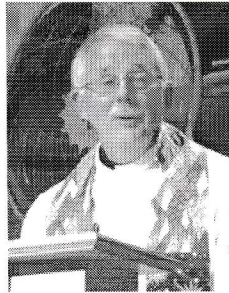


Emmaus Visitor

January, 2012

Bishop to Preach at Emmaus January 22

On Sunday, January 22, Bishop Jeff Barrow will preach at the 9:15 a.m. worship service. Our bishop has lived in Racine for the past twenty years, and before being elected to his current position served as the lead pastor at Holy Communion



Lutheran Church. He has a passion and interest in Racine and is supportive of our outreach and Latino ministries at Emmaus. Join us as we welcome Bishop Jeff on January 22!

Mark Your Calendar for Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the congregation is set for Sunday, January 29 immediately following the morning worship service. As we look to the future, be sure to attend this important meeting.

The agenda for the meeting

includes election of a church council and consideration of a budget for 2012. The congregation will also be asked to weigh a proposal to participate in "Profound Partnership" with Atonement, Our Savior's and St. Andrew Lutheran Churches; see the article on page 2.

Copies of the annual report will be available the weekend of January 21 and 22. Council members and program coordinators are asked to turn their reports in to the church office by January 13.



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Pastoral Acts

<p>Funerals: Robert Loendorf December 3, 2011</p>	<p>Robert Loendorf, 57, is the brother of former Emmaus member Bill Loendorf, who now lives in Spokane, Washington. He is survived by his children, Nicole Abazi and Sean Loendorf, and three grandchildren.</p>
<p>Oscar Haugsby December 29, 2011</p>	<p>Oscar Haugsby, 93, was a longtime Emmaus usher, and an Army Air Force veteran of World War II. He passed away Christmas Day; his wife, Ginny, died this past March. He is survived by his daughters, Shelley Costello, Vicki Haugsby, and Lisa Leicht, three grandchildren and a great-granddaughter.</p>

Congregations Establish 'Profound Partnership'

Conversations regarding a profound partnership among leaders of four Racine ELCA congregations — Atonement, Emmaus, Our Savior's and St. Andrew—will continue the second week in January. Coming out of the RAMS process (Racine Area Mission Strategy), preliminary work is being done to draft a covenant among the collaborating congregations who share a common vision for mission in Racine.

Leaders from the four congregations and all members who are interested in joining together in this collaborative process are invited to a working meeting at Atonement Lutheran Church at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, January 9.

In addition to forming a covenant to be considered by the congregations involved, there will be an opportunity to work in areas where participants have most interest/passion. Some of the

interest groups will include: grant writing and fundraising, youth and young adult ministry, entrepreneurial and co-op possibilities, community garden and feeding the hungry opportunities, emerging/alternative worship opportunities, discipleship training, ministry with people of color, healing and wellness ministry, and an emphasis on green/environmental initiatives.

Participants in the January 9 meeting will be commissioned to bring back information to their individual congregations for their consideration. The January 29 congregational meeting of Emmaus will include a proposal to officially become a part of the Profound Partnership Congregations. Those who would like more information regarding the January 9 meeting or the Profound Partnership process may contact Pastor Mary or Pastor Jhon Freddy.

Council Presents Balanced Budget

The executive committee of the church council has been hard at work basing the proposed balanced budget for 2012 on actual expenses together with careful projections for giving and other revenues for the coming year. The budget will be ready for the congregation to review in mid January, prior to the January 29 annual meeting of the congregation.

The proposed balanced budget is possible for several reasons:

- Three proposed fundraisers for 2012 – Fiesta Mexicana (May), Brewers concession stand (throughout the season) and a wine tasting/raffle (fall)
- Decision to not fill the vacant position of choir director. Brenda

Trumbauer has offered to arrange for special musicians and to lead the choir once a month in worship

- No pay raises for staff in 2012
- Reduction of \$10,000 in salary and benefits for Pastor Mary. She is donating her time to the work being done on behalf of the Profound Partners and the Racine Cluster
- Increased pledges



from a number of households

- The commitment of \$10,000 for general expenses from the Latino community

Additional volunteers are being sought for the upcoming fundraisers. Contact Pastor Mary if you would like to learn more about how you can be involved.

'1 Resolve' Is Stewardship Theme

by Carolyn Wooster

The Stewardship theme for January is "I Resolve."

As we enter a new year, you are challenged to make a resolution associated with your stewardship.

Resolve to give additional time or offer more of your talents to an organization or cause that is important to you. Write it down

and put your resolution in a prominent place to serve as a reminder.

We realize that it is often difficult to remain motivated to act on a resolution for an extended period of time, but we hope you will take the challenge and extend more of your time and talents to something important to you.

Give of Your Time — Share Your Talents — Mentor a Child.



Deficit Is Drastically Reduced

As of press time, before Christmas weekend offerings have been officially counted and recorded, the deficit stands at \$5,371.00. That reflects a sharp reduction from the all time high of over \$27,000 in September.

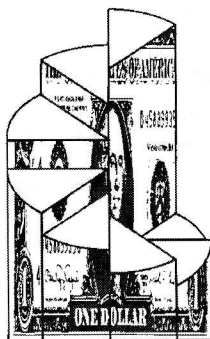
All bills have now been paid, and all monies borrowed internally have also been repaid.

The current goal is to fulfill the commitment to our outstanding portion of the synod benevolence, a remaining \$5,400.00, by mid January. Benevolence gifts (not an assessed amount, but a pledge made by the congregation and approved as a part of our annual budget) are used to help support foreign missions, seminaries, campus ministries, as well as other synod and national ELCA ministries and staff.

How has it been possible to make such a significant turn around in such a short time? When word went out the end of September of our severe financial crisis, there were responses at a number of levels. The Latino worshipping community of Emmaus contributed \$2,000 from their checking account and an additional \$2,000 from the proceeds of their fall festival. Several people, who increased their pledges for 2012, began contributing the higher amount for the remainder of 2011. Others have designated special gifts for deficit reduction.

Scrip proceeds of \$3,000 have been deposited into the general fund.

In addition, nine households, with gifts ranging from \$500 to \$5,000, have contributed over \$15,000 to the Sustaining Fund. 80% of the one-time Sustaining Fund gifts are used for deficit reduction, and the remaining 20% is put into savings for capital reserves. Stay tuned...it appears very likely that Emmaus will end the year in the



black! Grateful for God's grace and committed to mission—that's who the people of Emmaus are. Once again, you have responded generously to God's abundant grace, ensuring that significant mission will continue in 2012 and beyond! Thank you to all who have shared what God has first given you!

What's Ahead for January Worship?

- January 1: Epiphany: Follow the Star!
- January 8 & 9: Celebration of the Baptism of Our Lord
- January 22: Bishop Jeff Barrow preaches
- January 29: Annual meeting of the congregation

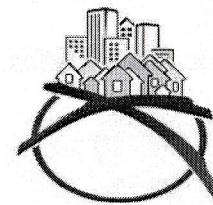
Anti-Racism Training Offered In January

An in-depth workshop dealing with many of the issues inherent in systemic racism will be held at Atonement Lutheran Church January 26-28. The workshop, sponsored by the Greater Milwaukee Synod, is led by experienced trainers from Crossroads Ministries. The time together is designed to help participants understand and analyze the roots of racism so that they may then do ministry and live everyday life using the lenses provided throughout the training.

The workshop takes place Thursday evening and all day Friday and Saturday. Although the fee for ELCA participants is \$125, there are scholarships available.

We hope to have a team of at

least three to four people from Emmaus who will be able to participate. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Mary to register and to get further information regarding covering the cost of your registration. She gives her endorsement of the training as she shares, "The anti-racism training was life changing for me. I challenge all who are thinking about it to dive in for an experience that promises to be eye opening and transformative."



Sing with the Choir

An invitation is extended to all past and would-be choir members to come the first and second Sunday of each month from 8:00 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. to rehearse a song to be sung that second Sunday.

Emmaus Staff & Worship Times

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 Custodians: Rich Benson & Antelmo Hernandez

English language services are held at Emmaus every Saturday evening at 5:00, and Sunday mornings at 9:15. Spanish language services meet at noon on Sunday.

Emmaus office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The VISITOR is published monthly September to July. The deadline for the February VISITOR is January 15. Submit articles to Paul Berge's attention by mail or by e-mail.

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Wednesday Night Schedule to Change

Please note: beginning Wednesday, January 11, evening programming for the kids will begin with dinner at 5:30 p.m. This will

allow EASY to continue to 5:30 p.m. Kid's Bible study will continue with the Three Kings and the Baptism of Jesus.

Kids Present Christmas Musical with Fervor

The youth in Emmaus' Wednesday evening program presented "Census Time in Bethlehem" on Sunday morning, December 18.

Imperial census taker B.A. Countable, played by Santi Espinoza, was challenged again and again by Mary (Jessica Martinez) and Joseph (Luis Faz) that they knew the baby about to be born was indeed a boy and that this special baby was the Son of God. The shepherds, played by Romi Espinoza, Lexi Cruz and Alicia Trapp, arrived at the manger and confirmed that Jesus had other names. It was an "aha" moment when B.A. Countable realized that this baby is Jesus the Christ.

The kids' chorus sang with great fervor a variety of songs that depicted what it must have been like in the town of Bethlehem when Jesus was born. "Jesus, Baby Boy" conveyed the same message to us today that this baby was and still is the hope of the world. "Emmanuel,



God Is With Us" tells how He's above us, below us, beside us all around. In the rousing finale, "Christmas Time in Bethlehem," the kids played several verses with kazoos. Thanks to all who helped with this production.

Art Smith's video of the kids' musical is posted on line at his YouTube page and on the Education page of Emmaus' web site, <http://www.emmaus-racine.org/Educate.html>

David Lopez Leads EASY Chess Club

David Lopez joined the EASY (Emmaus After School for Youth) staff in December. David is the grandson of Carolyn and Dan Wooster and has been leading the Thursday afternoon chess club.

Students look forward to weekly visits from their mentors. Won't you please be a mentor –

volunteers are still needed. You should see the smiles that light up when a mentee sees his/her mentor.

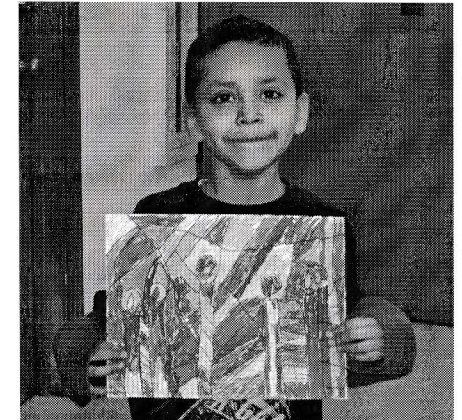
Wanted: Thin dry erase markers, new #2 pencils, pink pearl and magic rub grey erasers and microwave containers.

Please continue to pray for our staff and kids. Thank you.

Youth Birthdays

Jan. 1 Collin Cacciotti, 7
Jan. 1 Patrick Austin, 14
Jan. 4 Danna Trevino, 4
Jan. 5 Luis Tapia, Jr., 11
Jan. 9 Daniella Zavala, 3
Jan. 10 Abigail Perez-Alvarez
Jan. 10 Rylee Brown, 10
Jan. 18 Cecelia Cruz, 13
Jan. 20 Maraina Love, 2
Jan. 21 Christian González
Jan. 25 Angel Mateo-Perez, 4
Jan. 26 Carina Saucedo, 3
Jan. 26 Leah Talbott, 4
Jan. 26 Carina Saucedo, 3
Jan. 28 Kaitlyn Sodke, 12
Jan. 29 Joshua Martinez, 17

Jan. 30 Braelynn Stephens, 5
Jan. 31 David Castañeda Jr., 4
Jan. 31 Carlisle Bonillo, 15



Generous Hearts Help Giving Tree

Your gifts to the Giving Tree meant that the EASY kids all received an educational game and books. Thank you! The Knit One Purl One and sewing groups took a morning to play Santa's elves to wrap the gifts and celebrated the season with a potluck lunch.

Over \$1,000 was donated. 38 boys and girls in the EASY program received educational games and age-appropriate books. In addition, there were sufficient funds to provide ten turkeys, stuffing mix, and pans for needy families at Wadewitz.

Emmaus to Serve Community Meal February 2

It's Emmaus' turn to serve at St. Patrick's Community Meal Site on February 2. Please sign up in the narthex to help serve, or to provide a casserole, jello, or dessert. 9"x13" pans are available in the kitchen off

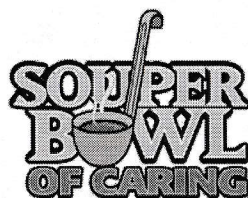
the Sunset Room.

Whether you bring your own container or borrow a pan from church, please tape your name to it so that it gets returned.

Participate in Souper Bowl of Caring

The Super Bowl takes place on Sunday, February 5, and approximately 100 million Americans are expected to tune in to watch. As many are enjoying abundant food and friendship while hosting or attending parties, approximately 1 billion people will be hungry.

The Souper Bowl of Caring is an ecumenical, youth-led movement, with more than 2,000 ELCA youth groups raising money



for hunger-related charities each year.

At the February 5 and 6 worship services, drop a dollar in a soup pot as you leave worship. Your donation will go directly to the Northside

Food Pantry right here in our community. With your help, more dollars will be raised, more lives will be changed, and more young people will experience the joy of serving Christ by serving others.

Emmaus Northside Food Pantry Volunteers

Trinity United Methodist Church, 3825 Erie Street 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
 January 26 Cindi Larsen, James Larrabee, Boots LeRoux, Stan Breiwick
 February 23 Marge Zielke, Pat and Ron Jensen, James Larrabee

Readings for January 2012

January 1 (6):	Isaiah 60:1-6	Ephesians 3:1-12	Matthew 2:1-12
January 8:	Genesis 1:1-5	Acts 19:1-7	Mark 1:4-11
January 15:	1 Samuel 3:1-10/20	1 Cor. 6:12-20	John 1:43-51
January 22:	Jonah 3:1-5, 10	1 Corinthians 7:29-31	Mark 1:14-20
January 29:	Deut. 18:15-20	1 Corinthians 8:1-13	Mark 1:21-28
February 5:	Isaiah 40:21-31	1 Corinthians 9:16-23	Mark 1:29-39

Consider Helping with Member Care

Have you wanted to get more involved with activities at Emmaus but were afraid you don't have enough time? Consider helping with Member Care. We have no monthly meetings; you can volunteer a small amount of time, and you don't even need to leave home to do it.

We need people to make phone calls, write cards or notes,

pray for those in need, visit shut-ins, knit or crochet, deliver flowers or other items – the list goes on and on. But even the smallest gesture is so appreciated by the recipients.



Make 2012 the year you take that extra step to get involved. Call Cathy Meyer (321-0050) to find out where you fit in.

Keenagers in January

Keenagers will resume meeting on Tuesday, January 17. Pastor Mary will host the January gathering.

Please come and join us in the Sunset Room for coffee and conversation at 10:00, program at 10:30, and a delicious meal at noon.

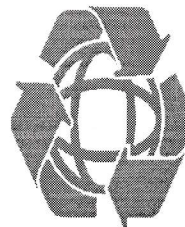


January Birthdays: 70 Years and Better

Jan. 6	Carol Perce	5311 Douglas Ave. # 202	53402
Jan. 7	Harold Miller	2704 James Avenue	53403
Jan. 29	Jan Bertram	1400 Eighth Avenue, Union Grove	53182

Green Team Thanks You


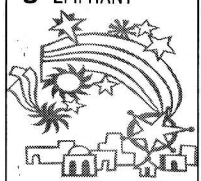



by Sandy Strini



The Green Team would like to thank all of you who have helped in recycling aluminum cans, cell phones, rechargeable bat-

teries, and CFL bulbs. A little effort from all of our households assists in being good stewards of the earth.

Let us continue our efforts in this new year to contribute to the sustainability of our church and church property. We look forward to more green ideas in 2012.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 NAME OF OUR LORD 9:15 am Worship service w/Holy Communion 10:30 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Blood pressure testing 12:00 noon Spanish Communion service 12:30 pm Kids' Camp	2 Office closed 6:00 pm Latino choir rehearsal	3 5:00 pm TOPS 6:30 pm AA	4 	5 TWELFTH NIGHT 11:00 am Sun. bulletin deadline	6 EPIPHANY 	7 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion
<i>Pastor Mary on vacation through January 5; Pastor Jhon Freddy on vacation through January 7</i>						
8 BAPTISM OF OUR LORD 8:00 am English choir rehearsal 9:15 am English Communion service 10:30 am Coffee & fellowship 12:00 noon Spanish Communion service 12:30 pm Kids' Camp 	9 10:00 am Knit 1, Purl 1 2:30 pm EASY 6:00 pm Latino choir rehearsal 6:30 pm Profound Partners at Atonement 7:00 pm Fireside Exchange	10 1:30 pm Clergy meeting 2:30 pm EASY 5:00 pm TOPS 6:30 pm Worship & Music committee 6:30 pm AA	11 1:30 pm Lydia Circle 2:30 pm EASY 5:15 pm Supper 5:30 pm Wednesday Camp 6:00 pm Bible study	12 11:00 am Sun. bulletin deadline	13 KNUTMASSO 	14 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion
15 2 ND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY 8:30 am Musicians' rehearsal 9:15 am Chicago Folk Service (English) with Holy Communion 10:30 am Coffee & fellowship 12:00 noon Spanish Communion service 12:30 pm Kids' Camp	16 MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY Feb. <i>Visitor</i> articles and annual reports due in church office 10:00 am Knit 1, Purl 1 2:30 pm EASY 6:00 pm Latino choir rehearsal	17 10:00 am Keenagers 2:30 pm EASY 5:00 pm TOPS 6:30 pm AA	18 CONFESSION OF ST. PETER 2:30 pm EASY 5:15 pm Supper 5:30 pm Wednesday Camp 6:00 pm Bible study 7:00 pm Closing worship service	19 11:00 am Sun. bulletin deadline	20 DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE IN MIDDLE EAST	21 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion
<i>Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, Jan. 18 - 25</i>						
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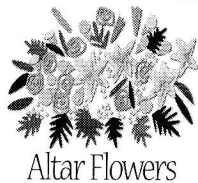
January Worship Leaders

	Altar Guild	Communion Assts.	Readers	Ushers
Sat. Dec. 31 5:00 pm	Cheryl Dexter Shirley Irvine	—	—	—
Sun. Jan. 1 9:15 am	TBD	Kathy Christensen	Chris Lamberton	Team 2 R. Christensen
Sat. Jan. 7 5:00 pm	Brian & Denise Keller	—	—	—
Sun. Jan. 8 9:15 am	Caren Lamberton	Cindi Larsen Karen Sedgwick	John Knuteson	Team 3 C. Chan-A-Sue
Sat. Jan. 14 5:00 pm	Jamie Toslek Barb Toslek	—	—	—
Sun. Jan. 15 9:15 am	Joy Lippmann Marge Jensen	Shirley Velzka	Jeff McCray	Team 4 W. Meteyard
Sat. Jan. 21 5:00 pm	Cathy Meyer Linda Clinton	—	—	—
Sun. Jan. 22 9:15 am	Kathy Christensen Marlyn Christensen	Nancy Smith Diane Melander	Celia Bagley	Team 5 M. Porcaro
Sat. Jan. 28 5:00 pm	Marge Zielke Missy Porcaro Amy Zielke	—	—	—
Sun. Jan. 29 9:15 am	TBD	Chris Lamberton Joy Lippmann	Chris Chan-A-Sue	Team 6 J. McCray
Sat. Feb. 4 5:00 pm	TBD	—	—	—
Sun. Feb. 5 9:15 am	TBD	Pat Jensen	Amy Haman	TBD

Check E-mail for Worship Assistant Reminders

In order to cut back on postage, Paul now e-mails reminders to worship assistants for whom he has addresses. Please make sure he has your current e-mail address in order to make this a smooth transition to the cyber world.

We now no longer have altar flowers from the florist every Sunday. If you want to



memorialize or honor a person or event, consider giving a donation instead. Anyone wishing to place flowers from their garden or purchased independently is welcome to do so. Vases for cut flowers are located in the sacristy east of the altar.

Be sure to inform the church office of the reason for your gift.

Lydia Circle Meets January 11

All women of the church are invited to attend a time of study and hospitality at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday,

January 11. The monthly gathering meets in the Fireside Room on the second Wednesday of the month.

Knitters Regroup in January

The Knit One, Purl One group has been taking a break for Christmas and New Year's, but will resume their regular Monday morning sessions on January 9.

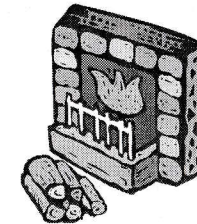
Anyone who enjoys working with yarn and thread is invited to join them in the Fireside Room Mondays at 10:00 a.m.

Environmental Stewardship

Keep Heat from Escaping Up the Chimney

by John Berge

When you light a blazing fire on a cold winter day, it looks and feels wonderful; but it can be an expensive and inefficient endeavor. A fireplace sends most of the heat in your house straight up the chimney, emitting as much as 24,000 cubic feet of air per hour to the outside!



There are ways you can limit the loss of heat when enjoying a quiet evening by the fire. These suggestions were taken from the EarthShare website.

1. Reduce heat loss by opening dampers in the bottom of the firebox (if provided) or open the nearest window slightly — only about an inch — and close doors leading into the room.
2. Install tempered glass doors and a heat-air exchange system that

blows warmed air back into the room.

3. Check the seal on the flue damper and make it as snug as possible.
4. Use grates made of C-shaped metal tubes to draw cool room air into the fireplace and circulate warm air back into the room.
5. Keep your fireplace's damper closed when you aren't using it.
6. Consider a gas fireplace if you are planning to install a new one. These provide the enjoyment of looking at flames, and can be 70% more efficient than regular fireplaces. This is what we did so we could keep the thermostat set lower. It has tempered glass doors, a heat exchanger that blows warm air into the room, brings in outside combustion air and automatically closes the damper after use.

HALO Seeks Help

HALO (Homeless Assistance Leadership Organization) could use your help. The numbers at HALO reach their peak with the arrival of winter.

HALO is able to handle the overflow with emergency cots and mats. The main issue is keeping it all calm in an overcrowded situation. If you



would be willing to give some time to just be at the shelter helping the staff please contact Brenda Thomas at HALO by email btthomas@haloinc.org or phone 633-3235 x142. Help is most needed in the early evening from 5:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. and the early morning from 5:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

Letters

Donation Will Aid Homeless Shelter

Dear Friends at Emmaus Lutheran,
Thank you for your donation in the amount of \$625.00 made with your check #19514 dated November 21, 2011 to the Homeless Assistance Leadership Organization Inc. HALO.

Each year over the last three years, more than 950 men, women and children have come to HALO seeking shelter and help due to homelessness. Each individual who shows a willingness to work their way out of homelessness is given support by way of an Individual Success Plan and connected to the resources to execute that plan. In each year, more than 300 of those men, women and children had the perseverance to



overcome their issues and move into stable permanent housing. For the vast majority of those who made it, it came with a great deal of hard work that would have been close to impossible without HALO providing them shelter and connection to those resources needed for medical, education, job skills or addiction issues.

Your support is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions about HALO, would like to schedule a group tour or want to volunteer, please visit or website at www.haloinc.org or contact us at 262 633 3235 x 142.

—Kevin Cookman, Executive Director


Scrip Sales Continue in New Year

Thank you to all who have participated in the Scrip fund raising program by purchasing gift cards to various businesses. Because of your purchase of gift cards, Scrip has contributed \$3,000 to Emmaus' General Fund in 2011. We will continue to sell Scrip



after services in the Sunset Room throughout the year.






















In addition to a variety of gift cards that we have on hand, we also have a complete list of businesses that offer Scrip gift cards and we can order those cards for you. The list is on line at www.emmaus-racine.org/Scrip.html. If you have any questions, please contact Cathy Meyer.









A caring disciple

In **Acts 9**, Peter tells of a woman who lived in Joppa. She performed good works and helped the poor. Solve the puzzle below to reveal this disciple's two names.

Instructions: Cross out the letters that spell each object and write the remaining letter on the blank.

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_ _ _ r d h a e n l c a _ _ _			
_ _ _ f a d o o _ _ _			

Her name in Greek

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_ _ _ d c h i l n e r o _ _ _	
_ _ _ d r o v e _ _ _	
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_ _ _ n u s o a t i n m _ _ _	

Winter Envelopes Will Be in Narthex

As we continue efforts to control expenses, the next set of offering envelopes will be made available for members to pick up in the narthex. We will mail envelopes to shut-ins and distant members who wish to have them, but at over \$1 in postage per set, it is no longer economical to mail them to everyone.

Members who use electronic funds transfers (EFTs) to make their offering contributions will not receive offering envelopes. We are also trying to cut costs by not ordering offering envelopes for

members who tend not to use them.

We will have some blank sets on hand for new or reactivated contributors, however.

If you are interested in arranging EFTs to Emmaus, click on the green "Electronic Fund Giving" button on our web site, www.emmaus-racine.org, or turn in the form on Page 17. You can arrange one-time or recurring gifts to Emmaus on a secure web site, either from your checking account or on your credit card. Emmaus is charged a small percentage of credit card transactions.

Crunching the Numbers

Weekly worship attendance averages (calculated as of Dec. 25, 2011)

	2009				2010				2011			
	Sat	9:15	12:00	Wed	Sat	9:15	12:00	Wed	Sat	9:15	12:00	Wed
Nov	18	64	136	47	14	64	211	78	16	59	170	57
	Thanksgiving Eve:			107				86				36
Dec	16	62	160	32	12	90	126	63	13	57	148	n/a
	Misas Advientas: 160 + 205				108 + 364 + 182 = 654				78 + 376 = 454			
12/24	4:30	6:00	10:30		4:30		7:00		4:30		7:00	
	??	210	49		130		86		125		89	
	2010				2011							
Jan.	17	65	180	33	16	59	143	54				

Financial Figures

Total for month Year to date

General Fund offerings received in November: \$17,054.42}

Thanksgiving + corporate donation: 200.00} \$185,465.56

Sustainability Fund: \$1,060.00}

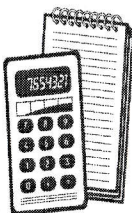
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Mortgage payments in Dec. 2011: Principal \$775.72

Interest..... \$216.28

Total..... \$992.00

Principal balance as of December 14, 2011: \$41,771.02



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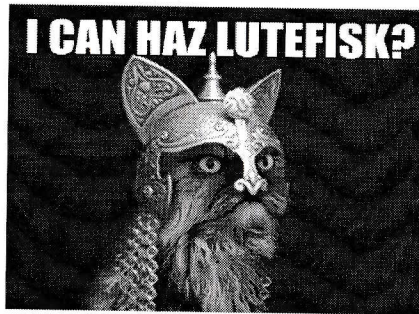
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Email Address		
FIRST DONATION DATE: ____/____/____	FREQUENCY OF DONATION: <input type="checkbox"/> Weekly on _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly on _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Semi-Monthly <small>(transferred on 1st and 15th of each month)</small>	FUNDS AND AMOUNTS: <input type="checkbox"/> General Operating \$ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Debt Retirement \$ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Memorials _____ \$ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Outreach _____ \$ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Neighborhood Camp \$ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ \$ _____
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I authorize the above church to process debit entries to my account. I understand that this authority will remain in effect until I provide reasonable notification to terminate the authorization.		
Authorized Signature: _____ Date: _____		
CREDIT CARD	Please charge my payments to my (check one): <input type="checkbox"/> Visa <input type="checkbox"/> MasterCard <input type="checkbox"/> American Express <input type="checkbox"/> Discover Card	
	Credit Card Number:	Expiration Date:
	Name on Card:	
	Billing Address (if different from above):	
I authorize the above church to charge my credit card in accordance with the information above.		
Signature (as it appears on the credit card): _____ Date: _____		

Elsewhere in Our Area

Norwegian Lutheran Serves Lutefisk and Meatballs

Norway Evangelical Lutheran Church, 6321 Heg Park Road in Wind Lake, invites you to reserve your seat at their annual Norwegian lutefisk and meatball dinner on Saturday, February 11. Servings are at 11:30 a.m., 1:15 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. and include side dishes, beverages, many cakes and wonderful ethnic pastries.

Tickets are \$17.50 for adults, \$7.50 for children under 10 (free for children able to fit in a high chair), or \$16.00 is offered for seniors.



Tickets go on sale January 1. Call Joanne Jacobson at 262 534-6867 or Donna Hanson at 262 534-3862.

Area Churches Post Openings for Holy Land Tour

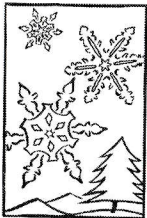
St. Matthew's (Wauwatosa) and Fox Point Lutheran Churches are teaming up to go to the Holy Lands in May 2012 for a Pilgrimage tour. A trip like this brings scripture to life before your very eyes.

real personal passion is Biblical Archeology.

There are several spots still open and available for anyone who would like to attend, but space is limited and running out. For more details, check out the St. Matthew's web site at <http://www.stmattslutheran.org/education/israel2012.html>

Milwaukee *Journal Sentinel* columnist Dan Bice will join the trip as one of its leaders. As focused as Dan is on politics for his column, his

Memorials & Honoraria



Non-designated:

In honor of Art & Nancy Smith: \$600.00

Designated for Neighborhood Camp:

In memory of Harriet Janz: \$250.00

Designated for Giving Tree:

In honor of Sam & Eliana Melander-Eppley: \$150.00

Pastor Mary's Page

Hope in The Midst of Vulnerability

In my tenure of over twenty years at Emmaus, I don't think we have ever been more vulnerable financially than we were this past fall. At the same time, I don't know when I have seen stronger leadership or more energy for mission than in these past three months. I celebrate the many gifts and talents that members and friends of Emmaus have shared, enabling us to move forward with confidence into this new year. Even more, I celebrate God's faithfulness as we walk together.

Isn't it amazing how God works through the most vulnerable to bring a message of hope? We have just celebrated the birth of God's son, realizing that God chose vulnerable conditions to be the setting of the birth of Jesus. When Herod and his people were out to kill all the children under the age of two, Mary, Joseph and Jesus found themselves in Egypt seeking a safe place to take refuge. They were not alone, knowing that God was walking with them.

We of Emmaus find ourselves privileged to walk with some of God's most vulnerable children and

their families as we minister to those who live at risk in our very community. Emmaus has become known as a safe place for many who live in poverty and fear. I am grateful to the many dedicated people who are committed to the mission to which God calls us.

As I write this, it appears that we will end the year in the black financially. That is a miracle in itself! The greater miracles are the seeds that are taking root, the "aha" moments as hearts are touched, and the grace filled moments that bring both exhaustion and exhilaration to those who have rolled up their sleeves and said "yes!" Thank you, people of Emmaus, for your willingness to serve and to go the extra mile—venturing

out even to those places that may seem risky at times. That is where God dwells. We are in good hands, even in our vulnerability!

May hope and a vision for mission undergird us as we move forward together during this coming year!

Pastor Mary
Pastor Mary

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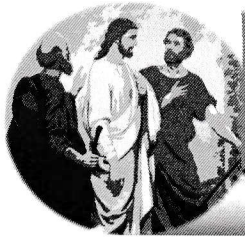
- ▶ Profound Partnership
- ▶ Council Presents 2012
Balanced Budget
- ▶ Anti-Racism Training
- ▶ Wednesday Evening
Schedule Revised
- ▶ David Lopez Joins
EASY Staff
- ▶ Souper Bowl of Caring
- ▶ Member Care
Opportunities
- ▶ Green Team Thanks
- ▶ Knitters Purl Anew
- ▶ Hope Amidst
Vulnerability

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'Together We Pray' Is 2012 Lenten Focus

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 22. Emmaus offers a time of quiet contemplation and Holy Communion Ash Wednesday at noon.

imposition of ashes and communion.

In preparation for Ash Wednesday, our middle school kids burned their written confessions together with last year's palm branches.



Emmaus will serve a meatless supper that night. There will be a bilingual Ash Wednesday service at 7:00 p.m. that will include the

Wednesday Schedule

February 22 - Ash
Wednesday

Noon - Time of prayer
and reflection with imposition
of ashes and Holy
Communion

5:30 p.m. - Wednesday
camp

6:00 p.m. - Dinner in
Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m. - Bilingual Ash
Wednesday worship

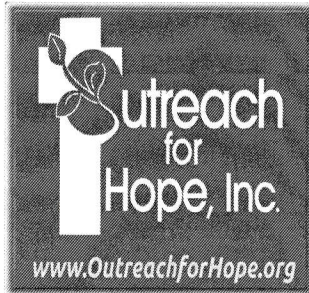
February 29 and following
Wednesdays

7:00 p.m. "We Pray Together"
- time of centering, prayer and
meditation

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Lenten Offerings for Outreach Encouraged

Outreach For Hope, the arm of our synod that provides funding for our outreach ministry at Emmaus, as well as generous support for Neighborhood



Camp, is again offering the opportunity to help to support ministry to and with people in poverty. During this Lenten season, we are encouraged to give \$1.00 a day for 40 days. Remember others as you generously share, filling Lenten banks or envelopes as you are able. You decide what daily amount is right for you—50

cents, a dollar, or even five dollars a day.

Gifts received will be used to support 21 congregations and ministries in the Greater Milwaukee Synod. Your gift directly touches lives right here in southeast Wisconsin! Thank you for your generosity!

Blood Pressure Checks Are on Hiatus

We will not have blood pressure checks at church during February and March. Blood pressure checks will resume on April 1.

Emmaus Staff & Worship Times

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 Jhon Freddy Correa jhoncorrea@hotmail.com 414-881-1403

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English language services are held at Emmaus every Saturday evening at 5:00, Sunday mornings at 9:15. Spanish language worship services are offered Sundays at noon. Ash Wednesday worship services on February 22 are offered at noon and 7:00 p.m.

Emmaus office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The VISITOR is published monthly September to July. The deadline for the March VISITOR is February 15. Submit articles to Paul Berge's attention by mail or by e-mail.

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Wednesday Night Kids to Follow Jesus

What was it like to be in the company of Jesus? During the month of February, the kids will study some of the stories about Jesus.

What It Takes to Follow Jesus: Jesus asked a few people to become his followers. The kids will explore ways they can follow Jesus.

Rappelling Through the Roof: Jesus healed a lame man who was lowered through the roof of a house. Jesus has the power to heal our bodies and forgive our sins. How can we encourage one another to help our friends learn about Jesus?

Wonder Bread: Jesus miraculously fed more than 5,000 people with a boy's lunch. It is important we know that Jesus feeds our hearts as well as our stomachs.

Silent Night, Stormy Night: A night on the lake finds Jesus calming the waters as his disciples shook with fear during a big storm. Jesus is both divine and human. The disciples are amazed and somewhat afraid of the power of Jesus. Through the presentation of skits the kids will dig deeper into these stories.

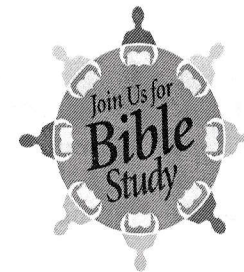
Please note: There will be no Wednesday Night activities on February 8 and 15.

Youth Birthdays

Feb. 5 Jordan Gallagher, 13
 Feb. 6 Trista Meteyard, 6
 Feb. 8 Ismael Saldivar, 8
 Feb. 13 Alicea Castulo, 13
 Feb. 18 Angelica Salinas, 9
 Feb. 25 Abbygail Maranger, 18
 Feb. 27 Alex Maryland, 17

What Does the Bible Say About It?

Have you ever wondered what the Bible says about a certain subject? Perhaps you have sought guidance or comfort but don't know where to turn. Or maybe some issue in our world sends you searching the Scriptures. Has someone ever tried to convert you to their opinion by quoting



chapter and verse? How do we view the Bible as a guide for daily life?

Come join Pastor Walter on Wednesday evenings to explore these questions together! We will gather at 6:00 p.m. in

the Fireside Room February 1. No experience necessary!

Contribute to 'Noisy Offering' on Souper Bowl Sunday

The Souper Bowl of Caring, sponsored by Emmaus and churches all over the nation, is planned to help put God's love in action, providing care for those who are hungry and hurting.

Bring your change for a "noisy offering" on February



4 and 5. Every coin (and any paper money, too) dropped in the soup kettle will go toward relief efforts for world hunger. All contributions will go to the Northside Food Pantry and to Pan de Cielo.

Fifth Grade Boys Need Mentors

Mentors continue to flow in and out of the EASY program to work with their special students. An important request: we need several more mentors, specifically to work with fifth grade boys. Ask some of those who are mentoring and they will tell you it is fun and rewarding; and the kids like it. Many a day someone will come up to Nancy Smith and ask expectantly, "Is my mentor coming today?"

Please contact Nancy; tap her on the shoulder or call 262-672-5859.

EASY needs thin dry erase markers, new #2 pencils (they get short quickly and the erasers are

not long enough), and microwave containers.

Lego Robotics

This past month the kids were fully engaged in constructing a variety of creations including lions, boats, a soccer foot and goalie, and an alligator, all of which can be manipulated by a computer program. The kids have the option of adjusting movement, sound, and direction by creating their unique program on the computer. One group created a spinning top, and they used a stopwatch to determine whether or not the speed of the motor would lengthen or shorten the time the top spun.



Book Group Moves Meeting Dates

The evening book club, the Fireside Exchange, will change the meeting day from the second Monday of each month to the fourth Tuesday of the month. All are welcome to join in the discussion of any or all of the



books listed. The scheduled readings are as follows:

February 28: *The Art of Fielding* by Chad Harbach

March 27: *Thunder Dog* by Michael Hingson

April 24: *Forgotten Garden* by Kate Morton

May 22: *Lottery* by Patricia Wood

Letters

Wadewitz Sends Thanks

Dear Emmaus congregation,

A huge thank you from Wadewitz Elementary to you for all of the gifts you have given us this season. Thanks to your generosity and caring hearts, many



of our families were able to have healthy and hearty home-cooked meals and many of our kids are able to play in the beautiful winter weather with the protection of warm hats and scarves. Also, a big thank you to Nancy for helping to organize these donations. Happy holidays and have a blessed year!

--Wadewitz

Emmaus to Host Middle School Classes

Emmaus will open our doors to the Wisconsin Center for Academically Talented Youth (WCATY) on Friday, February 24 and Monday, March 19. WCATY will conduct classes for academically talented middle schoolers from Racine Unified School District.

Cindi Larsen, Gifted and Talented Coordinator for RUSD,

has worked with David Metzger at McKinley and the other middle school counselors to arrange the classes for this year. RUSD would like to express its thanks for the cooperation of Emmaus in permitting us the use of the church facility. The face to face meetings will be conducted from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Emmaus Fulfills 2011 Benevolence Commitment

As a result of strong year-end giving by members and friends of Emmaus, we were able to pay all our bills and the remainder of our 2011 commitment of \$11,000 to the Greater Milwaukee Synod.

In addition, funds borrowed from a number of designated

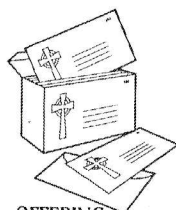
funds have been repaid. Our deficit, which had reached nearly \$27,000 last fall, has been completely eliminated.

Thank you for your support and your prayers during a very difficult time.

Pick Up Your Offering Envelopes in Narthex

Our offering envelopes for February through May have arrived at church. They are in alphabetical order in a tray in the narthex for members to pick up.

To trim costs, we have not ordered offering envelopes for members who generally give "loose" offerings or



OFFERING ENVELOPES

who contribute by electronic funds transfers. We also plan to mail only those envelopes assigned to members who are not able to attend church regularly; it costs a little over a dollar per booklet to do so.

If you need yours dropped off or mailed, please call the church office.

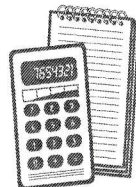
Crunching the Numbers

Weekly worship attendance averages (calculated as of Jan. 22, 2012)

	2010				2011				2012			
	Sat	Sun	Dom	Wed	Sat	Sun	Dom	Wed	Sat	Sun	Dom	Wed
Jan.	17	65	180	33	16	59	143	54	13	49	180	50
Feb.	27	27	190	27	14	52	136	49				
Ash	12		40	192	English: 10	Spanish: 226						

Financial Figures

Total for month 2011 to date
 Gen'l Fund offerings received in Dec. '11: \$16,916.12 }
 Initial, Xmas, Sustainability, corporate: 12,051.00 } \$214,432.56



Mortgage retirement offerings received in Dec. '11	\$160.00.....	Campaign TD: \$69,819.62
Mortgage payments in Jan., 2012: Principal	\$775.72	
Interest.....	\$216.28	
Total.....	\$992.00	
Principal balance as of December 14, 2011:	\$41,771.02	

Keenagers in February



Senior Adults

Emmaus' social group for the young at heart meets on Tuesday, February 21 for coffee and conversation at 10:00, program at 10:30, and a delicious meal at noon.

This month, Claranna Vytlačil will show slides of her vacation in Mexico.

February Birthdays: 70 Years and Better

Feb. 1	Carol Saylor	4511 Harvest Lane	53402
Feb. 2	Pat Torine	2621 Donna Avenue	53404
Feb. 2	Hedy Wagner	4508 N. Green Bay Road	53404
Feb. 10	Alfred Thomsen	3296 Backridge Rd., Woodlawn TN	37191
Feb. 14	Bernice Holding	3709 Candle Court, #6	53402
Feb. 20	John Demant	14132 56 th Road, Sturtevant	53177
Feb. 21	Constance Bertermann	1100 Fountain Hills Drive #103A	53406

Thanks to Food Pantry Volunteers

by Cindi Larsen,
 Northside Food
 Pantry Co-Director

Special thanks are extended to June Beck, James and Mary Larrabee, Pat and Ron Jensen, Kathy and Rich Christensen, Ruth Copeland, Karen Sedgwick, Stan Breiwick, and Marge Zielke for their volunteer hours working at the Pantry to serve our clients.

In addition to these hard workers, several Emmaus members volunteer their time in receiving deliveries and stocking shelves: Pat and Ron Jensen, Deborah Albright, Cheryl Dexter,



Loren Larsen, Kathy and Rich Christensen, Marge Zielke, Dianne Melander, and Audrey Villalobos.



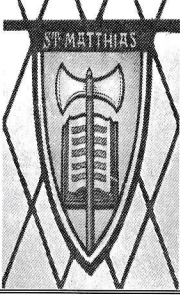
And finally my personal thanks to our Emmaus family who support the Pantry with donations and prayers.

Volunteer Schedule

February 24: Ruth Copeland, Pat and Ron Jensen, James and Mary Larrabee

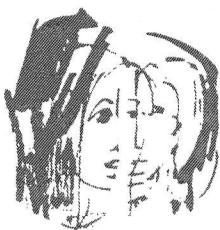
March 24: June Beck, James & Mary Larrabee, & Kathy and Rich Christensen

April 26: James Larrabee, Kathy and Rich Christensen, Karen Sedgwick

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <h1>February 2012</h1> <p>Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Church 1925 Summit Avenue Racine, Wisconsin 53404-2374 http://www.emmaus-racine.org</p>			1 2:30 pm EASY 5:15 pm Supper 5:30 pm Wednesday Camp 6:00 pm Bible study	2 PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 2:30 pm EASY 5:00 pm Community Meal at St. Pat's 6:00 pm Ensayo del coro	 3 ST. ANSGAR	4 8:30 am Green Congregations mtg., Christ UMC 5:00 pm Worship service w/HC (English)
5 5 TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY 8:00 am Choir rehearsal (English) 9:15 am Worship service w/HC (English) 10:30 am Coffee & fellowship 10:45 am English conversation group 12:00 pm Santa misa ; Dia de candelaria (español) 12:30 pm Youth group (bilingual)	6 10:00 am Knit One, Purl One 2:30 pm EASY 6:00 pm Choir rehearsal (español)	7 2:30 pm EASY 5:00 pm TOPS 6:00 pm Guitar lessons 6:30 pm AA	8 1:30 pm Lydia Circle 2:30 pm EASY <i>No Wednesday evening activities</i>	9 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 2:30 pm EASY 6:00 pm Ensayo del coro	10 <i>Secretary out of the office</i>	11 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion (English)
<i>Pastor Mary on vacation</i>						
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<i>Pastor Mary on vacation</i>						
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<i>Pastor Mary on vacation</i>						
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Lydia Circle Meets February 8

Associate in Ministry Claranna Vytlačil will lead the February gathering of the Lydia Circle. All interested women are invited to participate.



The time of study and hospitality is 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, February 8. The group meets in the Sunset Room on the first Wednesday of the month.

February Worship Leaders

	Altar Guild	Communion Assts.	Readers	Ushers
Sat. Jan. 28 5:00 pm	Marge & Amy Zielke, Missy Porcaro	—	—	—
Sun. Jan. 29 9:15 am		Chris Lambertson Joy Lippmann	Chris Chan- A-Sue	Team 6 J. McCray
Sat. Feb. 4 5:00 pm	Judy Berndt Linda Meteyard	—	—	—
Sun. Feb. 5 9:15 am	Lael Richter Grace Falaschi	Pat Jensen	Amy Haman	Team 2 R. Christensen
Sat. Feb. 11 5:00 pm	Brian & Denise Keller	—	—	—
Sun. Feb. 12 9:15 am	Caren Lambertson	Cindi Larsen Karen Sedgwick	Ron Jensen	Team 3 C. Chan-A-Sue
Sat. Feb. 18 5:00 pm	Cheryl Dexter Shirley Irvine	—	—	—
Sun. Feb. 19 9:15 am	Bev Hansen Audrey Villalobos	Shirley Velzka	Cindi Larsen	Team 4 W. Meteyard
Wed. Feb. 22 Noon; 7 pm	12:00 Pat Jensen; 7:00 Barb Larsen	7:00 Chris Lambertson	—	7:00 Team 5 M. Porcaro
Sat. Feb. 25 5:00 pm	Barb Toslek Jamie Toslek	—	—	—
Sun. Feb. 26 9:15 am	Kathy Christensen Marlyn Christensen	Nancy Smith Diane Melander	Jenn Haman	Team 6 J. McCray
Sat. Mar. 3 5:00 pm	Cathy Meyer Jamie Toslek	—	—	—
Sun. Mar. 4 9:15 am	Joy Lippmann Marge Jensen	Pat Jensen	Melissa Lemke	Team 2 R. Christensen

Fellowship Hosts in February:

February 12: Ron & Pat Jensen. March 4: Pastor Mary
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Scrip Available After Services

Need an idea for a Valentine's Day gift? We have a variety of gift cards on hand, including various

restaurants, department stores, and specialty stores. Check out the Scrip table after worship services.

Emmaus to Serve Community Meal February 2

It's Emmaus' turn to serve at St. Patrick's Community Meal Site on February 2. Please sign up in the narthex to help serve, or to provide a casserole, jello, or dessert. 9"x13"



panns are available in the kitchen off the Sunset Room.

A recipe for the casserole is posted on line at www.emmaus-racine.org/SociConc.html.

You may bring your own container or borrow a pan from church. Either way, please tape your name to the pan so that it gets returned.

Bible Readings in February

February 5: Isaiah 40:21-31; Psalm 147:1-11, 20c; 1 Corinthians 9:16-23; Mark 1:29-39.

February 12: 2 Kings 5:1-4; Psalm 30; 1 Corinthians 9:24-27; Mark 1:40-45.

February 19: 2 Kings 2:1-12; Psalm 50:1-6; 2 Corinthians 4:3-6; Mark 9:2-9.

