

# Garden of Readin'



Emanuel Lutheran Church Newsletter

March 2017

## Happenings!

**Wednesday, March 1** —Ash Wednesday

**Saturday, March 4—Sunday, March 5**—Table Tennis Tournament

**Wednesday, March 8**—Lenten services begin. Please note times on calendar.

**Friday, March 10** — Andy Gullahorn and Eric Peters Concert at Emanuel,  
Food Pantry Volunteers meet at Our Savior's Lutheran

**Sunday, March 12**—Daylight Savings Time Begins, Daycare Informational  
Meeting, Crafting Kites Event

**Friday, March 17**—Family Movie Night & Potluck. We will be watching  
“Moana.”

**Sunday, March 19th**—Confirmation Large Group

Mission  
Statement:  
Forgiven  
by Grace,  
Serving by  
Faith

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



Our wonderful set-up crew for Mardi Gras! The event was held February 26th and there were over 170 people who attended Emanuel's fourth annual Mardi Gras!

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# Periodic Pastoral Ponderings

(From a guy who likes alliteration a lot)

BY PASTOR LOWELL HENNIGS

Dear friends in Christ:

On January 22, we voted as a congregation to go forward with our Daycare Mission Outreach Project here at Emanuel Lutheran Church. Thank you for that vote of support. Now is the time to put that decision into action. Let me share some scriptural encouragement as we go forward:

*"Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen"* (Ephesians 3:20-21). So, what's next?

Step One is to invite you to give toward the start-up costs of the Daycare. Those costs will include staff wages and salaries in the two or three months leading up to the opening of the daycare. Those costs will also include some equipment and furnishings costs as we prepare to open the doors of our daycare. **Please attend an information meeting after worship on Sunday, March 12, to hear more.**

We hope to have in hand \$60,000 in gifts and pledges two months before begin the operations of the daycare for these start-up costs. You will be invited to consider up-front gifts and/or pledges of gifts over the course of the next three years to assist with these start-up costs. These gifts and pledges will help us to hit the ground running. Those gifts and pledges will also help us to leverage possible gifts and grants from other sources.

Some of those dollars from other sources may come from a grant from the ELCA churchwide folks. We plan to apply for such dollars. If that grant is approved, at least some of those dollars would come to us in 2018. Some of those dollars may come from you and me. **Please attend an information meeting after worship on Sunday, March 12, to hear more.**

Mortgage payments for the construction of the daycare are built into the business plan for the daycare. So we won't be asking for gifts to offset construction costs (of course, we won't turn down such gifts!). It is the start-up costs that we need to put together. On March 12, you will hear from Kim Egner, John Burns and me, about the plans for the daycare, the progress of the project, and the needs for the start-up funds. Once again, **please attend an information meeting after worship on Sunday, March 12, to hear more.**

I believe this is the next great step into the future for Emanuel Lutheran Church. This is a needed service for our neighborhood and community. This is an investment in families with children in our congregation and our community. And this is an open door to those families with children who may benefit from the faith, hope and love extended here at Emanuel Lutheran Church.

One more time: **Please attend an information meeting after worship on Sunday, March 12, to hear more.** Thank you for your tremendous support of and faithful work in our mission and ministry here at Emanuel Lutheran Church. It is an honor to serve with you.

Yours in Christ,  
Pastor Lowell

## YOU ARE INVITED TO CELEBRATE:

The family of Deloris Christensen would like to invite you to help celebrate Deloris' 90th Birthday. We will have a reception with cake on Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup> in the fellowship hall.

**REMINDER:** Daylight Savings time starts on Sunday, March 12th!



## Moana

**Friday, March 17**  
**6 p.m. Potluck**  
**6:30 p.m. Movie**

*Emanuel Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall*  
Bring a dish to share and a friend or neighbor!

# Special Concert Event

Music artists Andy Gullahorn and Eric Peters will be at Emanuel Lutheran Church on March 10 for a special concert at 7 p.m.

Both artists are from Nashville, Tennessee. Gullahorn is a Christian musician and music producer. He plays a folk rock style of Christian pop music and has released six solo albums and contributed to several others. He was a Kerrville New Folk Winner in 2010 and was a runner-up at the 2009 Rocky Mountain Folks Festival.

Peters is a Christian musician and guitarist who mainly plays acoustic Christian pop and folk music. He has released seven solo albums.

Tickets are \$10 in advance or \$15 at the door. Tickets are available at the church office during office hours (Monday—Thursday 9 am - 2 pm). You may also visit the church website to reserve tickets at [www.emanuelcb.org](http://www.emanuelcb.org) or call the office (712) 323-9665 or email [emanuellutherancbia@msn.com](mailto:emanuellutherancbia@msn.com). Tickets will also be available during fellowship time on Sundays and Wednesdays.



## Emanuel's Corner of the Internet

BY MICHAELA LEWIS

The website was recently updated with our own domain name ([www.emanuelcb.org](http://www.emanuelcb.org)) instead of the <http://emanuellutherancbi.wix.com/emanuel>.

There are several reasons for doing this, but one of the most important is that the new name is short, simple and can fit in an ad, promotional materials and on business cards. The shorter name encourages people to visit our website, whereas a longer one increased the likelihood that it would be mistyped and frustrate potential visitors. It is also much easier to remember.

Since ads or mailings are often the first contact and first impression that people have of Emanuel, it is

nice to have a professional domain name and a professional looking site.

Our site is optimized to be viewed on mobile devices as well. If you haven't had a chance to visit it, you can view the newsletter in color, read or listen to sermons, view the calendar, volunteer to help with Sunday worship services, read about church ministries and more.

