



# EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH THE HERALD

*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.*

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

April 2023

I was a big soccer fan as a child. I played in soccer camps throughout elementary school and was a part of indoor soccer leagues as well throughout the winter up in Minnesota. Because I played goalie, I had special pants, a special jersey and expensive goalie gloves as well. I read all kinds of books about soccer and even had a subscription to *Soccer Digest!* My favorite player was the goalie for the Professional MLS team the Minnesota Strikers named Tino Letteri. I knew everything about him.

Then one day, I walked past a guy who looked just like him. I ran to my dad and said, "I think that's Tino Letteri! I really do! That's Tino Letteri!" I was so nervous to go speak to him. I ran back and forth trying to build up the courage to say a word to him. Finally, I ran up, tapped him on the shoulder and asked, "Are you Tino Letteri?" He said, "Yes I am." Then I blurted out, "YOU'RE MY BIGGEST FAN!" and I ran back to my father exhilarated! Eventually, when I realized what I had said and what an idiot I must have looked like, I felt embarrassed and didn't want to meet him again. But my dad went and talked to him and I had a longer conversation a few days later. I eventually worked for him at the Renaissance Faire since he owned a little shop there to sell Panzarottis (calzone-like pastries).

Did I know a lot about Tino Letteri? Yes, but meeting him was much different than knowing all about him in my head. Building a relationship with him ended up being a lot more difficult than I had originally expected. Communicating with him needed to be a two-way street and that was going to take some time. In the same way, I think that many of you may know a lot about Jesus, but haven't really taken the scary and yet extremely important step of building a relationship with your Lord and Savior. Do you only talk to the Lord or do you take time to listen to what He has to say back? Have you ever been in awe of being in God's presence? Or do you simply "know" Him from afar and stay His "biggest fan" rather than taking the time to become

His friend?

I have learned a lot about the Bible and about what others have thought about God. I have studied the great theologians of Christianity over the centuries while at seminary and I continue to read books about how to best impact the world on behalf of the kingdom of God. Every week, I write sermons to try to explain how the Biblical witness affects our lives and how the gospel of Jesus Christ changes the life of every person who puts their faith in Him. And yet, I do not believe that knowing more about God gets us any closer to our heavenly goal. We are saved by faith in Jesus Christ alone. And that means that we each need to focus on building a relationship with Jesus.

The message of Easter is that God saved us ALL BY HIMSELF. He didn't need us to choose Him. He died on the cross for our sins because we did NOT choose Him. So then why do we read our Bibles or do Bible studies? Why do we read devotionals or go to Christian conferences or read books about God? Because God's love for us has inspired us to want to learn more about Him: to know the depth and width and height of His love for us. But no matter how much we learn and study and talk about God, we never get past the need to truly KNOW Him rather than just knowing ABOUT Him.

How might you grow to know Jesus? Start by getting to know His friends. Ask others how they have come to know Jesus. How do they communicate with Him? Then spend time in His presence at church or reading the Bible or listening to Christian radio or praying. Getting to meet Jesus is a completely different experience compared to learning about Him, but it is worth it! It's scary to think that maybe we have been missing something important even after coming to church for so long, but perhaps that's how much time it took to realize how important a relationship with the Savior actually is. Don't settle for just knowing about Jesus this Easter season. Get to know the man who died for you. Amen.

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# E.L.C. COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES— 1/8/2023

The regular council meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m. by President Gross. Present: Matt Gross, Bill Ernst, Dan Berg, Dan Dreher, Craig Plymesser, Samantha Gettler, David Huff, Gini Herr and Pastor Steve Broers. Guest: George Feazell, Denise Bridges

Absent: Louise Johnson

Pastor Broers opened the meeting with devotions from Matthew 6 – don't worry about your life.

Craig read the minutes from the December 11 council meeting. Motion to approve minutes as corrected was made by Dan Berg and seconded by Samantha Gettler. Motion carried.

Gini Herr presented the Treasurer's report. All finances are in excellent condition. David Huff moved to approve the treasurer's report and Bill Ernst seconded the motion. Motion carried.

George Feazell presented the revised 2023 budget which included funding for the Youth Minister position. Dave Huff motioned, and Dan Dreher seconded that the council recommend the revised budget at the annual meeting. Carried

Discussion followed on benevolence giving. Gini Herr motioned, and Dan Berg seconded that we revise benevolence giving by cancelling giving to St. Jude's and the Salvation Army and instead direct 40% of the quarterly world benevolence to "The Well" program in 2023. Carried Dave Huff motioned, and Gini Herr seconded that we fund 5 camp counselor scholarships at \$500.00 each in 2023 from the Vision fund. Carried.

