

Garden of Readin'



Emanuel Lutheran Church Newsletter

June 2016

Happenings!

Sunday, June 5—Ice Cream Social at Bethany Lutheran Home.

Monday, June 6—Lutheran Night at Werner Park.

Thursday, June 9—Musicians and singer cookout at Oscar and Deann Over's

Friday, June 10-Sunday, June 12—Western Iowa Synod Assembly

Sunday, June 12—Cookout at 5 pm to kick-off vacation Bible school, VBS begins at 6 pm.

Monday June 13—Thursday, June 16—Dinner at 5:30 pm for VBS participants and volunteers, VBS at 6 pm.

Saturday, June 18—Spring Work Day at 8 am.

Sunday, June 19—Worship at Bayliss Park at 9:30 with Our Savior's Lutheran.

Sunday, June 26—Confirmation Cookout at Greg and Linda Steensland's at noon.

Mission
Statement:
Forgiven
by Grace,
Serving by
Faith

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



Jessica Hipnar, Baylee Snyder and Alyson Sorensen on senior recognition day.

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Periodic Pastoral Ponderings

(From a guy who likes alliteration a lot)

BY PASTOR LOWELL HENNIGS

Dear friends in Christ,

Some of the greatest words in Christian history are found in Galatians two, verses nineteen and twenty: *"For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me."* In those words we can find how the Resurrection Life works for us in the here and now. Martin Luther called Galatians "my epistle," and described himself as "wedded to it." If there is one biblical book that stands at the heart of the Lutheran Reformation, it is Paul's letter to the Galatians.

The second readings in the Revised Common Lectionary in June and early July come from Paul's Letter to the Galatians. So I plan to preach my way through those readings.

- The message for June 5 is called "Not Supposed to Work that Way" and is based on Galatians 1:11-24
- The message for June 12 is called "Do You Know Who You Are" and is based on Galatians 2:15-21.
- The message for June 19 is called "Stay on His Shoulders" and is based on Galatians 3:23-29.
- The message for June 26 is called "Freed for Loving" and is based on Galatians 5:1, 13-25.
- The message for July 3 is called "On the Teeter-Totter" and is based on Galatians 6:1-16.

There is no renewal in the church without scripture study and prayer. So I urge you to be an active partner in the renewal and redevelopment of Emanuel Lutheran Church. Please consider reading through Paul's Letter to the Galatians during the month of June. The New Revised Standard Version of the Bible is the most accurate English translation of the text. The most readable translation (that is free online) is from *The Message*, Eugene Peterson's translation. You can find that at <https://www.biblegateway.com/>.

I would also encourage you to read a very helpful and accessible commentary on Galatians. The commentary is called *Paul for Everyone: Galatians and Thessalonians*, by Professor N.T. Wright. I will refer to Wright a number of times in my messages, but there very much more to read in the commentary. You can get a copy on Amazon.com or through other book sellers. On Amazon, you can also find an e-book for the Kindle reader.

People sometimes say to me, "Pastor, I can't come to a bible study. I don't know enough about the Bible." Well, friends, here's a way to know more. See you at worship!

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Lowell



The Family of **CharLes and Ken Kemmish** would like to invite you to celebrate their 50th Anniversary on June 5th from 1 pm to 3 pm in the fellowship hall at Emanuel. No gifts please. Cake and punch will be served.

ANGEL TREE CAMP DRIVERS: We are looking for volunteers to drive from Council Bluffs to Des Moines and back on Fridays for three different weeks. If you are interested in this opportunity, contact Linda Steensland.

NOTES AND PRAYERS: If you wish to support one of our members, Dwight Rogers, during his incarceration at the Pottawattamie County Jail, you can send a letter to this address: Dwight Eugene Rogers #6283140, Pottawattamie County Jail, 1400 Big Lake Road, Council Bluffs, Iowa 51501. Please do not send stamps or envelopes because he cannot receive any such items from the "outside." You can send him your best wishes and prayers. If you have questions, please contact Pastor Hennigs.

WITH SYMPATHY: We extend our sympathy to the family of Jim Jeppesen, who passed away Wednesday, May 11, 2016. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers. Cards and condolences may be sent to Gene & Darlene Jeppesen, 465 Elliot Street, Council Bluffs, IA 51503.



Spring Work Day

THE PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Spring work day will be June 18th starting at about 8:00 A.M. or when you can make it, and finished about noon or when projects are complete or you have to leave.

