's Message	
Communion Assistants	Megan Sorensen
Communion Set-Up	Jeanine Schademann
Visual Tech	Cheryl Rowe
Sunday, August 25	9:30 a.m. Service
Assisting Minister	Rosie Spangenberg
Ushers	Alan Ellis & Mark Ellis
Acolytes	Mason Garreans & Kyle Sorensen
Lector	Amy Garreans
Children's Message	Linda Steensland
Communion Assistants	Rosie Spangenberg
Communion Set-Up	Linda Steensland
Visual Tech	Elaine Sasso

August 4

August 11
Church Council

August 18

August 25

The coffee hour sign-up chart is in the kitchen. Duties include picking up donuts, starting coffee, pouring juice and clean-up.



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The flower sign-up is on the bulletin board above the usher stand.

If you are interested in helping with worship, please contact the church office, (712) 323-9665, emanuellutheranclbia@msn.com or sign-up on our website at: www.emanuelcb.org

August 2019 – Emanuel Lutheran Church

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28 9:30 am Worship & Holy Communion 10:30 am Fellowship & Coffee Hour	29 11 am Tai Chi	30 5:30 pm Girl Scouts in Community Room 7 pm Boy Scouts in Youth Center	31 9:30 am Mission Action (Quilters)	1 11 am Tai Chi 1 pm Game Day	2 Office Closed	3 8 am Work on Prayer Path & Labyrinth (Heavy Equipment Day)
4 9:30am Worship & Holy Communion 10:30am Fellowship & Coffee Hour 11 am Mental Health Awareness & Support 11 am Sliding through the Summer 	5 9:30 am The Gathering (Women's Study) in conference room 11 am Tai Chi 6:30 pm FAITH Team Meeting	6 5:30 pm Girl Scouts in Community Room 7 pm Boy Scouts in Youth Center	7 9:30 am Mission Action (Quilters)	8 11 am Tai Chi 6:30 pm NBNA Meeting	9 Office Closed	10 10 am Girl Scouts
11 Joyful Noise 9:30am Worship & Holy Communion 10:30 am Fellowship & Coffee Hour 11:30 am Wider Ministries	12 11 am Tai Chi	13 8:30 am R.O.M.E.O.S. @ Village Inn East 5:30 pm Girl Scouts in Community Room 6:30 pm Children & Youth Committee Meeting 7 pm Boy Scouts in Youth Center	14 9:30 am Mission Action (Quilters) 11:30 am Adult Fellowship at Pizza Ranch	15 11 am Tai Chi	16 Office Closed 4:30 pm Volunteers for Food Pantry meet at Our Savior's 	17 8 am Emanuel Garage Sale 
18 9:30am Worship & Holy Communion 10:30am Fellowship & Coffee Hour 10:45 am Worship & Music 11 am Mental Health Awareness & Support	19 11 am Tai Chi 7 pm Church Council Meeting	20 5:30 pm Girl Scouts in Community Room 7 pm Boy Scouts in Youth Center	21 9:30 am Mission Action (Quilters)	22 11 am Tai Chi	23 Office Closed	24 8 am Work on Prayer Path & Labyrinth 12 pm Girl Scouts
25 9:30 am Worship & Holy Communion 10:30 am Fellowship & Coffee Hour 12 pm Elementary Back to School Cookout 4 pm Jr High/High School Cookout 	26 11 am Tai Chi	27 5:30 pm Girl Scouts in Community Room 7 pm Boy Scouts in Youth Center	28 9:30 am Mission Action (Quilters)	29 11 am Tai Chi	30 Office Closed	31 Office Closed

Volunteers Needed!



Saturday, August 3rd, will be a Heavy equipment play day to work on the labyrinth. Bring your weed eaters, trimmers, heavy rakes, etc if you're able to assist 8 a.m.! Please see Alan Ellis with questions. Saturday, Aug. 24th will be work on the labyrinth day at 8 a.m. All are welcome!

