

Emmaus Visitor

January, 2002

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Doesn't a Dip in Lake Michigan Sound Inviting?

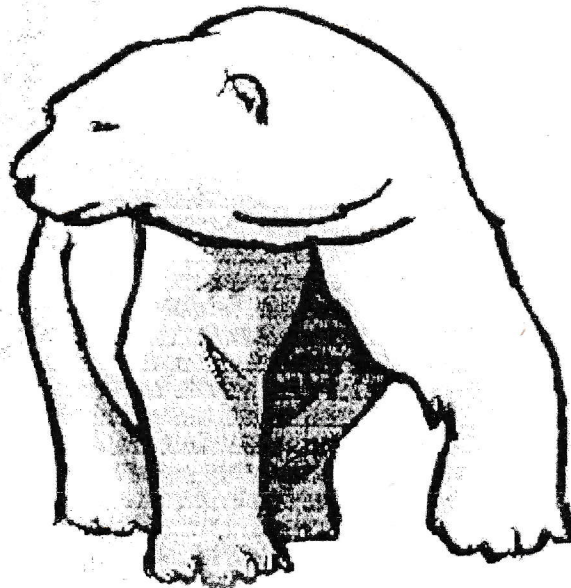
Come jump in the lake — or cheer on those wacky, wonderful people who do!

It's the Polar Bear Dip on January 1 to benefit R.E.S.T. (Racine Emergency Shelter Task force).

Support the intrepid Racine fire fighters, R.E.S.T. officers and others who will start their year with a dunk in Lake Michigan. This is a great time for everyone in the family — lots of music and laughter for a good cause.

One can of food or a cash donation will put you in the middle of North Beach at 12:00 noon on Tuesday, January 1. A portion of Barker Street

will be closed off, so revelers won't have to worry about traffic. Bands will be outside celebrating the first party of the new year.



PASTORAL ACTS

Baptisms:

Henry Jonathan Yunker
December 30, 2001

Henry is the son of Casey and Lisa Yunker, and the grandson of Peter and Susan Bayer. His sponsors are David and Jennifer Bayer.

Benjamin Forbes Torine
December 30, 2001

Benjamin is the son of Richard and Susan Torine and the grandson of Lyle and Pat Torine. His sponsors are Dawn Torine-Micko and Kathy Torine.

Funerals:

George R. Mathieus, Sr.
December 1, 2001

George Mathieus is the father of Dolly Orth. He was a founding partner of Shur Pac and owner-operator of the Idlewild Fishing Resort in Butternut. He passed away Nov. 27 at age 89.

Racine Mission Cluster Offers Special Worship Opportunities in January

January 6, 4:30 p.m. at
Messiah Lutheran

Join the Emmaus choir and choirs from a number of ELCA congregations for a special Epiphany Festival to be held at Messiah Lutheran Church. The festival service of music will be held January 6 at 4:30 p.m. and followed by refreshments at 5:30 p.m.

Messiah is south of Pritchard Park near Durand Avenue and Ohio Street.

January 13, 6:00 p.m. at Good
Shepherd Lutheran Church

Join folks from Racine at a special festival service of Sanctuary. Pastor Sue Ruehle will be the



preacher, and the Sanctuary Band (remember them from our August "Mass on the Grass"?) will play.

We also have *tentative* plans to have the Zoe Outreach Worship and Music Praise Team join us. Velvetta Hargrove sings with the

group that features lively, upbeat music.

Join us for worship and stay for refreshments! Good Shepherd is at 5040 Northwestern Blvd.

Lincoln Lutheran Sunday Slated for January 6

As a member congregation, Emmaus has supported Lincoln Lutheran in a variety of ways throughout the years. Participating in the Lincoln Lutheran Auxiliary, the annual ice cream social, fund raising campaigns, programs initiated by Lincoln Lutheran (the Emmaus Senior Fellowship Center had its beginnings in Lincoln Lutheran) and volunteer activities have been some of the ways Emmaus has supported Lincoln Lutheran in the past.

A number of our members do live or have lived in one of the many facilities operated by Lincoln Lutheran in Racine.

With changing demands for care of the aging, disabled, infirm and convalescing of our community, Lincoln Lutheran is now at a

crossroads in its ministry. Under the leadership of CEO Rev. Dan Risch, difficult decisions have been made regarding the closing of the

Lincoln Lutheran facility on Prospect Street. Further assessment of community needs and demands, coupled with sound financial planning for the future, will influence upcoming decisions for Lincoln Lutheran in the months to come.

Sunday, January 6 has been designated as Lincoln Lutheran Sunday at Emmaus. The Rev. Dan Risch will be our guest preacher at the 9:15 a.m. worship service. He will be available at the coffee hour following to answer any questions and to provide insight regarding the future direction of Lincoln Lutheran.



Sign Up for Altar Flowers

There are still a few Sundays open on this year's Altar Flower schedule. At press time, available Sundays were February 24, April 7 and 28, June 23, July 14 and 21, and December 8, 15 and 22.

Sign up on the sheet on the

church bulletin board, or check with the church office (634-5515).

Altar flowers are still \$15.00. During the week before the Sunday you've signed up for, the secretary will call you to ask how

you want the altar flowers dedicated.

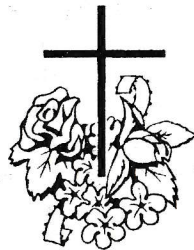


Olsons Give Plants to Beautify Circle Drive

Late in the summer, landscape artists laid the groundwork for future planting in the berm area of the circle drive behind the church. That project was made possible by bequest funds received from the Keith Protheroe estate.

To stay within budget and to allow for future additions, planting was intentionally sparse when the area was redone.

Thanks to the unseasonably mild weather, Arlen Olson was able



to plant a number of additions to the space. The wide variety of plants were a gift from Glenn and Eileen Olson. Included in the vast array are tulips, iris, narcissus, holly and much more.

We look forward to the springtime when the flowers will begin to provide a burst of color, which will vary according to the month. Thank you to the Olsons for the generous gift of color and life to be enjoyed by church members and neighbors alike.

Emmaus Launches After-School Program

by *Velvetta Hargrove*

It is an excellent day to serve at Excellent God in the spirit of excellence.

The time has come for Emmaus to open her doors to the community in which she resides. The After School Program is scheduled to begin January 29, 2002, from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

We are looking for some volunteers who are gifted in the following areas: sewing, cooking, music, computer technology, science, carpentry, story-telling and arts & crafts. We would also be interested in any students from Emmaus who are good in Reading and Math.

If you have a love for children and would like to volunteer an hour of your time for this cause, please

contact me at Emmaus Tuesday or Thursday between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

We are excited about this adventure and want all of those who desire to be involved. If you have some other hobby or talent that you could share with a child, please don't hesitate to contact me.

This program is full of possibilities, which are all dependent on us and our willingness to reach out and help those less fortunate. Emmaus will provide a safe and enriching environment for these children who might otherwise find themselves on the corners of the church selling drugs.

We would also like to thank Jerry Pipol for the sixteen cases of books given to him from Golden Books.

REST Continues with Full House

REST doors remain open, but the floors are full this season. REST continues to see a banner year for use of the REST facilities. Extra mats and pillows have been purchased for all of the sites, and numbers are still averaging nearly 60 guests per night.

We need help! We need cooks, bakers, and sandwich makers. We need night watchpersons, bag packers, and form fillers. Please sign up now.

We have recently added a sign up time from 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m., to help with kitchen duties. Maybe that would fit your schedule? And we could always use an extra hand at breakfast. Please consider signing up today.

Thanks to all of you who helped with REST on Christmas and New Year's Day. The folks sincerely appreciate all that we do for them, as many have told me so. Your gift of time helped to make them feel a part of a family during this holiday season. Thanks for keeping the folks in your hearts.

Scrip Resumes January 5-6

by *Pat Liesch*

Scrip will continue here at Emmaus after the first of the year; however, until further notice, Scrip will revert back to pre-orders only. Available Scrip will be sold until gone. Thanks, and keep shopping!

EMMAUS STAFF & WORSHIP TIMES

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Church office:
262 634-5515

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Council President: Amy Larsen

Sun. School Coordinator: Julie Field

Kids Hope USA Dir.: Marty Aiken

Community Outreach Minister: Velvetta Hargrove

Organist: Joyce Kaiser

Adult Choir Dir.: Marsha Connet

Youth Music Dir.: Karla Bielewicz

Secretary: Paul Berge

Custodians: Rick Muhammad & Matt Liesch

Groundskeeper: Harley Slater

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Pastor Mary — mjanz@aol.com
Velvetta Hargrove — velvetta@execpc.com

Services are held at Emmaus every Saturday evening at 5:00 and Sunday mornings at 9:15.

Sunday School meets at 10:30 a.m.

Emmaus office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. The office will be closed on January 1.

The *VISITOR* is published monthly September to July. The deadline for the January *VISITOR* is December 15.

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Aiken Speaks at Conference for Educators

KidsHope director Marty Aiken was invited to speak at an annual conference for educators from special needs schools in southeast Wisconsin.

Approximately 47% of the student body from Wadewitz is from low income families, thus making the school eligible for special "P5" government funding. Marty Aiken sits on the P5 Committee of the school and was invited by them to participate in their conference held in Lake Geneva in early December.

As Marty was preparing his presentation on the KidsHope mentoring program, he determined that he could benefit from using



Marty Aiken

some visuals to convey his message.

One thing led to another (see article page 7), and within two weeks, a special eight-minute professional video was produced on the Emmaus-Wadewitz relationship and the KidsHope program.

Principal Pat Limburg facilitated Marty's presentation, and since that time, several educators have indicated an interest in initiating the program in their schools.

At this time, the Emmaus-Wadewitz KidsHope program is the one and only such program in the state of Wisconsin.

Emmaus Submits 2001 Report to Siebert Foundation

On December 21, Pastor Mary handed a report of over forty pages over to Assistant to the Bishop Sue Ruehle to be passed on to the Siebert Lutheran Foundation.

With the help of Nancy Smith, Marty and Kathryn Aiken and Sue Ruehle, the report on behalf of nine Racine congregations was assembled, communicating to the Siebert Foundation how the \$70,000 grant had been utilized.

The grant report included information regarding outreach in the neighborhoods of Emmaus/Wadewitz and Redeemer/Mitchell School. In

addition, photos and the written word conveyed the ways lives of children were touched through KidsHope, the neighborhood carnival, Vacation Bible School and Sunday School.

Other church-school connections were also highlighted, as was the weekly Sanctuary service.

Detailed financial information was included so that the Siebert Foundation Board could be aware of how grant money was spent during the past year. Over \$30,000 of the funds were granted to Emmaus for salaries and programs related to

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\$8,200 In-Kind Donation is Gift to Emmaus

When Marty Aiken was talking with his brother-in-law Andy Garcia at a family Thanksgiving gathering in Madison, little did he know how quickly the seeds of an inquiry would bear fruit

Marty had been asked to give a presentation at a conference for educators in southeast Wisconsin. The topic was to be KidsHope USA, the mentoring program Marty directs for Emmaus. So, when Marty was considering doing a little amateur video, he asked Andy if he could help splice Marty's video with a training tape from KidsHope. As that conversation continued a bit further, so did the magnitude of the project.

The results? Andy Garcia, owner of Andy Garcia Production Studio in Madison (who has Harley Davidson as one of his primary clients), offered to send a filming crew to Racine.

Within ten days, two men from Andy's staff came to spend an entire day filming — everything from scenes at Wadewitz with mentors, kids and teachers, to shots of Emmaus and an interview with Pastor Mary.

The following week, three full

days of editing took place, with Marty spending two of those days in Madison providing video through which sound and images portray a concise and compelling "infomercial" for KidsHope. The video is eight minutes in length and would retail for \$8,200.

The entire cost is being absorbed by Andy Garcia as his gift to Emmaus and to a program he views as worthwhile. (We're of course grateful he happens to be married to Kathryn Aiken's sister!)

Thanks to Marty and Andy and all who had a part in making the video a reality!

If you would like to learn more about KidsHope, please call Marty Aiken (637-2104).

Siebert Foundation

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community outreach.

On behalf of the Racine congregations of the ELCA, last month, Pastor Mary submitted a new grant request for 2002. Results of that proposal will be announced by the Siebert Foundation at the end of January.

Thank You to Our Christmas Elves!

by Marsha Connet

Many thanks to those who put so much effort in transforming the the church with lovely

Christmas decorations: Al and June Beck, Rich and Kathy Christensen, Amy Larsen and Austin Schultz, Shirley Velzke and Lyle and Marge Zielke.

Watch for Superbowl Sub Sandwich Sale

The youth planning to go on this year's mission trips will sponsor a sub sandwich sale on Superbowl Sunday. Sign-up sheets to order sandwiches will be available in the narthex. We will use monies received from this fundraiser to help offset the costs of the mission trip to Juarez this summer.



Christmas Pageant Photos

The Sunday School is looking for copies of photos of the kids' Christmas pageant for scrapbook. Julie Field invites any of the proud parents, grandparents who took pictures of the pageant to send

them to the church office or to contact her on Sunday morning or at 752-0194.

Youth Birthdays

Jan. 1	Patrick Austin	4
Jan. 4	Josh Mickelson	17
Jan. 6	Heather Miller	17
Jan. 7	P.J. Liesch	17
Jan. 10	Tanya Rasmussen	13
Jan. 11	William Syt	3
Jan. 11	Frank Williams	11
Jan. 11	Rachel Haug	17
Jan. 16	Lance Fry	4
Jan. 16	Nathan Albright	16
Jan. 25	Haley Will	2
Jan. 26	Rachel Sommer	16
Jan. 28	Kaitlyn Sodke	2
Jan. 31	Brad Johnson	4

Lay Visitors Commissioned

On Sunday, December 9, there was a special commissioning of trained lay visitors and communion deacons at the 9:15 worship service. Pastor Mary, Pastor Sharon and Carol Eschmann led a training session for the group.

Those who have been commissioned to be lay visitors to the sick and homebound members of Emmaus include: Al and June Beck, Kathy and Rich Christensen, Kris Smith, Beverly Johnson, Carol Eschmann, Betty Barth, Pat Jensen



and Evelyn Larsen

If a homebound member would like to receive Holy Communion or have a visit in their home, they may contact the church office or one of the visitors directly.

Their ministry will be a supplement to the visits that Pastor Mary and Pastor Sharon will continue to make.





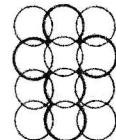
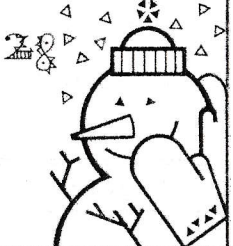

If there are others interested in being trained to serve as lay visitors please contact Carol Eschmann (835-2372) or Pastor Sharon (886-3960).

JANUARY WORSHIP LEADERS

	READERS	ALTAR GUILD	ACOLYTES	USHERS
Jan. 5 5:00 pm		Jan Svendsen Shirley Irvine		
Jan. 6 9:15 am	Gregg Albright	Gregg & Kylee Albright	Hailey Sommer Kelsey Albright	Team #1 Harold Miller
Jan. 12 5:00 pm		Barb Toslek Kelley Austin		
Jan. 13 9:15 am	Al Svendsen		Brian Field Andrew Reischl	Team #2 Rich Christensen
Jan. 19 5:00 pm		Evelyn Larsen		
Jan. 20 9:15 am	Mildred Schroth	Helen Mickelson Linda Meteyard	Erin Sommer Marissa Connet	Team #3 Howard Jensen
Jan. 26 5:00 pm		Betty Schultz Cathy Meyer		
Jan. 27 9:15 am	Karen Sedgwick		Justin Haman Nathan Lamberton	Team #4 John Cook
Feb. 2 5:00 pm		Denise & Brian Keller		
Feb. 3 9:15 am	Ruth Hlavka	Arvilla Nemer Lael Richter	Kally Jansen Amy Meteyard	Team #5 Bill Meteyard

GLAD TO BE IN GOD'S SERVICE

	ALTAR FLOWERS	FELLOWSHIP	CANDLE CARE	COMMUNION ASST.
Jan. 6	Skip & Barb Toslek	TBA	Pat Jensen	Shirley Velzka
Jan. 13	John & Meta Haanstad	<i>Please</i>		
Jan. 20	Jackie & Don Orth	<i>sign</i>		Carol Eschmann
Jan. 27	The Connets	<i>up!</i>		
Feb. 3	Hedy Wagner	TBA	Boots LeRoux	Gregg Albright

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<h1>January, 2002</h1> <p>Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Church 1925 Summit Avenue, Racine, 53404-2374 Phone 634-5515; fax 633-0726 e-mail: emmaus@execpc.com</p>		<p>1 New Year's Day <i>Office closed</i> <i>No Senior Fellowship Center</i></p> 	<p>2 1:30 pm Mary & Rebecca Circles 5:00 pm TOPS</p>	<p>3 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 7:00 pm Stamp Club</p>	<p>4 7:00 pm REST</p> 	<p>5 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion</p>
<p>6 Epiphany 9:15 am Worship Service: LBW Setting 2 with Holy Communion 10:15 am Fellowship time 4:30 pm Epiphany Festival at Messiah 6:00 pm Sanctuary worship service at Good Shepherd</p> 	<p>7 7:00 pm Worship & Music committee</p>	<p>8 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 5:00 pm TOPS</p>	<p>9 7:00 pm Adult Choir</p> 	<p>10 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline</p>	<p>11 7:00 pm REST</p>	<p>12 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion</p>
<p>13 The Baptism of Our Lord 9:15 am Worship Service: WOV Service of Word & Prayer 10:15 am Fellowship time 6:00 pm Sanctuary worship service at Good Shepherd</p>	<p>14 6:30 pm Church council meeting</p>	<p>15 Feb. <i>Visitor</i> deadline 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 5:00 pm TOPS</p>	<p>16 TBA Confirmation class 7:00 pm Adult Choir</p>	<p>17 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline</p>	<p>18 The Confession of St. Peter 7:00 pm REST</p>	<p>19 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion</p>
<p>20 2nd Sunday after the Epiphany; Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 9:15 am Chicago Folk Service with Holy Communion 10:15 am Fellowship time 6:00 pm Sanctuary worship service at Good Shepherd</p>	<p>21 Martin Luther King Jr. Day 6:00 pm WELCA Board meeting "For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body." 1 Cor. 12:13</p>	<p>22 Committee annual reports needed in church office 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 5:00 pm TOPS</p>	<p>23 TBA Confirmation class 7:00 pm Adult Choir</p>	<p>24 St. Timothy 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline</p> 	<p>25 The Conversion of St. Paul 7:00 pm REST</p>	<p>26 St. Titus 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion</p>
<p>27 3rd Sunday after the Epiphany 9:15 am Worship Service: WOV Service of Word & Prayer 10:15 am Fellowship time 6:00 pm Sanctuary worship service at Good Shepherd</p>		<p>28 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 3:00 pm After School Program 5:00 pm TOPS</p>	<p>29 TBA Confirmation class 7:00 pm Adult Choir</p>	<p>30 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 3:00 pm After School Program</p>	<p>Feb. 1 7:00 pm REST</p> 	<p>2 Presentation of Our Lord 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion</p>

Emmaus

Name: _____

Home phone: _____

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Address: _____

Zip: _____

Store name	Emmaus earns	Denominations available	Quantity	Total
DRUG & GROCERY STORES				
Kohl's Food Store	4%	\$10, \$25		
Piggly Wiggly	4%	\$25, \$50		
Sentry Foods/Super Saver	4%	\$25, \$10		
CLOTHING, SPORTING & DEPARTMENT STORES				
American Eagle Outfitters	8%	\$25		
August Max Women	19%	\$10		
Burlington Coat Factory	12%	\$10, \$25		
Casual Corner/August Max	16%	\$25		
Dick's Sporting Goods	8%	25%		
Foot Locker	13%	\$25, \$50		
Gap debit card	8%	\$20, \$25		
J. C. Penney gift card	5%	\$25, \$100		
K-Mart	3%	\$10, \$25, \$50		
The Limited	8%	\$10, \$25		
Old Navy debit card	8%	\$20, \$25		
Payless Shoe Source	12%	\$10, \$20		
Sears	2%	\$10, \$25, \$100, \$250		
ShopKo debit card	4%	\$25, \$50		
Structure	10%	\$25		
T. J. Maxx, Marshalls	8%	\$10, \$25		
Younkers	9%	\$10, \$25, \$100		
BOOKSTORES, OFFICE SUPPLY				
Barnes & Noble	8%	\$10, \$25		
Office Max debit card	3%	\$25		
Walden Books	8%	\$10, \$25		
STEREO, VIDEO EQUIPMENT; VIDEO RENTAL				
Best Buy	2%	\$10, \$25, \$50		
Blockbuster Video	7%	\$10		
Circuit City gift card	2.5%	\$25, \$50, \$100		
Hollywood Video	15%	\$1		
Musicland/Sam Goody/Suncoast	10%	\$10		
Radio Shack	4%	\$25		
SPECIALTY				
Bath & Body Works	13%	\$10, \$20, \$25		
Home Depot	3%	\$25, \$100, \$250		

Menards Home Improvement	3%	\$25, \$50, \$100		
Mrs. Fields	20%	\$5		
Original Cookie Company	25%	\$5		
Pier 1 Imports	7%	\$10, \$25		
TOYS				
KB Toys	9%	\$10		
Toys R Us, Kids R Us, Babies R Us	3%	\$10, \$20		
TRAVEL; SERVICE STATIONS				
BP/Amoco pre-pay oil card	3%	\$25, \$50		
Citgo	3%	\$25, \$50		
Exxon/Mobil driver cash card	2.5%	\$25, \$50, \$100		
Kwik Trip	3%	\$5, \$10		
Shell Oil	2%	\$25, \$50, \$100		
Speedway/Super America	3%	\$5, \$10		
RESTAURANTS				
Applebee's	8%	\$10, \$20		
Bob Evans	8%	\$5		
Burger King booklets	3.6%	\$5		
Chi-Chi's	15%	\$10		
Chuck E. Cheese debit card	7%	\$10		
Cracker Barrel	8%	\$5		
Denny's	8%	\$5		
Domino's Pizza	5%	\$5		
KFC	8%	\$5		
Little Caesar's	5%	\$5		
Olive Garden/Red Lobster	13%	\$10, \$25		
Perkins	8%	\$5		
Pizza Hut	9%	\$5, \$10		
Ponderosa	9%	\$5		
Wendy's	7%	\$5, 10		
			TOTAL	\$

Please check catalog, lay-away and charge account policies at your particular store. Some stores place restrictions on Scrip purchases on those purchases. Please make checks payable to Emmaus Lutheran Church. Turn your order in to the Scrip table in the narthex after first service or before second service on Sunday morning. You can pick up your order the following Sunday. Thanks!

May 25, 2001

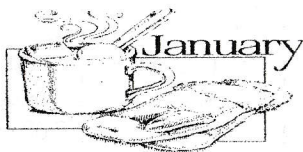
EMMAUS SENIOR FELLOWSHIP CENTER

Tuesdays: 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Director: Carol Rudey

The center opens at 10:00 a.m. with coffee.

Programs begin at 10:30 a.m. The center will not meet on January 1.



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS - 70 YEARS AND BETTER

Jan. 7	Harold Miller	2705 James Boulevard	53403
Jan. 11	Oscar Haugsby	4140 Manhattan Drive	53402
Jan. 29	Jeannette Bertram	1830 Polaris Avenue	53404
Jan. 30	Grace Unger	3109 30 th Ave., Kenosha	53144



You are Invited to an Epiphany Festival of Music

Sunday January 6th, 2002 at
Messiah Lutheran Church
3015 Pritchard Drive
(across from Pritchard Park
on Durand Ave. - Hy. 11)

4:30 pm - A Service with 10
Local Choirs and
"Voices & Verses"
5:30 pm - Refreshments
Please Sign Up on the Sign-up
Sheet at your Church

Letters

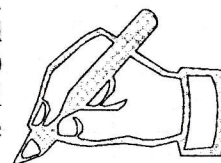
Thank You to Volunteers

Dear Emmaus friends,

Thank you to all the dedicated volunteers involved in November's "2001—A Faith Odyssey" fund drive, which raised \$980. Lutheran Brotherhood matched an additional \$450 for a total of \$1,430. For all those who supported the event, thank you!

—Cheryl Dexter,

Your Lutheran Brotherhood
Communicator



House Pins Raise \$3,000 for Habitat

The sale of house pins throughout our anniversary year generated \$3,000 in proceeds designated for Habitat for Humanity of Racine. Cathy Knuteson, Social Concerns chair, presented Habitat Executive Director Nora Grosse with a \$3,000 check at the December 9 worship service.

Dear Pastor Mary and parishioners:

Thank you for the terrific donation of \$3,000 to Racine Habitat for Humanity. We certainly appreciate the effort that went into the House Pin sales.

I purchased a pin the day I came to your church service and have received oodles of compliments on it since then. Also, I purchased a cookbook and made a main dish from it for our office party. It was a

chicken pot pie and was delicious. So thanks all around for the donation, the pin and recipe book.

A special thanks to Cathy Knuteson for all the work that went into the pin project. And thanks for being there at Emmaus to greet my husband and me and for making us feel so welcome.

Habitat has completed 35 homes so far in Racine; 18 rehabs and 17 new constructions. These families are now homeowners because of generous donations like the one from all of you at Emmaus Lutheran Church. Your donation will be put to very good use on our next Habitat project.

Sincerely,

—Nora S. Grosse, Executive
Director

God Rest Ye Merry Carolers

To the carolers who visited us at Lincoln School Apts.:

Your voices were beautiful and we really enjoyed the time you spent with us. Please come and visit us again soon. The residents really enjoyed singing along with you.

God's blessings,

—Shirley, Manager,

Lincoln School Historical
Apartments

Thank You for Helping Retire the Debt!

We thank the following members of Emmaus for adopting

retirement program:

Jeff and Linda Clinton, for God's many blessings.

Adopting a Sunday is a giving way to memorialize or honor a loved one, or to mark a special occasion in your life. If you would like to adopt a Sunday at some time this year, please fill out the form included in your Sunday bulletin or *Visitor*. You may place it in the offering plate on Sunday, drop it off at the church

office, or mail it to us along with your contribution.

Pledge Comparison			
Year	# of pledges	Total pledged	Average annual pledge
1998	139	\$160,354.00	\$1,153.63
1999	122	\$153,857.00	\$1,261.12
2000	118	\$150,592.00	\$1,276.20
2001	116	\$146,756.00	\$1,265.14
2002	98	\$141,584.00	\$1,444.73

as of 12/12/2001

Sundays in December as part of Emmaus' Adopt-a-Sunday debt

Lutheran Brotherhood Matches 2001 Fund Gifts

The first \$450 in gifts to the "2001—A Faith Odyssey" Fund in November was matched by Lutheran Brotherhood. Recent gifts to the 2001 debt retirement fund have lowered the outstanding amount due on our principal below \$77,000 pending a year-end extra principal payment.

When the 2001 Fund was established in 1997, it was named that as we looked forward to our 150th anniversary year — with the dream that our mortgage could be burned by the end of 2001. While that ambitious goal was not met,

huge strides have been taken to eliminate our debt. Thank you to all who have contributed!

Fund to continue

The 2001 Fund will continue, and we will continue to welcome special gifts to reduce our mortgage. We are getting close to our goal!

Will you consider a one-time gift in 2002 to help make Emmaus a debt-free congregation? Gifts of *any* amount are appreciated and are applied directly to additional payments to reduce the principal on our existing debt.

Slater Retires from Unified Position

Need a floor waxed and buffed so it shines? Need extra chairs set up for a special program? Need someone to tinker with that small motor to get it going?

Often when those needs occur, the automatic response is, "Harley, can you help?"

Now, after a number of years providing custodial and maintenance services for the Unified School District, Harley is no longer available to respond to those requests of the staffs in the schools where he has worked. He officially retired in November from his position with Unified.

He is looking forward to more free time and time to spend with grandchildren.

However, the good news is that Harley will now be around at Emmaus more often to respond to similar requests and needs of staff and members of the church. In addition to his duties as groundskeeper at Emmaus, Harley will assume a few hours of additional responsibility throughout the week, beginning the first of the year.

His focus will be responsibility for the heating system, custodial duties for the second floor and areas to be used by the after-school program, general

maintenance, and special one-time projects.

Matt Liesch, freshman at UW-Parkside, will continue with his duties throughout the week, and Rick Muhammad will continue to provide some coverage on weekends. Bill Irvine continues in his position as chair of Building and Grounds.

We appreciate each of them for the special talents and skills they bring to Emmaus. So often their work, which usually takes place behind the scenes, goes unappreciated or unnoticed. Everything they do makes our church run more smoothly. Thank you!



Harley Slater

WELCA Bulletins

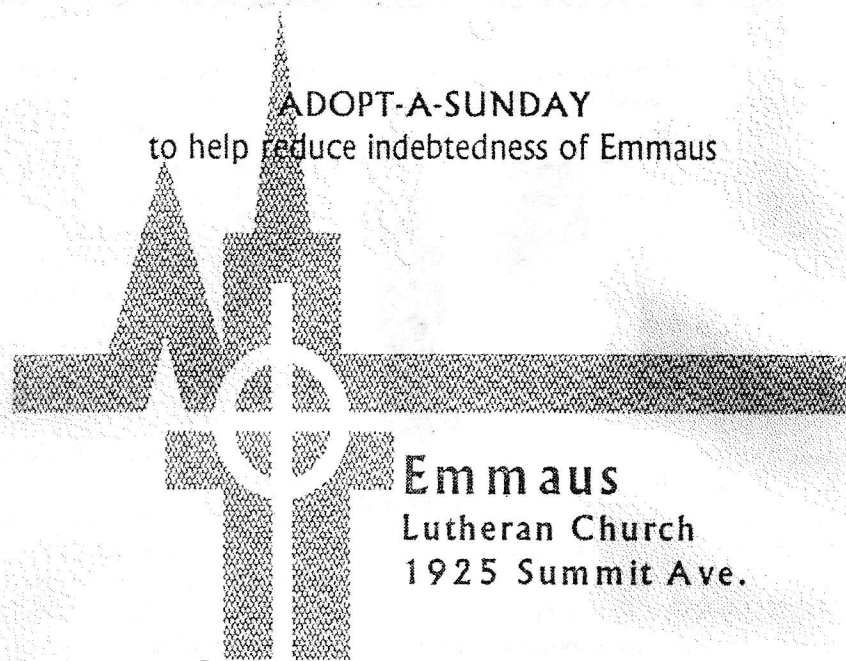
Women's Retreat Set

Mark your calendars: this year's women's retreat will be April 19 and 20. The WELCA Board will meet Monday, January 21 at 6:00 p.m.

MEMORIALS

Non-designated memorials:
In memory of George Mathieus:
\$130.00

ADOPT-A-SUNDAY
to help reduce indebtedness of Emmaus



Emmaus
Lutheran Church
1925 Summit Ave.

I wish to contribute: \$1,000 \$750 \$500
 \$300 \$100 \$ _____
(Suggested minimum \$100; any gift appreciated)

Sunday to adopt: _____
(date)

In memory of: _____

In honor of: _____

Occasion: _____

Contributor: _____

Emmaus Attendance Statistics

Average Weekly Attendance, Dec.:	1999: 179	2000: 143	2001: 150*
Christmas Eve 4:30 p.m. service:	1999: 142	2000: 140	2001: 111
Christmas Eve 10:30 p.m. service:	1999: 130	2000: 114	2001: 135
Average weekly attendance, Jan.:	2000: 154	2001: 171	

*Through December 23, 2001.

Financial Statistics

	<u>Total for month</u>	<u>Year to date</u>
General Fund receipts in November, '01	\$11,111.61	\$162,173.76
Building Fund receipts in November, '01	\$262.00	\$5,132.00
Unified receipts in November, '01	\$11,363.61	\$167,305.76
	<u>Campaign to date</u>	
2001 Fund offerings received in November '01:	\$980.00	\$94,430.12
November mortgage payments:		
Principal	\$438.15	
Interest	\$527.85	
Total	\$966.00	
Principal balance as of December 12, 2001		\$76,340.28

Elsewhere In Our Community

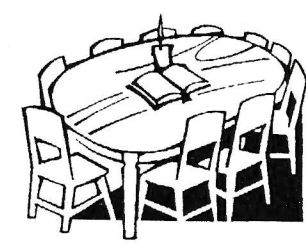
Siena Center Program Confronts Evil

Programs and retreats scheduled at Siena Center, 5635 Erie Street, include:

"Confronting Evil: Transforming Self — A Supper with Substance Program," presented by Dr. Amy Shapiro on January 15. Participants in all Supper with Substance programs may arrive at 5:30 p.m. for supper at Siena Center, or come only for the program at 6:30 p.m.

"The Acts of the Apostles," a scripture study with Mary Michna, a Racine Dominican and scripture scholar, on Wednesday evenings from January 30 to March 20.

Come either from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. or 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.



"Women for Women — Community-Building in a Nonviolent Feminist Way," February 2 and first Saturdays through May from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m.

Facilitators Lisa Kane, OP and Jan Jedlicka invite women to explore how our lives might be transformed through a deeper understanding of the questions Jesus asks.

For additional information or registration, please contact Sr. Rita Lui at 639-4100.

SYNOD MISSION EXPLORATION DAYS

Saturday, January 12 and January 19, 2002

9:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, West Allis

11709 W. Cleveland Avenue (10 blocks west of Hwy 100)

Purpose: To provide opportunity for people from across the Greater Milwaukee Synod to explore together the mission challenges and opportunities facing the synod, in preparation for the election of a new synod bishop.

Agenda:

- 8:30 - 9:00 Arrival, coffee/refreshments
- 9:00 - 9:45 Plenary session: purpose and plan for the day, review of process, purpose of synod, core values, process for break-out group facilitation
- 9:45-10:00 Break, coffee, movement into groups
- 10:00-11:00 Small group discussion. In facilitated groups of no more than 12, individuals will respond to four questions: What are our synod's strengths? What are our synod's weaknesses? What opportunities for mission are there for our synod? What are the barriers to achieving our mission? Groups will then be asked to prioritize responses.
- 11:00-11:15 Movement back to plenary (and coffee refills along the way)
- 11:15-11:30 Brief feedback from groups, sending out.

Registration:

- There is no cost and no registration required. We do ask that someone from each church call the synod office several days before the event with an attendance estimate.
- Anyone from the congregations of the Greater Milwaukee Synod is invited. Special encouragement is given to those who will attend the Synod Assembly as voting members. (It is hoped these people would also participate in the other events leading to the Assembly election — the Mission Cluster assemblies and the spring candidate forums.)



Pastor Mary's Column

A Year of Blessings

As I pause to reflect upon the past year and as our 150th anniversary year comes to a close, I am both grateful and in awe. God has provided so many resources — the primary ones being all of the willing, hard working, faithful people of Emmaus — to make new and renewed ministries blossom here in our community.

This past year, we have had so many wonderful celebrations, celebrating our roots *and* celebrating our future. It was a full year that made us even more aware of the importance of community. And when the tragedies of September 11 hit hard, there was a response of prayer and generosity and hope in the midst of the horror.

Yes, this has been a year when more than ever, we have been reminded that God walks with us. God has celebrated with us the joys and has grieved with us when there has been senseless death and brokenness.

And, God continues to walk with us. As we continue our celebration of Christmas, we are so aware of the miracle of "Emmanuel" — God With Us. God knows how important it is that we know God's love *in the flesh*.