February 22: Joel 2:1-2, 12-17 or Isaiah 58:1-2; Psalm 51:1-17; 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21.

February 26: Genesis 9:8-17; Psalm 25:1-10; 1 Peter 3:18-22; Mark 1:9-15.

Are After School Activities Still On?

After school activities, such as Emmaus After School for Youth (EASY), and Wednesday evening supper, classes and worship will be canceled whenever weather condition close Racine Unified Schools. We will post any cancelations on the



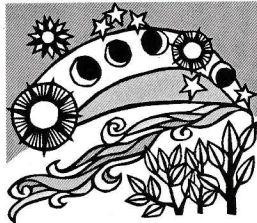
front page of our web site (www.emmaus-racine.org) and our Facebook group page (Emmaus Lutheran Racine).

Wednesday evening activities are taking a break February 8 and 15 in any event.

Lower Your Carbon Footprint at Home

Racine Green Congregations will highlight energy-reduction strategies in the home at their winter meeting on Saturday, February 4 from 8:30 to 10:00 at Christ United Methodist Church, 5109 Washington Avenue. The meeting is open to the public.

Dr. Peter Bakken of Madison will introduce the Cool Congregations program, a stewardship program designed to help people measure their carbon footprint and lower their energy costs. Representatives of over 200 Wisconsin congregations have



attended workshops to learn how to conduct a Cool Congregations program with their members.

Dr. Bakken is Executive Director of Wisconsin Interfaith Power and Light (WIPL) and Coordinator for Public Policy for the Wisconsin Council of Churches. He is co-author of *Church on Earth: Grounding Your Ministry in a Sense of Place*.

Racine Green Congregations is an interfaith coalition of congregations promoting ecological justice and sustainable living in Racine from faith perspectives. Visit them at www.racinegreengregations.org.

We Use Fossil Fuels Faster Than They Are Made

by John Berge

The Good Lord, Mother Nature and/or lots of plants and algae spent hundreds of millions (billions?) of years making fossil fuels -- coal, petroleum and natural gas -- which we are totally using up in a tiny fraction of that time.

After they are gone, or we and the environment can no longer afford to go after the last bits, there won't be any more for many millennia. All these fossil fuels are based on carbon and its chemistry.

Better minds than mine have said that carbon-based fuels are the only fuels that can sustain our love

of the automobile and the speed and convenience of air travel. Where are we, the billions of people on this earth, going to find or make such fuels when the fossil fuels are gone, without endangering the world's food supply? Electricity is probably the easiest form of energy to produce, but the hardest to store.

We should either conserve our fossil fuels as much and as long as we can, or we should training our children and grandchildren to be the engineers and scientists who might solve these problems. Or both.

All Are Invited to Synod Conversation on Public Employees' Rights Resolution

At the request of the 2011 Greater Milwaukee Synod Assembly, a task group of the Synod invites your participation in discussions regarding the role of the church in addressing the public employee collective bargaining debate in Wisconsin.

The 2011 synod assembly tabled a resolution "that the Greater Milwaukee Synod shall commit itself to make every effort to defend and restore the collective bargaining rights of public sector workers and shall express this position to the Legislature, Governor, and Congressional delegation of Wisconsin."

Instead of this Resolution #6, the assembly passed a resolution calling upon the synod council "to establish a team ... to take the lead in guiding the community into a more careful discussion of collective bargaining."

The team thus established invites you to join this discussion in one of two ways: face-to-face at one of four facilitated discussions around the Synod, or by written response using a link available soon on the Greater Milwaukee Synod website.

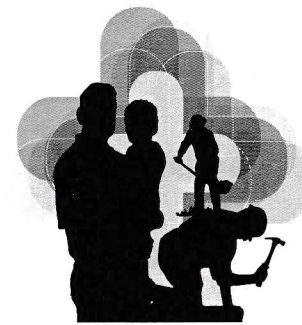
These discussions are designed

not to be debates with winners or losers, nor to forge consensus or change minds. As followers of Christ, our common blessing is that we can listen to each other and articulate the feelings behind our beliefs in a respectful way.

The Greater Milwaukee Synod has scheduled four conversations on Resolution 6. The Racine conversation will take place Thursday, March 8 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Atonement Lutheran Church, 2915 Wright Avenue. The majority of the time will be devoted to facilitated discussion in small groups.

It may well be that deeply held values, fears, or stresses—even those we share in common—cause us to reach our vastly different conclusions on this subject. Knowing this, we might bring a surprising witness of Good News to this difficult debate.

Planners ask that you please direct questions about the four events to: Bishop Jeff Barrow (jeff@milwaukee-synod.org), John Horner-Ibler (john@crossoflife.org) and Lisa Bates-Froiland (batesfroi@gmail.com). We thank you in advance for your prayerful consideration of this request.



Drop-in Center Seeks Volunteers, Donations

The Hospitality Center, located at 614 Main Street at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, is a drop in center for the homeless and near homeless. They currently serve over 85 people a day, and are in need of volunteers and donated goods, such as cold meats and cheese for sandwiches, bottled water, individually wrapped snacks, ground coffee, peanut butter and jelly, sliced bread, bakery, powdered creamer, sugar, paper goods and plastic ware.



They also need clean adult winter coats, hats, gloves, blankets, grocery store gift cards and travel mugs for coffee. They are open on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Donations may be dropped off at St. Luke's during these times. For further information, contact Reverend Kevin Stewart at 414-405-5619 or kstewart20@wi.rr.com.

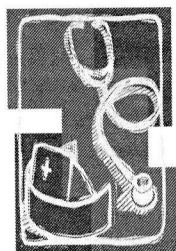
Agency Offers Care Giving Advice

Have you been taking care of someone for a long time? Are you feeling burnt out? Do you feel you

can't do this alone any more? Find out about a model program on how to create a care giving family from friends, relative, co-workers, neighbors, and acquaintances. Visit the Share the Care website at www.SharetheCare.org, or contact the Aging and Disability Resource Center of Racine County at 262638-6800.

Retiree Group to Discuss Health Care Reform

The Wisconsin Alliance for Retired Americans and Know Your Care Wisconsin will hold a free forum at the Racine Public Library at 9:00 a.m. Thursday, March 1. You can learn about the free preventive services available under Medicare as a result of the 2010 Affordable Care Act. Cuts to Social Security and Medicare being considered by Congress will also be addressed.



Coffee and doughnuts will be provided. WARA and KYCW provide public education on health issues and programs affecting current and future Wisconsin seniors.

Centered in Prayer

I was recently at a meeting of pastors led by Pastor Michael Mueller, pastor of St. Andrew Lutheran Church. Although many crossroads and challenges were being discussed at that particular meeting, I experienced a sense of calm and centeredness not typically the case at other similar meetings. What was difference? Pastor Michael effectively used times of silence, centering and prayer throughout our time together.

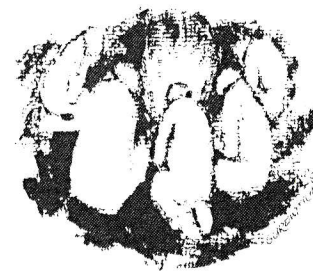
How often have we been guilty in the church of trying to fill all those spaces of silence with words? How often do we offer a "quick prayer" to open a meeting rather than being steeped in a time of silence and centered prayer?

Also key to that time together was listening well to what others said, allowing every single voice in the room to have equal time and value. We articulated our dreams, our needs and our fears. We listened to one another. We listened to God. It was a holy time.

In conversation, Pastor Jhon Freddy and I have discussed the importance of creating an atmosphere for meditation and prayer for our Lenten journey

together. On Ash Wednesday, February 22, that time of quiet and reflection (together with the imposition of ashes and Holy Communion) will be offered at noon. That evening there will also be a 7:00 p.m. bilingual service geared to families.

"Together We Pray" will be offered at 7:00 p.m. Wednesdays for adults from both the English and Spanish speaking communities of our congregation. Candlelight, times of silence and meditation and prayer will be the center of our Wednesday evening Lenten time together. Beginning February



29, the weekly Lenten gathering, led by Pastor Jhon Freddy, Pastor Walter and myself will be held in the sanctuary, allowing space and time for quiet reflection and centering.

Let us hold one another and Emmaus in prayer as we prepare to enter our Lenten journey together. May it be a holy time for each and every one of us.

In prayerful anticipation,

Pastor Mary
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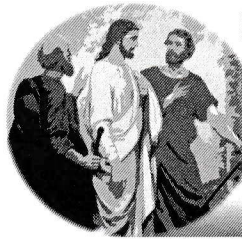
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- ♥ What Does the Bible Say?
- ♥ Souper Bowl Noisy Offering
- ♥ Book Club Moves Date
- ♥ Offering Envelopes Are Here
- ♥ Food Pantry Volunteers
- ♥ Community Meal Feb. 2
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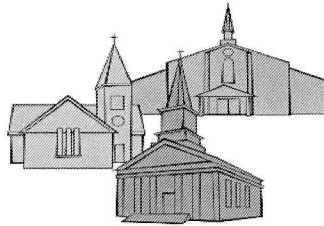
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RAMS Process Comes to a Close; Partnership Work Is Now Main Focus

The Racine Area Mission Strategy (RAMS) process, which was launched one year ago, was the focus of reports at a February 25 gathering at Emmanuel Lutheran Church.

Out of the process came the resolve on the part of several congregations to form a Profound Partnership, bound by a covenant and driven by common mission focus. The Emmaus council and the congregation both voted to join the partnership, which currently also includes Atonement, St. Andrew and Our Savior's Lutheran churches. The invitation is open for other congregations to join in the partnership, which will take this year to form a Mission



Partnership

Council and to launch several pilot projects together.

Holy Week Plans

One of the initial collaborative efforts will be "Holy Week: A Journey Together." Highlights

during that week will include the Wednesday Passion of the Prayer Walk at Emmaus, a joint Maundy Thursday worship (led by Emmaus, Emmanuel and St. Andrew) at St. Andrew, and several Good Friday options (noon at Siena Center, 1:00 p.m. at Atonement, and Dr. David Rhoads presenting the passion according to St. Mark at Emmanuel).

Plans are underway for a joint Easter Vigil worship at Atonement, which will begin in darkness and end with an explosion of light,

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Funeral:
Celso Isaac Huitron-Loyo
February 3, 2012

Isaac, 27, was killed in a workplace accident on January 27. Friends and co-workers remember him for his smile and for his eagerness to help those in need. He is survived by his wife, Jessica, and their two sons, Brian and Joshua.

Gluten-Free Wafers Offered at Communion

Gluten-free wafers are now available during Holy Communion for worshipers with wheat allergies. Please ask for the wafers which are in a



small brass container with a ✠ on the lid. It is suggested that you remove the wafer from the container yourself to avoid transfer of gluten from the other wafers.

Daylight Saving Springs Forward to Winter

Daylight Saving Time springs back onto our clocks at 2:00 a.m. the morning of Sunday, March 11. Be sure to set your clocks ahead

one hour on Saturday night, March 10, and brace yourself for an extra week of dark winter mornings.

Easter Services Feature Brass Nickel

The Brass Nickel will provide special music for our Festival Easter services on April 8. Donations to help defray the cost can be earmarked "Easter Music" on your offering envelope. Note the amount on the blank on the right side of your



offering envelope and note "Easter music" above it, or include that notation on your check if you do not use your offering envelope. If you make your donation on line (you may use the "Electronic Fund Giving" link at www.emmaus-racine.org), select "Other" as the category and note "Easter music" in the space provided.

Congregation Approves Profound Partnership

Emmaus members at the January 29 congregational meeting voted to approve entering into a Profound Partnership Covenant with Atonement, Our Savior's, and Saint Andrew Lutheran Churches.

Discussion included an explanation of Emmaus' participation in the RAMS process which led to the "speed dating" event at Emmanuel and the discovery of common mission and energy with three other churches. The Partnership Covenant evolved during subsequent meetings of clergy, council members and other lay people from the churches. The covenant doesn't mean mergers of churches, but might mean a common purse for some programs, such as Neighborhood Camp.

In addition to approving reports, acknowledging outgoing council members and the approval of a budget, a new slate of council members was voted on and approved. Members of the 2012 Emmaus council are:

- Chris Lamberton - President
- Jeff McCray - Vice-President
- Missy Porcaro - Secretary
- Art Smith - Treasurer
- Caren Lamberton - Financial Secretary
- Loren Larsen - Building and Grounds



- Kathy Christensen - Worship and Music
- Rich Benson - Youth
- Stacy Steinike & Melissa Lemke - Fund raising and sustainability
- Cathy Meyer - Member Care
- Diane Melander - Social Concerns
- Carolyn Wooster - Stewardship

Treasurer Art Smith highlighted certain aspects of the proposed 2012 budget: staff numbers are down due to Pastor Mary adjusting her hours; the synod pledge remains unchanged; the Latino congregation has pledged \$10,000 for 2012 plus continued maintenance such as paper products. Art mentioned that we are still at risk for major repairs such as the elevator and boiler repairs that set us back financially in 2011, but we have generated a reserve fund of \$2,500 in addition to approximately \$1,000 in the capital improvements fund.

Partnership Work

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sound, music and dance from around the world.

Food Ministry, including food production, distribution and education, will be an ongoing focus of the Profound Partners, who are also being referred to as FaithWorks. Work is now being done to organize and coordinate the many food related ministries of our congregations in Racine. Areas of focus will include gardening, marketing produce, creating jobs, education and nutrition, together with the distribution of food through local food pantries, community meals, and HALO. Volunteers are being sought to be a part of this community effort, and job

descriptions will be forthcoming. The next meeting of the Food Ministry group will be at Emmaus Friday, March 9 at 1:00 p.m.

Among other groups of the Profound Partnership are Discipleship, Technology and Communication, and Grant writing and Sustainability. Under the direction of Pastor Warren Williams, work is now being done to map the physical assets of each of the congregations, including building use and needs for renovation or updating. Each participating congregation is expected to name two members to serve on the Mission Council by April 1.

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English language services are held at Emmaus every Saturday evening at 5:00 and Sunday mornings at 9:15. Spanish language worship services are offered Sundays at noon. Bilingual midweek Lenten services are held Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. through March 28.

Emmaus office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The VISITOR is published monthly September to July. The deadline for the April VISITOR is March 15. Please submit articles to Paul Berge's attention by mail or by e-mail.

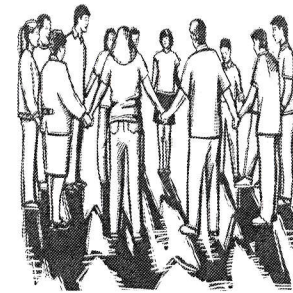
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Pray Together Wednesdays in Lent

"Together We Pray" will be offered at 7:00 p.m. Wednesdays for adults from both the English and Spanish speaking communities of our congregation. Pastors



Mary, Jhon Freddy and Walter will lead a time of candlelight, times of silence and meditation each Wednesday evening beginning February 29 and continuing through the month of March.

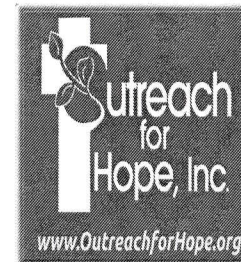
No Fooling: Sunday of the Passion Is April 1

Worship services at 5:00 p.m. Saturday, March 31, and at 9:15 a.m. Passion Sunday, April 1, will begin with the traditional Procession of Palms. Worshipers

will become a part of the passion story as we participate in a dramatic reading of the Passion narrative.

Outreach for Hope Asks Dollar per Day in Lent

Outreach For Hope, the arm of our synod that provides funding for our outreach ministry at Emmaus, as well as generous support for Neighborhood Camp, is again offering the opportunity to help to support ministry to and with people in poverty.



During this Lenten season, we are encouraged to give \$1.00 a day for 40 days. Remember others as you generously share, filling Lenten banks or envelopes as you are able. You decide what daily

amount is right for you—50 cents, a dollar, or even five dollars a day. Gifts received will be used to support 21 congregations and ministries in the Greater Milwaukee Synod. Your gift directly touches lives right here in southeast Wisconsin! Thank you for your generosity!

Blood Pressure Checks Are on Hiatus

Sunday morning blood pressure checks will resume on April 1.

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Joint Council Meeting Set For March 13

As part of the process of getting to know one another and to begin in more intentional collaboration together, the councils of St. Andrew, Emmaus and Emaus (the Spanish speaking community) will meet March 13 at 7:00 p.m.



The meeting, to be held at Emmaus, will lay the groundwork for casting a vision intended to lead to a deeper partnership in mission among the three groups.

Our Savior's Hosts Cluster Assembly

The Racine Mission Cluster Assembly is scheduled at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 29 at Our

Savior's Lutheran Church, at the corner of Washington Avenue and Taylor Avenue.

Voting Member for 2013 Assembly Sought

Would you like to be a voting member at the 2013 Churchwide Assembly in Pittsburgh? Or assist in the review of disciplinary cases facing the Greater Milwaukee Synod? Or help identify other people to serve in a variety of positions?

If any of these opportunities sound interesting, please go to the

synod's website at <http://milwaukee-synod.org/who-we-are/nominating-committee/> or contact the synod's nominating chair, Matthew Brockmeier, at brockmeier.gms@gmail.com or 920-254-0408 for more information and a nominating form.



EASY On Hiatus Week of March 5

Due to a midwinter break of the RUSD schools, there will be no EASY after school activities or Wednesday night activities the week of March 5. Mentors will not work with their students that

week, and there will be no Wednesday evening meal served March 7. There will be regular Bible study offered at 6:00 p.m. followed by worship at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 7.

Book Club Meets on Fourth Tuesdays

The evening book club, the Fireside Exchange, will change the meeting day from the second Monday of each month to the fourth Tuesday of the month. All are welcome to join in the discussion of any or all of



the books listed. The scheduled readings are as follows:

March 27: *Thunder Dog* by Michael Hingson
 April 24: *Forgotten Garden* by Kate Morton
 May 22: *Lottery* by Patricia Wood

Lillian Frederiksen Estate Makes Donation

A gift of \$5,376.34 from the Lillian V. Frederiksen Charitable Trust was received by Emmaus in early February. Lillian, who passed away in 2001, had been residing in Florida where she and her husband, Earl, moved from Racine in the 1970's.

The bequest, which was given without restriction for its use, has been earmarked by the Emmaus

council to be used for technology to further the mission of the church. The money has been placed in savings until the specific needs for technology are assessed. Among possibilities under consideration are the replacement of the main church office computer and the expansion of video/projection capabilities in the sanctuary.

Crunching the Numbers

Weekly worship attendance averages (calculated as of Feb. 26, 2012)

	2010				2011				2012			
	Sat	Sun	Dom	Wed	Sat	Sun	Dom	Wed	Sat	Sun	Dom	Wed
Jan.	17	65	180	33	16	59	143	54	12	44	186	49
Feb.	27	27	190	27	14	52	136	49	14	43	183	n/a
Ash	12		40	192	English: 10		Spanish: 226		Noon: 13		7:00: 200	
Mar.	18	75	199	47	21	113	204	93				

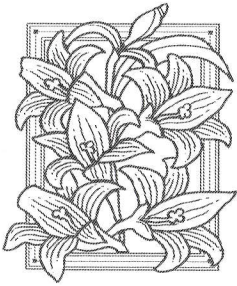
Financial Figures

Total for month 2012 to date
 Gen'l Fund offerings received in Jan. '12: \$ 12,541.84 }
 + Initial, Christmas: 202.00 } \$12,743.84

Mortgage retirement offerings received in Jan. '12:\$360.00..... Campaign TD: \$70,179.62
 Principal balance as of December 14, 2011: \$41,771.02



Flowering plants, symbolizing rebirth, have long been used to enhance the worship experience at Easter services. We offer a wide variety to choose from again this year. Choose from the plants listed below to decorate Emmaus on this special day. The plants will be yours to take after the late worship service on Easter Sunday, April 8.



Please indicate your choice of plant(s) on this order form and return it to the church office by March 25.

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Cost per plant</u>
_____	6" white Easter lily (5-8 flowers)	\$9.00
_____	6" chrysanthemums	\$9.50
_____	7" cineraria	\$10.00
_____	6 1/2" daffodil (3-4 flowers)	\$10.00
_____	6 1/2" hyacinth (3-4 flowers)	\$10.00
_____	6 1/2" tulip (6-7 flowers)	\$10.00
_____	7" regal geranium	\$10.00
_____	7" azalea	\$16.00
_____	7" hydrangea (3-5 flowers)	\$17.00
	Total enclosed	_____

Your name(s): _____ Phone _____

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I will take my plant home. Please give my plant to a shut-in

Counters mark if paid. Office mark: Bulletin Order list

Keenagers in March

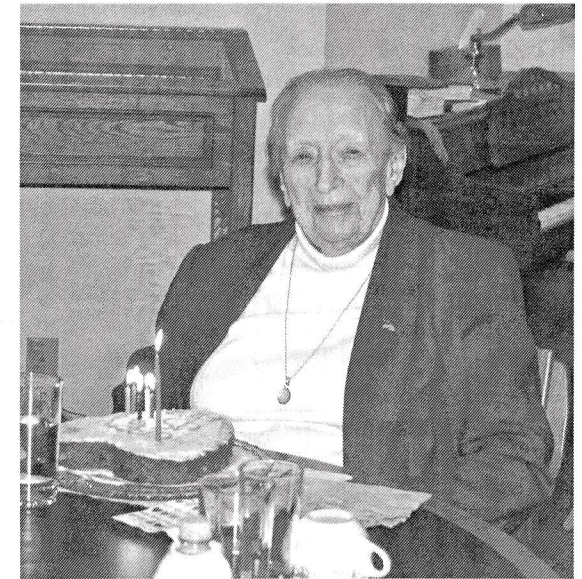
Emmaus' social group for the young at heart meets on Tuesday, March 20 for coffee and conversation at 10:00, a program at 10:30, and a delicious meal at noon.

March Birthdays: 70 Years and Better

Mar. 4	Bev Hansen	130 23 rd Avenue, Kenosha	53140
Mar. 7	Pat Jensen	5512 West Branch Trail	53402
Mar. 19	Bonnie French	2301 Summit Avenue	53404





Bea Holding Celebrates Birthday with Friends

A "Valentine baby," Bea Holding reached the landmark of her 95th birthday this past month. Wanting more than anything to celebrate the milestone with friends, Bea contacted Pat Jensen to plan her birthday lunch, which would be offered at the regular February gathering of the Keenagers. Following a travelogue slide show by Claranna Vytlačil, Pat and Cheryl Dexter served the lunch, complete with Bea's favorite dessert, carrot cake.



Youth Birthdays in March

Nolan Meteyard	March 3	2	Jackson Tepley	March 12	8
Cameron Palmgren	March 4	1	Katie Maranger	March 15	13
Nancy Aragon	March 6	2	Logan Geiger	March 17	5
Paul Velasquez Jr.	March 6	13	Jovanna Hernandez	March 18	9
Marilena Velasquez	March 7	14	Lukas Burns	March 23	7
Natalie Garcia	March 8	2	Brandon Miannecki	March 26	3
Fernando Cruz	March 9	3			

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Church 1925 Summit Avenue, Racine, Wisconsin 53404-2374 Phone 262 634-5515 Fax 262 634-0835 emmausracine@sbcglobal.net http://www.emmaus-racine.org						March 1 ST. DAVID 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 2:30 pm EASY 6:00 pm Entrepreneur class (español)	2	3 1:00 pm Zumba 5:00 pm Worship service w/ Holy Communion
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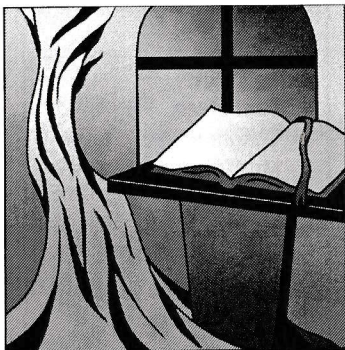
March Worship Leaders

	Altar Guild	Communion Assts.	Readers	Ushers
Sat. Mar. 3 5:00 pm	Cathy Meyer Jamie Toslek	—	—	—
Sun. Mar. 4 9:15 am	Joy Lippmann Marge Jensen	Pat Jensen	Melissa Lemke	Team 1 Team 2
Sat. Mar. 10 5:00 pm	M. & A. Zielke, M. Porcaro	—	—	—
Sun. Mar. 11 9:15 am	Barb Larsen Pat Jensen	Karen Sedgwick K. Christensen	Al Svendsen	Team 3 C. Chan-A-Sue
Sat. Mar. 17 5:00 pm	Judy Berndt Linda Meteyard	—	—	—
Sun. Mar. 18 9:15 am	Lael Richter Grace Falaschi	Kathy Christensen	Lee Woodward	Team 4 W. Meteyard
Sat. Mar. 24 5:00 am	Brian & Denise Keller	—	—	—
Sun. Mar. 25 9:15 am	Caren Lamberton	Carol Eschmann Shirley Velzka	Nancy Smith	Team 6 M. Porcaro
Sat. Mar. 31 5:00 pm	Cheryl Dexter Shirley Irvine	—	—	—
Sun. Apr. 1 9:15 am	Cheryl Dexter Shirley Irvine	Joy Lippmann	Karen Sedgwick	Team 1 Team 2

Fellowship Hosts

March 4: Pastor Mary. March 11: Laura Bennett. March 18: Maribel Vega

Bible Readings in March



March 4: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16; Psalm 22:23-31; Romans 4:13-25; Mark 8:31-38.
 March 11: Exodus 20:1-17; Psalm 19; 1 Corinthians 1:18-25; John 2:13-22.
 March 18: Numbers 21:4-9; Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22; Ephesians 2:1-10; John 3:14-21.
 March 25: Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 51:1-12 or 119:9-16; Hebrews 5:5-10; John 12:20-33.
 April 1: Mark 11:1-11 or John 12:12-16; Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9-16; Philippians 2:5-11; Mark 14:1-15:47.

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Business Entrepreneur Classes Offered

The Latino congregation also is offering the second entrepreneur business class in Spanish. It will be

offered Thursdays from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. The class starts March 1 and continues until May 10.

Souper Bowl of Caring Tops \$8 Million

As of February 24, nearly \$8.5 million has been reported through the 2012 Souper Bowl of Caring.



Emmaus raised \$381.43 through a "noisy offering" on February 4 and 5. The money collected at Emmaus has been donated to the Northside Food Pantry.

Emmaus Serves April 5 Community Meal

Emmaus will again prepare and serve the food at the St. Patrick's Community Meal site on Thursday, April 5. A sign-up sheet is on the table in the narthex for those who can help by preparing a casserole, jello, or dessert and for those who can help serve the food.

Thank you to Marlyn Christensen, Marjorie Zielke, Sandy Strini, Kathy Christensen, Cindi Larsen, Cheryl Dexter, Cathy Meyer, Shirley Velzka and Diane Melander for preparing dishes for the February community meal.

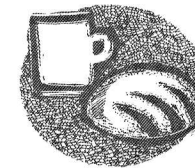
Recipes for the casseroles are near the sign-up sheet if you did not pick them up at the Ministry Fair.

9"x13" pans are available in the kitchen off the Sunset Room.

Please tape your name to the pans (whether they are yours or were borrowed from the church) so they can be returned.

Casserole Recipe

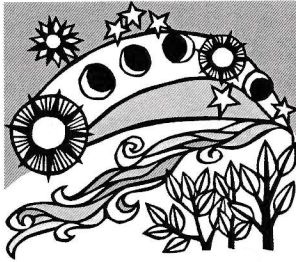
2 lbs. ground beef
 Onion (chopped, diced or grated)
 Salt and pepper
 1½ lbs. french cut green beans (frozen)
 2 cans of cream of chicken or cream of mushroom soup
 1½ lbs. tater tots
 Brown the beef, onion, salt and pepper and put them in the bottom of a 9"x13" pan.
 Sprinkle the green beans over the beef. Pour both cans of soup over the beans.
 Spread the tater tots over the top of the casserole.
 Bake at 350°F for 45 minutes.



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Mt. Pleasant Hosts Green Congregations Meeting

Green Congregations will meet Saturday, March 31 from 8:30 to 10:00 at Mount Pleasant Lutheran Church, 1700 South Green Bay Road, Racine. Program: "The Nehemiah Project" The Rev. William Thomkins, Executive Director and pastor of



the Fellowship of Christian Believers will describe this volunteer-run garden club designed to distribute bulbs and plants to beautify Racine with varieties of flowers. Learn more by going online to "Racine Gardens of the Nehemiah Project."

Wildlife Professor to Speak at Rondelle

Racine Green Congregations, along with other environmental organizations in Racine, is sponsoring an evening lecture at the Golden Rondelle Monday, March 5 by Dr. Douglas Tallamy, Professor of Wildlife at the

University of Delaware and author of *Bringing Nature Home: How You Can Sustain Wildlife with Native Plants*. A powerful presentation! Reservations: Call 262 260-2154.

Northside Food Pantry Schedule



Trinity United Methodist Church, 3825 Erie Street, 1:30 to 4:00 p.m.

March 22: June Beck, James Larrabee, & Kathy and Rich Christensen

April 26: James Larrabee, Kathy and Rich Christensen, Karen Sedgwick

If you are unable to work your scheduled date, please trade with someone on the schedule. Please do not leave only two people on duty. Thank you for your support of this important ministry.

Zumba Classes Meet on Saturdays

The Latino congregation has begun holding Zumba classes here on Saturdays from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m.

The entire community is invited. The cost is \$2.00 per person.

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Environmental Stewardship

Let Justice Flow Like Streams

by John Berge

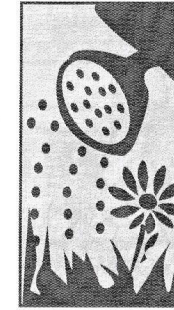
The earth's surface is 70% water, so why are 80 countries "water stressed" and 40% of the world's population has no access to safe, clean, drinkable water?

Partly because 97% of the world's water is salt water and only 3% is fresh. Of the latter, 2.1% is tied up in the ice caps and glaciers. Only 0.1% is in lakes (we sit on the shores of about a third of that) and 0.0002% is in rivers and streams.

A very important 0.001% is in the atmosphere which perpetuates the hydrological cycle of rain, snow, and evaporation. Even though those percentages are small, total volumes are large — 18,000 cubic kilometers of precipitation fall on North America each year. Over half of that evaporates and the rest runs off or soaks into the underground aquifers.

On average, Americans use 1,300 gallons of water per day per person: of which 164 gallons are for bathing, toilets, laundry and direct consumption, 580 gallons are for electric power generation, 485 gallons for agriculture to feed us and 70 gallons for industrial processes.

By comparison, many in impoverished countries use only 5 gallons of water per person per day because they have to haul it up to several miles from a river, lake or other source. This water is generally neither clean nor pathogen free. Compare that to our few steps to a faucet which delivers essentially unlimited amounts of clean, good tasting, healthful water.



We cannot ship our abundance of water to the needy people around the world, but we can ship some of our abundance of wealth. Lutheran World Relief (LWR) and many other organizations provide wells, rain barrels or cisterns to many of these people. Lack of replacement parts mean that half of the wells are inoperative in five years and the rain water is generally polluted by the time it reaches a rain barrel. So another need and partial solution that has recently been brought to my attention is Point of Use Filtration Systems.

It would take all of the space in this newsletter to adequately describe how these systems work to remove 99% or more of the pathogens in the water for just a few, but scarce, dollars. LWR, CARE and other agencies are helping to provide these systems. Give generously!

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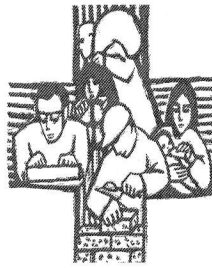
All Are Invited to Synod Conversation on Public Employees' Rights Resolution

The Greater Milwaukee Synod has scheduled four conversations on a Lutheran approach to workers' rights and responsibilities in Wisconsin. The Racine conversation will take place Thursday, March 8 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Atonement Lutheran Church, 2915 Wright Avenue. The majority of the time will be devoted to facilitated discussion in small groups.

It may well be that deeply held values, fears, or stresses—even those we share in common—cause

us to reach our vastly different conclusions on this subject. Knowing this, we might bring a surprising witness of Good News to this difficult debate.

Planners ask that you please direct questions about the discussion to: Bishop Jeff Barrow at jeff@milwaukeesynod.org, John Horner-Ibler at john@crossoflife.org and Lisa Bates-Froiland at batesfroi@gmail.com. The synod office thanks you in advance for your prayerful consideration of this request.



Emmaus Hosts Pink Paddlers' Rummage Sale

The Pink Paddling Power Breast Cancer Survivors' group will run a rummage sale at Emmaus March 23 and 24 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

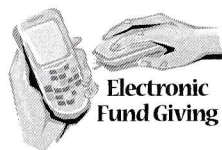
The Pink Paddling Power team has been competing in dragon boating races since 2006, and has been invited to compete to

represent USA BCS Survivors in the World Club Crew Dragon Boat Championships in Hong Kong this July.

For further information, please contact Joy Lippmann at 262 878-2081, or Jane DePelecyn at 262 456-0698, or visit the team's web site at www.pppracine.org

Electronic Offering Option Continues

You can still arrange to give your offerings by electronic funds transfer (EFT) by clicking on the green button on our web page (www.emmaus-racine.org) or by



Electronic Fund Giving

filling in the form on Page 17 and turning it in to the church office.

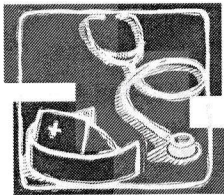
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Lord of Life Offers Kidney Screening

Are you an adult with diabetes or high blood pressure? You are invited for a free screening Saturday, March 3 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Lord of Life Lutheran Church, Washington Road at Green Bay Road, Kenosha.



Since 1997, Empty Bowls has donated over \$98,000 to hunger and homeless assistance programs in Racine. Bring a canned good donation and/or an empty bowl from a previous year and earn an additional chance to win a special bowl set.

Make an appointment by calling 262 821-0705, ext. 10 or e-mail: keep@kidneywi.org. Sponsored by the National Kidney Foundation.

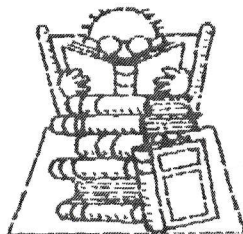
Soup Event Aids Hunger, Homeless Programs

Empty Bowls 2012, a hunger-fighting event to remind us that there is always an empty bowl, will be held at the Racine Masonic Center Monday, March 5 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., and 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Enter at 1012 Wisconsin St. Choose a handmade ceramic bowl filled with soup prepared by Racine's finest chefs and enjoy live music.

The cost is \$15 per meal (you keep the bowl), \$5 for children under 10 (plastic bowl), or \$7 for "soup to go."

Auxiliary Hosts Spring Book Fair

The Lincoln Lutheran Auxiliary will hold its Spring Book Fair on Thursday, March 15 and Friday, March 16 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Lincoln Village convalescent Center on Highway 31 across from Mt. Pleasant Lutheran Church.



Books make wonderful gifts for all ages. The proceeds help the Auxiliary buy Wish List equipment for Lincoln Lutheran facilities — equipment which budgets can't include, but which make lives better for residents.

Check out the bargains on books for all age levels and interests. The books are located just inside the main entrance; parking is in front of the entrance.

Nearly Sixty Years at the Corner of Summit and Yout: What's the Next Part of the Story?

When I was a third grader, some bold folks were embarking on a new venture here in Racine. They were moving to the next chapter of the Emmaus journey. What would it be like to leave behind the building on Mound Avenue, the place where weddings and funerals, baptisms and confirmations, Sunday School and Sunday worship had all been the heartbeat of so many families? Leaders at that time saw the possibility of something new. They took risks, moving to what was then the edge of town.

Moving to the edge...that's where Jesus could be found. Whether it was an encounter with a Samaritan woman or a corrupt tax collector or a man born blind, there was Jesus. He demonstrated how God's kingdom breaks in, as one of my gay friends commented recently, often through those who might be referred to as "fringy." (My friend, a Lutheran pastor, has been classified by some in her synod as too "fringy" even while her small congregation continues to grow, welcoming folks from Togo, gay folks, together with "unchurched" young adults and seasoned scholars of theology.)

I write this on my last day of vacation. Although it is a time of thinking about how to "re-enter,"

it is also a time of reflecting about what the next part of the Emmaus journey will look like. How is God calling us to the edges as we embody the living Christ?

How bold will we be as we minister to elderly people who are at risk of living in isolation and loneliness? How bold will we be as we "re-invent" the church so that it will be inviting and relevant to young people? How bold will we be as we advocate for families that are torn apart due to poverty and lack of documentation? How willing will we be to shed old wineskins for the sake of new wine? How compassionate will we be as we embrace all who suffer loss, even in the midst of new life?

As we move through this Lenten season, our focus is on prayer. We pray "Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven." I pray that the kingdom God wills for us will be reflected in all that we do and say and are—right here on earth, right here in Racine. Called to the edges, we focus on our Center, Jesus Christ, the One who brings God's love to ALL--unconditionally. Pretty amazing, isn't it?

Pastor Mary
--Pastor Mary

In the March Visitor:

- ✦ Gluten-free Wafers
 - ✦ Congregational Meeting
 - ✦ Lenten Midweek Prayer
 - ✦ Joint Council Meeting
 - ✦ EASY Takes Week Off
 - ✦ Book Club Selections
 - ✦ Frederiksen Bequest
 - ✦ Easter Flower Orders
 - ✦ Bea's Birthday
 - ✦ Souper Bowl Results
 - ✦ Zumba Class Begins
 - ✦ Public Workers' Rights
 - ✦ What's Next at Emmaus?
- ...and plenty more*

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Lutherans Unite for Holy Week Services

Emmaus worship services at 5:00 p.m. Saturday, March 31, and at 9:15 a.m. Passion Sunday, April 1, will begin with the traditional Procession of Palms. Worshipers will become a part of the passion story as we participate in a dramatic reading of the Passion narrative.

On Wednesday, Emmaus offers "Prayer Walk of the Passion," a narrative drama depicting the final days of Jesus' life. Walk with Jesus from the triumphal entry into Jerusalem to the tomb. This year's presentation will include a live donkey. Come and experience this moving presentation led by our kids on Wednesday, April 4 at 7:00 p.m. A family supper will be served at 6:00 p.m.

St. Andrew Lutheran Church, 1015 Four Mile Road, will host a joint Maundy Thursday worship,

led by Emmaus, Emmanuel and St. Andrew at 7:00 p.m. April 5. Pastor Jhon Freddy will lead a Spanish language service at Emmaus at 7:00.



Good Friday services on April 6 include an ecumenical service at the Siena Center at noon. Dr. David Rhoads will present the Passion according to St. Mark at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 725 High Street, at 7:00 p.m. Pastor Jhon Freddy will lead a worship service in Spanish at Emmaus at 7:00 p.m.

Emmaus will participate in a joint Easter Vigil worship at Atonement, which will begin in darkness and end with an explosion of light, sound, music and dance from around the world. The service starts at 8:00 p.m. April 7. Emmaus will not have the usual 5:00 Saturday service that day.

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Brass Nickel to Make a Joyful Noise

The Brass Nickel will provide special music for our Festival Easter services on April 8. Donations to help defray the cost can be earmarked "Easter Music" on your offering envelope. Note

the amount on the blank on the right side of your offering envelope and note "Easter music" above it, or include that notation on your check if you do not use your offering envelope.

Easter Sunday

Celebrate Christ's Resurrection

FaithWorks congregations, including Emmaus, will sponsor a Sunrise Easter service at the Wind Point Lighthouse, at 4725 Lighthouse Drive, at 6:00 a.m. April 8.

Returning to Emmaus, Pastor Mary will lead a celebration of the empty tomb at 9:15 a.m. Easter Sunday, April 8 with festive floral decorations, music by Brenda Trumbauer, and the Brass Nickel with Joyce Kaiser, and the



proclamation of the Easter message.

Pastor Jhon Freddy will lead an Easter celebration in Spanish at noon, featuring the music of the Latino Praise Band.

We will celebrate the sacrament of Holy Communion at each of these festival services. We hope you

will join us on this journey from the palms and hosannas of Passion Sunday to the Good News of the resurrection on Easter.

Easter Floral Arrangement Help Is Welcome

Those interested in helping arrange the flowers for the Easter service are invited to meet at the church on Saturday, April 7, at 9:00 a.m. A sign-up sheet is in the narthex.

A note on Easter flowers: we would like to keep as many as possible of the Easter flowers in



the chancel through the noon worship service. If you feel you must take your flower home after the early worship service, please contact Pat Jensen (681-1466) before April 7 so that your flower isn't placed in the middle of the arrangement.

We Still Sell Scrip

We will continue to sell Scrip gift cards after weekend worship services. In addition to a variety of gift cards that we have on hand, we also have a complete list of

businesses that offer Scrip gift cards, and we can order those cards for you.

If you have any questions, please contact Cathy Meyer.

Emmaus Staff & Worship Times

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English language services are held at Emmaus every Saturday evening at 5:00 (although not on April 7), Sunday mornings at 9:15, and Wednesday evenings at 7:00. Spanish language worship services are offered Sundays at noon. Please see the insert for Holy Week services.

Emmaus office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday; closed on the afternoon of April 6 and on April 9.

The VISITOR is published monthly September to July. The deadline for the May VISITOR is April 15. Submit articles to Paul Berge's attention by mail or by e-mail.

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Pastoral Acts

Weddings:

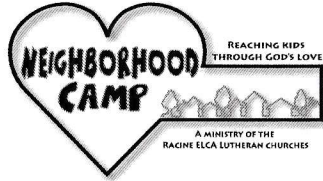
Maura Sanchez &
Antonio Maldonado
February 25, 2012

Maria G. Maldonado &
Alejandro Iniguez
February 25, 2012

The Maldonado family has been part of this great journey of walking together since 2011. Two of their children are part of our First communion classes offered on Wednesday and Saturdays. Their extended family participates at many other Emmaus activities during the week.

Middle School Component Added to Neighborhood Camp

Plans for the eleventh annual Neighborhood Camp are underway, and applications for campers and staff are now



available. Camps will be held at Emmaus, Our Savior's, Redeemer and Atonement for 6 - 11 year olds. This year each of the camps will have a limited number of middle schoolers as a part of their middle school team. Each middle school team will have its own team leader, and they will have opportunities to work on special activities for their age group as well as to volunteer both at camp and in the wider community. Providing funding is available, the middle schoolers will also have an opportunity to have a three-day

camp experience outside of Racine in August.

Liliana Moncada and Pastor Mary are currently working on two additional grant proposals for Neighborhood Camp, which must be submitted by mid April.

Youth Birthdays

Sarah Albright	April 4	12
Carlos Garcia	April 4	14
Jennifer Haman	April 7	18
Rafael Carrasquillo	April 9	2
Camaria Cardenas	April 10	2
Paola Posadas	April 13	5
Natalie Longrie	April 14	17
Michaela Keller	April 18	14
Brisa Antonio	April 20	3
Evelyn Valentin	April 20	6
Miguel A. Vasquez	April 27	6
Marco Posadas	April 27	8

Green Grounds Team Gets Early Start

by Sandy Strini

To all those members and friends getting that outside yard itch! Start thinking about joining the Green Grounds Team. We maintain the flower beds, bushes and anything else that pops up outside that needs some TLC.



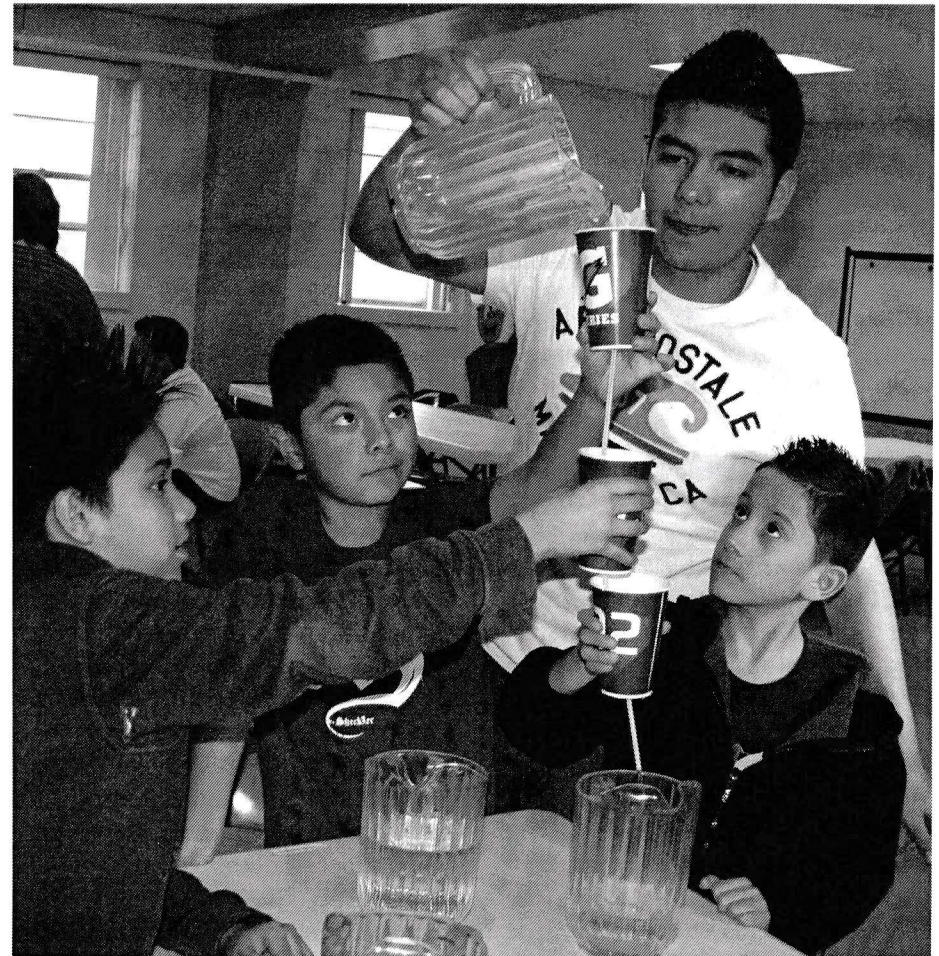
It looks like we will be getting started earlier than usual this year. You may work in groups once a week or adopt a space and add your TLC when ever it fits your schedule. A sign up sheet in the narthex will be available.

Our Energy Use Is Posted On Line

by Sandy Strini

Lutherans Restoring Creation: The energy use for Emmaus is now available for viewing on the website - Lutherans Restoring Creation.org. The action

table indicates some of the steps we have taken to begin our journey with this project. More information will become available on Emmaus's website.



Abel, Luis, Jose and Marco learn how siphoning works during Emmaus After School for Youth.

Save the Date: Fiesta Mexicana Is May 12

After a hiatus last year, the annual Fiesta Mexicana fund raiser is again being offered this May. Meal tickets and raffle tickets will soon be available for sale. Donations of items for a silent auction are being encouraged. So far, we are planning to auction off three Brewers ticket packages with two games each. We will also auction off an iPad and \$500 cash.

Please check our website, future bulletins and the May



Visitor for new details. Meanwhile, tell your friends about this special event, and be sure to mark your calendar for Saturday, May 12.

Are you able to volunteer your time either before or during the Fiesta? Contact the church office, Melissa Lemke, Liliana Moncada or Stacy Steinike regarding the ways you may be able to pitch in for this fun event.