Possible projects:

- Yard work
- Replace retaining wall
- Remove old shed
- Apply liquid sealer to North exterior wall of sanctuary
- Install trellises
- Replace parsonage storm door

Bring the tools you would like to use.

What we get done depends on the number of volunteers. We look forward to see you!



Worship
in the
Park

**Sunday, June 19
9:30 a.m.**

Bayliss Park

(100 Pearl Street, Council Bluffs)

Bring a lawn chair or a blanket to sit on.
Feel free to bring a picnic lunch to
enjoy in the park after worship.

*In case of rain, worship will be held at
Our Savior's Lutheran Church
(600 Bluff Street)*

Wider Ministries

JUDI MALLOY

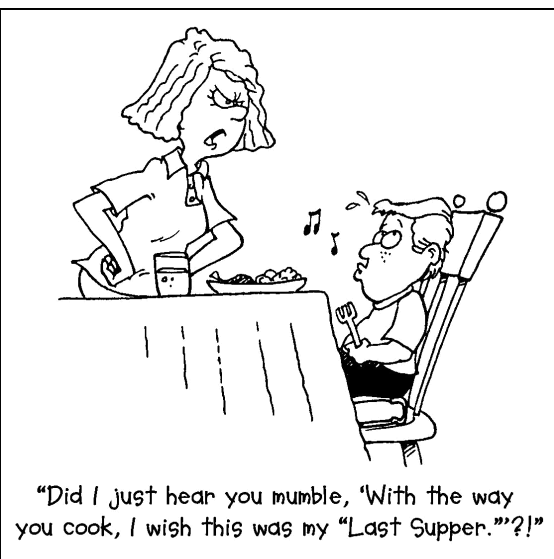
Phoenix House Needs

We have received a list of current needs from Phoenix House shelter. They especially need laundry soap and dish soap, but the full list is below.

- Toilet paper Kleenex
- Dish soap Plastic bags: quart, gallon and garbage size
- Laundry soap
- Automatic dishwashing detergent



Items may be left in the church office or the church entry way. Remember that the women and children at Phoenix House usually come with very few belongings. If you have other things to donate but aren't sure they are needed, please call Martha Wight at Phoenix House and ask if those things can be used. Her number is 712 256-2059, ext. 109. And, as always, please keep the residents and staff of Phoenix House in your prayers.



Cooking Classes

Free cooking classes are being offered at St. Paul's Episcopal Church this summer. They are sponsored by the Visiting Nurse Association, Tomato Tomato (local CSA), and No More Empty Pots. The class is called Cooking Matters for Adults and will be every Tuesday evening from 6-8 pm from June 7- July 12. They will teach skills like adding more fruits and vegetables to your meals, identifying whole grains, knife skills and food safety, reading food labels, and how to prepare a meal for a family of 4 for under \$10. Classes will be taught by a professional chef. To register, call Shelby Anderson-Holt at 402 502-1642 or register on line at sandersenholt@nmepomaha.org. We will have flyers in the church office and at the usher's stand with all the information you need to register as well. It will be a fun learning experience and I hope see many of you there.

Thank you for all the ways you share God's love with others.



Ray Kanger
Betty Ebsen
Brenda Winter

Daphne Miller
Viola Anderson

Glen Fahrenkrug
Deb Hipnar

Lucille Weatherill
Monte Manser

Helen Stinson
Dwight Rogers



June 02 Ray Kanger

June 03 Karlie Petersen
Jeselyn Maxwell

June 04 Bette Juhl
Natalie Burton

June 05 Trish Conley
Sarah Britson

June 07 H. Kathryn Bird
Connie Solon
Sherri Stinson
Breanne Preston

June 10 Heather Linsenmeyer
Nolan Winter

June 12 Arnee Shannon
Michelle Jacobsen

June 13 Linda Vergamini

June 14 Katie Comley

June 16 Judy Heithoff
Bill Over

June 17 Jason Siebels
Ben Heithoff

June 18 Ken Kemmish
Ryan Nordstrom

June 20 Dave Appel

June 21 Porter McSorley

June 24 Ian Spangenberg

June 25 Roger Hansen

June 26 June Gehrig
Taylor Burton

June 28 Donna Steensen
Brad Holding
Megan Hansen

June 29 Jeff Wilson

June 30 Connie Edson
Ayden Sullivan
Mason Lewis



June 01 Ken & Char Les Kemmish
Mike & Carla Hipnar

June 04 Steve & Jennifer Plummer

June 06 Charlie & Anina Madsen

June 11 Ryan & Tara McSorley

June 17 Ken & Donna Nelson
Jim & Phyllis Fowler
Jim & Ruth Nelson

June 19 Kevin & Rita Epperson

June 20 Bob & Esther Bender

June 24 Eric & Carrie Hansen

June 25 John & Jan Husmann

June 28 Dennis & Jane Eitmann
Suzanne & Mike Winter
Jesse & Jolene Hansen
Gary & Sherri Stinson