Because that incarnation of God's love is central to our hope and our very existence, we give thanks to God for coming in the flesh and walking among us. And, we give thanks for having the privilege of sharing in that incarnational ministry — for being invited to be the hands and the feet of Christ wherever we go.

My prayer for 2002 is that you might

experience significant encounters with "Emmanuel" on an on-going basis — not only as you worship, but also as you connect with friends, neighbors, co-workers, family, and strangers on a daily basis. Where will they experience the presence of God in you — and you in them?

Thank you for your prayers and your support of the ministry of Emmaus in 2001. May 2002 be another year of abundance in the Spirit as we are "Sent Forth by God's Blessings, our true faith confessing..."

Shalom and blessings to you and yours,

Pastor Mary

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The Year in Review

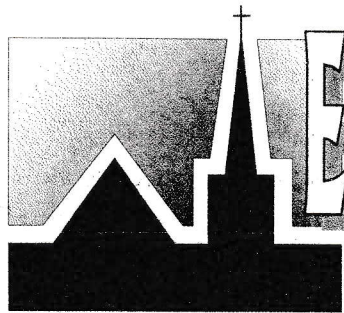


In the January Visitor

- * Racine Congregations Join
for Epiphany Festival
- * Lincoln Lutheran Sunday Is
January 6
- * Olsons Decorate Circle
Drive Area
- * Emmaus Launches After
School Program
- * KidsHope USA Video
Produced
- * Lay Visitors Commissioned
- * Lutheran Brotherhood
Matches 2001 Fund Drive
- * A Year of Blessings

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Annual Congregational Meeting

Congregation Meets to Consider Budget, Joint Call to Rev. Georgi

The 2002 Annual Meeting of the congregation will begin 10:30 a.m. February 3 after the worship service. In addition to reports, election of church council members, and approval of the January-June, 2002 budget, we will extend a call

along with Lincoln Lutheran to Rev. Sharon Georgi as Visitation Pastor (see story on page 2).

2001 annual reports are available at church.

Sunday School will not meet February 3.

LENTEN WORSHIP AT EMMAUS

ASH WEDNESDAY worship services begin at 12:15 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. **February 13** and include imposition of ashes and sacrament of Holy Communion.

MIDWEEK worship services are at 12:15 p.m. **Tuesdays, February 19 - March 19.** Join Seniors for lunch at 11:30 a.m.



PASTORAL ACTS

Funerals:

Lillian Wendt
Frederiksen
December 29, 2001

Pastor Sharon led a graveside committal service for Lillian Frederiksen, who passed away in Florida at the age of 94. She was the widow of Earl Frederiksen. She was a lifelong member of Emmaus.

Frances Powless Larsen
January 7, 2002

Fran Larsen passed away in Apple Valley, Minnesota, on January 27. The widow of Jerome Larsen, she is survived by sons David of Hardin, Montana, and Ronald of Apple Valley.

Pastor Sharon Georgi Recommended for Call

Since mid-summer, Pastor Sharon Georgi has been serving as a part-time Visitation Pastor for Emmaus. The agreement was an informal one, basically a handshake between Pastor Sharon and Pastor Mary, representing Emmaus.



Rev. Sharon Georgi

It is now the recommendation of the church council that Pastor Sharon be extended an official letter of call on behalf of the congregation. The half-time position would be shared by Lincoln Lutheran, where Pastor Sharon currently serves as a part-time chaplain.

The amount of time and the compensation from Lincoln Lutheran would be increased, but it would remain the same for Emmaus. Pastor Sharon is currently being paid for approximately eight hours of work

per week.

By receiving and accepting such a call, Pastor Sharon would be able to retain her status as ordained clergy on the ELCA clergy roster.

The vote to call Pastor Sharon will take place at the annual congregational meeting on Sunday, February 3.

Thank You to RCOC!

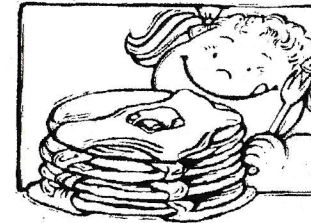
Paul Berge would like to thank Sonia, Mary, Craig, Mike, and their supervisor, Karen from Racine County Occupational Center (RCOC), who came in on January 24 to collate and assemble the annual report. They did a great job, putting together nearly one hundred 21-page reports.

Thanks also to Denise Keller for putting us in touch with RCOC.

Youth to Serve Pancake Supper; Cluster Assembly Follows

Served by youth from six ELCA churches participating in the Juarez 2002 mission trip is the Shrove Tuesday pancake supper at Atonement Lutheran Church. The February 12 supper will be served from 5:30 to 6:45, followed by the

PANCAKE SUPPER



Cluster Assembly meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Members are encouraged to attend this meeting to learn more about the process of electing a new bishop for the Greater Milwaukee

Synod of the ELCA.



EMMAUS STAFF & WORSHIP TIMES

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Sun. School Coordinator: Julie Field

Kids Hope USA Dir.: Marty Aiken

Community Outreach Minister: Velvetta Hargrove

Organist: Joyce Kaiser

Adult Choir Dir.: Marsha Connet

Youth Music Dir.: Karla Bielewicz

Secretary: Paul Berge

Custodians: Rick Muhammad & Matt Liesch

Groundskeeper: Harley Slater

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Velvetta Hargrove — velvetta@execpc.com

Services are held at Emmaus every Saturday evening at 5:00 and Sunday mornings at 9:15. ASH WEDNESDAY worship services Feb. 13 are at 12:15 and 7:00 p.m. Midweek Lenten services meet Tuesdays at 12:15 beginning Feb. 19.

Sunday School meets at 10:30 a.m. (no Sunday School Feb. 3).

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.

EMMAUS VISITOR

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Women Plan Bake Sale February 9-10

by Denise Keller

Valentine's Day Bake Sale is the weekend of February 9 & 10. Donations of baked goods are needed and will be greatly appreciated.

Proceeds of the bake sale will go to scholarships for women attending WELCA events.

The Women's Retreat at the Siena Center will be Friday, April 19 and Saturday, April 20.

Mark your Calendars and watch for more information!

"Listen God is Calling," the Triennial Convention of the Women of the ELCA, will be July 11-13, 2002 at the Pennsylvania

Convention Center in Philadelphia. More information coming soon.

Bible Study

The afternoon circle which meets the first Wednesday of each month at 1:30 p.m. continues to study women of scripture. Pastor Mary will lead the February 6 study on the book of Esther. There is an outline of the book of Esther in the narthex.

Note: this is a change from what was originally announced. The study of Tamar and Judith (Genesis 38) will take place in March under the leadership of Pastor Sharon.

Kids Hope Needs Two New Mentors

by Marty Aiken

Our KidsHope USA program is making a very important request. We have an immediate need for two mentors to serve until June.

One of our full-time mentors is experiencing health problems within her family which makes it unreasonably difficult for her to continue. Her little boy is a second-grader who is extremely fond of being in Kids Hope, and very much in need of a caring adult to help him through

the remainder of the year.

Our second child in need is a child brought to our attention by her first-grade teacher, who asked if we could find any way to bring this little girl into our program. She is adorable, and very much wants to be in KidsHope.

Please give these needs your serious, immediate, and prayerful attention. I can promise you a blessing. (Contact Marty Aiken at 637-2104.)



EASY Does It After School

EASY does it! Emmaus After School Youth program (EASY) officially took off January 29. Offered free of charge, EASY is open to all 5-year-olds through fifth graders who have signed parental permission to participate. There will be a person to walk with the kids from the school to the church every Tuesday and Thursday.

While we realize it may take a while for the word to get out to interested families, we are

confident that there is a demand for an after-school program for elementary children. Wadewitz principal Pat Limburg has offered to refer interested kids to our new program.

Volunteers are needed for reading, snacks, computers, arts and crafts, games, cooking — the possibilities are endless! For more info, contact Velvetta at 989-2337 or 634-5515.



Can you please R-U-G?

Would you please consider being a reader, usher or greeter? It's been several years since we have updated our lists of members willing to read lessons, usher or greet before services. These activities require a small amount of time on an occasional Sunday and scheduling is flexible. Please sign up below and drop in the offering plate or return to the church office.

Name _____ Phone _____

Yes! I am willing to: Read lessons _____
Usher _____
Greet _____

Thanks!

Horlick Quartet to Sing February 10

Emmaus member Chris Sedgwick is part of a quartet who will bring an offering of special music to our worship service on Sunday, February 10. Chris, Tom Pfeiffer, Zach Kirchenwitz and Austin Dykstra will sing "Prayer of the Children."



Thanks to all of our Super Bowl Sub Sandwich purchasers. The profits will be used to help Emmaus Youth fund this summer's mission trips.

Inter-Church Youth meet in Gethsemane Lutheran Church's gym for crab soccer, volley ball, basketball, pool and ping pong February 8 and at Our Savior's Lutheran Church cellar February 22. Activities start at 7:00 p.m.

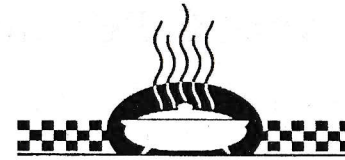
The Souper Bowl of Caring is coming February 3.

February Youth Birthdays

2/3	Krystle Mayer	14
2/4	Cora Balthazar	8
2/5	Jordan Gallagher	3
2/9	April Falaschi	15
2/9	Laura Zeleski	6
2/9	Patrick Foldy	2
2/16	Tyler Bose	11
2/18	Justin Pipol	13
2/23	Jenna Waddell	1
2/23	Michael Wyman	3
2/24	Tyler Offield	2
2/24	Bret Thomas	18
2/27	Amanda Bloom	16
2/27	Alex Maryland	7

Emmaus to Serve Community Meal Feb. 7

It's Emmaus' turn to serve at St. Patrick's Community Meal Site on February 7. Please sign up in the narthex to help serve, or to provide a casserole, jello, or dessert. 9"x13" pans are available in the



kitchenette off the Sunset Room.

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

Report to Northside Food Pantry Churches as of Dec. 31, 2001

	October	November	December*	Total
Households served	107	112	72	291
Total people	278	338	158	774
Adults	146	169	96	411
Children	132	169	62	363

* Food Pantry closed 4 days because Salvation Army was closed for the holidays
 Checkbook balance 10/01/01 \$2,053.68

Receipts				
Trinity U Meth	55.00	60.00	202.50	317.50
Emmaus				261.00
Emmaus Sunday School	28.18	34.58		62.76
St. Mesrob's			95.00	95.00
2 nd Presbyterian			177.00	177.00
Atrium residents		267.00		267.00
Armenian Relief Society		100.00		100.00
Cash/individuals	87.00	63.00	9.00	159.00
Racine Arts Council benefit		630.00		630.00
TOTAL	238.00	1,148.18	779.08	2,165.26

Expenditures 551.06 657.77 641.78 . . 1,850.61

Checkbook balance 12/31/01 . . . 2,368.33
 St. Andrew Lutheran expenditures for food not reflected in checkbook . . . 129.64 . . . 113.87 . . . 217.53 . . . 461.04

Sanctuary — a place set apart to shelter and nourish your spirit — is offered every Sunday evening at 6:00 at

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 5040 Northwestern Avenue (Highway 38 a quarter mile west of Highway 31).

Sanctuary is a young adult ministry of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (but youth and older adults are always welcome, too!).



262-637-6373

www.aplaceforyouhere.org

American Heart Association Urges Everyone to Be a Heartsaver

by Carol Eschmann, R.N.

Cardiovascular is the single greatest cause of death in America. Every year about 480,000 American adults die from a heart attack or its complications. About half of these deaths are from a complication of heart attack called cardiac arrest - that's almost 250,000 lives each year. To increase Cardiac arrest survival rate the American Heart Association is launching a public awareness program during American Heart Month this February to urge Americans to Be an American Heartsaver!

Know the Symptoms

Know the symptoms of heart attack and cardiac arrest. The warning signs of a heart attack are:

- ▶ Uncomfortable pressure, fullness, squeezing or pain in the center of the chest lasting more than a few minutes
- ▶ Pain spreading to the shoulders, neck or arms
- ▶ Chest discomfort with lightheadedness, fainting, sweating, nausea or shortness of breath.

When a person goes into cardiac arrest, the heart's electrical impulses become chaotic. This irregular heart rhythm, called ventricular fibrillation, causes the heart to stop suddenly. The warning signs of cardiac arrest are

different:

- ▶ The person collapses
- ▶ Loss of consciousness
- ▶ Stops breathing
- ▶ Loses pulse and blood pressure.

Once you realize that someone is having a heart attack or is in cardiac arrest CALL 911 IMMEDIATELY!! 911 links the victim to the health care system.

Start CPR. CPR is important because it maintains blood flow to the heart and brain until medical help arrives. I encourage you to learn how to give CPR through one of the courses offered by the American Heart Association. About 80% of cardiac emergencies happen at home, so the victim will likely be someone you know and love.

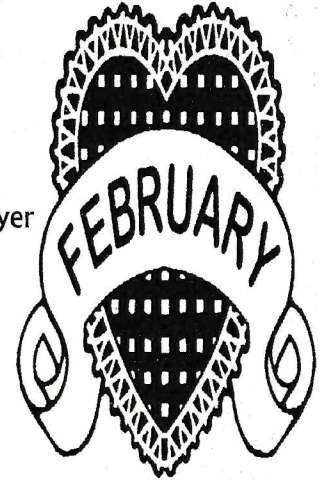
Recognizing the signs and symptoms, calling 911 and beginning CPR are part of what the American Heart Association calls the "Chain of Survival," a process for providing quick treatment in the event of sudden cardiac arrest.

For information on CPR courses, call 1-877-AHA-4CPR toll-free or visit www.cpr-ecc.americanheart.org. I am also a CPR instructor, so classes are a possibility if you are interested. Let me know. As always I can be reached through the church office or at home (835-2372).

EMMAUS SENIOR FELLOWSHIP CENTER

Director: Carol Rudey

The center opens at 10:00 a.m. with coffee. Programs begin at 10:30 a.m. The Center will be closed any time that weather conditions close the public schools.



Program for February:

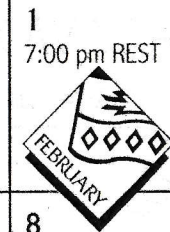
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| Feb. 5 | 10:00 | Coffee |
| | 10:30 | Bill Proeber, accordion player |
| | 12:00 | Regular lunch |
| | 1:00 | Social activities |
| Feb. 12 | 10:00 | Coffee |
| | 10:30 | Making Valentines |
| | 12:00 | Regular lunch |
| | 1:00 | Social activities |
| Feb. 19 | 10:00 | Coffee |
| | 10:30 | Show and Tell: everyone should bring an item from home and be prepared to share some of the history of it. Examples could be photographs, books, or other unbreakable objects that you could tell a story about. |
| | 11:30 | Regular lunch; <i>Visitors welcome!</i> |
| | 12:15 | Midweek Lenten worship service |
| | 1:00 | Social Activities |
| Feb. 26 | 10:00 | Coffee |
| | 10:30 | Video: "Amazing Grace" by Bill Moyers |
| | 11:30 | Birthday lunch; <i>Visitors welcome!</i> |
| | 12:15 | Midweek Lenten worship service |
| | 1:00 | Social activities |

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS - 70 YEARS AND BETTER

Feb. 5	Mary Buelow	3300 Wright Avenue	53405
Feb. 10	Alfred Thomsen	3296 Backridge, Woodlawn, TN	37191
Feb. 14	Bernice Holding	3709 Candle Court # 6	53402
Feb. 20	John Demant	14321 56th Road, Sturtevant	53177

February, 2002

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1
 7:00 pm REST
2 Presentation of Our Lord
 10:00 am Kids Hope
 mentors
 5:00 pm Worship Service
 with Holy Communion

3 4th Sunday after the Epiphany
 9:15 am Worship Service w/Holy Communion;
 First Communion
 10:30 am Congregational meeting
No Sunday School
 6:00 pm SANCTUARY worship service at Good
 Shepherd Lutheran Church

4
 7:00 pm Worship
 & Music Cmte.
*Pastor Sharon at
 leadership
 conference,
 Feb. 4-5*

5
 10:00 am Seniors Citizen
 Fellowship Center
 2:30 pm Emmaus After
 School Youth (EASY),
 to 5:30
 5:00 pm TOPS

6
 1:30 pm Mary Circle
 1:30 pm Rebecca Circle
 6:15 pm 8th-9th grade
 confirmation class
 7:00 pm Adult Choir
 rehearsal

7
 11:00 am Bulletin
 deadline
 2:30 pm EASY, to
 5:30
 5:00 pm Community
 Meal at St. Pat's
 7:00 pm Stamp Club

8
 7:00 pm REST
*Pastor Mary, Velvetta Hargrove & Marty Aiken at
 anti-racism training, February 7-9*

9
 5:00 pm Worship Service
 with Holy Communion

10 Transfiguration of Our Lord
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 6:00 pm SANCTUARY
 worship service at
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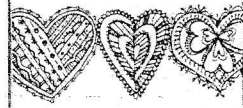


11
 6:30 pm Church
 Council

12 Shrove Tuesday
 10:00 am Senior
 Fellowship Center
 2:30 pm Emmaus After
 School Youth, to 5:30
 5:00 pm TOPS
 5:30 pm Pancake Supper
 at Atonement
 7:00 pm Cluster
 assembly

13 Ash Wednesday
 12:15 pm Ash Wed.
 worship service
 with Holy
 Communion
 6:15 pm Conf. class
 7:00 pm Ash Wed.
 worship service
 with Holy
 Communion

14 Valentine's Day
 11:00 am Bulletin
 deadline
 2:30 pm Emmaus
 After School
 Youth, to 5:30



15
 6:00 pm
 wedding
 rehearsal
 7:00 pm REST

16
 11:00 am Halberstadt
 wedding
 5:00 pm Worship Service
 with Holy Communion

17 The 1st Sunday in Lent
March Visitor deadline
 9:15 am Worship Service with Holy
 Communion
 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship
 10:30 am Sunday School
 6:00 pm SANCTUARY worship service at Good
 Shepherd Lutheran Church

18 Presidents' Day
 7:00 pm Miriam
 Circle at Jan
 Sukus'



19
 9:00 am Cluster Clergy
 10:00 am Senior
 Fellowship Center
 12:15 pm Midweek
 worship service
 2:30 pm EASY, to 5:30
 5:00 pm TOPS

20
*Day of prayer for peace in
 the Middle East*
 6:15 pm
 Confirmation class
 7:00 pm Adult Choir

21
 11:00 am Bulletin
 deadline
 2:30 pm Emmaus
 After School
 Youth, to 5:30

22
 7:00 pm REST

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 5:00 pm Worship Service
 with Holy Communion

Pastor Mary on vacation Feb. 19-27

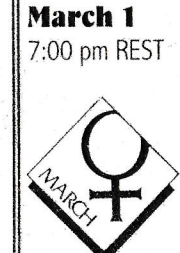
24 The 2nd Sunday in Lent; St. Matthias
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 Prayer.
 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship
 10:30 am Sunday School
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 Shepherd Lutheran Church

25
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 Board

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March 1
 7:00 pm REST
2
 5:00 pm Worship Service
 with Holy Communion

Pastor Mary on vacation Feb. 19-27

Emmaus Name: _____ Home phone: _____

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Store name	Emmaus earns	Denominations available	Quantity	Total
DRUG & GROCERY STORES				
Kohl's Food Store	4%	\$10, \$25		
Piggly Wiggly	4%	\$25, \$50		
Sentry Foods/Super Saver	4%	\$25, \$10		
CLOTHING, SPORTING & DEPARTMENT STORES				
American Eagle Outfitters	8%	\$25		
August Max Women	19%	\$10		
Burlington Coat Factory	12%	\$10, \$25		
Casual Corner/August Max	16%	\$25		
Dick's Sporting Goods	8%	25%		
Foot Locker	13%	\$25, \$50		
Gap debit card	8%	\$20, \$25		
J. C. Penney gift card	5%	\$25, \$100		
K-Mart	3%	\$10, \$25, \$50		
The Limited	8%	\$10, \$25		
Old Navy debit card	8%	\$20, \$25		
Payless Shoe Source	12%	\$10, \$20		
Sears	2%	\$10, \$25, \$100, \$250		
ShopKo debit card	4%	\$25, \$50		
Structure	10%	\$25		
T. J. Maxx, Marshalls	8%	\$10, \$25		
Younkers	9%	\$10, \$25, \$100		
BOOKSTORES, OFFICE SUPPLY				
Barnes & Noble	8%	\$10, \$25		
Office Max debit card	3%	\$25		
Walden Books	8%	\$10, \$25		
STEREO, VIDEO EQUIPMENT; VIDEO RENTAL				
Best Buy	2%	\$10, \$25, \$50		
Blockbuster Video	7%	\$10		
Circuit City gift card	2.5%	\$25, \$50, \$100		
Hollywood Video	15%	\$1		
Musicland/Sam Goody/Suncoast	10%	\$10		
Radio Shack	4%	\$25		
SPECIALTY				
Bath & Body Works	13%	\$10, \$20, \$25		
Home Depot	3%	\$25, \$100, \$250		

Menards Home Improvement	3%	\$25, \$50, \$100		
Mrs. Fields	20%	\$5		
Original Cookie Company	25%	\$5		
Pier I Imports	7%	\$10, \$25		
TOYS				
KB Toys	9%	\$10		
Toys R Us, Kids R Us, Babies R Us	3%	\$10, \$20		
TRAVEL; SERVICE STATIONS				
BP/Amoco pre-pay oil card	3%	\$25, \$50		
Citgo	3%	\$25, \$50		
Exxon/Mobill driver cash card	2.5%	\$25, \$50, \$100		
Kwik Trip	3%	\$5, \$10		
Shell Oil	2%	\$25, \$50, \$100		
Speedway/Super America	3%	\$5, \$10		
RESTAURANTS				
Applebee's	8%	\$10, \$20		
Bob Evans	8%	\$5		
Burger King booklets	3.6%	\$5		
Chi-Chi's	15%	\$10		
Chuck E. Cheese debit card	7%	\$10		
Cracker Barrel	8%	\$5		
Denny's	8%	\$5		
Domino's Pizza	5%	\$5		
KFC	8%	\$5		
Little Caesar's	5%	\$5		
Olive Garden/Red Lobster	13%	\$10, \$25		
Perkins	8%	\$5		
Pizza Hut	9%	\$5, \$10		
Ponderosa	9%	\$5		
Wendy's	7%	\$5, \$10		
			TOTAL	\$

Please check catalog, lay-away and charge account policies at your particular store. Some stores place restrictions on Scrip purchases on those purchases. Please make checks payable to Emmaus Lutheran Church. Thanks!

May 25, 2001

FEBRUARY WORSHIP LEADERS

	READERS	ALTAR GUILD	ACOLYTES	USHERS
Feb. 2 5:00 pm		Denise & Brian Keller		
Feb. 3 9:15 am	Ruth Hlavka	Arvilla Nemer Lael Richter	Kally Jansen Amy Meteyard	Team #5 Bill Meteyard
Feb. 9 5:00 pm		Lyle & Marge Zielke		
Feb. 10 9:15 am	Bev Hansen		April Falaschi Krystle Mayer	Team #1 Harold Miller
Feb. 13 12:15, 7:00		TBA		Team #2 Rich Christensen
Feb. 16 5:00 pm		Cheryl Dexter Barb Larsen		
Feb. 17 9:15 am	Sandy Strini	Mildred Schroth Marge Jensen	Tanya Rasmussen Hailey Sommer	Team #3 Howard Jensen
Feb. 23 5:00 pm		Evelyn Larsen		
Feb. 24 9:15 am	Brenda Gieszler		Brian Field Andrew Reischl	Team #4 John Cook
Mar. 2 5:00 pm		TBA		
Mar. 3 9:15 am	Kathy Christensen	TBA	Kelsey Albright Marissa Connet	Team #5 Bill Meteyard

	ALTAR FLOWERS	FELLOWSHIP	CANDLE CARE	COMMUNION ASST.
Feb. 3	Hedy Wagner	Bonnie French	Boots LeRoux	Gregg Albright
Feb. 10	Jim & Joan Larsen	Judy Berndt		
Feb. 13				Nancy Brown
Feb. 17	Judy Yorgan	Bonnie French		Amy Larsen
Feb. 24	available	Billy Wohlgemuth		
Mar. 3	Celia Weber	K. Cook, K. Smith	Cheryl Dexter	Joy Lippmann

Letters

Thanks from Family Services

Dear Mary,

On behalf of the Board of Directors, staff and clients of Family Service of Racine, I would like to extend sincere thanks to you for your recent donation of the Noisy Offering in the amount of \$108.29 to Family Service. Donations such as yours are valuable to our organization in our efforts to strengthen Racine's families in need.

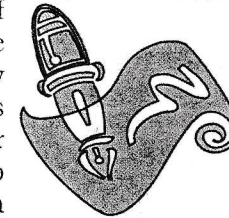
Each year our programs help over 10,000 individuals and families become healthier and

stronger. Our programs assist those who otherwise may not be able to afford help. Your contribution makes a real impact in this effort. Thank you for believing in family.

Family Service of Racine provided no goods or services to the donor in consideration in whole or part for this contribution.

Best regards,

Les Higgenbottom,
Executive Director, Family Service of Racine, Inc.



Lutherdale Sends Thanks for Help

Dear Friends at Emmaus Lutheran Church:

Thank you for your recent gift of \$186.00 in response to Lutherdale's Advent Ask. The generosity and support of your congregation is very much appreciated. It is appreciated not only by Lutherdale and its ministry, but mostly by the children and adults who are touched by the love and good news of the glorious birth of the Baby Jesus.

As the year ends and Lutherdale closes its books for the year, please know that because of the generosity of your congregation and others, Lutherdale's ministry will continue to make difference in so many lives. So many children who do not otherwise feel the love

of Jesus Christ or have not heard the good news of His birth will now be able to do so.

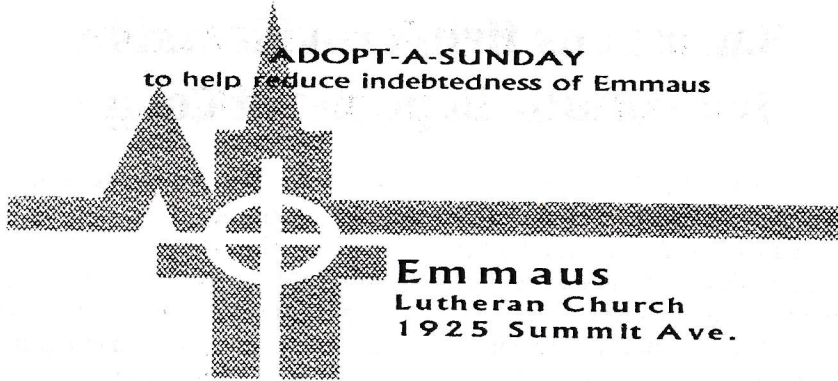
Again, thank you for your continued and generous financial support. Please continue to include Lutherdale and its ministry in the prayers of your congregation and in your giving plans.

What your congregation does for Lutherdale's ministry counts for so much to so many.

May your members, their families and you personally experience the love and joy of the birth of the Baby Jesus. Always know that "We care because He cares."

Christmas Blessings,
Darlene Breon,
Development Director

ADOPT-A-SUNDAY
to help reduce indebtedness of Emmaus



Emmaus
Lutheran Church
1925 Summit Ave.

I wish to contribute: \$1,000 \$750 \$500
 \$300 \$100 \$ _____
(Suggested minimum \$100; any gift appreciated)

Sunday to adopt: _____

In memory of: _____

In honor of: _____

Occasion: _____

Contributor: _____

This Is My Beloved Son

A Festival of Hymns
for the Season of Epiphany



featuring

Dr. Michael Burkhardt

Organist-Director from Carthage College



St. Mary's Lutheran Church

2001-80th Street

Kenosha, WI

Sunday, February 10

4:00pm

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Elsewhere in Our Area

LSS Offers Pre-Marriage Workshops

Are you getting married? Then you might consider going to one of the Lutheran Social Services Pre-Marriage Workshops. These workshops are designed to provide couples with a head start on that road to a long and loving relationship.

What the workshop covers:

- You'll spend time as a couple exploring the paths to a more satisfying and enduring relationship with each other.
- You'll examine the stresses in a marriage and how to better face and solve them.
- You'll learn how to really talk with each other and how to listen.
- You'll examine your needs and expectations from our marriage and how your partner can help fulfill them.
- You'll get a better understanding of the part that God and faith play in your marriage.

Join the hundreds of other couples who have attended these workshops and helped to make their start in marriage a solid one.

Note: couples being married at Emmaus are required to meet with the pastor three times prior to the

wedding. These LSS workshops are offered as an optional supplement to the sessions with the pastor.



Messiah Hosts Spaghetti Dinner

Messiah Lutheran Church, 3015 Pritchard Drive (on Durand Avenue one block west of Ohio) will host a "Presidents' Day Red, White, Blue Spaghetti Dinner" on Saturday, February 9 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

\$6.25 for adults and \$2.50 for children age 12 and under includes wine, salad, pasta/meatballs, bread and dessert.

Luther College Nordic Choir Comes to Milwaukee

The Luther College Nordic Choir from Decorah, Iowa, will perform at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 3022 W. Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee, on Monday, February 4.

The *a cappella* choir, conducted by Weston Noble, has recently toured England and Norway. This is Dr. Noble's 54th year at Luther College. More information on the choir's winter tour is on line at <http://musicstours.luther.edu>

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Good Shepherd Hosts Chili Supper

On Sunday, February 17, Good Shepherd Lutheran is hosting a chili supper at 5:00 p.m. (before Sanctuary). The cost is \$4.00 a person.

Call Sue Cooper at 886-6130 to register.

Atonement Offers Walk Thru New Testament

Pastor Williams and the congregation of Atonement cordially invite you to join them in an inspirational event for all members of the community.

Let's all increase Bible literacy in our congregations! Let's all "Walk Thru the New Testament!" Atonement Lutheran Church is sponsoring a Walk Thru the New Testament seminar on March 2 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. Vibrant and humorous teaching will be complemented by unique hand signs taught to you by the seminar presenter.

The sanctuary floor will be turned into a map to show the locations of Bible lands and waters. Participants will receive a beautifully illustrated workbook containing the highlights of the seminar with a 30-day devotional section in the back.

Early registration is \$15.00 for adults and students (5th - 12th



grade); late registration after February 17 is \$20.00 per person. Child care will be provided for children 4th grade and under.

Absolutely no note-taking is involved in this day of fun and relaxation for the entire family. For reservations, please call the Atonement Church at 637-5671.

Atonement is located at 2915 Wright Avenue in Racine.

Eagle's Nest Hosts Tracking Basics

Eagle's Nest Adventure Center will host "Animal Tracking Basics" March 23 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Doug Gaulke, of Tracks and Trees Learning Center in Watertown will lead a workshop designed to teach participants how to identify tracks, determine animal characteristics and other ways that an animal can leave signs of its presence.

The class includes lunch and costs \$20 per adult. Registration is limited; call Lutherdale at 262-742-2352 or e-mail enac@lutherdale.org

Luther Nordic Choir Sings

Luther College Nordic Choir will appear in concert 7:00 p.m. Monday, February 4 at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 3022 W. Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee.

Pastor Mary's Column

The Body of Christ

During the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in January, there was time for both action and reflection on being a part of the body of Christ. I had the privilege of leading the January 20 Sanctuary service where a number of Emmaus folks were represented.

What music! What spirit! The Zoe Praise Team from Zoe Outreach Ministries (Zoe is the Greek word for "life") had us standing on our feet with their upbeat music.

Velvetta Hargrove, our Community Outreach Minister and one of the vocalists in the group, motioned for me to come join the Praise Team. I thought, "Help! Doesn't she know I can't sing?" Fortunately, a couple others also came forward to "rescue" me!

As I mentioned in my sermon the following Sunday, I had been stretched and moved outside my comfort zone as we worshiped together with our African American brothers and sisters that evening. It was truly a time when we joined hearts and hands and voices as we worshiped and praised God together.

As one Lutheran pastor put it, "Tonight I have seen here a glimpse of the kingdom."

As we continue to find our common threads with Christians from other denominations and faith traditions, does that mean we give up something as Lutherans? Do we

lose our identity? No, not at all! More than ever, I celebrate being Lutheran. I celebrate our emphasis on Word and Sacrament.

I know as a Lutheran that God has claimed me in my Baptism and that I can't even begin to describe what the wonder of God's grace is all about. I know that Lutherans are actively a part of building community and struggling with issues of social justice.

As a part of the ELCA, I am reminded that we are part of a much larger community. I am grateful for the emphasis in this synod on collegiality and mission; the church is strengthened by such commitment.

As we remain strong in our identity as Lutherans (and as many of us are influenced by the Scandinavian roots of our piety), we can celebrate those places of common ground with a variety of Christians. And as we share in worship, fellowship and learning together, it is my prayer that the Body of Christ will become even stronger in our own community.

Even though we may be "stretched" at times, I yearn for more "glimpses of the kingdom" in the months and years to come. I hope you will join me as those opportunities present themselves—we will all be richer for it.

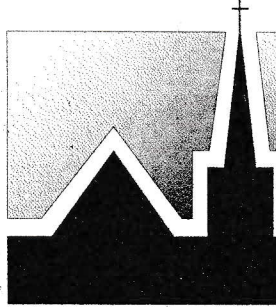
Pastor Mary

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- ♥ February Is Heart Month
- ♥ Mentors Needed for Kids
Hope USA
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Pastor Sharon to Be Installed March 17

Representatives from the synod and Lincoln Lutheran will participate in the March 17 installation of Pastor Sharon Georgi at the 9:15 a.m. worship service.

The Rev. Walter Michels, a recently retired professor of Old Testament and Hebrew Studies at the Lutheran School of Theology, will be the guest



preacher for the installation service. If you missed his engaging presentation to the Senior Citizen Fellowship Center in October, this is your opportunity to hear his witty and engaging insights into scripture.

Pastor Sharon has accepted a half-time call that is being shared by Emmaus and Lincoln Lutheran.

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PASTORAL ACTS

Weddings:

Rodell Tara Mandernack
John Richard Halberstadt
February 16, 2002

John Halberstadt is the brother of Joy Lippmann. He is employed by J.I. Case. Tara works in greenhouses. The Halberstadts live in Mount Pleasant.

Funerals:

Judy Dykstra
February 18, 2002

Judy Dykstra passed away February 15. She has been an enthusiastic member of the Emmaus Senior Fellowship Center and the former Rebecca Circle. She is survived by her mother, Gerry Dykstra.

Our Condolences

We extend our condolences to the family of Richard Frankowski, who passed away in Milwaukee in February. Mr. Frankowski is the father-in-law of Cathy Meyer.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Ruth Hlavka after the loss of her daughter, Susan Cornwell of Madison, on February 20.

We also extend condolences to the family of Bernard Reilly, who passed away February 25. He is brother-in-law to Ruth Estep.

Memorials

Non-designated memorials:

In memory of Lillian Fredericksen: \$25.00

Sanctuary — a place set apart to shelter and nourish your spirit — is offered every Sunday evening at 6:00 at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 5040 Northwestern Avenue (Highway 38 a quarter mile west of Highway 31).

Sanctuary is a young adult ministry of the Racine Mission Cluster of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (but youth and older adults are welcome, too!)