Memorials & Honoraria

Designated for projector:

In honor of Beverly Hansen and Bernice Holding: \$200.00

Designated for Neighborhood Camp:

In honor of Kyle Jensen: \$25.00

Chestnut Club Collects for Lincoln Lutheran

by Cathy Meyer

In an effort to keep the rates for Adult Day Services affordable, the Chestnut Club of Lincoln Lutheran is looking for donations for needed supplies. We are asking anyone who may have some of the following items that they could share to please bring them to church and place them in the basket marked Adult Day Services. This basket will be located by the hymnals before Saturday services and in the narthex on Sundays. If these items are donated, the club will be able

to purchase more varied activity supplies, or an occasional treat, for the clients.

Possible items to donate: boxed facial tissue, large package of napkins, dish soap, hand sanitizer, toilet bowl cleaner, disposable personal wipes, 13-gallon kitchen garbage bags, large container of decaf coffee, Lysol all-purpose cleaner, and miscellaneous bingo prizes (gently used knickknacks, travel-size packs of tissues, lip balm, gently worn jewelry, etc.)

Emmaus Keenagers

Members Share Katrina Relief Experiences

Emmaus' social group for the young at heart meets on Tuesday, April 18 for coffee and conversation at 10:00, a program at 10:30, and a delicious meal at noon.

Are you able to take a couple of hours for yourself on a Tuesday morning? Then, this is for you.

Tuesday, April 17, Carol Eschmann and Kathy Christensen will show pictures and share stories of their recent work in Mississippi where they, along with Dennis and Rich, rehabbed homes destroyed by Katrina seven years ago.

Tuesday, May 15, Nancy Smith will share pictures, facts and



accounts relating to the sinking of the Titanic 100 years ago.

Coming up in June—the group will tour Fortaleza Hall and see the Carnauba close up as a part of a tour of the Johnson facility. The tentative date is June 15, which will be confirmed as soon as Johnson finalizes their tour schedules for the summer. Keenagers will take a break in July and August.

April Birthdays: 70 Years and Better

Apr. 14	Mavis Agerholm	15827 N. 138 th Ave. Surprise AZ	85374
Apr. 26	Arvilla Nemer	816 Porter Ave., Eau Claire	54701
Apr. 26	Donna Rode	1402 Douglas Avenue #204	53402

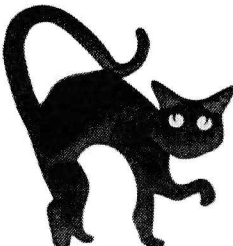

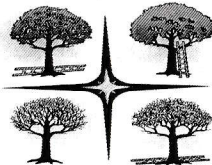
Emmaus Serves April 5 Community Meal

Emmaus' turn to serve the Community Meal at St. Patrick's Catholic Church falls on April 5.

For over a quarter century, this program has been a blessing to those who, for whatever reason, find themselves in need of a



good hot meal. It could not have been such a success without the dedication of the church members who prepare and serve the food. We thank all who have shared in this program.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 SUNDAY OF THE PASSION 8:00 am Choir rehearsal (English) 9:15 am Worship service w/Holy Communion (English) 10:30 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Blood pressure testing 12:00 noon Santa Misa (español) 12:30 pm Kids' Camp	2 10:00 am Knit 1, Purl 1 2:30 pm EASY 6:00 pm Latino choir rehearsal	3 ELECTION DAY 9:00 am Sun. bulletin deadline 2:30 pm EASY 5:00 pm TOPS 5:30 pm Rehearsal at St. Andrew LC 6:00 pm Guitar lessons	4 9:00 am WCATY 2:30 pm EASY 6:00 pm Supper 7:00 pm Prayer Walk of the Passion	5 MAUNDY THUR. 5:00 Community Meal at St. Patrick's 6:00 pm Clases de negocios 7:00 pm Worship at St. Andrew 7:00 pm Misa de Jueves Santo (español)	6 GOOD FRIDAY 12:00 noon Ecumenical service at Siena Center <i>Office closed in afternoon</i> 7:00 pm Viernes de la Soledad (español) 7:00 pm Partnership Good Friday service at Emmanuel LC	7 PASSEOVER 9:00 am Easter decorating <i>No Saturday worship service at Emmaus</i> 8:00 pm Easter vigil at Atonement LC
8 RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD 6:00 am Sunrise service at Racine Lighthouse 8:00 am Brass Nickel rehearsal 9:15 am Festival service (English) 12:00 noon Santa misa (español)	9 <i>Office closed</i> <i>Pastor Jhon Freddy away</i> 6:00 pm Latino choir rehearsal	10 1:30 pm Clergy meeting 2:30 pm EASY 5:00 pm TOPS 6:00 pm Guitar lessons	11 2:30 pm EASY 5:15 pm Supper 5:30 pm Wednesday Camp 6:00 pm Bible study	12 11:00 am Sun. bulletin deadline 2:30 pm EASY 6:00 pm Clases de negocios	13 	14 12:00 noon Galicia wedding 1:00 pm A. Cruz quinceañera 2:00 pm Wedding reception 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion (English)
						
15 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER 8:30 am Musicians' rehearsal 9:15 am Chicago Folk Service (English) with Holy Communion 10:30 am Coffee & fellowship 10:45 am English conversation circles 12:00 noon Santa misa (español) 12:30 pm Kids' Camp	16 May Visitor articles due 10:00 am Knit 1, Purl 1 2:30 pm EASY 6:00 pm Latino choir rehearsal	17 10:00 am Keenagers 2:30 pm EASY 5:00 pm TOPS 6:00 pm Guitar lessons 6:30 pm Church council mtg.	18 1:30 pm Lydia Circle 2:30 pm EASY 5:15 pm Supper 5:30 pm Wednesday Camp 6:00 pm Bible study 7:00 pm Closing worship service	19 YOM HASHOAH 11:00 am Sun. bulletin deadline 2:30 pm EASY 6:00 pm Clases de negocios	20 DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE IN MIDDLE EAST	21 12:00 noon E. Valentin baptism 3:00 pm Gutierrez -Gama wedding 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion (English)
<i>Pastor Mary away April 10-16</i>						
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Join Us on the Holy Week Journey



The Profound Partnership of ELCA churches in Racine, WI invites you to join us to experience Holy Week. The journey moves from Palm Sunday (April 1) to the Easter Celebration (April 8).

Opportunities for worship and reflection will be available in English and Spanish at multiple venues.

This invitation is open to all those who have observed Holy Week their whole lives and to those for whom this is something completely new.

For more information call
262-637-5671
262-634-5515

Palm Sunday, 1 April

All participating churches have services as indicated on their websites

Wednesday, 4 April

Prayer Walk of the Passion Emmaus Lutheran Church 7 pm

A narrated portrayal of the passion, re-enacted by children. The drama begins with Jesus' entry into Jerusalem and ends at the tomb. Adults are invited to be the onlookers and join this moving experience.

Maundy Thursday, 5 April

Worship with Absolution and Holy Communion

St. Andrew Lutheran Church 7 pm

Including foot washing

Atonement Lutheran Church 10:30 am & 6:30 pm

Our Savior's Lutheran Church 12 noon & 6:30 pm

Parroquia Emaus, 7 pm (Spanish)

Including foot washing led by lay leaders

Good Friday, 6 April

Ecumenical Worship

Siena Center 12 Noon

Mid-Day Worship

Atonement Lutheran Church 1 pm

Our Savior's Lutheran Church 12 Noon

Tenebrae Service

Emmanuel Lutheran Church 7 pm

With a presentation by Dr. David Rhoads of the Passion story according to Mark.

Evening Worship in Spanish

Parroquia Emaus, 7 pm

Theme: Mi Cristo Roto (My Broken Christ) – the seven last words from the cross as preached by lay leaders.

Saturday, 7 April

Easter Vigil

Atonement Lutheran Church 8 pm

A movement from darkness to light, ending in an explosion of light, sound, music and dance from around the world.

Easter Sunday, 8 April

Sunrise Service

Racine Lighthouse, 6 am

Festival Worship Services

Emmaus Lutheran Church, 9:15 am

Parroquia Emaus, 12 noon (Spanish)

Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 9 am

Atonement Lutheran Church (East), 6:30 am, 8:45 am & 10:45 am

Atonement Lutheran Church (West), 10 am

Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 9:45 am

St. Andrew Lutheran Church, 9 am.

Emmaus/Emaus Lutheran Church, 1925 Summit Avenue, 262-634-5515 emmaus-racine.org
Atonement Lutheran Church (East), 2915 Wright Avenue, 262-637-5671 atonementracine.org
Atonement Lutheran Church (West), Sturtevant Sportsplex, Rte. 20 atonementwest.org
St. Andrew Lutheran Church, 1015 4 Mile Road, 262-639-2072 standrewracine.com
Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 2219 Washington Avenue, 262-633-2243 oursaviorsracine.com
Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 725 High Street, 262-633-4949 emmanuelracine.org

April Worship Leaders

	Altar Guild	Communion Assts.	Readers	Ushers
Sat. Mar. 31 5:00 pm	Cheryl Dexter Shirley Irvine	—	—	—
Sun. Apr. 1 9:15 am	Bev Hansen Audrey Villalobos	Joy Lippmann	Karen Sedgwick	Team 1 Team 2
Wed. Apr. 4 7:00 pm	—	—	—	Team 3 C. Chan-A-Sue
Sun. Apr. 8 9:15 am	Joy Lippmann Marge Jensen	J. Lippmann R. & P. Jensen	Sandy Strini	Team 4 W. Meteyard
Sat. Apr. 14 5:00 pm	Barb & Jamie Toslek	—	—	—
Sun. Apr. 15 9:15 am	Barb Larsen Pat Jensen	Kathy Christensen	Carol Eschmann	Team 5 M. Porcaro
Sat. Apr. 21 5:00 am	Cathy Meyer Linda Clinton	—	—	—
Sun. Apr. 22 9:15 am	Caren Lamberton	Nancy Smith Ch. Lamberton	Kathy Christensen	Team 1 Team 2
Sat. Apr. 28 5:00 pm	M. & A. Zielke M. Porcaro	—	—	—
Sun. Apr. 29 9:15 am	M. Christensen K. Christensen	Ca. Lamberton Diane Melander	Chris Lamberton	Team 3 C. Chan-A-Sue
Sat. May 5 5:00 pm	Judy Berndt Linda Meteyard	—	—	—
Sun. May 6 9:15 am	Grace Falaschi Lael Richter	Carol Eschmann	John Knuteson	Team 4 W. Meteyard

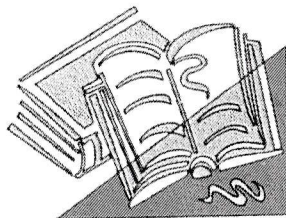
Fellowship Hosts

April 1: Hamans.

April 15-29: please sign up on Sunset Room door.

Book Club Reads 'Forgotten Garden'

The Fireside Exchange will continue to meet on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Fireside Room. New members are always welcome.



On April 24, the group will discuss *Forgotten Garden* by Kate Morton.

Our May selection is *Lottery* by Patricia Wood.

Habitat ReStore Accepts Electronics for Recycling

Racine Habitat ReStore is now providing no charge electronic recycling at 2302 DeKoven Ave. Deliver electronic items to ReStore, located in the Kranz building one block east of Taylor Ave. It is open Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10:00 to 4:00 and Saturdays 9:00 to 4:00.

Electronic recycling service has been added to the ReStore mission of selling donated new and used construction materials,

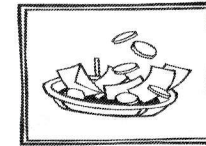
household furniture, major appliances and fixtures. All proceeds are used to build and rehab Habitat homes in Racine.

Accepted electronics include TVs and monitors, computers / laptops and parts, peripherals, printers, stereos, video and audio recorders, phones, typewriters, video game consoles and more.

Questions: call 262 898 2929
Lois Solberg, Mgr.

First Quarter Statements Are Available

First quarter offering statements are now available. Anyone who has made a contribution of record should have an offering statement in the marked box in the narthex.



Please check your offering statement to help make sure that we are correctly recording your offerings and any pledges you've made. The earlier we correct any mistakes the better.

Crunching the Numbers

Weekly worship attendance averages (calculated as of Mar. 25, 2012)

	2010				2011				2012			
	Sat	Sun	Dom	Wed	Sat	Sun	Dom	Wed	Sat	Sun	Dom	Wed
Feb	27	67	190	27	14	52	136	49	14	43	183	10
Mar	18	75	199	47	14	61	167	45	17	54	186	15
Apr	17	92	170	36	21	113	204	93				

Financial Figures

Total for month 2012 to date
 General Fund offerings received in Feb. 2012 \$10,100.24 }
 Initial, Lent, Holiday, Adopt-Bill: \$221.35 } \$23,065.43

Mortgage retirement offerings received in Feb. '12	\$360.00	Campaign TD: \$70,539.62
Mortgage payments in Mar. 2012: Principal	\$791.61	Principal balance as of
Interest.....	\$200.39	March 14, 2012:
Total.....	\$1,984.00	\$40,207.73

Lydia Circle Bible Study Changed to April 18

The regular gathering for the women's Bible study, coffee and conversation will be held the THIRD Wednesday in April. All

Emmaus Member Lost Two Brothers on Titanic

Sometime in the early 1890's, Anna Margrethe Hansen, moved to Racine, Wisconsin with her brother, Claus Peter Hansen, from Holeby on the Danish island of Lolland. On October, 1894, Anna married Jens Peter Marinus Jensen at Emmaus Lutheran Church. Church records indicate that Anna and Jens were members of the Emmaus congregation, but it isn't clear whether Claus was ever a member.

Here in Racine, Claus went by the name Peter, opening a barber shop on Villa Street. On July 25, 1900, he married an English-speaking woman, Jennie Louise Howard. Jennie had already had brushes with misfortune at her job as a pastry chef at the Blake Opera House at Sixth Street and College Avenue. She had once been found unconscious, overcome by fumes from the stove; she later was the last person to get out of the building alive when it was destroyed by fire in December, 1884.

women are invited to the April 18 study led by Pastor Mary at 1:30 p.m.

In 1912, Claus sold his barber shop so that he and Jennie could travel back to Denmark to visit his parents, whom he had not seen in 21 years. One of Claus' brothers, Henrik Juul Hansen, decided to accompany Claus and Jennie on their return trip to America.



On April 18, 1912, the three boarded the U.S.S. Titanic as third class passengers. Only Jennie would survive the trip. As Claus put his wife in the lifeboat, he told her, "Jennie, you had better go so that there will be one of us to tell the story back home." His body was never recovered.

After the disaster, Jennie suffered from severe nightmares and reportedly was "unable to shed a tear." She eventually married Elmer Emerson, 19 years her junior, on August 25, 1915; and died on December 15, 1952, aged 85. She is buried in Calvary Cemetery. A memorial for Claus Peter Hansen is included on her tombstone.

Elsewhere in Our Area

Gifford Hosts Stoughton Norwegian Dancers

The Racine Sons of Norway present the Stoughton Norwegian Dancers at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, April 22 at Gifford School, 8332 Northwestern Avenue.



The Stoughton Norwegian Dancers are made of Stoughton High School students. Founded in 1953, the group now shares their talents all across the United States.

For tickets, email your name and phone number to sonracine@gmail.com

Volunteers Needed for Walk for Multiple Sclerosis

Volunteers are needed for the National Multiple Sclerosis Society-Wisconsin Chapter's Walk MS 2012 at UW-Parkside on Sunday, April 29. Volunteer positions include registration, set-up, clean-up, breakfast, cheering, lunch, and route support. If you are interested in becoming a part of this annual event, please contact the Wisconsin Chapter at 262-369-4400.

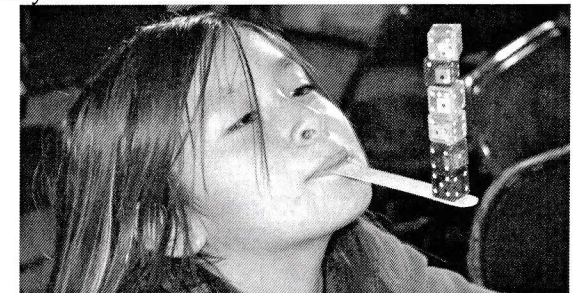
Parking is available in the lot northeast of the student union. Check-in is

at 9:00 a.m. The walk starts and ends at the student union. See <http://walkwig.nationalmssociety.org> to register or volunteer.

North Cape Women Host Craft Event

The women of the North Cape Lutheran Church will hold their annual Country Crafts 'n' Cookin' event on Saturday, April 28. The craft and bake sale runs from 10:00 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. There will be a featured display of heirloom baptismal gowns.

An all-you-can-eat salad buffet luncheon will be held between 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. featuring chicken salad and shrimp salad, plus fruit and vegetable salads and an array of other main dishes. Tickets for the luncheon are \$8.00 per person (\$4.00 for ages 4-12) and are available at 262 835-2206. North Cape Lutheran Church is located on Highway 45 just south of Five Mile Road.



The Challenging Work of Partnership

If you have been a part of a business partnership, a domestic partnership, a marriage, or any other type of partnership, for that matter, you don't have to be reminded that a healthy partnership takes commitment, communication, relationship building and just plain hard work. In a life sustaining partnership, it is so often necessary to take initiative, always keeping the well being of the whole in mind.



There is no room for selfishness or a "me first" attitude. A profound partnership requires mutual support and "looking out for one another's backs." There must be give and take and a genuine care and concern for the other.

The Racine ELCA congregations of the Profound Partnership (Emmaus, St. Andrew, Atonement and Emmaus—with the possibility of a fifth partner, Redeemer) are in the beginning stages of asking how we best work together for the sake of God's mission in the world. FaithWorks! has emerged as a name for this developing relationship among our congregations and our missional work together. This is by no means a closed group, and the doors are always open for

others to join as full covenant partners. This has been designated as a year for pilot programs, projects and the planting of seeds. At our annual congregational meetings in 2013 we will carefully look back to 2012 as we cast a vision and plan ahead for the coming years.

A mission council of the participating churches is now being formed. It will consist of two members and the pastors of each of the participating congregations. If you sense God calling you to be a part of this mission leadership team, please let me know. Even if that is not how you may be called, we ask for your prayer support.

We will be asking the hard questions, questions that no doubt will evoke new ways of doing things and of being disciples of Christ. How will we best use our combined assets and gifts? What must we let go of? How will we live out our love of God and of neighbor in our everyday lives? Through the lens of the cross, how will we face the suffering and struggle and death that is a part of our community and the world? How will FaithWorks! bring a word of hope and new life to those

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in Racine and beyond?

Together, let's proclaim Resurrection hope and promise, letting the world know that the church is paying attention to God's call and is relevant in today's world. In Christ, God has already saved us. Living in that promise, it's now time for us roll up our

sleeves and work together in a whole new way, that others may experience that good news, too!

Grateful for your partnership,

Pastor Mary
Pastor Mary

Pastor Mary Schedules Time Off After Easter

Because Holy Week falls on the first week in April, Pastor Mary will postpone her week off for the month, moving it to April

10-16. For that reason, the Lydia Circle meeting has also been postponed one week.

Bible Readings in April

- April 1: Mark 11:1-11 or John 12:12-16; Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9-16; Philippians 2:5-11; Mark 14:1 – 15:47.
- April 5: Exodus 12:1-4, [5-10], 11-14; Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; John 13:1-17, 31b-35.
- April 6: Isaiah 52:13 – 53:12; Psalm 22; Hebrews 10:16-25 or Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9; John 18:1 – 19:42.
- April 8: Acts 10:34-43; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Mark 16:1-8 or John 20:1-18.
- April 15: Acts 4:32-35; Psalm 133; 1 John 1:1 – 2:2; John 20:19-31.
- April 22: Acts 3:12-19; Psalm 4; 1 John 3:1-7; Luke 24:36b-48.
- April 29: Acts 4:5-12; Psalm 23; 1 John 3:16-24; John 10:11-18.
- May 6: Acts 8:26-40; Psalm 22:25-31; 1 John 4:7-21; John 15:1-8.



Northside Food Pantry Volunteers

- April 26: James Larrabee, Kathy & Rich Christensen, Karen Sedgwick
 - May 24: Pat & Ron Jensen, James Larrabee, Boots LeRoux
 - June 28: June Beck, James Larrabee, Karen Sedgwick, Stan Breiwick
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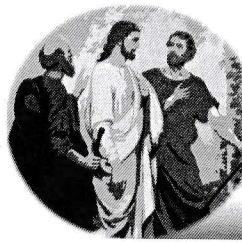
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- ☒ Lydia Circle Meets April 18
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- ☒ Challenging Work of Partnership

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Emmaus Visitor

May, 2012

FaithWorks Congregations Join to Celebrate Pentecost

Wind! Fire! Spirit! Pentecost: The joining of people of faith from different places and backgrounds in one place with different languages spoken. That's what the first Pentecost was in Jerusalem when the people were given the gift of the Holy Spirit and sent out to do the mission of the church.

How are we, members of the FaithWorks ELCA churches of Racine (Emmaus, St. Andrew, Atonement, Our Savior's and Redeemer) called to join together in new ways? How does our profound partnership, covenanting to join together for the sake of common mission, take expression and move forward?



Our joint May 27 Pentecost worship takes place at 10:30 a.m. on the grounds of Our Savior's Lutheran Church at the corner of Washington and Taylor. The joining of congregations in a new place and way is not an excuse to forgo worship on what is also Memorial weekend; rather it is a reason to declare to Racine and to one another

that we are a part of a bigger family—the family of faith. It's a reason to invite a friend or relative who might not be comfortable in a conventional church setting. It's a

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1925 Summit Avenue
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Phone: 262 634-5515
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Fiesta Mexicana Offers Food, Fun, Music and Prizes

Tickets are now on sale for the meal and raffles for the Emmaus/Emaús May 12 Fiesta Mexicana to be held at Emmaus. The \$10 tickets buy a chance to win \$500 in cash or an iPad, and \$1.00 tickets are for a number of other items. Special gift baskets are also being prepared for the silent auction. Meal tickets (\$8.00 for adults) are now also



available. They can also be purchased at the door.

In addition to a full fare of Mexican food and the raffled prizes, guests will enjoy special live Mexican music at various times throughout the day. Doors open at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, May 12, and the meal will be offered until 5:00 p.m. Come, join the fun and help support the church with this special fundraiser!

Pastoral Acts

Baptism:
Evelyn Valentin
April 21, 2012

Evelyn's parents are Eulalio Valentin and Antonia Cano.

Pentecost Service

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reason to praise God in new ways, joining musicians and lay leaders, as well as clergy, from the partnership congregations.

Come and hear the powerful message as preached by Pastor Ron Ballew and interpreted by Pastor Jhon Freddy. Come and join sister and brothers in faith as we sing together and as kids from all congregations join in a kids' choir. Come to share the meal—first Holy Communion and then a

potluck picnic on the grounds. Hotdogs and drinks will be provided; bring a dish to share. Come and be a part of a Spirit filled worship that will have the neighborhood talking!

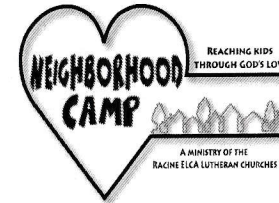
The five partner churches of FaithWorks will suspend their regular Sunday morning worship to make this Pentecost worship together a reality. God is at work in Racine. Come and be a part of what is happening!

Serving and Learning Together

Neighborhood Camp Introduces Middle School Component

As an extension of our regular Neighborhood Camp for 6-11 year olds, there is now a new offering for kids between the ages of 12 and 15. SALT, Serving and Learning Together, is geared especially for camp "graduates" who want to volunteer for camp, but who are still too young to apply for paid positions as interns.

Neighborhood Camp is seeking funding from new sources to help support this venture. Still in formation, the intent of SALT is to offer camp volunteers additional opportunities to work on their own



creative projects as well as to extend their volunteering into the community. Each group of twelve kids will be under the supervision of a Team Leader. Application forms are available both for the SALT participants, who will be required to sign a covenant of agreement, and for the paid position of Team Leaders.

It is the hope that those who successfully complete the SALT program will be able to participate in a free three-day camp experience outside of Racine in mid August. Those possibilities are currently being explored.

Neighborhood Camp Registration Opens May 7

Registration for Neighborhood Camp will begin May 7. Those who have attended camp in the past will have the opportunity to register by May 16. New campers who register before May 16 will be put on a waiting list and invited to attend camp after May 16. Those interested in volunteering will be asked to complete a form and sign



a contract regarding the expectations for their involvement during the summer.

Camp is offered to those who live in the neighborhood, to those who attend EASY and Wednesday Night study, and to those who are Emmaus members.

Registration forms will be available in the narthex and outside of Nancy's office.

Help Needed with Campers' Meals

Emmaus Neighborhood Camp will take place from Monday, June 18 through Thursday, July 26. There will be no camp the week of July 4. The hours for camp are Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

An important part of camp revolves around food. We strive to serve the campers healthy breakfasts, lunches and snacks. You have been an integral part of serving nutritious meals. Yes, the kids have great appetites. Wanted: Food engineers.

You can help in many ways:
Buy food.
Provide cookies, fresh fruit, gelatin and snacks

Partner and coordinate meals for one week
Prepare and/or serve meals



It is helpful to have one person coordinate the different meals. Thank you, Denise Keller, for stepping up again to coordinate the breakfast hour.

This year the middle school volunteers will have more responsibility in helping in the kitchen. Neighborhood Camp means so much to our kids as evidenced by the number of campers who want to return and volunteer. The numbers grow with each passing year.

Emmaus Staff & Worship Times

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Custodians: Antelmo Hernando & Rich Benson

English language services are held at Emmaus every Saturday evening at 5:00, Sunday mornings at 9:15, and on the third Wednesday evening of the month September through May at 7:00. Spanish language worship services are offered Sundays at noon.

Emmaus office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The VISITOR is published monthly September to July. The deadline for the June VISITOR is May 15. Submit articles to Paul Berge's attention by mail or by e-mail.

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Craft Items Wanted for Neighborhood Camp

Your junk is our gem! This list is ever changing; we'll keep you posted in Sunday bulletins. Please save such junk as microwave containers,



magazines, paint brushes, deli containers with lids, playing cards, metal bottle caps off of beer bottles, tennis balls, and egg cartons.

After School Program Hosts Science Fair May 16

Mark your calendars for the evening of May 16. It will be a night where you can try your hand at the many fun science experiments and challenges the kids have tried throughout the year. Mentors who have contributed so much to this year's program will be recognized and

honored.

The evening begins at 5:30 p.m. with dinner followed by a hands-on science fair at 6:30 p.m. A brief program will take place in the sanctuary at 7:00 p.m. One of the highlights will be a slide show of the year's events. The kids have worked hard with homework, and many enrichment activities that have included math, language arts, geography, science and art.



Paul, Mario and Marilena pose by their original butterfly creation.

Youth Birthdays

May 4 Kaylee Trevino, 3
May 4 Nate Robinson, 12
May 9 Elias Orozco, 6
May 10 Selina Rodriguez, 17
May 11 Alexis Christensen, 14
May 14 Ella Briere, 5
May 21 Kallie Boutell, 3
May 21 Jayannah Montes, 5
May 24 Ashley Villalobos, 13
May 25 Alex Zavala, 5
May 25 Julian Rodriguez, 9
May 26 Cesar Herrera-

Saucedo, 6

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Concession Fundraiser Off to Strong Start

What a learning curve! Wow, I didn't think I could learn to operate a cash register at my age! The long lines at our stand never ended...we didn't even have time for one break! We got \$154 in tips! I don't know if my back will ever be the same! It was a lot of work, but it was fun, too!

Those are just some of the comments heard from those who have been part of the three groups of Emmaus volunteers who have

already gone to Miller Park to run concession stands for this season's baseball fans. Coordinated by Stacy Steinike and Melissa Lemke, it is hoped that the games worked over the season will net up to \$8,000 for the church. A big thank you to each and every volunteer who is willing to work hard and to move outside their comfort zone to make this happen! Go, Team Emmaus!

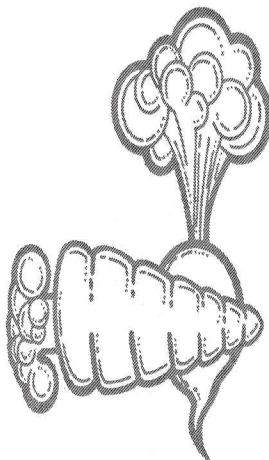
Garden Initiative Partners with RUGN

Have you noticed the busy bees tilling the garden area near the garage and putting up the provisional "green house" in the back yard of the parsonage? As part of the food/entrepreneurial initiative of the FaithWorks profound partnership, a new garden project is being launched at Emmaus.

After consultation with folks from Racine Urban Garden Network (RUGN), city officials, extension agents from the UW system and other experts, Pastor Jhon Freddy and members of twelve Latino households have begun their work for the season. In addition to the existing garden

space, some of the fenced in area behind the parsonage and a portion of the area at the north end of the field will be utilized for the placement of raised beds.

The produce from the raised bed gardens will be sold by the families, with a portion of the proceeds going to the families for their work, and a percentage being divided equally between re-investment in gardening and funding for special ministries of the church. The St. Andrew Thursday farmers' market and other ELCA congregations will be the primary sites for sale of the produce later in the season.



Environmental Stewardship

Even City Dwellers Can Grow Gardens

by John Berge

Some time ago, I read a (satirical or cynical) letter to the editor of a magazine in which it was suggested that, in order to save nature, we should build walls around all cities to keep the people in and everything else out. This of course would not be possible or feasible, if for no other reason than no city, at least since the early 1600's in this country, can feed itself. Food is transported hundreds to thousands of miles to feed people in cities.

Some changes are being made to make a dent in this transportation problem. Building roofs and greenhouses are being planted with fruits and vegetables. Even vertical gardens on the sides of tall buildings are being tried. Vacant land is being converted to community gardens. We each can do our part, small as it may be, in helping to feed the city dweller and reducing the energy spent in transportation. If you have enough room and sun, you are urged to plant and produce some of your own food, and maybe even raise some chickens. If you don't have sufficient space or sunlight for a vegetable garden, you can rent a plot in the community gardens or

there are those who would appreciate your volunteer help.

The garden at St. Andrew Lutheran Church on Four Mile Road can always use more volunteers. Call (262) 639-2072 for more information. If you are interested in volunteering at the Eco-Justice Center, call Sr. Janet Weyker at (262) 681-8527; at the Garden of Giving, call Maggie Larsen at (262) 681-3256; at the Racine

County Teaching Garden, contact Tracy Bernhardt at (262) 391-5937. I am sure that this list is not complete, but a little digging (pun intended) can find other places to volunteer.

On the subject of fruits and vegetables, here are three questions that may or may not stump you:

1. Of all vegetables, only a very few can live to produce on their own for several growing seasons. All other vegetables must be replanted every year. Can you name three perennial vegetables?
2. What fruit has its seeds on the outside?
3. What is the only vegetable or fruit that is never sold frozen, canned, processed, cooked or in any other form except fresh?

Answers on page 17.



Book Club Reads Patricia Wood

The Fireside Exchange meets on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Fireside Room. New members are always

welcome. On May 22, the group will discuss *Lottery* by Patricia Wood.

Two Emmaus Staff Members to Graduate

Two of our dedicated staff members, Liliana Moncada and Diane Thygeson, will be honored this spring at separate graduation ceremonies.

Liliana, wife of Pastor Jhon Freddy, completes her work for her Associate Degree in Business Management the first week in May at Gateway College. She graduates with high honors at the ceremony to take place at UW Parkside on May 15.

Diane Thygeson, assistant to Nancy Smith in our EASY and Neighborhood Camp programs,

has completed two years of study in the ELCA Diakonia program. Her graduation takes place in Delafield on June 16.



Congratulations to Liliana and Diane!

Do we have any other graduates in the class of 2012? Please let Paul know at the church office (634-5515 or emmausracine@sbcglobal.net) so we can recognize our graduates in the June *Visitor*.

Remember Mom with Scrip

Need an idea for a Mothers' Day gift? We have a variety of gift cards on hand including various

restaurants, department stores and specialty stores. Check out the Scrip table after worship service.

Pastor Jhon Freddy to Preach in New Orleans

Pastor Jhon Freddy has been invited by the organizers of the National ELCA Youth Gathering to preach at the youth event to be held in New Orleans in July. He is

hoping to add a few days to his time in New Orleans in order to enjoy some well deserved R&R with his family.

Keenagers

Board the Titanic One More Time

Emmaus' social group for the young at heart meets on Tuesday, May 15 for coffee and conversation at 10:00, a program at 10:30, and a delicious meal at noon.

Are you able to take a couple of hours for yourself on a Tuesday morning? Then, this is for you.

Tuesday, May 15, Nancy Smith will share pictures, facts and accounts relating to the sinking of the Titanic 100 years ago.

In June, the group will tour Fortaleza Hall and see the Carnauba close up as a part of a tour of the Johnson facility. The tentative date is June 15, which will be confirmed as soon as Johnson



Seniors' Gathering

finalizes their tour schedules for the summer. Keenagers will take a break in July and August.

May Birthdays: 70 Years and Better

May 5	Carolyn Wooster	4825 Indian Hills Drive	53406
May 8	Bill Irvine	5119 Valley Drive	53402
May 9	Ruth Estep	2522 Maple Grove Avenue	53404
May 9	Jim Simonsen	2939 Hayes Avenue	53405
May 11	Ray Rommelfaenger	2513 Jean Avenue	53404
May 17	Janet Thomsen	3296 Backridge Road, Woodlawn TN	37191
May 20	Marjorie Zielke	3121 Walden Way	53405
May 23	John Psiones Vet. Ctr., Boland Bldg., 21425G Spring, UGrv.		53182
May 28	Diane Melander	1315 Isabelle Avenue	53402

Thanks to Johnson Family for Easter Breakfast

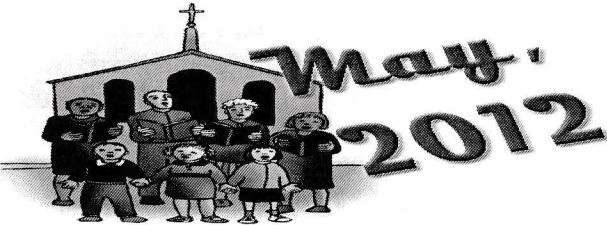



The memory of Betty Johnson was honored by her family sponsoring the brunch which was served between the two Easter worship services. Thanks go to Danny Johnson and family, along with chef Manuel Gallardo, for donating the food and meal preparation for the



Easter brunch.

Betty passed away one year ago on Easter Sunday, and the gathering of folks Easter Sunday, coming from many walks of life, would

have been something she would have celebrated.

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
 <p>Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Church of Racine, Wisconsin</p>		1 STS. PHILIP & JAMES 2:30 pm EASY 5:30 pm TOPS 6:00 pm Guitar lessons 7:00 pm Neighborhood Camp meeting	2 2:30 pm EASY 5:00 pm Wednesday Camp 5:15 pm Supper 6:15 pm Bible study classes	3 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 2:30 pm EASY 6:00 pm Clases de negocios 7:30 pm FaithWorks mission council at Our Savior's	4 STAR WARS DAY 9:00 am WCATY 	5 CINCO DE MAYO 12:00 noon F. Calderon birthday service 1:00 pm Zumba 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion (English)
6 5 TH SUNDAY OF EASTER 8:00 am Choir rehearsal (English) 9:15 am Communion service (English) 10:30 am Coffee & conversation 10:30 am Blood pressure tests 12:00 m Santa misa (español) 12:15 pm Guitar class 12:30 pm Kids' Camp (bilingual)	7 <i>Neighborhood Camp early registration open</i> 10:00 am Knit 1, Purl 1 2:30 pm EASY 6:00 pm Choir (español)	8 ELECTION DAY 1:30 pm Clergy meeting 2:30 pm EASY 5:30 pm TOPS 6:00 pm Guitar lessons	9 1:30 pm Lydia Circle 2:30 pm EASY 5:00 pm Wednesday Camp 5:15 pm Supper 6:15 pm Bible study classes	10 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 2:30 pm EASY 5:30 pm Vash-Blaisdell rehearsal 6:00 pm Clases de negocios	11 3:00 pm Vash-Blaisdell wedding	12 11:00 am Fiesta Mexicana, to 5:00 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion (English)
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20 7 TH SUNDAY OF EASTER; DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE IN MIDDLE EAST 8:30 am Musicians' rehearsal (English) 9:15 am Chicago Folk Service (English) 10:30 am Coffee & fellowship 12:00 m Celebración del día de la Madre (español) 12:15 pm Guitar class 12:30 pm Kids' Camp (bilingual)	21 VICTORIA DAY 10:00 am Knit 1, Purl 1 6:00 pm Choir (español)	22 5:30 pm TOPS 6:00 pm Guitar lessons 6:30 pm Church council 7:00 pm Fireside Exchange	23 9:00 am WCATY	24 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline	25	26 1:00 pm Zumba 2:00 pm Arriage service 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion (English)
27 PENTECOST 10:30 pm Joint Pentecost outdoor worship at Our Savior's 12:00 noon Pot luck picnic at Our Savior's 	28 MEMORIAL DAY <i>Office closed</i> 6:00 pm Choir (español)	29 5:30 pm TOPS 6:00 pm Guitar lessons	30	31 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 12:00 pm Synod Assembly, Waukesha	June 1 8:00 am Synod Assembly, Waukesha	2 8:00 am Synod Assembly 1:00 pm Zumba 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion

May Worship Leaders

	Altar Guild	HC Assts.	Readers	Ushers
Sat. May 5 5:00 pm	Judy Berndt Linda Meteyard	—	—	—
Sun. May 6 9:15 am	Lael Richter Grace Falaschi	Carol Eschmann	John Knuteson	Team 4 W. Meteyard
Sat. May 12 5:00 pm	Brian & Denise Keller	—	—	—
Sun. May 13 9:15 am	Barb Larsen Pat Jensen	Kathy Christensen Cindi Larsen	Celia Bagley	Team 5 M. Porcaro
Sat. May 19 5:00 pm	Cheryl Dexter Shirley Irvine	—	—	—
Sun. May 20 9:15 am	Bev Hansen Audrey Villalobos	Shirley Velzka	Jim Larrabee	Team 1
Sat. May 26 5:00 pm	Barb Toslek Jamie Toslek	—	—	—
Sun. May 27 9:15 am	Caren Lamberton	Joy Lippmann Pat Jensen	Amy Haman	Team 2 R. Christensen
Sat. June 2 5:00 pm	TBD	—	—	—
Sun. June 3 9:15 am	TBD	Nancy Smith	Jenn Haman	Team 3

Please Sign Up to Host Coffee Hour

May 13 hosts: Sandra, Sundays this spring. Please sign up
Philippa and Cherrymae. on the blue page on the Sunset
Hosts are needed for Room door to host and/or provide
fellowship time on several treats on a Sunday morning.

Bible Readings for May

May 6: Acts 8:26-40; Psalm 22:25-31; 1 John 4:7-21; John 15:1-8.
May 13: Acts 10:44-48; Psalm 98; 1 John 5:1-6; John 15:9-17.
May 17: Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 47 or 93; Ephesians 1:15-23; Luke 24:44-53.
May 20: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26; Psalm 1; 1 John 5:9-13; John 17:6-19.
May 26: Exodus 19:1-9 or Acts 2:1-11; Psalm 33:12-22 or Psalm 130; Romans
8:14-17, 22-27; John 7:37-39a.
May 27: Acts 2:1-21 or Ezekiel 37:1-14; Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; Romans 8:22-27
or Acts 2:1-21; John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15.

Faithful Wednesday Food Crew Hangs Up Its Aprons

Every Wednesday night since the inception of the Wednesday night dinners and programming in 2005, there has been an able, committed crew of folks who have taken care of every detail for the weekly meal—from shopping to food preparation to serving and clean-up.

Carol Yust and her sisters, Kim Howser and Karen Reikena, have faithfully coordinated dozens and dozens of meals, serving an average of 80 people each Wednesday night. They have been joined by family members, Dale Howser, Tina Yust, Rafael Carrasquillo, and Jenny and Andrew Palmgren. (Mom, Carol Saylor, has a chair of honor in the kitchen, observing her family working hard each week.) They even recruited Ric and Mary Paul, members of St. Mary's On the Lake Catholic Church, to help out. Mary and her mother have donated hundreds of homemade cookies to top off the evening meals.

Menus have varied for the Wednesday night dinners, and some of the favorites include tacos, roast beef with mashed potatoes and gravy, ham and cheesy potatoes, chicken noodle soup with grilled cheese sandwiches, homemade mac and cheese, pizza

and more. The biggest compliment that they can be paid is that kids often came back for seconds, appreciating the full meal served to them every single Wednesday night.

Now, due to conflicts in their personal work schedules for next fall, the Wednesday meal crew has announced that they will no longer be able to continue with what they have been doing so faithfully until now. Because the meal is such an integral part of our midweek programming, we are looking for volunteers who will step in to continue what is now an established mainstay. Funding for the purchase of food comes from grant money received through the Outreach for Hope Fund of the Greater Milwaukee Synod. Tina and Rafael are looking for some willing folks to join them next fall in continuing the popular meals.

Meanwhile, we give our thanks and kudos to the entire Wednesday night crew for truly making a difference in the lives of so many children and families. There will be a special time to honor this outstanding group at the 7:00 appreciation send-off on Wednesday, May 16.

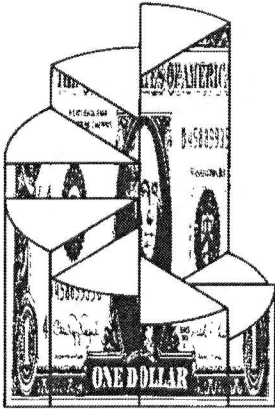


Budget Braces for Possible Alley Repair

by Art Smith

Fellow congregants - I hope to make more periodic (or maybe a periodic) reports to you via the *Visitor* in the future. This report should bring you up to date on where we stand at the end of the first quarter (31 March, 2012).

As you might remember, we went into this year with a balanced budget. However, the cash flow projection showed a deficit in early spring. This is, in fact, happening. We have not yet contributed any



of our committed benevolence to the Synod for 2012, and we are behind on contributing to the Pastor's retirement account.

With that said, we have kept up with the payroll and the other bills, but have only a few hundred dollars in the bank. Some of this should be eased when our fundraisers start to kick in. Several of us have worked the concession stands at the Brewers games, and there will be a Fiesta Mexicana May 12. Please support the church where and when you can.

Looking farther into the future, the church was notified by the City of Racine that they were reviewing the possibility of

reconstructing our alley. Loren Larsen and I attended a public works hearing on April 10 where our alley and several other alleys and streets were discussed. If the alley is reconstructed, our share would be about \$29,000.

We found out that our alley was originally paved in 1940 and, except for some patching, has not been upgraded since. Of the two neighbors on Carlisle who were at the hearing, both were against the reconstruction of the alley.

The church's stance on this project is that we would go along with whatever the majority of our neighbors on Carlisle want to do. Even though we hold "half the votes" on this project, the final say will be made by the City Council based on the recommendations of its public works committee.

In the past few years about 50 alleys have been considered for reconstruction and only one has actually been reconstructed. If our alley project is approved, it will not be completed until the summer of 2013. Your church council is looking into financing options in case the project does go forward. Stay tuned.

Donations Sought for Lincoln Lutheran

In an effort to keep the rates for Adult Day Services affordable, the Chestnut Club of Lincoln Lutheran is looking for donations for needed supplies. Possible items to donate: boxed facial tissue, large package of napkins, dish soap, hand sanitizer, toilet bowl cleaner, disposable personal wipes, 13-gallon kitchen



garbage bags, large container of decaf coffee, Lysol all-purpose cleaner, and miscellaneous bingo prizes (gently used knickknacks, travel-size packs of tissues, lip balm, gently worn jewelry, etc.) Please bring your donations to church and place them in the basket marked "Adult Day Services." This basket will be located by the hymnals before Saturday services and in the narthex on Sundays.

June Offering Envelopes Are Here

Offering envelopes for June, July, August and September have arrived at church. As a cost control measure, we ask that you pick up



your envelopes at church if at all possible. We do mail envelopes out to our shut-ins, but that costs \$1.50 per packet.

Crunching the Numbers

Weekly worship attendance averages (calculated as of April 22, 2012)

	2010				2011				2012			
	Sat	Sun	Dom	Wed	Sat	Sun	Dom	Wed	Sat	Sun	Dom	Wed
Mar	18	75	199	47	14	61	167	45	17	54	189	14
Apr	17	92	170	36	21	113	204	93	17	71	240	236
May	26	60	180	43	20	69	184	83				
Easter		9:15 173	noon 192		9:15 139	11:00 100	noon 274			9:15 134	noon 243	

Financial Figures

Total for month 2012 to date
 General Fund offerings received in Mar. 2012 \$ 10,915.47
 + Lent: \$60.00 } \$ 33,990.99

Mortgage retirement offerings received in Mar. '12\$130.00..... Campaign TD: \$70,669.62
 Principal balance as of April 13, 2012: \$38,628.51

FaithWorks Mission Council to Be Formed

With the recent approval of the profound partnership covenant by the Lutheran Church of the Redeemer council, the number of FaithWorks congregations has increased to five: Emmaus, St. Andrew, Redeemer, Atonement and Our Savior's. May 3 has been

set for the initial meeting of the FaithWorks Mission Council. The meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. at Our Savior's Lutheran Church. Each congregation will be represented by one clergy and by two lay members.

Synod Assembly Convenes in Waukesha

The 2012 Greater Milwaukee Synod Assembly will be held at Country Springs Hotel and Conference Center, 2810 Golf Road, Waukesha, Thursday through



Saturday, May 31 to June 2. Registration and pre-assembly workshops will begin at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday; dinner, worship and first plenary session to follow.

Thank You to Community Meal Helpers

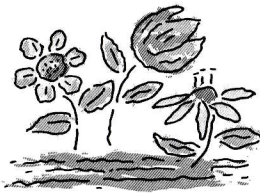
On April 5 Emmaus once again prepared and served the Community Meal at St. Patrick's Church. Thank you so much to all who helped out. It is good to see so

many willing to help out those who are in need.

Our next scheduled date at St. Pat's is Thursday, June 7. Watch for a new sign-up sheet in the narthex this month.

Join Green Grounds Team

To all those members and friends getting that outside yard itch! Join the Green Grounds Team. We maintain the flower beds, bushes and anything else that pops up outside that needs



some TLC. You may work in groups once a week or adopt a space and add your TLC when ever it fits your schedule. A sign up sheet is in the narthex.

Pastor Jhon Freddy Appointed to City Immigration Committee

Pastor Jhon Freddy has been appointed by the Mayor's office to serve on the newly formed Immigration Committee for the city. He has been named vice-

president of the group. As another piece of Pastor Jhon Freddy's outreach to the Racine community, he also serves on the board of Healthcare Network.

Northside Food Pantry Volunteers

May 24: Pat & Ron Jensen, James Larrabee, Boots LeRoux

June 28: June Beck, James Larrabee, Karen Sedgwick, Stan Breiwick

May Is Mental Health Month

The first week of May is Children's Mental Health Week. Young people can have mental and emotional problems that are very real, painful, and costly. These problems, often called "disorders," are a source of stress for the child as well as the family, school and larger society.

It is estimated that as many as one in five children or adolescents may have a mental problem that can be identified and treated.



Half of all cases of mental illness begin by age 14; three quarters have begun by age 24.

Over 100,000 school-age children in Wisconsin have a mental illness that substantially impacts their functioning at home, at school, and in the community.

The first full week in May is designated as National Children's Mental Health Awareness Week to increase the public awareness of well-being and human development of our nation's children and youth.

Environmental Stewardship Answers:

[Answers to the fruit and vegetable quiz on page 7: (1) Artichoke, Asparagus and Rhubarb. (2) Strawberry. (3) Lettuce.]