Our Facebook page also has events listed that make it easy to share what is going on with friends. If you are on Facebook and haven't visited our page, it is at: <https://www.facebook.com/emanuellutherancbia>

New-and-Improved  
**WEBSITE**





Daphne Miller

Glen Fahrenkrug

Lucille Weatherill

Helen Stinson

Bette Ebsen

Dwight Rogers

Andrea Britton

Jeff Smith



## MARCH BIRTHDAYS

**March 01** Deloris Christensen

**March 03** Judy Pleas  
Alexander VanSickle

**March 06** Cheryl Ellis  
**March 06** Randy Palmer  
**March 06** Croix Smith  
**March 06** Joel Hauschild

**March 08** Vern Buley  
**March 08** Dee Swanger

**March 09** Macy Hansen  
**March 09** Owen Hansen

**March 09** Ruth Nelson

**March 10** Jim Hamilton

**March 12** Shelby Johnson  
**March 12** Cheyene Shannon

**March 13** Kinsley Cahalan  
Caeli McDowell  
Killion McDowell  
Dan Solon

**March 16** E'lise Bell  
Jill Gress

**March 17** Judith Borwick  
Ron Stairs

**March 18** Chelsea Baker

**March 19** Kristi Solon

**March 20** Jacquie Moats  
Cassandra Shannon

**March 21** Wade Juhl  
Angelina Maxwell

**March 22** Dean Loos  
Anina Madsen

**March 25** Mike Burns  
Rosie Spangenberg

**March 26** Stephen Lewis

**March 27** John Husmann

**March 29** Ciara Hite  
Chuck Madsen  
Phil Meyer  
Jim Nelson  
John Smith II

**March 30** Ed Reedy

**March 31** Emma Richards  
Mia Richards



**March 7** Chuck & Peg Madsen

**March 8** Joel & Christi Hauschild

**March 31** Phil & Jane Meyer

*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*

# Worship Assistant Schedule

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

<b>Wednesday, March 1</b>	<b>12 p.m. Service</b>
<b>Lector</b>	
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	
<b>Communion Set-Up</b>	
<b>Wednesday, March 1</b>	<b>7 p.m. Service</b>
<b>Ushers</b>	
<b>Acolytes</b>	Emma & Mia Richards
<b>Lector</b>	Mike Winter
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Rosie Spangenberg, Kevin Epperson & Brenda Hennigs
<b>Communion Set-Up</b>	Linda Steensland & Amy Steensland
<b>Sunday, March 5</b>	<b>9:30 a.m. Service</b>
<b>Ushers</b>	Deann & Oscar Over
<b>Acolytes</b>	Lauren Hansen & Tyler Steensland
<b>Lector</b>	Elaine Sasso
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Elaine Sasso, Peggy Jarrell & Rosie Spangenberg
<b>Communion Set-Up</b>	Connie & Matt Solon
<b>Visual Tech</b>	Brenda Hennigs
<b>Sunday, March 12</b>	<b>9:30 a.m. Service</b>
<b>Ushers</b>	Deann & Oscar Over
<b>Acolytes</b>	Kylie Hansen & Aaralynn Conley
<b>Lector</b>	Darlene Jeppeson
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Dwight Rogers, Valarie Weelborg & Kevin Epperson
<b>Communion Set-Up</b>	Pat Hiller
<b>Visual Tech</b>	Brenda Hennigs
<b>Sunday, March 19</b>	<b>9:30 a.m. Service</b>
<b>Ushers</b>	Deann & Oscar Over
<b>Acolytes</b>	Amari Johnson & Dakota Hopkinson
<b>Lector</b>	Angel McGee
<b>Children's Message</b>	Elaine Sasso
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Elaine Sasso, Robert Vergamini & Jolene Hansen
<b>Communion Set-Up</b>	Phil & Jane Meyer
<b>Visual Tech</b>	Peggy Jarrell
<b>Sunday, March 26</b>	<b>9:30 a.m. Service</b>
<b>Ushers</b>	Deann & Oscar Over
<b>Acolytes</b>	Grace Hansen & Shae Nickels
<b>Lector</b>	Rosie Spangenberg
<b>Children's Message</b>	Brenda Hennigs
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Mike Winter, Suzanne Winter & John Husmann
<b>Communion Set-Up</b>	CharLes Kemmish
<b>Visual Tech</b>	Elaine Sasso



## Altar Flowers

**March 5**

**March 12**

**March 19**

**March 26**

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



**March 5**

Richard & Darlene Reed

**March 12**

**March 19**

Fresh Start Team




**March 26**

Dan & Judy Heithoff

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

*If you are interested in helping with worship, please contact the church office, (712) 323-9665, [emanuellutherancbia@msn.com](mailto:emanuellutherancbia@msn.com) or sign-up on our website at: [www.manuelcb.org](http://www.manuelcb.org)*