The requests from a Cedar Rapids mission church and "The Well" from Vision funds was tabled.

Pastor presented his report for the month of December. Gini Herr moved to approve the report and the expense reimbursement and Dan Dreher seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There were no requests for emergency benevolence funds.

## **Ministry Reports:**

**Women of the ELC:** N/R

**Altar Guild:** N/R

**Property:** The basement bathrooms have been fixed by Schultz Plumbing. Comments were made on the excellent job they performed. Dan Dreher reported that there had been water in the office area as a result of street flooding. An issue that has occurred before. It was agreed that it is a city problem with drainage and storm drainage. No resolution was offered. He also noted that we have furnace problems again. A furnace "mother board" on the furnace servicing the sanctuary had burned out on Christmas Eve. Schultz Plumbing was able to trade units with another furnace in our basement and have ordered parts. No word on the fencing for the parsonage. Denise noted repairs that need to be made in the upstairs classrooms.

**Music and Worship:** N/R

**Children's Ministry:** Denise noted the excellent attendance for whole family Christmas party with 132 attending, including many nonmember families. Her full report will be in the newsletter. Discussion followed on

obtaining permission/travel wavers from children attending events outside of the church.

**Memorial:** N/R

**Stewardship:** N/R

**Outreach:** A small group attended the movie night held in the church.

## **Old Business:**

The nominating committee has found 3 new council members for consideration by the congregation.

## **New Business:**

The reorganization meeting has been set for February 12 at the Country Kitchen in Stuart at 6 p.m. Council members and spouses, and staff are invited to attend. Council will pay for all dinners.

There was brief discussion on the annual meeting agenda.

Dan Dreher motioned, seconded by Gini Herr, that a request to use the church facilities on Tuesday, February 21 by the Pride of Iowa speech contestants be approved with no rent to be charged. Carried

Motion to adjourn at 6:45 p.m. was made by Dave Huff and seconded by Dan Berg. The motion carried.

President Gross closed the meeting with the Lord's prayer.

**Annual Meeting, January 15, at 9:30 a.m.**

**Next meeting: Sunday, February 12 at 6:00 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted: Craig Plymesser, Secretary

<b>Fund Balance Report</b>	
As of February 28, 2023	
General Fund	\$83,321.97
Children's Ministry	
Grow	(\$911.84)
Sponsor A Sheep	\$0.00
Other	(\$98.23)
Total	(\$1,010.07)
Vision Fund	
Undesignated	\$22,037.21
Designated Mission	\$0.00
Designated Building	\$4,466.91
Total	\$26,504.12
TOTAL	\$108,816.02

## E.L.C. COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES — 2/19/2023

The regular council meeting was called to order at 6:45 p.m. by President Gross. Present: Matt Gross, Bill Ernst, Dan Berg, Dan Dreher, Craig Plymesser, Samantha Gettler, David Huff, Louise Johnson, Gini Herr and Pastor Steve Broers.

Guest: George Feazell, Denise Bridges, Brenda Plymesser, Kendalyn Huff, Brian Gettler, Tammy Jensen, Roger Jensen, Rhonda Boehm, Kurt Boehm, Iris Westphal, Pat Westphal, Marsha Gross, Thad Bridges, Kristi Broers, and Tammy Jensen.

(The meeting was held at Zipp's Pizza in Adair, Iowa for the reorganizational meeting.)

Pastor Broers opened the meeting with devotions about "How to Make a Disciple".

Craig read the minutes from the January 9 council meeting. Motion to approve minutes as read was made by Dan Dreher and seconded by Bill Ernst. Motion carried.

Gini Herr presented the Treasurer's report. All finances are in excellent condition. Bill Ernst moved to approve the treasurer's report and Dan Berg seconded the motion. Motion carried.

George Feazell reviewed the normal handouts for new board members.

There were no requests for emergency benevolence funds. Pastor reviewed his January report. Gini Herr moved, seconded by Samantha Gettler to approve his report and expenses. Carried

### **Ministry Reports:**

**Women of the ELC:** N/R

**Altar Guild:** Christmas decorations have been removed. Forms were sent out for ordering Easter Lilies. Preparations were being made for upcoming baptisms.

**Property:** Dan reported that several repairs had been made to the parsonage; silverware drawer, faucet, basement sink and further study in dishwasher repair. Brush has been removed from the parsonage property with further work to be done in the near future pending weather. New matching lightbulbs are being obtained for the Sanctuary lights.

**Music and Worship:** N/R

**Children's Ministry:** Her full report will be in the newsletter. Denise is taking part in monthly Zoom meetings with other Children's director in LCMC from across the country. GROW opening/closing programs will be held in the Parish Hall during the Lenten season. GROW attendance numbers are increasing!