Precious Child of God

It was about six months ago that the young woman, a Mexican native in her 40's, came to Emaüs the first time. It was also the first time she could remember being loved and accepted for who she was. Coming with a conflicted past, she questioned her self worth. She was the victim of shame, blame and being labeled. Broken, she entered the doors of the church.

Through compassionate counsel from her pastor, Jhon Freddy, and the love of the community of faith surrounding her, new life began to emerge. She began to see herself as a daughter of God who was loved unconditionally. When presented with the opportunity to be baptized at the Easter Vigil service that was to take place at Atonement, together with our other FaithWorks partner churches, she responded with a resounding "Si!" Yes! I want to become part of God's family and receive this gift of promise and hope!

As the date drew closer for the Baptism to take place, the woman approached Pastor Jhon Freddy and shared with him the

inspiration she had had—she wanted to create the baptismal font to be used for her baptism and the baptisms of the others who would be baptized on Easter Vigil. It would be made from the trunk of a tree, representing the Tree of Life, and there would be living plants and flowers emerging from the base. Pastor Jhon Freddy gave his blessing to what meant so much to this woman.

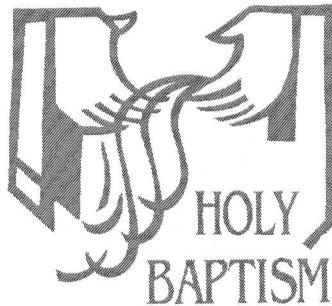
The day of the Vigil arrived. The large marble baptismal font at

Atonement was rolled to the side, and the rustic creation, lovingly made by the baptismal candidate, was placed front and center. The new paschal candle with the theme "The Journey" was carefully unwrapped,

anticipating the service in a few hours, a journey that would begin in darkness with the candle being lit at the entrance of the church.

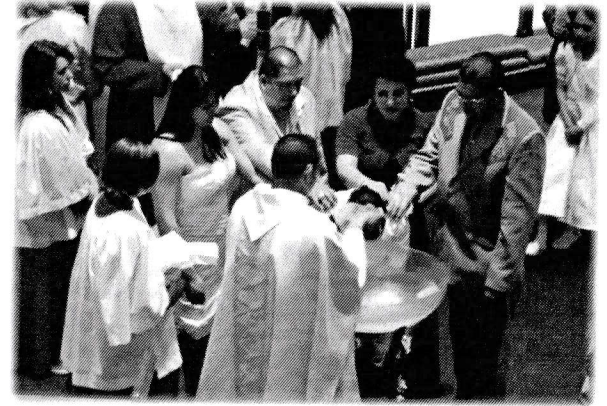
Light piercing the darkness—first there was the paschal candle, then the candles of the individual worshipers entering the dark sanctuary, then the visual and oral depictions of the readings from the Old Testament, and finally the proclamation of the Easter Gospel.

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With that proclamation of the Resurrection came the explosion of lights and music and dancing. Even Pastor Walter, in his motorized wheelchair, spontaneously spun and danced in the chancel area! As he said to me later, "This was a glimpse of the Lutheran church in the 21st Century!"



For me, the highlight of the service was the celebration of Baptism. As the children and adults came forward, there was anticipation in the air. Water was poured over the heads of each of the candidates for Baptism as they were baptized into the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Each received a candle, lit from the paschal candle that had led the earlier procession into the church, reminding them to "let their lights shine."

Surrounded by the clergy from the partner churches and her baptismal sponsors, we placed our hands placed on the newly baptized woman who had created the baptismal font. I was so moved when I had the privilege of praying for the gift of the Spirit in her life. As I anointed her with oil and sealed her with the sign of the cross of Christ on her forehead,

tears streamed down both our cheeks. And, as I shared a hug and welcomed her to the family of God, the words "Que alegria!" (what happiness! what joy!) were spoken. She held me and sobbed.

She had experienced what it was to have been broken, embraced by a broken and crucified Christ in love, and what it was to move from death to new life. Walking wet, forgiven, loved and resurrected, that woman embodies for me the promise of Easter all over again. She reminds me of my own brokenness and how Christ brings life, making all things new, bringing a taste of the Kingdom to us right here on earth.

Christ risen! He is risen indeed!

Pastor Mary
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In the May Visitors:

- * Fiesta Mexicana May 12
 - ** Neighborhood Camp
 - * EASY Science Fair
 - ** Ballpark Concessionaires
 - * Garden Initiative
 - ** Congratulations, Grads
 - * Keenagers: A Night to Remember
 - ** Thanks to Wednesday Food Crew
 - * Treasurer's Report
 - ** LLH Chestnut Club
 - * Pastor Ihon Freddy Appointed to Committee
 - ** Precious Child of God
- and oodles more...

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Neighborhood Camp Opens June 18

Registration: As of this printing, Neighborhood Camp has received 56 camper registration forms. There are still a few openings.

SALT (Serving and Learning Together), a program for 12-15 year olds, has received 19 registration forms.



Themes: Olympics: Hands Around the World; Titanic: The Iceberg Cometh, Pet Partners: Animals Helping people, Lords, Ladies, Kings and Castles and Rhythm Riot: Makin' Music.

Staff: Site Coordinator Nancy Smith and Assistant Diane Thygeson will lead Neighborhood Camp. Diane played an important role in implementing the EASY program. Returning are Jose Zuniga, Jenn Haman, Andrea Macias, Taylor Dorlack, and Jessica

Luis. New to this year's staff are Katie Syslack, who worked the EASY program, and Anthony Medina, who is a graduate of EASY and was involved with EASY as a mentor and a volunteer. They are excited and ready to run with the program.

Kitchen Help: New program will be implemented. Cookers and servers are needed for breakfast and lunch. Check the sign in the narthex.

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Pastoral Acts

Baptisms: Trinidad Sanchez Jacqueline Neave April 7, 2012	Trinidad, 43, and Jacqueline, 15, were baptized at the FaithWorks congregations' Easter vigil at Atonement Lutheran Church.
Carlos Gama April 21, 2012	Carlos is the son of Alicia and Carlos Gama.
Ilyn N. Ruiz April 28, 2012	Ilyn is the daughter of Georgina Tiburcio and Jose Ruiz. Her sponsors are Floriana Ruiz and Israel Mateo.
Mason Alec Jamieson April 29, 2012	Mason is the son of Becky Fiebig and Jeff Jamieson of St. Petersburg, Florida. His sponsors are Erin Poulsen and James Jamieson.
Weddings: Alicia Gutierrez & Carlos Gama April 21, 2012	Pastor Jhon Freddy presided over Alicia and Carlos's wedding and the baptism of their son Carlos.
Jodi Vash & Kevin Blaisdell May 11, 2012	Jodi and Kevin, together with their children, Ethan, Hunter and Brooke, make their home in Racine.

Four Celebrate Their First Communion

Four young people approached the altar on April 5 to receive their First Communion. The young people were surrounded by godparents, parents and grandparents on this special occasion.



Those receiving the Sacrament at the Maundy Thursday service were Marisela Mora Castaneda, Ivon Juarez, Trinidad Sanchez and Robert Rubio.

Find Card Stuffers at Scrip Table

Need a graduation or Father's Day gift? We have a variety of gift cards on hand, including various

restaurants, department stores, and specialty stores. Check out the Scrip table after worship services.

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Congratulations to the Class of 2012

Congratulations to Emmaus high school and college graduates in 2012! Some of our graduating seniors shared their post-graduation plans:

Mason Bagley graduates this month from Waterford High School. He plans to attend UW-Whitewater in the fall.

Jenn Haman graduates from Horlick High School in June. She plans to study at UW-Parkside.

Abby Maranger graduates from Horlick High School this month. She will serve in the National Guard, with plans to study pre-med.

Tina Yust has received her medical assistant degree from Kaplan.

Liliana Moncada received her Associate degree in Business Management from Gateway in May, graduating with high honors.

To these, and all the graduates we may have missed, congratulations, and best of luck with your plans for this summer and fall!



We're Proud of You!

Youth Birthdays

June 8 Quinn Toslek, 1
June 10 Mason Bagley, 18
June 12 Christopher Mendez, 2
June 16 Ciara Williams, 15
June 28 Mario Posadas, 12
June 30 Christopher Cabrerias, 1
June 30 Tayshaun Carothers, 6

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English language services are held at Emmaus every Saturday evening at 5:00, and Sunday mornings at 9:15. Spanish language worship services are offered Sundays at noon.

Emmaus office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The VISITOR is published monthly September to July. The deadline for the July-August VISITOR is June 15. Submit articles to Paul Berge's attention by mail or by e-mail.

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EASY Says It With Flowers

The closing program for EASY was filled with thanks, flowers and hugs. Love was in the air as families and friends, kids and staff gathered to conclude the year. The kids cheered the staff. It was indeed a team effort: Diane, Jose, Andrea, Katie and David were given a resounding "Hip, Hip Hooray!" cheer. The kids clambered forward to give the Wednesday night kitchen crew (celebrating 10 years of committed service) thank you hugs.



Mentors who have been working once a week with the EASY kids were called forward one at a time by their mentee. Each was presented with a flower. It was moving to see so many friends of EASY receive thanks from grateful kids. Thanks Rachael Benson, Cindi Larsen, Lou Berrera, Jan Behrens, Missy Porcaro, Jenn Haman, Anthony Medina, Emily Papara, Lee Woodward, Sandy Strini, Carol Eschmann, Joy Lippmann, Laura Bennett, Art Smith, Judy Berndt, Kanisha Bell, Jessica Luis, Beth Tepley, Caren Lambertson, and Pastor Walter. You have made an important contribution to your kid's lives. How many times throughout the year did Nancy

hear with great expectancy, "Is my mentor coming today?"

The kids recalled one of their songs from the Christmas pageant and sang "He Is Emmanuel" with great enthusiasm. The middle school kids presented in mime a unique version of the creation story. The evening concluded with a slideshow of the year's highlights and a resounding applause of thanks to Nancy Smith, director of the program.

It was great ending to a great year!

Neighborhood Camp Wanted List

- Large boxes for kids to make their personal slip-over-the-head "Titanic"
- Shoe boxes and cartons to create castles
- Microwave and deli containers
- Thin dry-erase markers
- Paint brushes
- Egg cartons
- Pringle containers
- Cornstarch
- Playing cards
- Magazines with pictures - (nature and geography)
 - Newspapers
 - Paper towel and toilet paper rolls
 - Zippered sandwich bags

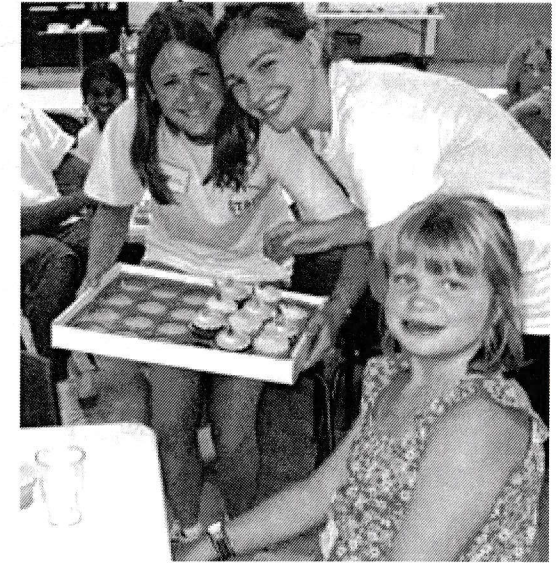
Healthy Meals Equal Healthy Kids

Each of our 60 Neighborhood Campers and over 20 SALT participants (kids between the ages of 12 and 15) can look forward to healthy meals and snacks for their five-week experience this summer. Knowing the healthy meals and snacks means healthy kids, the kitchen staff has made an ongoing effort to provide balanced meals each day of camp.

Liliana Moncada has submitted a proposal for a Wellness Grant through the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction to aid the Emmaus camp site in enhancing our summer meals and snacks. Based on information provided to Emmaus by the Racine Unified School District, we have learned that 71% of the children we serve at Emmaus are considered at-risk because of substandard family income levels, which is well over the 50% level required to qualify for the grant.

Also needed to qualify for the funding and other resources provided, including suggested menus and education of kitchen coordinators, the church must serve meals from a kitchen that is compliant with guidelines set by the state. As a result, a person

from the Racine Health Department has made an initial inspection of the church kitchen,



recommending a number of changes and updates that must be made to our nearly 60-year-old kitchen.

Necessary changes include replacement of some faucets and one sink, drainage for a vegetable prep sink, replacement of countertops, removal of adhesive shelf liners, disposal of broken or damaged equipment, upgrading of microwaves and other small appliances to commercial grade, among others. Work has begun to make the modifications required.

The center island with warmers has already been removed and will be replaced by

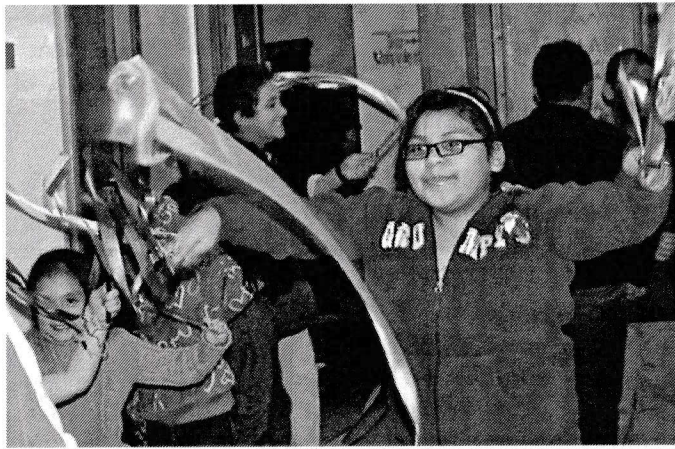
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SALT Program Takes Shape

The Neighborhood Camp program has created SALT (Serving and Learning Together) as a summer opportunity for interested kids between the ages of 12 and 15. Applicants are required to complete forms, including a covenant, prior to being personally interviewed for a place in the SALT program.

Each SALT team of 10-12 kids will be under the direction of a team leader. Cynthia Doss has been named as the SALT coordinator for the four Neighborhood Camp sites sponsoring the program.

The SALT program is an expansion of what previously was the position of camp volunteer. In this new program, kids will divide their time among three areas: volunteering at camp (everything from kitchen help to reading with the younger kids), volunteering in the community (projects such as sprucing up the Kids Cove playground at North Beach), and fun projects geared to their particular interests (painting murals, woodworking, computer projects and much more).



Those who successfully complete their summer SALT commitments will be invited to a free three-day camp experience at Lutherdale, which is near Elkhorn. SALT participants from the four Neighborhood Camp sites (Atonement, Redeemer, Our Savior's and Emmaus) will participate in the camp experience from August 19-22. They will enjoy nature, the ropes course, canoeing, evenings around the campfire time, and God Time. It will be a celebration for our middle school kids as they continue to discover the significance of meaningful relationships and the qualities of leadership.

To contribute to camperships for these deserving young campers, you may make a donation in the amount of \$75 payable to Neighborhood Camp designated as "SALT campership."

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FaithWorks Presents Workshop at Synod Assembly

The Greater Milwaukee Synod Assembly convenes at the Country Springs Hotel and Conference Center, 2810 Golf Road, Waukesha, Thursday through Saturday, May 31 to June 2. Racine's FaithWorks partnership will be featured at a

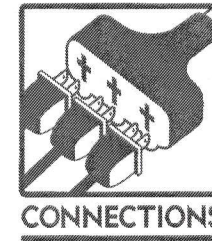


workshop at 10:30 a.m. Friday, June 1.

Emmaus members have been asked to set aside a half hour from 2:00 to 2:30 p.m. Friday, June 1 to pray for the assembly. Lutherans from around the synod will take part in continuous prayer for the assembly.

Joint Council Retreat Scheduled

Saturday, June 16, a joint retreat for leaders and staff of Emmaus/Emaús has been set. The gathering is scheduled from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon on the grounds of Kathy and Rich Christensen's home on the corner of Highways V and 20.



Atonement Pastor Dana O'Brien will facilitate the retreat. Casting a joint vision for future direction and mission will be central to the time together.

Crunching the Numbers

Weekly worship attendance averages (calculated as of May 20, 2012)

	2010				2011				2012			
	Sat	Sun	Dom	Wed	Sat	Sun	Dom	Wed	Sat	Sun	Dom	Wed
Apr	17	92	170	36	21	113	204	93	15	70	205	143
May	26	60	180	43	20	69	184	83	8	53	142	n/a
Jun	21	54	139	n/a	16	50	171	n/a				

Financial Figures

Total for month 2012 to date
 General Fund offerings received in Mar. 2012 \$12,812.11 }
 + Lent and Easter: \$647.00 } \$47,450.10

Mortgage retirement offerings received in Apr. '12.....	\$70.00.....	Campaign TD: \$70,739.62
Mortgage payments in April	Principal: \$795.64	
	Interest: \$196.36	
	Total: \$992.00	
Principal balance as of May 14, 2012:.....	\$37,832.87	

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Staff Attends 'Widening the Circle' Conversation

Invited by staff and board members of Lutherdale, several clergy and lay people serving in urban settings in southeast Wisconsin met together at the camp on May 10 for a "Widening the Circle" summit. The camp leadership is making a concerted effort to be more inclusive of people of color and others who may not have been part of the "inner circle" in the past.

Camp leaders listened to the needs and dreams of those serving in urban settings. They shared that the camp has received a major grant from Thrivent to be used to expand the circle of those being served by the camp. Representing Emmaus and the Racine FaithWorks partner congregations in the conversation were Pastor Mary Janz, Pastor Denise M'Bise, Liliana Moncada, and Nancy Smith.



Concrete actions that came from the meeting include:

- David Box, program director, will come to Racine to spend time at the Neighborhood Camp training to teach teen interns new games and icebreakers
- The Emmaus Neighborhood Campers will go to the camp for a field trip day including the ropes course and other activities
- The three-day camp experience for

SALT participants, scheduled for August 19-22

Many of our longtime members have many wonderful memories of times spent at Lutherdale. We are excited that the camp is expanding its horizons, making it possible for the next generation from Emmaus and Racine to have experiences that will also be key to their faith formation.

Lincoln Lutheran Celebrates Anniversary

by Stephanie Schreiner

On June 25, 1954, Lincoln Lutheran of Racine was founded, consisting of deaconesses and pastors from 16 partner congregations. Lincoln Lutheran would not be what it is today

without the partner congregations. Thanks to your congregation, Lincoln Lutheran has been provided with volunteers, auxiliary representatives, board members, prayer and support. For that, we thank you.

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Moncada Named Start-Up Coordinator for FaithWorks

Lay and clergy leaders from the Racine ELCA congregations forming a profound partnership, with mission as the central focus, officially met for the first time on May 3. The meeting, held at Our Savior's church, included representation from Emmaus/ Emaús, Atonement (East and West), St. Andrew, Redeemer and Our Savior's.



Liliana Moncada

The group adopted the official name FaithWorks ELCA Racine, and they named Liliana Moncada as the start-up coordinator. A group of four, including Pastor Mary Janz, Margaret Robinson, Art Smith and Liliana Moncada, was charged with drafting a job description for the part-time position. They are then to send their proposal to the

Greater Milwaukee Synod, including a request for initial funding for the project.

The next scheduled meeting of the FaithWorks Mission Council is scheduled for June 7 at Our Savior's. Discussion regarding governance for the council will be discussed at that meeting. A communications committee will also be formed to create a website and to provide information regarding the work of the partnership to the wider community through newsletter articles and bulletin announcements.

Representatives of FaithWorks have been invited by the synod staff to lead a Synod Assembly workshop regarding the RAMS process and the goals and mission of the partnership of the participating congregations.

Emmaus Serves Community Meal June 7

Emmaus' next turn to serve the Community Meal at St. Patrick's Church is on Thursday June 7. We welcome volunteers to

help serve the food.

The recipe for the casserole is posted at www.emmaus-racine.org/SociConc.html

Northside Food Pantry Volunteers

June 28: June Beck, James Larrabee, Karen Sedgwick, Stan Breiwick
July 26: James Larrabee, Marge Zielke, Boots LeRoux, Stan Breiwick
August 23: Kathy & Rich Christensen, James Larrabee, Ron & Pat Jensen

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Fiesta Mexicana Exceeds Goals

Proceeds for the May 12 Fiesta Mexicana fundraiser surpassed goals set. As of press time, net proceeds for the day of food, music, silent auctions and raffles, has reached \$4,850. Application for matching funds has been made to Thrivent, and we are awaiting the response of their board before submitting the final accounting to them.

Many thanks to all who donated food, time, and hard work to make the Fiesta fundraiser such



a success! Special thanks go to sponsors, Danny's Meats and Jose Blue Sombrero, who supplied most of the food served for the event—and most of all, to all who bought raffle tickets, bid on auction items and came to enjoy the food, music and fun in person!

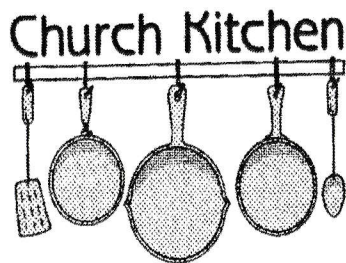
All proceeds of the fundraiser will go to fund regular programming and operating costs included in the general budget of the church.

Healthy Meals

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a prep area. A plumber has been contracted, bids are being made on the countertop replacement, and a work group is scheduled to clean cupboards and drawers Wednesday, May 30 at 9:00 a.m.

After the project is well underway, there will be final inspections by both the Racine Health Department and by the state director of the program which provides funding for the meals.



Ana Guerrero has been named by Neighborhood Camp as the Emmaus Kitchen Coordinator, being on-site each day of camp, helping with menu planning and shopping, working with kitchen volunteers and completing the necessary paperwork for reporting to our funders.

To learn more about how you can help with this important project—either with gifts of money or time—please contact either Pastor Mary or Liliana Moncada (414-881-1491).

Keenagers

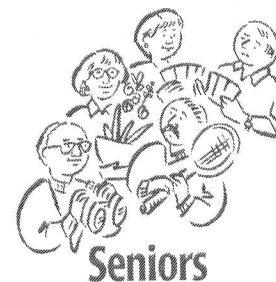
Keenagers to Tour Fortaleza Hall

Do you know all the nooks and crannies of Racine? It's not just the Neighborhood Campers who will be taking field trips this summer. All adults are invited to sign up for a free tour of Fortaleza Hall that houses the Carnauba, the Frank Lloyd Wright library, and the new Frank Lloyd Wright exhibit on the SC Johnson campus.

The one-hour tour, led by an SCJ tour guide, will begin at 2:00 a.m. on Friday, June 15.

Meet at Kewpee's for lunch at 12:30, or at the Golden Rondelle building at 1:30. Please contact the church office (262-634-5515), sign up at Sunday morning coffee hour, or e-mail Pastor Mary (mljanz@aol.com) to make your reservation. The reservations will be confirmed on a first-come, first-served basis, as there is a maximum of 25 people per tour set by the tour organizers.

Keenagers will take a break in July and August.



June Birthdays: 70 Years and Better

May 24	Mabel Meyer	1435 Windsor Way #5	53406
June 1	Marcie Runge	3920 N. Green Bay Road	53404
June 7	Jim Brown	1814 Mars Avenue	53404
June 10	Evelyn Larsen	1450 W. Ridge Court #103	53406
June 17	Mildred Schroth	3950 N. Main Street #220	53402
June 19	Renate Doughty	1921 Arcturus Avenue	53404
June 21	Lee Woodward	2333 Arlington Avenue	53403
June 26	Rose Rommelfaenger	2513 Jean Avenue	53404
June 27	Al Svendsen	158 Merrie Lane	53405

Bible Readings in June

- June 3: Isaiah 6:1-8; Psalm 29; Romans 8:12-17; John 3:1-17.
- June 10: Genesis 3:8-15; Psalm 130; 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1; Mark 3:20-35.
- June 17: Ezekiel 17:22-24; Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15; 2 Corinthians 5:6-17; Mark 4:26-34.
- June 24: Job 38:1-11; Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32; 2 Corinthians 6:1-13; Mark 4:35-41.
- July 1: Lamentations 3:22-33; Psalm 30; 2 Corinthians 8:7-15; Mark 5:21-43.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	1	2	
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<i>Neighborhood Camp staff training, 9:00 a.m.</i>							
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<i>Neighborhood Camp, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.</i>							

June Worship Leaders

	Altar Guild	HC Assts.	Readers	Ushers
Sat. Jun. 2 5:00 pm	Cathy Meyer Linda Clinton	—	—	—
Sun. Jun. 3 9:15 am	Joy Lippmann Marge Jensen	Nancy Smith	Jennifer Haman	Team 3
Sat. Jun. 9 5:00 pm	Marge & Amy Zielke Missy Porcaro	—	—	—
Sun. Jun. 10 9:15 am	Kathy Christensen Marlyn Christensen	Cindi Larsen Karen Sedgwick	Cindi Larsen	Team 4 W. Meteyard
Sat. Jun. 16 5:00 pm	Judy Berndt Linda Meteyard	—	—	—
Sun. Jun. 17 5:00 pm	Lael Richter Grace Falaschi	Chris Lamberton	Ron Jensen	Team 5 M. Porcaro
Sat. Jun. 23 5:00 pm	Brian & Denise Keller	—	—	—
Sun. Jun. 24 9:15 am	Barb Larsen Pat Jensen	Carol Eschmann Kathy Christensen	Melissa Lemke	Team 1
Sat. Jun. 30 5:00 pm	Cheryl Dexter Shirley Irvine	—	—	—
Sun. Jul. 1 9:15 am	Bev Hansen Audrey Villalobos	Kathy Christensen	Al Svendsen	Team 2 R. Christensen

Transform Wisconsin Grant Being Sought

Under the leadership of HALO, Emmaus is exploring the possibility of receiving grant funding as a part of a coalition. Because of our involvement with the gardening project, our relationship with the Racine Urban Garden Network and the partnership efforts of FaithWorks congregations, we have been invited to be a part of a brainstorming session with the person who will be the grant writer for the proposal.

Health Food System Grants will grow a coalition to support environmental and systems

changes that strengthen the local food system to increase healthy and affordable food in their communities. Work will begin by building a strong farm to school effort in a targeted school district. Then grantees will assess their community to identify and implement the next step toward a strong local food system.

How we fit into the wider picture for the community is still evolving. We are privileged to be on the ground floor of these exciting initiatives happening to make Racine a healthier community.

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How Does Your Garden Grow?

Have you seen the hustle and bustle in the backyard of the parsonage and in the garden area near the alley? Twelve Latino families have been working hard to prepare raised beds, building frames, hauling compost, and planting a variety of vegetables.

The cooperative effort has been given the seal of approval

from the City of Racine, and Racine Urban Garden Network is also partnering in this new venture. As a FaithWorks congregation, this garden project is part of a wider vision of growing nutritious food to be sold and served locally. Watch



for more garden updates as the season progresses!

What Does Your Lawn Really Need?

by John Berge

It is that time of the year when we are bombarded with ads to buy lots of fertilizer for the lawn, whether it needs it or not. Asking the lawn service personnel for an analysis of the lawn is sort of like asking your barber whether you need a haircut or not. The answer is always going to be yes.

A far better way is to get a soil test from an independent laboratory to see what additives your lawn needs, if any. The Root/Pike WIN website reports, "Testing can give information on the soil's ability to supply nutrients for best plant growth. Plants respond better to applications that are specific to their needs than they do to general applications."

Unnecessary nutrients increase the chances of run-off polluting our rivers, streams and

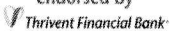
lakes. The amount from one lawn may not seem like much, but adding all the lawns in the area shows that yard fertilizer is one of the major sources of nitrogen in our surface waters. If it makes your grass grow, it will make the algae grow.

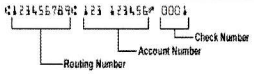
Leaving grass clippings on the lawn every time you mow is an excellent way to return nitrogen to the soil at little or no cost. A mulching blade makes this neater. Composting leaves along with garden and kitchen waste (vegetable, not meat products so that there is no odor problems) is another inexpensive way to improve the soil and regulate nutrient release at little or no cost to you or the environment.

Combining these practices with rain barrels and rain gardens for water conservation is good environmental stewardship.

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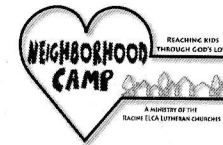
Siebert Awards Grant to Neighborhood Camp

The Siebert Lutheran Foundation continues to be a major funder for the Racine ELCA Neighborhood Camp. The grant proposal for \$30,000 in funding was approved. Additional grant monies totaling \$17,000 have been committed by the Outreach for Hope fund, an arm of the Greater Milwaukee Synod.

Verbal commitment has come from the Racine Unified School District office of Extended Day Programs to assist with the funding of our new SALT middle school component of Neighborhood Camp. Camp organizers have also submitted grant proposals to the State of

Wisconsin and to the Racine Community Foundation and are awaiting their response.

In addition to the generous grants from organizations supporting Neighborhood Camp, donations of both time and money from individuals are essential for the camps to operate. Over 200 campers receive the opportunity to spend four or five weeks at one of the four sites, and the average cost to run the free camp per week for each of the campers is \$125. Donations may be made by check, payable to ELCA Neighborhood Camp, or by going to the Emmaus website and paying online.



Latino Congregation Walks with God's People

Parroquia Emaús participated in a statewide march and rally in Milwaukee on April 29. Pastor Jhon Freddy first led the Latino congregation in a worship service at the parking lot of a grocery store near the church, reminding those gathering for the march of the huge commitment of walking with God's people, particularly with the underserved and people who live in the margins.



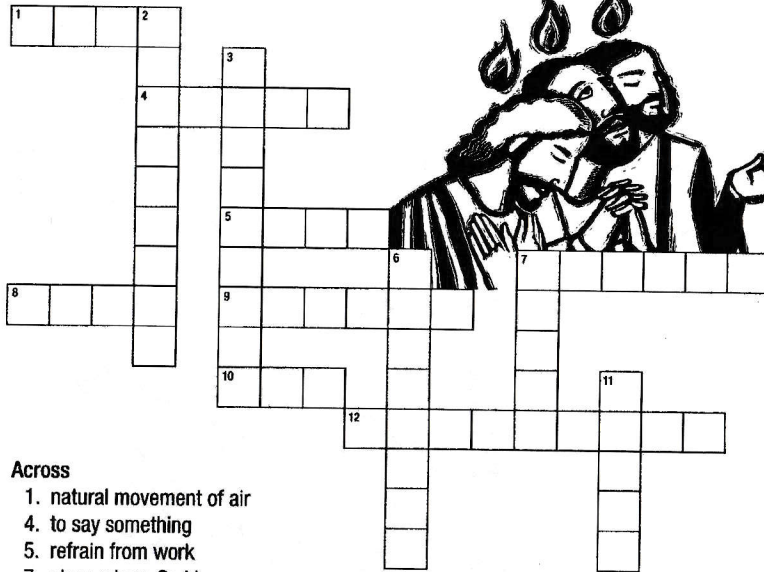
The Emaús dancers were included in Channel 6's coverage of the march. There are photos and links to local news coverage at the Parroquia Emaús Facebook page.



The Spirit Comes

ACTS 2 TELLS ABOUT A SPECIAL DAY
WHEN THE HOLY SPIRIT CAME TO THE DISCIPLES.

Use the clues below to complete the crossword puzzle.



Across

1. natural movement of air
4. to say something
5. refrain from work
7. place where God is
8. a combustion or burning that gives light, heat and smoke
9. part of mouth that can taste and lick
10. the time between sunrise and sunset
12. the day the Holy Spirit descended on the disciples

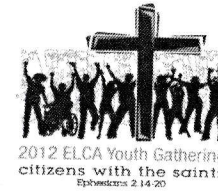
Down

2. followers of Christ
3. moved apart
6. quickly and unexpectedly
7. a building where people live
11. vibrations that travel through the air

Answers: Across 1. wind, 4. speak, 5. rest, 7. heaven, 8. fire, 9. tongue, 10. day, 12. Pentecost; Down 2. disciples, 3. separated, 6. suddenly, 7. house, 11. sound

'Not a Raffle' Raises Funds for Youth Gathering

Buy a "this is not a raffle" ticket for \$10. Half of the proceeds will go toward sending Greater Milwaukee Synod youth to the ELCA National



Youth Gathering this summer. Three names from ticket sales will be drawn at synod assembly; the winners will decide where the remaining 50% goes.

Lutheran Social Services

Aren't We All Descendants of Refugees?

As newcomers many refugees are unwelcomed simply because they look different or speak a foreign language. But aren't we all descendants

of refugees? Many of our ancestors originated from

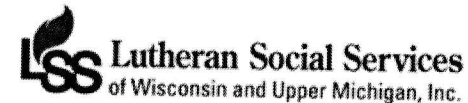
different parts of the world and came to America knowing little to no English with only the clothes on their backs. Not much different than the refugees that arrive in Wisconsin in search of a safe haven and place to call home.

Lutheran Social Services (LSS) is the largest refugee resettlement agency in Wisconsin and has led efforts to welcome both large and small populations of ethnic refugees in Milwaukee since 1974 and recently expanded to the Madison area.

Some ways that you can welcome newcomers to your neighborhood:

- Find out what languages are spoken by newcomers in your

community. Choose at least one of those languages and learn three common words or phrases such as "Welcome" and "My name is..." and "Thank you."



- Help celebrate World Refugee Day on

Wednesday, June 20.

- Interview a newcomer and share their story with a friend or with LSS on Facebook or Twitter - find us by searching for LSSWis.
- Join a Welcoming Committee at LSS.
- Volunteer as a Cultural Mentor at LSS.
- Donate to the LSS Refugee Housing Fund.
- Donate in-kind items (i.e. furniture or other household goods) to the LSS Refugee Resettlement Program.

Contact LSS for more information about the Refugee Resettlement Program or how you can volunteer to make a difference by visiting www.lsswis.org.

LSS Hosts Ice Cream Benefit

Stop Child Abuse and Neglect of Lutheran Social Services presents: SCAN's Cones for Kids Thursday, July 12 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Mount Pleasant Lutheran Church, 1700 S. Green Bay Road.

Advance tickets are \$5 per person in advance or \$6 at the door. Children under 3 are admitted free.



Sample mini cones from Racine's best ice cream shops and vote for your favorite flavor to

win SCAN's Golden Scoop award. Buy chances to win great prize packs for kids and families. Buy raffle tickets. Learn more at conesforkids.blogspot.com

Space is limited. Call Karen at 262 619-1633 for tickets or e-mail karen.fetherston@lsswis.org. All funds will support child abuse education in Racine.

Bike Ride Supports Outreach for Hope

There is something for everyone at the Family Bike Ride to support the churches of the Greater Milwaukee Synod doing ministry among the poor in our Synod.



- Casual rider - including families and children - a ride on the paved Glacial Drumlin Trail, 14 miles or less if you prefer. Trail passes provided, if needed.
- Avid bicyclist - either a 30 or 40 mile mapped and cued ride on country roads around Dousman.
- Everyone - catered picnic at noon.
- Non-bikers - opportunity to support Outreach for Hope with donations of any amount.

New this year:

- Professional and friendly online registration
- Online pledging
- Improved ride signage
- Rest station on the family trail ride
- Upgrades for door prizes

Thanks to the generosity of Dave and Barb Hammer, a \$25 donation will be given for every person who registers to ride in this event. Register now - this is your chance to make a difference!

Registration and more information are available at www.outreachforhope.org - look for the 'Family Bike Ride' link.

The ride starts at Cory Park in Dousman, Saturday, September 8 at 8:00 a.m.

MPLC Offers Summer Spanish Camp for Kids

Mount Pleasant Lutheran Church will offer two weeks of Spanish classes for children who will be entering kindergarten - 5th grade for the 2012-2013 school year.

When: Monday - Thursday August 13-16 and August 20-23 from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m. What: Kids will learn to speak Spanish using song, dance, art, food and more. Teachers: Letty



Nyamatumu from the Real School, and Nancy Cebula, a retired art teacher from KUSD.

Cost: \$48/week for one child, \$72/week for two children from one family, \$84/week for three children from one family, and \$100/week for a family with four or more children.

To sign up: contact Pastor Kara Baylor at 634-6704 ext. 112 or kbaylor@mplc.us

Summer Concert Series Returns

"Music & More" returns to First Presbyterian Church, 716 College Avenue on Thursdays at noon starting June 7. The one-hour concerts continue through August 9, followed by a season finale concert at 7:00 p.m. Friday, August 17.

Artists performing at the Tuesday concerts include Mark Paffrath, the Dairy Statesmen, Caritas, Zachary Scott Johnson, the

Corporate Downsizing Quartet, and many more.



A free will offering is taken at the Tuesday concerts, to benefit Racine Vocation Ministry, Recreational Activities for Developmentally Disabled, and Health Care

Network. Tickets for the finale concert are \$10 or complimentary with a donation to "Music & More."

Eco-Justice Center Screens 'Gasland'

Wednesday, May 30 at 6:00 p.m., the Eco-Justice Center, 7133 Michna Road, Racine, hosts a viewing of Gasland, a film that explores the technology of "fracking," a process of getting at

natural gas beneath the earth's surface. You'll learn some of the secrecy and dangers involved with this method of accessing this natural resource. Free admission but call ahead (262-681-8527).

From Challenge to Opportunity

I continue to marvel at the creative way God uses challenges and barriers, putting new opportunities before us when it first appears that resources are lacking. By being attentive and willing to move forward in faith, we are able to open doors that appear to be closed, finding that they have already been unlocked and cracked open for us.

Neighborhood Camp and the new program for 12-15 year olds, SALT (Serving and Learning Together) are the latest

examples of these new opportunities. Seeing the need to serve more middle school kids who are beyond the Neighborhood Camp age, we have created the new component named SALT.

With that new offering come more challenges: how will we pay for staff (team leaders), how will we develop programming, and how will we have the capabilities of serving so many hungry mouths at camp each day?

It was Kathy Dunkerson, director of the Extended Day/Out of School Programs for Racine Unified, who was key in helping us identify needed resources. She

identified funding that could be used to help pay the team leaders and the coordinator for the middle school kids, and she also pointed us in the direction of a qualified person to fill the coordinator position for the four camp sites. In addition, she mentioned some potential funding possibilities for feeding the kids at Emmaus this summer.

It was then Liliana Moncada who, even though she was busy with final school projects and her graduation, took the time to research the website for the Summer Meal

Program and to contact those in charge in Madison. We learned that to qualify, we not only had to serve at-need kids, which we do, but that our kitchen must be compliant. The lengthy application for funding is now in, and work is being done to get the kitchen up to speed as well as to get people trained to coordinate the summer meal program.

One blessing that has led to this door being opened even further was a gift of \$5,000 received about six weeks ago. The person handing me the check said to use it for additional staffing "or

for whatever else you see that needs some extra help. I'll leave it up to you." That money, which was then put in the pastor's discretionary fund, is now being tapped for some of the kitchen projects that have already been initiated. I had no idea when we received that check that this project was even going to take place! I trust and pray that further doors will open to bring this project to completion.

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What are the next challenges, barriers and opportunities for Emmaus? I'm trusting the Spirit to blow among

us at our joint council/leadership retreat in mid-June as we ask where we are going and what will be needed to get there. While facing challenges of differences in culture and language, I have no doubt that God will continue to open doors so that even more barriers will be surmounted and we will be able to move forward doing God's work together.

Looking forward in faith,

Pastor Mary
Pastor Mary



Marilena and Michael pose with EASY tiles. Nancy Smith photo



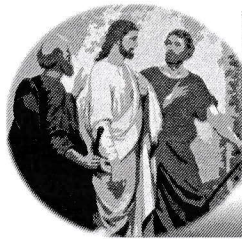
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- ▲ *SALT Open to 12-to-15-
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Joint Council-Staff Retreat Identifies Priorities

Leaders and staff members from both the English and Spanish speaking communities of Emmaus/ Emaús came together on June 16 for a morning of conversation, dreaming and visioning. Led by Atonement West Pastor Dana O'Brien, the group attempted to identify priorities for the future. The underlying question was "Where is God calling and leading us?"

Unity, even amidst our diversity, was highlighted. Radical inclusivity was identified as key to who we are as a church. Surfacing as areas that need the most immediate attention were: relevance and programming for youth and young adults; the need for staffed instruction for kids on Sundays (especially during the noon time period); and the need for strong offerings in ESL (English as a Second Language), GED and

Spanish for English speakers.

Many other ideas flowed, and it was only the beginning of what



needs to be addressed together. As the clock struck noon (the scheduled ending time for the retreat), the rains came. The group, which had been gathered on the lawn at the home of Kathy and Rich Christensen, quickly gathered up papers and chairs, agreeing that there was much, much more to do and that the conversations must be continued.

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Pastoral Acts

Wedding:

Monica Zuniga & Rolando Cruz

May 25, 2012

Synod Assembly Supports 11X15 Program

Pastor Mary, Pastor Jhon Freddy, and Liliana Moncada attended the Greater Milwaukee Synod Assembly as the voting members from Emmaus Thursday through Saturday, May 31 to June 2. Racine's FaithWorks partnership was featured at a workshop on Friday.

Voting members at the assembly approved a motion calling upon the synod and its congregations to participate in the 11X15 program begun by WISDOM, a network of congregational justice organizations in the state. The campaign is designed to reduce Wisconsin's prison population by 11,000 by 2015 through the use of evidence-based initiatives such as Treatment Alternatives and Diversionary

programs (TAD), earned release programs, Circles of Support, drug treatment programs, day report centers and other restorative justice programs.

The motion urged congregations to view a PowerPoint presentation produced by the 11X15 campaign describing its efforts to "reduce prison populations in ways that emphasize restorative justice and result in safer and healthier communities."

Details about the 11X15 program are on line at <http://prayforjusticeinwi.org/>

The assembly also elected the Synod's voting members for next year's churchwide assembly in Pittsburgh. Rev. Dana O'Brien of Atonement-West will be the voting member for the Racine Mission Cluster.



Emmaus Serves August 2 Community Meal

The next meal that we will serve at St. Pat's is on Thursday, August 2. Watch for the new sign-

up sheet and the pans to reappear in the narthex in early July.

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FaithWorks Plans Joint Fall Festival

The FaithWorks mission council approved going ahead with plans for a joint Fall Festival on the weekend of September 15 and 16. This will involve an expansion of the festivals that have previously been held annually at Emmaus and St. Andrew Lutheran Churches. The recommendation was made to hold the festival on the grounds of St. Andrew, which has since been approved by the leadership of St. Andrew.



There will be an international flavor to the festival, which will be expressed both in food and music. Liliana Moncada, FaithWorks start-up coordinator, is seeking two volunteers from each of the FaithWorks congregations (Emmaus/Emaús, St. Andrew, Our Savior's, Redeemer and Atonement/Atonement West) to be on the planning team.

Corporate sponsorships are being sought, and a major cash raffle will generate money for the free festival. Mark your calendars for this new venture of FaithWorks and ask how you can be a part of making it a big success! Many hands make light work as we celebrate our collaboration and working together!

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English language services are held at Emmaus every Saturday evening at 5:00, and Sunday mornings at 9:15. Spanish language worship services are offered Sundays at noon.

Emmaus office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday (closed July 4).

The VISITOR is published monthly September to July. The deadline for the September VISITOR is August 15. Submit articles to Paul Berge's attention by mail or by e-mail.

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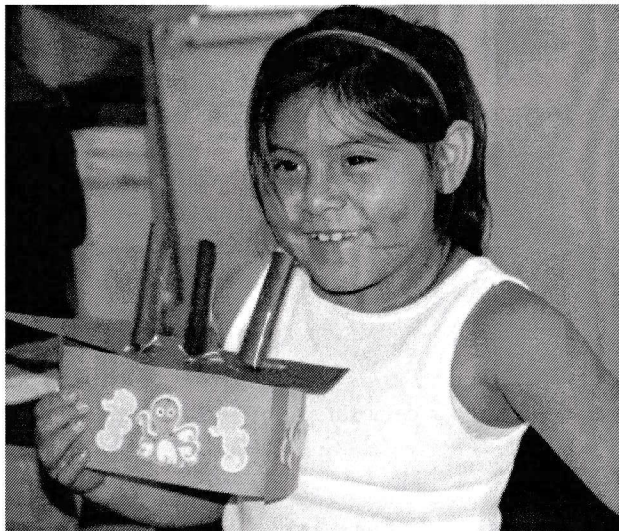
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Neighborhood Camp Enrollment Sets New Record

With over 60 kids registered for Neighborhood Camp and an additional 27 in the SALT (Serving and Learning Together) middle



school program, we are at record numbers at Emmaus.

The first two weeks of camp were humming with the weekly themes of the Summer Olympics and the Titanic. Activities included Emmaus Olympics on the field and building the Titanic. (We're not sure if there was more paint on the boats or the kids and the floors by the end of the day!)

Speaking of painting, the SALT kids have put a coat of primer on the garage off the alley. Plans of been drawn up to use the

garage as a palette for an original mural to be created by the kids. The SALT kids have volunteered time working in the kitchen, cleaning up messes, reading with kids, helping out at HALO, and working at the Eco-Justice Center and Kids' Cove playground.

The group of 52 kids from three congregations traveled to Waukesha for a Feed the Kidz food pack on June 21. One of the groups has also had an introduction to photography, and some kids have been building bird houses. Others have published their own Neighborhood Camp newsletter.

The SALT group will have three days at Lutherdale camp in August as a culmination of their summer experience.

Closing Program

Everyone is invited to the 6:00 p.m. dinner and the closing program on Thursday, July 26. Come and see what a full and fun summer this has been for these very fortunate kids!

Kitchen Volunteers Needed in July

Teams of three to four people are needed to help in the kitchen Monday through Thursday the weeks of July 9, 16 and 28. Menus for the campers are already planned, and Ana Guerrero shops for food on a weekly basis. We need willing people to help prepare and serve the lunch each day. Consider offering some of your time to help feed our hungry campers! Sign up in the narthex or contact the church office if you are able to lend a hand one



or more days. Can't make it to church to help? Consider making a batch or two of cookies as a special treat for our campers!

Youth Birthdays

July 12 Mason Jamieson, 2
 July 14 Anthony Medina, 16
 July 16 Glenndon Toslek, 4
 July 17 Jaydan Ponder, 4
 July 19 Sydni Matson, 12
 July 22 Giselle Gallegos, 13

July 23 Adriana Zavala, 6
 July 24 Sydney Tepley, 18
 July 25 Andrew Babington, 4
 July 25 Jennifer Lopez, 13
 July 26 Alexis Austin, 16
 July 31 Alejandra Antonio, 3

Aug. 6 Mercedes Cruz, 9
 Aug. 11 Samuel Martinez, 3
 Aug. 17 Henry Perkins, 6
 Aug. 21 Cole Cacciotti, 5
 Aug. 23 Marleni Aragon, 4
 Aug. 25 Abel Velasquez, 11
 Aug. 26 Alexa Ahrens, 13
 Aug. 29 Irma Gallardo, 14
 Aug. 29 Mark Nunez, 12
 Aug. 31 Alexander Lopez, 2



See the Garden Grow!

Wow! Have you seen the lush green garden off the alley? Have you taken a peek into the backyard of the parsonage? Both areas of raised beds are flourishing, thanks to the hard work of eight Latino families. If you are interested in purchasing any of the produce when it is ready, please let Pastor Jhon Freddy or Liliana know so that those connections can be made.

As the leadership asks how we might expand these gardening efforts, studies are now taking place regarding the feasibility of having a greenhouse that could produce some plants year round. Consulting with folks from the Racine Urban Garden Network and from the City of Racine, plans and proposals and sources of funding are being addressed.