# March 2017 – Emanuel Lutheran Church

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>26</b> 9:30am Worship & Holy Communion 10:30am Fellowship & Coffee Hour 10:45am-11:30am Adult Study 4 pm—6 pm Mardi Gras! 	<b>27</b> 11 am Communion at Midlands 11 am Tai Chi	<b>28</b> 5:30 pm Girl Scouts in Fellowship Hall 5:30 pm Pancake Dinner at St. Paul's Episcopal Youth Center 7 pm Boy Scouts in Youth Center 7 pm Wider Ministries Meeting 7 pm Fresh Start Team Meeting	<b>Ash Wednesday</b> 9:30 am Mission Action (Quilters) 12 pm Worship 6:00 pm Dinner 7 pm Worship 	<b>2</b> 9:30 am Adult Study 11 am Tai Chi 1 pm Game Day 6:30 pm Choir Practice 	<b>3</b> Office Closed	<b>4</b> 2 pm Deloris Christensen's 90th Birthday Party 6:30 pm Table Tennis Tournament
<b>5</b> 9:30am Worship & Holy Communion 10:30am Fellowship & Coffee Hour 10:45am-11:30am Adult Study 11:30 am Mutual Ministry Meeting 11:30 am Lunch for Table Tennis 12 pm Table Tennis Tournament	<b>6</b> 11 am Tai Chi	<b>7</b> 5:30 pm Girl Scouts in Fellowship Hall 7 pm Boy Scouts in Youth Center	<b>8</b> 9:30 am Mission Action (Quilters) 11:30 am Adult Fellowship at Pizza Ranch 12 pm Lenten Worship 6 pm Dinner 6:30 pm Kidz Kamp in Youth Center 7 pm Lenten Worship	<b>9</b> 9:30 am Adult Study 11 am Tai Chi 6:30 pm Choir Practice 6:30 pm North Broadway Neighborhood Association Meeting	<b>10</b> Office Closed 4:30 pm Volunteers for Food Pantry meet at Our Savior's 7 pm Andy Gullahorn & Eric Peters Concert at Emanuel <b>SPECIAL Concert</b> 	<b>11</b>
<b>Joyful Noise</b> <b>12</b> 9:30am Worship & Holy Communion 10:30am Fellowship & Coffee Hour 10:45am Daycare Information Meeting 11 am—1 pm Crafting Kites 	<b>13</b> 9 am Cookie Crumbs Sorting 11 am Tai Chi 7 pm Church Council Meeting	<b>14</b> 8:30 am R.O.M.E.O.S. @ Village Inn East 9 am Cookie Crumbs Packing 5:30 pm Girl Scouts in Fellowship Hall 7 pm Boy Scouts in Youth Center	<b>15</b> 9:30 am Mission Action (Quilters) 12 pm Lenten Worship 6 pm Dinner 6:30 pm Kidz Kamp in Youth Center 7 pm Lenten Worship <b>NewsLetter DEADLINE</b>	<b>16</b> 9:30 am Adult Study 6:30 pm Choir Practice	<b>17</b> Office Closed 9:30 am Blessings & Brunch 6 pm Potluck 6:30 pm Movie: Moana 	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b> 9:30am Worship & Holy Communion 10:30am Fellowship & Coffee Hour 10:45 am Adult Bible Study 11 am Confirmation 3 pm Piano Recital	<b>20</b> 7 pm MS Support Group	<b>21</b> 5:30 pm Girl Scouts in Fellowship Hall 6:45 pm Worship & Music Meeting 7 pm Boy Scouts in Youth Center 7 pm Children & Youth Ministry Meeting	<b>22</b> 9:30 am Mission Action (Quilters) 12 pm Lenten Worship 6 pm Dinner 6:30 pm Kidz Kamp in Youth Center 7 pm Lenten Worship	<b>23</b> 9:30 am Adult Study 6:30 pm Choir Practice	<b>24</b> Office Closed	<b>25</b> 1 pm Fellowship Hall in Use
<b>26</b> 9:30am Worship & Holy Communion 10:30am Fellowship & Coffee Hour 10:45am-11:30am Adult Study	<b>27</b> 11 am Communion at Midlands 11 am Tai Chi	<b>28</b> 5:30 pm Girl Scouts in Fellowship Hall 7 pm Boy Scouts in Youth Center 7 pm Wider Ministries Meeting 7 pm Fresh Start Team Meeting	<b>29</b> 9:30 am Mission Action (Quilters) 12 pm Lenten Worship 6 pm Dinner 6:30 pm Kidz Kamp in Youth Center 7 pm Lenten Worship	<b>30</b> 9:30 am Adult Study 11 am Tai Chi 6:30 pm Choir Practice	<b>31</b> Office Closed	<b>1</b>



# Mardi Gras Celebration

BY DEANN OVER

Thanks to all who participated in Emanuel's Mardi Gras Celebration!

Our 4<sup>th</sup> annual celebration proved to be the largest yet! Over 170 attended and enjoyed a wonderful afternoon filled with music, food, fun and fellowship!

Silent auction items raised \$1,366 and free will donations totaled \$625.00!

We wish to especially thank Thrivent. Through the Thrivent Action Team Project we received \$250 as seed money to apply toward food for the event.

Emanuel's Mardi Gras celebration could not be accomplished without the help of so many volunteers! Our special thanks to:

- Da Band for sharing their musical talents (Cindy Richards, Rosie Spangenberg, Kevin Epperson, Mike Hipnar, Tim Johnson, Brennan Plummer and Nick Haats)
- Ron Reiff for his harmonica talents
- Queen Deloris Christiansen and King Ron Rieff leading the Mardi Gras parade
- Linda Steensland who prepared the awesome "Taste of Cajun" specialties
- Kitchen team (prep, during and serving) Adults: Sharon Hansen, Jamie Hansen, Judy Heithoff, Angel McGee, Greg Steensland and Sandy Smith. Youth: Tyler Steensland, Lauren & Kylie Hansen, AJ Borwick, Aralynn Conley, Owen Hansen, Hannah Ferguson and Carly Sorensen.
- Brenda Hennigs who organized the silent auction and all who donated such a variety of wonderful items
- Tim Johnson for his Nonpareil article featuring the Mardi Gras
- Bob Vergamini who designed and built a new pole apparatus for hanging our banners. And to Alan Ellis who assisted Bob in installing them.
- Michaela & Steve Lewis who helped the young (and young at heart) create individually decorated masks.