262-637-6373

www.aplaceforyouhere.org



Lenten Services Lead Up to Resurrection Story

Midweek Lenten services continue at Emmaus this month through Holy Week.

We invite you to attend Tuesday afternoon services on March 5, 12 and 19 at 12:15. Have lunch with the Senior Citizen Fellowship Center at 11:30 (a sign-up sheet is in the narthex during Saturday and Sunday services).

Holy Week

Holy Week begins with Walter Wangerin's "The Cry of the Whole Congregation" at 9:15 a.m. Sunday, March 24.

Maundy Thursday services will focus on Jesus' Last Supper, at 7:00 p.m. March 28 with the sacrament of Holy Communion. The 12:15 Maundy Thursday

service has been discontinued this year.

Good Friday, we offer worship services at 12:15 and 7:00 p.m. March 29. The Adult Choir will present a cantata at the 7:00 p.m. service (see the article below).

Easter Sunday

Finally, we arrive at Jesus' resurrection on Sunday, March 31. The Brass Nickel will be with us for both the Sunrise service at 7:00 a.m. and the Festival service at 9:30 a.m.

Holy Communion will be celebrated at both services, and is open to all who believe in Christ's real presence in the sacrament.

Following the Sunrise Service, around 8:15, everyone is invited to Fellowship Hall for a breakfast served by our youth.



Choir Presents Good Friday Cantata

by Marsha Connet

The Adult Choir will present a very special Lenten cantata at the 7:00 p.m. Good Friday service. "Lenten Canticles — A Passion Cantata" is filled with familiar, singable music for both choir and congregation.

"Extra" choir members are

welcome to join us in preparing for this outstanding worship experience. Rehearsals are each Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. What a wonderful way to prepare your heart and mind for this holy season.

If you can't join the choir for this short-term commitment, please plan to attend this very special Good Friday service.

Congregation Approves Budget, Votes to Call Pastor Sharon Georgi

The Sunset Room was filled on Sunday, February 3 for the annual congregational meeting. Led by council president Amy Larsen, the meeting included reports by her, Pastor Mary, and Treasurer Caren Lambertson.

Thanks and recognition were extended to Betty Barth, who is stepping down from her position as WELCA President, and to Joyce Kaiser and Shirley Velzka for their faithful work in counting the weekly offerings. All members were thanked for their support, prayers and hard work during 2001.

We ended the 2001 year approximately \$1,000 short of our budget needs, while the pledged benevolences to the wider church were met in full, according to Caren Lambertson.

The proposed budget is approximately \$8,000 over projected income, and it will be necessary to make a concerted effort during the year to meet the projected budget, which was approved by unanimous vote.

Also receiving unanimous approval was the motion to call Rev. Sharon Georgi on a part-time basis, sharing that part-time call with Lincoln Lutheran.

The members of the church council are:

President: Amy Larsen
Vice President: Mark Purath
Secretary: Cathy Knuteson
Treasurer: Caren Lambertson
Financial Secretary: Michele Kreimer
Youth: Gregg Albright
Social Concerns: Loren & Cindi Larsen
Women of the ELCA: Denise Keller
Worship & Music: Kathy Christensen
Building & Grounds: Bill Irvine
Vacancies remain for the positions of Stewardship and Parish Education.

We Accept News Articles By e-mail

Articles for the *Emmaus Visitor* or the Sunday bulletin may be submitted to the church office by e-mail at emmaus@execpc.com.

Our web site address is now <http://www.emmaus-racine.org>. Features include *Visitor* articles, the schedule for the current and upcoming week, photos, and an illustrated history of Emmaus.

Please try to submit articles about April meetings, sales, and other events by March 15. Because Easter comes at the end of the month, the newsletter cannot wait until the last minute!

Scrip Program Continues

by Pat Liesch

Our Scrip program continues, with orders being placed approximately once a month. Please

look for the Scrip bucket in the narthex to obtain your order sheet, and place your order in the bucket.

For questions, please contact Pat Liesch.

We Still Care at Pick 'n' Save

It's been a while since we've mentioned the We Care program at Pick 'n' Save, but Emmaus is still participating in the program. If you register your Advantage Card with the account number 205100, a percentage of your card purchases

will go to help Emmaus.

If you have already filled out an Advantage card registration form, you may apply for a change in account numbers without having to fill out a new form.



EMMAUS STAFF & WORSHIP TIMES

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Pastor Mary — mijananz@aol.com
Velvetta Hargrove — velvetta@execpc.com

Services are held at Emmaus every Saturday evening at 5:00 and Sunday mornings at 9:15. MIDWEEK Lenten services meet Tuesdays at 12:15 through March 19. HOLY WEEK worship services are at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, March 28; 12:15 and 7:00 p.m. Friday, March 29; and 7:00 and 9:30 am Easter Sunday, March 31. There will not be a Saturday worship service March 30.

Sunday School meets at 10:30 a.m. (no Sunday School March 31).

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

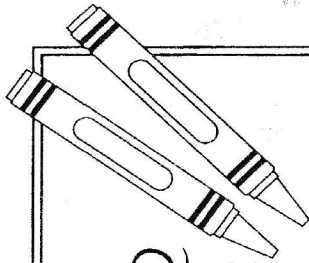
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Sun. School Coordinator: Julie Field
Kids Hope USA Dir.: Marty Aiken
Community Outreach Minister: Velvetta Hargrove
Organist: Joyce Kaiser
Adult Choir Dir.: Marsha Connet
Youth Music Dir.: Karla Bielewicz
Secretary: Paul Berge
Custodians: Rick Muhammad & Matt Liesch
Groundskeeper: Harley Slater



Just for KIDS

Easter Surprises!

Connect the dots to find 2 symbols of Easter.
Write the words in order on the lines below.

2	4	6	8	10	12	14
16	18	20	22	24		
26	28	30	33	35	37	38
40	41	42	43	44	45	46

Answer: God gave us Jesus Christ, His Son, the holy, loving righteous one. He died to save us all from sin, and on Easter day He rose again!

Pastor Mary, Marty Aiken Attend Anti-Racism Training

by Marty Aiken

February 8-10, Pastor Mary and Marty Aiken had the privilege of attending the first Anti-Racism Training session sponsored by the Greater Milwaukee Synod. They were part of the initial group of fellow synod members to undergo training.

The session was designed and taught by Crossroads Ministry, who many of us recognize as a Racine neighbor with many connections to Emmaus. Supported by the Siebert Lutheran Foundation, these sessions are an integral part of the synod's commitment to self-understanding and genuine openness towards achieving greater justice and mutual community on matters of race and culture.



If there was a single theme to the training, it could be summed up in Jesus' words "I have come that they might have life, and have it more abundantly." The suspicion often is that in order to be "anti-racist" we must accept criticism or "give-up" something we have or are. The encouragement of Crossroad's spiritual insight into racism is that it is racism that is forever asking us to give up something of who God is saying we are.

Being anti-racist is to claim God's identity of who we are, and how we are to be in relation to all of God's children and our neighbors. As we begin to open ourselves up to our neighborhood we have the great encouragement that we are giving God a new opportunity to open up "more abundantly" to us.

8th-9th Grade Classes Meet Wednesdays

The last two confirmation classes for 8th and 9th graders will be at 6:15 p.m. Wednesdays, March 6 and 13.

Maundy Thursday, April 12, and Good Friday, April 13, worship services will be the final portion of this spring's confirmation program.

Sunday School Skips Easter

There will be no Sunday School on March 31, Easter Sunday.

YOUTH BIRTHDAYS

Erin Sommer	March 3	15
Daniel Rieves	March 4	7
Anna Butler	March 9	2
Greg Gottfredsen	March 17	12
Alex Rangel	March 21	11
Kyle Mickelson	March 24	15
Andrew Jaskulske	March 25	7
Isaac Bustamante	March 27	11
Dylan Scoon	March 28	15

Bake Sale Raised \$123

Thank you to all who donated baked goods and to all those who purchased the delicious-looking treats. A total of \$123.00 was made and will go to the Retreat/Convention/Scholarship Fund.

All women of Emmaus, mark your calendars! Women's Retreat at the Siena Center will be Friday, April 19 and Saturday, April 20. Pastor Sharon Georgi will be the retreat leader. Watch for sign-up and more details in the narthex.

"Listen, God is Calling," the triennial convention of the Women of the ELCA, will be July 11-13, 2002 at the Pennsylvania Convention Center in Philadelphia.



There are "for more information" cards on the poster on the bulletin board outside the church office.

The Women's Board will meet on March 4 at 6:00.

Cluster Brunch

The WELCA Racine Mission Cluster Brunch will be Saturday morning, April 13 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 3319 Washington Avenue.

Lydia Circle

The Mary and Rebecca Circles have combined to form the Lydia Circle. The Lydia Circle meets on the first Wednesday of the month in the Sunset Room. All are welcome!

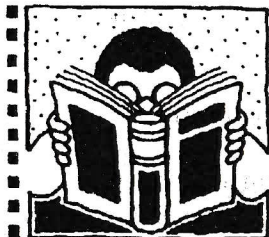
The contact person for the Lydia Circle is Marge Jensen, 634-8754.

Join the Book Club

by Marge Jensen

Attention book lovers! A book club is being formed here at Emmaus. We will meet once a month here at the church.

An informational meeting will be held at the church on Thursday, March 14 at 1:00 p.m. All who are interested, come and join us and lend your



suggestions to help make this club stimulating, interesting and fun.

An evening meeting and club are also possible. Men and couples are very welcome.

For more information, call Marjorie Jensen, 634-8754.

Give Somebody a Cookbook

An Emmaus cookbook makes an ideal gift for kids, graduating from high school and college, going out on their own for the

first time. Please keep our cookbooks in mind. They're now only \$10.00 each.

Churches Likely to Remain REST Hosts Next Fall

by Pat Liesch

The REST Board is still investigating possibilities for a single site, but nothing has materialized so far. At this point in time, we are making plans to return to the churches when REST gears

up again next fall.

We gratefully appreciate all your efforts on behalf of REST, and hope you will continue to support our program. We'll keep you posted on further developments towards a single site. Thanks, and please keep us in your prayers.

Buddy, Can You Spare a Dime?

by Pat Liesch

The increased influx of guests into the REST program has left our Emmaus REST coffers a little bare. Even though many of our supplies can be obtained for free from the Food Bank, we still need to purchase fresh items weekly, such as milk, bread, buns, margarine, fruit, eggs, lunch meats, and so forth — not to mention those items we cannot get from the Food Bank.

(For your information, the Food Bank gives us cases of food from the Federal commodities and Second Harvest programs, such as peanut butter, canned vegetables, canned fruits, rice, instant potatoes, soup, hot dogs, etc.)



You can support REST by purchasing the beautiful pins you see in the narthex, the SouperBowl program — just completed, our Emmaus rummage sale, and general donations. Now you can support REST by putting your loose change, and other donations into the "Buddy, Can You Spare a Dime?" buckets that will be placed around Emmaus.

We love to hear the joyous sound of your change hitting the bottom of the buckets! Quiet sounds are good too! If you need any further information, please contact Pat Liesch, 835-1363. Thanks so much, and God bless.

GLAD TO BE IN GOD'S SERVICE

	ALTAR FLOWERS	FELLOWSHIP	CANDLE CARE	COMMUNION ASST.
Mar. 3	Celia Weber	K. Cook, K. Smith	Cheryl Dexter	Joy Lippmann
Mar. 10	J. & M. Haanstad	Celia Weber		
Mar. 17	Haugsbys	Ginny Haugsby		Kylee Albright
Mar. 24	Al & Jan Svendsen	<i>available</i>		
Mar. 28				Karen Sedgwick
Mar. 31 7:00 am				Cindi Larsen, Marsha Connet, Gregg Albright
Mar. 31 9:30 am				Carol Eschmann, Julie Field, Pat Jensen
Apr. 7	<i>available</i>	<i>available</i>	Jan Svendsen	Kathy Christensen

Can you please R-U-G?

Would you please consider being a reader, usher or greeter? It's been several years since we have updated our lists of members willing to read lessons, usher or greet before services. These activities require a small amount of time on an occasional Sunday and scheduling is flexible. Please sign up below and drop in the offering plate or return to the church office.

Name _____

Phone number _____

Yes! I am willing to: Read lessons _____

Usher _____

Greet _____

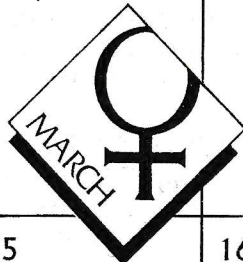
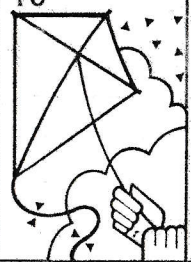


Thanks!

MARCH WORSHIP LEADERS

	READERS	ALTAR GUILD	ACOLYTES	USHERS
Mar. 2 5:00 pm		Pat Jensen		
Mar. 3 9:15 am	David Christensen	Linda Meteyard Helen Mickelson	Kelsey Albright Marissa Connet	Team #5 Bill Meteyard
Mar. 9 5:00 pm		Barb Toslek Kelley Austin		
Mar. 10 9:15 am	Cindi Larsen		Justin Haman Nathan Lamberton	Team #1 Harold Miller
Mar. 16 5:00 pm		Jan Svendsen Shirley Irvine		
Mar. 17 9:15 am	Amy Larsen	Jan Bertram Virginia Haugsby	Kally Jansen Amy Meteyard	Team #2 Rich Christensen
Mar. 23 5:00 pm		Marion Andersen Judy Berndt		
Mar. 24 9:15 am	Ken Larsen		Hailey Sommer Krystle Mayer	Team #3 Howard Jensen
Th. Mar. 28 7:00 pm		Evelyn Larsen Pat Jensen	Erin Sommer Tanya Rasmussen	Team #4 John Cook
Fri. Mar. 29 12:15/7:00	TBA		/Justin Haman Nathan Lamberton	/Team #5 Bill Meteyard
Mar. 31 7:00 am	Marsha Connet	Ruth Estep Bev Hansen	Brian Field Andrew Reischl Marissa Connet April Falaschi	Team #1 Harold Miller
Mar. 31 9:30 am	Al Svendsen	Gregg & Kylee Albright	Kally Jansen Amy Meteyard Krystle Mayer Erin Sommer	Team #2 Rich Christensen
Apr. 6 5:00 pm		Betty Schultz Cathy Meyer		
Apr. 7 9:15 am	Kathy Christensen	Lael Richter Arvilla Nemer	Kelsey Albright Hailey Sommer	Team #3 Howard Jensen

MARCH, 2002

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			1 7:00 pm REST		2 5:00 pm Worship Service w/H.C.		
3 3rd Sunday in Lent 9:15 am Worship Service w/Holy Communion 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Sunday school 6:00 pm SANCTUARY worship service at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church		4 11:00 am Staff meeting	5 10:00 am Seniors 12:15 pm Midweek worship service 2:30 pm Emmaus After School Youth (EASY), to 5:30 5:00 pm TOPS	6 1:30 pm Lydia Circle 6:15 pm 8th-9th grade confirmation class 7:00 pm Adult Choir rehearsal	7 11:00 am Bulletin deadline 2:30 pm EASY, to 5:30 7:00 pm Stamp Club	8 7:00 pm REST 	9 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion
10 4th Sunday in Lent 9:15 am Worship Service — Service of Word & Prayer 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Sunday school 6:00 pm SANCTUARY worship service at GSLC		11 6:30 pm Church Council	12 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 12:15 pm Midweek worship service 2:30 pm EASY, to 5:30 5:00 pm TOPS	13 6:15 pm Conf. class 7:00 pm Adult Choir rehearsal	14 11:00 am Bulletin deadline 1:00 pm Book Club 2:30 pm Emmaus After School Youth, to 5:30	15 7:00 pm REST	16 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion
17 5th Sunday in Lent; St. Patrick <i>April Visitor deadline</i> 9:15 am Worship Service — Chicago Folk Service with Holy Communion; installation of Pastor Sharon 10:15 am Reception for Pastor Sharon 10:30 am Sunday School 6:00 pm SANCTUARY worship service at GSLC		18 	19 St. Joseph 9:00 am Cluster Clergy 10:00 am Seniors 12:15 pm Midweek worship service 2:30 pm EASY, to 5:30 5:00 pm TOPS	20 Day of prayer for peace in the Middle East 6:15 pm Confirmation class 7:00 pm Adult Choir rehearsal	21 11:00 am Bulletin deadline 2:30 pm Emmaus After School Youth, to 5:30	22 7:00 pm REST	23 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion
24 Sunday of the Passion (Palm Sunday) 9:15 am Worship Service — "The Cry of the Whole Congregation" 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School 6:00 pm SANCTUARY worship service at GSLC		25 Annunciation of Our Lord 6:00 pm REST Board	26 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 11:00 am Thu.-Fri. bulletin deadline 2:30 pm EASY, to 5:30 5:00 pm TOPS	27 7:00 pm Adult Choir rehearsal 	28 Maundy Thursday 9:00 am Sunday Bulletin deadline 2:30 pm EASY to 5:30 7:00 pm Maundy Thu. worship w/H.C.	29 Good Friday <i>Office closed in afternoon</i> 12:15 pm Good Friday worship 7:00 pm Tenebrae service 7:00 pm REST	30 <i>No Saturday Worship Service this week</i>
31 The Resurrection of Our Lord 7:00 am Sunrise Service w/Holy Communion 8:15 am Easter breakfast 9:30 am Festival Service w/Holy Communion <i>No Sunday School</i> 6:00 pm SANCTUARY worship service at GSLC		April 1 <i>Office closed</i>	2 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 2:30 pm EASY, to 5:30	3 1:30 pm Mary & Rebecca Circles	4 2:30 pm EASY to 5:30 5:00 pm Community Meal at St. Pat's	5 7:00 pm REST 	6 5:00 pm Worship Service w/H.C. Daylight Savings Time ends

Emmaus Name: _____ Home phone: _____

SCRIP Address: _____ Zip: _____

Store name	Emmaus earns	Denominations available	Quantity	Total
DRUG & GROCERY STORES				
Kohl's Food Store	4%	\$10, \$25		
Piggly Wiggly	4%	\$25, \$50		
Sentry Foods/Super Saver	4%	\$25, \$10		
CLOTHING, SPORTING & DEPARTMENT STORES				
American Eagle Outfitters	8%	\$25		
August Max Women	19%	\$10		
Burlington Coat Factory	12%	\$10, \$25		
Casual Corner/August Max	16%	\$25		
Dick's Sporting Goods	8%	25%		
Foot Locker	13%	\$25, \$50		
Gap debit card	8%	\$20, \$25		
J. C. Penney gift card	5%	\$25, \$100		
K-Mart	3%	\$10, \$25, \$50		
The Limited	8%	\$10, \$25		
Old Navy debit card	8%	\$20, \$25		
Payless Shoe Source	12%	\$10, \$20		
Sears	2%	\$10, \$25, \$100, \$250		
ShopKo debit card	4%	\$25, \$50		
Structure	10%	\$25		
T. J. Maxx, Marshalls	8%	\$10, \$25		
Younkers	9%	\$10, \$25, \$100		
BOOKSTORES, OFFICE SUPPLY				
Barnes & Noble	8%	\$10, \$25		
Office Max debit card	3%	\$25		
Walden Books	8%	\$10, \$25		
STEREO, VIDEO EQUIPMENT; VIDEO RENTAL				
Best Buy	2%	\$10, \$25, \$50		
Blockbuster Video	7%	\$10		
Circuit City gift card	2.5%	\$25, \$50, \$100		
Hollywood Video	15%	\$1		
Musicland/Sam Goody/Suncoast	10%	\$10		
Radio Shack	4%	\$25		
SPECIALTY				
Bath & Body Works	13%	\$10, \$20, \$25		
Home Depot	3%	\$25, \$100, \$250		

Menards Home Improvement	3%	\$25, \$50, \$100		
Mrs. Fields	20%	\$5		
Original Cookie Company	25%	\$5		
Pier 1 Imports	7%	\$10, \$25		
TOYS				
KB Toys	9%	\$10		
Toys R Us, Kids R Us, Babies R Us	3%	\$10, \$20		
TRAVEL; SERVICE STATIONS				
BP/Amoco pre-pay oil card	3%	\$25, \$50		
Citgo	3%	\$25, \$50		
Exxon/Mobil driver cash card	2.5%	\$25, \$50, \$100		
Kwik Trip	3%	\$5, \$10		
Shell Oil	2%	\$25, \$50, \$100		
Speedway/Super America	3%	\$5, \$10		
RESTAURANTS				
Applebee's	8%	\$10, \$20		
Bob Evans	8%	\$5		
Burger King booklets	3.6%	\$5		
Chi-Chi's	15%	\$10		
Chuck E. Cheese debit card	7%	\$10		
Cracker Barrel	8%	\$5		
Denny's	8%	\$5		
Domino's Pizza	5%	\$5		
KFC	8%	\$5		
Little Caesar's	5%	\$5		
Olive Garden/Red Lobster	13%	\$10, \$25		
Perkins	8%	\$5		
Pizza Hut	9%	\$5, \$10		
Ponderosa	9%	\$5		
Wendy's	7%	\$5, 10		
			TOTAL	\$

Please check catalog, lay-away and charge account policies at your particular store. Some stores place restrictions on Scrip purchases on those purchases. Please make checks payable to Emmaus Lutheran Church. Thanks!

May 25, 2001

EMMAUS SENIOR FELLOWSHIP CENTER

Tuesdays: 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Director: Carol Rudey

Center opens at 10:00 a.m. with coffee; programs begin at 10:30.

The center will not be open if weather conditions close the public schools.



PROGRAMS FOR MARCH:

March 5 10:00 am Coffee & Conversation

10:30 am TBA

11:30 Regular lunch

12:15 Midweek Lenten worship service

1:00 pm Social activities

March 12 10:00 am Coffee & Conversation

10:30 am Read & Remember will present the "Wearing of the Green"

11:30 am Lunch

12:15 pm Lenten service

1:00 pm Social activities

March 19 10:00 am Coffee & Conversation

10:30 am TBA

11:30 am Lunch

12:15 pm Lenten service

1:00 pm Social activities

March 26 10:00 am Coffee & Conversation

10:30 am TBA

12:00 noon Birthday lunch

1:00 pm Social activities



MARCH BIRTHDAYS - 70 YEARS AND OVER

March 1	Jan Svendsen	158 Merrie Lane	53405
March 4	Bev Hansen	240 Eighty-Eighth Ave., Sturtevant	53177
March 6	William Allen	4314 Taylor Avenue	53405
March 7	Eileen Olson	1817 Mars Avenue	53404
March 9	Carolyn Weitzel	1519 60th Street, Kenosha	53140
March 14	Selma Sorensen	3910 River Drive	53405
March 16	Virginia Haugsby	4140 Manhattan Drive	53402
March 21	Lillian Henrickson	5819 16th Street, # 149	53406

LSS EXPRESSIONS

5 tips for talking with someone about alcohol or drug abuse

One-third of the residents of Wisconsin and Upper Michigan are directly affected by alcohol abuse and drug addiction, either through their own behavior or that of a loved one. But how do you talk with another person about this touchy subject? Here are some tips:

- ☛ **Don't discuss it when the person is drinking or high.** A better time to talk is shortly after an incident of abuse, when the person is hung over or remorseful.
- ☛ **Be specific about incidents of abuse.** Don't blame or generalize by saying, "You always...."
- ☛ **Use "I" phrases,** such as "I noticed...I'm worried."
- ☛ **Don't worry if you don't say things perfectly.** What's most important is to talk, listen and show a caring attitude.
- ☛ **Don't be discouraged if the person denies the problem.** Denial is a common symptom of addictive diseases. But be prepared to immediately set up a contact with a professional resource or self-help group if the person is ready to accept help.

LSS EXPRESSIONS is a regular column of hints for healthy living provided by staff from Lutheran Social Services.

Lutheran Social Services
of Wisconsin and Upper Michigan

Touching lives with hope and healing.



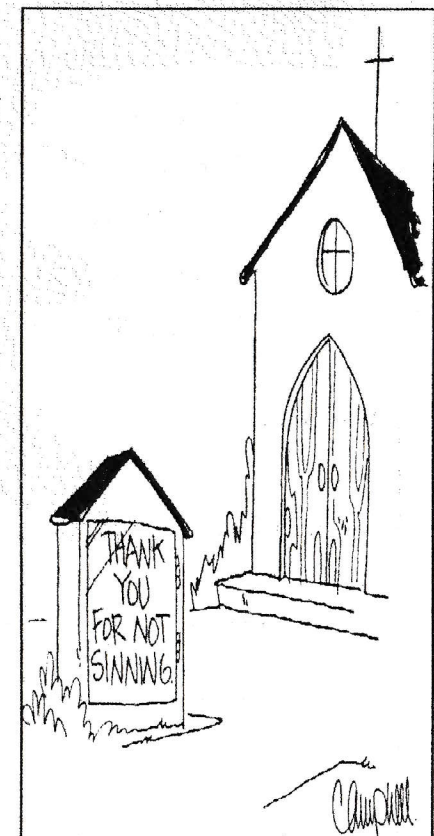
Have your cake and eat it too...

Earn interest on your Mission Investments and help build churches across the country!!!



INTERESTED?

Call the Mission Investment Fund of the ELCA
1-800/638-3522, ext. 2943





Flowering plants, symbolizing rebirth, have long been used to enhance the worship experience at Easter services. We have a wide variety to choose from this year. Choose from the plants listed below to decorate Emmaus church on this special day. The plants will be yours to take after the late worship service on Easter Sunday, March 31.

Please indicate your choice of plant(s) on the form below and return it to the church office with payment by Sunday, March 17.

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Cost</u>
_____	6" White Easter lily (5-8 flowers)	\$8.00
_____	7" Azalea	\$12.00
_____	7" Chrysanthemums	\$7.50
_____	7" Daffodil (3-4 flowers)	\$8.00
_____	7" Hyacinth (3-4 flowers)	\$8.00
_____	7" Hydrangea (3-5 flowers)	\$12.00
_____	7" Regal Geranium	\$8.50
_____	7" Tulip (6-7 flowers)	\$8.00

Your name/s: _____ Phone: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

Given in memory / honor of: _____

For office use: Order list- Bulletin- Pmt-

Lutherans Help Make Winning Touchdown for 'Souper Bowl'

CHICAGO (ELCA) — As the New England Patriots of the National Football League claimed victory on "Super Bowl Sunday" Feb. 3, thousands of Lutherans also made the "winning touchdown" in a challenge of a different kind.

Members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) participated in "Souper Bowl of Caring," a national effort to fight hunger. Organizers reported their results on game day. As of Feb. 6, about 6,350 faith groups across the country raised \$2.6 million. The total is posted on www.souperbowl.org — the Souper Bowl of Caring's Web site.

Seven congregations of the ELCA Northwest Synod of Wisconsin participated in the Souper Bowl of Caring. Members of Osseo Evangelical Lutheran Church, Osseo, Wis., contributed canned goods and \$281.73 to support the Tri-County Food Pantry. Young members of Joy Lutheran Church, Prescott, Wis., collected \$239.55 for the Prescott Food Shelf, and the youth group at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, Stanley, Wis., collected \$92.00 for the ELCA World Hunger Appeal.

With one dollar, the ELCA World Hunger Appeal can provide food for one day for children with AIDS living in Africa, said Stephen Padre, associate director for hunger and disaster appeal communication, ELCA Department for

Communication. In the United States a dollar can leverage \$15 worth of surplus food for local food banks, he said.

Souper Bowl of Caring began when the Rev. Brad Smith, Spring Valley Presbyterian Church, Columbia, S.C., made reference to the National Football League's

Super Bowl Sunday as "Souper Bowl" Sunday in a prayer. The senior youth fellowship of the congregation

took the pun in earnest, and a national effort to fight hunger was born. Smith now serves full-time as executive director of Souper Bowl of Caring.

The partnership has grown from 22 churches in 1990 to more than 12,500 congregations in Canada and in every U.S. state. The effort generated more than \$3.6 million in 2001. Lutheran congregations raised about \$500,000 for local and national hunger organizations and the ELCA World Hunger Appeal.

House Pins Benefit REST

House pins are on sale after Saturday and Sunday services to benefit Emmaus' REST program. The new cross pins are \$20.



Your Family Can Join AAL

You and your family can join Aid Association for Lutherans (AAL) for just \$10 per year!

Joining is easy and you'll have access to many special benefits. For example, you can order complimentary member benefits including books, videos, CD-ROMs and more. Designed to bring your family together, these benefits cover

topics ranging from parenting to saving for college.

Plus, there are benefits designed just for kids, including the AAL Kids' Club. To learn more about AAL's \$10 Associate membership offer, contact AAL Branch #4175: Joyce Kaiser, Barb Toslek, Mildred Schroth, or representative Darrell Reynolds.



AID ASSOCIATION FOR LUTHERANS

Ten Commandments of Congregational Singing

1. Thou shalt sing!
2. Thou shalt sing with all thy heart, all of the soul, and all of thy might.
3. Thou shalt sing fearlessly, ignoring the possible wandering glances of thy neighbors. They would like to sing with you if they had the nerve, and they will possibly join in if you continue singing.
4. Thou shalt sing joyfully, in the spirit of the prophet Isaiah: "Sing, O heavens; and be joyful, O earth; and break forth into singing, O mountains." —Isaiah 49:13.
5. Thou shalt sing reverently, for music is a form of prayer to God.
6. Thou shalt not be afraid to sing, for though an individual may pray in prose or even in silence, a congregation must sing.
7. Thou shalt not resist new melodies, for it is written in the Psalms, "O sing unto the Lord a new song!" —Psalms 96:1.
8. Thou shalt not mumble the melody, but shall sing it out loud, even if thou makest occasional mistakes.
9. Thou shalt not hesitate to sing with the trained voices of the choir. All of us together can lift a worthy song of praise to God.
10. Thou shalt not forget the words of the psalmist: "I will sing unto the Lord as long as I live." —Psalms 104:33.



From Zoe Outreach Ministries Gospel Music tribute bulletin, Feb. 17, 2002

Racine Mission Cluster Nominates Bishop Candidates

The fifteen member congregations of the Racine Mission Cluster of the ELCA convened their annual assembly at Atonement Lutheran Church on Shrove Tuesday, February 13.

Included in the order of business was the nominating of candidates to succeed Rev. Peter Rogness as Bishop of the Greater



Milwaukee Synod. Each mission cluster is to nominate three candidates for consideration at the synod assembly this spring. The Racine Mission Cluster nominated Rev. Sue Ruehle (Assistant to the Bishop), Rev. Jeff Barrow (Holy Communion) and Rev. Steve Samuelson (Mt. Pleasant).

Synod Plans Pre-Assembly Forums

To better accommodate good interaction with those candidates for Bishop of the Greater Milwaukee Synod who have been identified by the mission clusters of the synod, the Synod Executive Committee has made provision for two groupings of potential candidates, each held in two places in the synod. To have opportunity for discussion with all persons involved, you should plan on attending both an A session and a B session.

Each session will involve a plenary time when each person addresses the entire group, and smaller rotating breakout sessions for question/answer opportunities.

Lutheran Church of the Resurrection will host an A session Tuesday, April 9 from 6:30 to 9:15 p.m., and a B session Saturday, April 20, 9:00 to 11:45 a.m. Resurrection is at 322 Ohio Street, Racine.

Redemption Lutheran Church of Wauwatosa will host an A session Monday, April 8 from 6:30 to 9:15 p.m. and a B session Thursday, April 18 from 6:30 to 9:15 p.m. Redemption is at 4057 N. Mayfair Road.



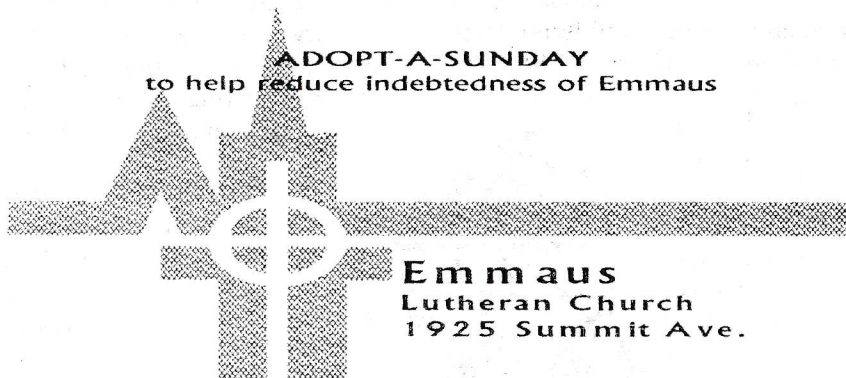
EMMAUS ATTENDANCE STATISTICS

Average weekly attendance, Jan.:	2000: 154	2001: 180	2002: 133
Average weekly attendance, Feb.:	2000: 150	2001: 140	2002: 121
Average weekly attendance, March:	2000: 198	2001: 162	
Ash Wednesday attendance:	2000: 82	2001: 114	2002: 77

Financial Figures

	Total for month	Year to date
Genl. Fund offerings received in Jan.	\$15,242.92	\$15,242.92
Bldg. Fund offerings received in Jan.	\$251.00	\$251.00
Unified receipts for Jan.	\$15,493.92	\$15,493.92
	<u>Campaign to date</u>	
2001 Fund offerings received in Jan.	\$428.00	\$98,275.12
Mortgage payments 2002:		
Jan. principal	\$441.16	
Jan. interest	\$524.84	
Extra principal	\$9,000.00	
Total	\$9,966.00	
Principal balance as of Feb. 12, 2002		\$66,899.12

ADOPT-A-SUNDAY
to help reduce indebtedness of Emmaus



Emmaus
Lutheran Church
1925 Summit Ave.

I wish to contribute: \$1,000 \$750 \$500
 \$300 \$100 \$
(Suggested minimum \$100; any gift appreciated)

Sunday to adopt: _____ (date)

In memory of: _____

In honor of: _____

Occasion: _____

Contributor: _____

Elsewhere In Our Area

Racine Churches Celebrate Ordination

The congregations of Holy Communion and Good Shepherd Lutheran Churches joyfully invite you to the Service of Ordination for Pastor Kristen Kay Capel on Sunday, March 3, 3:00 p.m. at Holy

Communion Lutheran Church, 2000 W. Sixth Street.

A reception will follow in the Mark Hurn Fellowship Hall. All clergy are invited to vest and participate in the service.

Redeemer Preschool Holds Open House

Lutheran Church of the Redeemer Cooperative Preschool will hold its annual Open House and carnival on Sunday, March 3 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Families with preschool age children are welcome to visit the facility, meet the staff, enjoy carnival activities and animal show offered by the Racine Zoo.



LCR's preschool program promotes the development of children's socialization skills, kindergarten readiness, and positive self-image within a Christian atmosphere. Morning and afternoon classes are available for children 2½ to 5 years

old. For more information or a free brochure, please contact the Preschool office at 633-4300.

Registrations for the 2002-03 school year will also be taken.

Register Kindergartners with Unified March 6

Parents of children eligible for kindergarten in September of 2002 are asked to register them on Wednesday, March 6, 2002 from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Register at the school your child will attend in September. If you have questions as to which school your child will attend, please call 631-7063.

To attend kindergarten, children must be five years old on or before September 1, 2002.

You will need to bring your

child's birth certificate or baptismal papers, social security card, and immunization records with you. You do not need to bring your child.