Prayer Labyrinth

SAVE THE DATE & NOTE THE NEW LOCATION

Bethany Auxiliary Salad Luncheon
Wednesday, September 18
11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Tickets - \$7.00

NEW LOCATION
OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
600 Bluffs Street

This is the biggest fundraiser of the year for the Auxiliary and these funds are used to benefit resident projects and activities. If you would like to provide a salad, volunteer and/or purchase tickets, please contact Jan Stone or Darlene Reed.



LETTUCE - DO - LUNCH

ANNUAL BETHANY AUXILIARY SALAD LUNCHEON

Wednesday, September 18, 2019

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

600 Bluff Street

11am-2pm

Tickets on Sale Soon!

**Proceeds go to Bethany Lutheran
Health Services Projects**

Save the Date



There are a lot of exciting events coming up in the next few months. Don't forget to mark these on your calendar!

EMANUEL GARAGE SALE

Saturday, August 17th

8 am—2 pm

You can volunteer to help set-up, work the day of the sale and/or donate items. Youth will also have concessions and a bake sale.

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BACK TO SCHOOL KICK-OFF

Sunday, August 25th

Elementary Students: Noon—2 pm
Junior High/High School: 4 pm—8 pm

Cookout, Games & Fun

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CONFIRMATION CLASS

Sunday, September 8th

11 am—2 pm

Monthly class held on the second Sunday of the month. Parents & Caregivers will need to sign-up to help with snacks, lunch & help during class.

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KIDZ KAMP

Sunday, September 15th

10:45 am—11:30 am

Weekly program for students up to 5th grade. Parents, adults and older students are encouraged to help with activities.

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KIDZ KAMP CARNIVAL

Sunday, August 15th

4 pm—6 pm

Free fun, food & games.

Volunteers needed to help with games, prizes & food.

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FAMILY CAMPOUT

Friday, September 20—Saturday, September 21

All ages welcome. Children must have an adult attend with them. We will tent camp just off the patio, cookout, play games and worship. Sleeping under the stars in sleeping bags is okay too. All If you have a tent you would let others use for this event, please let Michaela know in the office.

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Emanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church

Council Minutes for 07/15/2019

RECORDED BY ELAINE SASSO

Present: Rosie Spangenberg, Elaine Sasso, Alan Ellis, Connie Solon, Amy Garreans, John Spilde, Joel Hauschild, Megan Sorensen, Nick Rickard, Pastor Stephany Sanborn

Special Guests: Judy Heithoff and Rick Stone

Absent: Judi Malloy, Stephen Lewis, Peggy Jarrell

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Rosie Spangenberg

Devotions: John Spilde

No getting acquainted exercise this month due to the many items on the agenda

Call Committee Update: Judy Heithoff. One interview with a gentleman from the Cedar Rapids area. He is married with two children and just graduated from the seminary. She also stated receiving a second file for a woman from the Storm Lake area, who has been a chaplain at a nursing care facility. Judy will give a Temple Talk during the July 28th church service to update the congregation.

Childcare Startup Report: Rick Stone explained the 'start up' fees collected from members of Emanuel would not be used to cover architect or construction fees. Since the congregational meeting to postpone going forward with the childcare project, the finance committee has a letter that will be sent to all of the contributors to the 'start up fund' to determine how they may wish these collected funds are to be used. There is also the issue of grant money received from the ELCA for \$12,000 and a local agency for \$2,100 and what needs to be done. The Council suggested a few changes in the wording of the letter to be sent Emanuel's contributors. Motion to accept the letter to contributors by Megan Sorensen, 2nd by Connie Solon. Motion passed.