- Michaela who baked an authentic King Cake.
- Those who transformed the Fellowship Hall with Mardi Gras decorations: Mike Hipnar; Kevin Epperson; Sharon, Tyler, Lauren and Kylie Hansen; Connie Solon; Jan & John Husmann, Jolene, Owen and Luke Hansen; Heather Lisenmeyer, Andrew & Josh Hubbard; Judy & Richard Borwick; Judy Heithoff, Linda Steensland, Pastor Lowell & Brenda.
- Angel McGee for the loan of the tall vases for our centerpieces. Angel and Judy Pleas also decorated the outside entrance with a Mardi Gras flare!
- Many helping hands who helped clean up: Michaela & Steve Lewis, Darlene & Richard Reed, Connie & Matt Solon, Tyler, Jamie, Lauren, Kylie & Tori Hansen, Sharon Hansen, Kevin Epperson, Angel McGee, John Spilde, Dwight Rogers, Mike Loos, and Pastor Lowell & Brenda. Decorations were put away and the fellowship hall and kitchen cleaned within an hour!

We've saved all the decorations – if you run across any throughout the year and are willing to donate – we can store them!

Again thanks to everyone – our Mardi Gras has grown each year!



Mardi Gras King Ron Reiff and Queen Deloris Christensen lead the parade in the fellowship hall.



# Emanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church

## Council Minutes for 02/13/2017

RECORDED BY MIKE WINTERS

Present: Rosie Spangenberg, Suzanne Winter, Mike Winter, Bob Vergamini, Elaine Sasso, Peggy Jarrell, Patty Maxwell, Connie Solon, Stephen Lewis, Valerie Weelborg, Dwight Rogers, Pastor Hennigs

Absent: Judi Malloy

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Rosie Spangenberg

Devotions: Rosie Spangenberg

### Council Agenda:

- The president asked each of the board members to tell a little bit about themselves so that everyone would become familiar with the other board members. A sign-up sheet was passed around for people to sign up to do devotions and to be communion assistants.
- Motion by Bob Vergamini, seconded by Peggy Jarrell to approve the January minutes. Approved
- Motion by Bob Vergamini, seconded by Connie Solon to approve the Financial Secretary report. Approved. It was explained by Connie Solon the details of the financial secretary report. Connie is responsible for preparing that report for each meeting. Ken Kemmish audits those accounts and the accounts are also reviewed by the finance committee. There was also a discussion about the van fund and that issue is to be placed on the next council agenda. Connie explained that 5% of the General Fund receipts go to the Benevolence Fund.
- Motion by Bob Vergamini, seconded by Stephen Lewis to approve the Treasurer's Report. Approved. Connie Solon also gave an explanation of the Treasurer's Report and explained that the carryover from 2016 was \$9,506.26. The receipts for January were above normal because some of the receipts received in December did not get deposited until January.
- Motion by Bob Vergamini, seconded by Peggy Jarrell to approve the Capital Fund Report. Approved. It was explained that the Capital Fund report and the Memorial Fund report are prepared by Richard Reed. The council would like Richard Reed to attend a council meeting to give explanation an explanation of the workings of those funds.
- Motion by Peggy Jarrell, seconded by Bob Vergamini, to approve the Memorial Fund Report. Approved.
- Pastor Hennigs discussed his January report which contained 16 items. He reported that the Fresh Start team met with Dwight Rogers on January 31 and that Dwight has now returned to the community and our church family and is doing very well. Pastor is also in the process of speaking to potential members of Emanuel Renewal Team individually about being part of the team. He has met with four of the six potential team members. We were reminded that Dan Heithoff was elected as a member of the Bethany Lutheran Home Board of Directors and also is currently serving as their board treasurer. Pastor reported that the future use of the property to the south of Emanuel is uncertain. Bethany has expended substantial sums to prepare the property for development and some development will occur in the future. Pastor and John Burns are working to put in place a possible Capital Fund Appeal Team regarding the daycare project. Pastor would like to schedule a new member reception with council approval for Sunday, March 19, 2017. Pastor indicated that because of a recent discussion regarding a "gifts acceptance policy", he provided the council with a sample form. It was agreed that this would be discussed at the next council meeting to adopt a policy regarding the gifts of stock and other assets to Emanuel. Pastor also reported that he has met with Jack Turner, the senior warden of the vestry at St. Paul's Episcopal Church and discussed their members attending the upcoming Mardi Gras and Emanuel's participation in their upcoming pancake dinner on Tuesday, February 28. It was reported that Emanuel disbursed \$250 to assist a member family after discussion with council president Rosie Spangenberg. Connie Solon had reported that the balance of that fund as of February 5, 2017 was \$1,373.21. Pastor reported that all board members should have received an updated membership roster with contact information.
- Motion by Suzanne Winter, seconded by Peggy Jarrell to discuss at the next meeting the board members' participation in the various church com-



mittees. The board secretary is to provide the board members with a summary of the duties of each of those committees. Approved.