**Memorial:** N/R

**Stewardship:** N/R

**Outreach:** N/R

### **Old Business:**

Denise Bridges presented a new "travel liability" waiver to be used with all kids. The waiver has been approved by our insurance agent. Craig Plymesser motioned to adopt the new travel waiver form, seconded by David Huff. Carried

Motion to adjourn and transition to the organizational council meeting with the new council members at 7:28 p.m. was made by Samantha Gettler and seconded by Bill Ernst. Expressions of sincere gratitude were conveyed to retiring council members; Matt Gross, Bill Ernst, and Dan Dreher. The motion carried.

President Gross closed the meeting with the Lord's prayer.

Respectfully submitted: Craig Plymesser, Secretary



# E.L.C. COUNCIL REORG. MEETING MINUTES — 2/19/2023

The organizational council meeting was called to order at 7:28 p.m. by Pastor Steve Broers. Present: Dan Berg, Craig Plymesser, Samantha Gettler, David Huff, Louise Johnson, Gini Herr, Roger Jensen, Iris Westphal, Rhonda Boehm, and Pastor Steve Broers.  
Guest: Brenda Plymesser, Kendalyn Huff, Brian Gettler, Kurt Boehm

Pastor Broers opened the floor to nominations for President. David Huff was nominated and accepted by unanimous consent.  
President Huff then opened the floor to nominations for Vice President. Dan Berg was nominated and accepted by unanimous consent.  
President Huff then opened the floor to nominations for Secretary. Craig Plymesser was nominated and accepted by unanimous consent.  
President Huff then opened the floor to nominations for Treasurer. Gini Herr was nominated and accepted by unanimous consent.

President Huff then opened the floor for volunteers for committees with the results being:

<b>Music and Worship:</b>	Iris Westphal
<b>Outreach:</b>	Louise Johnson
<b>Property/Trustee:</b>	Roger Jensen
<b>Adult Ministries:</b>	Rhonda Boehm
<b>Children's Ministries:</b>	Samantha Gettler
<b>Financial Committee:</b>	George Feazell
<b>Emergency Benevolence:</b>	Louise Johnson and Dan Berg

Pastor Broers reviewed council member responsibilities and some key business methodology:  
Council members may perform communion at services.  
Council members may deliver the sermon at services when necessary.  
Council has the right to review and accept or deny donations made to the church.  
Council has agreed to pay half of the registration fees for any child wanting to attend camp.  
Substitute pastors will receive mileage and \$150.00 per Sunday.

Offering responsibilities, beginning in March are as follows:

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday**  
First Service: Gini Herr  
Second Service: Iris Westphal\*

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday**  
First Service: Craig Plymesser  
Second Service: Iris Westphal

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday**  
First Service: Dave Huff  
Second Service: Iris Westphal

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday**  
First Service: Dan Berg  
Second Service: Iris Westphal

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday**  
First Service: Samantha Gettler/Louise Johnson

Second Service: Iris Westphal

*\*Iris Westphal will find volunteers/council members to assist with counting at second service.*

Council Meeting schedule for 2023 is as follows: All meetings begin at 5:00 pm

March 12  
April 16  
May 14  
June 11  
July 9  
August 13  
September 10  
October 8  
November 12  
December 10  
January 14  
February 11, 2024 (council meeting, reorganizational meeting)

New Business:

There was discussion on how contributions and communications of memorial funds were handled.

Rhonda Boehm made a motion to:  
Have the office provide printed Thank You cards to the committee for sending to donors and acknowledging all memorial donations made.

Ask the memorial committee to provide a list of all donations and donors to the family.

Ask the memorial committee to ensure that all donation checks are cashed within 30 days of receipt.

Motion was seconded by Roger Jensen.

Carried.

The Adair County Assessor's office has requested an appointment time to review the church property. Roger Jensen will handle their visit.

President Huff closed the meeting at 7:56 pm with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Craig Plymesser, Secretary

## *Lent and Easter Services*

### Lent Service

March 29, 7:30 p.m.

### Palm Sunday Service

April 2, 8:30 a.m., Contemporary

April 2, 10:30 a.m., Traditional

### Maundy Thursday Service

April 6, 7:30 p.m.

### Good Friday Service

April 7, 7:30 p.m.

### Easter Sunday Services

April 9, 8:30 a.m., Contemporary

April 9, 10:30 a.m., Traditional



# ANNOUNCEMENTS



## First Communion on Palm Sunday, April 9

First Communion will be held on Palm Sunday, April 9, during the worship services at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.



