

*Come to Faith, Honor God's Word
To be inspired and reconnected to God's Word and God's people, to
share the message of the cross, and to bring God's love and healing to
people in need.*

January 2024

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." – Jeremiah 29:11

Lord, what do you have for me this year? Perhaps you are reading this and have not as of yet decided on a New Year's resolution. That's just fine. You don't really need one. But whether you have one or not, have you asked God what His plans are for you this year? Pray about it. Ask Him if there are things He would like you to stop doing. Ask Him if there are things He would like you to start doing? Ask Him if there are things He would like you to keep on doing.

This is a wonderful opportunity to see your life with new eyes and get some perspective from God. Then, instead of making a resolution like most of us do and either forgetting about it or failing to succeed in our desire for change, you can trust God to work in your life to do what He has determined to do. When Moses led the Israelites out of slavery to Egypt, they came to the Red Sea and were stuck between a huge body of water and the chariots of the Egyptians following close behind them. Moses knew that God wanted Him to lead the people to freedom, but Moses could not, in his own strength, overcome this obstacle. God told him this: "The Lord will fight for you; you need only to be still." For this year's resolution, perhaps take the same advice: Ask God what He wants for your life and then be still as He works in your life to achieve His goals.

Lord, what do you have for me this month? There is a famous quote that I have seen attributed to Desmond Tutu, General Creighton Abrams and Francis of Assisi. "There is only one way to eat an elephant: one bite at a time." I don't know who said it exactly, but I understand the meaning: When there is a big job that you must complete, you can't finish it all at once. You have to accomplish it one step at a time. Perhaps you feel God calling you to reassess your life in one aspect or another.

Maybe you are supposed to look for a different job, or reprioritize your family's budget, or plan your time so that you get more sleep each day. However, you may feel overwhelmed by all the complications that must be dealt with in order to complete that task. If that is the case, don't try to do it all at once. Ask God what He wants you to do just this month. What is the next step on the road that God would like you to travel? "Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and your plans will succeed. In his heart, a man plans his course, but the Lord determines his steps." – Proverbs 16:3,9

Lord, what do you have for me today? The Chinese philosopher Lao Tzu once said, "The journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step." Perhaps looking at the next year or even the next month seems like too much for you right now. You may have just gone through a very difficult season and you aren't ready to look too far into the future. And yet God still has plans for you today and tomorrow. I would encourage you to pray and ask God to give you His eyes to see the next step that He wants you to take.

When Jesus told His disciples that He was starting His journey to Jerusalem and to His death, He told them, "And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. You know the way to the place where I am going. Thomas said to Him, 'Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?' Jesus answered, 'I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.'" – John 14:3-6 Thomas wanted a map to see what was coming up ahead, but Jesus told him: I am the map! Follow Me! Each day, before you get out of bed or while you are doing your daily devotional, ask that God would help you follow Him and that will set you on the best course for following Him today, this month and throughout the year ahead. Amen.

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E.L.C. COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES—NOV. 12, 2023

The regular council meeting was called to order at 5:04 p.m. by President Huff. Present: David Huff, Rhonda Boehm, Samantha Gettler, Gini Herr, Craig Plymesser, Dan Berg, Roger Jensen, Louise Johnson, and Pastor Steve Broers.

Absent: Iris Westphal

Guests: George Feazell

Pastor Broers presented the devotions from 2nd Timothy 3: 16: It is to help leaders refocus on what they should be doing. He also encouraged council members to bring their bible to the next council meeting.

Craig Plymesser read the minutes from the October 8 council meeting. Motion to approve minutes as corrected was made by Dan Berg and seconded by Roger Jensen. Motion carried.

Gini Herr presented the Treasurer's report. There was lengthy discussion on the vision fund and the expected shortfall for this year's budget. Roger Jensen moved to approve the treasurer's report and Samantha Gettler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There were no requests for emergency benevolence funds. Pastor reported on his normal activities. Motion to approve Pastor's written report and expenses by Gini Herr, seconded by Louise Johnson. Approved

Ministry Reports:

Women of the ELC: They have been meeting and agreed that their meetings should be the second Monday of the month.

A special THANK YOU to the Women of the ELC for purchasing a new TV and DVD player for the basement rooms!

Altar Guild: The altar guild is scheduled to put the Christmas tree up on November 27th.

Property:

A special THANK You to the Men of the Church for purchasing a new mat to put in the entryway to the Parish Hall!