Editor's note: Emmaus does not keep duplicate copies of the certificate of baptism given to parents upon the baptism of a child. We do maintain a registry log of all baptisms, however, and can provide a photocopy of the 11"x17" page on which your child's baptism is recorded.

Palestinian Bishop Blasts Media Reporting

CHICAGO (ELCA) — Lutheran Palestinians working for peace and reconciliation in the Middle East are not featured in most international news reports, according to the Rev. Munib A. Younan, bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan (and Palestine).



Bishop Younan

In a Feb. 6 interview, Younan said most media outlets portray a "wrong image" of Palestinians — that they are "terrorists" who "should not exist." He called that portrayal "dehumanizing."

The dehumanization is "counterproductive" to negotiation efforts between Israelis and Palestinians, Younan contended. He said that most of the world does not know about the "90 percent of Palestinians who are seeking justice, peace and reconciliation or

two-state resolution."

Younan said some international editorial writers and political leaders, including some in the United States, have linked Palestinians to the Taliban. "We are not the Taliban. Osama bin Laden does not care for the Palestinian cause. To make an analogy that Mr. Yassar Arafat is against the American administration and like Bin Laden is wrong. Mr. Arafat is with the American administration, not against it," Younan said.

The 2001 ELCA Churchwide Assembly called for an end to suicide bombings, urged international protection for Palestinian people in Israeli-occupied territories and acknowledged the "pain and suffering" of all involved in Middle East tensions.

ELCA Continues Response to 9/11 Attacks

CHICAGO (ELCA) — In the wake of the September 11 terrorist attacks, U.S. Lutherans have responded with a record-setting outpouring of support for affected individuals, families and communities. Income as of mid-January was \$20 million, a total that is expected to rise.

The ELCA has received over \$6.5 million from members and congregations. As of December 18, ELCA Domestic Disaster Response

had disbursed \$2.7 million of that amount.

Lutheran Disaster Response-New York has been coordinating its efforts with other disaster response partners, including ecumenical and secular organizations. LDR-NY is helping provide grief counseling for children, tuition assistance for Lutheran school students who have lost family members, and ministry to immigrants and undocumented workers.

A Different Kind of Excitement

Last week, I was having breakfast with some friends who are pastors. During the conversation, my call to Emmaus came up, and one of them commented that I did not seem excited about it.

I replied that, quite the contrary, I was very excited about it, but ... it was a different kind of excitement — the kind that happens when something that has been there all along has finally been made official. I say that because I felt a

commitment between Emmaus and myself since I began last summer. You welcomed me with open arms and accepted me as though it were an official call right from the beginning, instead of a verbal handshake over the phone at ten o'clock at night, as I stood wrapped in a towel, still wet from a shower.

Pastor Mary and I talked for perhaps ten minutes, a rough number of hours and responsibilities were agreed upon, salary was touched upon, but no set amount was chipped in stone. Somehow, it didn't seem important to me at the time.

Something else was moving me; I like to believe it was the Holy

Spirit, because when I tried to tell my husband about the conversation, he smiled and said, "That's what you might call an open-ended contract!"

I had to agree, but I told him that I felt that there would be three of us working under this agreement: Emmaus, the Spirit, and myself, and after all, short of the Greater Milwaukee Synod shuffling and signing some papers, isn't that *really* what a "call" is all about?

We are still waiting for the paper work to be signed by Bishop Rogness and get back to me in the mail, at which point I will write an "official" letter of acceptance (was there ever a doubt that I would say yes?).

Am I excited? *Yes*, of course, but it is a warm, familiar feeling that has been there since I first began. It is an excitement that comes from being a part of a wonderful congregation that is reaching out into the world around them and finding ways to show God's love and acceptance to many who do not always see a lot of love in their lives.

How can I help but feel excitement, and may the Holy Spirit keep moving us wherever it may lead.

Pastor Sharon



HOLY WEEK AT
EMMAUS

Passion of Our Lord Sunday,
March 24

9:15 a.m. "The Cry of the
Whole Congregation"

Maundy Thursday,
March 28

No 12:15 p.m. service.
7:00 p.m. Worship service
with Holy Communion

Good Friday,
March 29


12:15 p.m. Worship service.
7:00 p.m. Tenebrae worship
service; Adult Choir cantata.

The Resurrection of Our Lord,
March 31

7:00 a.m. Sunrise service
with Holy Communion
9:30 a.m. Festival service
with Holy Communion

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Emmaus Visitor

April, 2002

Easter Worship at Emmaus

*Sunrise Service
7:00 a.m.*

*Festival Service
Pre-service music begins at
9:15 a.m.*

The Sacrament of Holy Communion
will be celebrated at both services.

Both services will feature the music of
the Brass Nickel and our Adult Choir.

Continental breakfast is served at 8:15

Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Church

"Sent Forth By God's Blessings"

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PASTORAL ACTS

There have been no baptisms, weddings or funerals at Emmaus in the month of March as of press time.

We extend our sympathy to Dee Slater on the death of her mother, Aleda Tollefson.

First Communion Classes to Be Held

Sunday, May 19 has been set as the Sunday for young people to celebrate their first communion. Preparation classes for all fifth graders (and their parents), together with those who are older but have not yet received instruction, will be

held the following Wednesday evenings at 6:45 p.m.: May 1, May 8, and May 15.

For parents desiring further information regarding instruction for those children in fourth grade or lower, please contact Pastor Mary.

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Services are held at Emmaus every Saturday evening at 5:00 and Sunday mornings at 9:15. Easter services on March 31 are at 7:00 and 9:30 am. There will not be a Saturday worship service March 30.

Sunday School meets at 10:30 a.m. (no Sunday School March 31).

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 May *VISITOR* is April 15.

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WELCA Bulletins

Sign Up for Women's Retreat

by Denise Keller

All Women of Emmaus, sign up in the narthex for the Women's Retreat at the Siena Center! Come Friday, April 19 and/or Saturday, April 20 for a fun time of fellowship and reflection. Pastor Sharon Georgi lead the retreat with the theme "Drawn to the Light".

The cost is \$48.00 for overnight with meals and \$25.00 with meals for Saturday only. Please register by April 7. Hope to see you there!

St. Paul's Hosts Cluster Brunch

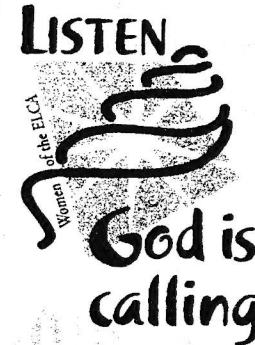
The Spring Cluster Brunch will be held April 13 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 3319 Washington Avenue, from 8:30 a.m. until noon. Elaine Monis and Denise Cairns, Synod participants at a study seminar in Madagascar, will give the presentation about Global Mission Companion Synods Program and their issues affecting women of the Malagasy and Tanzanian synods, including our companion synod, the Meru Diocese.

Tickets will be sold for \$4.00 each and will be available in the narthex. We need to send in our count by April 8, so please act now.

Triennial Convention

"Listen God is Calling," the triennial convention of the Women

of the ELCA, will be July 11-13, 2002 at the Pennsylvania Convention Center in Philadelphia. The cost is \$200.00 for the four day gathering if you register before May 1 (it's \$250.00 after that). Cost of travel and hotel arrangements vary. There are "for more information" cards on the poster on the bulletin board outside the church office. Any questions or if you are interested contact Denise Keller 619-9911.



Board Meeting

The next WELCA board meeting is April 1 at 6:00 in the Sunset room.

Daylight Savings Time Begins April 7

Time and tide wait for no one. There's not much you can do about the tide, but on April 7, you can give time a taste of its own medicine by skipping a full hour the night before.

Start your Sunday morning one hour early, and just keep it up for the next six months! Maybe time will not wait for you, but two can play at that game, buster!

Walks Toward Health & Wholeness Slated

Emmaus members and friends are making plans to walk and/or to support walkers for the upcoming MS and Avon Breast Cancer Walk. Rick and Amy Haman have placed sponsor pledge forms in the narthex to support the Cost Cutters team that will walk Sunday, April 21.

Would you like to walk? Contact the Hamans at 752-5960 or Pastor Mary as soon as possible.

The Avon Breast Cancer walk

will be held in mid-June. Kylee Albright and Nancy Smith will participate in the three-day, 60-mile walk from Kenosha to Chicago June 14-16. Three additional members from Lord of Life Lutheran, Nancy's home church in Fairfax, Virginia, will come to Wisconsin to join the nearly 4,000 walkers participating.

For further information on how to support Kylee or Nancy, they can be contacted directly.

Fiesta Mexicana Set for April 28

Mark your calendars for the third annual Fiesta Mexicana to be held Sunday, April 28 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Tickets are now on sale for \$5.00; children 10 and under pay only \$3.00.

In addition to tickets for the meal, raffle tickets for \$1.00 each are available. Raffle prizes will be given every 20 minutes during the dinner, and you can also bid on items in the silent auction.



If any members of friends of Emmaus have new items to be donated for use in the raffle or silent auction, please contact the church office.

Tacos, enchiladas, other Mexican fare, along with homemade desserts and beverages will be included in the Mexican dinner. Games and prizes will be available for the children attending.

Support our youth traveling this summer and join us for an afternoon of food, fun and fellowship!

Sunday School News

Sunday School Takes Week Off for Easter

There will be no Sunday School on March 31, Easter Sunday. Sunday School resumes April 7 at 10:30 a.m.

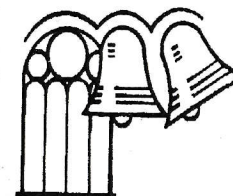
Youth April Birthdays

Apr. 1	Destiny Rodriquez, 17
Apr. 2	Steven Furuglyas, 18
Apr. 4	Sarah Albright, 2
Apr. 7	Jennifer Haman, 8
Apr. 8	Jessica Bose, 13
Apr. 9	Diane Lasko, 2
Apr. 9	Hannah Pearce, 10
Apr. 12	Brian Field, 12
Apr. 15	Kelsey Albright, 13
Apr. 18	Michaela Keller, 4

Council Approves Carillon Repair

At its February meeting, your church council voted to pay for repairs to the carillon chimes from non-designated funds in savings account.. Pastor Mary reported that Emmaus will receive a \$20,000 grant from the Siebert Foundation.

The council approved a



motion to allow Alcoholics Anonymous to meet at Emmaus on Friday nights during the REST season (October through April). The council approved a

Conduct Policy required by our insurance company and drawn up by Amy Larsen.

WOMEN
OF THE ELCA

SPRING BRUNCH

WELCA Racine Cluster

Saturday morning, April 13, 2002
8:30 a.m. (registration) to 12:00 noon
St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Corner of Erie and Melvin
(Chair lift at the main entrance)

GLOBAL MISSION COMPANION SYNODS PROGRAM

Elaine Monis and Denise Cairns of Synod, participants at study seminar in Madagascar

1 Corinthians 10:24: "Let no one seek his own, but each one the other's well being."

Each church must call paid reservation count by April 8
Phone Jo Nelson — 639-3295

Cost \$4.00

Emmaus Chosen as Site for Kiddie Korner

Pending church council approval, the field next to Emmaus will be the newest site for the Park and Recreation Department's Kiddie Korner this summer.

The program will be offered Monday through Thursday afternoons beginning at 1:30 and is open to 4, 5 and 6-year-olds. The

program, staffed by the Park and Recreation Department, is set to begin June 17 and will run through the first week in August.

The cost for the entire summer is \$20 per child; scholarships will be made available to families requesting them.

For High School Youth: Trip Planned for 2003

All kids entering grades 9-12 in the fall of 2003 will want to attend the Youth Forum Sunday, May 5 at 9:15. We'll have preliminary info on the trip of a

lifetime scheduled for the summer of 2003.

Come to Youth Forum in the Fireside Room to learn more!

Sanctuary Services Go "Under Construction"

Sanctuary, the alternative contemporary worship service sponsored by a number of ELCA churches in Racine, will be on hiatus until the end of April.

Under the leadership of Pastor Kris Kapel, some major changes will take

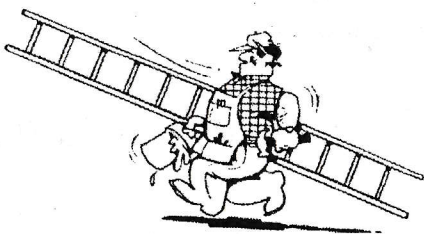
place in the weekly service, held at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. One major change will be the move from a Sunday to a Saturday evening worship time.

The talented Sanctuary band will have a more integral part in worship leadership, with Pastor Kris

leading the service weekly. More emphasis will be placed on building community and on reaching out to the wider community.

Sanctuary services will resume Saturday, April 27. Watch future bulletins and the newspaper for the worship times.

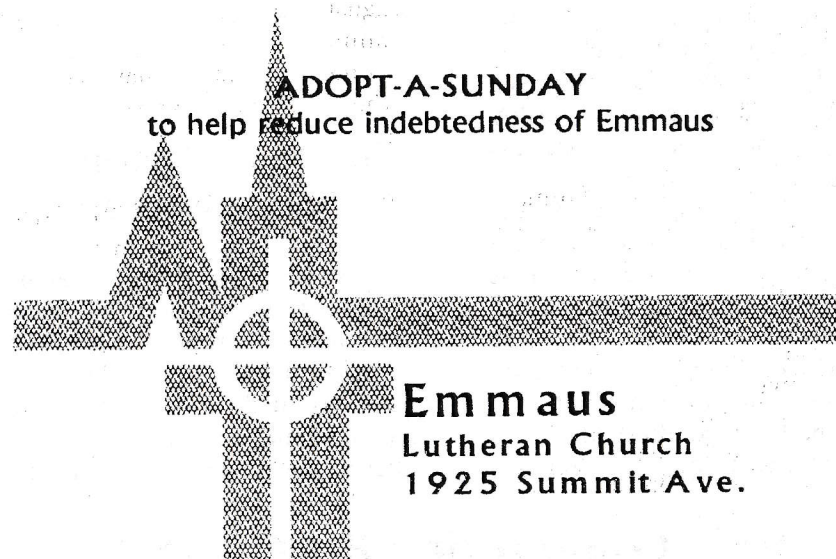
Emmaus member Cheri Gueldenzopf does administrative work for Sanctuary and is actively involved in the "Under Construction" project. Major funding from a Siebert Lutheran Foundation grant has made this ministry a reality in Racine.



Interested in Membership? Want to Know More about Emmaus?

All persons wanting to learn more about Emmaus, including folks considering membership, are invited to an informational meeting Sunday, April 14 at 10:30 at the

parsonage. (That's Lutheran lingo for the pastor's house — which is located right next door to the church.)



Emmaus
Lutheran Church
1925 Summit Ave.

I wish to contribute: \$1,000 \$750 \$500
 \$300 \$100 \$ _____

(Suggested minimum \$100; any gift appreciated)

Sunday to adopt: _____
(date)

In memory of: _____

In honor of: _____

Occasion: _____

Contributor: _____

Racine Congregations Submit Grant Applications

Several brainstorming sessions including clergy and lay people from Emmaus, Our Savior's, Zion, and Lutheran Church of the Redeemer have developed a proposed plan for summer outreach programs for neighborhood children. The proposed concept includes a several-week session at each site, using shared planning, curriculum and teaching resources.

To make the proposed neighborhood program a reality (yes! "non-neighborhood" Emmaus members will be more than welcome!), funding is being sought for scholarships and for resource staff persons. Currently, grant applications are being developed for Junior League of Racine, LACE (the endowment fund of Bethania Lutheran Church), Synod outreach fund and Lutheran Brotherhood.

Outreach minister Velvetta

Hargrove and Pastor Mary are working on the grant writing, which will be a joint proposal from the four ELCA congregations.

Ideally, Emmaus would like to offer summer programming for kids ages 6-12 from mid-June until early August. Anyone interested in planning or volunteering for the summer program may contact either Velvetta Hargrove or Pastor Mary.

First Quarter Statements Will Be Available

First quarter offering statements will be available early this month. Anyone who has been assigned an offering envelope and who has made a contribution of record should be able to find their offering statement in the narthex.

Holy Communion Hosts REST Breakfast Buffet

by Pat Liesch

REST is sponsoring a Buffet Breakfast as a fund raiser. This breakfast will be held at Holy Communion Lutheran Church, 2000 W. 6th Street, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., on Sunday, April 14, 2002.



The cost is \$6.00 per person, children under 3 are admitted for

free. Raffle tickets will be available at the Breakfast. Advance tickets are available at Holy Communion and at the REST office. Tickets will also be available at the door. Modern Woodman Insurance Company has agreed to match up to \$2,500 raised at this event.

If you have questions, please contact the REST office at 638-1441.

Pot Luck Marks End of REST Season

by Pat Liesch

All REST volunteers are invited to the REST pot luck on Friday, April 26, starting at 6:00 p.m. It's our last night of REST

with the guests for the summer.

We'll have brats and hamburgers, so bring a dish to pass, and come right on in! To RSVP, please call Pat at 835-1363.

Community Meal Program Begins 22nd Year of Service

This month, the Community Meal Program begins its 22nd year of providing free meals, open to anyone, at sites all around the city of Racine. No one is excluded as long as they want to come and share what is offered.

In January, 1981, Father Don Richards, of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, sent a letter to various Churches in the Community who had expressed an interest in helping with a Community Meal Program to be served from St. Patrick's Church. The meal would be served one night a week, on the same night each week.

The first meals were served at the end of April of 1981 with five churches, including Emmaus, in the program. Emmaus serves every other month on the first Thursday of even-numbered months (April 5 this month).

We need volunteers to help prepare the meal. You can make either a casserole, jello, or cake; the casserole recipe is printed below.

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 the food to be served. We thank all who are willing to share in this program.

Community Meal Recipe

Ingredients:

- 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 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 whole kit and kaboodle.

Bake at 350° for 45 minutes.

Book Club to Discuss *Animal Dreams*

by Marge Jensen

Our first meeting was held Thursday, March 14 with five members present: Arvilla Nemer, Bea Holding, Margaret Christensen, Kathy Christensen and Marge Jensen.

It was decided our meetings will be held on the third Thursday of the month at 1:00 p.m. in the Fireside Room.

Nancy Smith sent me two excellent paperback books on how to start a book club. They both are very helpful in instructing us how to plan our book club meetings.

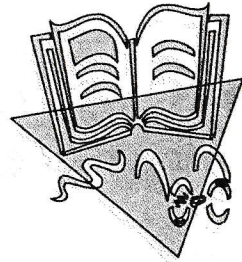
The book chosen for our April

18 meeting is *Animal Dreams* by Barbara Kingsolver. This book is available in paperback at Barnes & Noble for \$14.00.

To help with the cost, perhaps two can go together on the purchase and share the book. I have purchased one extra copy.

It may also be ordered through me from Barnes & Noble or Harry Schwartz. They both have promised delivery in four to five days, which will provide ample time to finish the book by April 18, even if the book is shared.

If you have any questions, please call me at 634-8754.



APRIL WORSHIP LEADERS



	READERS	ALTAR GUILD	ACOLYTES	USHERS
Mar. 31 7:00 am	Marsha Connet	Ruth Estep Bev Hansen	Brian Field Andrew Reischl Marissa Connet April Falaschi	Team #1 Harold Miller
Mar. 31 9:15 am	Kylee Albright	Gregg & Kylee Albright	Kally Jansen Amy Meteyard Krystle Mayer Erin Sommer	Team #2 Rich Christensen
Apr. 6 5:00 pm		Betty Schultz Cathy Meyer		
Apr. 7 9:15 am	Gregg Albright	Lael Richter Arvilla Nemer	Kelsey Albright Hailey Sommer	Team #3 Howard Jensen
Apr. 13 5:00 pm		Brian & Denise Keller		
Apr. 14 9:15 am	Nathan Albright		Brian Field Andrew Reischl	Team #4 Bill Cook
Apr. 20 5:00 pm		Lyle & Marge Zielke		
Apr. 21 9:15 am	Karen Sedgwick	Mildred Schroth Marge Jensen	Tanya Rasmussen Marissa Connet	Team #5 Bill Meteyard
Apr. 27 5:00 pm		Cheryl Dexter Barb Larsen		
Apr. 28 9:15 am	Ruth Hlavka		Justin Haman Nathan Lamberton	Team #1 Harold Miller
May 4 5:00 pm		Barb Toslek Kelly Austin		
May 5 9:15 am	Chris Lamberton	Helen Mickelson Linda Meteyard	Krystle Mayer Erin Sommer	Team #2 Rich Christensen

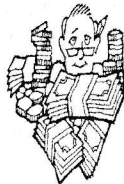
Financial Figures

	Total for month	Year to date
General Fund offerings in February, 2002	\$9,180.64	\$24,423.56
Building Fund offerings in February, 2002	\$272.00	\$523.00
Unified receipts for February, 2002	\$9,452.64	\$24,946.56
		Campaign to date
2001 Fund offerings in February, 2001	\$228.00	\$98,503.12
3/7/2002 mortgage payment:		
Principal	\$444.19	
Interest	521.81	
Total	\$3,303.62	
Principal balance as of 3/12/2002		\$66,454.93



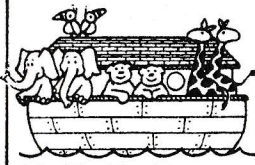


Attendance Statistics

Midweek worship attendance average:	2001: 18	2002: 19
Average Sat.-Sun. attendance February:	2001: 140	2002: 121
Average Sat.-Sun. attendance March:	2001: 162	2002: 144*
Average Sat.-Sun. attendance April:	2001: 177	

*Calculated through March 24, 2002



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
March 31 Easter Sunday 7:00 am Sunrise Service w/Holy Communion 8:15 am Easter breakfast 9:15 am Festival Service with Holy Communion <i>No Sunday School or Sanctuary service</i>	April 1 <i>St. April</i> <i>Office closed</i> 6:00 pm WELCA Board	2 <i>Election Day</i> 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 2:30 pm EASY (Emmaus After School for Youth), to 5:30 5:00 TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)	3 1:30 pm Lydia Circle	4 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 2:30 pm EASY, to 5:30 5:00 pm Community Meal at St. Pat's 7:00 pm Stamp Club	5 7:00 pm REST (homeless shelter)	6 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion 6:00 pm Debutante tea 2:00 am Daylight Savings Time begins
7 2 nd Sunday of Easter 9:15 am Worship service: Setting 1 w/Holy Communion; LaVassor baptism 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School 	8 11:00 am Staff meeting 6:30 pm Church council meeting	9 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 2:30 pm EASY, to 5:30 5:00 TOPS	10 7:00 pm Adult Choir rehearsal 8:00 pm Worship & Music committee meeting	11 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 2:30 pm EASY, to 5:30	12 7:00 pm REST 	13 8:30 am WELCA Racine Mission Cluster brunch at St. Paul's Lutheran 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion
14 3 rd Sunday of Easter 9:15 am Worship service: Service of Word & Prayer 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am New Member class 11:00 am REST Breakfast at Holy Communion Lutheran Church	15 <i>Visitor deadline</i> 11:00 am Staff meeting 6:30 pm REST Board	16 9:00 am Cluster Clergy mtg. 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 2:30 pm EASY, to 5:30 5:00 TOPS	17 7:00 pm Adult Choir rehearsal 	18 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 1:00 pm Book club 2:30 pm EASY, to 5:30	19 7:00 pm REST	20 <i>Day of prayer for peace in the Middle East</i> 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion
A • P • R • I • L			2 • 0 • 0 • 2			Women's retreat at Siena Center
21 4 th Sunday of Easter 9:15 am Worship service: Chicago Folk Service w/Holy Communion 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School 	22 <i>Earth Day</i> 11:00 am Staff meeting	23 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 2:30 pm EASY, to 5:30 5:00 TOPS	24 7:00 pm Adult Choir rehearsal	25 <i>St. Mark</i> 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 2:30 pm EASY, to 5:30	26 6:00 pm REST pot luck 7:00 pm REST	27 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion TBA Sanctuary worship service at GSLC
28 5 th Sunday of Easter 9:15 am Worship service: Service of Word & Prayer 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School 4:30 pm Fiesta Mexicana	29 11:00 am Staff meeting	30 <i>May Eve</i> 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 2:30 pm EASY, to 5:30 5:00 TOPS	May 1 <i>May Day</i> 1:30 pm Lydia Circle 6:45 pm First communion class 7:00 pm Adult Choir rehearsal	2 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 2:30 pm EASY, to 5:30 7:00 pm Stamp Club	3 	4 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion

Emmaus

Name: _____

Home phone: _____

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Address: _____

Zip: _____

Store name	Emmaus earns	Denominations available	Quantity	Total
DRUG & GROCERY STORES				
Kohl's Food Store	4%	\$10, \$25		
Piggly Wiggly	4%	\$25, \$50		
Sentry Foods/Super Saver	4%	\$25, \$10		
CLOTHING, SPORTING & DEPARTMENT STORES				
American Eagle Outfitters	8%	\$25		
August Max Women	19%	\$10		
Burlington Coat Factory	12%	\$10, \$25		
Casual Corner/August Max	16%	\$25		
Dick's Sporting Goods	8%	25%		
Foot Locker	13%	\$25, \$50		
Gap debit card	8%	\$20, \$25		
J. C. Penney gift card	5%	\$25, \$100		
K-Mart	3%	\$10, \$25, \$50		
The Limited	8%	\$10, \$25		
Old Navy debit card	8%	\$20, \$25		
Payless Shoe Source	12%	\$10, \$20		
Sears	2%	\$10, \$25, \$100, \$250		
ShopKo debit card	4%	\$25, \$50		
Structure	10%	\$25		
T. J. Maxx, Marshalls	8%	\$10, \$25		
Younkers	9%	\$10, \$25, \$100		
BOOKSTORES, OFFICE SUPPLY				
Barnes & Noble	8%	\$10, \$25		
Office Max debit card	3%	\$25		
Walden Books	8%	\$10, \$25		
STEREO, VIDEO EQUIPMENT; VIDEO RENTAL				
Best Buy	2%	\$10, \$25, \$50		
Blockbuster Video	7%	\$10		
Circuit City gift card	2.5%	\$25, \$50, \$100		
Hollywood Video	15%	\$1		
Musicians/Sam Goody/Suncoast	10%	\$10		
Radio Shack	4%	\$25		
SPECIALTY				
Bath & Body Works	13%	\$10, \$20, \$25		
Home Depot	3%	\$25, \$100, \$250		

Menards Home Improvement	3%	\$25, \$50, \$100	
Mrs. Fields	20%	\$5	
Original Cookie Company	25%	\$5	
Pier 1 Imports	7%	\$10, \$25	
TOYS			
KB Toys	9%	\$10	
Toys R Us, Kids R Us, Babies R Us	3%	\$10, \$20	
TRAVEL; SERVICE STATIONS			
BP/Amoco pre-pay oil card	3%	\$25, \$50	
Citgo	3%	\$25, \$50	
Exxon/Mobil driver cash card	2.5%	\$25, \$50, \$100	
Kwik Trip	3%	\$5, \$10	
Shell Oil	2%	\$25, \$50, \$100	
Speedway/Super America	3%	\$5, \$10	
RESTAURANTS			
Applebee's	8%	\$10, \$20	
Bob Evans	8%	\$5	
Burger King booklets	3.6%	\$5	
Chi-Chi's	15%	\$10	
Chuck E. Cheese debit card	7%	\$10	
Cracker Barrel	8%	\$5	
Denny's	8%	\$5	
Domino's Pizza	5%	\$5	
KFC	8%	\$5	
Little Caesar's	5%	\$5	
Olive Garden/Red Lobster	13%	\$10, \$25	
Perkins	8%	\$5	
Pizza Hut	9%	\$5, \$10	
Ponderosa	9%	\$5	
Wendy's	7%	\$5, \$10	
			TOTAL \$

Please check catalog, lay-away and charge account policies at your particular store. Some stores place restrictions on Scrip purchases on those purchases. Please make checks payable to Emmaus Lutheran Church. Turn your order in to the Scrip table in the narthex after first service or before second service on Sunday morning. You can pick up your order the following Sunday. Thanks!

May 25, 2001

GLAD TO BE IN GOD'S SERVICE

	ALTAR FLOWERS	FELLOWSHIP	CANDLE CARE	COMMUNION ASST.
Apr. 7	Ron & Pat Jensen	<i>available</i>	Jan Svendsen	Kathy Christensen
Apr. 14	Brian & Denise Keller	<i>Please</i>		
Apr. 21	Jim, Joan & Amy Larsen	<i>sign</i>		Jess Sedgwick
Apr. 28	Caren Larsen	<i>up</i>		
May 5	Brian & Denise Keller	<i>available</i>	Arvilla Nemer	Shirley Velzka

EMMAUS SENIOR FELLOWSHIP CENTER



Seniors

Tuesdays: 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Director: Carol Rudey
 The center opens at 10:00 a.m. with coffee
 Programs begin at 10:30 a.m. Lunch is served at noon.
 Stay for cards and games in the afternoon!

April Birthdays

April 14	Mavis Agerholm	2332 Arlington Avenue	53403
April 19	Lloyd LeRoux	3418 St. Clair St.	53402
April 21	Celia Weber	1718 High Street	53404
April 26	Arvilla Nemer	4930 Chester Lane #5	53402
April 26	Donna Rode	1402 Douglas Ave. #204	53402

Synod Schedules Candidates' Forums

To better accommodate good interaction with those who have been identified by the mission clusters of the synod, the Synod Executive Committee has made provision for two groupings of potential nominees, each held in two places in the synod. To have opportunity for discussion with all persons involved, you should plan on attending both an A session and a B session. Each session will involve a plenary time when each person addresses the entire group,

and smaller rotating breakout sessions for question/answer opportunities.

Grouping A: Monday, April 8, 6:30-9:15 p.m., Redemption Lutheran Church, 4057 N Mayfair Road, Wauwatosa. Tuesday, April 9, 6:30-9:15 p.m., Lutheran Church of the Resurrection, 322 Ohio Street.

Grouping B: Thursday, April 18, 6:30-9:15 p.m. at Redemption. Saturday, April 20, 9:00-11:45 a.m., Resurrection.

E.A.S.Y. Plans Cooperative Summer Program

by *Velvetta Hargrove*

Greetings, Emmaus!

Just thought I would give you a little update on what's happening with E.A.S.Y. (Emmaus After School for Youth). I recently submitted a grant proposal for \$200 for the program from the Junior League of Racine. I am also in the process of submitting a grant proposal to Sam's Club for \$1,000. Please be in prayer that we receive these funds.

We currently have thirteen children enrolled. The children are always very excited about coming to the church each week. Four new children have enrolled in Sunday School as a result of one of the children who participates in E.A.S.Y. I see many of the kids at Wadewitz on Monday mornings when I mentor, and they always let me know they'll see me tomorrow.

Jamie and Barb Toslek have done a great job of planning activities for the children each week and helping with homework. Our student volunteers have been helpful with homework, story telling, and tae-bo.

Looking further ahead, Emmaus, Zion, Our Savior's and Lutheran Church of the Redeemer are in the planning stages of a seven-week summer program tentatively slated to begin June 17 and run through August 2.

There will be one overall

coordinator, assisted by site coordinators for each church. The churches will have a different theme each week, which will be rotated from one church to the next, along with shared human resources.

And just to put another twist on all this, Racine Park and Recreation Department is looking to collaborate with our summer program. How about that!

I would personally like to recognize Kathy Christensen, Julie Field, Marsha Connet, Al Beck, Denise Pipol, Michelle Kreimer, Kathy Cook and Sue Paksi. All these individuals have helped with the E.A.S.Y. program in one fashion or another by donating snacks, offering computer assistance, cooking experience, slide show presentations, publicity and ideas and so much more.

This program is a success not because of me, but because the members of Emmaus have risen to the occasion of serving others in any way that they can. Pastor Mary and I would like to see the program grow.

I am currently planning a marketing campaign with Wadewitz to try to attract more children and their families to take advantage of what Emmaus has to offer.

I welcome your calls and visits. Thanks for sharing and caring!



Letters

Thanks from Pastor Sharon

Dear Friends in Christ:

I wanted to take a moment and thank you all for the wonderful installation on Sunday: the song from the choir, the congratulations and kind words, the cards, the cake and coffee, and the plant. My list can go on and on, but at the heart of all of this was a feeling of love and acceptance that really means so much. You made it a very special day for me!

After church, my family and I went out to a local restaurant for lunch. As we were driving, Professor Michel turned to me and commented, "That is quite a church you have there! They seem very sincere, and that Sunday School area upstairs ... if there is ever anything I can do, just ask and I'll try my best to be there."

I felt very proud to say, "Yes, it is a great church!" and assured him that we would remember his offer to come up again. I quietly thought, "That is quite a compliment, from a pastor who has literally worked with hundreds of congregations all across the country."

I look forward to being with you in the coming years. I hope we will each grow in the true meaning of the love of God which we show to ourselves and the strangers we will

meet along the way.

Thank you and God bless.
Pastor Sharon

Former Member Visits Via Internet

February 23, 2002

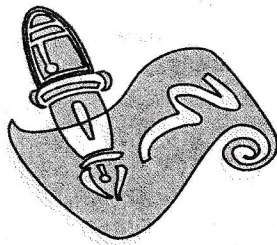
I've been told that almost anything is on the internet. Now I have found the church I was confirmed in. That was in the early '60's. Our family was quite active at Emmaus until we moved from Racine in 1966. My father, Harold was treasurer of the Sunday School, My mother, Erma, was church secretary and worked part-time

in the church office where among her duties were preparing the weekly bulletin. Both of my brothers, Dave and Bill, were active in Luther League and I think both of them served as President.

It was nice to see the pictures of the Church; it has not changed much. I live in California now, so I do not see much snow, but I guess that you have not seen much this year.

I noticed a mention of the Keith Protheroe estate. I remember the Protheroes well. I especially remember Mary, who baked a cake for my birthday.

Yours truly,
John Wiegand
dlwiegand@cs.com



Letters

LSS Christmas Program Was Big Success

January, 2002

To reach out and touch someone that brings pure joy and happiness is truly a blessing.

The Christmas program for our children at Lutheran Social Services was again a big success due to the overwhelming generosity by parishioners of local Lutheran churches as well as community retailers K-Mart, Wal-Mart and Target.

The smiles on the children's faces, the excitement in their eyes, are priceless; but so are the people who made this wonderful event possible. These retailers were

gracious to donate gift cards for our children in spite of the economy. The parishioners taking the time out of their busy lives to select a gift, wrap the present and spend money from the household budget for an unknown child is truly remarkable.

On behalf of the staff of Lutheran Social Services, the Southeastern regional director, Peter Garner, and myself, our sincere thanks for your kindness and support. Special people like you are a rare gift. God bless you all.

Sherry Trentadue-Forman

2001 Clothing Drive Results Are In

Rev. William H. Truby, State Chairman of Lutheran World Relief's clothing drive, has announced that Wisconsin congregations collected a total of 603583 lbs. of clothing during 2001. 23,000 lbs. of that total came from Racine and Kenosha.



In addition to clothing items, \$111,906 was raised for Project Comfort and shipping. Project Comfort covers the cost of sending quilts, school and health kits, soap, and clothing where they are needed most.