June 29 Chris & Megan Sorensen

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



Our crew that delivered May Day baskets and smiles to our neighbors at Midlands on May 1. From left: Stephen Lewis, Carly Sorensen, Grace Hansen, Emilia Weelborg, Michael Weelborg, Mason Lewis and Pastor Lowell Hennigs.

Igumbilo Lutheran Girls Secondary School

The 125th Mission project is the The Igumbilo Lutheran Girls Secondary School. Thus is a ministry of the Southern Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania. The school opened in 2006 with eighty three students. Currently the school serves over four hundred young women annually with a graduation rate of over seventy percent.

The ILGSS Partner Project provides capacity-building educational opportunities for young women who often do not have equal access to other educational opportunities within the country. Yet, it is women who are the proven sharers of such education, resulting in wider economic development of their families and communities. This project provides scholarships to the neediest of students and educational resources such as laboratory equipment, mosquito netting, laptops and textbooks.

The 125th committee goal is to raise \$12,500 for the school. **EVERY PENNY MAKES A DIFFERENCE** and will help us reach our goal. There are envelopes for donations towards this project located at the usher stand. What a wonderful way to honor those who have gone ahead of us in faith, hope and love! And what an example for those who will come after us in mission and service!

You can see our progress on the chart in the fellowship hall. Thank you for your help!

**Firmly
founded**



**Faithfully serving
in Jesus' love**
1890-2015

Keep Us Updated

BY MICHAELA LEWIS

In an effort to keep our information as accurate as possible, please let us know if you have a change of address, phone number or email. Also, please let me know of your birthday or anniversary if we do not have it.

Those helping with worship will notice that email reminders will be sent through signupgenius.com. This also makes it easy for people to volunteer. There is a link on our website to sign-up to volunteer, just click on "ministries" and there are links under "worship & music". Our website is:

<http://emanuellutherancbi.wix.com/emanuel>

Thank you so much!



Thanks for volunteering to mow the church lawn. 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 Pastor's 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.-2 p.m. Any questions, problems, or suggestions, call Larry at 323-7379.**

June 5 Chris Sorensen

June 12 Alan Ellis

June 19 Mark Ellis

June 26 Mike Nickels

Summer Registrations

BY MICHAELA LEWIS

There are registration forms for Vacation Bible School (June 12-16) and Lutheran Lakeside Day Camp (August 1-4) in the fellowship hall. You can also access these forms on our website. Please take time to fill these out if your child plans on attending.

The first night of **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** we will have a cookout before getting started, so plan on attending! Each night before getting started we will also have dinner for VBS attendees and volunteers. We could still use volunteers during the week. Please contact me if you are able to help!

LUTHERAN LAKESIDE DAY CAMP will be located at Our Savior's Lutheran Church. Cost is \$40 per child, with financial assistance available, especially for families with more than one child attending.

For youth interested in the **MISSION TRIP** to Rapid City, South Dakota (those entering 6th through 12th grade) please contact Pastor Lowell or Brenda if you have not done so. This trip will be July 17-22. There is a \$60 deposit required. Total cost will be approximately \$350 per person, however, fundraising efforts through our Youth Committee will help with some of this cost.

Summer Camp

Make friends and memories
at camp this summer.

A variety of camp options available.

Lutheran Lakeside

www.lutheranlakeside.com

Carol Joy Holling

<http://caroljoyholling.org/>

Camperships available.



Emanuel & Our Savior's VBS 2015.

Creating Nazareth

BY MICHAELA LEWIS

This year we are once again teaming with Our Savior's Lutheran for Vacation Bible School. Our theme is "Hometown Nazareth." This theme involves a lot of props, scenery and actors! There are many different volunteer roles to help with!