- Stephen Lewis gave a report on the Youth & Children's Ministries. He provided a four page report that can be reviewed by any member of Emanuel in the office of the church secretary.
- Bob Vergamini presented the Property Committee Report. The board has previously given approval to allow Ian Walden to continue with his Eagle Scout project to build a fire pit and benches. A second boy scout named Quinton Birkhoffer has recently contacted Oscar Over concerning his Eagle Scout volunteer project that would include restriping the upper parking lot with the church paying for the materials and Quinton furnishing the labor. Motion by Suzanne Winter, seconded by Peggy Jarrell to approve that request and to allow Oscar Over to follow up with the understanding that four handicapped parking spaces are to be provided in the upper parking lot nearest to the building. Approved. The cost of these projects are to be from the maintenance budget. Any member may review the property committee report at the office of the church secretary.
- Motion by Peggy Jarrell, seconded by Bob Vergamini to approve the annual meeting minutes. Approved.
- Rosie Spangenberg reported on the Worship and Music Committee. Communion trays will be purchased by funds provided by the family of Viola Anderson. The Anderson family will look over the samples and will have input concerning the final purchase. That memorial fund contains sufficient amounts to cover this expense. Rosie also reported that our Bayliss Park service will be held on August 6 at 10 a.m. and we will be joined by Our Savior's Members. It was suggested that St. Paul's Episcopal members also be invited. The Fine Arts Festival is tabled at the present time and the Mardi Gras Event will be held on February 26. The details of that report are available at the church secretary's office.
- Motion by Suzanne Winter, seconded by Peggy Jarrell to hold future council meetings on the second Monday of each month rather than the second Tuesday. This will allow council to meet on a night different than the boy scouts meeting. Approved.
- Dwight Rogers made a report on the Emanuel Fresh Start team and indicated that he is doing very well and eventually would like to participate

in helping others in the future.

- Bob Vergamini discussed the annual unit charter agreement between Emanuel Lutheran Church and the Mid America Council, Boy Scouts of America. Emanuel enters into this agreement each year and he provided the council members with a copy of that agreement.
- A discussion was held to invite Dan and Judy Heithoff to attend a council meeting to discuss their involvement with the Bethany Lutheran Home.
- Motion by Bob Vergamini, seconded by Peggy Jarrell to adopt an official policy that any donation of stock to Emanuel shall be sold as soon as practicable after the gift has been received. Approved.
- Motion by Suzanne Winter, seconded by Peggy Jarrell to adjourn at 9:09 p.m. Approved.



**6 p.m.-Dinner**  
**6:30 pm—Kidz Kamp**  
**7 p.m.-Worship**

**March 8**  
 Soup Supper  
*Hosted by the Women of Emanuel*

**March 15**  
 Baked Potato Bar  
*Hosted by the Children & Youth Committee*

**March 22**  
 TBD  
*Hosted by the Fresh Start Team*

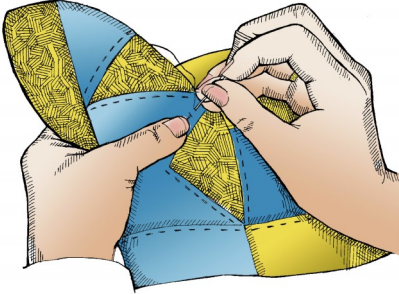
**March 29**  
 Taco Bar  
*Hosted by the Children & Youth Committee*

*Menu is subject to change*

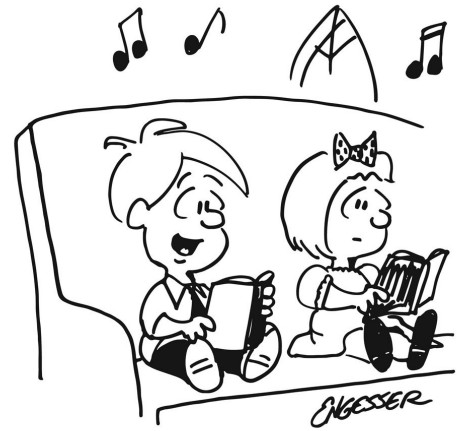
# Lakeside Quilt Auction

SUBMITTED BY DARLENE REED

Lutheran Lakeside is looking for donations of quilts for their annual quilt auction. For those who would rather not make an entire quilt, they are once again having their quilt block challenge. For details and pattern, see Darlene Reed. Information is also available on the camp website at [www.lutheranlakeside.com/](http://www.lutheranlakeside.com/)



The Quilt Action will be July 1st at Lutheran Lakeside Camp in Spirit Lake, Iowa. The time is still to be determined.



"Hope the choir does some hip-hop for Easter!"

## Renewed hope

THAILAND  
[ELCA.org/hunger](http://ELCA.org/hunger)



When her parents passed away, 7-year-old Mia was sent to live with a distant relative on the border between Thailand and Burma. Her "caretaker" forced Mia to work in an orchard rather than go to school, and her meager "salary" was stolen by her caretaker. When she was 13, Mia was forced to stay in a different home where she was sexually abused.

Conservative estimates suggest nearly a quarter-million women and girls are victims of human trafficking in Southeast Asia every year, often abused and forced to work for little or no pay. But thanks to the work of New Life Center Foundation in Thailand, supported in part by your gifts to ELCA World Hunger, this isn't the end of the story for victims like Mia.

When she first arrived at the New Life Center Foundation, Mia had significant developmental delays stemming

from years of abuse and neglect. The foundation's staff arranged for her to study in their on-site adult education program, but Mia struggled, as basic tasks, like holding a pencil, were unfamiliar to her.

After three years of hard work and hope, Mia began studying at the seventh-grade level. Therapeutic art classes and counseling also continue to help her process the abuse and exploitation she lived through as a young girl.

Thanks to your gifts to ELCA World Hunger, through New Life Center Foundation's comprehensive programs, Mia has the skills and confidence to share her story with others and a renewed hope for the future.

Your gifts to ELCA World Hunger support innovative solutions that fight hunger and poverty in nearly 60 countries around the world, including the United States.