MEMORIALS & BEQUESTS

Non-designated memorials:

In memory of Judy Dykstra: \$320.00

Designated for upstairs kitchen

renovation:

In memory of Susan Cornwell: \$10.00

In memory of Judy Dykstra: \$10.00

Designated for library:

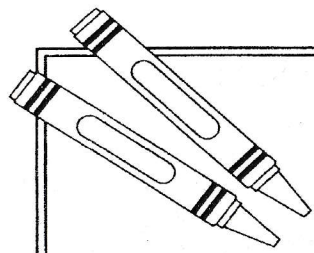
In memory of Judy Dykstra: \$15.00

Designated for Sunday School:

In memory of Judy Dykstra: \$10.00

Designated for 2001 Fund:

In memory of Judy Dykstra: \$50.00



Just for KIDS

One of a Kind

The scrambled words and phrases below are all found in the Bible. They all have something in common. Find what that is. First, unscramble the words. Next, transfer the circled letters in order to the lines at the bottom of the page.

- 1) eiVn _ _ _
- 2) ilLy fo teh elaVly
_ _ _ _ _
- 3) abLm fo dGo _ _ _ _ _ _
- 4) estMar _ _ _
- 5) eJuss _ _ _
- 6) okRc _ _ _
- 7) rdBea fo eiLf _ _ _ _ _
- 8) higLt fo hte dorWl
_ _ _
- 9) voaSir _ _ _ _ _ _
- 10) doLr _ _ _
- 11) ishCrt _ _ _
- 12) ehSprhed _ _ _ _ _
- 13) Teh doWr _ _ _ _ _
- 14) rncPie fo cePae
_ _ _

What do all these words have in common?

“ _ _ _ _ _ ”

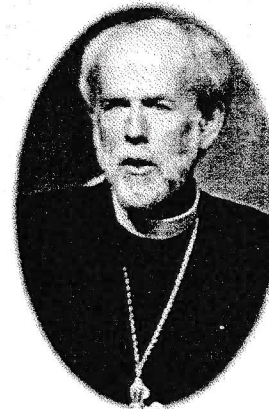
Answers: Vine; Lily of the Valley; Lamb of God; Master; Jesus; Rock; Bread of Life; Light of the World; Savior; Lord; Christ; Shepherd; The Word; Prince of Peace.

Names of God's Son.

Bishop Hanson Publishes Easter Message

by Rev. Mark Hanson,
Bishop of the ELCA

No God-forsaken places! That is the good news of Christ's resurrection. Women went to the tomb grief stricken. They must have felt that in Jesus' death God had forsaken them. An angel startled them with earth-shaking news: "Do not be alarmed. You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth who was crucified. He has been raised. He is not here." (Mark 16:6) Not even the cross and the tomb are God-forsaken places.



Bishop Mark Hanson

What a profound word of hope this is throughout the world. To those weighed down with guilt and shame, to those wandering the earth, seeking shelter and safety, to those longing for hope and

hungering for food comes the Good News: Christ is risen! God has not forsaken you.

"Go tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you." (Mark 16:7) Words of promise and challenge spoken to the women at the tomb and to us. Christ is risen — alive in the world — forgiving, loving, reconciling and setting us free. God's power and presence are everywhere. God will not be confined even to our churches and cathedrals, nor remain only in our hearts.

Christ is alive! We go to meet him in a world of terror and fear. This is God's promise for a new day. No God-forsaken places!

ELCA Bishops Told LWF Prays in Wake of Sept. 11

VANCOUVER, B.C. (ELCA) — The trauma of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on the United States is "still deeply rooted," in the United States, said the president of the Lutheran World Federation (LWF). The Rev. Christian Krause assured the ELCA Conference of Bishops that LWF members throughout the world continue to pray for healing.

Krause, who recently retired as bishop of the Evangelical

Lutheran Church in Brunswick (Germany), spoke to the ELCA Conference of Bishops on March 11, the six-month anniversary of the terrorist attacks. He noted the events of Sept. 11 were one of three events that changed the world at the turn of the millennium. "Our guarantee of security ended," he said of that day.

More people should be talking

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Lutheran-Mennonite Dialogue Begins

CHICAGO (ELCA) — Dialogue between the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) and the Mennonite Church U.S.A. has begun. An Anabaptist-Mennonite school, Goshen College, hosted teams from both churches Feb. 21-24 in and around Goshen, Ind. Overcoming a contentious and sometimes bloody history will be a theme of this first round of talks.

In 16th century Europe, Lutherans complied in the

ELCA Bishops

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about peace and reconciliation, Krause said. "How about calling for an 'axis of hope, faith and love,' rather than pointing out where the good guys and bad guys are?"

Other events which Krause cited as having changed the world at the turn of the millennium are the end of the Cold War in Europe and globalization in electronic communication and economic activity.

The end of the Cold War offers opportunities in Eastern Europe, where there are few Christians, he said. In other parts of the world, he said, churches in the Southern Hemisphere have been neglected, and "charismatic movements" are growing.

Krause discussed the LWF-operated Augusta Victoria Hospital, located on the Mount of Olives in

execution of thousands of Anabaptists for their belief in the complete separation of church and state, which threatened the church-state society of the day.

Anabaptists hold generally that the Christian sacrament of Baptism is valid upon confession of faith. "Anabaptism" means "re-baptism." Mennonites take their name from the "Mennonite Confession of Faith," which was developed by such Swiss Anabaptists as Menno Simons.

Jerusalem. Most of its patients are Palestinians, some of whom are part of a dwindling Christian presence there. "We are determined to stay (at Augusta Victoria) for our Christian brothers and sisters, and we pray for peace for all."

Augusta Victoria Hospital is currently involved in a tax case with the Israeli government. Israel wants the hospital to pay millions of dollars in back employment taxes, from which the hospital has been exempt for many years. The case is now in an Israeli court, and a judge overseeing the case has urged the parties to reach a resolution.

The issue is not necessarily the hospital building, he said. "It's the soil," Krause said. "We have made it clear we will not move. We do hope we can solve this issue."

Elsewhere in Our Area

Lutheran A Capella Choir Presents Concerts

The Lutheran A Capella Choir of Milwaukee will present a sacred choral program at 8:00 p.m. Friday, April 26 at St. Mary's Lutheran Church, 2001 80th Street, Kenosha, and again at 3:00 p.m. Sunday, April 28, at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, 1615 Wauwatosa Avenue, Milwaukee.

Tickets for the Sheboygan concert are \$10.00 for adults and, if ordered in advance, \$8.00 for students and seniors. Group rates are also available for parties of ten or more. For more information and tickets, call 414-521-4545 or visit www.lutheranacapella.org.

Greenfield Concert Benefits Meru Diocese Church

On Saturday, April 13, at 7:00 PM, a benefit concert will be held at Adoration Evangelical Lutheran Church in Greenfield. Adoration's own Edward Sheehy, an accomplished songwriter and performer, will be joined by Dan Hansen from Washington Island, Wisconsin, for an evening of great acoustic music.

All proceeds will be sent to Mulala Parish in Tanzania.. By

simply enjoying yourself for an evening you can reach out to our sisters and brothers in Africa who so need our help!

Tickets will be sold at the door: \$8.00 for adults, \$4.00 for kids. Adoration is located at 39th and Edgerton in Greenfield. It'll be a bargain...they hope to see you all.



Siena Center Offers Grief Support

A grief support group will be held on the third Thursday of each month through July 18 at the Racine Dominican Retreat Program, 5635 Erie Street, 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. or 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

This gathering is open to all who have experienced a major loss. Gail Ross, a member of the retreat program staff with over 12 years experience in grief ministry, will facilitate. A free-will offering will be taken.

Seneca elder and Franciscan Sister Jose Hobday will lead "The Mystics, Mysticism and Your Prayer Life," a weekend retreat April 26-28. This retreat is designed to encourage everyday enchantment in our lives.

For information on any of these or to register, contact Rita Lui, 5635 Erie Street, 53402, or by phone at 639-4100.

North Cape Women Host Craft Fair

The Women of North Cape Lutheran Church, between 4¼ and 5 Mile Roads on Highway 45 will hold their annual Country Crafts 'n Cookin' event from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturday, April 20.

Enjoy a quilt display and dance selections by "Dance Arts."

AAL Offers Retirement Programs

Aid Association for Lutherans (AAL) provides more than the benefits associated with insurance. As an AAL member, you'll have the chance to:

- Join together with fellow Lutherans and support your Lutheran heritage.
- Help others through volunteerism and branch activities.

Children in Racine County Urgently Need Help

from Racine County Human Services Dept.

Racine county currently has over 200 children in foster care, and the numbers are rising. The need for quality foster homes is also rising. Can you help?

Foster parents offer love and help to children in need. They have access to a large support system through church and social service agencies and are an essential part of a child's emotional, physical, and spiritual development.

Foster families give a child the

They will hold an all-you-can-eat salad buffet between 11:00 and 1:00 for \$7.00 per person (\$4.00 for ages 4-12); dessert and beverage are included. Tickets for the luncheon may be purchased in advance or at the door. Please call the NCLC office at 835-2206.

- Be part of an organization making a difference in your congregation and your community.

You can join AAL and take advantage of these special benefits for just \$10 per year. To learn more, contact Branch #4175: Nancy Brown, Joyce Kaiser, Barb Toslek, Mildred Schroth, or representative Darrell Reynolds.

opportunity to live in a family setting instead of institutional care and, most importantly, offer a child hope for the future.

Racine County needs foster families to provide respite, emergency, long and short-term care for children of all ages, races and backgrounds. The most urgent need for homes is usually for teenagers.

For more information, call Community Impact Programs, Inc., 638-2000.

Pastor Mary's Page

Spirit of the Living God, Fall Afresh on Me

As I sit down to write these words of reflection, it's the beginning of Holy Week. It's gray and windy and cold outside, not looking like the spring season that is indicated on the calendar.

It is Lent and it feels like Lent, but I realize that you will probably be reading this in the Easter season. So, it's not appropriate to have a focus on darkness, is it?

But, the darkness is real to me today — as I hear about more deaths of Palestinians and Israelis, as more remains are being uncovered at Ground Zero, as I read of an escalating rate of suicides of young people in our country, as families struggle with serious health issues.

But, just as real to me is hope. It may be a bit like the people on the eastern seaboard hoping for rain to fill their reservoirs and bring the promise of on-going life. But, it's more than just spring rains that I long for. It is my prayer that I personally and we together as a congregation experience in a whole new way the promise of the resurrection this year.

The song "Spirit of the Living God, Fall Afresh on Me" keeps running through my head. I find myself praying for spiritual renewal and signs for the living God as we enter the Easter season. I pray that

the *living* God will be revealed to us in a whole new way this Easter — that as we walk the road to Emmaus (take time to read Luke 24 again) with the resurrected Christ, we will be able to say with certainty, "Yes! Death has been conquered! No! Darkness and sin and brokenness do *not* have the final word!"

I pray fervently that the young people who find themselves surrounded by darkness, might have the miracle of God's hope and light and promise revealed to them. It is my prayer that the Spirit of the living God fall afresh on each of us, showing us the promise of new life.

Jesus knew darkness beyond what any of us ever will. Yet, God had the power to conquer even that death and darkness, moving us to declare, "Christ is Risen! He is risen indeed!"

I celebrate that our God is a God of miracles and that in the resurrection of Jesus Christ we are able to live as people of hope. God is a God of *life!* That makes all the difference in the world.

Please join me this Easter season as we pray, "Spirit of the *Living* God, Fall Afresh on Us..." that we may be renewed and may live life fully in the resurrection promise. Let's walk into the Easter season as people of light and life!

Easter Blessings and Hope,

Pastor Mary



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Check out what's new this summer!

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PASTORAL ACTS

Baptism

Zachary Richard LaVassor
April 7, 2002

Born on the 50th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor, Zachary is the son of Troy and Kim LaVassor of Racine. His sponsors are Lee LaVassor and Rachel Mitchell.

Adopt-A-Sunday Helps Building Fund

Our thanks to the following, for adopting a Sunday this spring:

Boots & Lloyd LeRoux, "in many thanks for all our blessings, everyone's prayer, and for our Pastor Mary and Nancy Smith."

Adopt-a-Sunday is part of Emmaus' debt retirement program. You can find adopt-a-Sunday forms in the *Visitor* and in Sunday bulletins.



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Services are held at Emmaus every Saturday evening at 5:00 and Sunday mornings at 9:15.

Sunday School meets at 10:30 a.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 June *VISITOR* is May 15.

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High School Youth Plan for Atlanta Gathering

All kids who will have completed grades nine through twelve by the spring of 2003 will be eligible to attend the national ELCA youth gathering in Atlanta in July, 2003.

For all youth who register *before* September 15, the \$100 non-refundable deposit will be cut in half. The early bird registrants will receive the \$50 bonus thanks to a gift made by an anonymous donor for this purpose.

Additional information and details will be shared in the May youth forums, held Sunday mornings at 10:30 in the Fireside Room.

Questions? See Gregg Albright or Pastor Mary.

Birthdays in May

May 4	Erin Keller, 2
May 8	Donald Waddell, 8
May 10	Celina Rodriguez, 7
May 12	Erin Hetchler, 8
May 14	Joe Devine, 15
May 18	Alyssa Yorgan, 18
May 19	Justin Haman, 12
May 20	Pat Sovelenko, 9
May 24	Ashley Villalobos, 3
May 24	Amy Lawler, 17
May 29	Audra Waddell, 4
May 29	Courtney Jansen, 12

Youth Celebrate First Communion May 19

Sunday, May 19 has been set as the Sunday for young people to celebrate their first communion. Preparation classes for all fifth graders (and their parents), together with those who are older but have not yet received instruction, will be



held the following Wednesday evenings at 6:45 p.m.: May 1, May 8, and May 15.

For parents desiring further information regarding instruction for those children in fourth grade or lower, please contact Pastor Mary.

Wadewitz Hosts Ice Cream Social

Wadewitz has invited the members of Emmaus to "Wadewitz School's Novel Ideas Ice Cream Social and



ArtShow," Thursday, May 2, at 6:30 p.m. Kids Hope Mentors are especially encouraged to attend.

If any mentors could help the teachers hand out no serving ice cream, that would certainly be appreciated.

ELCA Neighborhood Camp Offered at Four Sites

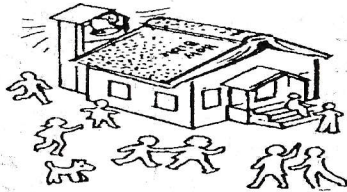
Do you live in the Emmaus neighborhood? If so, please consider advertising our upcoming Neighborhood Camp for 6-12 year olds via a yard sign. Call the church office today (634-5515) and let us know if we can drop off a sign to be displayed in your yard.

The Neighborhood Camp is open to members and non-members alike, and will be free of charge. The weekly camps run from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays, beginning June 17, with the final week staffed by Lutherdale July 29 - August 2. (The Camp will not take place the week of July 4, however.)

Themes for each week will include Bible stories, field trips, hands-on activities, games and play, story telling, music ... and more! The Emmaus themes are:

- June 17-20 Imagine That! (Clowning, arts and drama)
- June 24-27 All God's Critters (Animals)
- July 8-11 Give a Hoot... Don't Pollute (Care of the Earth)
- July 15-18 Better Safe Than Sorry (Health and safety)
- July 22-25 Gifts! Gifts! Gifts! (Our assets and how we can serve others)
- Jul. 29- Aug. 2 God Is Good! (Lutherdale-led day camp)

The additional ELCA sites are



Our Savior's (June 24 - Aug. 9), Redeemer (July 15 - Aug. 1), and Zion (June 17 - July 11). Curriculum and resources will be shared by all four sites, and Velveta Hargrove will coordinate the overall logistics of the Racine ELCA Neighborhood Camps this summer.

Volunteers will be needed each week — everything from field trip chaperons to folks to prepare snacks and others who might like to lead some crafts or tell a story. If you would like to know more or would like to be a part of an informational meeting, call Velveta at 634-5515.

Children may pre-register for as many weeks as they would like; please call to request registration information for your child, grandchild or neighbor.

Book Club to Discuss 'When We Were Grownups'

by Marge Jensen

The Book Clubs next meeting will be held May 16 at 1:00 p.m. in the Fireside Room.

The book selected to read for May is *When We Were Grownups* by Anne Tyler. For more details, see Kathy Christensen or Marge Jensen.

Outside Funding Supports Neighborhood Camps

The Greater Milwaukee Synod Outreach Fund has granted initial funding in the amount of \$5,000 to the four congregations (Emmaus, Our Savior's, Redeemer and Zion) who will host Neighborhood Camps this summer.

The grant is intended to help



with expenses in developing an promoting the program. Further funding is currently being sought to cover operating expenses for the Neighborhood Camp, which is offered free of charge to 6- to 12-year-olds.

We have also received funding from the Racine Junior League to be used for snacks.

Any and all individual contributions are more than welcome, and should be designated "Emmaus Neighborhood Camp."

Pastor Carlson to Celebrate Ordination Anniversary

by Kathy Christensen

Milwaukee, 53222.

Rev. Ken Carlson, former pastor of Emmaus, will celebrate the 35th anniversary of his ordination on June 4. An invitation has been extended from Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church in Wauwatosa to anyone interested in attending either the 8:15 or 10:00 a.m. worship services on Sunday, June 2, and a pot luck brunch following the 10:00 service.



Rev. Ken Carlson

The congregation of Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church will also honor Pastor Carlson's 20th anniversary as their pastor. The address is Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church, 8424 W. Center Street,

Mount Carmel invites Emmaus members to send them a card for presentation to Pastor Ken on June 2; submit a letter or note to be included in the scrapbook; join Mt. Carmel for worship and/or share some favorite memories of Pastor Ken and/or the Carlson family during the brunch.

Please note that while Pastor Carlson is aware that an event is planned, Mt. Carmel is trying to keep details a surprise. The contact person at Mt. Carmel is Jenny Kerley (414-771-1270 or e-mail MCARMEL@execpc.com).

Women Tell of Malagasy Church Growth

by Denise Keller

Five women from our congregation represented Emmaus at the Racine WELCA Spring Brunch at St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

The program on the Global Mission Trip to Madagascar by Elaine Monis and Denise Cairns was very interesting. They shared their experience with seven Malagasy women and three Tanzanian women.

They saw many projects done by women and many leaders of the Malagasy Lutheran Church. The Malagasy Lutheran Church forms a new congregation every five days!

Retreat

26 women attended "Drawn to the Light" Women's retreat, led by Pastor Sharon at the Siena Center. A wonderful, inspirational time was enjoyed by all.

The women who participated ranged from their thirties to their nineties in age. Some of them have been lifetime members, members for many years, some just a few years, friends of Emmaus and even prospective new members.

We all gathered for reflection, fellowship and fun. Thank you to Pastor Sharon for leading the retreat.

Next year's retreat is in the works! We hope all return and

some of you who couldn't make it this year can join us next year!

Reminder

The next WELCA board meeting is May 6 at 6:00 in the Sunset Room.

Triennial Convention

"Listen God is Calling," the triennial convention of the Women of the ELCA, will be July 11-13, 2002 at the Pennsylvania Convention Center in Philadelphia. The cost is \$200.00 for the four day gathering if you register before May 1 (it's \$250.00 after that). Cost of travel and hotel arrangements vary. There are "for more information" cards on the poster on the bulletin board outside the church office. Any questions or if you are interested contact Denise Keller 619-9911.



MEMORIALS & HONORARIA

Designated memorials:

For Sunday School, in memory of Frances P. Larsen: \$400.00

For Vacation Bible School, in memory of Frances P. Larsen: \$350.00

Non-designated memorials:

In memory of Judy Dykstra: \$20.00

Designated honoraria:

For upstairs kitchen renovation, in honor of Pat Jensen: \$135.00

Errors Crop Up in Cookbook

by Kathy Christensen

Some errors have been discovered in the Emmaus cookbook. The corrections are:

Page 38: Sauerkraut pie ingredients should include 1 lb. ground beef.

Page 86: Ruth Estep's Zucchini Bread ingredients should include 2 cups sugar.

OOPS!



Page 105: Butterscotch Pecan Torte butterscotch pudding mix should be "instant."

Page 117: Cele's Easy Creamy Frosting ingredients should include 1/2 c. solid shortening.

Page 147: Peanut Butter Fudge ingredients should include 3 tbsps. peanut butter.

Correction sheets will be available on the table in the narthex and will be inserted into the remaining cookbooks.

Spring Cleaning Slated May 11

This year's spring clean-up is slated for May 11. Please come between 10:00 a.m. and noon in your old dungarees with your yard tools



(especially rakes). Sign up on the pink sheet in the narthex or phone the church office.

REST Comes to a Close for the Summer

by Pat Liesch

Many thanks to all of our dedicated volunteers of the REST program. This year saw a major increase in the number of guests we served, and the people of Emmaus, Atonement and Second Presbyterian came through, and helped the homeless of Racine.

The guests greatly appreciate all that we have done for them, and have told me so, many times. This program could

not run without each and every one of you, whether you donated your time, your talents, or your money.

We had hoped to set up a single site for the homeless by this coming fall, but that is not to be. The REST Board will continue to work on a single site, but for next year, we will be here on Friday nights at Emmaus, once again. I wish everyone of you a relaxed and restful summer. We will return in the fall. Please come and join us again. Thanks ever so much.



Geranium Sale for Debt Retirement



Emmaus will decorate the church with red geraniums for Pentecost Sunday, May 19. These geraniums from Milaegers will be blooming in 4½" pots and can be purchased for \$4.00 each or \$44.00 per dozen. The geraniums can be picked up after the 9:15 service on May 19.

Please pass this order form along to your family and friends.

Geranium Order Form

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Number of geraniums _____

I will take my geranium(s) home after the Sunday worship service

I would like to donate plants to be planted on church grounds

Please have your order in to the church office by May 12.

Office use: Pmt. Order list

Emmaus Revitalizes Scrip Program

Have you ever purchased or received a gift certificate or gift card for use in a store, restaurant or gas station? That's just what Scrip is — a wide array of gift certificates and gift cards from which to choose.



And the best part is that every time you buy one of those gift certificates or cards, Emmaus receives a bonus of 3% to 15% of the total cost.

The church council has earmarked the current earnings from Scrip to go toward replacing the fascia on the building. Because this is not a project for which we have budgeted funds available, all Scrip profits will be directed to this project.

Some frequently asked questions regarding Scrip:

Q. Where is Scrip available for purchase?

A. In the narthex following the worship service (check with Loren or Cindi Larsen or another representative).

In the back entryway after Saturday worship (check with Cathy Meyer or Pastor Mary).

Q. Will the gift certificates and cards be available to purchase on the spot?

A. Yes, many of the most popular ones are. They include Piggly Wiggly, Kohl's Foods, S. America, Exxon/Mobil, Quik Trip, Olive Garden and others.

Q. Can I order others?

A. Yes, the full selection is listed; orders will be filled within two weeks; you will be called when your order is in.

ADOPT-A-SUNDAY
to help reduce indebtedness of Emmaus



Emmaus
Lutheran Church
1925 Summit Ave.

I wish to contribute: \$1,000 \$750 \$500
 \$300 \$100 \$
(Suggested minimum \$100; any gift appreciated)

Sunday to adopt: _____

In memory of: _____

In honor of: _____

Occasion: _____

Contributor: _____

Anonymous Gift Designated to Enhance Ministry of Emmaus

Noting that the Emmaus budget is essentially "bare bones" and doesn't allow for many extras, an anonymous donor has made a gift of \$11,000 to enhance the ministry of the church.

The gift has been earmarked by the giver to give a boost to the following: Kids' Hope, Sunday School, Summer camp and VBS, children's library, youth mission trips, office and sound equipment, choir music, senior center and



kitchenette renovation.

Of the gift, it has been requested that \$1,000 be sent on to the Milwaukee Synod Outreach fund as a benevolence gift from Emmaus.

We give God thanks for this very generous and unexpected gift and pray that responsible use of the funds will further our efforts to reach out and share the good news of

the Gospel among our members and neighbors alike.

Financial Figures

General Fund offerings in March, 2002 ... \$19,485.78 ... YTD \$43,909.34
 Building Fund offerings in March, 2002 \$542.00 YTD \$1,065.00 .. Budget TD
 Unified receipts for March, 2002 \$20,027.78 .. YTD \$44,974.34 .. \$49,665.00

2001 Fund offerings in March, 2002 \$361.00 CAMPAIGN TD \$98,864.12
 April 1, '02 mortgage payment: Principal \$512.62
 Interest \$453.38
 Total \$966.00
 Principal balance as of 3/12/2002 \$66,454.93

Attendance Statistics

Average Sat.-Sun. attendance **March:** 2000: **197** 2001: **162** 2002: **171**
 Average Sat.-Sun. attendance **April:** 2000: **191** 2001: **177** 2002: **141***
 Average Sat.-Sun. attendance **May:** 2000: **148** 2001: **140**
 Maundy Thursday attendance: 2000: **63** 2001: **60** 2002: **52**
 Good Friday attendance: 2000: **105** 2001: **129** 2002: **125**
 Easter Sunday attendance: 2000: **326** 2001: **356** 2002: **279**

*April, 2002 attendance average calculated as of April 21

EMMAUS SENIOR FELLOWSHIP CENTER

Tuesdays: 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

The center opens at 10:00 a.m. with coffee

Programs begin at 10:30 a.m.

Stay for lunch at noon and games at 1:00!

Director: Carol Rudey

May 7 Read & Remember: "The Fabulous Fifties"

May 14 Bingo

May 21 Read & Remember


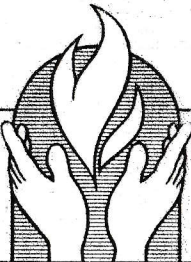

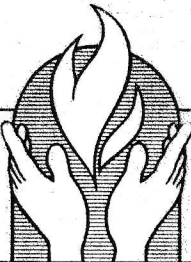


May 28 Al Beck: "Wonderful Oregon"



BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

May 1	Ruth Hlavka	1237 Isabelle Avenue	53402
May 3	Alfred Sorensen	3910 River Drive	53405
May 8	LeRoy Protheroe	1403 W. Sixth Street	53404
May 9	Ruth Estep	2522 Maple Grove Ave.	53404
May 12	Bev Johnson	7131 Fieldview Drive #4	53406
May 13	Chester Meyer	1435 Windsor Way #5	53406
May 15	Donald French	2301 Summit Avenue	53404
May 20	Lydia Jensen	5742 Cambridge Cir. #4	53406
May 20	Marge Zielke	3121 Walden Way	53405
May 23	John Psiones	1429 Pheasant Run #201	53406
May 24	Mabel Meyer	1435 Windsor Way #5	53406
May 29	Hans Jepsen	1342 Harrington Drive	53405
May 29	Deloris Slater	2201 Golf Avenue	53404

Happy 60th wedding anniversary to Glenn and Eileen Olson May 10!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
<h1>May, 2002</h1>		Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Church 1925 Summit Avenue, Racine Telephone 262 634-5515 Fax 262 633-0726 e-mail: emmaus@execpc.com http://www.emmaus-racine.org		1 <i>St. Philip & St. James</i> 1:30 pm Lydia Circle 6:45 pm First communion class 7:00 pm Adult Choir	2 11:00 am Bulletin deadline 2:30 pm EASY (Emmaus After School for Youth) 7:00 pm Stamp Club	3 	4 5:00 pm Worship Service w/HC
5 <i>6th Sunday of Easter; Cinco de mayo</i> 9:15 am Worship Service Setting 2 with Holy Communion 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am New members meet at Pastor's	6 11:00 am Staff meeting 6:00 pm WELCA Board mtg.	7 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 2:30 pm EASY, to 5:30 5:00 pm TOPS	8 6:45 pm First communion class 7:00 pm Adult Choir 8:00 pm Worship & Music Cmte.	9 <i>Ascension of Our Lord</i> 11:00 am Bulletin deadline 2:30 pm EASY, to 5:30	10	11 10:00 am Spring clean-up, to noon 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion	
12 <i>7th Sunday of Easter; Mothers' Day</i> 9:15 am Worship Service WOV Service of Word & Prayer; reception of new members 10:15 am Reception for new members 10:30 am Sunday School	13 11:00 am Staff meeting Noon Lincoln Lutheran Spring Luncheon 6:30 pm Church council	14 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 2:30 pm EASY, to 5:30 5:00 pm TOPS	15 June <i>Visitor</i> deadline 6:45 pm First communion class 7:00 pm Adult Choir 	16 11:00 am Bulletin deadline 1:00 pm Book Club 2:30 pm EASY, to 5:30	17 <i>Syttendemai</i> 	18 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion	
19 <i>Pentecost Sunday</i> 9:15 am Worship Service Chicago Folk Service with Holy Communion; 5 th graders' First Communion 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School	20 <i>Day of Prayer for Peace in Middle East</i>	21 9:00 am Cluster Clergy 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 2:30 pm EASY, to 5:30 5:00 pm TOPS	22  PENTECOST	23 11:00 am Bulletin deadline 2:30 pm EASY, to 5:30	24	25 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion	
26 <i>Trinity Sunday</i> 9:15 am Worship Service WOV Service of Word & Prayer 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School 	27 <i>Memorial Day</i> <i>Office closed</i> 6:00 pm REST Board	28 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 2:30 pm EASY, to 5:30 5:00 pm TOPS	29	30 11:00 am Bulletin deadline 2:30 pm EASY, to 5:30 6:15 pm Opening worship, Carthage	31	June 1 11:00 am Closing worship, Carthage 5:00 pm Worship Service with H.C. 	

Greater Milwaukee Synod Assembly, Carthage College. May 30-June 1

Emmaus Name: _____ Home phone: _____

SCRIP Address: _____ Zip: _____

Store name	Emmaus earns	Denominations available	Quantity	Total
DRUG & GROCERY STORES				
Kohl's Food Store	4%	\$10, \$25		
Piggly Wiggly	4%	\$25, \$50		
Sentry Foods/Super Saver	4%	\$25, \$10		
CLOTHING, SPORTING & DEPARTMENT STORES				
American Eagle Outfitters	8%	\$25		
August Max Women	19%	\$10		
Burlington Coat Factory	12%	\$10, \$25		
Casual Corner/August Max	16%	\$25		
Dick's Sporting Goods	8%	25%		
Foot Locker	13%	\$25, \$50		
Gap debit card	8%	\$20, \$25		
J. C. Penney gift card	5%	\$25, \$100		
K-Mart	3%	\$10, \$25, \$50		
The Limited	8%	\$10, \$25		
Old Navy debit card	8%	\$20, \$25		
Payless Shoe Source	12%	\$10, \$20		
Sears	2%	\$10, \$25, \$100, \$250		
ShopKo debit card	4%	\$25, \$50		
Structure	10%	\$25		
T. J. Maxx, Marshalls	8%	\$10, \$25		
Younkers	9%	\$10, \$25, \$100		
BOOKSTORES, OFFICE SUPPLY				
Barnes & Noble	8%	\$10, \$25		
Office Max debit card	3%	\$25		
Walden Books	8%	\$10, \$25		
STEREO, VIDEO EQUIPMENT; VIDEO RENTAL				
Best Buy	2%	\$10, \$25, \$50		
Blockbuster Video	7%	\$10		
Circuit City gift card	2.5%	\$25, \$50, \$100		
Hollywood Video	15%	\$1		
Musicland/Sam Goody/Suncoast	10%	\$10		
Radio Shack	4%	\$25		
SPECIALTY				
Bath & Body Works	13%	\$10, \$20, \$25		
Home Depot	3%	\$25, \$100, \$250		

Menards Home Improvement	3%	\$25, \$50, \$100		
Mrs. Fields	20%	\$5		
Original Cookle Company	25%	\$5		
Pier I Imports	7%	\$10, \$25		
TOYS				
KB Toys	9%	\$10		
Toys R Us, Klds R Us, Babies R Us	3%	\$10, \$20		
TRAVEL; SERVICE STATIONS				
BP/Amoco pre-pay oil card	3%	\$25, \$50		
Citgo	3%	\$25, \$50		
Exxon/Mobil driver cash card	2.5%	\$25, \$50, \$100		
Kwik Trip	3%	\$5, \$10		
Shell Oil	2%	\$25, \$50, \$100		
Speedway/Super America	3%	\$5, \$10		
RESTAURANTS				
Applebee's	8%	\$10, \$20		
Bob Evans	8%	\$5		
Burger King booklets	3.6%	\$5		
Chi-Chi's	15%	\$10		
Chuck E. Cheese debit card	7%	\$10		
Cracker Barrel	8%	\$5		
Denny's	8%	\$5		
Domino's Pizza	5%	\$5		
KFC	8%	\$5		
Little Caesar's	5%	\$5		
Olive Garden/Red Lobster	13%	\$10, \$25		
Perkins	8%	\$5		
Pizza Hut	9%	\$5, \$10		
Ponderosa	9%	\$5		
Wendy's	7%	\$5, 10		
			TOTAL	\$

Please check catalog, lay-away and charge account policies at your particular store. Some stores place restrictions on Scrip purchases on those purchases. Please make checks payable to Emmaus Lutheran Church. Turn your order in to the Scrip table in the narthex after first service or before second service on Sunday morning. You can pick up your order the following Sunday. Thanks!

May 25, 2001

❖ MAY WORSHIP LEADERS ❖

	READERS	ALTAR GUILD	ACOLYTES	USHERS
May 4 5:00 pm		Barb Toslek Kelly Austin		
May 5 9:15 am	Chris Lamberton	Helen Mickelson Linda Meteyard	Krystle Mayer Erin Sommer	Team #2 Rich Christensen
May 11 5:00 pm		Brian & Denise Keller		
May 12 9:15 am	Kelsey Albright		Kally Jansen Amy Meteyard	Team #3 Howard Jensen
May 18 5:00 pm		Evelyn Larsen		
May 19 9:15 am	Brenda Gieszler	Jan Bertram Ginny Haugsby	April Falaschi Hailey Sommer Brian Field Andrew Reischl	Team #4 Bill Cook
May 25 5:00 pm		Marion Andersen Judy Berndt		
May 26 9:15 am	Bev Hansen		Tanya Rasmussen Marissa Connet	Team #5 Bill Meteyard
June 1 5:00 pm		Betty Schultz Cathy Meyer		
June 2 9:15 am	Mildred Schroth	Ruth Estep Bev Hansen		Team #1 Harold Miller

GLAD TO BE IN GOD'S SERVICE

	ALTAR FLOWERS	FELLOWSHIP	CANDLE CARE	COMMUNION ASST.
May 5	Brian & Denise Keller	L. & C. Larsen	Arvilla Nemer	Shirley Velzka
May 12	Martin & Marion Andersen	Church council		
May 19	Howard & Marge Jensen	Sunday School		Joy Lippmann
May 26	Harley & Dee Slater	available		
June 2	Chester & Mabel Meyer	Albrights	Pat LeRoux- Sodke	Nancy Brown

News of Our Members

Knuteson Presents Estate Planning Seminar

All Saints Health Care Foundation invites you as a friend of the foundation to a spring Estate Planning Seminar, featuring attorney/CPA John Knuteson at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, May 16, in the Racine Room, St. Mary's Medical Center Campus. The Racine Room is on the lower level; arrive at the main hospital entrance.

John Knuteson will provide estate planning information to help you protect your assets, achieve tax advantages, conserve your wealth, learn about the new estate tax law, and make charitable donations.

To register, or for more information, please call Debra Hall at 687-2622.

Letter

LCPL Kreimer Sends Thanks for Support

(Dennis and Michele Kreimer forward this letter from their son, Ryan, who recently recovered from a bad reaction to a starfish sting. Ryan wrote this letter while stationed in Okinawa.)