## SAVE THE DATE for VBS!

VBS is coming to Emmanuel Lutheran **June 19-22**. We are beginning to work with Riverside Bible Camp to prepare for this summer's Bible School. Please see Denise for information or if you are able to help. Watch the newsletter and bulletin for more announcements as they come.

## Summer Camp



## Fundraiser

### Confirmation Fundraiser—Coming Soon!

Confirmation students are preparing for their summer camp experience. The church has pledged to help them pay for half their fees, so it is time to fundraise! Learn more about what they are planning, and what camp means to them, at the services on Sunday, April 2.

Confirmation students and parents thank you for supporting them in furthering their Christian faith!



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



## Grief Share Meetings Begin April 16

We have been leading Grief Share Support Groups in this community for the past several years and are preparing to begin another series. This is a comfort and support group to help people who are grieving the loss of a loved one. This series will begin Sunday, April 16, at 4:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. There is no cost to attend this program. It is sponsored by a memorial to Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Fontanelle. It is Christian in nature, but is nondenominational. We sponsor this support group because we know that the loss of a loved one can be devastating. We understand that even if you are a mature Christian with a solid faith, you need ongoing comfort and encouragement during the grieving period. This program is structured as a weekly group that combines video teaching and small group discussion. If you question whether these sessions would be useful to you, you are welcome to attend the first session and see if the information would benefit you. You aren't obligated to anything whatsoever—we just wish for you to receive the help you need to deal with your grief. Anyone is welcome to attend this program, so if you know of someone who would benefit from a program like this, please let them know about it or tell us about them.

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### ELC WOMEN

April 12, 2023 at 1:30 p.m.

Hymn/Devotions/Meditation: Dorcas Circle

Bible Study: Pastor

Business Meeting: Dorcas Circle

Birthdays

Lord's Prayer

Table Prayer

Kitchen Committee: Rachel Circle



As I prepared for this newsletter article and I look at the calendar, it hits me, we only have 5 weeks left of learning about Jesus, eating dinner together and worshipping Jesus and learning! This year has been amazing, and I am truly blessed to be with our kids every week. Thank you to all of you for being able to serve God's kids and to partner alongside our many GROW volunteers. We thank you, God!

During the month of March, we began our Lenten journey. We also learned valuable lessons how Jesus fed the 5000



and healed the believers with Lazarus. During Holy week, we will continue to learn what Jesus did for us and the gift he gave us of eternal life.

**Save-the-Date!** On **May 3rd**, we will be wrapping-up our GROW year with our annual **End of the Year Celebration** at the Church. More information will be coming out in the GROW newsletter. The whole congregation is invited to this event to celebrate all God has done and continues to do in the lives of our youth!

G.R.O.W. is on Wednesdays from 6:00-7:30 p.m. Please invite your children, grandchildren and neighbors to come learn, sing, eat and have lots of fun while growing in their faith lives! Please continue to keep the G.R.O.W. children and volunteers in your prayers as our year continues. We want to see seeds planted, lives changed, and God shining through all of us. Thanks!



## CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH MINISTRY—APRIL 2023

Our year is rapidly drawing to a close and I want to take a moment to applaud loudly all the Adult Volunteers who show up every week and teach the stories about Jesus, Circle Ladies who come and prepare our meals, and the High School Students who show up to serve faithfully with a smile and tackle any request that comes their way. What a way to serve Jesus, our church and our community. **Thank you!**



Our K.F.C. (High School Kids for Christ) group enjoyed a Vibe game night on March 19 during Spring Break with many different games, Sardine hide-and-seek, and of course, food. We are getting ready for some of the youth to attend Spring Recharge weekend at Okoboji Lutheran Camp the weekend of April 14.

The Children's Ministry Team met on March 19 and discussed the beginning of plans for VBS, end of the year activities and even began work on next fall. The support and input are greatly appreciated.

As the days get longer, work on the VBS program for June 19-22, has started! Watch for ways that everyone can help. There will be many opportunities for each and every one of us. It is a fact that learning about Jesus in a fun and lively environment begins the path of faith for a lifetime.

Feel free to stop by and see me with any suggestions or feedback on our youth programs. Stay warm and just think soon it will be summer and time for Vacation Bible School and Summer Camp! Denise Bridges