Roger reported that a ramp threshold has been installed on the outside Parish Hall doors to ease entrance into the church. He also reported that the soffit work on the parsonage has been completed, but that new leaf guards on the gutters would need to be installed. Gini Herr motioned, seconded by Samantha Gettler, to move ahead with the leaf guard project for approximately \$1600.00. Landscaping and seeding the lawn will most likely have to wait until spring. The contractor scheduled to do that work lost his employee. The council encouraged Roger to seek another contractor.

Music and Worship: Craig Plymesser motioned, seconded by Rhonda Boehm to reinstate the practice of "Passing the Peace" during worship services. Motion passed, with two abstaining.

Children's Ministry: Denise's full report will be in the newsletter. Lots of great information, PLEASE READ!

Adult Ministries: N/R

Memorial: N/R

Stewardship: A copy of the minutes of the committee meeting will be published in the newsletter. Please read.

Outreach: A copy of the minutes of the committee meeting will be published in the newsletter. Please read.

Old Business:

There was confusion as to who is to write the annual stewardship letter. We will delay it until next council meeting to confirm what letter will be sent.

New Business:

The council reviewed suggestions for updating how information is conveyed to the council for meetings.

Pastor Broers reviewed a document with an in-depth look at the financial situation. There was discussion on how to better report/understand financial information.

Pastor, Denise, and Craig gave updates on information received at the 2023 LCMC Annual Gathering. It was suggested to hold a Q&A at the fellowship time between services to allow congregation members better access to the information. We will also put links to the presentations in the next newsletter.

The council spent time trying to better understand how the Vision fund works. It was suggested to spend time at the next Annual Meeting to refresh everyone's memory of why it was established, and how it works.

The council reviewed the status of the church secretary and thanked Denise Bridges for stepping in to assist with all the secretarial responsibilities. Rhonda Boehm motioned, seconded by Dan Berg, to pay Denise for her time spent as acting secretary, at the secretary's hourly rate, until a new person can be hired. Approved. Rhonda then amended her motion to make pay retroactive to October 1, seconded by Dan Berg. Approved.

George Feazell reported that he had checked the wiring for the carillons with assistance from Kelly Hall, and that there is a break in the circuit, somewhere. He is not sure of what the next steps will be but will continue to investigate the best course of action.

The council reviewed the progress on obtaining estimates for new kitchen cabinets for the parsonage. A new estimate from the Amish contractor was received but was not inclusive of all items needed. Roger Jensen motioned that we table the project until the Congregational Annual Meeting in January, seconded by Dan Berg, until we had comparable estimates available for review and a better understanding of the church's financial situation. Approved.

Roger Jensen motioned, seconded by Samantha Gettler, to adjourn the meeting. Approved.

President David Huff closed the meeting at 7:02 pm with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Craig Plymesser, Secretary



Annual Meeting Reports Due Jan. 10th

If you are in charge of a group or committee, please make sure your reports get to the office by the end of the day on Wednesday, January 10! Thank you!

Annual Church Meeting January 21 at 9:30 a.m.

The Annual Church Meeting will be held January 21 at 9:30 a.m. between services. Please plan to attend and vote!

E.L.C. MINISTRY REPORTS — NOVEMBER 2023

Women of the ELCA:

The women continue to have Bible Study the 2nd Wednesday of every month. Things are going well even with very small attendance. Recently, they have been focused on supporting with their mission giving, the NV Ministerial Association, Toys for the GROW Pre-school Rooms, and purchased a Smart TV and DVD Player for the HS/Confirmation Classroom. This has allowed us to utilize online studies for the HS on Wednesday nights.
Denise Bridges

Altar Guild:

The Church has been decorated for fall and we have started taking Poinsettia orders. We have been able to get the plants for the same price as last year. The Christmas Tree will be put up on Monday, November 27th and the plan is for the High School kids with Denise will decorate the tree on Wednesday, November 29th.
Iris Westphal

Property Report:

The threshold is complete going in to Parish Hall. It was installed on Monday, October 30th. While the parsonage soffit has been repaired, the leaf guard was not salvageable. Estimate for the Leaf Guard from Reeves is \$1,600. Do we want Leaf Guard on the gutters?
I am trying to reach Rod McMorran to see if he is going to get the seeding done this fall along the fence.
Roger Jensen

Music and Worship: No update

Children's and Youth Ministry:

Highlights:

-Gong to the LCMC Gathering with Thad, Pastor and the Plymessenger's was not only enjoyable but also a valuable learning experience. The speakers were inspiring, the worship fulfilling and meeting new people was a huge plus. I really enjoyed meeting in person some the Youth Ministers that I have been meeting with this past year on Zoom. For next year some of us are working on some ideas and plans to have several meetings and speakers at the conference next year to focus on the youth of our churches.