Council Agenda:

- Motion to accept the June Secretary Minutes by John Spilde, 2nd by Amy Garreans. Motion passed.
- Financial Reports:
- Consolidated Fund: Connie noted funds for two different accounts were used for the Pastor's farewell gifts. Funds were used to purchase gift cards from two different places. Motion to ac-

cept by Alan Ellis; 2nd by Nick Rickard. Motion passed

- Treasurer's Report: motion to accept by Joel Hauschild; 2nd by Amy Garreans. Motion passed.
- Capitol Funds Report: motion to accept by Joel Hauschild; 2nd by Nick Rickard. Motion passed
- Memorial Fund – no report received this month.
- Pastor's Report: this was the first meeting for Pastor Stephany and she expressed her appreciation for an open invitation for sharing time with the Council. She also commented on how quickly the Church responded to rearranging the front of the alter area for her wheel-chair access. And "Emanuel is a wonderful congregation."
- Stewardship and Finance: see previous information how they are working to reconcile outstanding loan with Availa Bank.
- Youth and Children's Report: Steve is gone this week with 15 young members working at the Angel Tree Camps. John Spilde is working with the Boy Scouts to help us once again with the 'annual yard sale' scheduled for August. Calendar of upcoming events Vacation Bible School, Back to School activities for elementary, middle school and high school.
- Fellowship and Support: no report this month
- Property: Joel reported on various items being taken care of around the Church. Oscar is working with Boy Scout working on his Eagle Scout requirement. Special request to budget \$200.00 per year to Ruth Sullivan, who maintains the entryway by the drive into the Church parking lot each year. Ruth has done this service to Emanuel for years on her own. Motion made by John Spilde, 2nd by Alan Ellis; motion passed.
- Wider Ministry: no meeting. Joyful Noise for July was for Angel Tree.
- Worship & Music: no meeting. Working on the annual garage sale in August. Dedication of grand piano in July.
- Mutual Ministry – no report
- Fresh Start Ministry: John reported he is still try-

ing to get in touch with Dwight Rogers.

- Faith Team: Alan Ellie reported he will work on the ramp for Pastor Stephany's wheelchair. Also, commented about moving items in the front to allow more room for movement. Working on the 'cross' labyrinth in the Prayer Path.
- Childcare: Amy Garreans explained about the two grants receiving in 2016 for the purpose of the childcare project. She is checking to see what needs to be done on the status of possibly returning the funds to the originator, or not.

Old Business:

- Updates on the current bathrooms are on hold. Using the current architect plans are being studied, with using Church members for the majority of the work.
- Pastor weekly offering communion at Midland Living Center has been discontinued for now.

New Business:

- Rick will plan to return and discuss more on Emanuel's financial situation in August or September.
- Stephen Lewis – no report about the 'donut' situation. All agreed the donuts and cake from Maddox Bakery was a welcome change from the previous vendor.
- Rosie has received a training opportunity from the Augustana Lutheran Church in Omaha, August 23rd and 24th. \$100.00 per person (only 2 may attend). See Rosie for more information.
- Request for using the church: Chris Reed requested using the church for a Girl Scout 'Scrapbook' event. 2-day event; Sept. 13 & 14,

from 8:00 – 12:00. Motion to approve by Megan Sorensen, 2nd by Connie Solon; motion passed.

- Parental Leave Policy: discussion about a policy concerning leave for both maternity / paternity for staff that could include for births/adoption. At this time, there is not a policy should this situation arise for Emanuel's staff. Megan Sorensen offered to look into what might be necessary for this benefit to be available. Amy Garreans mentioned that Aflac offers coverage for short term disabilities and she would also look into what it might entail.
- Several Council members mentioned Michaela has created a "how to" book, with examples how to complete the various tasks she completes each week for, such as the visual tech displayed for each Sunday service, a template for the monthly newsletter, etc.
- Emergency Contact: a suggestion to purchase a 'burner' phone to use as the emergency contact phone number. The phone could be given to someone responsible for accepting the calls, and it would not require knowing everyone's home/cell phone number. Another suggestion is to check and see if our current phone service has a 'forwarding call' function and after regular office hours, calls could be forwarded. Megan Sorensen will visit with Michaela to see how the current phones are set up.
- Council will serve the next coffee after service Sunday, August 11th.
- Next month's devotions will be August 19th by Nick Rickard.
- Motion to adjourn the July Council meeting by Connie Solon, 2nd by Nick Rickard. Motion passed.