We would appreciate being able to borrow the following items for VBS:

- Canopy style tents
- Brightly colored blankets
- Clay vases with handles

Below is a list of some (but not all) needed items:

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|---------------------------------------|--|
| • Toothpicks | • Standard pillows (2) |
| • Small bowls and plates (disposable) | • Beach balls |
| • Napkins | • Kickballs |
| • Hand Wipes | • Wading pools (2, same size) |
| • Wash cloths | • Bunch O Balloons® (6+) |
| • Olives | • Olive Oil |
| • Wisk brooms | • Air dry clay |
| • Small clothes baskets | • Sponge #1 cheer glove |
| • Colored paper | • Monetary donations are greatly appreciated to help with supplies as well |
| • Two long jump ropes | |
| • Large Plastic Palm leaves | |

Special thanks to Bethany Lutheran Home for their support and help with some of our other supplies!

Please contact me at sewwhatmichaela@gmail.com or 402-669-6769 if you would like to help!



Youth Car Wash

Fund raiser for Emanuel's
Mission trip to South Dakota:

July 10
10:30 a.m.
Upper parking lot

Worship Assistant Schedule

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

Sunday, June 5	9:30 a.m. Service
Ushers	Jan and John Husmann
Acolytes	Owen Hansen & Kylie Hansen
Lector	Alan Ellis
Children's Message	Brenda Hennigs
Communion Assistants	Mike Winter, Suzanne Winter & Peggy Jarrell
Communion Set-Up	LaWayne & Jim Andersen
Visual Tech	Jane Anderson
Sunday, June 12	9:30 a.m. Service
Ushers	Judy Heithoff
Acolytes	Amari Johnson & Tyler Steensland
Lector	Brennan Plummer
Children's Message	Rosie Spangenberg
Communion Assistants	Oscar Over
Communion Set-Up	Char Les Kemmish
Visual Tech	Brenda Hennigs
Sunday, June 19	Outdoor Service at Bayliss Park
Ushers	Jan and John Husmann
Lector	Rosie Spangenberg
Communion Assistants	Elaine Sasso, Karen McPartland & Brenda Hennigs
Sunday, June 26	9:30 a.m. Service
Ushers	Jan and John Husmann
Acolytes	Alexxia Richards & Lauren Hansen
Lector	Rick Stone
Children's Message	Brenda Hennigs
Communion Assistants	Brenda Hennigs
Communion Set-Up	Jeanine & Todd Schademann
Visual Tech	Elaine Sasso



Altar Flowers

June 5

Rosie Spangenberg,
in honor of her
retirement

June 12

Karen McPartland

June 19

God's Beauty in
Bayliss Park

June 26

John & Jan
Husmann in honor
of their 50th
Anniversary

The flower chart is
hanging on the
bulletin board at
the usher station.



June 5

June 12

June 26

Fresh Start Team

The coffee hour
chart is in the
kitchen.

If you are interested in helping with worship, please contact the church office,
(712) 323-9665, emanuellutherancbi@msn.com or sign-up on our website at:
<http://emanuellutherancbi.wix.com/emanuel>





Have you visited our new website?

You can view events, the newsletter,
past newsletters, announcements,
sermons, past sermons and more!
You can even sign up to help with worship!