This past month has been moving very fast, with both new kids and families both in GROW and High School. It has been refreshing and exciting to see and meet all of them. Through October, we have now added 6 new families to our GROW and HS groups.

G.R.O.W. News:

-The new Celebrate Wonder curriculum has been continuing to settle in with both the kids and the teachers. Learning the new flow of the night and how things are taught has been a change, but things are starting to settle down. We spent the first 5 weeks learning about Adam and Eve and now are at the end of spending 5 weeks learning about Abraham and Sarah. The week after Thanksgiving we will be working on the story of Jesus birth.

-As I write this, we will have completed the two weeks of packing boxes for Operation Christmas Child. The kids did an amazing job, the adults were true troopers, and it appears that we will have surpassed my personal goal of 125 boxes.

-Our 2nd Annual Family Christmas night is in the works for December 20. Plans are in the works for family pictures, dinner, Christmas cookies, a family craft, and the telling of the Christmas Story by Pastor.

-Work has started on putting together the Childrens Christmas Program for Christmas Eve. Even though this is becoming a little harder to put together with kids having less availability, I feel that it will come together and show the love of Christmas to all.

Confirmation Class News:

-The confirmation Fundraising Breakfast on October 22 was a success and raised more than we needed to send the class to ReCharge with Pastor the first week of November. The support of the congregation was stellar and much appreciated.

-All our 7/8th grade kids and 1 kid from the community were able to attend camp and it was a great weekend for all of them.

-Continue to assist Pastor with tracking attendance and points with the confirmation class along with follow-up with the parents.

High School Group News:

-High School has continue to meet on Wednesday nights starting at 7:45 after GROW. We have been averaging 9-10 kids each week and we are now working on 5-week video series on SALT, sharing God with our friends and helping answer questions our non-Christian friend may have. It has opened several good conversations.

-The first Middle School/High School 5th Quarter was held on Friday night, Oct. 6 after the last home game of the season. It was held at the Gathering Place after the football game. It was a total success and there were 4 area churches involved from the NV Ministerial Association. Plans are in the works for several more during basketball season, we are looking at one for December and another in January.

Congregation:

-Coordinating our church's participation with Reading Program for the Nodaway Elementary students. We have 8 adults from our church who have indicated their interest and reading is starting the first week of November.

-Attended the ELC Women's Bible Study here at the church.

-Attend and participate in the weekly prayer meeting on Thursday mornings in the church.

Volunteer Update:

-I am continuing to meet and reach out to people both at church and in the community.

Community/School Outreach:

-Attended school events and library programs, community gospel concerts.

This fall, I will be working with the Nodaway Valley Archery team as one of the coaches.

Current Projects:

-Currently assisting Pastor and the Church with covering the open secretary position.

-Planning and working on winter children, middle school, and high school events.

-Working on organization and cleaning of all children's classrooms and storage areas.

-Continuing to work on youth monthly events.

Denise Bridges

Adult Ministry: No update

Memorial: No update

Stewardship:

The Stewardship team met on Monday, October 9th at 6:00. Present were Craig Plymessenger, Rhonda Boehm, Gini Herr, Raedeen Bigelow, Vicki Brown, Denise Bridges and Pastor Steven Broers.

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-Pastor Broers led devotions about encouraging the congregation in their gift of giving using 2nd Corinthians 8:7 as the text.

We discussed fundraising ideas and agreed to focus giving toward all the ministries of the church and maintenance needs rather than specifically toward projects at the parsonage.

Pastor Broers brought up the 90-Day Tithing Challenge and the group discussed that while it was a good idea, we did not want to offer refunds from the church. In addition, many people agreed that we needed to not only focus on tithing but on encouraging people to increase their giving incrementally.

This led to a discussion on how to help people learn to give. We talked about the following ideas that we are hoping to implement over the next several months and in 2024.

Sermons on giving and stewardship

Having a time during the service where a member of a ministry team could explain what they are doing and how much it costs. We are hoping to better inform the congregation about our ministry expenses and how we need their commitment to give each year. We want congregation members to do these explanations rather than solely relying on pastor to talk about it.

We discussed beginning to pass the offering plate again at each service especially to help newer and younger members remember the importance of giving to the church.

Offer Financial Peace University

90-Day Tithing Challenge for those who would be interested, but there would be no formal campaign. It would be on the honor system and nobody at the church would know who was doing it and who wasn't. No refunds would be offered.

Put information about stewardship in the newsletter each month.

Share information with the congregation about how to support the church through such things as required minimum distributions/commodities/Thrivent giving/Last Will and Testaments.