### Will you help with your gift today?

**YES!** I would like to support ELCA World Hunger (WHG0038)

- ☐ I have enclosed my gift of \$100  
☐ I have enclosed my gift of \$250  
☐ Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_



**Mail** Make your check payable to "ELCA World Hunger." Place your gift in your congregation's offering plate or mail it to:

ELCA  
P.O. Box 1809  
Merrifield, VA 22116-8009

**Online** [ELCA.org/hunger/donate](http://ELCA.org/hunger/donate)

**Phone** 800-638-3522

**ELCA World Hunger**  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America  
God's work. Our hands.

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## Triennial gathering

The Triennial Convention will be held in Minneapolis this year. The convention will open on July 13th at 4 pm with Worship Service and will conclude with closing worship on Sunday, July 16th at 10:30 am.

There will be a bus traveling to the convention for those who are interested.



Members of Emanuel would need to travel to Atlantic to ride the bus. If there are at least 35 from area congregations, the cost would be approximately \$120 per person. If there is more interested and a larger bus is needed, the cost would be approximately \$80 per person.

Please contact one of the below organizer if you are interested in traveling on the bus:

Dixie Petersen  
712-268-2482  
[crpfarm@iowatelecome.net](mailto:crpfarm@iowatelecome.net)

Judy Woods  
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# Children's Ministry

BY MICHAELA LEWIS

There are a lot of events coming up in the next few months that we would like to make sure everyone is aware of.

Brenda will lead Kidz Kamp on Wednesdays during Lent. This will begin at 6:30 pm and go until approximately 7:45 pm. All kids are welcome! If you would like to assist with these activities, please contact Brenda.

Our monthly event will be a "crafting kites" day on March 12th from 11 am to 1 pm. There will be a light lunch served. Please let me know if you plan on attending so I can make sure we have enough supplies. Everyone is welcome, it is not limited to kids!

On March 17th we will have Dinner and a Movie. We will have a potluck starting at 6 p.m. and begin the movie Moana at 6:30 p.m. We will make popcorn for the movie.

First communion class will be held Sunday April 2 from 3 pm – 5 pm followed by a Seder Meal. First communion will be on Maundy Thursday, April 13th. Please contact Pastor Lowell if your child is interested in participating these classes.

We will have "Rise Up with Jesus" Easter Event on Wednesday, April 19th. It is deigned as an event for all ages.

We have plenty of eggs for the Easter Egg hunt, but we would appreciate any donations of candy or small toys to fill the eggs. The Easter Egg hunt will be on Easter at 9 am.



The game day on Sunday, February 12 was fun with various games, including human "whack-a-mole." Pastor gave a short devotion that connected activities with scripture.

## Lutheran Lakeside Day



# June 12-15, 9 am—3 pm

## Only \$40 per child!

### For students entering 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade

Held at Emanuel Lutheran Church (2444 N. Broadway, Council Bluffs, Iowa)



**Lutheran Lakeside Camp is coming to YOU!**  
Come and experience all the fun of camp right in Council Bluffs! Playing, growing, singing, crafting, experiencing, dancing, acting, talking, running, shouting, skipping, snacking, laughing, learning, and worshipping each and every day!

For more information and registration form visit:  
[www.emanuelcb.org](http://www.emanuelcb.org)  
Or call (712) 323-9665.

Staff from Lutheran Lakeside Camp in Spirit Lake, Iowa will join us for the week. Lutheran Lakeside offers a variety of camps throughout the summer and have activities year-round. For more information about Lutheran Lakeside, visit <https://www.lutheranlakeside.com>



Return Completed Form to  
Emanuel Lutheran Church  
2444 N Broadway  
Council Bluffs, IA 51503-0499  
**Due by May 31, 2017**  
Questions?  
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## Health History Form for Short-Term Campers (Day Camp)

Camper Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
First Name Middle Initial Last Name  
Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Boy ☐ Girl  
Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

About health care for short-term camper stays: Campers should bring and use insect repellent (min. 30% DEET) and sun screen (min. 30 SPF).

Date (month & year) of your child's most recent tetanus immunization: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Is this child allergic to any food or medication? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If YES, names of items and reactions \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. Does this child have asthma? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If YES, what triggers your child's asthma? \_\_\_\_\_

If YES, will your child carry a rescue inhaler during the camp session? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If YES, does your child need staff help to use that rescue inhaler? ☐ Yes ☐ No

3. We will call when there is a question about your child's health and/or in an emergency.

Provide contact information for a custodial parent who will be available via phone while your child is attending our program.

Name of Parent: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

4. List the medications that your camper takes on a routine basis: ☐ This camper takes no routine medication.

a. Med: \_\_\_\_\_ Reason for taking this: \_\_\_\_\_

b. Med: \_\_\_\_\_ Reason for taking this: \_\_\_\_\_

5. What else should we know about your child? Please write additional information about your child's health that may impact your child's participation in our program: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### Parent/Guardian Authorization

My child \_\_\_\_\_ has permission to engage in all prescribed camp activities except as noted. I give permission to Lutheran Lakeside Camp to use photographs, video and audio recordings of my child in camp publicity and to transport my child as needed for camp activities. I give permission for forms to be copied for activities occurring off of camp property. The information provided on this form is accurate to the best of my knowledge. I have indicated any special health conditions, including required medication and activity limitations which should be known to the camp staff and medical personnel. I hereby give permission to medical personnel selected by the camp director to order treatment and necessary transportation for my child. I understand that the camp has limited healthcare on site that that staff will call the indicated parent/guardian when necessary. In the event I cannot be reached in an emergency, I hereby give permission to medical personnel to secure and administer emergency medical treatment, including hospitalization for my child and understand that I am responsible for all costs of treatment (through insurance or otherwise).

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### Lutheran Lakeside Day Camp and 1 Day event Registration Form

(Please use dark ink.)