Racine Community Foundation Extends Grant to Neighborhood Camp

For the second year in a row, the Racine ELCA Neighborhood Camp has received funding from the Racine Community Foundation. The \$12,000 grant is to be used to cover the expense of field trips and a portion of the food costs for this year's camps.

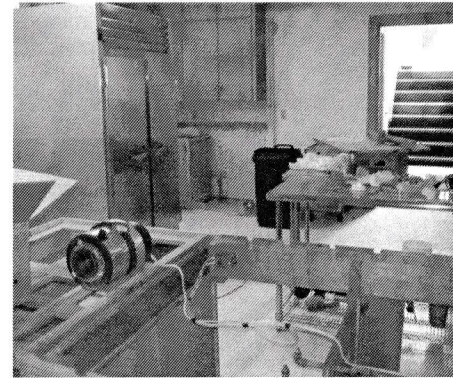
RCF Executive Director Mary Beth Mikrut will join Siebert Foundation Executive Director Ron Jones for site visits of camps at three of the sites on Tuesday, July 17. The Siebert Foundation awarded \$30,000 to this summer's camp program. In addition to individual



and congregational gifts, the camps have also received support from Outreach for Hope (Greater Milwaukee Synod) and Racine Unified Public Schools.

Kitchen Certified by Department of Health

The initial visit by the Health Department inspector on May 16 identified the areas to be addressed for the Emmaus kitchen to become certified as a commercial restaurant kitchen. With a "to do" list in place, a plumber was consulted and bids were accepted for the replacement of the countertops.



Work began May 30 to vacate all the lower cupboards of the kitchen, removing shelf liners, scrubbing drawers, and moving usable items into the Fellowship Hall for three weeks. Old sinks were removed and replaced with stainless steel sinks, and dark blue quartz countertops were installed, along with a new ice machine.

Although the deadline set was June 18, the final work by the plumber was still being completed that day. As a result, lunch for 100 people had to be catered in for the first day of camp. Pastor Mary approached Danny Johnson at a

kiosk on North Beach on Saturday, June 16 and explained the time crunch and dilemma to him. On the spot, he assured her that Danny's would deliver a complete meal at a substantial discount that Monday to feed the hungry campers.

By Tuesday noon there were sighs of relief as the kitchen was approved for preparation and serving of meals. Pastor Mary was delighted to make the trip to City Hall to pick up the permit from the Health Department.

On Tuesday, July 10, there will be an inspection by representatives of the DPI Summer Food Program from Madison. After going through that final "hoop," the summer Neighborhood Camp at Emmaus is expected to have the official approval for the grant for which we have applied.

Although Emmaus now has approval to prepare and serve meals to the public, additional work is still required to complete the kitchen project. Dennis and Nick Eschmann are building new doors for the lower cabinets near the window facing Fellowship Hall. Volunteers are needed to pitch in with the painting of cabinets and walls after the completion of camp at the end of July. Those willing to help with the project may contact the church office.

Men's Canoe Trip Postponed to September

Pastor Walter announces that the men's canoe trip has been rescheduled. They will be leaving

September 6 and canoeing September 7-9. Contact Pastor Walter.

Kellers to Walk in Relay for Life at UWP

The Keller Family will join the Mt. Pleasant Lutheran Church team walking in the American Cancer Society Relay for Life at UW-Parkside on August 3 and 4.

Relay for Life is an annual team effort to raise funds for cancer research and patient services nationwide. Members take turns walking or running around a track. Each team is asked to raise funds and have a representative on the track at all times during this overnight event -- because there is no finish line until a cure is found.

So many strides have been made in the battle against cancer; and this is a charity near and dear to the Kellers' hearts. All participants are asked to raise at least \$100, so the Kellers invite you to pledge as much as you are comfortable donating. "Our team captain would like us to turn in donations by July 15," Denise tells us, "although we can turn in any donations that come in after that on the Friday night of the relay August 3."



A suggested \$10.00 donation per name will help in the fight against cancer while dedicating a glowing tribute In Memory or In Honor of a loved one or friend.

The names of these individuals will be read aloud in a special ceremony at 9:00 p.m. Friday, to which you are invited to attend.

Please pray for the people who are battling cancer at this time, those who

are survivors, and for the families. Pray for all the teams that will be participating in the Relay for Life.

Every dollar raised brings hope to the hearts of cancer patients and their families. The American Cancer Society Relay for Life celebrates the fact that cancer will be defeated.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Checks should be made out to the American Cancer Society and mailed to Brian and Denise Keller at 1922 Quincy Ave., Racine, WI 53403.

Auxiliary Hosts Ice Cream Social August 9

The Lincoln Lutheran Auxiliary will host its annual Ice Cream Social on Thursday, August 9 from 4:00-7:00 p.m. at Lincoln Villas Apartments, 5820 Lincoln Village Drive (behind Mt. Pleasant Lutheran Church.)

Each of the churches is asked to provide pies and workers for this annual fund raiser. The Auxiliary has requested that Emmaus supply two people to staff the entrance from 2:15 to 3:30.

A \$4.00 donation will allow you to enjoy delicious pie or cake, ice cream, and a choice of

beverage. Brats, hot dogs and chips will be sold separately.

All proceeds will be used to fund the Auxiliary's projects which benefit the residents and program participants of Lincoln Lutheran with matching funds provided by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans.

Plan to join them for good food and fellowship!

It's their 39th annual ice cream social, in case you're keeping count.

Any questions, please contact Rosemary Fay (632-6071) or Karen Johnson (633-5321).



Summer Birthdays: 70 Years and Better

July 9	Helen Mickelson	1737 Shoop Street	53404
July 18	Joy Lamberton	1027 Berkeley Drive	53402
July 21	Eleanor Lawrenz	1921 Mt. Pleasant Street	53404
July 25	Nancy Smith	1530 S. Main Street	53403
July 29	Larry Estep	2522 Maple Grove Avenue	53404
July 31	Edna Mathieus	1716 Warwick Way	53406
August 2	Larry Nielsen	1206 Fairway Drive	53405
August 6	Shirley Irvine	5119 Valley Trail	53402
August 12	Al Beck	733 West Lawn Avenue	53405
August 12	Joyce Kaiser	14220 56 th Road, Sturtevant	53177
August 15	Rich Christensen	1019 Hwy. V, Sturtevant	53177
August 21	Jerry Doughty	1921 Arcturus Avenue	53404
August 22	Doris Andersen	3125 Candle Court #7	53402
August 25	Ron Jensen	5512 W. Branch Trail	53402
August 27	Richard Larsen	4202 Erie Street	53402

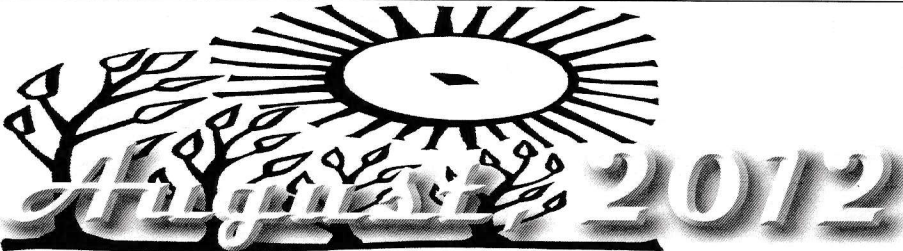


Emmaus Keenagers resume meeting in September.

Summer Worship Assistants

	Altar Guild	Communion Assistants	Readers	Ushers
Sat. Jun. 30 5:00 pm	Cheryl Dexter Shirley Irvine	—	—	—
Sun. Jul. 1 9:15 am	Bev Hansen Audrey Villalobos	Kathy Christensen	Al Svensden	Team 2 R. Christensen
Sat. Jul. 7 1:00 pm	Barb Toslek Jamie Toslek	—	—	—
Sun. Jul. 8 9:15 am	Caren Lamberton	Diane Melander Nancy Smith	Carol Yust	Team 3
Sat. Jul. 14 5:00 pm	Cathy Meyer Linda Clinton	—	—	—
Sun. Jul. 15 9:15 am	Joy Lippmann Marge Jensen	Shirley Velzka	Lee Woodward	Team 5 M. Porcaro
Sat. Jul. 21 5:00 pm	Marge Zielke, Amy Zielke, Missy Porcaro	—	—	—
Sun. Jul. 22 9:15 am	Kathy Christensen Marlyn Christensen	Carol Eschmann Cindi Larsen	Nancy Smith	Team 4 W. Meteyard
Sat. Jul. 28 5:00 pm	Judy Berndt Linda Meteyard	—	—	—
Sun. Jul. 29 9:15 am	Barb Larsen Pat Jensen	Kathy Christensen Chris Lamberton	Karen Sedgwick	Team 1
Sat. Aug. 4 5:00 pm	Brian & Denise Keller	—	—	—
Sun. Aug. 5 9:15 am	Lael Richter Grace Falaschi	Pat Jensen	Sandy Strini	Team 2 R. Christensen
Sat. Aug. 11 5:00 pm	Cheryl Dexter Shirley Irvine	—	—	—
Sun. Aug. 12 10:00 am	Caren Lamberton	Joy Lippmann Nancy Smith	Carol Eschmann	Team 3
Sat. Aug. 18 5:00 pm	Cathy Meyer Linda Clinton	—	—	—
Sun. Aug. 19 9:15 am	Joy Lippmann Marge Jensen	Karen Sedgwick	Kathy Christensen	Team 5 M. Porcaro
Sat. Aug. 25 5:00 pm	Marge Zielke, Amy Zielke, Missy Porcaro	—	—	—
Sun. Aug. 26 9:15 am	Kathy Christensen Marlyn Christensen	Diane Melander Shirley Velzka	Chris Lamberton	Team 4 W. Meteyard

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Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
INDEPENDENCE DAY <i>Church closed</i>  july	5 11:00 am Sun. bulletin deadline	6	7 1:00 pm Zumba 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion (English)
<i>for Mary off</i>			
10 pm Piano lessons 5 pm FaithWorks mission council at St. Andrew	12 11:00 am Sun. bulletin deadline 4:00 pm BENNU legal appointments 6:00 pm Piano lessons	13	14 BASTILLE DAY 12:00 pm Rodriguez-Cisneros wedding 1:00 pm Nayeli-Gabriel wedding 1:00 pm Zumba 3:00 pm Rubio baptisms 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion (English)
<i>Neighborhood Camp</i>			
10 pm Piano lessons	19 11:00 am Sun. bulletin deadline 6:00 pm Piano lessons	20 DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE IN MIDDLE EAST	21 12:30 pm Mendoza baptism 1:00 pm Zumba 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion (English)
<i>Neighborhood Camp</i>			
<i>Pastor Jhon Freddy away</i>			
5 JAMES THE ELDER 10 pm Piano lessons 	26 11:00 am Sun. bulletin deadline 4:00 pm BENNU legal appointments 6:00 pm Supper 7:00 pm Neighborhood Camp closing program	27	28 1:00 pm Zumba 1:00 pm Hernandez quinceañera 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion (English)
<i>Neighborhood Camp</i>			
11:00 am 6:00 pm Piano lessons	2 11:00 am Bulletin deadline 6:00 pm Piano lessons	3	4 10:30 am Soria baptism 12:00 pm Hernández-Cadena anniversary 1:00 pm Zumba 5:00 pm Worship service w/HC (English)

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Put Your Stamp on Environmental Stewardship

by John Berge

Recently, I bought some sheets of stamps which contained suggestions on each stamp of how to "Go Green." Since that is another and shorter way to say "environmental stewardship," and since I believe most people do not read the stamps that come on their mail, I reproduce their suggestions here with a few comments from the back of the sheets and elsewhere.

Buy local produce in season and use reusable bags for grocery and other purchases.

Fix water leaks. Clean, heated water takes lots of energy.

Share rides. A carpool raises energy efficiency by more than any other method -- even better than my hybrid.

Turn off lights when not in use. The old bromide that it takes more energy to turn them back on is not true.

Choose to walk. Cars are least efficient in the first few miles, so leave the car in the garage if the walk is less than a mile or two each way.

Compost. It is good for the lawn and gardens while saving

much energy over hauling away the leaves and garbage.

Let nature do the work. Solar drying of laundry can save much energy and yield great smelling sheets and pillow cases.

Recycle more. Recycling just one aluminum can saves enough energy to run your computer for three hours.

Ride a bike (as a means of transportation, not just recreation).

Plant trees. Trees around the house not only take up and store carbon dioxide, they reduce both heating and cooling costs in the home.

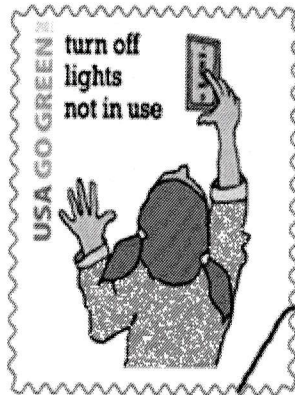
Insulate the home. Caulking and weather stripping can pay for itself within a year.

Use public transportation. Local public transportation is the most efficient other than a very full carpool.

Use efficient light bulbs. Compact fluorescent bulbs can save up to 80% of your lighting costs; LEDs (light emitting diodes) are even more efficient, but are still costly to buy.

Adjust the thermostat. Turn it up in summer to 78° and down in winter to 68° or less.

Maintain tire pressure. Proper tire pressure improves mileage as much as 3% and makes the tires last longer.



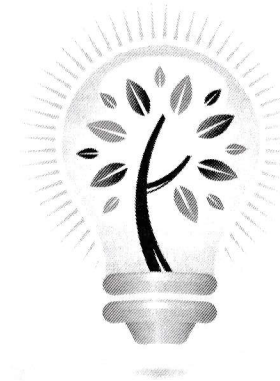
Money-Saving Measures Planned for Lighting

As part of our commitment to become a green congregation, Sandy Strini and an electrician did a walk-through of the church building on June 27. Their goal was to identify areas where we can be more efficient in the use of energy.

Currently there is slightly more than \$2,000 in designated funds earmarked for lighting. Beginning steps to conserve energy will include

installing motion sensor lighting in the restrooms and the upstairs hallway. In addition, a change in the type of light bulbs used in the basement area will take place in August.

Meanwhile, let's remember to turn off lights in areas that are not being used. Little by little, we hope to be better stewards by being energy smart!



Second Quarter Offering Statements Are Out

Second quarter offering statements are available in the narthex for any member who has

given an offering of record from April to June.

Crunching the Numbers

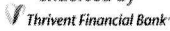
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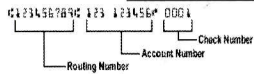
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Je	21	54	139	n/a	16	50	171	n/a	13	48	143	n/a
Jl	35	54	152	n/a	14	46	128	n/a				
Au	17	49	143	n/a	21	49	119	n/a				

Financial Figures

	Total for month	2012 to date
General Fund offerings received in May 2012	\$9,990.93	\$57,441.03
Mortgage retirement offerings received in May '12	\$35.00.....	Campaign TD: \$70,774.62
Mortgage payments in May-June 2012: Principal	\$1,295.32	Principal balance as of
Interest.....	\$388.68	June 14, 2012:
Total.....	\$1,984.00	\$37,033.19

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Make a Difference in Lives of Older Children

By *Lutheran Social Services*

This past April, nine special volunteers known as Adoption Ambassadors departed for the Philippines to spend time with 14 children age 7 to 15 currently living in Philippine orphanages. Each of the children longed to be part of a Forever Family. The Philippine Ambassador program has placed over 20 older children in Forever Families since its inception in 2007.

The Ambassadors blogged, shared photos and videos while they embarked on a trip of a lifetime. Visit www.lssadopt.org/AboutUs/Blog/ to see first-hand what they experienced. Upon returning to the States, Ambassadors advocate for the children and actively seek out potential adoptive parents.

As the largest child-placement agency in the State of Wisconsin, Lutheran Social Services of Wisconsin and Upper Michigan has been finding forever families for children of all ages, faiths and backgrounds for more than 60 years. Over that time, adoptive homes have been found for well over 10,000 children.

LSS began placing children from the Philippines in the early

1980's, and in 2007 introduced the Adoption Ambassador Program. LSS works in partnership with the Inter-Country Adoption Board of the Philippines to place children in stable, loving homes.

There are many ways to participate and plenty of room for many helping hands and hearts in this project:

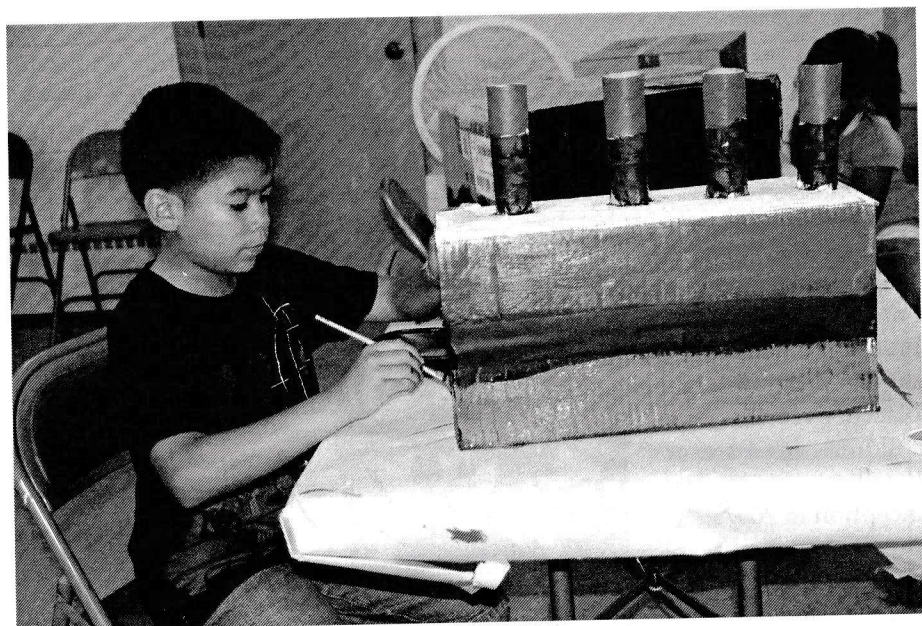
- Consider becoming an Adoption Ambassador for a future trip
- Consider becoming an Adoptive Parent to an older child



- Consider inviting LSS representatives to your congregation for a presentation of the Ambassador program
- Keep the Adoption Ambassadors in your prayers
- Consider a monetary gift to support the Adoption Ambassadors initiative

Learn more about adopting an older child from the Philippines by contacting Kim Westfahl, InterCountry Adoption Manager, at 414-304-6920 or kim.westfahl@lsswis.org. Or find a local adoption office near you at www.lssadopt.org. For more information about other programs and services LSS offers, visit www.lsswis.org

Neighborhood Camp Photo Album



Giovanni paints his "Titanic."



SALT participants try their hand at taking pictures without a phone.

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Elsewhere in Our Area

Mt. Pleasant Offers Spanish Camp for Kids

Mount Pleasant Lutheran Church will offer two weeks of Spanish classes for children who will be entering K5 - 5th grade for the 2012-2013 school year.

When: Monday - Thursday August 13-16 and August 20-23 from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m.

What: Kids will learn to speak Spanish using song, dance, art, food and more.

Teachers: Letty Nyamatutu,

from the Real School and Nancy Cebula, a retired art teacher from KUSD.

Cost: \$48/per week for one child, \$72 a week for two children from one family, \$84 a week for three children from one family and \$100 a week for a family with four or more children.

To sign up: contact Pastor Kara Baylor at 634-6704 ext 112 or kbaylor@mplc.us.

LSS Hosts Ice Cream Benefit

Stop Child Abuse and Neglect of Lutheran Social Services presents SCAN's Cones for Kids Thursday, July 12 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Mount Pleasant Lutheran Church, 1700 S. Green Bay Road.

Advance tickets are \$5.00 per person in advance or \$6.00 at the door. Children under 3 are admitted free.

Sample mini cones from Racine's best ice cream shops and

vote for your favorite flavor to win SCAN's Golden Scoop award. Buy chances to win great prize packs for kids and families. Buy raffle tickets. Learn more at conesforkids.blogspot.com



Space is limited. Call Karen at 262 619-1633 for tickets or e-mail karen.fetherston@lsswis.org. All funds will support child abuse education in Racine.

Lutherdale to Auction Quilts

Lutherdale Bible Camp, N7891 U.S. Hwy. 12 near Elkhorn, will hold its annual Lutherdale Fest and quilt auction Saturday, August 11. Donations of quilts for the auction must be received by July 15.

Photos of the quilts are posted on line at www.lutherdale.org. Contact Casey Rohde at 262-742-2352, ext. 103, or e-mail casey@lutherdale.org for further details.

Ride a Bike, Support Outreach for Hope

There is something for everyone at the Family Biking Event starting at 8:00 a.m. at Cory Park in Dousman on Saturday, September 8, to support the churches of the Greater Milwaukee Synod, doing ministry among the poor in our Synod.

- For the casual rider, including families and children, a ride on the paved Glacial Drumlin Trail, 14 miles.

- For the more avid bicyclist, a 30 and 40 mile

mapped and cued ride on country roads around Dousman.

- For everyone, a catered picnic at noon, with games, and Outreach for Hope ministries highlighted.

There is no minimum for pledges, but participants are encouraged to get pledges and donations for Outreach for Hope.

Help Fill Basket with School Supplies

Thanks to your support, many neighborhood children received needed school supplies this past school year. Let's help make that possible again this year!

Look for a basket in the narthex in August where you can donate:

- spiral notebooks with wide lines

T-shirts will also be available at the registration web site.

For those who simply want to support Outreach for Hope, you may also go on line at the Family Bike Ride link at www.outreachforhope.org or send your gift to the Synod office.

Outreach for Hope raises funds for congregations in the Greater Milwaukee Synod which serve central city neighborhoods and have made a commitment to remain a strong source of spiritual and community support.

Please learn more about how you can be a donor to this vital work of the church. Registration and more information are available at www.outreachforhope.org - look for the "Family Bike Ride" link. Or contact the Director, Rev. Jim Bickel, at 414-671-1212.

- new #2 pencils with erasers
- colored pocket folders
- glue sticks and regular Elmer's glue
- large pink school erasers
- crayons (boxes of 16 or more)
- rulers (with both inches and centimeters)
- boxes of watercolors with a brush



Pastor Mary's Column

Deadlines, Deadlines!

Because I have bitten off a bit more than can chew, I'm asking for special dispensation this month. I've come to the realization that I simply am unable to carve out the time (and this is already way past deadline!) to get a column written

so that Paul can get the newsletter out in a timely manner. So, I'm going to take a summer vacation from the Pastor's Page, and promise to be back in September with more "Mary Meanderings..."

Lincoln Lutheran Welcomes Donations

By Stephanie Schreiner

As you prepare for summer and clean out your closets, please consider donating some of your no-longer needed treasures to the Adult Day Services programs at Lincoln Lutheran. We need bingo and auction prizes, knickknacks, candles, note cards, handkerchiefs, jewelry, cleaning supplies, lotions, stuffed animals or whatever else

you would like to donate. Lincoln Lutheran appreciates the support of the Racine Community and congregations like yours who believe in our mission of serving those older adults who need us.



Contact Stephanie at sschreiner@llor.org or (262) 898-2731 about donating goods.

Summer Bible Readings

- July 1: Lamentations 3:22-33; Psalm 30; 2 Corinthians 8:7-15; Mark 5:21-43.
July 8: Ezekiel 2:1-5; Psalm 123; 2 Corinthians 12:2-10; Mark 6:1-13.
July 15: Amos 7:7-15; Psalm 85:8-13; Ephesians 1:3-14; Mark 6:14-29.
July 22: Jeremiah 23:1-6; Psalm 23; Ephesians 2:11-22; Mark 6:30-34, 53-56. Or, Ruth 1:6-18 or Exodus 2:1-10; Psalm 72:23-28; Acts 13:26-33a; John 20:1-2, 11-18.
July 29: 2 Kings 4:42-44; Psalm 145:10-18; Ephesians 3:14-21; John 6:1-21.
Aug. 5: Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15; Psalm 78:23-29; Ephesians 4:1-16; John 6:24-35.
Aug. 12: 1 Kings 19:4-8; Psalm 34:1-8; Ephesians 4:25-5:2; John 6:35, 41-51.
Aug. 19: Proverbs 9:1-6; Psalm 34:9-14; Ephesians 5:15-20; John 6:51-58.
Aug. 26: Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18; Psalm 34:15-22; Ephesians 6:10-20; John 6:56-69

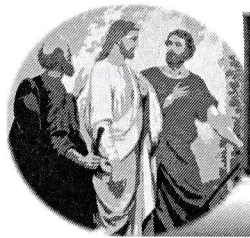
Once upon a Summer Visit:

- ⚙ Synod Assembly
 - ⚙ Fall Festival Planned
 - ⚙ Neighborhood Camp Gets Underway
 - ⚙ Kitchen Passes Board of Health Inspection
 - ⚙ Men's Canoe Trip Rescheduled
 - ⚙ Kellers in Relay for Life
 - ⚙ Lincoln Lutheran Auxiliary Social
 - ⚙ Seeking Lighting Improvement
- ...and plenty more!

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Congregations Unite for FaithWorks Fall Festival

Mark your calendar for the FaithWorks Fall Festival to be held at St. Andrew Lutheran Church, 1015 Four Mile Road. Festival hours are from noon to 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 15, and 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Sunday, September 16. Come for food, fun and entertainment for all ages!

Food, fun, and a variety of entertainment for young and old will be offered during the two-day festival. Donations of non-perishable food items for the Racine County Food Bank are being encouraged at the entrance of the grounds.

In addition to grilled hot dogs, brats and hamburgers, a local Mexican restaurant will offer an authentic Mexican menu.



Another vendor will provide pizza for sale, and sweets and desserts will be sold at the all-church bake sale.

The five congregations of FaithWorks will come together in worship Sunday, September 16 at a special 10:00 a.m. service at the festival.

Bouncy houses, face painting, balloon art and games will be offered for the kids. Bingo will be available for the adults. The two stages will present everything from bluegrass to mariachi music to an Elvis impersonator. In addition to a major raffle with a first prize of \$1,000, there will be silent auction items and other auction items available. Several local businesses will financially sponsor the event.

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Emmaus Worships at St. Andrew September 16

There will be no Sunday worship at Emmaus on September 16. We will join our FaithWorks partners for worship at St. Andrew at 10:00 a.m. that Sunday in a joint worship service.

The 5:00 p.m. Saturday worship service at Emmaus on September 15 will be held as usual, however.

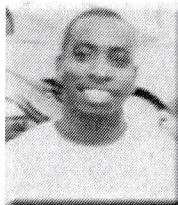
Pastoral Acts

<p>Baptisms: Anthony Fernando Rubio Diana Rubio Melissa Rubio Paulina Rubio Rose Rubio July 14, 2012</p>	<p>The Rubios are the children of Fernando Rubio. Godparents are Manuel & Lourdes Rubio, Joaquin & Veronia Rubio, Juan & Judith Zamora, Gustavo Espejel, Patricia Rubio, Saul Rodriguez and Lorena Esqueda. The Rubio family lives in Elgin, Illinois.</p>
<p>Jesper David Christensen July 15, 2012</p>	<p>Jesper is the son of Heather Ryan and David Christensen, and the grandson of Rich and Kathy Christensen. His sponsors are Eric and Pam Petersen.</p>
<p>Wedding: Sarah Guzman & Randall S. Borgardt August 4, 2012</p>	<p>Pastor Jhon Freddy married the couple at a home on Louis Sorenson Road. The Borgardts live in Illinois.</p>
<p>Funeral: Richard Karcher August 25, 2012</p>	<p>Richard, brother of the late Betty Johnson, passed away at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Milwaukee. A veteran of the U.S. Navy and Army reserves and retiree of the Case Fire Department, he was 73.</p>

We Extend Our Condolences

We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of Richard Castillo, brother of Philippa

Arthurs. Richard passed away in Belize in August.

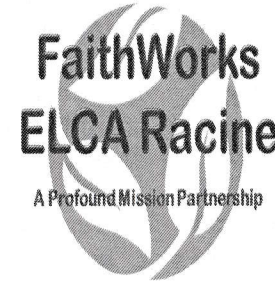


FaithWorks Fall Festival

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The Care Abounds in Community program of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans has also announced that the FaithWorks Fall Festival has been approved to receive matching funds for the two-day event. A host of volunteers, including a number of Thrivent members from the five sponsoring congregations, will be involved in the sale of tickets, planning, set-up, and activities throughout the weekend of September 15 and 16.

Thrivent will match festival proceeds at a one-for-three level, up to a maximum of \$1,600. Earnings will then be divided among the ELCA Latino ministry in Racine and FaithWorks, to be used for community outreach ministries, including helping educate children and feeding the hungry of Racine.



This will be a big event. Everyone from each congregation will have an opportunity to contribute. A planning team, representing the five congregations, has been coordinating all the details. But they need your help.

You can sell raffle tickets, solicit sponsors, prepare or serve food, help with games, direct traffic, distribute publicity, or help to plan and lead Sunday worship. Perhaps you have contact with a restaurant that would be a good food vendor. Perhaps you know a band or musician that would be eager to play on one of our two stages.

The festival is sponsored by the FaithWorks ELCA congregations of Racine: Emmaus/Emaús, Atonement East and West, Redeemer, Our Savior's and St. Andrew.

Readings for September

Sept. 2: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9; Psalm 15; James 1:17-27; Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23.

Sept. 9: Isaiah 35:4-7a; Psalm 146; James 2:1-10 [11-13] 14-17; Mark 7:24-37.

Sept. 16: Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 116:1-9; James 3:1-12; Mark 8:27-38.

Sept. 23: Jeremiah 11:18-20; Psalm 54; James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a; Mark 9:30-37.

Sept. 30: Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29; Psalm 19:7-14; James 5:13-20; Mark 9:38-50.

Help Needed with FaithWorks Fall Festival

How can you help foster the FaithWorks partnership and pitch in for the Fall Festival? Help is still needed in the following areas:

- Sale of raffle tickets
- Donation of silent auction and raffle items
- Work a four-hour shift on September 15 or 16 (set-up, ticket sales, running a game for kids, grill master, food sales, "go-pher", clean-up and more)
- Donation of baked goods (labeled and on small plates of 2-4 items) for the bake sale - to be dropped off at St. Andrew, Friday, September 14
- Spread the word - distributing flyers and posters, as well as word of mouth

- Contact area businesses regarding sponsorship
- Write thank you letters to volunteers and sponsors
- Technical crew for sound and electrical needs during the festival
- Transport tables and chairs from Emmaus to St. Andrew
- Help coordinate parking for the event

Be a part of this exciting collaborative venture, remembering that we, as congregations, are stronger when we join together in mission! Check for sign-up sheets in the church narthex, e-mail Liliana Moncada (moncada_liliana@hotmail.com), or give her a call with questions or offers to help at 414-881-1491.

Emmaus Staff & Worship Times

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English language services are held at Emmaus every Saturday evening at 5:00, and Sunday mornings at 9:15. Spanish language worship services are offered Sundays at noon.

Emmaus office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday (closed Labor Day).

The VISITOR is published monthly September to July. The deadline for the October VISITOR is September 15. Submit articles to Paul Berge's attention by mail or by e-mail.

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Healing Services Set for September 8, 9

The worship services at 5:00 p.m. September 8 and 9:15 a.m. September 9 will offer prayers for healing, laying on of hands and



anointing with oil for those who desire. The worship, which focuses on healing, will also include a homily and Holy Communion.

Lydia Circle to Resume September 12

All interested women are invited to join Pastor Mary at 1530 South Main Street at 1:30 p.m. September 12 for a time of coffee and conversation. The afternoon will include a brief Bible study led by Pastor Mary, and there will be an opportunity to discuss what would be the ideal format and time for future gatherings. Come to see longtime friends and perhaps get to know others for the first time. Bring your calendars and suggestions so that together the group can decide the future direction of Bible study and social time together. Invite a friend or neighbor or member of one of our partner congregations; this is not an Emmaus exclusive!



All women are invited and encouraged to come to Grace Lutheran Church, 303 Green Bay Road, Thiensville, WI 53092. Registration begins Friday at 4:30 p.m. There will be a light supper and the delegates will meet to do business.

Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. on Saturday morning, and the day will be filled with worship, workshops, a celebration luncheon and entertainment.

The registration fee is \$75 for both days, Friday Visitors only \$30, Saturday Visitors only \$45. Send registrations to Convention Registrar: Janice Camus, 5253 N. Lovers Lane Rd., Unit 323, Milwaukee, WI 53225; 414-464-0708.

WELCA Convention

The Greater Milwaukee Synodical Women's Organization will celebrate its 25th Anniversary during its Annual Convention Friday, October 12 and Saturday, October 13.

Honorarium

Designated for NorthSide Food Pantry:

In honor of Cheryl Dexter:
\$25.00

Thank You to Community Meal Casserole Makers

Thank you to all the Emmaus members who pitched in to make casseroles, salads, and desserts for the August 2 Community Meal at St. Patrick's.

Our next turn to serve the Community Meal will be on October 4. Look for a sign-up sheet in the narthex in September.

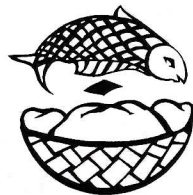
Help Fight Against Hunger with Crop Walk

By Diane Melander

Many families continue to struggle to feed their children during this time of high unemployment. Food pantry shelves are emptying quickly to keep up with the need. So please, save the date of Sunday, October 14 for Racine's 2012 Crop Hunger Walk.

This walk helps to support our local food pantry and hunger worldwide. Just \$500 of donations can provide 4,000 pounds of food for a local food bank.

How can you help? You can support the walk by walking, and getting pledges from others. If you aren't a walker, that's OK! We need your help by donating to the



walk or you can support walkers by pledging to their walk.

Remember, half of the funds raised will help our local food pantry and the other half will go to help hungry people in the world. Even a little help can make a difference.

If you will help, watch the table for coffee on Sunday morning for forms to sign up to walk or to donate. The Crop Hunger Walk is sponsored by Church World Service. If you have questions or want to help, contact Diane Melander at 262-412-2070 or email her at ironoreflicka@mac.com.

Knit One Purl One Picks Up Needles September 17

Knit 1 Purl 1 resumes weekly meetings beginning Monday, September 17 at 10:00 a.m. Anyone interested in knitting and/or crocheting is welcome. Come and see! Prayers shawls, children's hats, mittens and

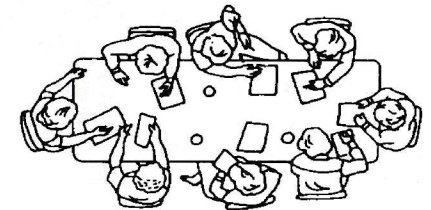
scarves are some of the items that the group creates.

New projects are in the wind; you can expect not only knitting, but laughter and engaging conversations evolving around many different topics.

Council Weighs Loan Refinancing

With less than \$40,000 remaining on the existing mortgage, the council is currently studying possibilities of refinancing that loan at a lower interest rate. At the same time, recommended capital improvements are being considered for recommendation. The council is looking at the possibility of funding a portion of those

improvements by extending the current loan. When more details are available, they will be brought to the entire congregation for consideration.



Fall Envelopes Are in Narthex

The October to January set of offering envelopes have arrived and are available in the narthex.

We will continue to mail a few offering envelope sets to those shut-ins and far away members

who contribute regularly. We will not order envelopes for those members who seldom or never use them, although we will have some blank sets on hand for new or reactivated contributors.

Crunching the Numbers

Weekly worship attendance averages

	2010				2011				2012			
	Sat.	9:15	12:00	Wed.	Sat.	9:15	12N	Wed.	Sat.	9:15	12N	Wed.
Jun	21	54	139	n/a	16	50	171	n/a	13	48	143	n/a
Jul	35	54	152	n/a	13	46	128	n/a	15	53	127	n/a
Aug	17	49	143	n/a	21	49	119	n/a	9	41	158	n/a
Sept	14	66	224	64	17	65	194	83				

Financial Figures

Total for month 2012 to date
 General Fund offerings received in June 2012: \$10,853.64 }
 General Fund offerings received in July 2012: \$15,481.08 } \$83,745.90

Mortgage retirement offerings received in June '12.....	\$260.00	
... in July '12.....	\$140.00	Campaign TD: \$71,082.62
Mortgage payments in July-Aug. 2012: Principal	\$807.83	Principal balance as of
Interest.....	\$184.17	July 13, 2012:
Total.....	\$992.00	\$36,229.44

Neighborhood Campers Read Over 1300 Books

Emmaus was bustling with activity for five weeks in June and July with 87 kids in Neighborhood Camp and Serving and Learning Together (SALT). This was the eleventh year we opened Neighborhood Camp to kindergarten to fifth graders, and the first year of the SALT program for middle school youth.

Closing Program: The kids of Neighborhood Camp, fresh from a week of Lords, Ladies, Knights and Castles, made their grand entrance marching into the sanctuary with their medieval shields. Keeping with this theme, each staff person was called forward and thanked with a curtsy or bow and presented with a rose by one of the campers in their group. Musical selections included a rousing version of "I Am a Christian." Stadium style flash cards helped emphasize the lyrics of the song.

Gift of love: The campers presented Kate Potter Barrow, a teacher from Walden, with a check for \$225 to help several teachers at the school who train therapy dogs to be personal medical alert companions and reading assistance dogs. The campers

developed a better understanding of the positive role animals can be in the lives of the disabled during



the week of camp that featured the theme "Pet Partners: Animals Helping People."

Neighborhood Campers Read - Wow! Tying in with one of the camp week's themes on the Summer Olympics, Librarian Laura Bennett created a Reading Olympics to encourage our campers to read. She observed that even those kids who resisted reading at the beginning of camp were hustling to see how many books they could read by camp's end, and their reading skills progressed markedly.

Olympic style wall charts for track and swimming were created for each grade level so the campers could see how they ranked.

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Campers Engage St. Monica Residents

Each year, our Neighborhood Camp kids spend a day playing with the residents of St. Monica's. It is heartwarming to see the smiles and to hear the laughter from the residents and the campers.

The campers led the residents in exercise time, using the parachute and balls and joining in the fun of bingo. An added feature

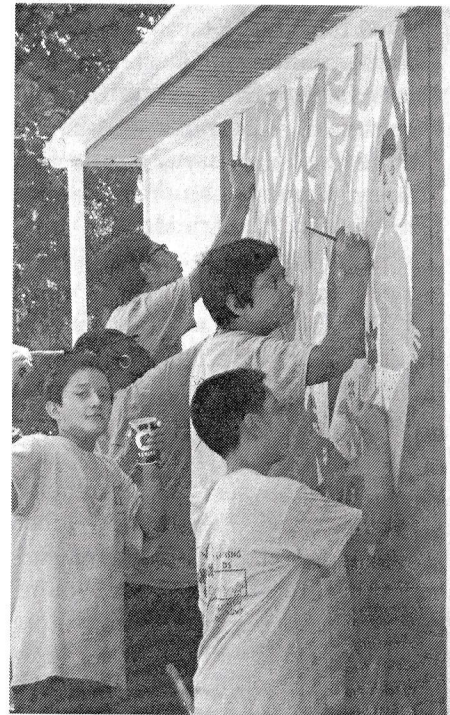


this year was having the residents paint a watercolor of the Titanic.

What a wonderful sight as the campers coached and encouraged the residents on how to create their individual pictures. They proudly showed off their paintings to all. Remember the Titanics that were on display throughout the church?

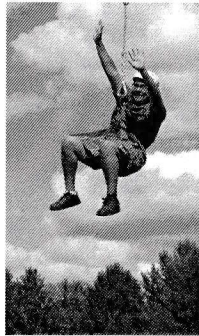
SALT Artists Give Garage New Face

Middle school participants in the Emmaus SALT (Serving and Learning Together) summer program had an opportunity to work on special projects in addition to the volunteer work they did in the community and for Neighborhood Camp this past summer. One of the highlights for the group was to design and execute the painting of murals on three sides of the garage facing the alley behind the church. The themes for the three murals are: Desert Scene, The Rainforest, and Mother Nature and the North Wind.



SALT Participants Have Fun at Lutherdale

Swimming, canoeing, s'mores around the camp fire, worship under the stars, Bible study, camp Olympics, a petting zoo, camp songs, a climbing wall, zip line, ga-ga ball and even a dance on the last night were some of the experiences of the middle school SALT (Serving and Learning Together) group at Lutherdale Camp.



From August 19 to 22, adults from Emmaus accompanying the group of 38 young people were Brenda Trumbauer, Nancy Smith, Pastor Mary, Pastor Jhon Freddy and Liliana Moncada. Congregations represented at the retreat were Emmaus, Our Savior's, Redeemer and Atonement.

Campers Read

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During the closing program, the campers received gold, silver and bronze medals and special prizes according to the number of books they read.

Once again, Neighborhood Camp partnered with Barnes & Noble's summer reading program. Every camper received a free book. (Barnes & Noble gives out a free book for every eight books a kid reads.) Some campers read enough books to receive five free books. In fact, our campers read a total of 1,321 books during the five weeks of camp.

We thank our staff: Jane Lien and Becky Erickson, who offered their musical expertise with song and drumming during our Rhythm Riot week; volunteers who baked cookies and helped with preparing and serving meals:

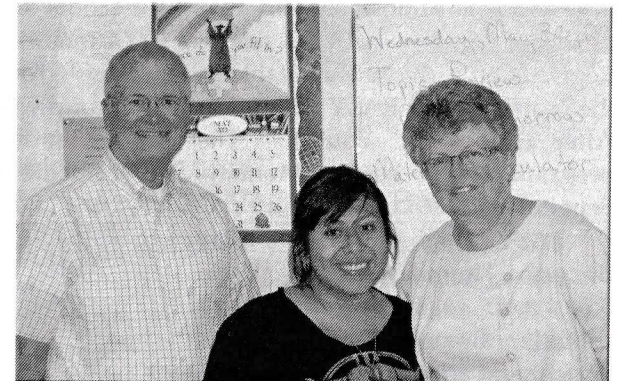
Ana Guerrero and Denise Keller served breakfast. Thank you to our lunch volunteers: Cheryl Dexter, Cindi Larsen, Sandy Strini, Kathy Christensen, Manuel Gallardo, Marge Zielke, Missy Porcaro, Pat Jensen, Carol Eschmann, Marlyn Christensen, Trinidad and Antelmo Hernando, and Mireya Anguiano.

Special thanks to Assistant Site Coordinator Diane Thygeson; Librarian Laura Burnett; staff: Andrea Macias, Jose Zuniga, Jenn Haman, Taylor Dorlack, Jessica Luis, Katie Syslak and Anthony Medina; and volunteer Janet Mosqueda. They are a selfless and compassionate group of young people who enjoyed helping our kids to grow in Christ's love and to learn.

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Neighborhood Camp Scholarship Awarded

This May, Jessica Luis, an intern with Neighborhood Camp at Emmaus, was awarded a \$1,000 scholarship. She graduated from Walden in June and will attend St. Cloud University in Minnesota. This past year Jessica volunteered her time as a mentor for



EASY. Jessica is considering becoming a history teacher for middle school kids.

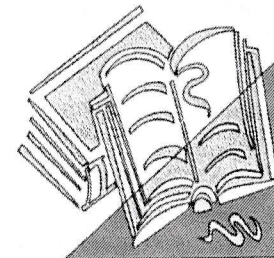
The Racine ELCA Neighborhood Camp scholarship of is sponsored by the Racine Community Foundation and was created by a gift from Nancy and Art Smith to provide educational opportunities for graduating seniors who have been on staff and/or attended Neighborhood Camp. A board of representatives from each of the church sites includes Bob Reinders of Our Savior's; Linda Rattle of Redeemer;

Melissa Lemke of Emmaus; and Diane Thygeson of Atonement.

We invite and encourage contributions to this scholarship so that it might grow to include other qualified students. Many of our young friends in this community need financial support to help them achieve their dreams and goals. You can write a check to "Racine Community Foundation" and designate the Racine ELCA Neighborhood Camp Scholarship Fund. Questions: speak with Nancy or Art.

Book Club Resumes Meetings

The Fireside Exchange the evening book club will meet at 7:00 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of the month. Our first meeting, September 25, will discuss *Lottery* by



Patricia Wood.

Anyone who loves reading is welcome. Everyone should bring suggestions for reading selections for the rest of the year.

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EASY Kicks Off September 24

School is almost on and that means EASY is getting ready! Registration forms are available in the narthex for EASY (Emmaus After School for Youth). The program will begin Monday, September 24.

EASY will meet Monday through Thursday from 2:45 to 5:30 p.m. The program will provide homework help and enrichment in math, reading, language and science for kids in K-5. Did you know that Emmaus has a computer lab and a well-stocked library? They are wonderful assets to the EASY program.

This year there will be a separate program for middle

school kids, provided we can find a qualified person to oversee this age group. The middle school group will have their own space in which to meet. The hours will coincide with those of EASY.

Youth Birthdays

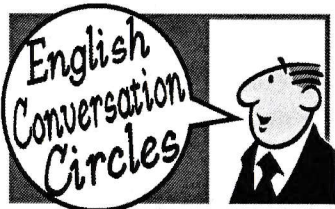
Sept. 1 Yoselin Blancarte, 2
 Sept. 2 Cooper Cacciotti, 3
 Sept. 7 Mateo Correa-Moncada, 2
 Sept. 16 Cloey Briere, 7
 Sept. 17 Christian Hernandez, 2
 Sept. 27 Juanita Martinez, 2
 Sept. 28 Andrea Mares, 15
 Sept. 29 Valerie Soto Hernandez, 4
 Sept. 29 Valeria Maldonado, 9

Volunteers Help with English Learning

Part of the vision cast in the joint council retreat was that there be more opportunities for Latinos to learn and practice their skills in English. At the invitation of

Pastor Mary, veteran language instructor Laura Knudson from Gateway has met with Emmaus leaders to provide information regarding further learning opportunities at Gateway.

In addition, she has provided tools, both written and on-line, to our Emmaus mentors/tutors



(Kathy Christensen, Carol Eschmann, Art Smith and Diane Melander) for their use in working with the Latino members of our congregation. They will develop a master schedule and make the information available to potential participants.

Those who have interest in learning more about what it would involve to be a mentor to one or more learners of English may contact Pastor Mary or Kathy Christensen.

Claranna Shares Alaska Trip with Keenagers

Keenagers will resume meeting on Tuesday, September 18. Claranna Vytlačil will bring us a program on her trip to Alaska.

Please come and join us in the Sunset Room for coffee and conversation at 10:00, program at 10:30, and a delicious meal at noon.



September Birthdays: 70 Years and Better

Sep. 1	Kathy Christensen	1019 Highway V, Sturtevant	53177
Sep. 2	Gerry Dykstra	1521 Summit Avenue	53404
Sep. 7	Betty Woodward	2333 Arlington Avenue	53403
Sep. 10	Catherine Miller	2704 James Boulevard	53403
Sep. 15	Dorothy Bagley	5215 Douglas Avenue, #108	53402
Sep. 25	Bob Mathieus	1716 Warwick Way	53406
Sep. 27	Ella Nielsen	3340 Fourth Avenue	53402

EASY Dinner, Orientation Scheduled

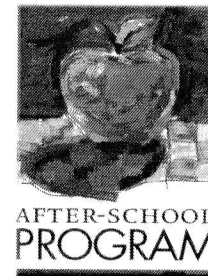
On Wednesday, September 19, there will be an opportunity for families to come together for dinner and a time of discussion about the expectations of the EASY (Emmaus After School for Youth) program. Discussion will be in English and in Spanish. At least

one parent must attend the meeting in order for the kids to be enrolled in the program.