# GROW SCHEDULE

	<b>5-Apr</b>	<b>12-Apr</b>	<b>19-Apr</b>	<b>26-Apr</b>	<b>3-May</b>
<b>PreK Teach:</b>	Gini Herr	Gini Herr	Gini Herr	Gini Herr	<b>End of Year</b>
<b>PreK Help:</b>	Alyse Dreher Kathy Edwards	Alyse Dreher	Alyse Dreher Kathy Edwards	Alyse Dreher	<b>Celebration</b>
<b>K Teach:</b>	Terrin Gettler	Terrin Gettler	Terrin Gettler	Terrin Gettler	<b>At the Church</b>
<b>K Help:</b>	Kylie Nelson	Kylie Nelson	Kylie Nelson	Kylie Nelson	<b>6:00 to 8:00 p.m.</b>
<b>1-2 Teach:</b>	Kim Nelson	Raedeen Bigelow	Kim Nelson	Kim Nelson	<b>Denise will be</b>
<b>1-2 Help:</b>	Ashlyn Beaman	Ashlyn Beaman	Ashlyn Beaman	Raedeen Bigelow	<b>contacting</b>
<b>3-4 Teach:</b>	Kendalyn Huff	Kendalyn Huff	Kendalyn Huff	Kendalyn Huff	<b>you to help!</b>
<b>3-4 Help:</b>	Jeremy Rohner Malachi Broers	Jorand Feazell J. Rohner	Jeremy Rohner	Jorand Feazell J. Rohner	
<b>3-4 Parent Helpers</b>	Kristy Broers Mandy Berg	Kristy Broers Mandy Berg	Kristy Broers Mandy Berg	Kristy Broers Mandy Berg	
<b>5-6 Teach:</b>	Meet with Kendalyn Class	Brenda Plymesser	Brenda Plymesser	Brenda Plymesser	
<b>5-6 Help:</b>		Malachi Broers	Malachi Broers	Lisa Anderson	
<b>Technology:</b>					
<b>PreK/K Activity:</b>	Judy Nelson	Judy Nelson	Judy Nelson	Judy Nelson	<b>Thank you to all</b>
<b>1-4 Activity:</b>	Denise Bridges	Denise Bridges	Denise Bridges	Denise Bridges	<b>the GROW Leaders,</b>
<b>5-6 Activity:</b>	Brenda Plymesser	Brenda Plymesser	Brenda Plymesser	Brenda Plymesser	<b>High School kids,</b>
<b>Food:</b>	Naomi Circle and others to serve	Rachel Circle and others to serve	Ruth Circle and others to serve	Dorcas Circle and others to serve	<b>Ladies Circle Helpers</b>
<b>Lesson Theme:</b>	<b>The Day Jesus Died</b>	<b>The Empty Tomb</b>	<b>The Ascension</b>	<b>Fruit of the Spirit</b>	<b>and all others!</b>
<b>Bible Verses:</b>	<b>Mark 15:1-15</b>	<b>Mark 16:1-8</b>	<b>Luke 24:50-53</b>	<b>Galatians 5:16-26</b>	<b>It was a</b>
<b>Extra Help</b>				Malachi Broers	<b>great year!</b>
<b>Extra Help</b>	Ben Hoover Jacob Fry	Ben Hoover Jacob Fry	Ben Hoover Jacob Fry	Ben Hoover Jacob Fry	
<b>Confirmation Help</b>	Brittany Bridges	Brittany Bridges	Brittany Bridges		

# IA DISTRICT LCMC REPORT—NOV. 2022 & FEB. 2023

Recently, I was nominated and elected as one of seven board members for the Iowa District of the Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ (LCMC). Once elected, I was nominated and elected as the secretary for the board. The board usually meets about five times throughout the year either over Zoom or in person to discuss how to encourage Iowa LCMC congregations.

LCMC is the association of Lutheran congregations to which Emmanuel belongs and the Iowa District is a group of Iowa churches within that association that work together to support one another and build up the kingdom of God within our region. The Iowa District meets at least twice a year in various churches around the state for conferences. They hold an annual conference and a leadership conference to support pastors and leaders to do ministry in their local congregations. Currently, there are sixty-seven LCMC congregations in Iowa and thirty-five of them are voting members within the district.

The annual meeting was held at Zion Lutheran in Clear Lake on November 12, 2022 and our speaker for the day was Julie Smith who is one of the staff members for LCMC as the coordinator of districts and fellowships. She spoke to us about the importance of small groups in churches and

how to get them started. She also talked about the importance of a holistic understanding to ministry so that we take care of ourselves better as pastors and leaders. There was a lot of discussion about mental health and about a LeaderCare conference that is beginning in the Spring to help pastors and their families deal with the physical, mental and emotional stresses of their vocation.

The leadership conference was held at Bethlehem Lutheran in Buffalo Center on February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Our speaker was Chris Fiske who is both an LCMC pastor and an Iowa Army National Guard Chaplain. He spoke about suicide awareness and prevention as well as effectively structuring pastor salary packages and creating sustainable funding for congregations. He provided some great resources for how to recognize people who are in need of emotional support and how to best provide help.