Just wanted to say hi. I am about to leave for Thailand in a couple of days — I will try to call. Tell everyone back home I said hi.



Ryan Kreimer

Can you tell everyone at church that I really appreciate the support they have given me? It really helps, especially being so far from home. I think about all of you just as much as you do of me. I just don't get to show it as often.

As far as what's going on over here, we are getting ready to take all our vehicles to the port, where they get loaded onto a ship and set to Thailand. I leave on the 12th of

April and will return on the 18th of June.

We are going to set up our comm gear and train. I work with a radio that sits on the back of a humvw. My job is a multi-channel equipment operator. We multiplex many streams of data into one rf signal, then send to another one of our radios. They turn the one signal back into data. We can pass all kinds of data as far as phones, internet, video conferencing, and many more.

All we use are the phones. The internet and video conferencing are for the officers.

Just wanted to let the whole church know how I was doing and that I am fine. I really appreciate all the mail and prayers. I would love to write more, but I still have a lot more work to do.

—Ryan Kreimer, lcpl of marines

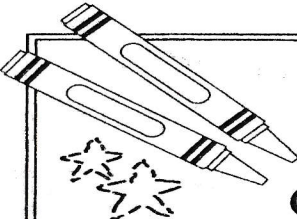
Children Slated to Sing in May

by Karla Bielewicz

School.

Please mark your calendars for Sunday, May 12 and Sunday, May 19. The Sunday School children will sing on both of these Sundays during the worship service in addition to having Sunday

Please have your children at church by 8:50 a.m. so we can go over our songs in the Sunset Room before the service begins. Thank you for your cooperation during the last few weeks of Sunday School.



Just for KIDS

God's Creation

In the spring we see God's creation coming alive again!
Fill in the blanks below with the names of things that God created. Use the Scripture references to help if needed.

<u>G</u> _ _ _ _ _	where vegetables grow <i>(Deuteronomy 11:10)</i>
<u>O</u> _ _ _	a tree to rest under <i>(1 Kings 13:14)</i>
<u>D</u> _ _ _ _	when Mary went to the tomb <i>(Matthew 28:1)</i>
<u>'S</u> _ _ _ _ _	lights in the night sky <i>(Genesis 1:16)</i>
<u>C</u> _ _ _ _ _	provided clothing for John the Baptist <i>(Matthew 3:4)</i>
<u>R</u> _ _ _ _ _	flowing water <i>(Matthew 3:6)</i>
<u>E</u> _ _ _ _ _	name of a garden <i>(Genesis 2:8)</i>
<u>A</u> _ _ _ _	the first man <i>(Genesis 2:20b)</i>
<u>T</u> _ _ _ _ _	sound made by lightning <i>(Exodus 19:16)</i>
<u>I</u> _ _ _ _ _	hopping, flying, crawling creatures <i>(Leviticus 11:20)</i>
<u>O</u> _ _ _	a "wise" bird <i>(Psalm 102:6)</i>
<u>N</u> _ _ _ _ _	begins at sunset <i>(Genesis 28:11)</i>

Answers: garden; oak; dawn; stars; camel; river; Eden; Adam; thunder; insects; owl; night.

Greater Milwaukee Synod Assembly Opens May 30

The annual Assembly of the Greater Milwaukee Synod meets this year May 30 to June 1. This year's assembly theme is "May All Nations Be Blessed."

On the agenda is the election of a new Synod Bishop. Four candidate forums were held in April so that area Lutherans could meet and ask questions of the ten candidates for Bishop of the synod.



Candidates

The candidates for Bishop are:
Rev. Jeff Barrow, ordained in 1975; Senior Pastor of Holy Communion Lutheran Church, Racine since 1991.

Rev. Paul G. Bauman, ordained in 1967; installed this year as Pastor of King of Glory Lutheran Church, Greenfield.

Rev. Frank Janzow, ordained in 1973; Pastor of Ascension Lutheran Church, Waukesha since 1976.

Rev. Gary Lietdke, ordained in 1976; Pastor of Calvary Lutheran Church, Brookfield since 1998.

Rev. Mark Petersen, ordained in 1982; Pastor of St. Peter Lutheran Church, Sheboygan since 1986.

Rev. Susan Ruelle, ordained in 1986; Assistant to the GMS

Bishop since 1995.

Rev. James Stein, ordained in 1976; Pastor of Church of the Resurrection, Pewaukee since 1989.

Rev. Paul Stumme-Diers, ordained in 1989; Pastor of All Saints Lutheran Church, Wales since 1998.

Rev. Greg Van Dunk, ordained in 1985; Pastor of All People's Church, Milwaukee since 1991.

Rev. Larry Westfield, Ordained 1976; Pastor at St. Olaf Lutheran Church,

Rubicon since 1985.

Rogness Elected Bishop of Saint Paul Area Synod

SAINT PAUL, MN (www.spas-elca.org) — The Rev. Peter Rogness, 56, was elected to a six-year term as bishop of the Saint Paul Area Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) Apr. 21, during the synod assembly held Apr. 19-21 at Concordia University, St. Paul. He succeeds the Rev. Mark Hanson, who was elected presiding bishop of the ELCA last August.

Rogness currently serves as bishop of the Greater Milwaukee Synod, ELCA. Rogness was elected

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An invitation to confirmation classes, youth groups,
women's groups, men's groups...in other words, for YOU!

WORSHIP AT THE SYNOD ASSEMBLY



MUSIC & LITURGY
led by
BREAD FOR THE JOURNEY
and
MICHAEL BURKHARDT

OPENING WORSHIP

May 30, 2002 • 6:15 p.m.

Bishop Peter Rogness
Greater Milwaukee Synod
Preacher and Presider
Guests from the Meru Diocese

CLOSING WORSHIP

June 1, 2002 • 11:00 a.m.

Bishop Mark Hanson
ELCA Presiding Bishop, Preacher
New Bishop-Elect, Presider
Assembly Intergenerational Mass Choir

COME AND WORSHIP!

Carthage College, 2001 Alford Park Dr., Kenosha, WI 53140 (262) 551-8500

ELCA Council Approves 'Stand With Africa'

CHICAGO (ELCA) April 11 —
The Church Council of the
Evangelical Lutheran Church in
America (ELCA) designated
\$350,000 to support "Stand With
Africa," a three-year Lutheran
campaign that focuses on issues
significant to Africa, including
HIV/AIDS, economic justice, food
security, and peace and

reconciliation.

The Church Council is the
ELCA's board of directors and
serves as the legislative authority of
the church between its churchwide
assemblies. The council met here
April 5-7.

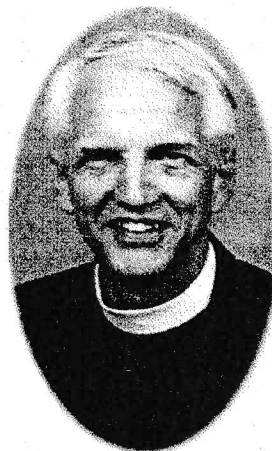
Developed by the ELCA
World Hunger Appeal and Program,
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Bishop Rogness

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on the fifth and final ballot for
bishop, receiving 267 of 477 votes
cast, or 56%, to 210 votes, or 44%,
for the Rev. Susan Tjornehoj,
assistant to the
bishop of the Saint
Paul Area Synod.

Rogness' term
as bishop of the
Greater Milwaukee
Synod was due to
expire this year. "I
intend to work with
leadership in both
synods to see that
the summer months
make for smooth
transitions in both
places," Rogness
said.



Bishop Rogness

Born in 1945
in Mason City, Iowa, Rogness grew
up in St. Paul and was graduated
from Augustana College, Sioux
Falls, S.D., and Luther Seminary.
He was ordained July 8, 1973. He
served Wellington Park Church,

Milwaukee, from 1973-75, and
Hephatha Church, a primarily
African-American congregation on
Milwaukee's north side, from
1975-85. In 1985 he was
elected bishop of the Southern
Wisconsin District of the
American Lutheran Church
(ALC), and following the
formation of the ELCA, was
elected bishop of the Greater
Milwaukee Synod, where he has
served since 1987.

His wife, Gerry, teaches
fourth grade in the Milwaukee
public schools. They are the
parents of four children and
also have one grandchild.

The Saint Paul Area
Synod is one of 65 synods in
the ELCA and includes 120
congregations with some 165,000
baptized members in Anoka,
Chisago, Dakota, Isanti, Ramsey,
Scott, and Washington counties. Its
offices are located in St. Paul.

Stand With Africa

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Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod (LCMS) World Relief, and Lutheran World Relief — the overseas relief and development agency of the ELCA and LCMS — the campaign includes a strategy for increasing available financial resources by encouraging individual and congregational giving for Africa.

The council moved to ask members of the ELCA to support Stand With Africa with the "intensity that disasters elicit, but understanding that 'marathon' rather than 'sprint' giving is required."

In the same resolution, the council acknowledged that, in addition to the \$350,000 it designated, additional funds had been provided by the ELCA since 1999 to respond to the crisis in Africa. That included \$1.45 million in ELCA World Hunger funds and \$325,000 from the church's Ministry Among People Living in Poverty funds.

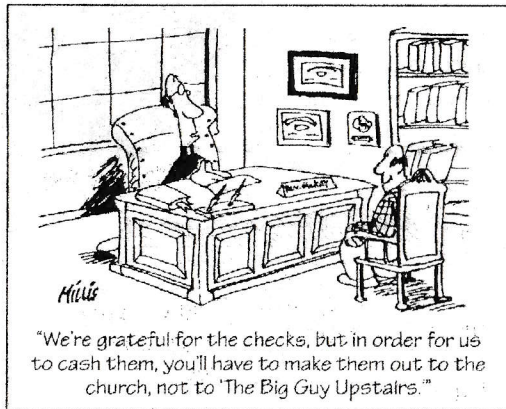
The council also moved to acknowledge "with appreciation" a report from 16 ELCA leaders who participated in a Stand With Africa study trip last January. The study trip was "a life-changing experience for me," the Rev. Callon W. Holloway Jr., bishop of the ELCA Southern Ohio Synod, Columbus, told council members.

Holloway said it was difficult "to grasp the tragedy in

Africa, especially the HIV/AIDS crisis, refugees and poverty. That was overwhelming. We often hear about the crisis in Africa. But, not until you actually witness it can you appreciate the gravity of the tragedy. At the same time, I was surprised to see that there is hope among the people of Africa."

The study group's "intent was to send a message to the church" on the severity of the situation in Africa, said Earl L. Mummert, Harrisburg, Pa., council member. "Our church has contributed more than \$2 million. To me, that is sending a message. But we need to raise substantially more than that to make any kind of a difference in Africa," he said.

Ellen T. Maxon, Hartland, Wis., council member, asked the council to reconsider its decision on designating \$350,000 for Stand With Africa efforts and increase the designated amount. Her motion was defeated.



Elsewhere in Our Area

Unkalung Choir Performs in Milwaukee

Our Savior Lutheran Church, 3022 W. Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee, will host a concert by the Unkalung Choir at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, May 19.

The Unkalung Choir is a public relations tool for the Bethel Series "Blessed to be a blessing." An unkalung is a bamboo instrument from Thailand.

Our Savior Lutheran invites you to join them for a concert of ethereal sounds combined with the choir's choral renditions producing music like you've never heard before. Call the Bethel Series office at 608-241-9220, or e-mail blest@bethelseries.com

La Vida Seeks Parents

Parent/s needed to adopt orphaned Asian born infants and toddlers. You are cordially invited to attend a free information meeting to be held locally in Milwaukee on May 9. For further information, please call Lisa or Joanie at 1-800-513-1910.

UW-P Forum Focuses on Women in Judaism

The University of Wisconsin-Parkside's Perspectives on Religious Issues series continues Monday, May 6, with a program on the role women play in the Jewish faith. Titled "Women In Judaism,"

the program features Dena Feingold, rabbi of Kenosha's Beth Hillel Temple.

The program begins at noon in Union 106. It is free and open to the public. Free parking is available in the Union lot. For more information call Wayne Johnson at (262) 639-7149.

Farran Presents Celtic Stories and Songs

Enjoy the many flavors of the Celtic Nations with Celia Farran's one woman show of "Celtic Stories and Songs." The concert will take place at Faith Lutheran Church, 1000 S. Layton Blvd., Milwaukee, on Sunday, May 19, at 2:00 p.m. Free will offering received. You will laugh, you may even cry, as Celia Farran weaves her magic through stories and song.

Milwaukee native Celia Farran graduated from the University of Michigan with a BFA in Theatre Performance. She has worked in New York City as a professional actress and currently entertains audiences all over the world with her richly textured voice and animated stories. She has also worked with Faith's after-school tutoring program and summer Day Camp, leading the kids in creative story-telling exercises.

For more information, contact Pastor Paul Erickson, 414-645-3574.

Go In Peace ... Serve the Lord!

Emmaus members and friends take seriously the words heard at the end of the Sunday worship service, "Go in peace! Serve the Lord!" Do you even realize what a difference you make throughout the week as you reach out in ministry?

Just last week, Marty Aiken had a conversation with Mrs. Limburg, principal of Wadewitz. She said to him that every time an Emmaus mentor simply walks through the door of the school, there is a positive change that takes place there. The smiles, words of affirmation and simple presence of the Kids Hope mentors serves to give encouragement and support to the staff.



And ask any of the 23 mentors what a difference that relationship between them and the child makes — the impact goes way beyond words! Ministers of Emmaus serving the community — what a difference you make!

Or what about the amazing group of volunteers under the able direction of Pat Liesch each week? Those members and friends of Emmaus who have staffed the REST homeless shelter so faithfully every

week have shown true hospitality. The Emmaus REST site has a reputation of going "above and beyond" by providing meals that are way above average — both in quality and quantity.

And, our guests often remark that they feel truly welcome at our site, thanks to the ministers of Emmaus who extend a hand of welcome. Thank you for being the hands and heart of Christ.

As Lutherans, we understand ourselves to be the priesthood of all believers, a title we receive in our Baptism.

And, as members of the household of God, a big part of who we are is reflected as we serve and do ministry throughout the entire week.

Seven Days a Week

We are not a Sunday-morning-only church! We do come weekly to praise God and to be fed as we connect with our sisters and brothers in Christ. Then we go out yet one more time to be ministers and servants in his name.

Providing a hot meal to a family who can use a boost, offering a ride to church to someone who no longer drives, sending a card to someone who is recovering from an

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P.S. Some Upcoming Opportunities for Service Are:

- Make a dessert or help serve the Teachers' Appreciation luncheon at Wadewitz School May 8
- Provide special music at one of the summer worship services — call Joyce and **offer** your gift!
- Help with yard clean-up on May 11
- Plant flowers around the church
- Visit a homebound member of Emmaus
- Record the Sunday service and make copies of the tapes for shut-ins (all equipment available at church)
- Make a phone call or drop a note to an Emmaus member who may need a word of love and encouragement
- Be a part of Neighborhood Camp this summer — distribute yard signs or flyers, greet kids as they come, serve breakfast, provide a snack for 25-30 kids, serve the noon lunch, read a story, help with hands-on crafts and projects, help plan the final Community Festival, run errands

What do you **enjoy** doing? Where is the Spirit calling you to use your gifts? Give me a call (634-5515) if you'd like to talk more about ministry opportunities that best match your interests and passions.

Pastor Mary's Column

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illness or has lost a loved one, helping kids bake cookies or organizing a craft activity for the after-school program, preparing a meal for the seniors ... these are but a few instances of service that come from the ministers of Emmaus.

I celebrate that and want to say "thank you" to each and every one who has reached out. If I had more hours in the day, you would

each receive personal thank you notes. I give thanks to God that you have embodied the words, "when the service is ended, the service begins."

Thanks be to God!

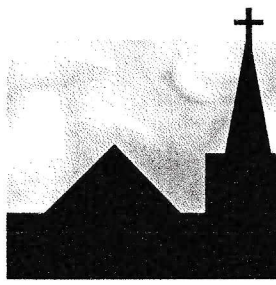
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In the May Visitor:

- ▶ First Communion Classes
- ▶ Emmaus to Be One of Four Neighborhood Camp Sites
- ▶ No Wonder the Butterscotch Pecan Torte Came Out Funny
- ▶ Spring Cleaning May 11
- ▶ Geranium Order Form
- ▶ Anonymous Gift Made to Boost Emmaus Programs
- ▶ Synod Assembly to Elect GMS Bishop
- ▶ Service Opportunities

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Emmaus Visitor

June, 2002

Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Church, 1925 Summit Avenue, Racine, Wis.



- Who:** Kids from 6 to 12 years of age
- When:** Weekly, from June 17 to August 2 (except week of July 4)
- Cost:** Free (Donations to help defray cost of \$90/child per week are welcome, as are donations of time, treats, etc.)
- Schedule:** Week of June 17, "Imagine That" (art, drama, clowning)
Week of June 24, "All God's Critters"
Week of July 8, "Give a Hoot ... Don't Pollute!"
Week of July 15, "Better Safe Than Sorry!"
Week of July 22, "Gifts! Gifts! Gifts!"
Week of July 29, "God Is Good" (VBS with Lutherdale staff)

PASTORAL ACTS

Baptism:

Tara Rodell Halberstadt
May 12, 2002

Tara's sponsor is her husband, John Halberstadt, who is Joy Lippmann's brother. The Halberstadts run a greenhouse on Spring Street.

Funeral:

Carolyn Kreis Lakvold
May 11, 2002

Carolyn Lakvold passed away May 8 at the age of 65. She is survived by her husband, Earl, and children Karen Hegeman, Debbie Wilson, Larry Lakvold and Gary Lakvold.

Expressions of Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to Lyle and Marge Zielke and family on the death of their daughter, Martha, on May 17. Marty was a nurse at the Curative Workshop and a member of Apostolic Faith



Church on Airline Road. She is also survived by two children, Bret and Carly Thomas, and sisters Amy Zielke, Laura (Jerry) Wamboldt and Melissa (Mark) Porcaro.

MEMORIALS & HONORARIA

Dedicated honoraria:

For Neighborhood Camp, in honor of Nancy Smith: \$25.00

Velzkas Adopt Sunday to Help Retire Emmaus Debt

We extend our earnest thanks to the following for adopting Sundays this spring as part of Emmaus' Adopt-a-Sunday debt retirement program.

Don and Shirley Velzka, in thanks to God for many blessings.

Adopt-a-Sunday forms are available in the *Visitor* and in Sunday bulletins.

A special gift to Neighborhood Camp was given by Abby and Ken Jones in honor of Nancy Smith on Mother's Day.

Register Now for Neighborhood Camp/VBS

Registration forms for Emmaus' summer day camp sessions for children 6-12 years old were made available in church on May 19, and flyers were distributed at Wadewitz School the following week.

Initial interest in the fun-filled weeks of summer learning and enrichment is high, and we have already had neighborhood parents call to ask, "Is Neighborhood Camp" filled yet?"

The answer is that we still have space, but members and neighbors are encouraged to **register now** to be assured of space. This

includes the **week of July 29**, the week of **Vacation Bible School** with Lutherdale Camp counselors on site.

To register your child, grandchild or neighbor, complete a registration form. Forms are available at the church and can be picked up Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., or Saturdays and Sundays before and after worship services.

If you would like a form mailed to you, please call the church office (634-5515) to request one.



Volunteers Needed to Enhance Neighborhood Camp

Can you greet a child and make him or her feel at ease? Do you like to shop or run errands? Do you enjoy crafts? Do you have fun playing volleyball, croquet or other outside games/sports? Can you read a story to children? Do you sing or play an instrument? Do you like to cook or bake? Do you have the love of Jesus to share with a child?

If you answered "yes" to any of the above questions, then maybe you'd like to carve out a bit of time (or a lot of time ... if that works for you) to be a part of a positive summer experience with kids.

Let Pastor Mary or Velvetta Hargrove know where your interest lies, and there will be a place for you this summer.

We thank in advance the large number of volunteers who have already said "yes! I want to make a difference to kids this summer!"



Emmaus Offers Summer Activities for Pre-Schoolers

The Racine Park and Recreation Department will offer Kiddie Korner on the field next to Emmaus this summer for pre-school age children.

Beginning June 17, a time of fun and activities will be available to 4, 5, and 6-year-old children from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays. Of the 30 spaces available, Emmaus has reserved ten spaces for children who inquire through the church. The \$20 fee for the summer will be provided as a gift (through grant money) to Emmaus members and friends who register.

Interested? Sign up today; the Park and Recreation Department

anticipates a high demand for this afternoon summer program.

Vacation Bible School

Pre-schoolers aged 3 years and up may sign up for five days of Vacation Bible School. VBS will be held July 29 through August 2 from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.



Led by Nancy Smith and a capable group of volunteers, the children will study a new Bible story each day and will be introduced to related activities, crafts and music. When registering, be sure to request the special Pre-School registration form for Vacation Bible School.

Items Sought for Neighborhood Camp

Can you help? Nancy Smith is looking for the following items needed for the Imagine That! week of Neighborhood camp:

Clothing— colorful and crazy hats, shirts, ties, pants, white gloves, large shoes, old sneakers, aprons with pockets (carpenter aprons are good), wigs, suspenders, scarves, handkerchiefs, vests, socks.

Props— feather duster, broom, mirrors (needed also for creating faces), artificial flowers (bouquets will do, too), oversized

magnifying glass, rubber ball, fly swatter, bicycle horn (ones with rubber bulbs), tape measure, whistles, watering can, butterfly net, toy stethoscope, umbrella (preferably kids size), jack in the box, toy telephone, large feather, oversized plastic glasses, unusual stuffed animals, puppets, plastic pail.

Do not feel you need to purchase these items. Just look around the house for any surprises that might work for a clown.

13 New Members Join Emmaus

On Sunday, May 12, Emmaus welcomed 13 new and renewed members into the Emmaus family:

Celia Bagley
3137 43rd Street,
Franksville 53126

Cora and Erin Balthazar
1503 Thurston Avenue,
Racine 53405

Ruth Copeland
1455 Sun Valley Drive
Racine 53406

Rev. Sharon Georgi
6711 Jacobsen Lane
Racine 53403

John & Rodell Tara
Halberstadt
3405 Spring Street
Racine 53405

Michele Nelson, Natalie & Lauren
5636 Emstan Hills Road
Racine, 53406

Mark & Lorrie Peterson
and Jacob
1125 Reschke Avenue
Racine 53404

Rodell Tara Halberstadt
joined our congregation through the sacrament of Holy Baptism, sponsored by her husband, John.

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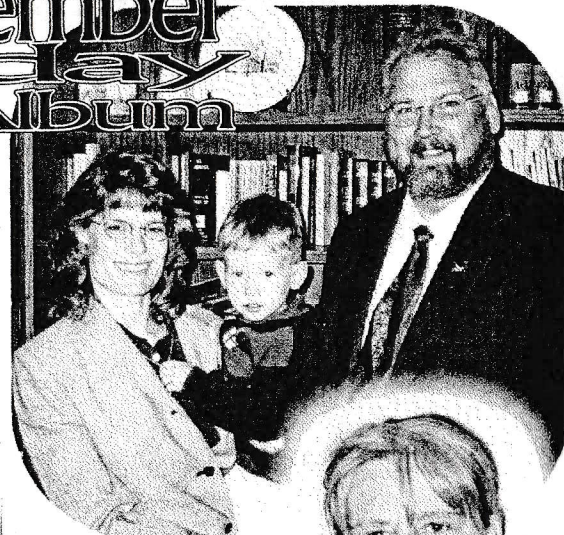
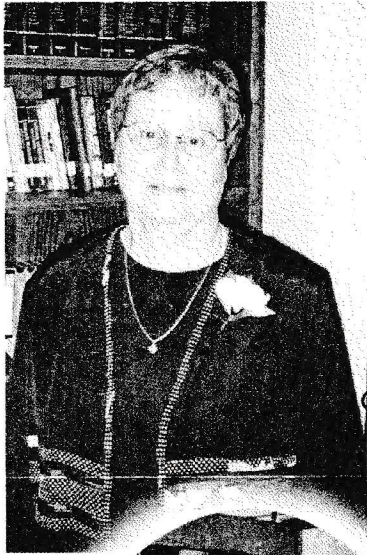
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Velvetta Hargrove — velvetta@execpc.com

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Community Outreach Minister: Velvetta Hargrove
Organist: Joyce Kaiser
Adult Choir Dir.: Marsha Connet
Youth Music Dir.: Karla Bielewicz
Secretary: Paul Berge
Custodians: Rick Muhammad & Matt Liesch
Groundskeeper: Harley Slater

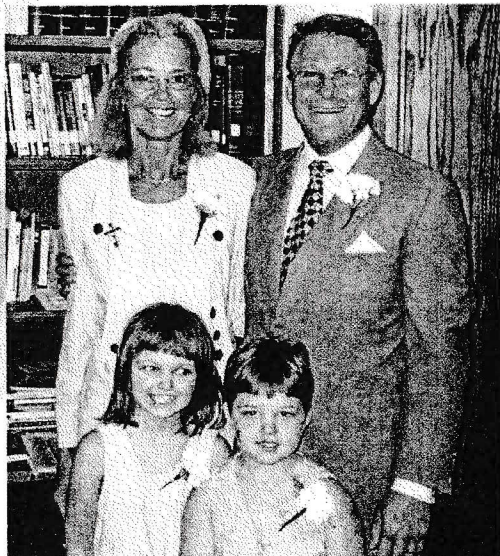
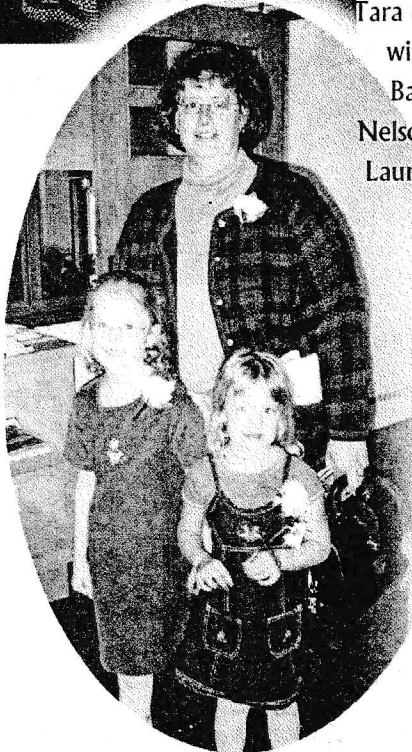
Services are held at Emmaus every Saturday evening at 5:00 and Sunday mornings at 9:15.
Sunday School meets at 10:30 a.m.
Emmaus office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.
The VISITOR is published monthly September to July. The deadline for the July VISITOR is June 15.

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New Member Sunday Photo Album



Clockwise from left:
Ruth Copeland; Lorrie,
Jacob & Mark Peterson;
Tara & John Halberstadt
with Cora and Erin
Balthazar; Michele
Nelson with Natalie and
Lauren. Not pictured:
Celia Bagley.



Youth News

Children's Library to Be Spruced Up

A new TV and VCR/DVD player have been purchased for the kids' library, thanks to a designated gift. A new table and chairs will also be added to the children's library, which is located downstairs. The remainder of the gift is to be used for books for the library.

Would you like to contribute

new or next-to-new children's books to the library? Or, if you would prefer, buy a Scrip gift certificate for Barnes and Noble and give it as a gift to the library. That way, the church gains twice — on your purchase of Scrip, and on the additions that can be made to the children's library!

Lopez Celebrates First Communion

Amidst the celebration of Pentecost Sunday, David Lopez received the sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time on Sunday, May 19. David recently

completed instruction regarding the background and meaning of Holy Communion, studying both the Old and New Testament roots of the sacrament.

Congratulations to 2002 Graduates!

Congratulations to Emmaus high school and college graduates in 2002! We reached some of our graduating high school seniors who shared their post-graduation plans.

Kristen Clinton will attend UW-Madison in the fall. She is interested in studying graphic design.

Becky Fiebig, has been working at Johnson Wax and the Chancery. She is enrolled at UW-Milwaukee in the fall and is interested in anthropology.

Becca Gottfredsen is being graduated from Horlick High School. She is enrolled at UW-Whitewater, where she plans to

study for a career in marketing and business.

Katie Sanders will attend UW-Eau Claire in the fall and plans to prepare for a career in nursing.

Alyssa Yorgan is enrolled at New York University's Gallatin School. She will tackle a double major in music and biology. This summer, she will be a Teaching Assistant for a biology professor at UW-Parkside, and will perform in PACE concerts given by the String Academy of Wisconsin

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



Emmaus Youth Serve Racine

by Gregg Albright

The youth of Emmaus, St. Andrew and Zoë Outreach are joining together in three days of service to various organizations in Racine. The past two mission trips to South Dakota and Nashville, as well as Juarez, Mexico, have served as an example of how our young members can serve others, following in Jesus' footsteps. We are simply taking the excitement of a mission trip, and keeping it in our hometown.

Emmaus has invited the youth of St. Andrew Lutheran and Zoë Outreach Ministries along as well and all three church youth leaders are very excited about the impact the kids will have on those sites they serve as well as the impact of working with those of different faiths. And at the end of the week, everyone will go camping and rafting down the Wolf River in



Youth Mission Project

Northern Wisconsin!

All middle and high school youth (going into grades 7 to 12) are invited along! If you have a middle or high school youth, you should have received information in the mail. If not, please contact Gregg or Kylee Albright at 639-6433 for more information.

There will be an informational meeting in June, so look for more details in the mail!

Youth Birthdays

June 6	Collin Babington, 5
June 7	Nathan Lamberton, 13
June 9	Zachary Smith, 4
June 10	Mason Bagley, 8
June 13	Katy Sanders, 18
June 14	Jessica Fiebig, 14
June 16	Ciara Williams, 5
June 18	Shai'ela Mosley, 9
June 23	AnnMarie Liesch, 15

Youth Service Opportunity Offered July 23-28

by Gregg Albright

Parents, looking for something constructive for your middle school or high school youth do to this summer? How about the Emmaus youth service week, July 23 to 28?

We've lined up several worthy service project with a half-week of fun with the youth from St.

Andrew's and Zoë Outreach. To top it off, we'll end the week with a rafting trip down the Wolf River in Northern Wisconsin.

Interested? Call Gregg and Kylee Albright at 639-6344, or pick up one of the sign-up packets at the Summer of Service display in the narthex. Deadline for sign-up is June 30!

Fiesta Mexicana Raises \$2800

A big thank you goes to Carol Yust, Lisa Ziehlke, and their crew for the most successful Fiesta Mexicana ever!

Fun was had by all as they complemented the wonderful Mexican fare with conversation, drawings for dozens of great prizes and piñatas filled with treats and goodies.



Money from the sale of food and raffle tickets, together with AAL matching funds of \$800 and a special gift netted a total profit of \$2,800. The funds go to support middle school and high school mission trip events this July.

¡Gracias! to all who supported what has become a very popular annual fund raiser at Emmaus.

Sunday School News

Joy Lippmann Honored on Pentecost Sunday

For twenty years, "Miss Joy" has shared the love of Jesus with 3-year-old Sunday School children. Although she is officially retiring from that position, Joy has assured all who know how her joy-filled attitude touches lives that she will continue to be involved at



Joy Lippmann

one level or another.

Meanwhile, parents, kids, fellow teachers and friends knew they wanted to honor Joy in a special way for invaluable contributions to Emmaus' Sunday School. On May 19, the Sunday School kids presented her with a musical tribute, the gift of a birdhouse for her new yard, a special cake, and lots of hugs and cards and words of appreciation.

Thank you, Joy, for touching so many lives at Emmaus.

Building & Grounds

Thanks Due to Spring Helpers

Thanks to everyone who came to help on Emmaus' spring clean-up day May 11. We got a lot done before we got rained out! A

special thanks to Milt Christensen, who provided the truck for taking away all the garbage and brush.

Synod Assembly Meets at Carthage

Amy Larsen, Carol Eschmann, Pastor Mary and Pastor Sharon are attending the annual Assembly of the Greater Milwaukee Synod May 30 through June 1 at Carthage College. The theme of this year's assembly is "May All



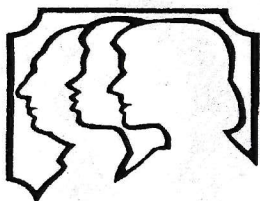
Nations Be Blessed."

To see the issues our representatives are voting on, visit the synod web site, <http://www.milwaueesynod.org>. Assembly representatives will also elect Rev. Peter Rogness' successor as bishop of the Greater Milwaukee Synod.

Council Approves Capital Improvements

At the May meeting of the Emmaus church council, several projects that would improve our property and grounds were discussed. They include

- replacement of the steps on the northeast corner of the building (from the alley to the kitchen)
- replacement of the sign in front of the church
- replacement of the lighting and ceiling tiles in the Fellowship Hall and downstairs hallway
- replacement of some loose shingles on the church roof
- mud-jacking the parsonage driveway and patio to eliminate water running toward the house



CONGREGATION COUNCIL

part of the cost of replacing the steps, which have become a hazard due to the settling that has occurred over the years.

If you would like to contribute to the steps, simply mark "steps" on the memo area of your check.

Thank you to Bill Irvine and may willing volunteers who do so much to keep our wonderful facility in tip-top shape!

8-88 Choir to Sing June 16

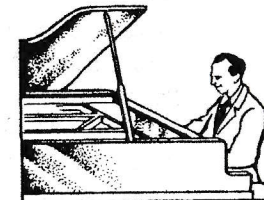
by Kathy Christensen

Everyone is invited to participate in the 8-88 Choir on Sunday, June 16. There will be a brief rehearsal at 8:45 in the Sunset Room.

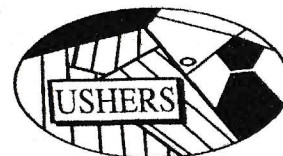
Come and join us. No experience required.