The meeting ended at approximately 7:10. Pastor Broers

Outreach:

The Outreach team met on Tuesday, November 8th at 6:30. Present were Gini Herr, Raedeen Bigelow, Iris Westphal, Ed Christensen, Vicki Brown, Louise Johnson and Pastor Steven Broers. Pastor Broers.

Pastor Broers led a devotion from Acts 1:8 about the importance of reaching out to both those who believe and to those who do not.

Upcoming Outreach events were discussed such as the Thanksgiving meal on Sunday, November 19 and the Unnamed Men's Group and Breakfast on Saturday, December 2nd led by Thad Bridges.

Everyone was encouraged to attend these events and to let other people know. We also discussed sponsoring a couple of families from the Neighborhood Center. Raedeen explained that she was still receiving requests and would let us know as soon as she knew what families were available.

Pastor Broers brought up an idea to have a Valentine's Supper on Saturday, February 10th. It would involve a meal, a video titled "Helping Couples Win" and there would be childcare available downstairs. The idea was supported by the group. Gini Herr will organize the food and we are going to ask the high schoolers if they would help with childcare.

We are going to ask for a free-will donation. The event would start at 6:00 and be over by 8:00 and we will need a head count for food and childcare by Sunday, February 3rd. We will be meeting again in January for any last-minute details.

We also discussed holding a Young Women's Conference here at church in the Spring. Possible date of Saturday, April 13th. We could provide donuts/muffins/juice for breakfast, sack lunch and then possibly cater supper from Soul Shine. We do not expect a large crowd, but hoping for at least ten women who could commit to coming. The idea would be for this event to be held specifically for young adult women and have workshop activities and a speaker aimed at young women going through the same stage of life. Pastor Broers will discuss with the young women's group at church and start planning the event.

Pastor Broers brought up the idea of leading Zoom Discipleship meetings for people who no longer attend church, young adults who have moved out of town and do not attend a church and college students. He heard about the idea from a pastor at Okoboji and discussed with the Program Director at Okoboji Lutheran Bible Camps. The group supported trying the idea to see if there was any interest.

Finally, we discussed ways to reach out to the members of our church as well as those who are not Christians yet. We talked about the importance of reaching out especially to those people in our community who have lost a church in the past year (Presbyterian church in Greenfield and the Methodist church in Fontanelle). Pastor will write a newsletter article and announce in church about the importance of inviting friends without a church home to services in Advent and especially Christmas services. We believe personal invitation is the best way to encourage people to come to church and/or come back to church. We believe focusing on small groups is the best way to invite people into a relationship with Jesus.

Pastor Broers discussed that many groups are starting right now: Young women's group, Unnamed men's group, families with littles, zoom discipleship groups. We will be praying about how to best support these groups in the church so that others might come to faith.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30pm. Respectfully submitted by Pastor Broers.





Poinsettias Shared 2023

In memory of.....From

- Inez Brown, Herman Brown.....Kurt & Rhonda Boehm
- Hank & Pauline Bohling..... Lynn Bohling Family
- Grandma & Mom Rita Fenske.....The Bridges Family
- Megan Crees & FamilyAndy Crees
- Janice Dickerson, Burton VanEaton.....Jim Dickerson & Linda VanEaton
- Bernie Gundel..... Myrna Erb-Gundel
- My dog, FloydAdelynne Feazell
- Burton Van Eaton, Zoey VanEaton.....Brian & Lori Fox
- Richard E. Grandgenett Denise Grandgenett & Nellie Griffith
- Maurice P. Mittritsen.....Denise Grandgenett & Nellie Griffith
- Paul Herr.....Gini Herr & Family
- Walter Herr.....Gini Herr & Family
- Marian Herr.....Gini Herr & Family
- Elton Herr, Doug Herr.....Maxine Herr
- Jack & Irene Lingenfelter, Vernon & JoAnn Hoover.....Nate & Amy Hoover
- Clarence & Edna Fenneman, Leila Kruger.....Nate & Amy Hoover
- Janice Thompson, Andy Jensen.....Roger & Tammy Jensen
- Infant Granddaughter, Parents, Grandparents.....Gene & Mardell Martin
- Sara Elizabeth McKibban.....Steve & Barb McKibban & Family
- Wayne & Aneta Nelson, Pastor & Helen Burrack.....Ron & Judy Nelson
- Susanne Pettit.....Nancy & Steve Pettit
- Mike Pettit.....Nancy & Steve Pettit
- Earl Baudler, Durwood & Dorothy Purdy.....Rollie & Earlene Purdy
- Meg Davis, Virginia Lockey, Sharon (Wheatley) Turner, Darlene Dayton.....Rollie & Earlene Purdy
- Emily Queck Eivins, Leslie Stanturf (Cris's dad).....Roger & Cris Queck
- Robert Harry Stringer, Jr.....Nancy Stringer
- Ray & Eileen Sorensen.....Mike & Dixie Sorensen & Families
- Jake Johnson.....Deb Tindle Family
- Jessica Tindle Olson.....Deb Tindle Family
- Leon Lundy.....Leo & Carole Weinheimer
- Leone Weinheimer Leo & Carole Weinheimer
- Zola Westphal.....Bruce Westphal & Family

The Altar Guild would like to thank everyone who graciously shared their poinsettias with the congregation this Christmas Season. They are absolutely beautiful in adorning our church to the glory of God!