Name (in ink): \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: M/F Grade Completing: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Other Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Home Church \_\_\_\_\_ Church Town \_\_\_\_\_

Program I am registering for **Emanuel Lutheran Church Day Camp**

Date: **June 12-15, 2017**

To the best of my knowledge, all information for the person(s) described herein is correct. I give permission for these persons to participate in all camp activities, including ropes courses, rock climbing, sailing, etc., except as noted here: \_\_\_\_\_ and agree that the camp or its staff will not be held responsible for accidents or personal injury arising therefrom. I also grant permission for any photos of me, my child, or my family to be used for promotional purposes for Lutheran Lakeside Camp and ELCA Outdoor Ministries. I also agree that my child, family, or self is covered by family / medical insurance or that, in case they are not, I/we shall cover the cost of health care should the need arise.

Signature of parent/guardian of camper \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# Professional Social Workers Month



March is National Professional Social Workers Month, a time to recognize social workers and thank them for all they do. At Lutheran Services in Iowa (LSI), we're grateful for our many social workers who have dedicated their lives to serving their communities!

Maybe you've never had a social worker involved in your life. Yet, whether you realize it or not, you've had the benefit of their behind-the-scenes work in your community. Social workers help people help themselves in overcoming life's most difficult circumstances or managing challenges of everyday living: poverty, abuse, mental illness, depression, addiction, disability and many other situations.

Thank you to all of Iowa's social workers, especially those at LSI. We're proud of you.

*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 [www.LSIowa.org](http://www.LSIowa.org) and [www.facebook.com/LSI.iowa](http://www.facebook.com/LSI.iowa).*

## Finding Calm

Nine-year-old JD lost track of how many days he was removed from school.

He would throw things in the classroom, or rip up his papers. Almost every day, he was separated from his classmates and taken to the "Intervention Room," an empty classroom where children have the opportunity to calm down and refocus. But nothing worked.

That's when JD's dad, Jerry, turned to LSI. With his team of LSI therapists and caseworkers, JD has found an interesting way to control his anger: his rock collection.

He's always had a love of gathering "cool, unique-looking" rocks, and AriAnna, his LSI therapist, has incorporated that into their sessions together.

"Rocks can be used as great relaxation tools, and he spent a lot of time pouring over the rocks I had in my office," AriAnna said.

JD started his rock collection with AriAnna and began bringing it to school with him. He carries his favorites in his "positive choice pouch."

"When I hold them in my hand and breathe, it calms me down," says JD.

Jerry says LSI's help has been life-changing for his son. "He's making better choices now. I'm really proud of him," he says.

This year, JD has been removed from class only once, and for only 15 minutes.

"He has a different identity at school now," AriAnna says. "He's creative and insightful. Now, he knows what he sees in himself, and he wants to share that with others."

## Table Tennis Tournament

Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

(Men's Singles)

&

Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m.

(Men's Doubles, Women & Youth)



All ages welcome!

We are asking all participants to bring a nonperishable food item for the food pantry.

We are looking for help with setting up Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6 pm!

## Crafting Kites!

March 12th

11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

All ages welcome!

Please let us know you are coming so we can be sure to have enough food and supplies!

# Help Y.E.S.

SUBMITTED BY JUDI MALLOY

Each night, hundreds of youth in the Omaha metro area are homeless. Many of these youth have been physically, emotionally or sexually abused, making it unsafe for them to return home. Many others are facing health, mental health and substance abuse issues beyond their control. YES provides much needed services to these homeless and near homeless youth.

But we need YOUR help. We are critically low on the items listed to the right.

If you would be willing to donate the any of the following items, please contact Brenda Hennigs.

- Bras (all sizes but especially the larger sizes)
- White t-shirts (all sizes)
- Boxers/Boxer briefs (all sizes)
- Underwear
- Socks (Long or no show, all colors)
- Detangling Spray
- Wide tooth Combs
- Hair ties
- Curling cream
- Coconut oil
- Softee gel
- Shea Moisture Shampoo and Conditioner
- Tampons
- sanitary pads



## A Message from Bethany

SUBMITTED BY LAUREN BURKE



BETHANY LUTHERAN HOME / BETHANY HEIGHTS

### Bethany Heights Apartments Available

Bethany Heights currently has multiple one bedroom apartment selections available for seniors. Come experience the companionship and devoted care Bethany has to offer! Please contact Paula Fandry for inquiries or to schedule a tour at 712-328-8228.

### Volunteer and Spiritual Life Tea

*"Never doubt that a small group of committed people can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has." – Margaret Mead.*

We are proud of our Volunteers, Sponsoring Congregations, Pastors and Secretaries. We want to say thank you to you. Whether you've served as a Key Lady; led worship or communion; helped out with Bingo, a Birthday Party or the Auxiliary; baked a pie, cake, or have helped out at the Ice Cream Social; whether you've contributed or helped at the Salad Luncheon; whether you have provided volunteer time visiting Residents and Tenants or helping with an Activity; or whether you have supported us through contributions or prayers or anything else; we want to recognize and thank you. Please join us as we recognize our volunteers on **Sunday, April 30th at 2:00 p.m. at Bethany Lutheran Home, 7 Elliott Street.** Join us for an afternoon of fun, fellowship and entertainment as we say thank you for what you have done for Bethany Lutheran Home and Bethany Heights. We look forward to seeing you on April 30th!

### Employment Opportunities at Bethany

We encourage you to check out our available positions on our website at [www.bethanylutheranhome.org](http://www.bethanylutheranhome.org). For further information, please contact Brenda Hennigs at 712-328-9500.