JUNE WORSHIP LEADERS






	READERS	ALTAR GUILD	SPECIAL MUSIC	USHERS
June 1 5:00 pm		Betty Schultz Cathy Meyer		
June 2 9:15 am	Myra Nielsen	Ruth Estep Bev Hansen	Kelsey Albright	Team #1 Harold Miller
June 8 5:00 pm		Jan Svendsen Shirley Irvine		
June 9 9:15 am	Kathy Christensen		David Schulz	Team #2 Rich Christensen
June 15 5:00 pm		Brian & Denise Keller		
June 16 9:15 am	David Christensen	Mildred Schroth Marge Jensen	8-88 Choir	Team #3 Howard Jensen
June 22 5:00 pm		Lyle & Marge Zielke		
June 23 9:15 am	Al Svendsen		Erin Svoboda	Team #4 John Cook
June 29 5:00 pm		Cheryl Dexter Barb Larsen		
June 30 9:15 am	Mildred Schroth		Jill Lomasney	Team #5 Bill Meteyard
July 6 5:00 pm		TBA		
July 7 9:15 am	TBA	TBA	Gary Wee	Team #1 Harold Miller



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						1 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion	
2 Second Sunday after Pentecost 9:15 am Worship Service: Setting 2 with Holy Communion 10:15 am Coffee fellowship 10:15 am Blood Pressure checks	3 11:00 am Staff meeting 7:00 pm Worship & Music Committee	4 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 2:30 pm EASY 5:00 pm TOPS	5 1:00 pm Lydia Circle	6 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 2:30 pm EASY 5:00 pm Community Meal at St. Pat's 7:00 pm Stamp Club	7 	8 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion	
9 Third Sunday after Pentecost 9:15 am Worship Service <i>WOW</i> Service of Word & Prayer 10:15 am Coffee fellowship	10 11:00 am Staff meeting 6:30 pm Church Council	11 St. Barnabas 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 5:00 pm TOPS	12	13 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline	14 Flag Day 	15 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion	
16 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost, Fathers' Day January <i>Visitor</i> deadline 8:45 am 8-88 Choir warm-up 9:15 am Worship Service: Chicago Folk Service with Holy Communion 10:15 am Coffee fellowship	17 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp 11:00 am Staff meeting 7:00 pm Miriam Circle, J. Sukes'	18 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp 9:30 am Clergy Cluster mtg. 10:00 am Seniors 5:00 pm TOPS	19 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp	20 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 1:00 pm Book Club	21	22 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion	
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Emmaus Name: _____ Home phone: _____

SCRIP Address: _____ Zip: _____

Store name	Emmaus earns	Denominations available	Quantity	Total
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DRUG & GROCERY STORES

Kohl's Food Store	4%	\$10, \$25		
Piggly Wiggly	4%	\$25, \$50		
Jewel/Osco	4%	\$25, \$10		

CLOTHING, SPORTING & DEPARTMENT STORES

American Eagle Outfitters	8%	\$25		
August Max Women	19%	\$10		
Burlington Coat Factory	12%	\$10, \$25		
Cabela's	7%	\$25		
Casual Corner/August Max	16%	\$25		
Dick's Sporting Goods	8%	25%		
Eddie Bauer	9%	\$20		
Foot Locker	8%	\$25		
Gap debit card	8%	\$20		
J. C. Penney gift card	5%	\$25, \$100		
K-Mart	3%	\$10, \$25, \$50		
The Limited	8%	\$25		
Old Navy debit card	8%	\$20, \$25		
Payless Shoe Source	12%	\$10, \$10		
Sears	2%	\$25, \$100, \$250		
ShopKo debit card	4%	\$25, \$50		
Spiegel Catalog	9%	\$20		
Structure	10%	\$25		
T. J. Maxx, Marshalls	8%	\$10, \$25		
Younkers	9%	\$10, \$25, \$100		

BOOKSTORES, OFFICE SUPPLY

Barnes & Noble	8%	\$10, \$25		
Office Max debit card	3%	\$25		
Walden Books	8%	\$10, \$25		

STEREO, VIDEO EQUIPMENT; VIDEO RENTAL

Best Buy	2%	\$25, \$50		
Blockbuster Video	7%	\$10		
Circuit City gift card	2.5%	\$25, \$50, \$100		
Hollywood Video	15%	\$10		

Musicland/Sam Goody/Suncoast	10%	\$10		
Radio Shack	4%	\$25		
HARDWARE; BED & BATH				
Ace Hardware	7%	\$25		
Bath & Body Works	13%	\$10, \$20, \$25		
Home Depot	3%	\$25, \$100, \$250		
Menards Home Improvement	3%	\$25, \$50, \$100		
Pier 1 Imports	7%	\$10, \$25		
TOYS				
KB Toys	9%	\$10		
Toys R Us, Kids R Us, Babies R Us	3%	\$10, \$20		
TRAVEL; SERVICE STATIONS				
BP/Amoco pre-pay oil card	3%	\$25, \$50		
Citgo	2.5%	\$50		
Exxon/Mobil driver cash card	2.5%	\$25, \$50		
Kwik Trip	3%	\$10		
Shell Oil	2%	\$25, \$50		
Speedway/Super America	3%	\$25		
RESTAURANTS; COFFEE SHOPS				
Applebee's	8%	\$20		
Burger King booklets	3.6%	\$5		
Chi-Chi's	15%	\$10		
Chuck E. Cheese debit card	7%	\$10		
Cracker Barrel	8%	\$5		
Denny's	8%	\$5		
Domino's Pizza	4%	\$5		
KFC	8%	\$5		
Mrs. Fields	20%	\$5		
Olive Garden/Red Lobster	13%	\$10		
Perkins	8%	\$5		
Pizza Hut	9%	\$5, \$10		
Ponderosa	9%	\$5		
Starbucks Coffee Card	7%	\$25		
Wendy's	7%	10		
			TOTAL	\$

Please check catalog, lay-away and charge account policies at your particular store. Some stores place restrictions on Scrip purchases on those purchases. Please make checks payable to Emmaus Lutheran Church.



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Dreaming Dreams

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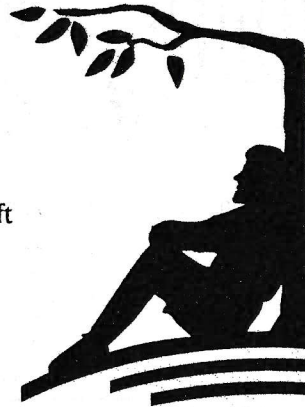
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EMMAUS SENIOR FELLOWSHIP CENTER

Tuesdays: 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The center opens at 10:00 a.m. with coffee

Programs begin at 10:30 a.m.



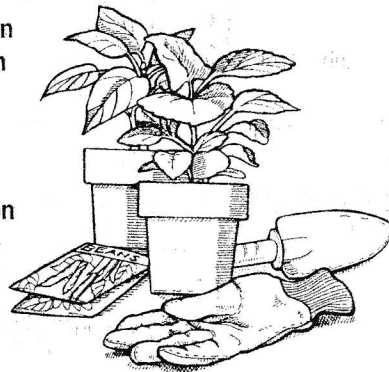
PROGRAMS FOR JUNE:

June 4 10:00 a.m. Coffee & conversation
 10:30 a.m. Making a spring wreath craft
 11:45 a.m. Devotions
 12:00 noon Lunch
 1:00 p.m. Social activities

June 11 10:00 a.m. Coffee & conversation
 10:30 a.m. Travel video
 11:45 a.m. Devotions
 12:00 noon Lunch
 1:00 p.m. Social activities

June 18 10:00 a.m. Coffee & Conversation
 10:30 a.m. Bingo with Betty Barth
 11:45 a.m. Devotions
 12:00 noon Lunch
 1:00 p.m. Social activities

June 25 10:00 a.m. Coffee & Conversation
 10:30 a.m. Program TBA
 11:45 a.m. Devotions
 12:00 noon Lunch
 1:00 p.m. Social activities



June Birthdays

June 1	Marcie Runge	3140 Wood Road #15	53406
June 7	Jim Brown	1814 Mars Avenue	53404
June 10	Evelyn Larsen	5315 Norman Street	53406
June 12	Lyle Zielke	3121 Walden Way	53405
June 15	Elert LeClair	3568 Douglas Avenue	53402
June 16	Doris Jensen	8600 Corporate Drive #37	53406
June 17	Mildred Schroth	3900 N. Main Street #231	53402
June 22	June Johns	5527 Marboro Drive	53406
June 27	Al Svendsen	158 Merrie Lane	53405

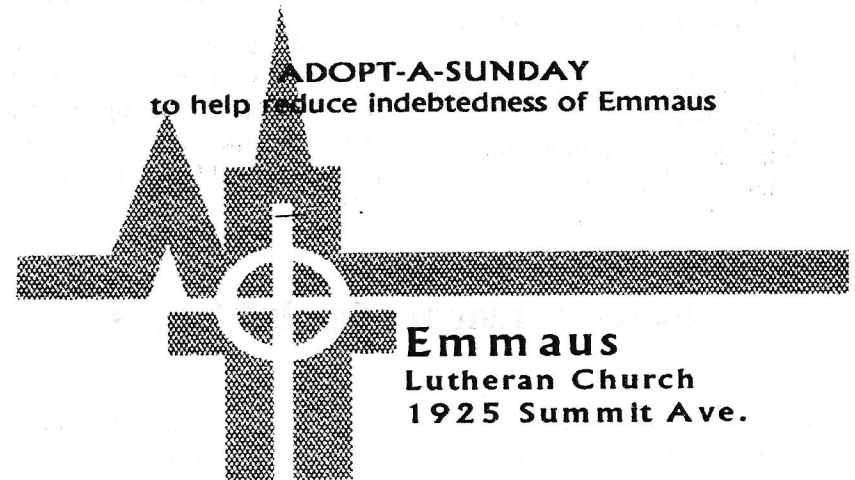
Happy 60th wedding anniversary to Chester & Mabel Meyer on June 6!

Happy 50th wedding anniversary to Ray & Myrna Olesen in Utah on June 14!

GLAD TO BE IN GOD'S SERVICE

	ALTAR FLOWERS	FELLOWSHIP	CANDLE CARE	COMMUNION ASST.
June 2	C&M Meyer	Albrights	Pat LeRoux-Sodke	Nancy Brown
June 9	R&R Rommelfaenger	Dave & Kris Smith		
June 16	Gerry Dykstra	Connie Balthazar		
June 23	Anicka & Ellis Purath	available		
June 30	D&C Eschmann	available		
July 7	Art & Diane Rode	available	Evelyn Larsen	Amy Larsen

ADOPT-A-SUNDAY to help reduce indebtedness of Emmaus



Emmaus
 Lutheran Church
 1925 Summit Ave.

I wish to contribute: \$1,000 \$750 \$500
 \$300 \$100 \$_____

(Suggested minimum \$100; any gift appreciated)

Sunday to adopt: _____

In memory of: _____

In honor of: _____

Occasion: _____

Contributor: _____

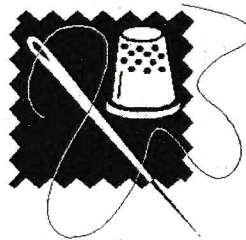
Ready Sewing Kits for October

by Denise Keller

Sewing kits will be sent with the Lutheran World Relief shipment on October 12. People are encouraged to make up a kit and bring it to church and deposit it in the basket in the narthex.

Include the following items in each sewing kit:

- Three yards of 44" or 45" cotton or cotton blend fabric; four yards if 36"
- One package of needles for hand sewing
- One spool of matching thread
- One card of buttons



- Wrap sewing notions inside the fabric and tie with string, yarn or a strip of fabric.

Kits are used to teach the young girls to sew. In some countries, men and women use the sewing kits to help learn a trade and earn an income. Please help us with this project.

LWT on Tape

Would you like to listen to *Lutheran Woman Today (LWT)* on tape? *LWT* is sending the entire issue on tape. If you're interested, please contact Denise Keller at 619-9911.

Letters and Messages

Wadewitz Teacher Sends Thanks

Thanks so much for the *delicious lunch* last week. The mentors add a "special touch" to the education of many Wadewitz students. My students anxiously watch the door on the afternoon their mentor comes.

Sincerely,
Pat Yoghurtjian

Orths Give Thanks

Don and Dolly Orth and Don Jr. and family thank everyone for all their prayers and concerns for Don Jr.'s family during the recovery period from their April 3 car

accident.

Brittney and Jackie continue with therapy but are improving each week. God listened to our prayers and our family is thankful.

Dolly Orth

Thanks from Ms. Joy

Many thanks for the special celebration in my honor. A special thank you to the Sunday School children for their special song to me.

God bless you all!

Ms. Joy (Joy Lippman)

Women Support Needs Around the World

by Carol Eschmann

Seeing visions? Dreaming dreams? That is what the Emmaus WELCA Board has been doing!

As we discussed our offering for the Triennial Gathering, we had a vision that our offering could be generous and a gift from the heart. In past years the offering was sent from the treasury. This year we would like to give every woman an opportunity to share the vision and dream with us.

As the board reviewed the many ways the Triennial Gathering offering will be used to respond to God's call to serve others, we dreamt of the many ways our gifts would be used. Our congregation has done much to help those at home, but there are many needs around the world.

Some of these include support

for girls in Lutheran schools in Jordan, financial support for women missionaries (currently serving without pay) in Madagascar, sponsorship of a nurse to promote mother-child health in Bangladeshi villages and training for young women using the sewing kits we have provided.

For more information, the article from *Lutheran Women Today* has been posted on the church bulletin board.

How can you help? Our goal is to collect \$1,000 in the month of June. Envelopes are included with this newsletter. Your gifts (in any amount) toward the dream may be sent to church or placed in the WELCA Vision Box in the narthex of the church.

Share the Vision! Dream the Dream!

Will You Go Grocery Shopping This Week?

by Amy Larsen

If you currently buy groceries at Kohl's or Piggly Wiggly, would you consider supporting our Scrip program? We have gift cards/certificates available each Saturday and Sunday after church. The cards work the same as cash and Emmaus receives 4% of every purchase.

If you don't grocery shop at these retailers, how about buying gas from Speedway/Super America, Kwik Trip or Mobil? Planning a

home improvement project? We will order Home Depot or Menards cards for you that will be available the next week.

There are many stores and restaurants that participate in the Scrip program. We keep a number of retailers on hand, but are happy to order anything you need.

Your support of Scrip goes towards replacing the fascia on the church that is in dire need of repair but cannot be covered by our current budget. Thank you!

Emmaus to Serve Community Meal June 6

It's Emmaus' turn to serve the Community Meal at St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church on Thursday, June 7. Please sign up in the narthex to prepare or bring a dish. We need to provide eight casseroles, seven desserts, and five salads. The recipe for tater tot & ground beef casserole is available



from the church office, as are the 9"x13" pans to make them in.

We also need people to help serve the meal from 5:00 to 6:30. St. Patrick's members handle the set-up beforehand and clean-up afterward. St. Patrick's is located on Douglas Avenue between Hamilton and Prospect Streets.

REST Will Resume in October

by Pat Liesch

REST (Racine Emergency Shelter Task force) is over for the summer, but planning continues for October start-up for the homeless shelter program.

REST returns citywide on October 1— that's October 4 for Emmaus. Atonement Lutheran and Second Presbyterian will be with us once again. Emmaus will staff the site on the second, fourth, and fifth Fridays of every month.

We will be in desperate need of individuals to staff the over night and breakfast shifts next year. Please search your consciences to see if you couldn't work the overnight shift, just once a month. Or consider the breakfast shift. It would be greatly appreciated.

If you have questions, give a call (835-1363). Or talk to Joyce Kaiser, Cathy Knuteson, or Kathy Christensen, they'll give you the scoop!

Steps By Kitchen Sag Dangerously

by Gregg Albright

Have you seen the back steps lately? The steps to the east door of the church have begun to sink after repeated exposure to the elements. So much so that the final step at the top is high enough to cause a fall. So far, several people have misjudged the step and almost

fallen!

Here's how you can help. The cost of replacing the steps is approximately \$1,500! If you are looking for a way to help Emmaus **and** prevent an injury to one of our members or a guest, please consider a gift to help defray the cost. That's a "step in the right direction."

Thanks to Pentecost Decorators

Thank to those who decorated the church for Pentecost: Pastor Sharon, Kathy Christensen, Boots LeRoux, Nancy Brown. Thanks also to Rich Christensen and Bill Irvine for "going to great heights" to get the



streamers hung.

Thank you to all who contributed geraniums. We ordered 187 geraniums this year; we now have the formidable task of planting the 80+ geraniums people asked to have planted around the church! Willing hands are needed to help; contact the church office if you are willing to help.

Mass on the Grass Returns July 21

Remember last year's upbeat outdoor worship service with the Sanctuary Band? The same band is scheduled to return to Emmaus on Sunday, July 21.

Following the worship service, there will be an old fashioned church picnic, complete with three-legged and potato sack races! Join us for Fun



PRaise BAND

on the Field after Mass on the Grass in July.

Are you willing to be a part of the planning team? Contact Denise Keller (619-9911) Kylee

Albright (639-6433) or Nancy Smith (633-3059) for more details.

ELCA Community Festival Set for August 4

Mark your calendars for Sunday, August 4 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. That afternoon will be the ELCA Community Festival held at the DeKoven Center.

Come for



food, fun — and yes, a dunk tank (watch out, Pastor Mary!) as ELCA churches celebrate a summer of collaborative outreach. The carnival will be the culminating event for our Neighborhood Campers, and everyone is invited to this afternoon of fun, food and fellowship.

Exercise, Diet Are Crucial for Healthy Bones

by Carol Eschmann, RN

Many women suffer from osteoporosis. The disease can also affect men. The term osteoporosis comes from Latin and may be translated "porous bones." Osteoporosis is a progressive disease in which the bones gradually become weaker and weaker, causing changes in posture and making the person very susceptible to fractures.

Women are most often affected because of hormonal and nutritional factors. Half of all women between the ages of forty-five and seventy-five show signs of some degree of osteoporosis (bone loss.)

Several factors are known to influence a person's risk of developing osteoporosis. The first, and probably the most important, is

the peak bone mass achieved in adulthood; if the bones are larger and more dense, bone loss is not as critical. Small fine-boned women are at greater risk, as are women of northern European or Asian background.

Dietary and lifestyle habits are also important. Calcium intake is important, but one must also be aware that a diet high in animal protein, salt and sugar causes the body to excrete increased amounts of calcium. Caffeine, alcohol and some drugs have similar effects.

Exercise also plays an important part because the body responds to weight-bearing exercise (such as walking) by depositing more mineral in the bones of the legs, hips and spines.

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Financial Figures

Gen'l Fund offerings in April, 2002 ..	\$11,154.34	YTD \$55,063.68	
Bldg. Fund offerings in April, 2002 ..	\$ 264.00	.....	YTD \$ 1,329.00	Budget YTD:
Unified receipts for April, 2002	\$11,418.34	.....	YTD \$56,392.68	..... \$64,965.00
2001 Fund offerings in April, 2002 ...	\$ 72.00	.....	CAMPAIGN TO DATE \$ 98,936.12	
5/10/02 mortgage payment:	Principal	\$516.15		
	Interest	\$449.85		
	Total	\$966.00		
	Principal balance as of 4/12/2002	\$65,945.81		

Attendance Statistics

Average Sat.-Sun. attendance April:	2000: 191	2001: 177	2002: 144
Average Sat.-Sun. attendance May:	2000: 148	2001: 140	2002: 154 est.
Average Sat.-Sun. attendance June:	2000: 136	2001: 126	
Average Sat.-Sun. attendance July:	2000: 137	2001: 132	

Parish Nurse

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While osteoporosis causes no specific symptoms until it is advanced, there are some early warning signs that may signal that bone loss is occurring. These include a gradual loss of height, a stooping or rounding of the shoulders, and generalized aches and pains. If you notice that your clothes seem to be getting longer, that may be a clue.

Recommendations for prevention of osteoporosis are:

- Eat plenty of foods that are high in calcium and vitamin D. Good sources include broccoli, clams, dark green leafy vegetables, flounder salmon, shrimp and tofu.
- Consume whole grains and calcium foods at different times. It is best to take calcium at bedtime when it is best absorbed.
- Soft drinks, high-protein animal foods and alcohol may slow calcium use by the body. High amounts of salt and sugar and smoking may also interfere with calcium intake.
- Talk with your doctor about calcium supplements. Thyroid hormones, anticoagulant and some diuretics may alter the amount of

calcium you need. Your needs may be higher or lower depending on the medications you are taking.

- Keep active and exercise regularly. A lack of exercise can result in the loss of calcium. Many sources indicate that walking is the best exercise for maintaining bone mass.
- Encourage young people to eat foods that are high in calcium and to exercise regularly. Bone mass built in formative and young adult years may be the best prevention for osteoporosis.

We know that walking is good and also that praying is good. You might combine both into your personal "Prayer Walk." As you are walking pray for those you meet and for needs that come to mind as you walk. I have heard some powerful testimonies of prayer at work.



Theologian Alison to Visit Racine

Dr. James Alison, British theologian and author, will present "Unpicking Atonement's Knots" at a luncheon at Mt. Pleasant Lutheran Church (634-6669) is located at 1700 S. Green Bay Rd. (Hwy. 31) between 16th Street and Lincoln Village Dr. in Racine.



James Alison

so, and this book represents that temptation in acute form." The cost is \$15 (to cover lunch and other expenses). Please RSVP for lunch by June 9 to Paul Nuechterlein: 637-0671 or paulnue@execpc.com Make checks payable to: Paul Nuechterlein).

James Alison is a British theologian who has worked in the U.K, the U.S., and Latin America. Of his most recent book, *Faith Beyond Resentment: Fragments Catholic and Gay*, Archbishop of Wales Rowan Williams commented, "The very best theological books leave you with a feeling that perhaps it's time you became a Christian. This is emphatically such a book."

Among Alison's other books is *The Joy of Being Wrong: Original Sin Through Easter Eyes* — of which Sebastian Moore said: "One should, one can, never say of a theological work that it is the definitive statement on its subject. But very occasionally one is tempted to do

so, and this book represents that temptation in acute form."

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Conflict Resolution Services Offered

Got a problem? Get mediation! You'd be surprised at the kinds of disputes the Conflict Resolution Center, Inc., has resolved. They include neighborhood problems (noise, pets, parking), domestic problems, property settlement after divorce, problems with stores or repairmen, landlord/tenant disputes, and juvenile problems.

Free programs are available for individuals and groups at all levels. There are no lawyers and no court costs.



Mediation is confidential, and works toward a mutually agreed-upon resolution, not imposed arbitration.

Call Veatrice Moore at 636-3277 to get things started.

Surprise!

As I write this, I am about to leave Racine for a long weekend in Idaho. I'm going to be a part of a special celebration for dear friends, and part of the family *doesn't* know I'm coming. I'll simply show up tonight (for dinner) with the words, "Surprise!"

I'm more and more aware that we have a God who has a habit of showing up in what sometimes seem to be the most unlikely places with a greeting of "Surprise!" Recently, some of those surprises have come through children, often those with whom we have built relationships through mentoring or the after school program.

I was caught off guard when the little second grader I mentor talked about "our" church and she was referring to Emmaus. Now she is wondering when Sunday School begins in the fall and is already registered for the summer Neighborhood Camp.

Another of the after school regulars began Sunday School this spring — and brought four others with her!

A special gift for ministry, an adult Baptism, the anticipation of several Baptisms of children in the coming months, the energy and life that comes in the collaborative effort of Neighborhood Camp, the

woman who risks coming back to church after being away many years ... these are surprises that happen only because the Holy Spirit continues to move and work and touch lives.

If your heart is touched in a new way, or if you sense God's call to be more actively involved in an area where you have special gifts, don't be surprised!



If you are struggling and you receive encouragement or support through one of your sisters or brothers in Christ, don't be surprised!

It's like the song, "Borning Cry" — we can expect God to show up in our lives with yet "one more surprise!"

Let's be alert and receptive to those surprises each and every day. I should be used to it by now, but I continue to be amazed by our creative, loving God who continues to be made known when and where we least expect it. I guess that's how our life-out-of-death God works best, and I'm grateful for it.

Yours in the Spirit,

Pastor Mary

Pastor Mary

In the June

Visitor:

- ▶ Neighborhood Camp and VBS registration details
- ▶ Women's Offering Supports Global Missions
- ▶ Youth Mission Project Supports Community
- ▶ 13 New Members Join Congregation
- ▶ Council Takes Steps to Improve Access

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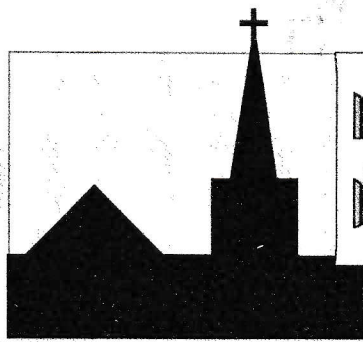
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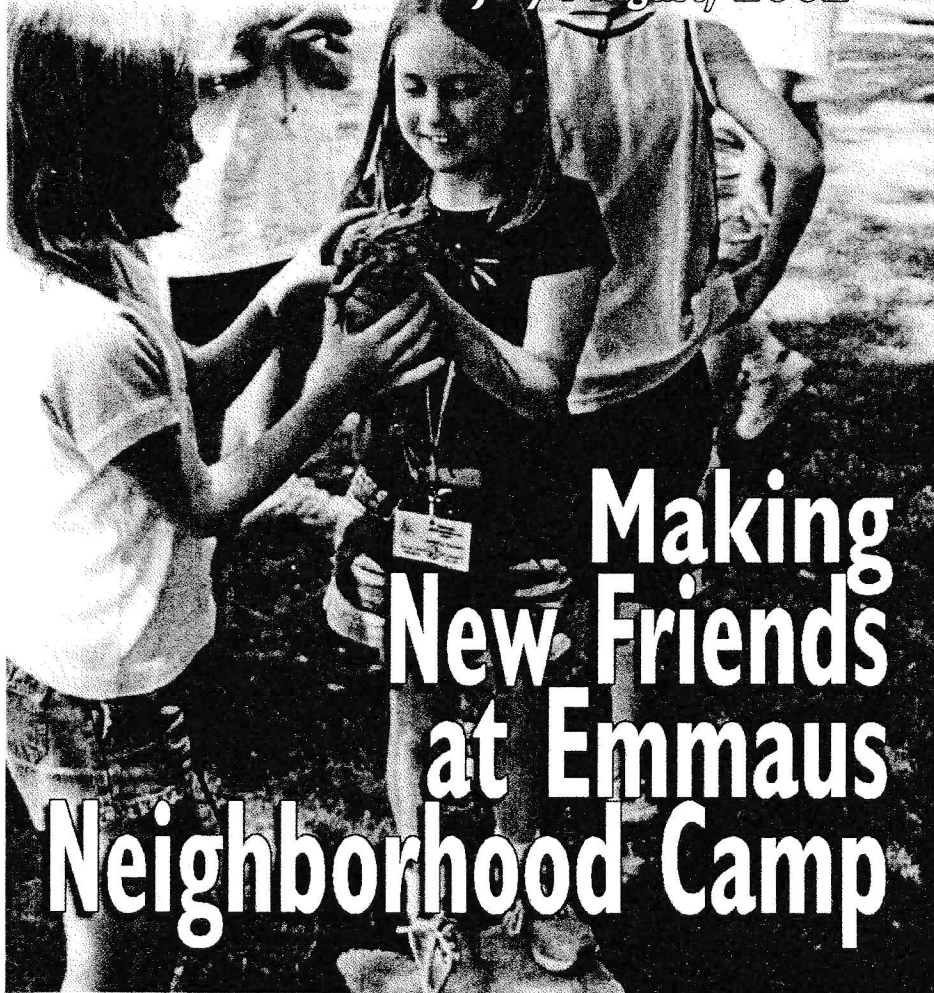
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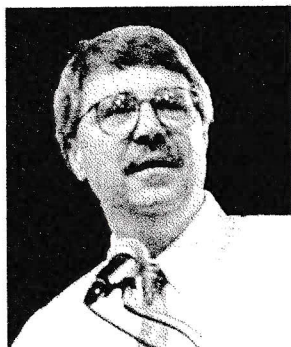


Making New Friends at Emmaus Neighborhood Camp

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Stumme-Diers Elected Bishop of Greater Milwaukee Synod

KENOSHA (milwaukeeesynod.org)— The Rev. Paul Stumme-Diers, 41, was elected to a six-year term as bishop of the Greater Milwaukee Synod of the Evangelical Church in America (ELCA) June 1, 2002, during the synod assembly held May 30-June 1 at Carthage College, Kenosha. He succeeds the Rev. Peter Rogness, who served as bishop since the Greater Milwaukee Synod was created in 1987. Rogness was



Rev. Paul Stumme-Diers

elected bishop of the Saint Paul Area Synod Apr. 21.

Stumme-Diers was elected on the fifth and final ballot for bishop, receiving 252 of 461 votes cast, or 55%, to 209 votes, or 45%, for the Rev. Greg Van Dunk, pastor at All People's Church, Milwaukee.

"It's going to be a wonderful six years with a wonderful, spirited community," Stumme-Diers said to

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Celebrate "Mass On the Grass" July 21

Mass on the Grass will be July 21 with the Sanctuary Band accompanying our worship service. Bring your lawn chairs if you can and plan to stay for an old-fashioned picnic following worship.

Our annual "Mass on the Grass" worship service will again be led by the Sanctuary Band at 9:15 a.m.

Come to celebrate the sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion in the outdoor setting as we join with members and neighbors in this time of worship.

Following the worship service, we'll fire up the grills and prepare complimentary hot dogs for all who would like to be a part of the picnic on the field. Also provided will be chips, beans, soda and condiments.

Would you like to share a salad, dessert or other dish? They are more than welcome (but not necessary).

In addition to the "food on the

field, we will also have "fun on the field." Join us for croquet, bocce ball, three-legged races, ring toss, the giant parachute and other fun activities as we top off our annual Mass on the Grass and church picnic!

Are you willing to be a part of the planning team? Contact Denise Keller (619-9911), Kylee Albright (639-6433) or Nancy Smith (633-3059) for more details.

Lamberton Heads Usher Squad

by Kathy Christensen

After several years as the coordinator/leader of the ushers, Bob Christensen is turning the responsibilities over to Chris Lamberton. Bob has kept our usher teams functioning smoothly and we offer our thanks for his faithful service.

Computer Virus Strikes Emmaus Office

On Thursday, June 20, Emmaus' office computer apparently fell victim to a computer virus. Three suspicious e-mails had recently been received through the synod list-serve containing no message, including one earlier that day. The virus destroyed the computer's ability to read from its own main drive.

Most of the office's main programs have been restored, but people who receive frequent e-mails from the office should be concerned if they have received an e-mail which appeared to be empty. You may phone the office at 634-5515 to check on the validity of any e-mail from the church before you open it.

EMMAUS STAFF & WORSHIP TIMES

Pastor: Mary L. Janz 1909 Summit Avenue 633-3059
 Visitation Pastor: Sharon Georgi 6711 Jacobsen Lane 886-3960
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Council President: Amy Larsen
 Sun. School Coordinator: Julie Field
 Kids Hope USA Dir.: Marty Aiken
 Community Outreach Minister: Velvetta Hargrove
 Organist: Joyce Kaiser
 Adult Choir Dir.: Marsha Connet
 Youth Music Dir.: Karla Bielewicz
 Secretary: Paul Berge
 Custodians: Rick Muhammad & Matt Liesch
 Groundskeeper: Harley Slater

Services are held at Emmaus every Saturday evening at 5:00 and Sunday mornings at 9:15.
 Sunday School meets at 10:30 a.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 September VISITOR is August 15.

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Show Appreciation for Pastor Mary July 28

The Council has designated Sunday, July 28 as a day of thanks and recognition for Pastor Mary. Individually and as a congregation, we appreciate Pastor Mary for the many ways she shares her gifts and cares for us.

ELCA Community Festival Set for August 4

Mark your calendar now for an afternoon of fun, food and music at the DeKoven Center on Sunday, August 4. From 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. the buildings and grounds of DeKoven will be alive with events and activities to please all ages.

Try your hand at dunking an ELCA pastor in the dunk tank! Win a cake at the cake walk! Take a swim in the DeKoven pool! Eat a freshly grilled hot dog or slurp a snow cone! Visit the display of art by Neighborhood Camp Kids! Listen to the music of Sanctuary Band! Play games and win fun prizes! ... and much, much more!

Thanks to generous gifts from Siebert Lutheran Foundation, Lutheran Brotherhood, AAL, the Greater Milwaukee Outreach Fund and a number of individual donors, the Fun Fest for all ELCA congregations and friends in the community is a reasonably priced family event. Tickets for games and food are only 25¢ and 50¢!

Original plans for the ELCA Fun Fest were for a culminating event for the four ELCA

July 28 will be an opportunity to show our appreciation for her ministry to our Emmaus family. Following the worship service, there will be a reception hosted by the church council. Please join us.

Neighborhood Camps held this summer at Emmaus, Our Savior's, Redeemer and Zion. From there, the festival grew to include all area ELCA churches.

You, your friends, and your family are invited to an afternoon of fun and you are also invited to be Fun Fest volunteers. Help out by baking a cake or cookies, running a game, being a ticket seller, setting up tents, planning events, passing out water... to find out how you can lend a hand, call the church office or the office at Emmaus Lutheran Church (634-5515) for more details.

Let's celebrate the ELCA's commitment to outreach in Racine on August 4! The Fun Fest is a great opportunity to join in fun, food and fellowship as the entire Racine ELCA community models what it means to be partners in ministry.

Memorials

Non designated:
In memory of Martha Zielke: \$100.00

Summer of Service Has 'Kids 4 Sale'

by Gregg Albright

Do you have a job around the house you need help with? Are you looking to help sponsor a youth during the service week in July? Well, now you can do both! We are "auctioning" off the youth of Emmaus who are participating in our Service Week 2002. For a donation, you can hire one or more of the kids to do a



job or jobs for you around the house.

Just fill out a form at the Kids 4 Sale display and drop it in the basket. Someone will be in touch with you about the details.

Lutheran Brotherhood Racine County Branch #8013 will provide up to \$1960 in matching funds through its Branch Challenge Fund.

Emmaus Youth Serve Racine

The youth of Emmaus, St. Andrew and Zoë Outreach are joining together July 24 for a Summer of Service experience. The past two mission trips to South Dakota and Nashville, as well as Juarez, Mexico, have served as an example of how our young members can serve others, following in Jesus' footsteps. We are simply taking the excitement of a mission trip, and keeping it in our hometown.

Emmaus has invited the youth of St. Andrew Lutheran and Zoë Outreach Ministries along as well and the youth leaders are very excited about the impact the kids will have on those sites they serve as well as the impact of working with those of different faiths. And at the end of the week, everyone will go camping and rafting down the Wolf River in Northern Wisconsin!

All middle and high school youth are making plans! If you have a middle or high school youth, you

should have received information in the mail. If not, please contact Gregg or Kylee Albright at 639-6433 for more information.

Summer Youth Birthdays

July 6	Geoffrey Pearson, 15
July 6	Lukas Reischl, 17
July 7	Klerissa Kossack, 12
July 7	Stephanie Lopez, 14
July 11	Dustin Mickelson, 8
July 12	Tina Yust, 16
July 15	Katherine Zeleski, 9
July 19	Vanessa Kossack, 14
July 20	Patrick Jansen, 10
July 23	Kaitlin Krug, 5
July 21	Katrina Ahrens, 6
July 26	Kenneth Soens, 11
July 26	Alexis Austin, 6
July 27	Amy Meteyard, 14
Aug. 21	Stephen Mayer, 12
Aug. 24	Chris Sedgwick, 18
Aug. 25	Chris Bowers, 16
Aug. 26	Alexa Ahrens, 3
Aug. 26	David Lopez, 13
Aug. 30	Marissa Connet, 13

Lutheran Brotherhood Partners Grant to Award Neighborhood Camps \$5,000

Although the entire amount proposed was not granted, the ELCA Neighborhood Camps will receive \$5,000 from a Lutheran Brotherhood Partners grant. In addition, the local Lutheran Brotherhood branch will match \$1,960 of individual donations, which totaled almost \$4,000 at Emmaus alone.

Past grants from Aid Association for Lutherans and the Siebert Foundation, together with a contribution from St. Paul's Lutheran Church and other in-kind donations, will all combine to make the camps possible.

A big thank you to each and every one who has donated time, money or treats. As budgeting and re-budgeting was done for the camps, it was apparent how valuable

and needed was every single dollar and gift. All the donors are the ones who helped make Neighborhood Camp a reality. Thank you!

Kaiser Designs Neighborhood Camp Logo



Graphic artist Roger Kaiser donated his talents as he designed the ELCA Neighborhood Camp logo. The logo, depicting a multicultural group of kids circled around the cross, is being used for camp t-shirts, letterhead and other publicity pieces.

Thank you, Roger, for sharing your artistic talents!