<http://emanuellutherancbi.wix.com/emanuel>

June 2016 – Emanuel Lutheran Church

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29 9:30am Worship & Holy Communion 10:30am Fellowship & Coffee Hour	30 Memorial Day Office Closed	31 5:30 pm Girl Scouts in Fellowship Hall 7 pm Boy Scouts in Youth Center	1 9:30 am Mission Action (Quilters) 6:15 pm Dinner 7 pm Worship on patio	2 9:30 am Adult Study 11 am Tai Chi 1 pm Game Day 6:30 pm Daycare Feasibility Study Group 	3 Office Closed	4 1 pm-4 pm Hipnar Graduation Reception
5 9:30am Worship & Holy Communion 10:30am Fellowship & Coffee Hour 1 pm Kermish 50 th Anniversary Open House 2 pm Ice Cream Social at Bethany Lutheran Home	6 11 am Tai Chi 6:45 pm Worship & Music Committee Meeting 7:05 pm Lutheran Night at Werner Park	7 7 pm Boy Scouts in Youth Center	8 9:30 am Mission Action (Quilters) 11:30 am Adult Fellowship at Pizza Ranch 6:15 pm Dinner 7 pm Worship on patio	9 9:30 am Adult Study 11 am Tai Chi 6:30 pm Musicians Cookout at Over's Neighborhood Association	10 Office Closed	11
12 9:30am Worship & Holy Communion 10:30am Fellowship & Coffee Hour 5 pm Vacation Bible School Cookout 6 pm - 8 pm Vacation Bible School	13 9 am Iowa Cookie Crumbs Sorting 11 am Tai Chi 5:30 pm VBS Dinner 6 pm - 8 pm Vacation Bible School	14 8:30 am R.O.M.E.O.S. @ Village Inn East 9 am Iowa Cookie Crumbs Packing 5:30 pm VBS Dinner 6 pm - 8 pm Vacation Bible School 7 pm Boy Scouts in Youth Center 7:00 pm Church Council Meeting	15 9:30 am Mission Action (Quilters) 5:30 pm VBS Dinner 6 pm - 8 pm Vacation Bible School Newsletter Articles Due 	16 9:30 am Adult Study 11 am Tai Chi 5:30 pm VBS Dinner 6 pm - 8 pm Vacation Bible School	17 Office Closed 9 am Blessings & Brunch 	18 8 am Spring Work Day
Father's Day 9:30am Worship & Holy Communion at Bayliss Park with Our Savior's	20 11 am Tai Chi 5:30 pm Anniversary Team Meeting 7 pm Mutual Ministry Committee 7 pm MS Support Group	21 7 pm Boy Scouts in Youth Center 7 pm Children & Youth Committee Meeting	22 9:30 am Mission Action (Quilters) 6:15 pm Dinner 7 pm Worship on patio	23 9:30 am Adult Study 11 am Tai Chi	24 Office Closed 6 pm Loos & Clark Wedding Rehearsal	25 3 pm Jennifer Loos & Brandon Clark Wedding 
26 9:30am Worship & Holy Communion 10:30am Fellowship & Coffee Hour 12pm Confirmation Cookout at Steensland's 2 pm Lewis Birthday party 5 pm Emanuel & St. Paul Episcopal Council Potluck	27 11 am Communion at Midlands 11 am Tai Chi	28 7 pm Boy Scouts in Youth Center 7 pm Wider Ministries Committee Meeting	29 9:30 am Mission Action (Quilters) 6:15 pm Dinner 7 pm Worship on patio	30 9:30 am Adult Study 11 am Tai Chi	1 Office Closed	2

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES!



Jessica Hipnar

Abraham Lincoln High School

University of Iowa majoring in Elementary Education and moving into special education with the goal of working with children with special needs.



John Scheffler

Abraham Lincoln High School

Iowa State University majoring in Engineering and continue ROTC at ISU throughout college to qualify and become an officer in the Marine Corps.



Alyson Sorensen

Abraham Lincoln High School

American University of Washington D.C. majoring in International Relations with an emphasis in justice, ethics, and policy in the Middle East.



Baylee Snyder

Abraham Lincoln High School

Midland University majoring in Secondary Education with emphasis on biology and life science with the goal to become a teacher.



**You're
Invited**



Please join the family of **JESSICA HIPNAR** in celebrating her High School graduation on Saturday, June 4th. There will be a reception in the fellowship hall here at Emanuel from 1 pm - 4 pm and everyone is welcome to come enjoy refreshments and help celebrate Jessica's High School accomplishments.

You are invited to celebrate **ALYSON SORENSEN**'s graduation from Abraham Lincoln High School on Saturday, June 4th, from 6 pm-10 pm at the Council Bluffs Firefighter's Union Hall (1827 S 8th St, Council Bluffs).

Thank You Notes

Care Packages FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS

Thank you so much for the care package. It is much appreciated, and I thank you for your continued support. Thanks again,
Brett Egner

I loved the gift box! It was a lovely surprise. Best wishes to you all as well and may you have a lovely summer as well! Thank you!
~ Elizabeth Britton

Just like I did in the first semester, I would like to thank you for the care package during final exams week. It means so much to us members in college to know that others are thinking of us while we are away in college. I would also like to thank the youth for the ornament as well. This year was an amazing first year of college at Creighton University in Omaha and I am looking forward to the next three years at Creighton. God Bless and Go Jays!
Will Schademann



Emanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church Council Minutes for 5/10/2016

SUBMITTED BY SUZANNE WINTER

Present: Kevin Epperson, Pastor Lowell Hennigs, John Husmann, Peggy Jarrell, CharLes Kemmish, Judi Malloy, Patty Maxwell, Oscar Over, Connie Solon, Bob Vergamini, Suzanne Winter

Absent: Jolene Hansen, Mike Winter

Meeting called to order by Kevin Epperson, President.