Christmas Blessings to all of you!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fontanelle Emmanuel Lutheran Church Soup Lunch Fundraiser



Sunday, January 14, 2024, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm

FREE WILL OFFERING

Take out orders available.

Funds raised will be used to update the parsonage.



Valentine's Supper on Saturday, February 10th

Emmanuel would like to invite everyone to a special night to support us in our relationships with one another. We will be eating a meal together and watching a video titled "Helping Couples Win". There will be childcare provided downstairs in the church. Free will donation. Please let us know if you plan to attend by Sunday, February 3rd so that we can get a head count for food and childcare. We would love to see you there and you are encouraged to invite your friends as well! Contact the church office or text Denise at 712-789-0745.



Families with Littles

If you are a family with little children, we would love to get together and support one another. **We will be meeting again on Sunday, January 21st from 4:00-5:30 at Emmanuel.** Childcare will be provided in the Parish Hall. Parents will meet in the Bridal room. We will talk about parenting and faith topics to support one another during this important but difficult time of life. Please let us know you are coming by Friday, January 19th.



All information needs to be in the office by 8:00 a.m. on Thursday mornings for the bulletins.

Fund Balance Report As of November, 2023

General Fund	\$54,968.18
Vision Fund	
Undesignated	\$16,394.57
Designated Mission	\$4,200.00
Designated Building	\$1,100.00
Total	<u>\$21,694.57</u>
TOTAL	\$76,662.75

General Giving As of November 30, 2023	
Budget	\$203,500.00
Actual	<u>\$173,619.82</u>
	(\$29,880.18)



Secretary Job Opening

Emmanuel Lutheran is accepting resumes for the position of Church Secretary. Please see the description and how to apply on the church website: <https://www.fontanellelutheran.org/job-openings/>. For questions, please contact Pastor Broers



ELC WOMEN

January 10, 2024 at 1:30 p.m.

Hymn/Devotions/Meditation: Executive Committee

Bible Study: Pastor

Business Meeting: Roleen Chiles

Birthdays

Lord's Prayer



Announcements

Thank you

Thank you to all those who thought of our family this last Christmas! It means so much to us that you think of our family during such a busy time of the year. We feel honored to serve here at Emmanuel and your prayers and generosity help us to feel very loved. We appreciate you and thank God for you.

Steven, Kristy, Sophia, Malachi, Micah, Stephen and Zoe Broers



Thank you from our Christmas Adopt-A-Family

Below is a message we received from Matura, from one of our families we sponsored for Christmas. The Family has had a lot of challenges during the last year. So, this has really made her day. Please pass this message from her along to our congregation if you would. Thank you from all of us at Matura-Greenfield.

From adopt a family number 1:

I am Literally crying of thankfulness I am really, really thankful. To you and those families who have helped me and my kids Before signing up for this program, I was very anxious and sad because I wasn't going to be able to get them really anything. I really appreciate this from the bottom of my heart.
(Mom)



PRAYER REQUESTS

PRAYER REQUESTS HEALING AND HEALTH CONCERNS...

Dorene Feick, Chelsea Payne, Phyllis Hanke, Noah Reed, Barney Zimmerline, Austin Drake (Karen Schulteis' nephew), Lana Adams-Herr (wife of Galen Herr), Amanda Symns, Dennis Subbert

Greenfield Rehab Center Residents – Ralph Lane, LaVerne Estell, Norma Finck, Harold Nelson, Irma Jacobson, Charlene Baudler, Irma Mitchell, Doc Thompson

Assisted Living Residents – Larry Hohertz, Deloris Plymessenger, Margaret Marckmann



Remember Our Service Men and Women Serving at Home and Abroad – Special prayers for Lucas Queck, Austin Brown (grandson of Stan Brown), Curtis Darr, Colton Hernandez (great-grandson of Phyllis Hanke), Brett Schafroth (Lori and Brian Fox's nephew)



LCMC Day of Prayer

Recently, many congregations in Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ (LCMC) participated in Three Days of Prayer from January 2nd-4th. While you may not have been able to join them over those three days, you might want to pray about these topics sometime on your own.