### Bethany Auxiliary Meeting

The Bethany Auxiliary Meeting will be held on Monday, April 10<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. This will be the **Annual Bake Sale fundraiser** with proceeds supporting resident and tenant projects at Bethany Lutheran Home and Bethany Heights. Baked good items of all types are welcome. When possible, please package items in smaller quantities. (If your item contains nuts, gluten free, etc. please let us know). Our residents and tenants enjoy shopping and smaller amounts are better. For more information contact your Auxiliary Key Lady or Diane Carlon at 712-329-5451. Thank you.

### Like us on Facebook

Search for Bethany Heights Senior Living Community and Bethany Lutheran Home pages on Facebook and stay up-to-date on events and activities! For more information or questions, please contact the Marketing Coordinator, Lauren Burke, at [burke@bethanylutheranhome.org](mailto:burke@bethanylutheranhome.org) or 712-256-9719.



# Ramblings from the Back Corner

BY CINDY RICHARDS



During Lent this year we will be using Marty Haugen's Kyrie eleison. This kyrie was written as part of his *Gift of God* collection but was also used in *Unfailing Light*, a liturgy that we have used before here at Emanuel.

"Kyrie eleison" is Greek for "Lord, have mercy". It originally came from the Eastern church in the first century. It made it's way west and by the time of Pope Gregory I (540-605) the Kyrie, along with the Gloria in excelsis Deo, and the Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy) were all sung by the congregation during the Latin Mass. Greek words were continued for the Kyrie in the Latin Mass while the Gloria was translated into Latin in the sixth century, four centuries after it appeared. The Sanctus, which had Hebrew origins, was used in Jewish worship long before the Christian era.

The worship service has a particular pattern which, started with the Jewish traditions, were added to by the first Christians and slightly changed as Christianity moved westward into Italy. This pattern of gathering, word, meal, and sending helps the church serve its mission. The whole worship service is based on patterns set down in the bible.

In the front of our hymnal there are ten different settings of the worship service. All the elements are biblically based on the same pattern of Gathering, Word, Meal, and Sending. The elements may vary according to the season of the church year.

The Gathering includes the Confession and Forgiveness, (which is where the Kyrie comes), a Cantic of Praise, (Gloria in Excelsis Deo), the Thanksgiving for Baptism, the Gathering Song, and the Greeting, all to prepare us to hear the word.

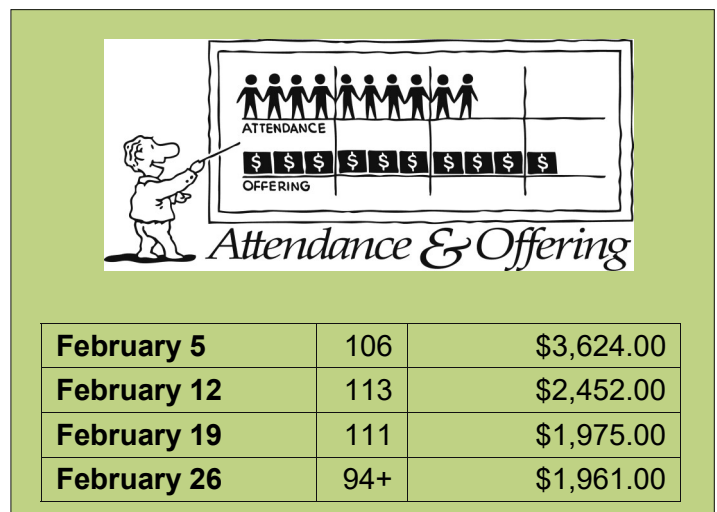
The Word, which is based on the Jewish tradition, includes the Readings and Responses, the Prayers of Intercession, and the Peace. The Readings (Old Testament, Psalm, New Testament and Gospel) with their responses create a natural rhythm for wor-

shippers to listen, reflect and prepare for the teaching (the sermon). The Hymn of the Day, sung prior to or right after the sermon, is meant to bring together the texts. This is the congregation's way of proclaiming God's word. This section concludes by reciting the creed and the prayers of the people. Sharing the peace transitions us to the Meal.

The Meal is made up of the Offering and the Thanksgiving at the Table which is based on the Christ's supper. The table setting, the great thanksgiving, the breaking of the bread, and communion are all done according to Christ's command to "do this in remembrance of me". The Sanctus is sung as a response after the Great Thanksgiving. This is followed by the Communion Song (Lamb of God).

The Sending contains a Blessing, a Sending Song and Dismissal. The Sending empowers the congregation to take God's message into the world.

Like so many things in the world, (music, science, nature, etc.) patterns eliminate the chaos. Thanks Be To God!!



## Finance Team Update Income & Expenses Monthly and YTD

January Income: .....\$26,124.73  
January Expense: .....\$15,251.89  
January Balance .....\$10,872.84

YTD Income: .....\$26,124.73  
YTD Expense: .....\$15,251.89  
YTD Balance .....\$10,872.84  
Plus Carryover.....\$9,506.26  
General Budget Fund .....\$20,379.10



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**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**

**Game Day**

Thursday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1:00 pm  
*Fellowship Hall*

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

(Retired Old Men Eating Out)  
Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 am  
*Village Inn East*

**Adult Fellowship**

March, February 8<sup>th</sup>  
11:30 am  
*Pizza Ranch*

**Blessings & Brunch**

Friday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 am.  
*Fellowship Hall*  
All women are welcome!

**Mission Action Committee**  
(Quilters)

Wednesdays, 9:30 am  
*Fellowship Hall*

Mission Statement: Forgiven by Grace, Serving by Faith

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

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**Worship Services:**

Sunday at 9:30 am, followed by fellowship

Wednesday at 7:00 pm, preceded by a meal at 6:00 pm During Lent these meals are hosted by various committees

**Staff:**

Pastor Lowell Hennigs

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