Devotions: Bob Vergamini (thoughts about mothers from both Bob & Billy Graham)

(The following mentioned reports are available to members of Emanuel by contacting the committee or from Parish Assistant, Michaela)

Council Agenda:

- 4/12/16 Council minutes-Motion to approve by CharLes, 2nd by Bob, approved
- Both the Financial Secretary's report & the Treasurer's report were not available due to computer problems. Pastor & Oscar discussed that they thought the budget was currently in the black by approximately \$1,000.
- Capital Fund report-Motion by Oscar, 2nd by Judi, approved. Oscar mentioned the blockage to parsonage drains was resolved at a cost of just under \$7,000.
- Memorial Fund report-Motion by Oscar, 2nd by Bob, approved
- Pastor's written report was submitted-some items that he discussed further:
- #6-Pastor felt it would be nice if the church recognized the efforts of the Anniversary Team for over a year's worth of planning of events & activities honoring Emanuel's 125th Anniversary.
- #7-Daycare Feasibility-enough funds are available to hire the architect to do a preliminary design through Redevelopment Funds & a \$2,500 donation from Mark Anderson from Midlands Living Center.

- #15-ServeFest had 19 Emanuel volunteers sign up plus members from the N. Broadway Assoc. to do service projects, such as litter removal, in the neighborhood on 5/14.
- #16-Western Iowa Synod assembly will be in Omaha this June. Sandy Smith will attend as a member of the Western Iowa Synod Council and Jeff Smith & Cindy Richards will be voting members for Emanuel. John moved, Judi 2nd, approved.
- Pastor was asked to officiate at the wedding of Zachary Winter & Samantha Ballard Saturday 4/8/2017 in Omaha. Moved by Bob, 2nd by Peggy, approved
- Stewardship Committee-nothing to report at this time.
- Youth & Children's Ministries-written report provided. Pastor mentioned that there were 2 spaces left out of 10 spots to attend the "Youth Works Rapid City" July 17-22. Pastor talked about the great experiences this program provides. Mostly pre-confirmation students have signed up so far. Mentioned that the committee is studying if a basketball hoop should be acquired for the basketball pole in the upper parking lot.



- Fellowship & Support-Pastor mentioned the propane tank for the grill needs refilling.
- Property Committee written report provided-Oscar said that the northwest area of the flat roof is leaking. Bates Roofing had been out less than a year ago to repair a leak. The committee will try to determine the best course of action to be taken with the flat roof that continues to leak. The parsonage window is suppose to be installed this week.
- Wider Ministries-Judi mentioned that the committee did not meet. She said that Joyfull Noise offering for May will go to Hope Net Ministry. Judi is trying to recruit volunteers to help Our Savior's food Pantry on the 2nd Friday nights of each month. Judi mentioned that committee members have helped St. Paul Episcopal church when they provide a meal to MMHC (ministry to the mental health community).
- Worship & Music-did not meet. Kevin mentioned that the new chalice had been ordered and the new paraments should arrive soon. The band would be playing at the upcoming ice cream social.
- Evangelism-pastor said invites to Emanuel's ice cream social & VBS were mailed to nearby neighborhoods. New members will be received at church on Sunday May 22.
- Mutual Ministries-no report
- Fresh Start Team-pastor said a possible candidate was brought to the attention of the team but upon further investigation the candidate was not a good match for Emanuel.
- 125th Anniversary Team-Last event is the Neighborhood Ice Cream Social on May 15. Their last meeting will be June 20. Some members may have interest in forming an Archives Committee.

Old Business

- Volunteer Computer-is being worked on. Office computer is functioning again.

New Business

- Daycare Feasibility Study Group recommends council approve the hiring of Roger Doehling of LYNC Architecture, LLC for Preliminary Design Services for "incorporating Daycare functions within the existing church structure" expenses not to exceed \$5,460. Moved by Bob, 2nd by Judi, approved.
- Emanuel Renewal Team-Pastor has recommended several candidates for this team. It was decided that council should reflect on any other names that should be added to the list for consideration. After the council votes pastor will send letters to the candidates elected to ask them to serve and to explain responsibilities.
- Removal of shed-Oscar moved & Suzanne seconded that the old rotten shed by the parsonage be removed, approved
- Property committee authorized to replace the front screen door of the parsonage for maximum cost of \$250. Motion by Oscar, 2nd by Peggy, approved

Motion to adjourn approved. Closed with the Lord's prayer.