Save your Pop Tabs

For the past several years Richard Reed has been sending in pop tabs on behalf of Emanuel Lutheran Church to the Ronald McDonald house. To date, they have received 407,000 pop tabs from us.

If you are able to save them before taking your cans to be recycled, you can get them to Richard to add to our total!



Lawn Mowing Team

- August 4** Christ Sorensen
- August 11** Alan Ellis
- August 18** Mark Ellis
- August 25** Terry Eyberg



Thanks for volunteering to mow the church lawn. With ten mowers, we have a nice rotation where we are not mowing all the time. We ask that you mow the lawn sometime during your scheduled week, preferably by Thursday. If you have a conflict, just trade dates with someone on the list. Mowing consists of the church lawn and the parsonage lawn. **If you use all the gas in the container, please fill up the container and turn the bill into the church. Keys for the mower and the garage are in the secretary's office which is open from 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m. on Mondays and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, closed Friday. Any questions, problems, or suggestions, call Larry at 323-7379.**

Back to School Month

School is right around the corner! This time of year is exciting and stressful for many of us, but imagine what it would be like to be a child or teen with an emotional or behavioral disorder. You might be afraid of not being able to concentrate or fit in at your school. You might worry about adjusting to a new classroom routine or making new friends. You might feel alone, like no one can relate to you.



Lutheran Services in Iowa (LSI) provides mental health services to children and families across the state. It's our job to relate to children who might feel alone or misunderstood. Our therapists work one-on-one with children while our Behavioral Health Intervention Services team collaborates with families in their own homes to help them develop skills like anger management and healthy decision-making. LSI also provides 24-hour mental health care at the Bremwood and Beloit Residential Treatment Centers in Waverly and Ames to empower Iowa's most vulnerable children and teens.

We thank you for your support of LSI's mission as we respond together to the love of Jesus Christ through compassionate service! We know there are more Iowa children in need of this critical care. If you would like to learn more about how you can give a gift to support these crucial services, please contact Deb Whitford, LSI director of philanthropy and church relations, at 563-676-2065 or Deborah.Whitford@LSIowa.org.

Our Mission: Lutheran Services in Iowa responds to the love of Jesus Christ through compassionate service. LSI is an affiliated social ministry partner of the Iowa congregations of the ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church in America) and a member of LSA (Lutheran Services in America). We proudly serve people of all ages, abilities, religions, sexes, gender identities, national origins, ethnicities, races, and sexual orientations. Learn more at LSIowa.org and [Facebook.com/LSI.iowa](https://www.facebook.com/LSI.iowa).

Back to His Usual Self

Sixteen-year-old Loki was struggling in school. He'd once been ambitious and conscientious about schoolwork, but now, his grades were slipping. He was becoming detached and disconnected from his family and his friends. He bottled up his emotions and refused to open up. His dad, Troy, felt like his son was slipping away.

Troy thought he'd exhausted all his options until he learned about LSI's Mental Health Services.

Loki began meeting with his LSI therapist, Renae, regularly. For the first time, Loki had a neutral, unbiased person to share his feelings and frustrations with. But Renae did more than just listen. She helped Loki practice coping skills and learn ways to feel more comfortable opening up and trusting other people with his feelings.

Slowly but surely, Troy started noticing Loki being more talkative after his sessions with Renae. Loki told more stories about his friends at school, and Troy saw his son spending more time with his classmates at the end of the day instead of being eager to get home. With Renae in his corner and practical skills to fall back on, Loki feels more confident. He is thriving at school again. His grades are back up. He is more outgoing, and he has a stronger relationship at home with Troy.

"I'm a lot happier and Loki is a lot happier. Everything is going in a positive direction," Troy says. "Renae and LSI have been excellent working with my son, and his therapy has gone better than I imagined."

Ramblings from the Back Corner

BY CINDY RICHARDS

In late June I attended the Association of Lutheran Church Musicians biennial conference at Concordia University in Portland, Oregon. It began with a hymn festival on Sunday at Trinity Episcopal Cathedral. Hymn festivals are always a moving experience and an inspirational way to start a conference for musicians.