On Day One, they prayed for LCMC congregations and leaders including pastors, staff and Council members. Day Two, they prayed for people who don't yet know Jesus as Savior and Lord as well as for prodigals: Christians who have walked away from a life of faith in Jesus. Finally, on Day Three, they prayed for International churches and Christian networks around the world. For more information, please go to www.lcmc.net

There are so many ways to support Emmanuel financially that don't involve writing a check!

- Make Emmanuel Lutheran Church the charitable beneficiary of your required minimum distributions from investments.
- Choose Emmanuel Lutheran Church for your Thrivent Choice dollars.
- Consider donating the income from your commodities.
- Leave a legacy for future generations by designating a portion of your estate to Emmanuel Lutheran Church in your Last Will and Testament.

Please discuss with your tax preparer about these possible tax strategies to see if you would qualify. These options could benefit both you as the donor as well as the church. Thanks!



CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRY REPORT



Family Fun Night on December 20th was a big success. The Parish Hall was full with over 110 kids and family members celebrating the Christmas Season. Pizza and Christmas Cookies were eaten, wreaths with the Nativity were put together and the night ended with songs performed for the crowd and the telling of the Christmas Story by Pastor Broers.



Men's Fellowship Breakfast

All men are invited to join us for the "Unnamed Men's Group Breakfast" on Saturday, January 6 at 8:00 am in the Parish Hall. Spend some time with guys from the Church and Community. Enjoy a good meal and some fellowship!

Thank you from the Men's Group and Outreach Committee

The Harvest Meal in November raised \$1500.00 for the parsonage updates.

Thank you for your



CHRISTMAS EVE AT EMMANUEL 2023



DECEMBER 2023 G.R.O.W. SCHEDULE

January 2024	January 3	January 10	January 17	January 24	January 31
PreK Teacher:		Gini Herr	Gini Herr	Gini Herr	Fun Night Gini Herr
PreK Teacher:	No	Alyse Dreher	Alyse Dreher	Alyse Dreher	Alyse Dreher
PreK Teacher:	Grow	Rachel Hall	Rachel Hall	Rachel Hall	Rachel Hall
PreK Help:					
K Teacher:	Happy				
K Help:	New Year	Kylie Nelson	Kylie Nelson	Kylie Nelson	Kylie Nelson
1-2 Teacher:		Jodi Baudler	Kim Nelson	Kim Nelson	Kim Nelson
1-2 Help:		Ashlyn Beaman	Ashlyn Beaman	Ashlyn Beaman	Ashlyn Beaman
3-4 Teacher:		Kendalyn Huff	Kendalyn Huff	Kendalyn Huff	Kendalyn Huff
3-4 Help:		Jeremy Rohner	Jeremy Rohner	Jeremy Rohner	Jeremy Rohner
3-4 Parent Helpers		Kristy Broers	Kristy Broers	Kristy Broers	Kristy Broers
5-6 Teacher:		Brenda Plymesser	Brenda Plymesser	Brenda Plymesser	Brenda Plymesser
5-6 Help:		Malachi Broers	Malachi Broers	Malachi Broers	Malachi Broers
Extra Help:		Jenn, Ben	Jenn, Ben	Jenn, Ben	Jenn, Ben
Kitchen Help		Iris, Raedeen, Diane	Iris, Raedeen, Diane	Iris, Raedeen, Diane	Iris, Raedeen, Diane
Kitchen Help		Heather	Heather	Heather	Heather
Lesson Theme:		Joyous News	The Magi	The Lord's Prayer	Winter Snow Fun Night
Bible Verses:		Luke 2:8-20	Matthew 2:1-12	Matthew 6:5-15	God is Special
Confirmation		Brittany Bridges	Brittany Bridges	Brittany Bridges	Brittany Bridges



We Need You!

There are many different roles and places in our Children's Ministry programs that we need filled. Give Denise a call and she would love to share with you some different ways you could help the youth in our church and community. Our youth need adults who will:

- *Love God and live for Christ
- *Be Real
- *Laugh and have a good time
- *Love youth and be interested in their lives
- *Be patient
- *Share Gods love

Give Denise a call today:

712-789-0745

or email

emmanualiayouth@gmail.com

January 2024 Worship Responsibilities

Contemporary Service	January 7	January 14	January 21	January 28
Worship Leader	Brian F.	Ann R.	Dave H.	Rhonda B.
Keyboard	Kellie M.	Kellie M.	Kellie M.	Kellie M.
Drums	Dan D.	Malachi B.	Dan D.	Malachi B.
Rhythm Guitar	Pastor	Pastor	Pastor	Pastor
Male Vocalists	All	All	All	All
Female Vocalists	All	All	All	All
Acolytes	Clay R.	Mason J.	Clay R.	Jack B.
Greeters/Treats	Clay R., Kurt & Rhonda B.	Dax C., Sam & Brian G.	Clay R., Nellie G. & Jeanne J.	Mason J., Kathy G. & Jane L.
Hospitality Host/Hostess	Bob & Barb Q.	Jeremy & Ann R.	Kiley H. & Deb T.	Kurt & Rhonda B.
1st Reading	Brittany B.	Mason J.	Kiley H.	Jack B.
2nd Reading	Alyse D.	Wanda J.	Jim D.	Mason J.
Gospel	Dave H.	Jeremy R.	Kristy B.	Deb T.
Confession/Forgiveness	Pastor	Pastor	Pastor	Pastor
Prayers	Brian F.	Ann R.	Dave H.	Rhonda B.
Communion Helpers	Lori F., Jim D., Jorand F.		Kiley H., Levi G., Darla B.	
Count Offering (*C. Member)	Gini H., Rhonda B.	Sam G.	Council Member	Rhonda B.
Sound	Rollie P.	Jayden R.	John B.	George F.
Cameras	Micah B.	George F.	Micah B.	John B.
Pro Presenter	Malachi B.	Micah B.	George F.	Micah B.
Traditional Service				
Organist	Kathy T.	Shirley M.	Karen S.	Shriley M.
Greeters/Ushers	Heidi & Doug R.	Margy H. & Carla L.	Rae & Paul B.	Darry & Roleen C.
Acolytes	Taylor R.	Iris W.	Malachi B.	Brittany B.
1st Reading	Tucker R.	Amy H.	Rollie P.	Kristy B.
Psalm Reading	Tucker R.	Amy H.	Rollie P.	Kristy B.
2nd Reading	Kristy B.	Iris W.	Paul B.	Brittany B.
Gospel	Pastor	Pastor	Pastor	Pastor
Communion Helpers	Iris W.		Paul B.	
Offering	Iris W.	Iris W.	Iris W.	Iris W.
Sound/Cameras	Matt G.	Ben H.	Matt G.	George F.
Pro Presenter	Tom T.	Nate H.	Micah B.	Malachi B.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	New Year's Day 1	2	3	4	5	6
	Offices Closed – Holiday 	6:30-8:30p Financial Peace University	7:00a Men's Bible Study	9:00a Prayer Group		8:00a Unnamed Men's Breakfast
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
7:30a Praise Team Warm-Up 8:30a Contemporary Worship 9:30a Hospitality (Parish Hall/Kitch) 10:30a Traditional Worship	10:00a FB Bible Study	11:00a Con- temp. Worship Planning 6:30-8:30p Financial Peace University	7:00a Men's Bible Study 1:30p ELC Women 6:00p GROW 6:00p Confirmation	9:00a Prayer Group 10:00a Tradi- tional Worship Planning		Men's Group Kitchen Prep
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
7:30a Praise Team Warm-Up 8:30a Contemporary Worship 9:30a Hospitality (Parish Hall/Kitch) 10:30a Traditional Worship 11:30a-1:00p Men's Group Soup Luncheon 5:00p Council Meeting	10:00a FB Bible Study	6:30-8:30p Financial Peace University	7:00a Men's Bible Study 6:00p GROW 6:00p Confirmation 7:45p KFC High School	9:00a Prayer Group		
Annual Meeting 21	22	23	24	25	26	27
7:30a Praise Team Warm-Up 8:30a Contemporary Worship 9:30a Hospitality (Parish Hall/Kitch) 9:30a Annual Meeting 10:30a Traditional Worship 4:00p Families with Littles 6:30p Praise Team Practice	10:00a FB Bible Study	6:30-8:30p Financial Peace University	7:00a Men's Bible Study 6:00p GROW 6:00p Confirmation 7:45p KFC High School	9:00a Prayer Group		
28	29	30	31	Feb. 1	Feb. 2	Feb. 3
7:30a Praise Team Warm-Up 8:30a Contemporary Worship 9:30a Hospitality (Parish Hall/Kitch) 10:30a Traditional Worship 5:00p 4H Meeting, Basement 6:30p Praise Team Practice	10:00a FB Bible Study 5:00p Council Agen- da Due for March	6:30-8:30p Financial Peace University	7:00a Men's Bible Study 6:00p GROW Kid's Fun Night 6:00p Confirmation 7:45p KFC High School	9:00a Prayer Group		8:00a Unnamed Men's Breakfast