The conferences have been a great way to get to know other pastors and connect with the larger church within the state of Iowa. I felt very encouraged and inspired by the speakers and it was a great way to build up relationships with other pastors and congregations to work with in the future.

—By Pastor Broers

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### PRAYER REQUESTS HEALING AND HEALTH CONCERNS...

Teresa and Steve Schilmoeller (Bernie's daughter and son-in-law), Dorene Feick, Chelsea Payne, Kellie Sickles, Vicki Brown, Jaya Fever, Kurt Boehm, Myron Neal (Kellie Mangels' father), Amanda Symns, Carole Weinheimer, Judy Albers, Patricia Nelson (Mike Nelson's mom)

**Greenfield Rehab Center Residents** – Ralph Lane, LaVerne Estell, Frances Gross, Norma Finck, Harold Nelson, Irma Jacobson, Helen Herr, Charlene Baudler

**Assisted Living Residents** – Larry Hohertz, Deloris Plymesser, 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's nephew)



## HOLY WEEK WORSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES

### Maundy Thursday—April 6 at 7:30 p.m.

Organist—Karen S.  
Greeters—Destiny F. & Kendalyn H.  
Acolyte—Kadisha S.  
1st Reading—Kristy B.  
2nd Reading—Destiny F.  
Communion Helpers—Pat & Iris W.  
Sound—George F.  
Camera—Roger J.  
Pro-Presenter—Tammy J.

### Good Friday—April 7 at 7:30 p.m.

Organist—Shirley M.  
Greeters—Dave & Kendalyn H.  
Sound—Rollie P.  
Camera—Jacob F.  
Pro-Presenter—George F.





# APRIL WORSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES

	April 2	April 9	April 16	April 23	April 30
<b>Worship Leader</b>	Brian F.	Rhonda B.	Dave H.	Ann R.	Rick J.
<b>Keyboard</b>	Kellie M.	Kellie M.	Kellie M.	Kellie M.	Kellie M.
<b>Drums</b>	Dan D.	Malachi B.	Dan D.	Malachi B.	Dan D.
<b>Rhythm Guitar</b>	Pastor	Pastor	Pastor	Pastor	Pastor
<b>Male Vocalists</b>	All	All	All	All	All
<b>Female Vocalists</b>	All	All	All	All	All
<b>Acolytes</b>	Allie C.	Ally P.	Orianna B.	Josh N.	Kadisha S.
<b>Greeters/Treats</b>	Gabe B., Bridges Family	Destiny F., Jane L., Kathy G.	Orianna B., Nellie G., Jeanne J.	Jack B., Ann & Jeremy R.	Dax C., Ed & Kathi C.
<b>Hospitality Host/Hostess</b>	Sam & Brian G.	Bob & Barb Q.	Kurt & Rhonda B.	Bridges Family	Craig & Brenda P.
<b>1st Reading</b>	Gabe B.	Jack B.	Derek R.	Josh N.	Dax C.
<b>2nd Reading</b>	Allie C.	Ally P.	Derek R.	Jack B.	Kadisha S.
<b>Gospel</b>	Kristy B.	Brittany B.	Alyse D.	Jeremy R.	Brenda P.
<b>Confession/Forgiveness</b>	Pastor	Pastor	Pastor	Pastor	Pastor
<b>Prayers</b>	Brian F.	Rhonda B.	Dave H.	Ann R.	Rick J.
<b>Communion Helpers</b>	Lori F., Levi G., Darla B.		Carmen H., Jorand F., Rhonda B.		
<b>Count Offering (*Council Member)</b>	Gini H.	Gini H.	Dave H.	Dan B.	Sam G./ Louise J.
<b>Sound</b>	John B.	John B.	Rollie P.	Jayden R.	Ed C.
<b>Cameras</b>	Kelly H.	Jacob F.	Micah B.	John B.	Micah B.
<b>Pro Presenter</b>	Tammy J.	George F.	Tammy J.	Kylie N.	Malachi B.
<b>Organist</b>	Kathy T.	Shirley M.	Karen S.	Karen S.	Shirley M.
<b>Greeters/Ushers</b>	Matt & Heidi R.	Darry & Roleen C.	Margy H., Carla L.	Paul & Rae B.	Iris & Pat W.
<b>Acolytes</b>	Taylor R.	Micah B.	Micah B.	Malachi B.	Malachi B.
<b>1st Reading</b>	Taylor R.	Nancy P.	Iris W.	Amy H.	Iris W.
<b>Psalm Reading</b>	Taylor R.	Nancy P.	Iris W.	Amy H.	Iris W.
<b>2nd Reading</b>	Paul B.	Kristy B.	Kristy B.	Malachi B.	Nancy P.
<b>Gospel</b>	Pastor	Pastor	Pastor	Pastor	Pastor
<b>Communion Helpers</b>	Iris W., Paul B.		Iris W., Roleen C.		
<b>Offering</b>	Iris W.	Iris W.	Iris W.	Iris W.	Iris W.
<b>Sound/Cameras</b>	George F.	Micah B.	Rollie P.	Ben H.	Micah B.
<b>Pro Presenter</b>	Tom T.	George F.	Malachi/Micah B.	Nate H.	George F.