On Monday I spent most of the day learning more about Finale, a music notation software that I use to write for the band and choir. One good hint can save hours writing! And I was blessed to receive many hints! The opening Eucharist was held at St. Michael's church on campus followed by the necessary business meeting and awards.

Tuesday opened with Morning Prayer followed by the first plenary session lead by Susan Briehl, a Lutheran pastor from Spokane who wrote the lyrics to "God Alone be Praised", which our choir sang last year for Reformation. Following a day of workshops, the evening ended with

Evensong, once again at Trinity Episcopal Cathedral.

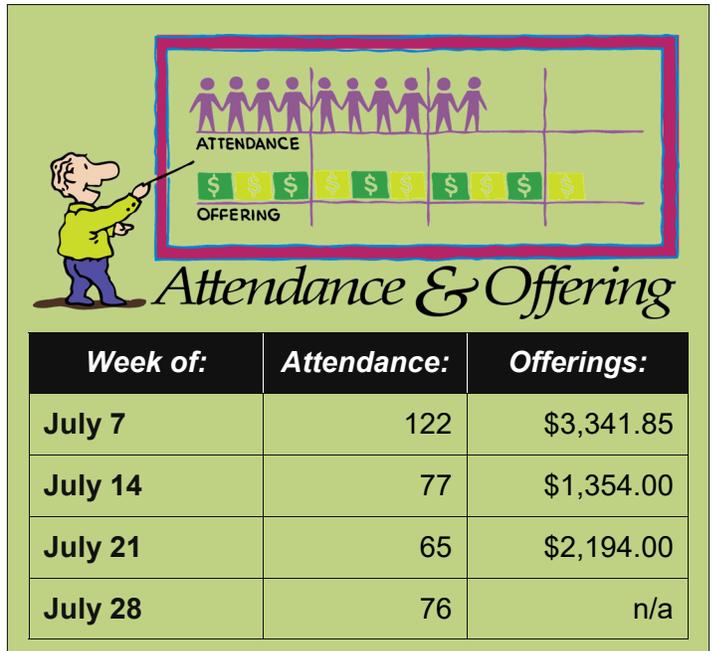
Wednesday morning after Morning Prayer, Robert Farlee, a pastor and musician from Minneapolis, gave the plenary session. More workshops followed. In the afternoon we enjoyed a moveable hymn sing in three Portland churches, Zion Lutheran, St. Mary's Roman Catholic, and Temple Beth Israel. That evening we enjoyed an incredible concert by The Ensemble of Oregon a cappella group at the Grotto despite an immense volume of rain!

Thursday ended our time together with a plenary session by Samuel Torvend, professor of religion at Pacific Lutheran University.

These times spent with other church musicians are always invigorating, inspiring, and uplifting. I came home renewed and inspired, ready for a new year.



Trinity Episcopal Cathedral



Finance Team Update Income & Expenses Monthly and YTD

June Income:\$13,843.50
 June Expense:.....\$15,448.65
 June Balance.....-\$1,605.15

YTD Income:\$93,335.55
 YTD Expense:.....\$86,595.68
 YTD Balance.....\$6,739.87
 Plus Carryover.....\$9,272.00
 General Budget Fund.....\$16,011.87



Emanuel Lutheran Church

2444 North Broadway
Council Bluffs, IA 51503-0499

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Game Day

Thursday, August 1st
1 p.m.

Emanuel Community Room

R.O.M.E.O.'S

(Retired Old Men Eating Out)

Tuesday, August 13th
8:30 am

Village Inn East

Adult Fellowship

Wednesday, July 10th
11:30 am

Pizza Ranch

Mission Action Committee

(Quilters)

Wednesdays
9:30 am

Community Room

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Worship Services:

Sunday at 9:30 am, followed by fellowship and coffee hour in the community room

Staff:

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Financial Secretary, Darlene Reed