Next meeting: 6/14/2016 7 PM

St. Paul's Episcopal Church fundraiser to help send their youth to summer camp!



**Thursday,
June 16th
5 p.m.—9 p.m.
Pizza Ranch**
(3505 Metro Drive,
Council Bluffs)

St. Paul's Episcopal Church Youth will receive 10% of the sales and the tips!

**Sunday,
June 5th
2 p.m.— 4p.m.
Bethany Lutheran
Home**

(7 Elliot Street, Council Bluffs)

Homemade Cakes and Pies
Free Will Offering

*Co Sponsored by Bethany Lutheran Home Auxiliary &
Thrivent Financial Pottawattamie County Chapter #30611*



Happy Father's Day!

Many of the boys and young men that Lutheran Services in Iowa (LSI) serves in our residential programs have never had a positive male role model in their lives.



Recently, at a gathering of mentors and mentees, a few of these children introduced their mentors to each other. When a boy from Beloit spoke, you could hear the quiet pride in his voice.

"This is Josh," he said simply. "And he's the mentor I've always wanted."

As you celebrate Father's Day with your family or by remembering someone who served as a father figure or mentor for you, remember what you have to give to others around you: a word of encouragement, a listening ear or the gift of your time and presence. You may be surprised how much it means.

You provide all these things and more through your support of LSI. Thank you for responding to the love of Jesus Christ through compassionate service!

LSI is proud to be an affiliated social ministry organization of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). Learn more at www.LSIowa.org and www.facebook.com/LSI.iowa.

Bethany News

BY DIANE CARLON

I Scream, You Scream, We All Scream for Ice Cream!

Mark your calendar. It's time for ice cream!! The **Annual Bethany Lutheran Home Auxiliary Ice Cream Social** will be held on **Sunday, June 5th from 2-4 p.m.** at Bethany Lutheran Home, 7 Elliott Street in Council Bluffs. Ice Cream as well as assorted pies and cakes will be available for a free will offering. Supplemental funds are being made available by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans Pottawattamie County Chapter. Come join us for an afternoon of fellowship and dessert!! Tell your friends!! Proceeds will be used for resident and tenant projects at Bethany.

Calling All Teens

What are **YOU** doing this summer? Bethany Lutheran Home and Bethany Heights are looking for some great volunteers between the ages of 14-18 to be a part of our Teen Volunteer program. Teen Volunteers interact with residents and tenants, participate in activities and outings and assist where needed. If you are looking for an opportunity for a rewarding experience and willing to commit 2-4 hours per week, please contact Kaily Stanley at Bethany Lutheran Home at 329-9500 or Sarah Norton at Bethany Heights at 328-8228 to sign up. Teen Volunteer orientation will be held on **Tuesday, June 14th at 2:00 p.m.** Hope you join us this summer!!

Bethany Heights Apartments Available

For a *limited time only* Bethany Heights Senior Living Community is offering **special promotional pricing** on several apartments available for seniors. Do you know someone or perhaps even you, who would enjoy the benefits of living in a senior community? Maybe someone interested in living independently or having the benefits of an assisted living community? Bethany Heights offers both independent and assisted living services in apartments ranging in size from a Studio to Two Bedroom/Two bathroom. As an individual's needs increase, services are delivered directly to your apartment. Something unique to the area. We'd love for you to schedule a visit and enjoy lunch on us. Small pets are welcome. Some Long Term Care Insurance Policies are eligible for use at Bethany Heights. For more information or to set up a visit, please contact Paula Fandry at Bethany Heights 712-328-8228.

Employment Opportunities

Bethany currently has several positions available. For more information, please visit our website at www.bethanylutheranhome.org or contact our HR Coordinator, Cindy Schechinger at 712-328-9500.

Bethany Auxiliary Meeting

The Bethany Auxiliary will be meeting Monday evening, **July 11th** at Bethany Heights. A short business meeting will be held at **6:00 p.m.** followed by Bingo and a pie social with the tenants. Contact your church key lady for more information.