# APRIL 2023

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat.
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<b>Palm Sunday &amp; First Communion</b> 2	3	4	5	<b>Maundy Thursday</b> 6	<b>Good Friday</b> 7	8
7:30a Praise Team Warm-Up 8:30a Contemporary Worship 9:30a Hospitality 10:30a Traditional Worship 6:30p Praise Team Practice	10:00a FB Bible Study	10:00a Contemporary Worship Planning	7:00a Men's Bible Study 6:00p-7:15p GROW 6:00-7:30p Confirmation 7:45p HS K.F.C.	9:00 Prayer Group 7:30p Maundy Thursday Service	7:30p Good Friday Service	
<b>Easter Sunday</b> 9	10	11	12	13	14	15
7:30a Praise Team Warm-Up 8:30a Contemporary Worship 9:30a Hospitality 10:30a Traditional Worship	10:00a FB Bible Study 5:00p Council Agenda Due		7:00a Men's Bible Study 1:30p ELC Women 6:00p GROW 6:00p Confirmation 7:45p HS K.F.C.	9:00 Prayer Group 10:00a Traditional Worship Planning	<i>HS Rchg.</i>	<i>HS Rchg.</i>
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
7:30a Praise Team Warm-Up 8:30a Contemporary Worship 9:30a Hospitality 10:30a Traditional Worship 4:00p Grief Share (Parish Hall) 5:00p Council Mtg (Parish Hall) 6:30p Praise Team Practice  <i>HS Recharge</i>	10:00a FB Bible Study 6:00p Young Ladies Group		7:00a Men's Bible Study 6:00p GROW 6:00p Confirmation 7:45p HS K.F.C.	9:00 Prayer Group		10:30a Sanct. Resrvd
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
7:30a Praise Team Warm-Up 8:30a Contemporary Worship 9:30a Hospitality 10:30a Traditional Worship 4:00p Grief Share (Parish Hall) 6:30p Praise Team Practice	10:00a FB Bible Study 5:00p May Newsletter Deadline  <b>New Letter DEADLINE</b>		7:00a Men's Bible Study 6:00p GROW 6:00p Confirmation 7:45p HS K.F.C.	9:00 Prayer Group		
30	May 1	May 2	<b>GROW Family Night</b> May 3	May 4	May 5	May 6
7:30a Praise Team Warm-Up 8:30a Contemporary Worship 9:30a Hospitality 10:30a Traditional Worship 4:00p Grief Share (Parish Hall) 5:30p 4-H (basement) 6:30p Praise Team Practice	10:00a FB Bible Study		7:00a Men's Bible Study 1:30p ELC Women 6:00p GROW Family Fun Night at the <b>Church!</b>  <i>*NO Confirmation or HS K.F.C. – Students are invited to help/join in GROW Fun Night!</i>	9:00 Prayer Group		

# APRIL CELEBRATIONS

## BIRTHDAYS



- 4/1 Courtnee Ford, Jeff LaBarge
- 4/2 Malinda Ford, Dennis Johnson, Scott VanEaton
- 4/3 Ryan Huff-Siedelmann
- 4/4 Margaret Marckmann, Mary Hall
- 4/5 Lori Fox, Rusty Johnson, Janell Hansen, Patty Queck, Henry Queck
- 4/6 Charley Oder, Jordan Brodersen
- 4/7 Patricia Nelson, Betty Baudler, Amy Hoover
- 4/8 Kinsey Burg
- 4/9 Stefan Queck, Nathan Hoover
- 4/10 Crystal Dabb, Zoe Marckmann
- 4/11 Matthew Held, Jill Swanson, Keaton Wambold
- 4/12 Ruth Baudler, Daniel Marckmann
- 4/14 Caroline Ferguson, Carver Ferguson
- 4/15 Henry Wilson
- 4/16 Isabelle Eisbach, Adaline Johnson
- 4/17 Clark Carns, Kody Kokemiller
- 4/18 Larry Hohertz
- 4/19 Jennifer Winter, Amelia Novak
- 4/20 Craig Johnson, Emersyn Fox
- 4/21 Talia Dodge
- 4/22 Clella Buckner, Max Gross, Brittany Bridges
- 4/24 Truman Livingston
- 4/27 Barbara McKibban, Stella Johnson
- 4/29 Nancy Grothen, Brady Hilpiper, Dylan Ford, Hillary Laughery
- 4/30 Aaron Bigelow, Evelyn Faux, Connar Steckelberg