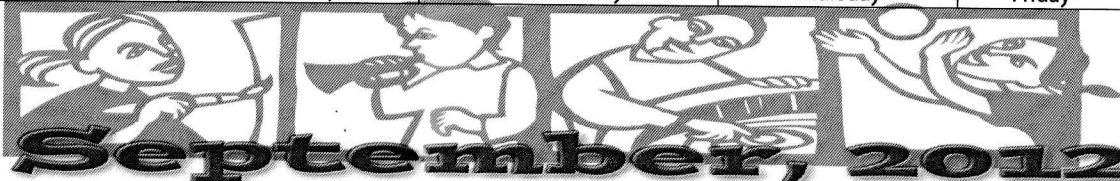

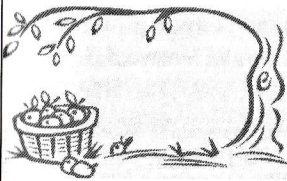

Dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m.; the parent meeting will begin promptly at 6:30 p.m. There will be a short movie for the kids.

EASY Seeks Mentors

Please consider spending an hour with a student of EASY. Last year the mentor program returned to Emmaus. It was well received by both mentors and kids. The kids really looked forward to spending time with a special friend who helped them



child become all that they can be. with homework, enrichment activities, playing games, reading, and conversation. Look for the sign-up sheet in the narthex. Our goal: a mentor for every kid enrolled in EASY. It does take a community to help a

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 14 TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 9:15 am Worship service w/Holy Communion (English) w/ Pr. Marcie 10:30 Coffee & fellowship 12:00 n Santa misa (español) 12:15 pm Guitar class 12:30 pm Kids' Camp (bilingual)	3 LABOR DAY <i>Offices closed</i> 	4 5:00 pm TOPS	5 6:00 pm Festival planning mtg. at 1530 Main St.	6 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 4:00 pm BENNU legal appointments 7:00 pm FaithWorks Mission Council	7	8 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion
<i>Pastor Mary's week off</i>						
9 15 TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 8:30 am Choir rehearsal (English) 9:15 am Worship service w/Holy Communion (English) w/ Pastor Mary 10:30 Coffee & fellowship 10:45 am English conversation circles 12:00 pm Santa misa (español) 12:15 pm Guitar class 12:30 pm Kids' camp (bilingual)	10 10:30 am Worship & Music committee mtg. 6:00 pm Choir rehearsal (español)	11 PATRIOT DAY 1:30 pm FaithWorks meeting at 1530 Main St. 5:00 pm TOPS	12 1:30 pm Lydia Circle at 1530 Main St. 	13 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 6:00 pm GED class	14 HOLY CROSS	15 12:00 n FaithWorks Fall Festival at St. Andrew, to 8:00 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion
16 16 TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; MEXICAN INDEPENDENCE DAY 10:00 am FaithWorks joint worship service w/Holy Communion at St. Andrew Lutheran Church (bilingual). Festival to 6:00 pm	17 CONSTITUTION DAY; ROSH HASHANAH <i>Oct. Visitor articles due in office</i> 6:00 pm Choir rehearsal (español)	18 10:00 am Keenagers 5:00 pm TOPS 6:00 pm GED class 6:30 pm Church council, Temple rm.	19 5:30 pm Supper 6:30 pm EASY orientation	20 DAY OF PRAYER MIDEAST PEACE 11:00 am Bulletin deadline 4:00 pm BENNU legal appointments 6:00 pm GED class	21 ST. MATTHEW 	22 2:00 pm Hernando baptisms 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion
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September Worship Leaders

	Altar Guild	Communion Assts.	Readers	Ushers
Sat. Sep. 1 5:00 pm	Barb Toslek Jamie Toslek	—	—	—
Sun. Sep. 2 9:15 am	Bev Hansen Audrey Villalobos	Kathy Christensen	John Knuteson	Team 1
Sat. Sep. 8 5:00 pm	Judy Berndt Linda Meteyard	—	—	—
Sun. Sep. 9 9:15 am	Barb Larsen Pat Jensen	Carol Eschmann Cindi Larsen	Celia Bagley	Team 2 R. Christensen
Sat. Sep. 15 5:00 pm	Cheryl Dexter Shirley Irvine	—	—	—
Sun. Sep. 16 10:00 am	Lael Richter Grace Falaschi	Pat Jensen	—	Team 3
Sat. Sep. 22 5:00 pm	Brian & Denise Keller	—	—	—
Sun. Sep. 23 9:15 am	Caren Lambertson	Diane Melander Chris Lambertson	TBA	Team 4 W. Meteyard
Sat. Sep. 29 5:00 pm	Cathy Meyer Linda Clinton	—	—	—
Sun. Sep. 30 9:15 am	Kathy & Marlyn Christensen	Nancy Smith K. Christensen	Amy Haman	Team 5 M. Porcaro
Sat. Oct. 6 5:00 pm	TBD	—	—	—
Sun. Oct. 7 9:15 am	TBD	Shirley Velzka	Ron Jensen	Team 1

It's Never Too Late to Reinvent Yourself

Think it's too late to re-invent yourself? Think again, says Lincoln Lutheran. It's never too late to find a new career, a new sport, passion or hobby.



inspirations for a healthy well-being. Use September as the motivation to take stock of where you've been and what you really want to do.

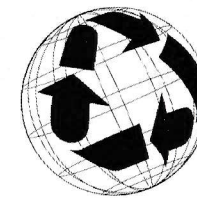
"Like" Lincoln Lutheran on Facebook at www.facebook.com/LincolnLutheranofracine for healthy aging tips throughout the month of September.

September is Healthy Aging Month: focus on those positive aspects in your life and find new

Two Hazardous Waste Collection Dates Remain

By Sandy Strini

Green Team reminders: The last two Racine Household Hazardous Waste Collection dates are September 15 and October 20 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. These are the third Saturdays of the month. Location: 6200 21st Street, West of Hwy. 31, north of former Sam's Club. Watch the *Journal Times* for more information about the items that are acceptable.



Thanks to all who have been saving your Sentry receipts. To date you have helped raise over \$100.00. We receive 1% of the receipts. It's not a lot, but we know that every little bit helps.

Please continue recycling your aluminum cans in the bin by the

door by the south entrance. There has been a suggestion to use the can-cash to help provide back to school supplies for kids. We are also collecting fluorescent light bulbs, cell phones and rechargeable batteries for recycling projects. All alkaline batteries and regular household light bulbs can be placed in your own recycle bins. The cell phones have been donated to a project which provides our military with cell phones.

Auxiliary Thanks You

Thank you to everyone who donated items for the Lincoln Lutheran Chestnut Club.

Enjoy the Bounties of the Emaús Garden

Fresh peppers, squash, tomatoes, onions and other produce abound in the narthex on Sunday mornings. Come, enjoy the results of the hard working Latino families who have



carefully tended the gardens behind the parsonage and near the alley throughout the summer. Be generous as you give them a cash donation for their labors as they share the harvest of the garden.

Northside Food Pantry Volunteer Schedule

September 27: June Beck, Stan Breiwick, James Larrabee, Boots LeRoux
October 25: James Larrabee, Pat & Ron Jensen, Rich & Kathy Christensen

GED Classes to Begin in September

MATC will hold GED classes in Spanish beginning in September here at Emmaus. The Tuesday and Thursday classes will provide the tools for students to receive their high school equivalency through a

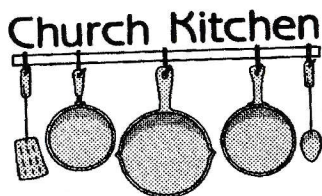
series of classes and tests. Those interested in more details should contact the church office for registration materials and specifics regarding requirements.

Kitchen Renovation Brings New Possibilities

The latest addition to the kitchen renovation has been a new set of custom-made doors for the lower cabinets facing Fellowship Hall. Dennis and Nick Eschmann have crafted and installed the new doors (no more need to worry about the danger of crushed toes due to falling cabinet doors!), completing the major work necessary in the kitchen. The remaining task is now to have the walls and cabinets repainted in a fresh, off-white color.

The kitchen project was an unbudgeted item, paid for with individual monetary gifts from Emmaus members, in addition to in-kind gifts of an ice machine, cupboard doors, two sinks and a portion of the cost of the countertops.

As of press time, the overall cost of over \$17,000 has been covered, with the exception of one outstanding bill of \$2,600. The



women of Emmaus have committed to an additional gift of \$600 toward that amount.

Because of the recent renovation and updates, the Emmaus kitchen is now licensed at a restaurant level. That level of certification qualified Neighborhood to apply for and be granted funds for feeding approximately 100 people breakfast and lunch for the five weeks of camp. The grant funding entirely covered the cost of the food purchased for the summer.

Application is now being made to receive funding to help with the expense of our EASY after school snacks and our Wednesday night meals during the school year. The rental of the kitchen space for use by licensed caterers is also a possibility for the future. The renovation is already opening doors that we never before imagined. A huge thank you to each and every one whose hard work and gifts have made the new kitchen a reality!

Letters:

St. Monica's Residents Enjoyed Campers' Visit

Dear Nancy:

Summer would not be the same without a visit from the campers. Every season has events we at the home look forward to having. The campers visit is always at the top of our list.

Please let the campers know how much we appreciate seeing them. They were sweet, kind and fun. To all involved in making your visits possible thank you very much.

Thursday, June 28 was a great

day!

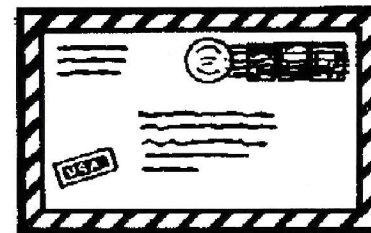
Sincerely,
Barbara A. Schoeffel

Director of
Activities

Dear Emmaus
Neighborhood Camp
group:

What a wonderful thing you guys and gals did to help the therapy dogs at Walden! That was so special! I hope you get to meet all of us soon.

Your pals,
Nugget, Reggie, Axle, Cole, Lyla
and Kinko
(And Sue and Kate)



Messiah Hopes to Host Diakonia Class

Diakonia™ is a lay education program in the Greater Milwaukee Synod and other synods around the ELCA that provides a spiritual journey to those who wish to understand more fully their call to minister in the church and in the world.

Diakonia™ is a lay education program which meets once each week for two years during the school year. Classes cover such topics as the Bible, Christian Doctrine, Christian Ethics, Church and Society, and others. Together

students and teachers will discover the richness and depth of God's word as revealed through these different disciplines.

Provided there are enough students, a Racine class will meet Thursdays from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at Messiah Lutheran Church, 3015 Prichard Drive. Financial aid is available. The registration form and financial aid form are on the synod website, www.milwaukee-synod.org/what-we-do/education/diakonia/.



DREAMers Receive Legal Assistance

Since August 15, young, undocumented immigrants have been able to apply for temporary legal status under the "Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals" (DACA) Plan passed by President Barack Obama in June.

To be eligible, it is necessary that the applicant:

- Was under the age of 31 as of June 15, 2012;
- Came to the United States before reaching his/her 16th birthday;
- Has continuously resided in the United States since June 15, 2007, up to the present time;
- Was physically present in the United States on June 15, 2012, and at the time of making the request for consideration of deferred action with USCIS;
- Entered without inspection before June 15, 2012, or his/her lawful immigration status expired as of June 15, 2012;
- Is currently in school, has graduated or obtained a certificate of completion from high school, has obtained a general education development (GED) certificate, or is an honorably discharged veteran of the Coast Guard or Armed Forces of the United States; and



- Has not been convicted of a felony, significant misdemeanor, three or more other misdemeanors, and does not otherwise pose a threat to national security or public safety.

Two Sundays in August, and September 15 and 16 have been set aside by Emmaus to provide resources for those young people from the Racine area who are seeking documentation through the Deferred Action Plan to receive work permits. Pastor Jhon Freddy and Liliana Moncada received training in Chicago regarding all the steps necessary to fill out the required paperwork to apply for the work permit through the Deferred Action plan.

Local licensed immigration attorneys are also a part of the process, working with the applicants to review each case before the request is officially submitted.

Those requesting appointments for the September 15 and 16 Deferred Action Clinic should call the Emmaus office, leaving their name and phone number. Liliana Moncada will then contact them regarding details for the procedure.

Environmental Stewardship

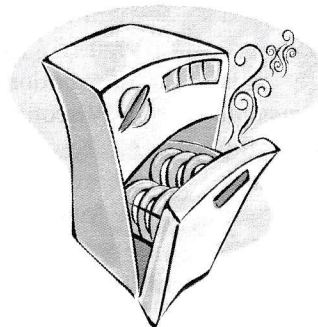
More Efficient Household Appliances Save Money

by John Berge

New energy efficiency standards issued for dishwashers and clothes washers last May by the U. S. Department of Energy will make significant savings in utility bills and the environment – but they won't go into effect until the 2015 model years.

Clothes washers and dishwashers use only about 3% of the average household's electricity, but 20% of indoor water usage. According to a brochure I read recently, "Watts Happening," the new standards "are expected to save consumers \$20 billion in energy and water costs through 2030." Those savings include \$350 in energy costs over the life of a new clothes washer compared to current models and 10,000 gallons of water per year per household, according to the Department of Energy.

Dishwashers will be required to use 15% less energy and 20% less water than current standards, which should result in savings of about \$100 over the lifetime of the appliance. But these work-saving machines are run only a few times a week compared to your refrigerator which is on constantly.



If you still have a fridge from the 1980s, replacing it with an ENERGY STAR qualified model can save over \$100 each year on your utility bills. Replace a refrigerator from the 1970s and save more than \$200 each year! And if you have a second refrigerator in the basement or garage keeping a few six packs of beer cold, unplugging it is a real energy and pollution saver – up to 500 kilowatt-hours per year.

Since up to 70% of our electricity is produced from dirty, coal-fired power plants, energy saving means a reduction in carbon dioxide, mercury, particulate matter and other pollutants going into the atmosphere. It may be good environmental stewardship to check whether you should replace the dishwasher, clothes washer or refrigerator, now or when the 2015 models come out.

Just for Kids Answers

1. Rosh Hashanah; Tishri.
2. Yom Kippur; Tishri.
3. Sukkoth; Tishri.
4. Hanukkah; Kislev.
5. Purim; Adar.
6. Passover; Nisan.
7. Shavu'ot; Sivan.

What Will People Think?

From Lutheran Social Services

"I knew help was available, but worry about what people might think kept me from seeking it." Overall, 37 percent of people in recovery say that when they first decided to seek help, they were concerned that other people would find out about their substance use disorder. Help change this perception by creating a discussion in your congregation about the pervasiveness of substance use disorders and the need to address them. Substance use disorders affect a large portion of the population. As many as 74 percent of Americans say alcohol addiction has had some impact on them at some point in their lives, whether through their own personal addiction, that of a friend or family member, or another experience with addiction. If alcohol or other drug addiction is affecting someone you know, you can make a difference.

Making a Difference: What Can I Do?

- As a member of the faith community, learn about the symptoms of substance use disorders, so you can respond to and support those who have them, their family members, and members of your congregation in recovery.

- Get acquainted with people in your congregation who are in

recovery and encourage them to share their positive treatment and recovery stories with others.

- Learn about treatment facilities in your community so you can immediately assist someone who approaches you for help and refer them to the appropriate resources. Visit www.lsswis.org for information on treatment facilities in Wisconsin.

- Know that substance use disorders are a disease and should be treated as such, and those who come forward should be supported and not judged.

In 2011 alone, Lutheran Social Services (LSS) helped 1,800 people with addictions, substance abuse, mental health and community re-entry needs improve the quality of their lives. LSS services include:

- Inpatient and outpatient addictions treatment services
- Transitional services for people returning to the community from jail or prison settings
- Community-based alternatives to jail or prison
- Services to incarcerated adults
- Case management services for men and women with mental health and/or substance abuse concerns

For more information on addiction services through LSS or to learn how you can make a difference visit www.lsswis.org.

FaithWorks Fall Festival



at St. Andrew Lutheran Church

1015 Four Mile Road, Racine

September 15 12:00 to 8:00 p.m.

September 16 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Raffle, silent auction and more! iDiversión, bandas, juegos, y mas!



Proceeds to feed the mind, body and soul of the Racine community.

El dinero recaudado sera utilizado en programas comunitarios.

FaithWorks is a partnership of Atonement, Emmaus, Our Savior's, Redeemer, and St. Andrew Lutheran Churches

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Local Group Holds Composting Workshop

Root-Pike Watershed Initiative Network and UW-Cooperative Extension will offer a composting workshop Thursday, September 20 at the UW-Extension Teaching Garden in Racine. The workshop, from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m., will focus on the composting of yard waste and explain the basic principles of composting.

A Master Composter trained by the UW-Extension faculty will share information about different types of composters available on the market and ones you can build yourself. The workshops are held outdoors and will be cancelled if it rains.

The workshops are free, but pre-registration is required. You can visit www.rootpikewin.org to register online. For more information, contact Angela Baldocchi of Root-Pike WIN at 262-898-2055 or email her at angela@rootpikewin.org.

Siena Center Scans the Heavens

The Siena Center offers "Sun, Moon, Stars, and a Planet Too!: An Event For All Ages," Friday, September 21 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. Freewill offering. Come with your friends and family. Bring your own telescope or use one of

theirs for an evening of viewing. They'll try to observe some sun spots, and then search out various night sky objects after dark. A cloudy weather program includes making a star wheel you can take home. The evening of reflection, awe, and wonder will include a light supper. Please register in advance by calling 262-639-4100, extension 1234. Visit www.SienaRetreatCenter.org and click on Retreat Programs.

Support Outreach for Hope Family Bike Ride

There is something for everyone at the Family Bike Ride to support the churches of the Greater Milwaukee Synod doing ministry among the poor in our Synod.

Thanks to the generosity of Dave and Barb Hammer, a \$25 donation will be given for every person who registers to ride in this event. Register now - this is your chance to make a difference!

Registration and more information are available at www.outreachforhope.org - look for the 'Family Bike Ride' link.

The ride starts at Cory Park in Dousman, Saturday, September 8 at 8:00 a.m.

North Cape Hosts Fish Boil

North Cape Lutheran Church invites you to their All-You-Can-Eat fish boil Saturday, September 29 from 3:30 to 8:00 p.m. Advance tickets are \$12.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children ages 6-11, and free for children 5 and under. Tickets at the door are \$13.00 for adults, \$6.00 for kids 6-11. Reservations are accepted for groups of ten or more.

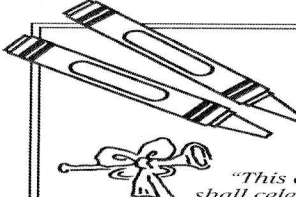
The menu includes boneless, skinless ocean cod smothered in butter (or margarine on request), new jacketed potatoes, boiled

carrots and onions, homemade dessert and a beverage. Watch the masters cook the meal outdoors over an open wood fire while "Retrospect" provides musical entertainment.



Proceeds will be used for church ministries and outreach activities. For information or reservations, call the church office, 835-2206 mornings.

North Cape Lutheran is located on the east side of Highway 45 between Highway K and Five Mile Road.



Just for KIDS

Special Times for the Israelites

"This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it ..." Exodus 12:14

The biblical calendar had many feasts and festivals. They were connected with the changing of the seasons or special events. Below are some of the special days observed by the Israelites.

Use the code to find the name of the special day and the month of the Jewish year in which they are celebrated.

Season	CODE:																										Holiday	Month
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z		
1. End of Summer	T	L	H	S	S	Z	H	S	Z	M	Z	(New Year)	G	R	S	H	I	R										
2. Fall	B	L	N	P	R	K	K	F	(Day of Atonement)	G	R	S	H	I	R													
3. Fall	H	F	P	P	L	G	S	(Festival of Booths)	G	R	H	S	I	R														
4. Winter	S	Z	M	F	P	P	Z	S	(Festival of Rededication)	P	R	H	O	V	E													
5. Winter	K	F	I	R	N	(Festival of Lots)	Z	W	Z	I																		
6. Spring	K	Z	H	H	L	E	V	I	(Feast of Unleavened Bread)	M	R	H	Z	M														
7. Spring	H	S	Z	E	F	L	G	(Feast of Weeks/Pentecost)	H	R	E	Z	M															

A Lesson in Multiplication

As a kid, I spent hours playing board games: Monopoly, Sorry, Chinese Checkers, Checkers, and Scrabble. I remember gathering the tiles for Scrabble, examining the letters and their point value. I also remember my mom teaching me new words and explaining how well placed tiles would result in many more points.

Not a kid any longer, I now experience that old game of Scrabble in a whole new way. I am

able to play Words with Friends electronically, and I must confess that I often have more than a dozen games going at the same time. And, I am able to play the game with people who live out of state as well as with those right here at home.

Not long ago, my big accomplishment was to get 141 points on a single word. Admittedly, I got a bit cocky, gloating about my latest accomplishment. But, you know what? I had nothing to do with having a 10-point "Z" among the tiles given to me. I had nothing to do with the open spaces, allowing me to place the letter Z on a triple word space, and to also have it be part of a triple word. Those were opportunities given to me (I certainly didn't earn them!), and

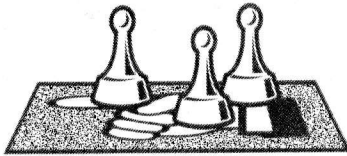
my only task was to see what was there and use it wisely.

As part of our FaithWorks partnership, it's essential that we recognize "all the consonants and vowels" necessary for building something beyond imagination. We need to recognize that God has provided us with all that is necessary for the growth and multiplication of God's realm right here in Racine. Remembering the

multiplication of the loaves and fish to feed thousands, we depend on One who has a vision and an ability to multiply in ways far beyond our imagination.

In an attempt to get a glimpse of God's imagination and the blessings that we have right at our front door, the process of asset mapping of the five FaithWorks congregations has begun. What do we already have? Where are the gems that we might not even recognize or acknowledge? Where are the uncovered passions and gifts? How do we best use our assets of buildings, land, staff, members, location, and relationships with the neighborhood and community to build something much larger than we might ever imagine?

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We already have the necessary resources, both individually and as a wider community. As congregations in partnership, will we study carefully what we have before us and then boldly move, with the help of God, to be all that we can be as God's people in Racine? It's no coincidence that both "faith" and "works" are part of the name of the profound partnership that is being built. We need both, trusting that God is

leading us to a future that we are called to create together.

Do the math! Pray! Be bold, using all that has been given us, moving forward in faith! NOW is the time to be the missional church TOGETHER!

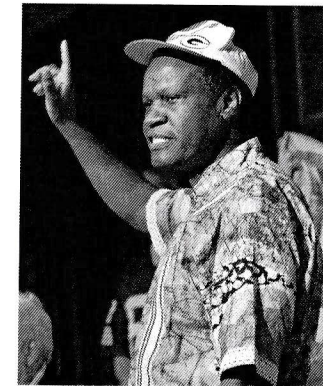
Your partner in the journey,

Pastor Mary
Pastor Mary

Pastor Elias Nasari Installed at Redeemer

Lutheran Church of the Redeemer was packed on Sunday morning, August 19 as they installed Rev. Elias Kitoi Nasari as their new pastor. Greater Milwaukee Synod Bishop Jeff Barrow preached and led the installation.

Originally from Tanzania, Pastor Elias had served as pastor of Galilee Lutheran Church in Pewaukee for six and a half years. Family members including a son who is



also a pastor, traveled to Racine from Tanzania to be part of the installation service.

Pastor Elias will serve Redeemer as their pastor on a three quarter time basis, preaching one

Sunday per month at St. Matthew Lutheran Church in Wauwatosa.

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Do You Have News for the October Visitor?

Articles for the October edition of the *Emmaus Visitor* can be submitted to the church secretary by email at emmausracine@

sbcglobal.net, by mail to Paul's attention at 1925 Summit Avenue, Racine 53404, or left in the secretary's mail slot by October 15.

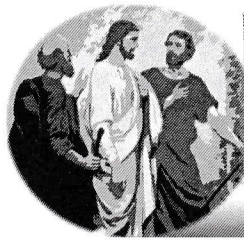
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Crop Walk Benefits Local Food Pantry

by Diane Melander

Calling all youth (and those young at heart)! Join Nancy and Pastor Mary for the annual Crop Walk on Sunday, October 14 at noon.

This walk helps to support our local food pantry. Just \$500 of donations can provide 4,000 pounds of food for our local food bank.

You can support the walk by walking, and getting pledges from others, or by making a donation. The walk begins at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, on the corner of Seventh and Main. Registration begins at noon and the walk starts at 1:00 p.m.

If you want to help the walk,



you may sign up to walk, or you may donate at the coffee sale table during coffee hour. Everyone is welcome to participate. Envelopes for walkers' pledges and

the walk route are available in the church narthex, or during coffee time.

The Crop Hunger Walk is sponsored by Church World Service. If you have questions or want to help, contact Diane Melander at 262-412-2070 or e-mail her at ironoreflicka@mac.com



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Pastoral Acts

Baptisms:

Alberto Hernando
Marco Hernando
September 22, 2012

Marco and Alberto are the sons of Alberto and Norma Hernando. Their sponsors are Trinidad and Antelmo Hernando.

Funerals:

Susana Huarota
August 31, 2012

Susana Huarota, 67, had been employed by Andis Company. She is survived by her husband, Jesus, and their six children: Victor (Josefina), Jesus (Lori), Julio (Sophia), Renato (Jennifer), Carla (Jerry) Huarota Rivera, and Erica (Jose); and by 13 grandchildren, two sisters and a brother.

Mabel Harms Meyer
September 19, 2012

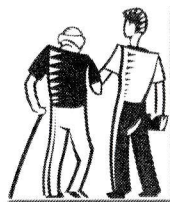
Mabel Meyer, mother of Cathy (Mark Frankowski) Meyer and Carolyn Gibson, was a former school and Sunday School teacher, and a farmer with her late husband, Chester, when they lived in South Dakota. Mabel and Chester moved to Racine in 1982. Mabel died on September 6 at age 94.

Sunday Morning Church Is Not For Everyone

By Marge Puntarec

You probably know them: the family for whom worship has become next to impossible. They have a child with autism, a spouse with Alzheimer's, someone with severe hearing loss. Perhaps it's a person who feels self-conscious about their oxygen tank. Whether we like it or not, these folks often feel like they are on the outside looking in. Please let them know about a new opportunity for them: Gentle Worship.

Beginning October 6, there will

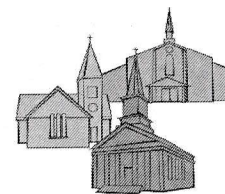


be a worship service for families with individuals who are challenged by special needs or otherwise "on the edge." The casual, 30 minute service will start at 4:00 p.m., and will feature familiar songs as well as Holy Communion.

Gentle Worship will take place at the Northwest Campus of Holy Communion Lutheran Church, 5040 Northwestern Ave. (Highway 38, just west of Highway 31). If you have any questions, you can contact Pastor Walter Hermanns at pastorwalter@yahoo.com.

Emmaus, St. Andrew Share Saturday Worship Services October 20

Two of the FaithWorks partnership congregations, Emmaus and St. Andrew, join together for a joint worship service at St. Andrew Lutheran Church Saturday, October 20. The 4:30 worship service will be led by Pastor Mary. On



Partnership

November 10, Pastor Michael Mueller will lead a 5:00 p.m. worship service at Emmaus for both worshipping communities.

Emmaus Remembers Our Saints

In the November *Visitor* and the All Saints' Day worship bulletins, Emmaus will remember the saints from Emmaus who have joined the saints in heaven since All Saints' Sunday, 2011. Our list includes those who were members of Emmaus plus the non-members at whose funerals our pastors

officiated.

We would also like to mention those who were not members here but were important to you – family relations, dear friends, and loved ones. Please inform the church office (634-5515) by October 19 if you would like your loved one remembered.

Emmaus Staff & Worship Times

Pastors: Rev. Mary L. Janz	1530 S. Main Street, 53403	262/633-3059
Rev. Jhon Freddy Correa	1909 Summit Ave. 53404	414/881-1403
Outreach Pastor: Rev. Walter Hermanns	pastorwalter@yahoo.com	
Education Coord.: Nancy Smith	nnsdaisy@aol.com	
Director Outreach: Liliana Moncada	liliana.moncada@hotmail.com	
Church office: Paul Berge	emmausracine@sbcglobal.net	
President: Chris Lamberton	Accompanist: Brenda Trumbauer	
Custodians: Antelmo Hernando & Rich Benson		

English language services are held at Emmaus every Saturday evening at 5:00, and Sunday mornings at 9:15. Spanish language worship services are offered Sundays at noon. The October 14 Spanish language service will be held at 6:00. The worship service on Saturday, October 20 will be held at St. Andrew Lutheran at 4:30.

Emmaus office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday (closed Labor Day).

The VISITOR is published monthly September to July. The deadline for the November VISITOR is October 17. Submit articles to Paul Berge's attention by mail or by e-mail.

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Floral Arrangement Honors Our Saints

In celebration of All Saints Sunday on November 3 and 4, you are invited to honor the memory of your loved ones by purchasing a floral stem. All of these flowers will be placed together in an arrangement at the front of the church. Each stem will honor the memory of one person, and the names of all those honored will be placed in the



plates or turned into the church office by October 19.

bulletin.

These dedications need not be limited to the memory of those who have passed away within this year.

Please complete the form below and include \$5.00 for each person you are memorializing. The forms and donations may be placed in the offering

All Saints' Day Memorial Garden

On All Saints' weekend, November 3-4, Emmaus members are invited to memorialize loved ones by purchasing one or more floral stems (one stem per person memorialized). We are asking \$4.00 per stem.

Number of flowers: _____ Payment included: \$ _____

My/Our name:

In memory of:

1.
2.
3.
4.
5.
6.

Wednesday Night Goes to the Farm October 17

Kids who normally participate in Wednesday night activities will have the opportunity to experience a hay ride and bon fire at the farm of



Gordie and Dan Johnson on Wednesday, October 17. We will leave church promptly at 5:30. Drivers are needed! There will be no Wednesday night meal at the church that evening. Check with Nancy Smith or Pastor Mary for further details.

at Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, 2417 Drexel Avenue. DJ Chester will spin reggaeton, bachata, tribal, hip-hop, and dirty Dutch.

Other activities include Wii games, board games, snacks, and more. Entrance is \$3.00, or \$2.00 with a donation of a non-perishable food item for the food pantry.

Youth Birthdays

Oct. 1	BrookLyn Madala	2
Oct. 1	Ben Torine	11
Oct. 5	Emilio Espinoza	6
Oct. 8	Edgar Munoz	8
Oct. 9	Nevaeh Dominguez	8
Oct. 10	Nalleli Becerra	4
Oct. 14	Jacari Tussler	4
Oct. 14	Emmanuel Mejia	16
Oct. 15	Joshua Williams	12
Oct. 27	Marissa Espinoza	7
Oct. 30	McKenna Burns	4
Oct. 31	Luther Egerson	14

Redeemer Hosts Dance for High School Youth

FaithWorks sponsors a dance with DJ and food Saturday, September 29 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.

ESL Help Offered

Emmaus members Kathy Christensen, Carol Eschmann, Art Smith, Diane Melander, and Barb Larsen have indicated interest in being mentors/ tutors for Spanish speakers wanting to learn more English. Scheduling of times to meet with those interested and



the ordering of books and workbooks is now in process. Anyone interested in learning more, please contact Pastor Mary for details.

Join Us for Saturday Night at the Movies

Join the fun on Saturday, October 20, as we gather to share finger food at the home of Laura Bennett, followed by a movie and beverages down the hall from her apartment, all located at Mitchell Wagon Apts., 815 8th Street. The building has a private theater, and it

has been reserved for our use for the evening!

Bring an appetizer, finger food or dessert to share, as well as the beverage of your choice. We begin with food and conversation at 6:00 p.m. with show time set for 6:45 p.m.

Calling All Oenophiles

Get your tickets now for a wine tasting fund raiser. The \$20 tickets can be used to sample selected wines and beers or for soda and water. The event takes place from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. Thursday, November 1, upstairs at UnCorkt, 240 Main Street. (There is a service elevator for those unable to negotiate stairs). Funds from the event will go to the general operating account of Emmaus.



Here is a chance to become a leader, join fellow Emmaus members on a committee, or donate items or appetizers/food/bakery to the Wine Tasting Fundraiser. Consider how you may be able to help in one or more of the following areas. Sign-up sheets are posted at church, or you may offer your help by calling the church office (262-634-5515).

- Publicity and Tickets – Art Smith, Chairperson

Publicize fundraiser and spearhead ticket sales.

- Raffle and Silent Auction – Chairperson Needed

Collect donations for the raffle and auction.

- Appetizers/Food – Chairperson Needed

Organize food refreshments.

- Clean Up – Rich Benson, Chairperson

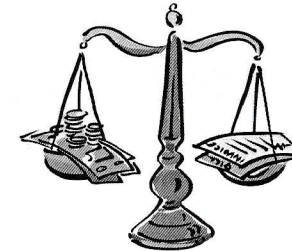
Help set up and clean up after wine tasting event.

Aside from committee work, members and friends are encouraged to donate raffle or silent auction items. Appetizers and food items will also be appreciated. Tickets are available from Art Smith (262-456-7050) for all members to sell.

Call Carolyn Wooster, 262-632-8571 or (cell) 262-498-4201 if you are interested in participating or if you would like more information.

Third Quarter Statements Are Available

Third quarter offering statements will be available by October 6. Statements for anyone who has made an offering of record and has been assigned an offering envelope number should be in the narthex around mid-October. Please check that our records match yours. If you find any



discrepancies, please let us know. Members should have received their October to January offering envelopes during the month of September. If you have not received your envelopes, we have unmarked sets available for the asking.

Crunching the Numbers

Weekly worship attendance averages (calculated as of Sept. 23, 2012)

	2010				2011				2012			
	Sat	Sun	12:00	Wed	Sat	9:15	12:00	Wed.	Sat	9:15	12:00	Wed
Aug.	17	48	143	n/a	21	49	119	n/a	9	39	158	N/A
Sep.	14	67	224	n/a	17	65	194	83	11	43	199	n/a
Oct.	10	64	149	73	15	55	184	59				

Financial Figures

	Total for month	Year to date
General Fund offerings received in Aug. '12:	\$10,066.25}	
Above-Beyond + Adopt-Bill + corp. donation:	371.62}	\$94,183.77
Mortgage retirement offerings received in Aug. '12	\$30.00.....	Campaign TD: \$71,112.62
Mortgage payments in Aug-Sep '12: Principal	ca \$811.00	
Interest.....	ca \$181.00	
Total.....	\$992.00	

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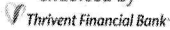
There are multiple ways to keep in touch with Emmaus, including on the internet. In addition to our old web site at www.emmaus-racine.org, we have a weblog at emmausracine.wordpress.com and

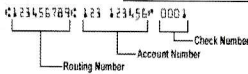


a photo sharing page at <http://www.flickr.com/photos/emmausracine/>

You can "like" us on Facebook at the Emmaus-Racine page, the Emmaus Lutheran Racine group, and the Parroquia Emaus group.

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Lydia Circle Meets at Pastor's Home

The women's afternoon Bible study group will meet at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, October 10 at 1530

South Main Street. All women of the church are invited to participate in a study led by Pastor Mary.

Keenagers in October

Keenagers will meet on Tuesday, October 16. Barbara and Glen Staton will join us to share their experiences on safari in Tanzania.

Please come and join us in the Sunset Room for coffee and conversation at 10:00, program at 10:30, and a delicious meal at noon.



October Birthdays: 70 Years and Better

Oct. 4	Marge Jensen	1935 Jupiter Avenue	53404
Oct. 6	June Beck	733 West Lawn Avenue	53405
Oct. 10	Marlyn Christensen	4202 Walsh Road	53405
Oct. 19	Olav Thomsen	1233 Illinois Street	53405
Oct. 23	Marion Andersen	3668 Erie Street	53402
Oct. 30	Myrna Olesen	333 Lake Avenue # 608	53403

GED Classes Meet Tuesday and Thursdays

MATC is sponsoring GED classes in Spanish on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Currently, of the 60 people who have registered for GED studies, a

math class of over 25 students is now meeting, with a second class to be scheduled by MATC officials in the near future.

Fall Back in November

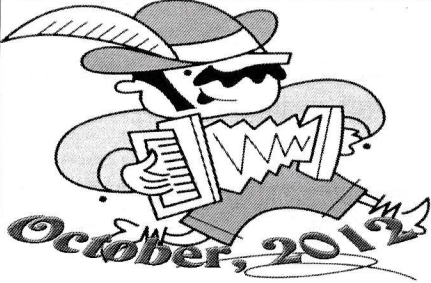
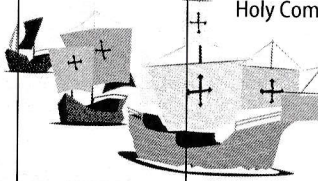


Daylight Savings Time will end at 2:00 a.m. the morning of Sunday, November 4.



If you've ever complained that there just aren't

enough hours in the day, this is your chance to see if a 25th hour in the day makes any real difference. Set your clocks back one hour before you go to bed

on November 3.

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Dear people of Emmaus,

Thank you for the very generous donation to the Chestnut Club. The care package and great bingo prizes are greatly appreciated. We are thankful for your help with

our mission to "Honor God by Serving People."

Sincerely,
The Chestnut Club,
Colleen Lois



October Worship Leaders

	Altar Guild	Communion Assts.	Readers	Ushers
Sat. Sep. 29 5:00 pm	Cathy Meyer Linda Clinton	—	—	—
Sun. Sep. 30 9:15 am	Kathy & Marlyn Christensen	Nancy Smith Shirley Velzka	Amy Haman	Team 5 M. Porcaro
Sat. Oct. 6 5:00 pm	Marge & Amy Zielke, M. Porcaro	—	—	—
Sun. Oct. 7 9:15 am	Joy Lippmann Marge Jensen	Shirley Velzka	Ron Jensen	Team 1
Sat. Oct. 13 5:00 pm	Barb & Jamie Toslek	—	—	—
Sun. Oct. 14 9:15 am	Barb Larsen Pat Jensen	Joy Lippmann Karen Sedgwick	Cindi Larsen	Team 2 R. Christensen
Sat. Oct. 20 5:00 pm	Cheryl Dexter Shirley Irvine	—	—	—
Sun. Oct. 21 9:15 am	Bev Hansen Audrey Villalobos	Carol Eschmann	Jenn Haman	Team 3
Sat. Oct. 27 5:00 pm	Judy Berndt Linda Meteyard	—	—	—
Sun. Oct. 28 9:15 am	Caren Lambertson	Cindi Larsen Pat Jensen	Melissa Lemke	Team 4 W. Meteyard
Sat. Nov. 3 5:00 pm	Brian & Denise Keller	—	—	—
Sun. Nov. 4 9:15 am	Grace Falaschi	Chris Lambertson	Al Svendsen	Team 5 M. Porcaro

Hundreds Enjoy FaithWorks Fall Festival

Warm and sunny weather blessed the crowds at the FaithWorks Fall Festival on the weekend of September 15 and 16. St. Andrew Lutheran Church was the host of the event, joining in the planning with representatives of Emmaus and Emaús, Atonement East and West, Our Savior's, and Lutheran Church of the Redeemer.

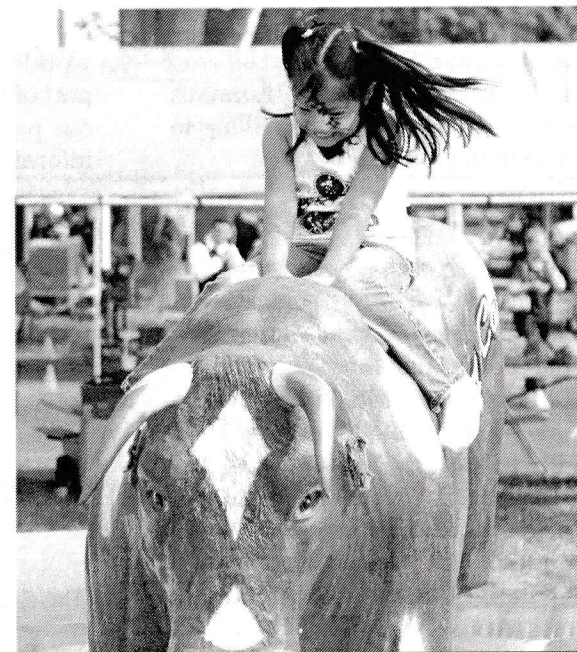
The two-day event was the first major project planned and executed together by the FaithWorks congregations. Liliana Moncada, FaithWorks start-up coordinator, was also the festival coordinator.

The theme of the festival was Feeding the Hungry: Body, Mind and Spirit. Non-perishable food items donated to the Racine County Food Bank were entrance to the event, and the nearly \$700 in loose offering during the worship service was also designated for the food bank.

325 people attended the outdoor worship, led by musicians from Emaús, Redeemer and Atonement West. The mimed sermon was delivered by three clowns, including Emmaus' own Daisy (Nancy Smith). The powerful message of abundance and the

feeding of the 5,000 succeeded in transcending our existing language barriers.

There were games, crafts, food,



and vendor booths. Several people tried to see how long they could ride the mechanical bull. Various bands and singers entertained.

A big thank you goes to all who made the festival a reality. Dozens of volunteers stepped in to plan, to provide baked goods and silent auction baskets, to sell tickets and recruit sponsors, as well as to prepare, set-up, run booths, participate in worship and to be on clean-up duty.

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FaithWorks Leaders Hold Retreat December 1

Leaders of Emmaus: mark your calendars now for Saturday, December 1 for an important one-day leadership retreat designed especially for FaithWorks congregational leaders! That means not only church council, but all who take leadership roles at Emmaus (and those who might be willing to do so in the future).

Retreat leader will be David Daubert, coming from Chicago to lead us in an exciting process that will help shape our future vision and direction as FaithWorks partners. This is groundbreaking work! Prayerfully consider being part of this faith-filled venture with our partners here in Racine! More information to come.

FaithWorks

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At press time, although final accounting has not yet been made, it is estimated that the net proceeds of the festival will be over \$10,000. All proceeds will go to ministries in Racine, including the ELCA Latino ministry, the feeding of the hungry, after school and enrichment programs for children, and faith formation. The FaithWorks Mission Council has yet



to determine the exact disbursement of the funds available.

Middle School Director Hired

Nancy Carlson is the new director of Middle School after school activities at Emmaus.

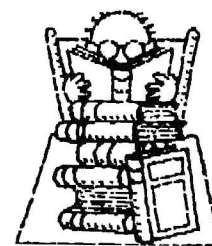
The Monday - Thursday program for elementary and middle school kids meets from 3:00 to 5:30 p.m. Please see Nancy Smith if you have a child, grandchild, or neighbor interested in the program. Give her a call at 672-5859, or talk

with her over coffee.

Your help and participation is encouraged. Many of our kids need encouragement and extra help especially in the areas of math and reading. Please consider stopping by for an hour to work and build a relationship with a student. They are fun!

Auxiliary Holds Book Fair

The Lincoln Lutheran Auxiliary Fall Book Fair will be held Wednesday and Thursday, October 16 and 17 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Lincoln Village Convalescent Center on Highway 31 across from Mt. Pleasant Lutheran Church.



Lincoln Lutheran clients.

Books make great gifts for kids, teens and adults, and make wonderful hostess gifts for your Thanksgiving cook. The Auxiliary book sale also helps make the holidays happier for

October Is Lincoln Lutheran Auxiliary Membership Month

For over half a century, the Lincoln Lutheran Auxiliary has lovingly provided those unbudgeted extras that make life more pleasant for the residents of Lincoln Lutheran facilities.

Through our membership dues, the Ice Cream Social and other fund raising projects, we've been able to provide items such as Christmas gifts, TV and sound

equipment, computers, furnishings, wheelchairs, and parties. We've even purchased a wheelchair accessible van.

Please help our residents by beginning or renewing your membership. You can also give a gift. Just fill out the bottom portion of this letter and mail it with your check made payable to the Lincoln Lutheran Auxiliary, to: Linda Cayemberg, 2620 5½ Mile Road, Racine, WI 53402-1657. Please include that Emmaus is your home church.



Lincoln Lutheran Auxiliary Membership Form 2012-13

(Please print)

Name (F/L)

Address

City State ZIP

Phone e-mail

Date Church: Emmaus Ev. Lutheran Church

Membership type: Annual (\$5.00) Annual Plus (\$15.00)

Lifetime (\$150.00) Additional donation:

Second GED Class Being Planned

Interest has been brisk in a General Equivalency Degree (GED) class geared for Spanish-speaking adults on Tuesdays and Thursday evenings this fall. 30 students are enrolled in the math class, which started on September 13.

An additional 20 students have paid to take the class, and yet 20 more have filled out registration forms. Once arrangements can be confirmed with an additional instructor, there will be a second GED class for these students.

Environmental Stewardship

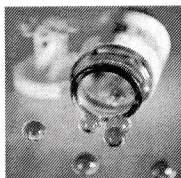
Clean Out Your Medicine Cabinet

By John Berge

A while back, analysis of water samples from a large number of lakes, rivers and streams showed that virtually all surface waters in this country have small but measurable amounts of medicines, drugs, synthetic hormones and their metabolites. Some of these are present because they pass through the body and the waste water treatment plant, but others are there because all people do not discard unused medication in a proper way.

It is once again time to clean out that medicine cabinet -- yours or possibly a relative's. It is good stewardship to do it in a way that is environmentally safe; Do not flush those unused medications down the drain or throw them in the trash.

Bring them to the Medicine Collection Day for Households. In Racine, that is on October 20, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at 6200 21st Street (north of the former Sam's Club). On the third Saturday of



April and October, all prescription and over-the-counter medications will be accepted for proper disposal and destruction, including pills, capsules, ointments, sprays, inhalers, creams, vials and pet medications.

Do not bring needles/sharps, illegal drugs, biohazardous materials or personal care products. Keep all medications in their original bottles. Cross out your name if you wish, but leave the name of the medication visible. Put all medication in a zipped up plastic bag.

As a member of the Board of Health, I was able to advocate successfully for this program in Racine which is now county-wide, not just for city residents. For other areas, check with your local health department for their medical collection schedule and location. Cards with further information are available at the hospitality desk and at most drug stores.

Elsewhere In Our Area

Aging Resource Center Sponsors Caregiver Conference

The Heart of the Matter: Caring for the Caregiver. Caregivers will enjoy a continental breakfast, educational presentations, chair massage, blood pressure screenings, local resources, and free lunch. The Aging & Disability Resource Center of Racine County presents its fourth Annual Caregiver Conference celebrating families caring for a loved one.

Join them for a relaxing day at Grace Church, 3626 Hwy. 31, Racine, just north of Hwy. 38, Friday, November 2, 9:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. Doors open at 9:30 a.m.

Contact Carey Garcia, Program Assistant, Senior Services, ADRC - Aging & Disability Resource Center of Racine County, at 262-833-8763.

AAUW to Sell Used Books

The Racine American Association of University Women (AAUW) will hold their used book sale downstairs at 1122 West Blvd., Racine, October 19, 20 and 21. Remaining books will be marked down to half price on October 26 and 27.

Hours are 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Fridays, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Saturdays, and noon to 3:00 p.m. Sunday.

AAUW is a not-for-profit organization to advance equity for all women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research.

Women of Faith Celebrate What Matters

Women of Faith will host "Celebrate What Matters" October 5 and 6 at the BMO Harris Bradley Center, 1001 N. Fourth Street, Milwaukee. Tickets are \$71; contact Trish Lange at 262-395-3589 or tlange@womenoffaith.com to take advantage of a buy one, get one free ticket offer.