Ramblings from the Back Corner

BY CINDY RICHARDS

We have been using the song “By Your Hand You Feed Your People” as our communion song. The background of this song is found in the ELW Hymn Companion.

“This hymn by Susan R. Briehl (b. August 22, 1952) is based on two texts, one from Wisdom 16: 10-21,26, which, recalling the gift of manna in the wilderness, proclaims that God’s word, not the work of human hands, nourishes the faithful, and the other from a sermon on the sacrament of communion by St. Augustine, who says, ‘The mystery that you are lies there on the table; it is your own mystery that you receive....Be what you see, and receive what you are.’ The hymn was prepared as a post-communion sending hymn for a conference the third week of August in 2000 at Camrose Lutheran College in Camrose, Alberta, Canada, at which Briehl was the presider and preacher. It was first published as part of the communion setting *Beneath the Tree of Life* (Chicago, 2001).

Susan Ruth Briehl was born in Oregon and studied at Washington State University (BA in English, 1974; MA in English, 1976) and Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary in Berkeley, California (MDiv, 1981). Ordained in 1981, she has served in parish, campus, and retreat center settings in Washington, and has preached, taught, and presided at conferences across the country. She now works with the Valparaiso Project on the Education and Formation of People in Faith. Her writing includes this and three other hymn texts in ELW. She is married to Martin Wells, who is the bishop of the Eastern Washington-Idaho Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. They have two daughters.

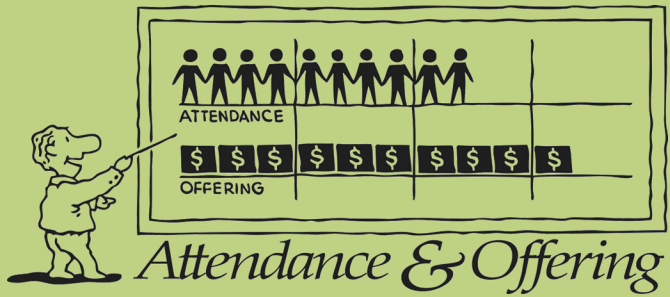
Marty Haugen wrote CAMROSE for this hymn. He says that when he and Susan Briehl ‘have collaborated, she normally creates the text first, then I write the music to the text. At times, the text will go through further revisions after a tune has been writ-

ten. At other times I will create more than one tune. That was the case with the setting for ‘By Your Hand’. The other tune he wrote for this hymn was part of an evening communion service he and Briehl worked on together, published as *Unfailing Light* (Chicago, 2004). ‘We decided,’ he says, ‘that CAMROSE was a stronger match to [Briehl’s] wonderful text.

Haugen was the musician for the 2000 Camrose conference. CAMROSE was written for the conference as part of the communion setting *Beneath the Tree of Life* (2001). Haugen says he has in mind ‘a melody that evokes a Celtic folk tune, which I thought might be a good match to the Wisdom images in [Briehl’s] text.’ He notes that the final refrain is an answer to the last line of the first stanza, ‘we become what we receive,’ and that this has implications for performance practice: the final line of the stanza needs to move into the refrain without a break.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship Hymnal Companion, Paul Westermeyer, Augsburg Fortress, 2010.



		
May 1	111	\$2,718.00
May 8	110	\$2,297.00
May 15	152	\$2,780.00
May 22	87	n/a
May 29	n/a	n/a

Finance Team Update

Income & Expenses Monthly and YTD

April Income:\$14,900.48
 April Expense:.....\$13,594.01
 April Balance.....\$1,306.47

YTD Income:\$52,275.82
 YTD Expense:\$53,379.69
 YTD Balance-\$1,103.87
 Plus Carryover.....\$13,968.78
 General Budget Fund\$12,854.91



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Game Day

Thursday, June 2nd, 1:00 pm
Fellowship Hall

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

(Retired Old Men Eating Out)
Tuesday June 14th, 8:30 am
Village Inn East

Adult Fellowship

Wednesday, June 8th
11:30 am
Pizza Ranch

Blessings & Brunch

Friday, June 17th, 9:30 am.
Fellowship Hall
All women are welcome!

Mission Action Committee
(Quilters)

Wednesdays, 9:30 am
Fellowship Hall

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Sunday at 9:30 am, followed by fellowship

Wednesday at 7:00 pm, preceded by a meal at 6:15 pm

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