## BAPTISMS



- 4/2 Cris Queck
- 4/3 Nicolas Ernst, Kalyn Sickles, Miley Leeper, Everett Sickles, Emberlyn Sickles, Kristin Ladd, Ryan Ladd
- 4/4 Jamie Hansen, Frank Richards
- 4/6 Kathy Thompson, Maxwell Eisbach
- 4/7 Brett Thompson, Khloee Byrum
- 4/8 Jeffrey Erbes, Richard Erbes, Ronda Engles, Bruce Westphal
- 4/9 Violet Huff, William Huff
- 4/11 Jordan Christensen, Shane Wambold, Ann Rohner
- 4/12 Caleb Christensen
- 4/13 Barbara Queck
- 4/14 Larry Lewis, Christine Gross, Jasper Fox
- 4/15 Sarah Gross
- 4/17 Karen Hight, Harrison Leiss, Nolan Leiss, Daxton Leiss, McKeyan Erb, Remington Engebretson
- 4/18 Kayla Sproul, Rollie Purdy, Terrin Gettler, Jaycee Martin
- 4/21 Baylie Lund, Roger Crawford, Jennie Anderson
- 4/22 Dustin Finck, Brady Hilpiper
- 4/24 Logan Wissner, Gene Martin
- 4/25 Micah Broers
- 4/26 Kaylee Scheuermann
- 4/27 Reid Steele
- 4/29 Dennis Parkis
- 4/30 Kody Kokemiller

## CONFIRMATIONS



- 4/1 Ashlee Christensen, Eric Erbes, Rebecca Gross, Stephen Hansen, Susan Herr McDowell, Spencer Scar, Garrett Sherley, Cassie Young Marckmann
- 4/3 Kevin Baudler, Janice Herr Blanchard, Janell Hansen, Margy Helm, Clel Herr, Noel Herr, Mike Mensing, Kalyn Sickles, Miley Leeper, Everett Sickles, Emberlyn Sickles, Kristin Ladd, Ryan Ladd
- 4/4 Jeff Erbes, Jacqueline Baudler, Stacey Howard, Jennie Anderson, Teresa Boston, Roger Crawford, Ross Hansen, Melissa Jensen Vorrie, Adam Queck, Kristyn Thompson Mercer, Whitney Held, Elizabeth Ernst, Michael Ernst, Brandon Geib
- 4/5 Robert Hansen, Aaron Baudler, Julie Bricker, Tim Hansen, Matthew Jensen, Jarek Johnson, Jennifer Lundy, Judd Martin, Kain Queck, Sydney Scar
- 4/6 Gene Martin
- 4/7 Paul Bigelow, Ed Christensen, Jeff Parkis, Roger Queck, Sandra Stewart
- 4/8 Kathleen Johnston, Joe Martin
- 4/9 Lauren Bricker, Jordan Brodersen, Robert Engles, Nicholas Fox, Taylor Garside, Rachel Held, Zachary Jacobson, Velistia Novak, Alex Queck, Violet Huff, William (Liam) Huff
- 4/11 Richard Erbes, Kathy Gross, Marlan Herr, Peggy Lewis, Mardell Martin, Dennis Parkis, Rollie Purdy
- 4/13 Darry Chiles, Josh Crawford, Kody Kokemiller, Rachel Brodersen
- 4/14 Frank Richards
- 4/15 Ronda Engles
- 4/16 Kody Bigelow
- 4/17 Jacob Baudler, Nicole Engles, Colton Garside, Sidney Hohertz, Elizabeth Hansen
- 4/27 Janet Paxton, Vickie Weinheimer
- 4/29 Matt Raasch

## ANNIVERSARIES



- 4/3 Todd & Amy Jo Thompson
- 4/6 Randy & Phyllis Sackett
- 4/16 Rod & Sue McMorran
- 4/21 Andrew & Rachel Crees
- 4/25 Denny & Becky Denton
- 4/27 Dennis & Wanda Johnson

*Are we missing information or have your family's information incorrectly listed? Please let the office know so we can update the newsletter records. Thank you!*

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## **Come and Worship With Us**

Sunday Contemporary Service—8:30 a.m.  
Sunday Traditional Service—10:30 a.m.

**Palm Sunday and 1st Communion — April 2**  
**8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.**

**Maundy Thursday — April 6 — 7:30 p.m.**  
**Good Friday — April 7 — 7:30 p.m.**

**Easter Services — April 9 — 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.**