Speakers include Andy Andrews, Patsy Clairmont, Sandi Patty and Brenda Warner,

with performances by Mandisa, Amy Grant and Ballet Magnificat. The event runs Friday from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.



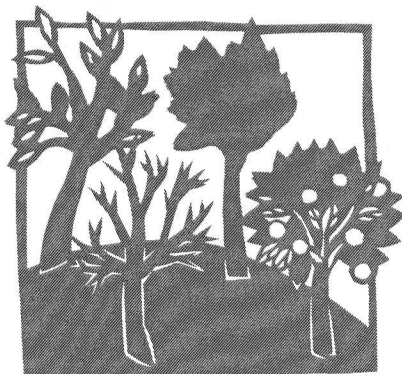
Would We Need to Be Invented?

I write this as I am near a beautiful lake, acorns, falling leaves and other signs of fall all around. No, it's not Lake Michigan, but Green Lake. I have just ended my time at the Fall Theological Conference. I am now reflecting on the speakers who have challenged us during the past two days.

So much of this year's conference was about change—change in the world, which affects everything, including church.

One mantra we heard from theologian Dr. Sarah Drummond was "The world is changing really fast...and it's not my fault!" It's so true, isn't it? With the changes we have experienced in our lifetimes, it seems that they increase with ever more speed and intensity. A prime example is the rapid change of communication and technology. As you read this, it may be from a paper copy of the newsletter, or perhaps it is on the church's website. I am sitting in a lounge area at the Green Lake Conference Center, using a laptop computer and will then e-mail this to the church office (once again, way past deadline!).

We are now asking ourselves



as church leaders how the institution of the protestant church in America, constructed 75 to 150 years ago, is serving what is referred to as a post-modern era. Are our structures, buildings, boards, committees and leaders best addressing the needs of the overall community, or are we in need of realignment? Are we moving toward being co-creators of the world as God is creatively imagining it? How are we called to be a part of shaping that future?

This forward thinking work, led by the Holy Spirit, requires space, time and reflection. Dr. Drummond asked us, "If we didn't exist, would we need to be invented?" As part of the FaithWorks partnership of congregations in Racine, we will need to continue to ask the difficult questions. We will look forward, asking how the Spirit is leading us into the future. We will grapple with what needs to be reconceived, and how we will help shape adaptive change in a faithful way. We will need to take time and space to reflect, praying and being attentive to where the Spirit is at

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Pastor Mary's Column

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work in brand new ways.

Please hold God's church and God's creation in your prayers. Consider being a part of the ongoing conversation that will help shape the church of future generations. Knowing that change is inevitable, let's be change agents TOGETHER, asking God to guide and lead us! (If

you'd like to be a part of the December 1 conversation and FaithWorks retreat, please let me know. We need your voice!)

Looking forward in faith,

Pastor Mary
Pastor Mary

Emmaus Serves Community Meal October 4

The October 4 St. Patrick's Church Community Meal sign-up sheet is on a table in the narthex along with the casserole recipe; cake pans with lids are available in the plastic



storage container under the table. Casserole recipes are again available on the table next to the sign-up sheet, and on line at www.emmaus-racine.org/SociConc.html.

If you cannot help on October 4 but are available and could help serve food or clean up on another Thursday, feel free to drop in at St. Patrick's Church. You do not need to sign up.

NorthSide Food Pantry Volunteers

- October 25: James Larrabee, Pat & Ron Jensen, Rich & Kathy Christensen
- November 22: There are no current plans to staff the food pantry on Thanksgiving Day.
- December 27: Cindi and Loren Larsen, James Larrabee, Stan Briewick

Readings in October

- October 7: Genesis 2:18-24; Psalm 8; Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12; Mark 10:2-16.
- October 14: Amos 5:6-7, 10-15; Psalm 90:12-17; Heb. 4:12-16; Mark 10:17-31
- October 21: Isaiah 53:4-12; Psalm 91:9-16; Hebrews 5:1-10; Mark 10:35-45.
- October 28: Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 46; Romans 3:19-28; John 8:31-36.
- November 4: Isaiah 25:6-9; Psalm 24; Revelation 21:1-6; John 11:32-44.

Lurking in the October Visitor:

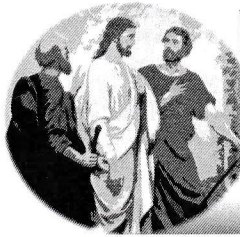
- ☠ Crop Walk October 14
- ☠ Saturday Worshippers
Journey to St. Andrew
- ☠ All Saints' Day Flowers
- ☠ Hay Ride October 17
- ☠ ESL Conversations
- ☠ Wine Tasting Event
- ☠ Women's Bible Study
- ☠ Keenagers Witness
Tanzanian Trip
- ☠ Fall Festival Report
- ☠ Auxiliary Book Fair
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...and much more

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November, 2012

Now Thank We All Our God

Following a 6:00 p.m. family dinner of pizza and salad, Emmaus' Thanksgiving Eve service will be on Wednesday, Nov. 23 at 7:00 p.m. The service will include celebration of Holy Communion.

As part of our Thanksgiving Eve service, there will be a processional offering of non-perishable food items to be used for holiday food baskets.

If you prefer to give a monetary contribution to the Northside Food Pantry located at Trinity United Methodist, make your check payable to Emmaus and indicate "Food Pantry" on the memo line or on the upper right blanks of your offering envelope. Thank you for



*O taste and see that
the Lord is Good.*

Psalm 34:8

your generosity!

After the service, join the fellow members of your Emmaus family for the pie social in Fellowship Hall.

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Emmaus Remembers Dearly Departed on All Saints' Sunday

During All Saints' Day worship on November 3 and 4, we pause to honor the saints from Emmaus who have joined the saints in heaven during the past year. These are our members who have died and others at whose funerals our pastors have presided since last All Saints' Day:



Robert M. Loendorf	December 7, 1953 – November 27, 2011
Oscar M. Haugsby	January 11, 1918 – December 25, 2011
Celso Isaac Huitron-Loyo	August 3, 1984 – January 27, 2012
Richard Karcher	October 7, 1938 – August 22, 2012
Susana Huerta Huarota	August 11, 1945 – August 25, 2012
Mabel Harms Meyer	May 24, 1918 – September 5, 2012
Lawrence M. Estep	July 29, 1921 – October 1, 2012
Diane Stanton Rode	October 27, 1949 - October 27, 2012

A floral display commemorating these and other persons dear to our members will decorate the front of the church.

Pastoral Acts

Baptism: Madelyn Loren Vash October 28, 2012	Madelyn, 7, is the daughter of Joseph and Nicolle Vash. Her sponsors are Dale Howser Jr., Jodi Vash, Steven Vash, and Sophisa Crisci.
Wedding: Jessica Nick & Hector O. Sanchez October 19, 2012	Jessica and Hector live in Fredonia in Ozaukee County.
Funeral: Lawrence M. Estep October 6, 2012	Larry Estep, 91, was a World War II Army veteran, a member of UAW Local 556 and the Racine County Conservation League. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, and woodworking. He is survived by his wife of 66 years, Ruth, and their sons Larry Jr. and Gary (Sheryl).

Emmaus Throws Wine Tasting Party

Emmaus will sponsor a wine tasting fund raiser at UnCorkt, 240 Main Street, Thursday, November 1 from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. Tickets are \$20 from Art Smith or at the door.

Tickets include the opportunity to sample a variety of wine, beer, soda or water. Also offered will be delicious appetizers prepared by members of Emmaus.



A silent auction and raffle proceeds will go to general expenses of the church. Thrivent Financial for Lutherans will match \$1.00 for every \$3.00 earned, up to \$500.00.

Invite a friend! Enjoy an evening out while supporting the ministry of Emmaus.

Pastor Jhon Freddy Participates in LSTC Discussion

Pastor Jhon Freddy Correa was one of three recent graduates invited to respond to a panel discussion as part of the inauguration of Lutheran School of Theology President James Nieman on October 27. President Nieman invited three scholars in theological education and three recent LSTC graduates to explore the question: "In the days ahead, what sort of ministerial wisdom will best give shape to a fuller witness to the gospel by all the faithful?"

"Our churches need leaders with the practical judgment to help people better speak and live their faith in Jesus Christ," Nieman said. "I'd like our conversation on Saturday to help us sense what that needed wisdom could be, and how LSTC can contribute to forming such wise leaders."

The panelists were Dr. Nancy Ammerman, professor of sociology of religion at Boston University; Dr. Bonnie Miller-McLemore, E. Rhodes and Leona B. Carpenter Professor of Pastoral Theology and Counseling at Vanderbilt University; and the Rev. Dr. Michael Burk, bishop of the ELCA's Southeastern Iowa Synod, who oversaw the ELCA "Renewing Worship" project. The three recent LSTC alumni invited to respond to the panelists: the Rev. Jhon Freddy Correa, pastor, Emmaus Lutheran Church, Racine, Wis.; the Rev. Yehiel Curry, pastor developer, Shekinah Chapel, Chicago, Ill.; and the Rev. Linda Norman, treasurer, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

President Nieman presented his inaugural lecture after the panel discussion.

FaithWorks Retreat Slated in December

Council members, ministry leaders and other motivated members are invited to share in a one-day retreat with other FaithWorks congregation members at the northwestern campus of Holy Communion Lutheran Church, 5040 Northwestern Avenue, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Saturday, December 1.

What vision do we see for this partnership? And what will we seek to accomplish in the coming year? Our partnership has shown great potential, so now we need the hearts and minds and voices of our people to give shape to a shared vision.



Our retreat leader is David Daubert. Dave brings his experiences as an agricultural engineer, nonprofit board member, parish pastor, and denominational executive to his work in faith-based organizational renewal. Dave has published several books and articles, including *Seeing Through New Eyes*, *The Future Starts Now*, *Living Lutheran: Renewing Your Congregation*, and *Reclaiming the V Word: Renewing Life At Its Vocational Core*.

RSVP by Monday, November 5: mljanz@aol.com, 262-634-5515 (church office), 262-893-1317 (text or voicemail - Pastor Mary's cell phone).



We Walk, Rain or Shine

"Ending hunger, one step at a time" is the motto of the annual Crop Walk to help end world hunger. Footprints, posters and information highlighting the 2012 Racine Crop Walk covered floors and walls of Emmaus Lutheran Church, advertising the walk to kids participating in EASY (Emmaus After School for Youth) and Wednesday night programming. Organized by Brenda Trumbauer, Nancy Smith and Diane Melander, kids were encouraged to solicit donations to help fight hunger and then to be part of the October 14 event.

Although Crop advertises, "we walk, rain or shine," Pastor Mary was concerned about the forecast of rain that Sunday. After a couple of phone calls and text messages

early that Sunday morning, it was decided to move the venue for the Emmaus walkers to Regency Mall. The "Emmaus/Emaús Neons" donned their bright blue custom made t-shirts, piled into vehicles and made their way to the mall.

The thirty walkers, ranging in age from 2 to 72, made their way around the mall four, and in some cases five, times. Two-year old Mateo had the big advantage, being pushed in his stroller by his mom, Liliana. Not only was the goal of walking over three miles accomplished, but the group collected over \$561 to help fight hunger. The kids, each time a merchant or a shopper stopped to ask them what they were doing, were proud to announce, "We are walking to fight hunger!"

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English language services are held at Emmaus every Saturday evening at 5:00 and Sundays at 9:15. Spanish language services are offered Sundays at noon, and Tuesday, November 1 at 6:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve services will be at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, November 21.

Emmaus office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday (closed on Thanksgiving).

The VISITOR is published monthly September to July. The deadline for the December VISITOR is November 15. Submit articles to Paul Berge's attention by mail or by e-mail.

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NorthSide Food Pantry Volunteer Schedule

November 22: Thanksgiving Day. We will not be covering Thanksgiving unless you hear differently from Cindi Larsen.

December 27: Cindi and Loren Larsen, James Larrabee, and Stan Briewick

Pantry Thanks Larsen and Therkelsein for Leadership

By Rev. Rosalind Dryver-Scott

Over the course of the years since the Food Pantry ministry was given birth in 1978 by members of Trinity United Methodist Church, Dorothy and Charles Shook, we have perhaps fed and ministered to thousands of people and families. This is one of the ministries which make our churches visible and known to the community. Feeding the hungry is one of the core values in what it means to be in ministry.

Thanks to your church, who also saw the vision and the value of having a food pantry on the north side of Racine, to continue Christ's ministry. We share in the work and the joy by sending people to serve, giving food and financial support, as well as prayers. They are like the seven chosen in Acts for the table ministry (Acts 6:2-4).

For the last five years, Cindi Larsen and Carol Therkelsein have served as co-directors of the North Side Food Pantry. They have continued the legacy which was passed down from Joel and Pat Lamke. At the end of the year, Carol and Cindi will not continue



serving as the co-directors. Carol has a new grandchild who needs her attention. Cindi would like to spend some quality time with family traveling. Please join me in thanking them for the wonderful way in which they have kept the ministry going and enhanced it.

They have been a blessing to us. Stop in the Food Pantry on Tuesdays or Thursdays and express your appreciation.

The ministry must continue. Our community and their families are counting on us. Therefore, I appeal to your congregation to prayerfully consider participating as leader/s in this ministry of feeding the hungry. The responsibility doesn't have to be shouldered by one person alone. When we work as a team, the burden is made light. And Cindi and Carol are willing to train the next director/s.

I hope you will be open to God's lead and the experience of building the kingdom of God here on earth.

Group Plans Free Thanksgiving Dinner

"Dan and Ray Rendering Thanks" will give away their annual free Thanksgiving meal at Festival Hall. The goal this year is to feed 1,000 or more. They are looking for volunteers to donate their time, services or any help on Wednesday, November 21 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and on Thanksgiving Day from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Call 262-554-5440.



You can help with a donation, or sponsor a person (\$5.00) or table (\$50.00). If you would like your name or company/business name on a table tent and on a placemat, include the information with your donation. You may also donate at the door.

"Dan and Ray Rendering Thanks" (www.danandrays.com) is a non-profit organization, and donations are tax-deductible.

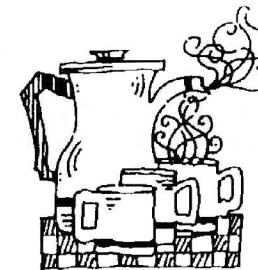
Sign Up to Help with Community Meal

It's Emmaus's turn to host the Community Meal at St. Patrick's on Thursday, December 6. Please sign up on the green sheet in the narthex to help serve, or to provide

a salad, casserole, or bars. The casserole recipe is in the narthex and at <http://www.emmaus-racine.org/SociConc>

Consider Gift of Coffee

It's that time of year when we begin thinking of family gatherings, gifts and visiting friends. While thinking of your holiday plans, remember what a great gift Mt. Meru coffee is for anyone.



Your purchase of Mt. Meru Coffee helps the farmers and the

people of the Meru region. The Mt. Meru Coffee Project's objectives are to do economic and social justice — empowering the small coffee farmers and the people of the Meru Region of Tanzania with the ability to improve

their standard of living and escape the long-standing cycle of poverty.

What's It Like to Be Homeless?

Adult and youth leaders from the FaithWorks congregations collaborated in planning the October 26 "Lock Out" held at Atonement. Emmaus/Emaus was represented by thirteen "homeless" individuals, including adult leaders Brenda Trumbauer, Rich Benson and Marta Luna.

The total group of 30 gathered at Atonement and then divided into groups visiting the Women's Resource Center and SAFE Haven. At the Women's Resource Center, the kids hosted an "unbirthday party" for the kids, complete with crafts, play time and cupcakes. They learned more about the needs of women and children who relocate to the Center in order to live in a safe environment. Those who visited SAFE Haven heard the stories shared by three teens staying there. They were told that those seeking refuge are only allowed to stay for two weeks and that they are expected to do chores and meet other expectations during their stay.

Returning to Atonement, the

young people gathered around the wood fires prepared in three fire pits set up for the evening. The fires, cardboard boxes, blankets, sleeping bags and warm jackets and mittens helped take the edge off the cold temperatures, which plummeted below freezing.

The outside activities of dinner, sharing of feelings and reactions to the experiences at the Women's Resource Center and SAFE Haven, playing games, having a mummy-making contest, watching a movie, participating in a youth led worship service were all part of a night not soon to be forgotten by those willing to get a small taste of what it feels like to be homeless. The group was grateful that the wood lasted until sunrise, after which the kids were welcomed into the church for a hot breakfast hosted by Emmaus participants.

The next planning meeting for the Racine YouthWorks leadership team will take place at Emmaus/Emaus on November 5 at 7:00 p.m.

November Bible Readings

Nov. 4: Isaiah 25:6-9; Psalm 24; Revelation 21:1-6; John 11:32-44.

Nov. 11: 1 Kings 17:8-16; Psalm 146; Hebrews 9:24-28; Mark 12:38-44.

Nov. 18: 1 Samuel 1:4-20; Psalm 16; Heb. 10:11-14[15-18] 19-25; Mark 13:1-8.

Nov. 21: Joel 2:21-27; Psalm 126; 1 Timothy 2:1-7; Matthew 6:25-33.

Nov. 25: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; Psalm 93; Revelation 1:4b-8; John 18:33-37.

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Emmaus will again order poinsettias to decorate the sanctuary for Christmas this year. These flowers are available for purchase by members and friends of Emmaus to take home after the late evening service December 24. Memorial dedications will be printed in the Christmas Eve worship bulletins.

Please reserve _____ poinsettias at \$12.00 each :
 (# _____ red # _____ white # _____ pink)

My/Our name:

As a MEMORIAL for:

and/or to HONOR:

Deadline to order and make payment is **December 3, 2012**. Please place your order in the offering plate or leave it in the church office mailbox. Please make checks payable to Emmaus Lutheran Church and designate that it is for your poinsettia order.

I will pick up my poinsettia after the late service Dec. 24.

Please give my poinsettia to a shut-in.

Office use:

Pmt Order list Bulletin

Remember Families Through the Giving Tree

Your generosity has meant so much to many of the families in our neighborhood at Christmas. Look for the Giving

Trees to appear in the narthex the weekend of November 20 and 21. Gift tags will itemize the type of



gift, age and sex of the individual. You select a tag(s) shop for the item(s) and return the gift(s) with the tag(s) attached and place the gift(s) under or around the Giving Trees.

It would be appreciated if the gift(s) were wrapped. All gifts need to be returned to Emmaus by Thursday, December 8.

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Women Meet for Bible Study

All women of Emmaus are invited to the monthly Bible study held at Pastor Mary's house at 1:30

p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month (November 14).

Daylight Savings Time Offers Second Chance

Daylight Savings Time will end at 2:00 a.m. Saturday night, November 3. Much of the United States will fall back an entire hour overnight. We get to have a "do-over" for that 1:00 to 2:00 hour.



Set your clocks back one hour before going to bed Saturday night, and enjoy an extra hour of sleep. Or use that hour to start the exercise regimen or fix that squeaky hinge or whatever you have been meaning to do something about when there is some extra time.

Memorials



Non-designated memorials:

In memory of Lawrence Estep: \$555.00

In memory of Mabel Meyer: \$1,325.00

Crunching the Numbers

Weekly worship attendance averages (calculated as of Oct. 28, 2012)

	2010				2011				2012			
	Sat	Sun	Mon	Wed	Sat	Sun	Mon	Wed	Sat	Sun	Mon	Wed
Aug.	17	48	143	n/a	21	49	119	n/a	9	39	158	n/a
Sep.	14	67	224	n/a	17	65	194	83	11	43	199	n/a
Oct.	10	64	149	73	15	55	185	59	12	52	130	n/a
Nov.	14	65	210	81	16	59	170	47				

Financial Figures

Total for month Year to date

General Fund offerings received in Sep. '12: \$11,779.02} \$105,422.79

Mortgage retirement offerings received in Sept. '12.....\$210.00.....Campaign TD: \$71,312.62

Mortgage payments in Sept. '12: Principal \$ 816.07

Interest..... \$ 175.93

Total..... \$992.00

Principal balance as of October 12, 2012: \$33,793.60

Keenagers in November

Keenagers meet Tuesday, November 20 at 10:00 for coffee and conversation. Marge Puntarec of Lincoln Lutheran will share the plans for the new joint project of the Dominican sisters and Lincoln Lutheran of Racine—Siena on the Lake for a new retirement and wellness community on the Siena Center grounds. Following the presentation, the group will be served a holiday meal prepared by Pat Jensen.

November Birthdays: 70 Years and Better

Nov. 11	Boots LeRoux	3418 Saint Clair Street	53404
Nov. 16	Janice Nielsen	1206 Fairway Drive	53406
Nov. 26	Judy Berndt	1525 Howard Street	53404






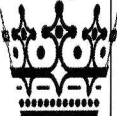
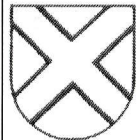
Gentle Worship Meets First Saturdays

By Marian Wasierski

The first meeting for Gentle Worship was wonderful. Many people, younger and older, as varied as the rainbow, came to praise God in a totally accepting atmosphere of mutual appreciation. Lead organizers Rev Walter Hermanns and Claire Ackley of Holy Communion Lutheran Church Northwestern

Campus thank one and all who contributed time, talent and treasure towards this grand experiment.

The next gathering for Gentle Worship will be Saturday November 3 at 3:45 p.m. at Holy Communion Lutheran Church Northwestern Campus, 5040 Northwestern Avenue. Please come.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>1925 Summit Avenue, Racine, Wisconsin 53404-2374 Phone 262 634-5515 Fax 262 634-0835 emmausracine@sbcglobal.net http://www.emmaus-racine.org http://www.facebook.com/pages/Emmaus-Racine/227181193993978</p> <h1>November, 2012</h1> 				Nov. 1 ALL SAINTS' DAY 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 3:00 pm EASY 4:00 pm BENNU legal appts. 5:00 pm Wine tasting fund raiser 6:00 pm Santa misa de Todos los Santos 6:00 pm GED class (español)	2	3 12:00 pm Ibarra baptisms 5:00 pm Worship service w/ Holy Communion (English) 2:00 am Daylight Savings Time ends
4 ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY 9:15 am Worship service w/Holy Communion (English) 10:30 am Coffee & fellowship 12:00 n Santa misa (español) 12:30 pm Kids' Camp (bilingual)	5 9:00 am Rode visitation 11:00 am D. Rode funeral 3:00 pm EASY 5:30 pm Music lessons 7:00 pm FaithWorks Youth Event planners	6 ELECTION DAY 3:00 pm EASY 5:00 pm TOPS 6:00 pm GED class (español)	7 3:00 pm EASY 5:30 pm Supper 5:30 pm Clases (español) 6:15 pm Kids: Religious Ed.; Adults: English class	8 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 3:00 pm EASY 6:00 pm GED class (español) 6:00 pm Ensayo de coro (español)	9	10 MARTIN LUTHER BORN, 1483 5:00 pm Worship service w/ Holy Communion (English)
<i>Pastor Mary off</i>						
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18 25 TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 8:00 am Musicians' rehearsal 9:15 am Chicago Folk service w/Holy Communion (English) 10:30 Coffee & fellowship 12:00 n Santa misa (español) 12:30 pm Kids' Camp (bilingual)	19 10:00 am Knit 1, Purl 1 5:30 pm Music lessons	20 DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE IN MIDDLE EAST 10:30 am Keenagers 5:00 pm TOPS 6:00 pm GED class (español) 6:30 pm Church council mtg.	21 9:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 6:00 pm Supper 7:00 pm Thanksgiving worship service with Holy Communion 8:00 pm Pie social	22 THANKSGIVING <i>Offices closed</i> 10:00 am Thanksgiving Meal at Festival Hall, to 2:00 pm 	23	24 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion (English)
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Share God's Love as a Communion Assistant

Serving as a communion assistant is a privilege and an opportunity to share God's love. If you would



like to participate as a communion assistant for an occasional Sunday worship service, please contact Kathy Christensen at 909-4799 or e-mail rdckic@sbcglobal.net

November Worship Leaders

	Altar Guild	Communion Assts.	Readers	Ushers
Sat. Nov. 3 5:00 pm	Brian & Denise Keller	—	—	—
Sun. Nov. 4 9:15 am CST	Grace Falaschi	Chris Lamberton	Al Svendsen	Team 5 M. Porcaro
Sat. Nov. 10 5:00 pm	Cathy Meyer Linda Clinton	—	—	—
Sun. Nov. 11 9:15 am	Marlyn & Kathy Christensen	Nancy Smith Shirley Velzka	Carol Yust	Team 1
Sat. Nov. 17 5:00 pm	M. & A. Zielke Missy Porcaro	—	—	—
Sun. Nov. 18 9:15 am	Joy Lippmann Marge Jensen	Kathy Christensen	Lee Woodward	Team 2 R. Christensen
Wed. Nov. 21 7:00 pm	Barb Larsen Pat Jensen	Pat Jensen	—	Team 3
Sat. Nov. 24 5:00 pm	Barb Toslek Jamie Toslek	—	—	—
Sun. Nov. 25 9:15 am	Caren Lamberton	Carol Eschmann Karen Sedgwick	Karen Sedgwick	Team 4 W. Meteyard
Sat. Dec. 1 5:00 pm	Cheryl Dexter Shirley Irvine	—	—	—
Sun. Dec. 2 9:15 am	Bev Hansen Audrey Villalobos	Cindi Larsen	Sandy Strini	Team 5 M. Porcaro

Fellowship Hosts/Treats

Nov. 4	Lambertons
Nov. 11	Hamans
Nov. 18	Eschmanns
Nov. 25	



2013 Annual Giving Plan

In response to God's love and blessings, I/we rejoice in the opportunity to give to Emmaus Lutheran Church, I understand that my pledge can be increased or decreased at any time by notifying the church finance office should my life circumstances change.

Name/s: Phone:

Address: ZIP:

Operating budget pledge for 2013: \$
 per week
 per month
 total for year

Giving to the 2013 operating budget should be the first priority of every giver.

Deficit reduction pledge for 2013: \$.....

Signature: Date:

I am giving in gratitude for these things in our church:

Please provide weekly envelopes for me, as I contribute by check or cash.

Please contact the church office at (262) 634-5515 or emmausracine@sbcglobal.net if you have questions or want to arrange a stock gift as a pledge payment. If you desire information about making a planned gift or a bequest, please call Art Smith at (262) 456-7050.

Looking Ahead

All Saints' worship - Nov. 1 at 6:00 p.m. (Spanish); Nov. 3 at 5:00 p.m. and Nov. 4 at 9:15 a.m. (English)

Thanksgiving Eve worship - Wednesday, Nov. 21 at 7:00 p.m

Children's Christmas Pageant - Sunday, December 16 at 11:00 a.m., in addition to regular 9:15 or 12:00 services

Christmas Eve worship-Monday, Dec. 24 at 4:30 p.m. (one service in English);

7:00 p.m. worship service in Spanish

Emmaus Hosts Neighborhood Listening Session

A neighborhood listening forum, originally scheduled to be held October 15 at the COP House on Jacato Drive, was rescheduled earlier that day to take place in the Emmaus sanctuary. Weather and the anticipated number of attendees influenced leaders of the event to request the change of venue.

The two and one half hour gathering filled the Emmaus sanctuary. Among those in attendance were Mayor John Dickert, Police Chief Art Howell, and members of the city Immigration Committee.

The city officials and those in the audience began a process of information sharing and trust building, which included concerns about neighborhood safety, police response to calls for help, and racial profiling while driving. Personal stories were shared to give specific examples of the concerns of the people.

Two attorneys who represent Latina victims of domestic abuse pleaded with the Police Chief and his department to sign paperwork verifying the police records and reports of past abuse of their clients. These victims need such verification when they are in the process of applying for U visas.

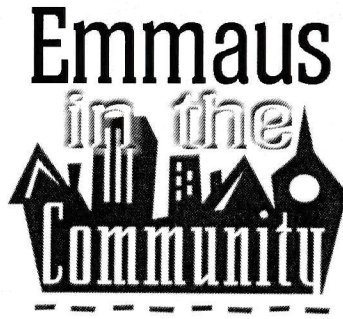
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Chief Howell explained that he is relatively new in his position and that he is dealing with the backlog in his office. He talked about his task of establishing priorities and explained how he works within his department and with other arms of government in a number of cases.

He also outlined the process that citizens may follow if they need to report irregular or unprofessional action or behaviors on the part of one of the officers. In addition, he suggested the possibility of initiating a Latino

Neighborhood Watch program in Racine.

While at times emotional and passionate, the tone of the meeting was positive, being cited by many as a good first step in the building trust and working relationships between the city officials and those in the neighborhood. A media person from Milwaukee commended the group for the forum and the positive, honest conversation and the listening that took place. Pastor Jhon Freddy served as the primary translator for the evening, with all remarks being translated into English or Spanish as necessary.



EASY Offers a Time to Learn

It goes without saying that the kids who attend EASY are challenged, encouraged, and helped along the way. Kids with homework sit in Fellowship Hall getting help while others engage themselves in strategy games that deal with critical thinking, math, language and geography. On Monday's the kids dabble with hands-on science experiments, Tuesday's it's math. On Wednesday, the kids spend time on vocabulary and on Thursday's it's a mix of chess, art, and geography.

Something new has been added this year. Everyone has a journal and the kids are encouraged to write about their experiences. Each student in EASY has their own workbook to supplement the areas of math and vocabulary. A second grader is so proud of the progress she is making in her math workbook; her face glows at the end of her mentor session. Turning on kids to learning - it is challenging and it is exciting!



Josh makes a move in Calisto, as Luis, Jose, and Jose look on.

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English Class Offered Wednesdays

In response to interest expressed by a number of Latinos wanting to learn more English, several Emmaus members have stepped up to assist with those endeavors. Thus far, Pastor Mary, Kathy Christensen, Carol Eschmann, Diane Melander, Chris and Caren Lamberton and Art Smith have spent some time on Wednesday evenings as teachers/mentors/conversation partners.

The dozen eager learners gather each Wednesday night in Fellowship Hall. They are working, generally in pairs, with one of the English speakers, as they follow the lessons in their textbooks and workbooks, "English, No Problem!" Because the level of English proficiency varies, an attempt has been made to divide the group into different levels, allowing each of them to work at their own speed.

Dinner is offered at 5:30, and a number of the participants gather for that time of informal conversation over a meal prior to the 6:15 classes. More English speakers are needed to meet the growing demand of people expressing interest in learning English. To learn more about what an English mentor does, either stop by and observe on a Wednesday night or contact Pastor Mary for further information.

Mentors Ease Into EASY

Stop by the church on any Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday afternoon and you will see many of the Emmaus family and friends coming to work with their special students. What a tribute to our mission; to reach out and help others: thank you Emily, Missy, Jenn, Lee, Caren, Kathy, Carol, Art, Lou, Shelley, Laura, Sandi, Joy, Diane, and Kanisha.

There are still seven kids ranging from age 5 - 10 who do not yet have a mentor. One in particular whose name is Jovanna, a fourth grader, asks Nancy every day "When am I going to get a mentor?" The look in her eyes

tugs big time on the heart. If you have an hour a week to come and be a friend to one of the EASY kids, please call Nancy 262-672-5859. Like a golden oldie says - All You Need Is Love!

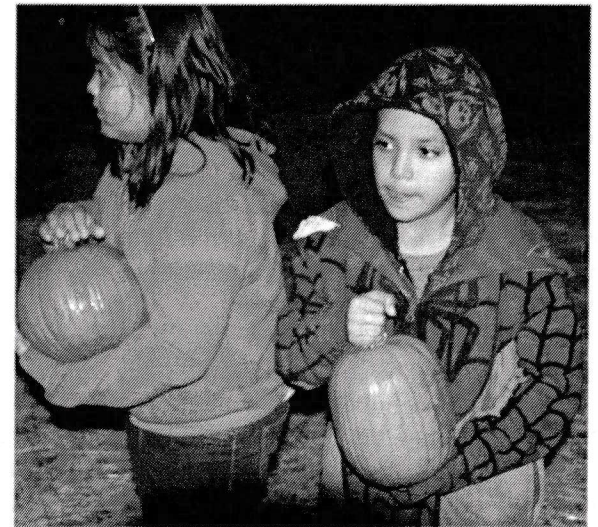
Youth Birthdays

Nov. 2	Valeria Salinas Diaz, 15
Nov. 4	Gaby Gallegos, 15
Nov. 8	Gabby Ludwig, 15
Nov. 14	David Matson, Jr., 18
Nov. 18	Alberto Maldonado Jr., 11
Nov. 18	Bety Mares, 12
Nov. 20	Lauren Geiger, 4
Nov. 23	Rachael Cox, 9
Nov. 30	Tavijon Yust, 9

Rain Doesn't Dampen Kids' Spirits

The generous invitation from Gordie, Danny and Kris Johnson for our Wednesday night kids to visit their farm was met with anxiety from leaders on October 17, the night of the planned event. Rain and mud were part of the forecast, and it was feared that the eagerly anticipated hayrides and pumpkin picking would not be possible. Gentle rains did not stop Gordie from mounting his tractor and giving the groups, totaling over 75 kids, rides around his property.

In addition to the hayrides, the group gathered inside the large pole barn to enjoy hot dogs, caramel apples, cider making and a haunted house. Muddy, soggy, happy kids returned to tell of their



adventures at the farm—complete with free pumpkins and a chance to see chickens, guinea hens and horses in the farmyard. The following Wednesday the kids made a big thank-you banner which was then delivered to the farm to help decorate the pole barn where they had had so much fun the previous week.

Wednesday Night Kids Learn Ten Commandments

Did you notice the Ten Commandments tower in the narthex? Several weeks ago the kids during their study of Moses created a gift box for each of the commandments. They have studied the life of Moses through film, art, the written word, rap and



skits. The big story: God would not give up on Moses and his people. God gave the Israelites a second chance and God continues to do that with each of us. How many ways can you tell a kid that God is with them each step of their lives? All the time!

Elsewhere In Our Area

St. Andrew Offers Chicago Day Trip

St. Andrew invites its FaithWorks partners, along with Grace & St. John's churches in Kenosha, to join them on a one-day Lamers MotorCoach bus ride to Chicago for shopping and the holiday parade down The Magnificent Mile with Mickey & Minnie Mouse as Grand Marshalls. The parade is followed by fireworks over the Chicago River.

When: November 17. Where: Pick-up at St. Andrew Lutheran Church (1015 Four Mile Road, Racine) and Grace Lutheran

Church (Kenosha). Time: Bus leaves St. Andrew at 10:00 a.m. and will return to St. Andrew approximately 9:30 p.m. Cost: \$20.00 per adult - \$10.00 per child 12 and under. Meals and shopping are on your own.

The bus will stay downtown and you can feel free to warm up, nap, or bring a cooler and enjoy lunch with family and friends on the bus. For more details, please contact Pam Robers (681-6213, or auntiebunny5@wi.rr.com) by November 5.

Lincoln Lutheran Hosts Wine Tasting

You're invited to attend the eighth Annual Wine Tasting Fundraiser for Service Coordinators of Lincoln Lutheran. Enjoy a night of music, wine, raffles, and great company on Thursday, November 15 from 6-8:00 p.m. at Uncorkt in Downtown Racine.

All proceeds benefit the Service Coordinator Program. A Service Coordinator is provided at

all four of Lincoln Lutheran's Affordable Apartment Communities and helps residents manage through issues regarding social security, Medicare, transportation concerns and health worries.

Tickets are \$25 per person. RSVP by Friday, November 9 to Kris Kurklis-Ohnstad at kkurklis@llor.org or (262) 833-0138.

Are After School Activities Still On?

After school activities, such as Emmaus After School for Youth (EASY), the Wednesday supper, Wednesday evening Bible classes,

and Wednesday evening worship service will be canceled whenever weather conditions close Racine Unified Schools.

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Grace-Kenosha Hosts Memmel Concert

Tony Memmel performs in concert at Grace Lutheran Church, Kenosha, Saturday, November 3 at 7:00 p.m. to raise funds for The Greater Milwaukee Synod's Lutheran Campus Ministry.

Listen to his music and hear his story. Tony Memmel is one of the musicians who played at this summer's ELCA National Youth Gathering in New Orleans. "Tony Memmel is a songwriter and performer with unique charisma and creativity. He was born missing his left forearm and taught himself to play the guitar, piano and harmonica." (<http://tonymemmel.com>)

While admission to this concert is free, you are invited and

encouraged to offer a free will offering (suggested \$5.00 per person), all of which will support the mission of Lutheran Campus Ministry in the Milwaukee Synod. For more information on Lutheran Campus Ministry can be found at: <http://lcm.milwaukeesynod.org/about-us/>

To see and hear clips of Tony Memmel at the ELCA National Youth Gathering you can point your web browser to: <http://tonymemmel.com/wp/?p=1579>

Grace Lutheran Church is located at: 2006 60th St., Kenosha WI 53140. Phone 262-654-9143.

EASY Offers a New Component

Meet Nancy Carlson: Nancy is an environmental specialist who is under contract with Racine Unified. She is an enthusiastic naturalist who teaches kids about the ecological importance of the Root River. Nancy has joined the EASY staff and works with eleven middle school kids all of



whom have grown up with the EASY program. Perhaps you've noticed the raised beds that are

sitting on the area just south of the fence. Nancy's kids helped put those together. The middle school program is an extension of the program for the younger kids. They too work on homework and spend time on math and vocabulary. Nancy has a creative bent and has the kids creating with beads and yarn.

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Pastor Mary's Column

It's an Ongoing Commitment

As Milwaukee ELCA Pastor Lisa Bates Froiland shared last weekend, "Reformation is not an accomplishment; it is an ongoing commitment." I also am reminded by other questions posed by Luther professor David Lose: What would you do if you couldn't fail? What would you endeavor, dare, or try? What mission would you attempt, what venture would you risk, what great deed would you undertake?

Emmaus is part of the Lutheran heritage that has its roots in The Reformation almost 500 years ago, and we also embrace the ongoing commitment to reforming as we move forward. It takes faith and courage to risk for the sake of the Gospel. At times, our efforts may even result in failure.

In Professor Lose's recent article about the willingness to risk failure, he cited the end of Luther's life. Luther had returned to his hometown, had helped some local magistrates settle a dispute and then preached his final sermon. One would think it would be cause for great celebration to have their native son in their midst sharing the Word with them. What isn't usually advertised about Luther's final sermon is that there were only five people in attendance.

Following that, he wrote to a friend lamenting that it appeared that the reformation had been a failure!

Seeds planted and nourished today, with the work of the Spirit, can and will take root as the church moves forward. It's an ongoing process, as any experienced gardener or farmer will attest to. How we address the injustices and inequities of our time make look



different than in Luther's time. How we follow God's call to be the church will also be different than it was over 160 years ago when the first members of Emmaus met in their homes and decided to move forward together as a faith community in Racine. We are again at a crossroads, just one of many in the journey. God continues to do a new thing among us! Whether it be FaithWorks, Latino ministry or outreach to the neighborhood, God continues to lead us to unknown territory. Remember...what first appears to be failure may just be the beginning of the new surprises that God has in store for us and for all the people of God.

Your traveling companion,

Pastor Mary
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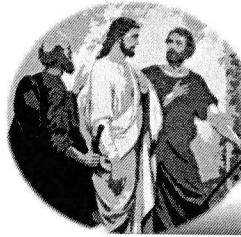
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Thanksgiving Meal
 - Gentle Worship
 - Youth Chill at
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To You Is Born in the City of David a Savior

On Monday, December 24, we gather to proclaim the coming of the light. Isaiah announces that the people who walked in darkness have seen a great light. Paul reminds us that the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all.

In the familiar account of Christ's birth, the evening sky is bright with the heavenly host singing, "Glory to God in the highest." Amid our broken world we proclaim that the prince of peace is born among us. God comes to us in human flesh--in Christ's body and blood - so

that we may be bearers of divine light to all the world.



At the 4:30 p.m. service, organist Joyce Kaiser and the Brass Nickel will lead us in Christmas music. There will be a children's time. The afternoon service ends with Holy Communion and the congregation singing "Silent Night" by candlelight.

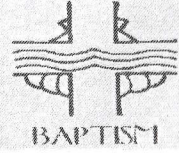
At 7:00 p.m., Pastor Jhon Freddy Correa will lead a Spanish language candle light service.

Join us for one or both of the December 24 worship services as we welcome the Prince of Peace!

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Pastoral Acts

<p>Baptisms: Nayeli Belen Ibarra Jesus Alberto Granado Noe Granado, Jr. November 3, 2012</p>	<p>Nayeli, Jesus and Noe are the children of Mayra Guzman and Noe Granado, Sr.</p> 
<p>Elliot Joseph Bonn November 24, 2012</p>	<p>Elliot is the son of Brad and Kally (Jansen) Bonn. His sponsors are Courtney Jansen, Nic Bonn and Tony Bonn.</p>
<p>Funerals: Diane Stanton Rode November 5, 2012</p>	<p>Diane ended her long and courageous battle with cancer on Saturday, October 27, 2012 at the age of 63. She and Art, her husband of 29 years, had retired to Florida in 2005. She enjoyed knitting, line dancing, painting class, quilting, travel and volunteering at the library. She is lovingly remembered by Art Rode and their children, Denise (Brian) Keller, Daniel (Wendy) Haas, Robert (Kara) Rode and Ryan Rode; nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.</p>
<p>Juan Ortiz Vallin November 21, 2012</p>	<p>Juan Ortiz Vallin died on November 15 at the age of 82.</p>

Please Remember Them in Your Prayers

We extend our condolences to Mark and Grace Falaschi on the passing of Mark's father, Frank Falaschi, on November 9. Mr. Falaschi, 89, was a member of St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church.



We also offer our prayers to Caren and Chris Lamberton upon the death of Caren's mother, Helmie "Mickie" Wosilait, on November 19. Mrs. Wosilait belonged to Holy Communion Lutheran Church.

Brass Nickel Contributions Welcome

To defray costs of having the Brass Nickel at our Christmas Eve worship service, we welcome any

and all contributions. Please earmark your gifts "Brass Nickel." Thank you!

Hanging of the Greens Planned December 2

Join with others of the Emmaus family after the 9:15 a.m. and noon worship services on Sunday, December 2, as the church is readied



for Christmas. Help decorate a tree, hang garland or put the nativity sets in place. All are welcome as we prepare for the celebration of Christmas.

Children Present 'Shepherds, Sheep and a Savior'

Back by popular demand: This fun musical was presented three years ago and was so well received; it was decided to do it again. Come and see! Sunday: December 16 at 10:00 a.m.

Story summary: on a hill just outside of Bethlehem, lowly shepherds were tending their sheep at night. They didn't get much company out there. Nobody really wanted to talk to shepherds except an angel. But God chose shepherds to be the first ones to



see the Savior. Remember the song "Shaggy, Stinky Sheep"?

Rehearsal for the program will be at 10:00 Saturday morning, December 15, at the church.

Mark Your Calendar

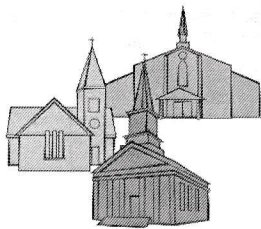


December 2 - 10:30 a.m. & 2:30 p.m. Hanging of the greens
December 10 - 10:00 a.m. Gift wrapping party
December 16 - 11:00 a.m. Children's Christmas pageant
December 24 - 4:30 p.m. Festival Christmas Eve Service with the Brass Nickel
December 30 - 9:15 a.m. Service of lessons and carols
December 31 - 5:00 p.m. New Year's Eve worship
Coming in January:
January 27 - Annual meeting of the congregation

Daubert Meets FaithWorks Leaders

Council members, ministry leaders and other motivated members are invited to share in a one-day retreat with other FaithWorks congregation members at the northwestern campus of Holy Communion Lutheran Church, 5040 Northwestern Avenue, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Saturday, December 1.

What vision do we see for this partnership? And what will we seek to accomplish in the coming year? Our partnership has shown great potential, so now we need the hearts and minds and voices of



Partnership

our people to give shape to a shared vision.

Our retreat leader is David Daubert. Dave brings his experiences as an agricultural engineer, nonprofit board member, parish pastor, and denominational executive to his work in faith-based organizational renewal.

Dave has published several books and articles, including *Seeing Through New Eyes*, *The Future Starts Now*, *Living Lutheran: Renewing Your Congregation*, and *Reclaiming the V Word: Renewing Life At Its Vocational Core*.

FaithWorks is on line at faithworksracine.wordpress.com

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English language services are held at Emmaus every Saturday evening at 5:00, and Sunday mornings at 9:15. Spanish language services are held at noon on Sundays; Our Lady of Guadalupe worship services will be at 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. December 12.

Christmas Eve worship services will be offered at 4:30 p.m. (English) and 7:00 p.m. (Spanish) on Saturday, December 24.

Emmaus office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday (closed December 25).

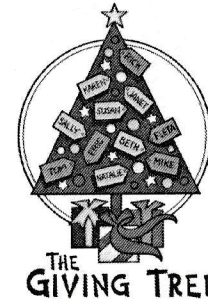
The VISITOR is published monthly September to July. The deadline for the January VISITOR is December 15. Submit articles to Paul Berge's attention by mail or by e-mail.

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Let Our Elves Do Your Giving Tree Shopping

There are now three giving trees in the narthex, all ready and waiting. We've made your shopping easier this year. Instead of having to go out and select a gift for a child you don't know, the EASY elves will do that for you. Our gifts this year will purchase educational books and games for our EASY kids.

To be a part of the giving, select an ornament from one of the trees. The ornaments are marked with dollar amounts of \$10, \$15, \$25 and \$50 dollars each. You may donate any amount you wish, just select ornaments that match that



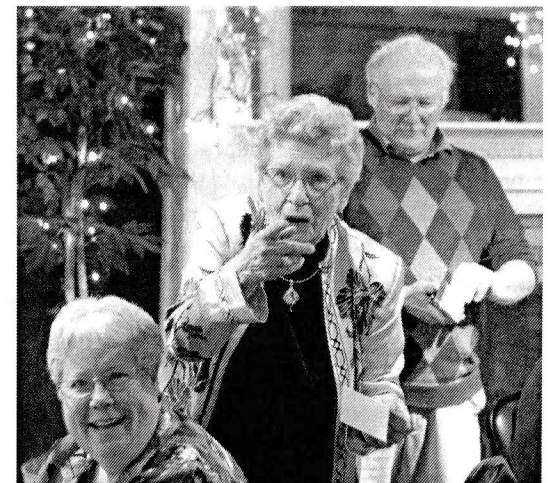
dollar amount. Donations can be in cash, by check or by giving book seller gift cards. Checks can be made out to Emmaus, designating the Giving Tree on the memo. Use the envelope attached to the ornament to return your donation to the church. You may put it in the offering plate, bring it to the office or give it to Nancy Smith. Please return your giving tree gifts no later than 10:00 a.m. Sunday, December 9.

On Monday, December 10, the knitting and sewing ladies along with all other willing volunteers will wrap the gifts. A holiday lunch will follow. Thanks to all of you at Emmaus, our giving tree is a success!

Wine Tasting Fundraiser is a Success

The November 1 fundraiser, featuring samples of wine, beer and an array of amazing appetizers and raffle/silent auction items, was enjoyed by approximately 50 people. Several who attended the event commented, "We should do this again next year; it was a lot of fun!"

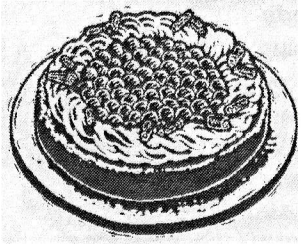
Total net earnings for the fundraiser were \$1,817.16, which includes a \$500 matching grant from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans.