JANUARY CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAYS



- 1/1 Lauren Bricker, Josh Christensen
Garrett Sherley
- 1/2 Josh Nelson
- 1/3 Norma Finck
- 1/4 Charlene Baudler, Kathryn Gross,
Kristyn (Thompson) Mercer, Rachel Held
- 1/5 Lincoln Glaister-Wentworth
- 1/6 Ross Herr, Joshua Nelson
- 1/7 Elizabeth Hansen, Max Marckmann
- 1/8 Maria Sorensen, Harrison Leiss
- 1/9 Nicholas Gross, Lauren Huff, Kristi Rhoads, Kaden Herr, Brandon Raasch, Prudence Nelson
- 1/10 Eric Erbes, Ed Christensen, Jarek Johnson, Jagger Crees
- 1/11 Angela Swanson, Karolyn Ortgies
- 1/12 Brenda Hansen, Derek Laughery
- 1/13 Wendy Wilson, William (Liam) Huff
- 1/15 Gena (Held) Ward, Providence Nelson, Lux Crees
- 1/16 Krista Mostaert Schatz, Sue Rohner
- 1/17 Adam Queck
- 1/18 Jennie Bigelow Anderson, Michael Dodson,
Clifton Baudler, Khloee Byrum
- 1/19 Kimberly Johnson, Henry Bohling
- 1/20 Ruth (Johnson) Henderson, Rhonda Boehm
- 1/21 Mary (Huff) Ray, Lori Nelson
- 1/22 Clel Herr, Harold Nelson
- 1/23 Betty Weinheimer, Benjamin Richards
- 1/24 Tara Lamborn Fisk, Annie Herr, Blake Lund, Micaiah Thompson
- 1/25 Brad Nelson, Aubrey Kramer
- 1/28 Rebecca Gross
- 1/29 Laura (Schwartz) Dreiss
- 1/30 Miranda Baudler, Craig Marckmann,
Nadene Wolfe, Mandi Eisbach
- 1/31 Margy Helm, Phyllis Hanke

BAPTISMS

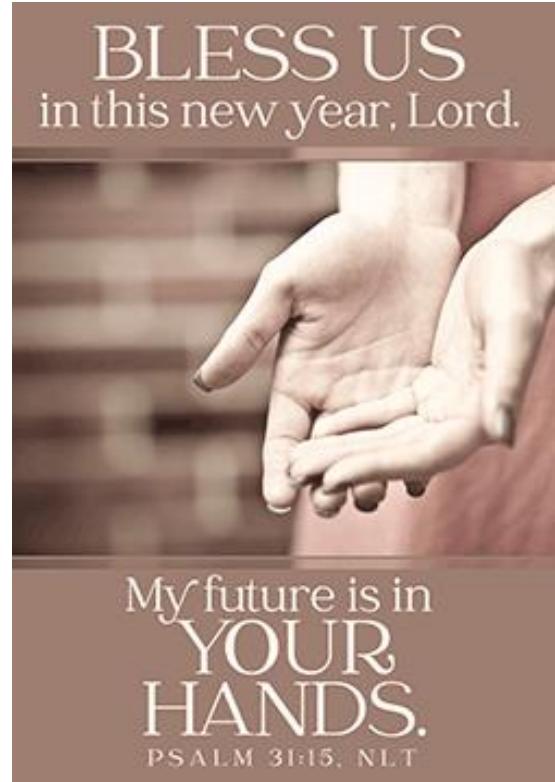


- 1/1 Brock McKibban
- 1/5 Irma Jacobson, Brysen Emerson
- 1/10 Dylan Sassatelli
- 1/12 Jenna Burmeister
- 1/15 Josh Christensen
- 1/17 Amy Perkey
- 1/21 Mardell Martin, Avett Feick, Allie Cornelison
- 1/22 Brady Burg
- 1/25 Megan Feick
- 1/28 Kristyn (Thompson) Mercer
- 1/26 Emma Perkey, Kennedy Perkey
- 1/31 Brenda Hansen

ANNIVERSARIES



- 1/1 Matt & Heidi Rohrig
- 1/3 David & Kendalyn Huff
- 1/4 Roger & Tammy Jensen
Frank & Anna Richards
- 1/10 Nathan & Amy Hoover
- 1/12 Max & Vera Marckmann
- 1/14 Tom & Kathy Thompson
- 1/15 Bob & Barbara Queck
- 1/16 Paul & Raedeen Bigelow
- 1/23 John & Michelle Mensing
- 1/28 Jeff & Gloria Martin



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Sunday Traditional Service—10:30 a.m.