Tamales, Pumpkin Pies Offered for Sale

Edi and Eva, participants in the Wednesday evening English Conversation group, are taking orders for tamales, Danish tamales (less spicy) and pumpkin pies prepared from fresh pumpkin. The funds raised will enable them to contribute to gifts for needy persons in Mexico.

They are asking \$5.00 for the pies and \$5.00 for 6 tamales. All profits will be donated to the



Christmas Project, so additional contributions would be welcome.

Edi and Eva have provided samples of both the pies and the Danish tamales: both are delicious. Orders may be placed with Edi (664-1061) or Eva (945-6277). Please support them in this effort.

Thanksgiving Shared at Festival Hall

The third annual Thanksgiving feast was shared by 1,700 people at Festival Hall. Included among those who savored a full Thanksgiving dinner were both Emmaus pastors and approximately 40 additional Emmaus members, friends and family.



community friends sharing a meal or volunteering for the event.

Emmaus members sponsored a total of six tables for this year's Danny and Ray's Rendering Thanks event.

Emmaus to Serve Community Meal

It's Emmaus' turn to provide food for the December 6 Community Meal at St. Patrick's Church. Won't you sign up to provide a casserole, cake or jello?

The pans and covers are in the cupboard in the kitchen off the Sunset Room. Thank you for your continued support of this program.

Congregation to Consider Refinancing, Capital Improvements

Mark your calendars for the annual meeting of Emmaus, to be held January 27 at 10:45 a.m. Agenda items will include FaithWorks, refinancing of our current loan, and



suggestions for capital improvements, including the possibility of air conditioning and updating the sanctuary and narthex area.

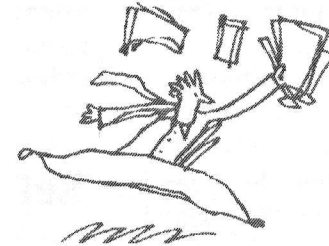
Annual Reports Are Due in January

Christmas is coming, and with it visions of church council members and organizations preparing their annual reports to the congregation.

In order to present the full report to the congregation a week before the January 27 annual meeting, the office would like reports turned in by January

14. Reports may be submitted on paper, on computer disk, or by e-mail.

If you submit a report by e-mail, it works best to have the report in the text of the e-mail in case there is any difficulty opening the report as an attached file.



Lighting Repairs and Updates Are Slated

Following a walk-through of Emmaus and the alley area, Sandy Strini and an electrician have established a priority list of projects that will be completed in the coming months. The first priority will be to get all the alley lighting up and running again.

Also at the top of the list are replacement of some of the exit

lights and installation of motion sensor lights in the restrooms and the upstairs hallways. Initial funding for the project will come from savings set aside from earlier gifts designated for lighting. Additional gifts for lighting updates

may be designated "gift of light."



Emaús Gives to Tanzania, Mexico Efforts

Creating the name from two Spanish words – “Navidad,” which means Christmas, and “Dar,” which means to give—the Latino congregation of Emaús has been working hard to make “Navi-Dar” (Christmas giving) even bigger than last year’s Christmas giving.

The recipients of this year’s cash gifts are people from both Africa and in Mexico who are in dire need. A gift was sent with Pastors Sue and Chuck Ruehle when they made a recent trip to the Meru Diocese of Tanzania, a sister synod of the Greater Milwaukee Synod. The \$1,000 gift from the Emaús community will help women in that area of Tanzania to fund cottage industries that will help support their families.

The goal is to send an additional \$3,000 to families in Mexico to help them buy farm animals, begin small business enterprises and to help create sustainable incomes for families in need. The proceeds from the sales of pies and tamales made by Edi and Eva are going to their hometown where there are a number of women who have been abandoned and are struggling to feed themselves and their children. Children of Emaús are selling candy, and there are other efforts to earn money to be shared with a

goal of sustainability among those in need.

Pastor Jhon Freddy has moving videos of those who received help this past year, and there will be further documentation shared following this year’s gift giving. Anyone wishing to make a donation to the gift giving project may do so by making the gift payable to Emmaus with “Navi-Dar” noted on the memo line. If you would like to make the gift in honor of a loved one for Christmas, please indicate that information at the time the gift is made.



Remember Shut-ins at Christmas

Please remember our shut-in members at Christmas time. They appreciate cards, letters, and visits.

Some recent address changes:

- * Marty Andersen, 1700 C. A. Becker Drive, Racine WI 53406
- * Bernice Holding, Bohlman’s Assisted Living, 401 Center St., Birnamwood WI 54414.
- * Evelyn Larsen, St. Monica’s, 3920 N. Green Bay Rd., Racine WI 53404.
- * Arvilla Nemer, 816 Porter Ave., Eau Claire WI 54701.
- * Mildred Schroth, FDL Lutheran Home, 244 N. Macy St., Fond du Lac WI 54935.

Thank You, Loren Larsen

Drivers who use the alley behind the church will have noticed the new blacktop at the entrance from Yout Street. The patch covers several large and deep potholes.

As reported in the May *Visitor*, the City of Racine held a hearing on a Department of Public Works proposal to reconstruct our alley in the summer of 2013. Loren Larsen and Art Smith attended the meeting, at which two of our

neighbors spoke in opposition to the proposal.

Since then, the potholes had only gotten worse, so Loren Larsen arranged for a private company to come on November 9 to spread blacktop from the Yout Street sidewalk to the north end of our parking area.

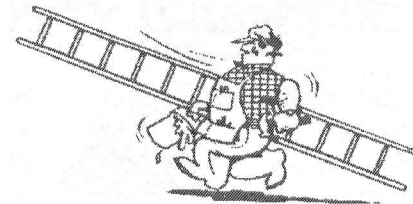
Funding for the \$1,700 project came from capital reserves and undesignated memorial money given in memory of Larry Estep.

Paint Job to Continue Kitchen Renovation

Thanks to a generous donation, the downstairs kitchen, walls and cupboards will get a fresh coat of paint this winter.

Painting is

scheduled to begin on December 26 and should wrap up by January 5. We will not have the use of the Fellowship Hall kitchen during that time.

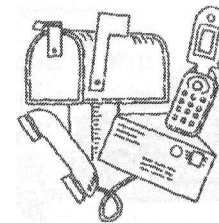


Phone System to Be Replaced

The antiquated phone system of Emmaus no longer is able to access technical support, and there is no longer replacement equipment available when something breaks down. Because of the sporadic functioning of our current phones, it is now

necessary to seek alternatives to our current equipment.

Under the direction of Pastor Mary, the council has authorized a task force to work with her in identifying the replacement equipment and service. Working with Pastor Mary on the project will be Paul Berge, Rich Benson, Art Smith and Liliana Moncada.



Chinese Acrobats Amaze at Theatre Guild

The Racine Theatre Guild Children's Theater sponsored multiple performances of the Oriental Acrobats the weekend of November 16. Treated by Nancy and Art Smith, 42 EASY participants and staff were invited to enjoy the Friday afternoon sold-out theater performance of the talented acrobats. Everything from balancing acts to the Changing



Faces routine to spinning plates had the kids mesmerized during the forty-five minute performance.

December Youth Birthdays

- Dec. 1 Aaliya Arroyo, 4
- Dec. 3 Julian Salcedo, 10
- Dec. 6 Clarissa Hansen, 5
- Dec. 7 Alejandro Medina, 8
- Dec. 10 Angel Gutierrez, 3
- Dec. 11 LaKenya Lopez, 11
- Dec. 15 Joshua Huitron, 2
- Dec. 15 Queanna Castulo, 15
- Dec. 21 Ashlynn Meteyard, 10
- Dec. 30 Alex Villalobos 15

Socks Mean Dry Feet

Wadewitz, our neighborhood school, is asking our help in supplying socks for kids. Many students arrive on rainy and snowy days without waterproof gear; thus, many feet are cold and



wet. The social worker has put in a plea for socks. Please place socks in the marked basket in the narthex. Thanks!

Have You Done Your Christmas Shopping Yet?

A variety of Scrip gift cards are available for sale after Saturday and Sunday worship services. These make great holiday gifts, and we now have free gift card enclosures for your use.

If you don't see what you need, please ask; we can

often order additional gift certificates by the following weekend.

The last order before Christmas will be made on Monday, December 17. If you have questions or special requests, please contact Cathy Meyer at 321-0050.



Keenagers in December



Keenagers, our social group for the young at heart, will meet again on Tuesday, December 18.

Please come and join us in the Sunset Room for coffee and conversation at 10:00, program at 10:30, and a delicious meal at noon.

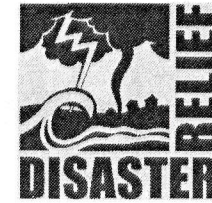
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| Dec. 12 Barb Larsen | 4202 Erie Street | 53402 |
| Dec. 19 Shirley Velzka | 6720 Mariner Drive, #104 | 53406 |
| Dec. 23 Lael Richter | 1724 Polaris Avenue | 53404 |

ELCA Responds to Hurricane Sandy

During the last week in October, Hurricane Sandy swept through the Caribbean and northeastern United States, bringing heavy rain and winds which led to widespread flooding and downed trees. Millions have been without power and many people had to evacuate from their homes. Deaths attributed to the storm number 113 in the U.S. with another 80 throughout the Caribbean.

The ELCA is working both here at home and with international companions to meet the immediate needs of those affected as well as working to plan for long-term recovery. Thanks to generous gifts of ELCA members, over \$350,000 for our disaster response work has been given since October 31. With these gifts



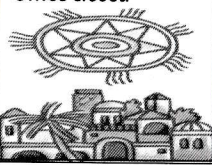



we will be able to continue to support the efforts of companions in the Caribbean and our affiliates here at home. Also, through the generous gifts of time and resources we will be helping provide volunteers to meet the needs of our domestic response and continued recovery.

Northeastern US

Local affiliates and synods have been in conversation with congregations throughout the affected area helping to coordinate resources and assess damages. Due to some areas being still off-limits and downed communications, there are still some areas which have not been reached. As of November 9, at least 16 congregations have been identified as damaged by the storm.

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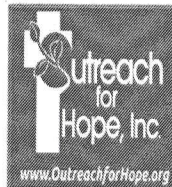
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<p>2 1ST SUNDAY IN ADVENT 9:15 am Worship service w/Holy Communion (English) 10:30 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Hanging of the greens 12:00 n Santa misa (español) 12:30 pm Kids' Camp (bilingual) 2:30 pm Hanging of the greens</p>	<p>3 <i>Poinsettia orders due</i> 10:00 am Knit 1, Purl 1 3:00 pm EASY 5:30 pm Music lessons</p>	<p>4 3:00 pm EASY 5:00 pm TOPS 6:00 pm GED class</p>	<p>5 3:00 pm EASY 5:30 pm Supper 5:30 pm Clases (español) 6:15 pm Kids: Religious Ed.; Adults: English class</p>	<p>6 ST. NICHOLAS 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 3:00 pm EASY 5:00 pm Community Meal at St. Pat's 6:00 pm GED class 6:00 pm Ensayo de coro (español)</p>	<p>7 PEARL HARBOR DAY</p>	<p>1 WORLD AIDS DAY 8:30 am FaithWorks leadership retreat 5:00 pm Worship service</p> <p>8 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion (English) 6:00 pm Santa misa con el rito de la Confirmación (español)</p>
<i>Pastor Mary's week off</i>						
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<p>16 3RD SUNDAY IN ADVENT; LAS POSADAS 9:15 am Worship service w/Holy Communion (English) 10:00 am Children's pageant 12:00 n Santa misa (español) 12:30 pm Kids' Camp (bilingual)</p>	<p>17 <i>Jan. Visitor articles due in office</i></p>	<p>18 10:00 am Keenagers 5:00 pm TOPS 6:00 pm GED class 6:30 pm Church council</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20 DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE IN MIDDLE EAST 11:00 am Weekend bulletin deadline 6:00 pm Ensayo de coro</p>	<p>21 ST. THOMAS 11:00 am Dec. 24 bulletin deadline</p>	<p>22 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion (English)</p>
<p>23 4TH SUNDAY IN ADVENT 9:15 am Worship service w/Holy Communion (English) 10:30 Coffee & fellowship 12:00 n Santa misa (español) 1:45 pm Kids' fiesta</p>	<p>24 4:30 pm Candle light service with Holy Communion (English) 7:00 pm Misa Navideña with Holy Communion (español)</p>	<p>25 CHRISTMAS <i>Office closed</i></p> 	<p>26 ST. STEPHEN; KWANZAA 9:30 am Baptismal service Kitchen painting project begins Pastor Mary on vacation Dec. 26-Jan. 4</p>	<p>27 ST. JOHN 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 4:00 pm BENNU legal appointments</p>		<p>29 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion (English)</p>
<p>30 1ST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS 9:15 am Service of Lessons and Carols w/Holy Communion (English) 10:30 Coffee & fellowship 12:00 n Santa misa (español) 12:30 pm Kids' Camp (bilingual)</p>	<p>31 NEW YEAR'S EVE 12:00 noon 2012 offering deadline (for IRS purposes)</p>	<p>Jan. 1 NAME OF OUR LORD <i>Office closed</i></p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3 11:00 am Bulletin deadline 6:00 pm Ensayo de coro</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5 TWELFTH NIGHT 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion (English)</p>

December Worship Leaders

	Altar Guild	Communion Assts.	Readers	Ushers
Sat. Dec. 1 5:00 pm	Cheryl Dexter Shirley Irvine	-	-	-
Sun. Dec. 2 9:15 am	Bev Hansen Audrey Villalobos	Cindi Larsen	Sandy Strini	Team 5 M. Porcaro
Sat. Dec. 8 5:00 pm	Judy Berndt Linda Meteyard	-	-	-
Sun. Dec. 9 9:15 am	Barb Larsen Pat Jensen	Diane Melander Chris Lamberton	Carol Eschmann	Team 1
Sat. Dec. 15 5:00 pm	Cathy Meyer Linda Clinton	-	-	-
Sun. Dec. 16 9:15 am	Grace Falaschi	Shirley Velzka	Nancy Smith	Team 2 R. Christensen
Sat. Dec. 22 5:00 pm	Brian & Denise Keller	-	-	-
Sun. Dec. 23 9:15 am	Kathy Christensen Marlyn Christensen	Kathy Christensen Nancy Smith	Celia Bagley	Team 5 M. Porcaro
Mon. Dec. 24 4:30 pm	Pat Jensen	Joy Lippmann, Ron & Pat Jensen	-	Team 4 Wm. Meteyard
Sat. Dec. 29 5:00 pm	Marge & Amy Zielke	-	-	-
Sun. Dec. 30 9:15 am	Caren Lamberton	Karen Sedgwick	Chris Lamberton	Team 3

Outreach for Hope Announces 2013 Grants

Outreach for Hope, an arm of the Greater Milwaukee Synod that has as its focus ministries that walk with the poor, has announced the area ministries to receive special grant funding for the coming year. The outreach ministries of Emmaus, including EASY, Wednesday night programming and programming for the Latino community, have



received a grant in the amount of \$34,000 for the coming year.

In addition, Racine ELCA Neighborhood Camp will receive \$17,000 in grant monies from Outreach for Hope to be used in the coming season.

To learn more about Outreach for Hope, or to donate directly, check out their website at: ofh.milwaukee-synod.org

We Fulfill Synod Benevolence Commitment

The \$11,000 annual benevolence commitment to the Greater Milwaukee Synod of the ELCA has been met ahead of time! When there was an unexpected large offering several weeks ago, it was possible to repay internal loans as well as to fulfill the remaining balance of our annual benevolence gift. This gift is used to help fund our synod office and staff, national ELCA church office, and the many ministries of the ELCA, including ELCA seminaries, funding for new and

redeveloping congregations, and foreign missions.

Because the salary of Pastor Jhon Freddy is currently paid by the national ELCA as a part of a new start ministry in the Latino community, we of Emmaus/ Emaús are the fortunate recipients of what other ELCA congregations also share in their benevolence giving!



Crunching the Numbers

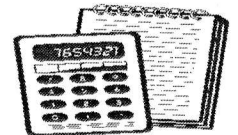
Weekly worship attendance averages (calculated as of Nov. 25, 2012)

	2010				2011				2012			
	Sat	Sun	Dom	Wed	Sat	Sun	Dom	Wed	Sat	Sun	Dom	
Oct	10	64	149	73	15	55	184	59	12	52	142	
Nov	14	65	210	81	15	59	170	57	21	51	201	
Dec	12	90	126	63	13	57	148	n/a				
All Saints' Day				128					143			
Thanksgiving Eve				94					36			
Adviento			108+364+182						78+376			
Xmas Eve		130		86		125		89				

Financial Figures

Total for month Year to date
General Fund offerings received in Oct. '12: \$ 19,976.60 \$125,414.85

Mortgage retirement offerings received in Oct. '12: \$140.00 Campaign TD: \$71,452.62
Mortgage payments in Oct., Nov., '12: Principal \$1,644.61
Interest..... \$339.39
Extra principal..... \$0.00
Total..... \$1,984.00
Principal balance as of November 14, 2012: \$32,973.38



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		<input type="checkbox"/> Outreach \$ _____	
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	I authorize the above church to charge my credit card in accordance with the information above.		
Signature (as it appears on the credit card): _____		Date: _____	

WELCA Bulletins

Women Have Christmas Party

The women's Christmas gathering and cookie pack is 1:30 p.m. on December 12 in the Sunset Room. Please bring two dozen or more cookies to share with a shut-in and a Christmas memory, story, etc. to share (if you so desire).

All women of the

congregation are invited. We hope you can come, but if you are unable to attend, you can still donate homemade cookies by leaving them in the kitchenette December 9 or 10—be sure to mark what they're for!



Give a Gift of Cutlery

By Diane Melander

Simplify your shopping this year. Look for your gifts during coffee hour.

Quality reasonably priced cutlery is offered for sale every Sunday. You may have a catalogue to take home and order online for delivery to your door, or you may purchase from the variety of quality products we keep on hand.

In either case, all of these products are made in the U.S.A., and have a lifetime warranty. Now is the time to check them out.

If you want more information, or desire a catalogue or wish to place an order, please feel free to contact Diane Melander at ironoreflicka@mac.com or 412-2070.

Bible Readings in December

December 2 Jeremiah 33:14-16; Psalm 25:1-10; 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13; Luke 21:25-36

December 9 Malachi 3:1-4; Luke 1:68-79; Philippians 1:3-11; Luke 3:1-14 or 20

December 16 Zephaniah 3:14-20; Isaiah 12:2-6; Philippians 4:4-7; Luke 3:7-18

December 23 Micah 5:2-5a; Psalm 80:1-7 or Luke 1:46b-55; Hebrews 10:5-10; Luke 1:39-45 or 55

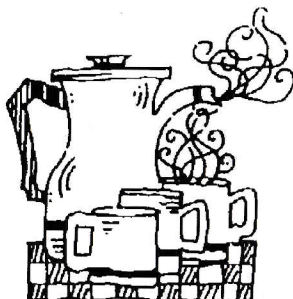
December 24 Isaiah 9:9:2-7; Psalm 96; Titus 2:11-14; Luke 2:1-14 or 20.

December 30 1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26; Psalm 148; Colossians 3:12-17; Luke 2:41-52

Mt. Meru Coffee Makes a Great Gift

by Diane Melander

The holidays are just around the corner. Are you in need of the perfect hostess gift? If you enjoy the fair trade coffee served during coffee hour, you will love giving the fair trade gift box of coffee. Each gift box contains six two-ounce packages of coffee.



There is one package of regular, one of decaffeinated, one each of four flavors: French vanilla, butter pecan, hazelnut and chocolate raspberry. These are all packaged in an attractive gift box which sells for just \$18.

If you're looking for more coffee than a Gift Box Sampler pack, we have regular fair trade coffee. It is available in regular, decaffeinated and whole bean varieties. All four flavors, French vanilla, butter pecan, hazelnut and chocolate raspberry come in 12-ounce packages of regular or decaffeinated coffee for \$10 per 12 ounce bag of coffee.

For coffee lovers, the regular and decaffeinated coffee is packaged in four pound bags of whole bean or ground coffee at \$45 per 4-pound bag of gourmet coffee.

Are you someone who loves to

do it yourself? If you are, the four-pound variety is available in green beans, ready for roasting. These unroasted beans are \$40 per four-pound bag. Some people love to roast their own beans in their back yard barbeque and share that heavenly coffee aroma with their neighbors.

All coffee items are sold in the Sunset room during coffee hour after church. If you would like to place a special order, or have an order form sent or e-mailed to you, please contact Diane Melander at: ironoreflicka@mac.com or call 412-2070.

The coffee project is sponsored by the Greater Milwaukee Synod. Our support of this program assists farmers in Tanzania to make a fair wage for their family as well as help their community. To read more about the coffee project you can find the entire story at: www.mtmerucoffee.org

Memorials

Non-designated memorials:

In memory of Diane Rode:
\$165.00

In memory of Frank Falaschi:
\$50.00

Disaster Relief

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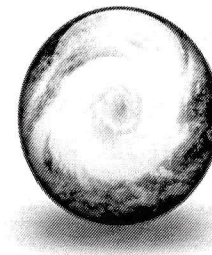
As soon as the storm had passed, ELCA congregations were already opening their doors to offer shelter, food and communication services. Trinity Lower East Side in Manhattan, N.Y., lost all of the stock in their food pantry due to Sandy, but by early November was able to coordinate with partners to get it refilled to again serve their community in need. As affiliates begin the process of recovery, ELCA Disaster Response will be there to make sure needs are met.

The Caribbean

In 2012 The Lutheran World Federation set up three Emergency Response Hubs in areas of the world prone to disasters, to help pre-position resources and staffing. One of those was in San Salvador, El Salvador, and was meant to meet the needs of Central America and the Caribbean. The ELCA has been a major funder and supporter committing \$250,000. This is now paying dividends as four staff from this hub are being deployed to help the Cuban Council of Churches to coordinate their response efforts.

The ELCA has committed \$11,021 to help with this coordination. The initial response has involved the council activating

its Emergency Committee and providing relief to 360 families through food security, water and sanitation activities. The committee is also planning to support 1,000 families with psychosocial activities, shelter, roof reconstruction and livelihood restoration.



The focus of the ELCA's efforts in

Haiti is on cholera response and prevention. This work is being done with our companion the Lutheran Church in Haiti. The ELCA has had a leading role in this area since the devastating earthquake of 2010. Continuing an earlier program to combat cholera, the ELCA has committed \$26,412 to help redouble this work through the current upsurge in cholera cases.

The ELCA has opened a designated account (Hurricane Sandy) to receive gifts for response. Contributions to this appeal can be made in the following ways:

- * Give by phone at 800-638-3522
- * Donate online at: www.ELCA.org/disaster
- * Send checks to: ELCA Disaster Response, 39330 Treasury Center, Chicago, IL 60694-9300; Memo: Hurricane Sandy



Emmanuel must soon place our order for poinsettias to decorate the sanctuary at Christmas this year. If you didn't get your order in before December 3, please place your order today.

My/our name/s:

Please reserve _____ poinsettias at \$12.00 each
 (# _____ red # _____ white # _____ pink)

As a MEMORIAL for

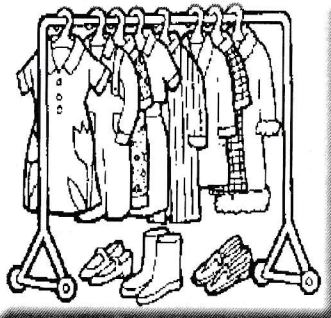
and/or to HONOR

Deadline to order and make payment is December 3, 2012. Please place your order in the offering plate or leave it in the church office mailbox. Please make checks payable to Emmaus Lutheran Church and designate that it is for your poinsettia order.

- I will pick up my poinsettia after the late service Dec. 24. Please give my poinsettia to a shut-in.
- I would like to deliver poinsettias to shut-ins.
- Office use: Pmt: Order list: Bulletin:

Clothing Ministry Seeks Donations

"Thread by Thread" is reaching out to churches, other organizations, and families for donations of clothes. Their bins are empty for infants', children's, and men's clothes, yet their clientele keeps growing.



With the cold weather here, people are in more need than ever. Thread By Thread is located at 4120 Wright Ave., Racine inside Bethania Lutheran Church.

Year's End Brings Deadlines

Articles for the January *Visitor* need to be in the church office or e-mail by December 17.

As far as the IRS is concerned, the deadline for getting your 2012 offerings to church is Monday, December 31. If you bring your donation here in person, you will need to see Paul Berge before noon that day; we will, however, credit any offerings bearing a December 31 postmark as having been given in 2012.

On the other hand, there is no deadline for asking a contribution to be applied to your 2012 pledge. You may also make early contributions toward your 2013 pledge. Just make a notation on your offering envelope to let us know which pledge to apply your offering to.

2012 giving statements will be mailed in early January to all members who have made an offering of record during the year.

Environmental Stewardship

Reduce Heat Loss from Windows

by John Berge

Unless we have a sudden warm spell (which is not impossible in Wisconsin) it is probably too late to get out, check and replace any loose caulking around your windows and doors.

Replacing old windows with new double- or triple-glazed insulating windows can be expensive and, at this time of year, temporarily drafty. They will pay for themselves in the long run.

But there is something you can do to cut down the tremendous heat loss through most older

windows that is immediate, inexpensive, effective and within the skills of most of us. That is the plastic shrink-wrap for windows and French doors not used in the winter that is available at most hardware and big box stores for a relatively low price.



The plastic film is trimmed to size, attached all around each window with double-sided sticky tape and then shrunk in place with a hair dryer to remove all the wrinkles. The film can be placed on the inside of the windows or between the inner window and the storm to give almost the heat-saving ability

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Drafty Windows

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of triple-glazed windows. When done well, they are almost invisible.

In addition, one should pull the shades and/or the drapes when the sun goes down and don't open them until the sun comes up in the morning.

Such individual efforts may

not have a major effect on global climate change, but it will save both energy and money for your household. If enough people make these individual efforts of good environmental stewardship, it can have an effect on carbon dioxide emissions and thus on global climate change.

Elsewhere in Our Area

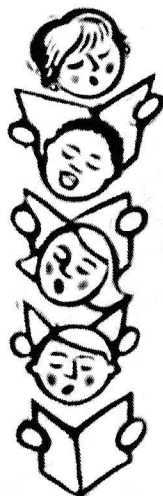
Christmas Concerts Abound

Admission is free, but you need to have called 262-551-5810 by November 30 for reservations to "A Carthage Christmas," 7:30 p.m. November 30 and December 1, and 4:00 p.m. December 2 at Carthage College's Siebert Chapel.

The Kenosha Chamber Choir presents "Notes on Hope & Peace" at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, 5900 7th Avenue, Kenosha, at 3:00 p.m. December 2. Admission is free.

Fine Arts at First presents a community sing-along of Handel's Messiah, directed by Gregory Berg, at First United Methodist Church, 60th Street and Sheridan Road in Kenosha, Sunday, December 9 at 6:00 p.m. Admission is free.

Incarnation Lutheran Church, 1510 W. Keefe Avenue, Milwaukee, presents their annual



Advent / Christmas Concert, Sunday, December 2 at 2:00 p.m., featuring James Stoebe - Organist, Susan Platt - Soprano, and Dennis Wolfgang - Accompanist. Refreshments to follow. Free will offering to benefit their pipe organ restoration fund.

The Lutheran A Cappella Choir will present two Christmas concerts: at 7:30 p.m. Friday, December 7 at

Grace Lutheran Church in Menomonee Falls, and 3:00 p.m. Sunday, December 9 at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church in Wauwatosa. The concerts feature John Rutter's "Gloria" with brass, percussion and organ. Tickets are \$15.00, or \$12.00 for students and seniors.

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Pastor Mary's Column

Anticipation

Looking ahead, anticipating what's coming...there is an air of expectation among many at this time of the year. Granted, that expectation and anticipation is easiest for the little ones. I think about two-year-old Mateo who won't let go of the catalog from the local toy store. He even sleeps with it! He points to those dream toys, and he's hoping and expecting that Mommy, Poppy, and "Abuelita" (that's my handle—grandma) will come through. Granted, he may not get everything on his wish list. After all, Mommy, Poppy and Abuelita realize that it's not all about only his desires. Oh, yes, we will lavish him with gifts. But some of them may not be in the catalog, and many will not be of the variety "Made in China."

What we want and what we need. So often they are so far from each other. We, fortunately, worship a God who knows exactly what Kingdom children need. We need someone to walk with us, to love us, to give us the promise of an abundant life. We need not only to be served, but to serve. We need hope. We need to be fed and to be filled. We need a God who is willing to be vulnerable and to come in the form of a child who

himself needs care from those around him.

Today I find my inner being fluttering a bit with anticipation. How will this wise God, who knows who we are and who desires a full life for ALL creation, be moving among us of the FaithWorks congregations? How can we expect, during this Advent season, to experience new life kicking within us, waiting to be born? How is God both the Creator and the Midwife in our lives?

Just as the gift of unconditional love and the gift of a nurturing environment are there so that Mateo can become all he was created to be, so it must be for us bigger people, too. So it must be for our children, our grandchildren, and for us bigger people, too. God gives us all we need. It's now our responsibility and call to lovingly use and share those gifts so that all in the family of faith (and beyond) might thrive and know God's love in Jesus. Expect God to work miracles! Expect new life to be born!

With Advent anticipation,

Pastor Mary



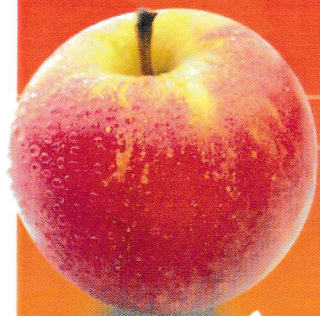
IN THE DECEMBER VISITOR:

- * *Christmas Eve Services*
 - * *Children's Christmas Program Dec. 16*
 - * *FaithWorks Retreat*
 - * *The Giving Tree*
 - * *Tamales & Pumpkin Pies for Sale*
 - * *Plans for Meeting of Congregation*
 - * *"Navidar" Gifts*
 - * *Alley Lighting, Kitchen Painting Projects*
 - * *Socks for Wadewitz*
 - * *Superstorm Sandy*
 - * *Benevolence Update*
 - * *Women's Cookie Pack*
 - * *Anticipation*
- ...and much more*

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Camina contigo!

El calendario de Actividades

- * Misa de Sanación
- * Paseo al RANCHO
- * Bendición de las catequistas de Emaus
- * Clase de Primera comunión
- * Cumpleaños
- * Consagración de Lectores
- * Desayunos con el Pr. Jhon
- * Clases G.E.D
- * Clases Ingles
- * Oportunidades para ser voluntario
- * Día de todos los Santos-difuntos
- * Confirmaciones Diciembre 8
- * Regístrate FACEBOOK y Textos
- * Cena Comunitaria con St. Patricio
- * Quien esta cocinando en Octubre?
- * Jóvenes a DORMIR en la calle
- * Retiro de las 5 iglesias
- * Proyecto NavIDAR
- * Reflexión: "Tenemos DEMASIADO"

Misa de Sanación
Domíngo
Octubre 14
6:00pm



Fiesta de los niños-

Octubre 28 10:30am-3pm

Testimonios

Por que DOY?

Yo doy porque: -

Dios bendice al que comparte, es el alimento de mi alma, mi espíritu (María Ch.). - Dios me ha bendecido demasiado (Fermín). - Me nace hacerlo y me siento... no se como explicarlo al 1000% (Maximino). - Dar es recibir (Soledad). - Porque Dios me da- yo comparto (Verónica). Me gusta dar con amor - me gusta compartir lo poco que tengo (Lupe). - Porque me nace del corazón

Como me siento en Emaus?

- **En Emaus me siento:** Soy una persona diferente y por primera vez siento que mi vida tiene sentido (Raúl). Tranquila- no me deprimen ya mis problemas (Luz Z.) - Mas Cerca de Dios (Verónica V.) - Dios nunca me abandonara (Lupe F.) Desahogada (Martha M.) Como en casa, útil, segura (Soledad). - que mi vida tiene sentido (Gina) - Feliz, agradecida (Gabriela). Todo cambio desde que voy a Emaus. He conocido muchos lugares y mucha gente gracias a Emaus (Joaquín). - en familia, siempre hay alguien que me apoya (Karen A.). - Muy satisfecho (Roberto) - -



Emaus recuerda a nuestros Santos

El Jueves PRIMERO DE NOVIEMBRE en Emaus recordaremos a todos nuestros santos Noviembre 1ro en una Santa celebracion a las 6:00pm.

Quieres sentir la union del cielo con la tierra?

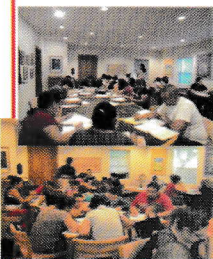
Ofrece un planta en memoria de ese ser querido!

Creemos el jardin del cielo en medio de nosotros!



OCTUBRE 17. A RECOGER PUMPKINS

Salida para la finca de Gordie and Dan Johnson a las 5:00pm. **Se necesitan carros con conductores.** Para mas detalles hablar con Nancy o Pr. Mary.



CLASES DE INGLES:

Todos los miercoles a las 6:00pm. Deseas cenar 5:30pm

CLASES DE G.E.D

Empezo la primera clase de Matematicas con 28 estudiantes, la segunda clase MATC esta en busca del professor y se espera empezarla en un par de semanas. Las clases se ofrecen todos los Martes y Jueves de 6-8pm.



MENU en Emaus en Octubre y Noviembre

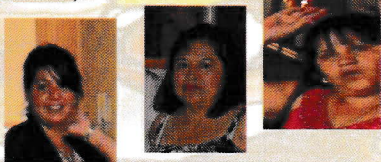
Oct. 7 Familia Calderon –
Oct 21

- Oct 28** TODOS de TRAJE (Traje frijoles, arroz..)
- Nov. 5** Familia Veronica
- Nov. 11** Familia Flores
- Nov. 18** Tu puedes estau parroquia te necesita
- Nov. 25** ???????



Bendición de nuestras CATEQUISTAS:

Erika Huarota, Trinidad Hernando, Magdalena Ledezma,



Bendición de Sagrada creación

Octubre 7
10:30-
11:00am



Alimentate espiritualmente de las reflexiones colocadas por el Pr. Jhon en Facebook. Busca



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El Festival de las 5 iglesias FE ES ACCION Fue un Éxito!

Retiro de LIDERES DE LAS 5 Iglesias- FE ES ACCIO será el Sábado Diciembre 1ro de 9-3pm

Ven y construye una nueva historia. Lo nunca antes visto en Racine, 5 iglesias trabajando para construir una mejor comunidad. Tu Parroquia te necesita el 1ro de Diciembre- respóndele a esta cita!

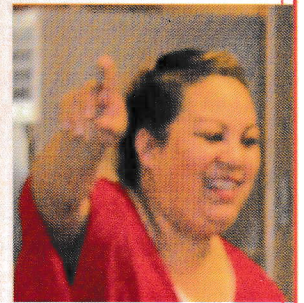


Proyecto de Mayordomia: “Dando a Dios con amor”

La biblia dice en **Malaquías 3:10**: “Traigan todos los diezmos al templo, para que haya suficiente comida en mi casa. Si lo hacen — dice el Señor de los Ejércitos Celestiales— **les abriré las ventanas de los cielos. ¡Derramaré una bendición tan grande que no tendrán suficiente espacio para guardarla! ¡Inténtenlo!**

¡Pónganme a prueba! Dice el Señor.

Te interesa ser mayordoma de Emaus – regístrate



con Balvina

Aparta tu día!

Retiro de Parejas: Noviembre 9-11 en Madison. Separa tu cupo! La medicina que necesita tu hogar!



Caja Comunitaria: Pan del cielo; abogados, consejería individual, parejas, familiar.

Lock-out JUVENIL.
JOVENES a DOREMIR UNA noche EN la Calle!



REFLEXION: "Tenemos DEMASIADO"

En lugar de preguntar y seguir hablando o mejor quejándonos de todo los problemas que tenemos o todo lo que moneda y vamos a PONER y así podremos resolver
Regístrate- se voluntario

nos hace falta. Vamos a voltear la en común TODO lo que tenemos muchas de las necesidades!
por una Hora al mes! **SI SE PUEDE!!**

Quieres HACER LA DEJAR UNA HUELLA.
PARA ser Voluntario llama o envia un text 414 881-1403

DIFERENCIA EN EL MUNDO-

Anuncia tu negocio aqui



Proyecto Navidar

Una te haz la diferencia!



"ando basuriando para comer"



Niños con un gran futuro! Pues tu y yo podemos brindárselo!

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Comprometidos con la comunidad!

Estas son fotos de personas reales que hemos ayudado en Mexico!



NAVIDAR:

Una te! A esta hermosa causa

envio de remesas a MEXICO

Nuestra meta en el 2012

Convertete en un padrino



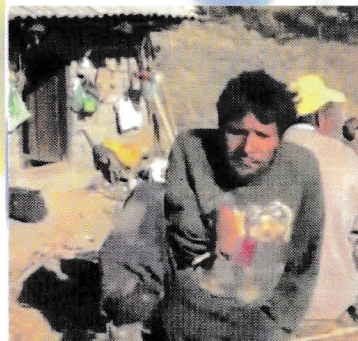
Tu puedes hacer la diferencia en la vida de algunas personas!

"Levantate y entra a la cancha a jugar, abandona la parasitaria tribuna"

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Estas son las casas donde duermen



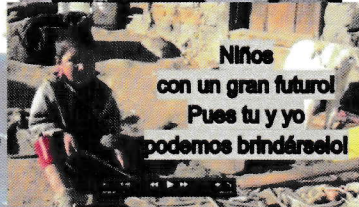
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NOVIEMBRE - DICIEMBRE 2012

HORARIOS DE OFICINA:
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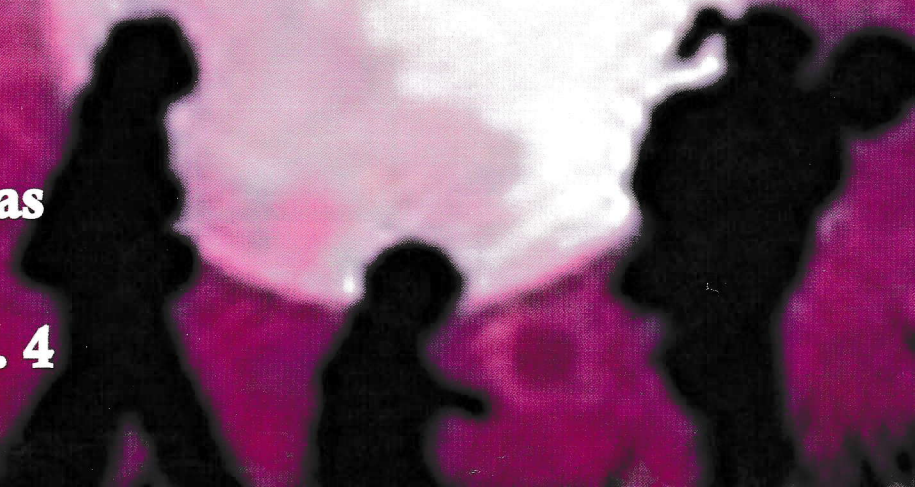
Apoya los 5 nuevos negocios en Mexico.

Dona \$100 para ayudar a estas personas!!!

Proyecto Navidar

Un e te haz la diferencia!

Horario de las novenas y posadas pag. 4

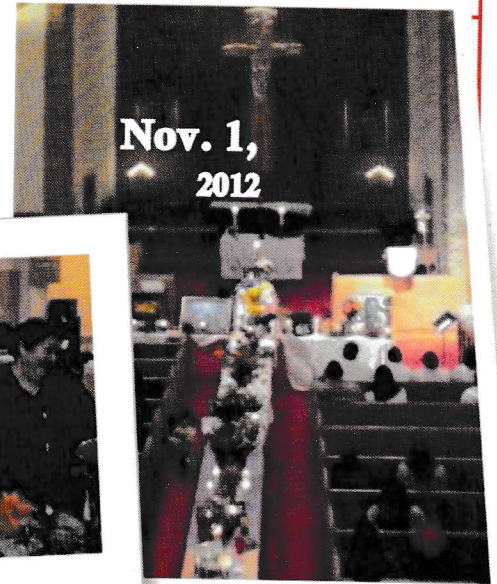


Emaus recuerda a nuestros Santos

El Jueves PRIMERO DE NOVIEMBRE en Emaus recordamos a todos nuestros santos en una Santa celebración donde recordamos los consejo de nuestros seres que ya disfrutaban de la eternidad con Dios.

Aprendimos a demostrar en vida, a no esperar a que fallezca una persona para decirle cuanto le amamos. Aprendimos a dar un abraza hoy, a decir te admire, eres mi héroe, te amo, eres genial sigue adelante. Yo hoy te quiero decir: "gracias a ti, hoy Emaus es lo que es. Es por ti que Emaus es una gran Familia!
Me siento muy orgullosos de trabajar con personas como tu!

EMAUS ERES TU!



GRACIAS POR DELEITARNOS CON SUS ESQUICITOS PLATILLOS

Familias: Calderón -Verónica - Flores



Gracias a :

MARTHA L., Trini S., Flia. Luna, Adriana, Evangelina M, Alejandra R, Antonia M.

Por traer **ALEGRÍA A TANTOS NIÑOS!**

Gracias a Todos los que hicieron posible la súper fiesta donde cientos de niños y adultos disfrutamos con música, juegos, comida, dulces, piñatas y mucho mas!
Gracias a TI esto fue posible!!

NOV. 18 Bendición de nuestras CATEQUISTAS:

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Retiro de las 5 iglesias FE es ACCION

**Dic. 1 de 8:30-3:00. Tu parroquia te necesita –
comprométete!!**

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Palabras del Pr. Jhon Freddy Correa

Sentado en mi oficina escribiendo estas líneas escuchaba el yanto de una esposa, de una madre, de una amiga. Me preguntaba; que podre decirle, como podre consolarla? Solo las palabras de Jesús llegaban a mi corazón: **“yo estaré con ustedes hasta el fin del mundo (Mateo 28:19).”** En Diciembre nos preparamos para caminar, con una mujer humilde y sencilla, una virgen llamada María. Mientras escuchaba el yanto de varias mujeres, me preguntaba; que le diría Juan a María al lado de la cruz aquella tarde? A lo mejor le recordaría esas promesas de su hijo: **Yo estaré contigo hasta el fin del mundo.** En Diciembre caminaremos en sus novenas, procesiones, el 12 de Diciembre muchos templos se llenaran. Me pregunto si el 24 de Diciembre la dejaremos dando a luz a solas. La abandonaremos en aquel momento donde una mujer mas nos necesita? Si? En el momento donde se sienten mas débiles y frágiles. En ese precioso momento donde ella quiere compartir con nosotros la alegría de recibir a ese hijo, a ese nuevo ser que transformara el mundo. Estarán estas esposas que lloran la perdida de sus esposos, hijos, y familiares solas? Se quedaran estas mujeres solas en la vida? Les daremos la espalda a aquellos indefensos, débiles cuando mas lo necesitan?



Deseas leer la palabra de Dios?

Communicate con Amelia 822 6525
o con Leticia 902 0477

Quiero recordarte a TI que EL ESTARA CONTIGO HASTA EL FIN DEL MUNDO ASI EL MUNDO ENTERO TE ABANDONE sus promesas no pasaran!

Proyecto de Mayordomía: “Dando a Dios con amor”

GRACIAS a los LIDERES de Mayordomía!,

Gracias a los que han dicho si!
Estamos construyendo una mejor comunidad!
Únete! A ser parte de lo que Dios esta haciendo en nuestra comunidad!



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CLASES DE INGLES:

los miércoles a las 6:00pm. Deseas cenar? 5:30pm

CLASES DE G.E.D: SUPERANDONOS!!! DOS CLASES! YA ESTAN CORREINDO PARA TI!

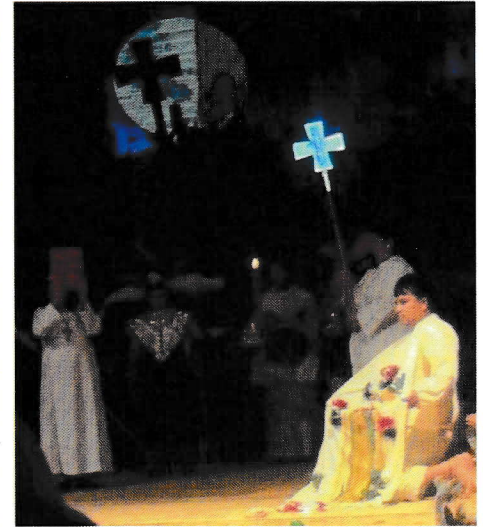
todos los Martes y Jueves de 6-8pm.

VEN Todos

Acompañemos a la sagrada Familia: La virgen María, San José y Jesús durante todo el tiempo. No solo es 12 de Diciembre, no solo las novenas o posadas. Dios quiere que le sigamos fielmente!!

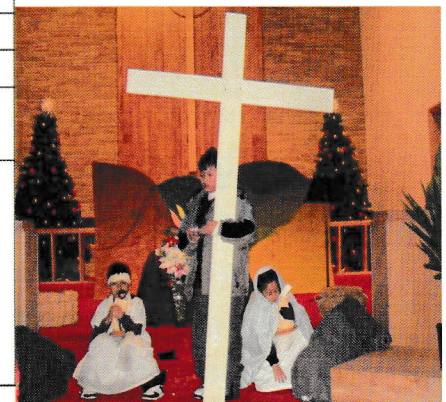
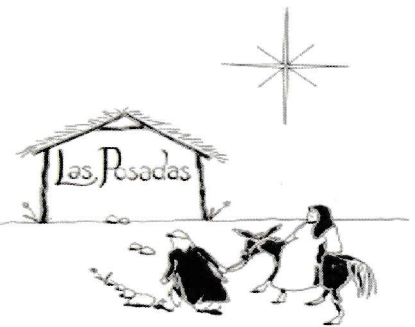
Novenas

Dia	Familia	Direccion	Telefono
4	Alex y Francisca	2330 Meachem St	930 5837
5	Gina y Angelica	5107 Byrd Av. Apt #104	902 0608
6	Eva y Edi	2816 Wright Av.	664 1061
7	Soledad B		721 6281
8	Misa en Emaus	Parroquia Emaus (ELCA) 6:00pm	
9	Lupe Domingo	914 Jackson St	989 1842
10	Noemi Lunes	1124 Irving	672 7497
11	Jenny H.	2219 Hayes Av.	995 4107
12	Musica – Mañanitas 12:00 de la noche del 11 a amanecer el 12 de Dic. Misa: 11:00am Misa 6:pm	Parroquia Emaus (ELCA)	634 5515



Posadas 6:00pm

Dia	Familia	Direccion	Telefono
16			
17	Lucina Rojas	5107 Byrd Av. Apt #104	676 8132
18			
19	Rosalba	3821 Kinzit Av.	631 9608
20	Alicia e Imelda		
21	Antelmo		
22	Eva Valeriano	2816 Wright Av.	664 1061
23	Posada 12:00 del dia en la Misa	Parroquia Emaus	
24	Misa de Navidad <i>No dejes a la virgen- a Jesus- a Jose solos en el parto! Ven y recibe la alegria del bebe!!</i>	Parroquia Emaus (ELCA) 7:00pm	634 5515



Gracias a Carlos, Antelmo y a la compañía R & R
Carpet cleaning and Landscaping Services
262 358 3627 por hacer el piso del baseman

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