Youth Set Sights on Juarez July 13-19

As a part of 44 young people and chaperons from Racine ELCA churches, a group of six from Emmaus will depart for Juarez, Mexico on July 13. Austin Schultz, Dylan Scoon, Erin Sommer, Emily Husch, Nancy Smith and Pastor Mary will participate in the youth mission trip this summer.

Flying from Chicago to El Paso, Texas, the group will then be transported by bus across the Rio Grande to a poor neighborhood of

Juarez. There, they will help the local people construct cinder block homes.

The participants will also help lead a daily Vacation Bible School for elementary age children who live near the compound where our group will be staying.

Other Racine churches participating in the mission are Mount Pleasant, Resurrection, Zion, Holy Communion and Atonement.

Emmaus to Serve Community Meal August 1

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office, as are the 9"x13" pans to make them in.

We also need people to help serve the meal from 5:00 to 6:30. St. Patrick's members handle the set-up beforehand and clean-up afterward. St. Patrick's is located on Douglas Avenue between Hamilton and Prospect Streets.

R.E.S.T. Offers Homeless Aid During Summer

Racine Emergency Shelter Taskforce (R.E.S.T.) announces that the Martin Luther King Center has opened their showers to the homeless for the summer on weekdays from 8:00 to 11:00 a.m. Queries should be directed to Donna Bumpus at the R.E.S.T. offices, 638-1441.

R.E.S.T. Vets Place Central and Local 180 have begun serving a picnic meal and bag lunch for every 2001-2002 homeless R.E.S.T. guest between 6:00 and 7:00 p.m. every Wednesday evening, outside Holy Communion Lutheran Church, 2000 West Sixth Street. This meal is served come rain or come shine.

REST Resumes

October 1 is approaching fast. Watch for the R.E.S.T. sign up sheet in the narthex, starting in September.

While you are cleaning out your closets, please look for the following items for R.E.S.T.: mens jeans, t shirts, sweatshirts, winter coats, hats, gloves, winter boots—all in good condition. We will also accept men's and women's

underwear, and mens white socks, all new in the packages. No other items will be accepted, such as dress clothes, summer clothes, suits, women's clothes, shoes etc.

If you have any questions, please call Pat Liesch, 835-1363.

Scrip Is Really Working!

by Cathy Meyer

This spring, a check for \$950.00 was given to the REST homeless shelter program from Scrip proceeds. In the past month, profits from our orders came to \$68.64. It all adds up with your help!

You can purchase Scrip in the narthex after worship services. Our most popular gift certificates are available on the spot; others can be ordered a week or two in advance. Proceeds from Emmaus' Scrip program will now be earmarked for replacement of the fascia on our building.

It's Rummage Sale Time Again!

by Pat Liesch

September 7 is the next Emmaus rummage sale. Please box

up your treasures and bring them to church September 3-5. Watch for a sign-up sheet in the narthex to help.

WELCA Bulletins

Triennial Convention Gathers in Philly

"Listen God is Calling," the triennial convention of the Women of the ELCA, will be July 11-13, 2002 at the Pennsylvania Convention Center in Philadelphia. Any questions or if you are interested contact Denise Keller 619-9911.



Sewing Kits

Sewing kits will be sent with the Lutheran World Relief shipment on October 12. People are encouraged to make up a kit and bring it to church and deposit it in the basket in the narthex.

Include the following items in each sewing kit:

- Three yards of 44" or 45" cotton or cotton blend fabric; four yards if 36"
- One package of needles for hand sewing
- One spool of matching thread
- One card of buttons
- Wrap sewing notions inside the fabric and tie with string, yarn or a strip of fabric.

Kits are used to teach the young girls to sew. In some countries, men and women use the sewing kits to

help learn a trade and earn an income. Please help us with this project.

LWT on Tape

Would you like to listen to Lutheran Woman Today (LWT) on tape? LWT is sending the entire issue on tape. If you're interested, please contact Denise Keller at 619-9911.

Upcoming Events

- Bake sale at Emmaus rummage sale, September 7.
- Fall WELCA Cluster brunch at Emmaus, September 21.
- 15th annual SWO Convention, "Hear the Word of the Lord" at Our Savior's in Milwaukee, October 11-12.
- Æbelskiver brunch, October 20.



Eschmanns Invite Congregation to Swim, Cookout

by Carol Eschmann

The summer is flying past. It is wonderful to see the creative use of our church to meet needs in our neighborhood.

As we plan for fellowship opportunities for families and friends of Emmaus, the Eschmann family invites all interested families to a

pool party and cookout at their home on July 28 at 4:00. Please bring meat to grill and a dish to pass. In addition to sharing food and fun, we will be brainstorming and planning for many congregational activities.

The Eschmann home is at 8024 Four Mile Road (Highway K) west of I-94. RSVP 835-2372.

Cards and Letters

Synod Outreach Fund Sends Thanks

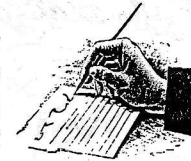
Dear Pastor Mary:

Thank you for the \$1,000 gift to the Outreach Fund of the Greater Milwaukee Synod, and for your partnership in this important outreach effort. Please relay my thanks to the donor on behalf of the ministries that will be strengthened through this generous gift. The Outreach Fund has proven to be a wonderful opportunity for individuals and congregations to make a difference in the lives of people living in poverty.

Thanks for sending the Neighborhood Camp information. It looks like an exciting summer for the children in the church neighborhoods! I'll be interested to learn how your collaborative model for summer ministry works out for all involved in this new outreach effort.

Sincerely,

Jeri Jende, Dir. of Resource Development



Meyers Appreciate Plant

We wish to thank the congregation for their thoughtfulness and the beautiful plant on our 60th wedding anniversary.

Chester & Mabel Meyer

Al Beck Continues Treatment

Dear friends at Emmaus,

Although I have successfully completed my 43 radiation treatments, I still have more treatments to follow. However, I do feel that it is time for me to express my thanks for all the cards and letters and all of the kind thoughts and prayers given in my behalf.

May God bless you all — just as I have been blessed.

Sincerely,
Al Beck

Senior Citizen Fellowship Center



The Senior Citizen Fellowship Center will not meet on Tuesday, July 2 or 30. Senior Fellowship Center meet in Fellowship Hall on Tuesdays from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The center opens at 10:00 a.m. with coffee; programs begin at 10:30 a.m. The Center director is Carol Rudey, 632-0643

On July 23, Carol Eschmann will host the Seniors at the Eschmann place, 8024 Four Mile Road. We'll meet first at church at 10:00 to car pool out there.



July-August Birthdays

July 4	Don Velzka	11515 1 st St. #119, Sturtevant	53177
July 9	Helen Mickelson	1737 Shoop Street	53402
July 21	Eleanor Lawrenz	1921 Mt. Pleasant Street	53404
July 27	Joyce Toslek	2711 Cardinal Drive	53402
July 28	Lawrence Estep	2522 Maple Grove Avenue	53404
July 30	Ralph Rasmussen	2755 Bartel's Drive	53406
July 31	Glenn Olson	1817 Mars Avenue	53404
Aug. 5	Don Gueldenzopf	6101 16 th Street	53406
Aug. 8	Dorothy Holtz	2200 Carlisle Avenue	53404
Aug. 8	Norm Sorensen	3124 N. Green Bay Road	53404
Aug. 10	Margaret Christensen	221 William Street	53402
Aug. 10	Fern Clark	1400 Eighth Ave., Union Grove	53182
Aug. 11	Betty Barth	4940 Chester Lane # 5	53402
Aug. 12	Al Beck	733 West Lawn Avenue	53405
Aug. 14	Robert Lawrenz	1921 Mt. Pleasant Street	53404
Aug. 17	Audrey Rasmussen	2755 Bartel's Drive	53406
Aug. 28	Mrs. Warren Schultz	812 Illinois Street	53405








July Worship Assistants


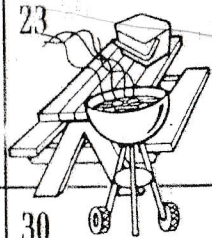


	Altar Guild	Readers	Ushers	Special Music
July 6 5:00 pm	Betty Schultz Cathy Meyer			
July 7 9:15 am	Lael Richter Arvilla Nemer	Karen Sedgwick	Team #1 Harold Miller	Gary Wee
July 13 5:00 pm	Marion Andersen Judy Berndt			
July 14 9:15 am		Kelsey Albright	Team #2 Rich Christensen	Nathan Albright
July 20 5:00 pm	Evelyn Larsen			
July 21 9:15 am	Pat Jensen	Gregg Albright	Team #3 Howard Jensen	MASS ON THE GRASS
July 27 5:00 pm	Cheryl Dexter Barbara Larsen			
July 28 9:15 am		Ken Larsen	Team #4 John Cook	TBA

	Altar Flowers	Fellowship	Candle Care	Communion Asst.
July 7	Art & Diane Rode	Bonnie French	Evelyn Larsen	Amy Larsen
July 14	Arvilla Nemer	Bonnie French		
July 21	Lee & Betty Woodward	Judy Berndt		Kathy Christensen
July 28	Tosleks	Church Council		



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 Emmaus Ev. Lutheran Church 634-5515	1 7:00 pm •Worship & Music Cmte.	2 10:00 am Funeral 5:00 pm TOPS	3 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline	4 Independence Day Office closed 7:00 pm Stamp Club	5 Office closed	6 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion
7 7 th Sunday after Pentecost 9:15 am Worship Service: LBW #2 with Holy Communion 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship	8 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp 6:30 pm REST Subcommittee	9 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 5:00 pm TOPS	10 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp	11 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline	12 	13 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion 6:33 pm Juarez group leaves O'Hare
<i>WELCA Triennial Gathering, Philadelphia, July 11-13</i>						
14 8 th Sunday after Pentecost 9:15 am Worship Service: WOV Service of Word & Prayer 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship	15 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp 6:30 pm REST Subcommittee	16 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 11:00 am Cluster Clergy 5:00 pm TOPS	17 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp 	18 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline	19	20 12:41 am Juarez group arrives O'Hare 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion
<i>Mission Trip to Juarez, Mexico, July 13-20</i>						
21 9:15 am "MASS ON THE GRASS" Worship service with Holy Communion 10:15 am Fun on the Field & church picnic 	22 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp 6:30 pm REST Board	23 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 5:00 pm TOPS	24 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp	25 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline	26 	27 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion
<i>Summer of Service Camp, June 24 - 28</i>						
28 SOS group returns 9:15 am Worship service: WOV Service of Word & Prayer. 10:15 am Reception for Pastor Mary 4:00 pm Pool party at Eschmanns'	29 6:30 pm Church Council	30 5:00 pm TOPS	31 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline	August 1 5:00 pm Community Meal at St. Pat's	2 VBS ends at noon today	3 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion
<i>Neighborhood Camp/VBS, July 29-Aug. 2: 9:00am - 2:30 pm. Pre-school VBS 9:00 am - 11:00 am</i>						

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<h1>August, 2000</h1> <p>Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Church, 1925 Summit Avenue. 634-5515. e-mail emmaus@execpc.com</p>				1 9:00 am Pre-school VBS to 11:00 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp/VBS to 2:30 5:00 pm Community Meal at St. Pat's 7:00 pm Stamp Club	2 9:00 am Pre-school VBS to 11:00 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp/VBS to noon 	3 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion
4 11 th Sunday after Pentecost 9:15 am Worship service: LBW Setting #2 with Holy Communion 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship 1:00 pm ELCA Fun Fest at DeKoven, to 4:00	5 11:00 am Staff mtg. 6:30 pm Worship & Music Committee	6 10:00 am Senior Citizen Fellowship Center 5:00 pm TOPS	7	8 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 5:00 pm Lincoln Lutheran Ice Cream Social	9	10 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion
11 12 th Sunday after Pentecost 9:15 am Worship service. WOV Service of Word & Prayer 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship	12 11:00 am Staff mtg.	13 10:00 am Senior Citizen Fellowship Center 5:00 pm TOPS	14	15 Mary, Mother of Our Lord 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline; Sept. Visitor deadline	16	17 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion
18 13 th Sunday after Pentecost 9:15 am Worship service: Chicago Folk Service with Holy Communion 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship	19 11:00 am Staff mtg.	20 10:00 am Senior Citizen Fellowship Center 5:00 pm TOPS	21	22 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline	23 	24 St. Bartholemew 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion
25 14 th Sunday after Pentecost 9:15 am Worship service: WOV Service of Word & Prayer 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship	26 11:00 am Staff mtg.	27 10:00 am Senior Citizen Fellowship Center 5:00 pm TOPS	28	29 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline	30	31 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion
Sept. 1 15 th Sunday after Pentecost 9:15 am Worship service: LBW Setting 2 with Holy Communion 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship	2 Labor Day <i>Office closed</i>	3 Rummage sale items accepted Sept. 3-5 10:00 am Seniors 5:00 pm TOPS	4	5 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline	6	7 9:00 am Rummage sale

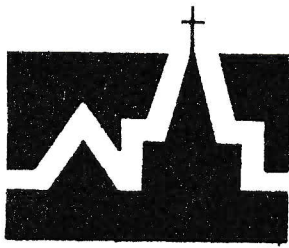
Emmaus Name: _____ **Home phone:** _____

SCRIP Address: _____ **Zip:** _____

Store name	Emmaus earns	Denominations available	Quantity	Total
DRUG & GROCERY STORES				
Kohl's Food Store	4%	\$10, \$25		
Piggly Wiggly	4%	\$25, \$50		
Jewel/Osco	4%	\$25, \$10		
CLOTHING, SPORTING & DEPARTMENT STORES				
American Eagle Outfitters	8%	\$25		
August Max Women	19%	\$10		
Burlington Coat Factory	12%	\$10, \$25		
Cabela's	7%	\$25		
Casual Corner/August Max	16%	\$25		
Dick's Sporting Goods	8%	25%		
Eddie Bauer	9%	\$20		
Foot Locker	8%	\$25		
Gap debit card	8%	\$20		
J. C. Penney gift card	5%	\$25, \$100		
K-Mart	3%	\$10, \$25, \$50		
The Limited	8%	\$25		
Old Navy debit card	8%	\$20, \$25		
Payless Shoe Source	12%	\$10, \$20		
Sears	2%	\$25, \$100, \$250		
ShopKo debit card	4%	\$25, \$50		
Spiegel Catalog	9%	\$20		
Structure	10%	\$25		
T. J. Maxx, Marshalls	8%	\$10, \$25		
Younkers	9%	\$10, \$25, \$100		
BOOKSTORES, OFFICE SUPPLY				
Barnes & Noble	8%	\$10, \$25		
Office Max debit card	3%	\$25		
Walden Books	8%	\$10, \$25		
STEREO, VIDEO EQUIPMENT; VIDEO RENTAL				
Best Buy	2%	\$25, \$50		
Blockbuster Video	7%	\$10		
Circuit City gift card	2.5%	\$25, \$50, \$100		
Hollywood Video	15%	\$10		

Musicland/Sam Goody/Suncoast	10%	\$10		
Radio Shack	4%	\$25		
HARDWARE; BED & BATH				
Ace Hardware	7%	\$25		
Bath & Body Works	13%	\$10, \$20, \$25		
Home Depot	3%	\$25, \$100, \$250		
Menards Home Improvement	3%	\$25, \$50, \$100		
Pier 1 Imports	7%	\$10, \$25		
TOYS				
KB Toys	9%	\$10		
Toys R Us, Kids R Us, Babies R Us	3%	\$10, \$20		
TRAVEL; SERVICE STATIONS				
BP/Amoco pre-pay oil card	3%	\$25, \$50		
Citgo	2.5%	\$50		
Exxon/Mobil driver cash card	2.5%	\$25, \$50		
Kwik Trip	3%	\$10		
Shell Oil	2%	\$25, \$50		
Speedway/Super America	3%	\$25		
RESTAURANTS; COFFEE SHOPS				
Applebee's	8%	\$20		
Boston Market	10%	\$5		
Burger King booklets	3.6%	\$5		
Chi-Chi's	15%	\$10		
Chuck E. Cheese debit card	7%	\$10		
Cracker Barrel	8%	\$5		
Denny's	8%	\$5		
Domino's Pizza	4%	\$5		
KFC	8%	\$5		
Mrs. Fields	20%	\$5		
Olive Garden/Red Lobster	13%	\$10		
Pizza Hut	9%	\$5, \$10		
Ponderosa	9%	\$5		
Starbucks Coffee Card	7%	\$25		
Wendy's	7%	10		
			TOTAL	\$

Please check catalog, lay-away and charge account policies at your particular store. Some stores place restrictions on Scrip purchases on those purchases. Please make checks payable to Emmaus Lutheran Church.



Emmaus Lutheran Church

1925 Summit Ave. Racine, WI 53404 414/634-5515

July 1, 2002

Dear members and friends,

Not unlike other summers, Emmaus is experiencing a major dive in weekly giving. Hot weather, out-of-town activities and a shift in routine all contribute to our lower summer attendance and giving patterns. As a result, with recent offerings being at approximately 60% of our budgeted needs, we are now at the point where it is a challenge for us to pay even our most basic obligations—utilities, mortgage, insurance and payroll—not to mention benevolence and other regular bills.

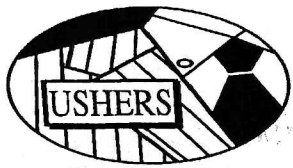
If you are able, please consider helping in one of two ways:

- 1) Pay ahead several weeks on your pledge to help us with cash flow during the especially difficult summer months
- 2) Consider a gift that goes “above and beyond” your regular weekly gift or pledge—perhaps one or two weeks of what you typically give—to help us get back on our feet.

We ask all of the Emmaus family to keep our church in your prayers as we strive to be faithful to the exciting ministry opportunities before us—and to be as generous as possible as we thank God for our many blessings. Thank you for your prayers and support as we move forward in faith!

Yours in Christ’s service,

Emmaus Church Council



August Worship Assistants



	Altar Guild	Readers	Ushers	Special Music
Aug. 3 5:00 pm	Barb Toslek Kelley Austin			
Aug. 4 9:15 am	Helen Mickelson Linda Meteyard	Kylee Albright	Team #5 Bill Meteyard	Heather Miller
Aug. 10 5:00 pm	Jan Svednsen Shirley Irvine			
Aug. 11 9:15 am		TBA	Team #1 Harold Miller	Brandie Padroza
Aug. 17 5:00 pm	Evelyn Larsen			
Aug. 18 9:15 am	Jan Bertrazm Ginny Haugsby	TBA	Team #2 Rich Christensen	TBA
Aug. 24 5:00 pm	Brian & Denise Keller			
Aug. 25 9:15 am		TBA	Team #3 Howard Jensen	Erin Tussler
Aug. 31 5:00 pm	Lyle & Marge Zielke			
Sept. 1 9:15 am	Ruth Estep Bev Hansen	TBA	Team #4 John Cook	Brian & Julie Field

	Altar Flowers	Fellowship	Candle Care	Communion Asst.
Aug. 4	L. Dudek	Clintons	Margaret Christensen	Cindi Larsen
Aug. 11	G. Dykstra	L & C Larsen		
Aug. 18	Sedgwicks	Mark Petersen		Julie Field
Aug. 25	Connets	Kellers, Rodes		
Sept. 1	R & K Christensen	TBA	Evelyn Larsen	Karen Sedgwick

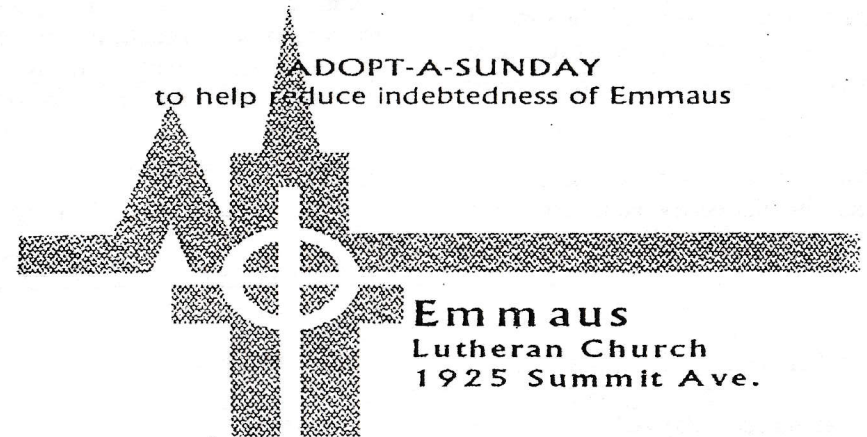
News of Our Members

Sarah Knuteson Receives Leadership, Service Award

Sarah Knuteson received a Leadership and Service Award from the University of Wisconsin Medical School. Knuteson was recognized for having coordinated the Minority Concerns Health Fair, the medical school's complementary medicine class, a free clinic for the underserved, and for her continuing studies on the social factors contributing to depression in low-income women.

Knuteson, a second-year medical student, also participated in Madison's study circles on race, delivered the litany for this year's Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration for the city of Madison. She plans to teach neuroscience for at-risk high school students and to travel to Ecuador as a student leader for a medical Spanish course.

Sarah Knuteson is the daughter of John and Cathy Knuteson.



I wish to contribute: \$1,000 \$750 \$500
 \$300 \$100 \$
(Suggested minimum \$100; any gift appreciated)

Sunday to adopt: _____

In memory of: _____

In honor of: _____

Occasion: _____

Contributor: _____

Keep Safe in Your Back Yard

by Carol Eschmann, RN

Summer in Wisconsin means we spend more time outside playing and working in our yards. I would like to share some safety tips that may help you to enjoy the outdoors even more.

Use a sun-safe sunscreen that protects against ultraviolet-A and violet-B. The SPF should be at least 15. Apply the product to all exposed areas and reapply following the directions. UV radiation can penetrate clouds, so sunscreen is necessary all the time. It may also be wise to wear protective clothing and a hat for more protection from the sun.

Take regular rest breaks and drink plenty of fluids on hot days. Take the necessary steps to avoid



heat exhaustion and heat stroke. Symptoms of heat stroke include chills, nausea, dizziness, weakness, confusion and clammy skin. If you experience any of these symptoms, lie down in a cool place and drink plenty of fluids. Heat stroke symptoms include dry skin, shallow breathing, rapid pulse, small pupils, high body temperature and unconsciousness. If someone you know is experiencing these symptoms, call 911.

Work during the afternoons or evenings if you suffer from hay fever, asthma, or other breathing disorders or allergies. Pollen is usually released from 5:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., so it is best to avoid working outside in the morning.

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Financial Figures

Gen'l Fund offerings in May, 2002 \$12,325.16 YTD \$67,388.84
 Bldg. Fund offerings in May, 2002 \$ 432.00 YTD \$ 1,761.00
 Unified receipts for May, 2002 \$12,757.16 YTD \$69,149.84

2001 Fund offerings in May, 2002 \$ 255.00 CAMPAIGN TO DATE \$ 99,191.12
 6/25/01 mortgage payment: Principal \$519.70
 Interest \$446.30
 Total \$966.00
 Principal balance as of 5/13/2002 \$65,433.19

Attendance Statistics

Average Sat.-Sun. attendance May:	2000: 148	2001: 140	2002: 154
Average Sat.-Sun. attendance June:	2000: 136	2001: 126	2002: 111*
Average Sat.-Sun. attendance July:	2000: 137	2001: 132	
Average Sat.-Sun. attendance August:	2000: 137	2001: 139	



Register now for July 29-August 2 VBS/Day Camp!

- What?** A partnership between St. Paul's and Emmaus Lutheran Churches
- Where?** Emmaus Lutheran Church
- Cost?** Free!
- What ages?** Day Camp for those who have completed Kindergarten through grade 5
 Pre-school VBS — 3, 4, 5-year-olds
- Times?** Day Camp:
 Monday-Thursday 9:00-2:30 p.m.
 Friday 9:00-12:00 noon
- Pre-school VBS:
 Monday-Friday 9:00-11:00 a.m.

Pick up your pre-registration form today!



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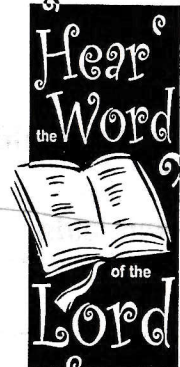
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يا أرض! يا أرض! يا أرض! اسمعي كلمة الرب

땅이여, 땅이여, 땅이여, 여호와와 의 말을 들을찌니라



The Greater Milwaukee Synodical Women of the ELCA
Synodical Convention
October 11-12, 2002
Our Savior's Lutheran Church

3022 W. Wisconsin Avenue • Milwaukee

- Come "Hear the Word of the Lord" at Convention.
- Come celebrate the "Word of the Lord" with other women.
- Come listen to the words of Jeremiah concerning overcoming adversity and problems. (Chpts. 22-29)
- Come experience workshops on:
 - Internet and Cyberporn -Work of Mary Ellen Sorenson
 - Madagascar -Caribbean Culture
 - The Safe House -Communications on the Internet
 - Living with Laughter and Stress

REGISTRATION FOR CONVENTION

Name _____ Phone (____) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Church _____ City _____

Check One: Delegate (Registration by August 15 or pay late fee)
 Visitor (Registration by September 3 or pay late fee)

Registration Fees: Friday Registration.....\$ 13.00
 Friday Dinner15.00
 Saturday Registration24.00
 Saturday Lunch.....10.00
 Child Care (Sat. Only).....5.00 per child
 Late Registration Fee.....5.00

TOTAL ENCLOSED\$ _____

Child Care will be provided on Saturday only. A snack will be provided but each child must have a bag lunch for noon.

Child name: _____ Age: _____

Child name: _____ Age: _____

Special needs: _____

Please make your check payable to: **Women of the ELCA.**
 Send your completed registration form (1 per person) to: **Jan Fox, Convention Registrar, 4130 S. Carnaby Lane, New Berlin, WI 53151 Phone: (262) 782-5680**

OFFICE USE:
 Check #: _____ Amount:\$ _____ Date: _____

INGATHERING: Serenity Inns
 a non-profit alcohol and other drug addiction treatment ministry committed to providing transitional housing, long-term housing, and inpatient intensive recovery.

CONVENTION OFFERING: After all Convention expenses are paid, 1/2 to Churchwide, 1/4 to Latino Ministry, and 1/4 to Safe House.

Meals will be catered by: "Just for You"
 Hotel rooms are available on a first come basis at Hospitality Suites on 27th Street, Milwaukee. The cost is \$50/room (2 queens) and \$60/suite (1 king & queen sofa). Continental breakfast included. Call (414) 282-8800 for reservations. Ask for the block of rooms reserved for the Women of the ELCA.

Stumme-Diers

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the assembly after being declared bishop by the ELCA Pesiding Bishop Mark Hanson.

Born in Waverly, Iowa, Stumme-Diers was graduated from Pacific Lutheran University, Tacoma, Wash., and Wartburg Theological Seminary, Dubuque, Iowa. He was ordained in 1989. He served as pastor at Resurrection Lutheran Church, New Berlin, WI, from 1989-1998, and at All Saints Lutheran Church, Wales, WI, from 1998-present.

His wife, the Rev. Laurie Stumme-Diers is pastor of Cross Lutheran Church, Ixonia, WI. They are the parents of two children, Maren and Micah.

Bishop-elect Stumme-Diers' term officially begins Sept. 1, and the installation service will be held on Saturday, Nov. 2, 2002, at St. Mary's in Kenosha.

Representatives also approved

three resolutions:

1. calling upon congregations in the synod to establish or expand their health and healing ministries;
2. that the new bishop and synod council of the Greater Milwaukee Synod develop and implement a plan for pastoral care to rostered professionals and their families; and
3. that the Greater Milwaukee Synod and member congregations seek creative ways to be involved in some level of prison ministries.

Representatives from each of the synod's local mission clusters were elected to next year's churchwide assembly. Representing the Racine Mission Cluster will be Jan Behrens of Lutheran Church of the Redeemer.

Synod to Throw 'Celebration of Appreciation'

The Greater Milwaukee Synod will offer a celebration of Appreciation for the ministry of Bishop Peter Rogness and our dedicated synod staff Sunday, August 25 from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, 1615 Wauwatosa Avenue, Wauwatosa.

In order to leave a legacy in thanksgiving for their service, a special designated giving opportunity has been created within the Synod Outreach Fund to honor Bishop

Rogness and his staff.

Gifts are encouraged from individuals, church groups or organizations and congregations through congregations councils. A goal is to announce the amount of the gift on August 25.

Please make every effort to attend on August 25 and send or bring a gift for the Outreach Fund.

More information on this celebration is available from Jean Guenther. Phone 414 541-3936.

Respite Ministry Offers Varied Services

Caregiver Support Specialist can help to support and assist care givers to maintain their physical and emotional well-being.

In-Home Respite Care provides trained volunteers who go into the home to stay with the dependent person while the care giver takes a "time out."

Parish Nurse

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Be safe with your lawn mower. Do not mow slippery, wet grass. If your yard is on a steep hill, be sure to cut across the slope, rather than mowing up and down the hill. Clear your yard of any rocks or sticks before you begin to mow. Always wear protective shoes and eyewear. You might also consider ear protection. Small children should not be anywhere near mowing equipment.

Protect yourself from insect bites. Use an insect repellent on all exposed areas of skin. If you are stung, use tweezers to remove the stinger. Use a cold, wet cloth or an ice cube to relieve the pain. To relieve itching and inflammation, use a calamine lotion or hydrocortisone cream. If you or someone you know has a serious reaction to an insect sting, contact your primary care physician. If breathing is affected or unconsciousness occurs, call 911. Symptoms of a serious reaction could include:

Harmony Club program is a social day program where the dependent person receives safe quality care while the care giver takes a "time out."

If you are the care giver of an older adult, or know someone who is, please call Respite Services at 632-9828.

- Difficulty breathing
- Swelling around the eyes, lips or throat
- Numbness or cramping
- Hives and itching all over the body
- Slurred speech, nausea or vomiting
- Mental confusion
- Unconsciousness

Have emergency numbers and a first aid kit nearby. Place paramedics and poison control center important numbers such as doctor, near the phones. You should always have your address near the phone so that if a guest must call they will be able to give your correct address.

The first aid kit should include assorted Band-Aids, sterile gauze pads/rolls, small scissors, tweezers, elastic bandages, chemical cold packs, antiseptic wipes and antibiotic cream. You may also want to include Aspirin or Tylenol.

I hope that you have a safe and enjoyable summer.

Glimpses of Something Much Greater

... the little girl who arrives between 7:00 and 7:30 every morning and eagerly awaits the doors to open at 9:00 a.m.

... the grandfather who tells us that the camp is just what his grandson (who lives in a very chaotic family situation) needs for stability.

... the little boy who asks if we can visit the new downtown art museum at next summer's camp.



... the child who flies a kite, spins a top or plays checkers for the first time in his life.

... the delight of "real" home-made chocolate chip cookies at snack time.

... the boys who are eager to learn how to play croquet.

... the kids begging staff "to sit at our table" during lunch time.

... the kids checking out library books and coming back the next day for more.

... the kids in clown make-up handing out paper flowers, stickers and Hershey kisses to the customers at Pick 'n' Save.

... the cookie salesperson at Pick 'n' Save who was so taken by the neighborhood clowns that she came to the church the same day to donate a case of cookies to the camp.

... the sidewalk chalk sign stating "EMMAUS NEIGHBORHOOD CAMP

IS THE BEST!"

... the squeals as the naturalist's frog escaped and as the kids touched a live snake.

... teen interns and volunteers working with the little kids (and sounding like their parents as they ask the little ones to clean up their messes!)

... the fun of the downtown trolley ride and finding the dogs on Main Street.

... painting the 12' playground parachute together.

... the little boy at Festival Hall picnic ground before lunch, looking to the boy next to him and saying, "This is when we're supposed to pray; do you know how to do it?" (The group prayer came a few minutes later.)

... the kids able to re-tell the stories they learned in "God Time" and asking that the sick, the homeless and their families be prayed for.

... the creative lunches made by "Dolly & Company."

... the tired staff at the end of each day sharing the special needs and concerns they have observed in the campers.

These are but a few glimpses of what has been happening at Emmaus during the summer Neighborhood

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Pastor Mary's Column

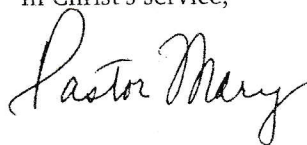
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Camp. God has blessed us richly with this opportunity, and you have responded so generously by sharing your gifts with the kids and staff.

Thank you for your prayers and encouragement and your gifts of money, food, serving, books and toys ... and the list goes on. Continue to pray that Jesus' love be embodied in

all that we are and do here at Emmaus.

Lives are being touched!
In Christ's service,

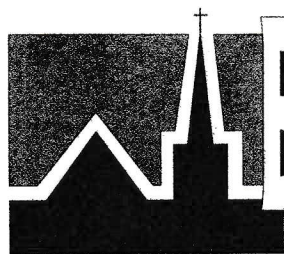


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September, 2002

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Rally Sunday Features Brass Band, Baptism

Mark Sunday, September 8 on your calendar now! This is a Sunday morning that you will not want to miss! As a special gift to the congregation, the Brass Nickel ensemble will play for the celebration worship service at 9:15 a.m.

The theme of the day, "Washed in the Waters of God's Love" will highlight the sacrament of Holy Baptism. As we are surrounded by a 4,989-link paper chain (each link bearing the name and baptismal date of a person baptized at Emmaus in the past 151 years!), we will witness the waters of Baptism poured over the heads of

a baby, several children, and an adult.

Following the worship, kids (and all interested adults) are

invited to the Sanctuary as Pastor Mary kicks off the Sunday School year with the first of the water themes: Holy Baptism. Kids and parents will then have a brief visit of the educational area of the church before joining in on games, relays and treats. The baptismal theme will

continue for the September 15 week of Sunday School. Beginning September 22, kids will experience the story of Jonah and the big fish.

Sunday, September 8

9:15: Celebration worship with Baptisms and music by the Brass Nickel and Adult Choir

10:30: Kick-off for "Splish Splash Bible Bash" Sunday School year

PASTORAL ACTS

Wedding:
Beth Eileen Luccasen
Eric John Tepley
June 29, 2002

Pastor Mary conducted this wedding at the Racine Yacht Club.

Baptism:
Alyssa Leticia Rivera
July 21, 2002

Alyssa is the 5-year-old daughter of Kristin Olson and great-granddaughter of Glenn and Eileen Olson. Her sponsors are Erik Olson, Leticia Cervantes and Michele Klimek.

Funerals:
Fern I. Abrahamson Clark
July 27, 2002

Fern Clark (née Davis; adopted as a child) passed away at the home of her daughter, Lynda Telfeyan of Waterford July 25 at the age of 81. She was the widow of Herbert Clark. Her other surviving children are Chris Andersen, David Clark, and Tim Clark.

Donald Gueldenzopf
August 2, 2002

Don Gueldenzopf passed away at Becker Shoop Center July 29 a week shy of his 87th birthday. The widower of Lois (Brooks), he is survived by sons Tom, Jack and Bob.

Pear Tree Planted

Neighborhood staff and campers planted a new flowering pear tree on the field near Summit

Avenue in honor of Nancy Smith as a thank-you for leading this summer's camp.



MEMORIALS & HONORARIA

Non-designated memorials

In memory of Fern Clark: \$100.00

Memorials designated to Building Fund:

In memory of Don Gueldenzopf: \$685.00

Non-designated honoraria:

In honor of Carol Yust, Dolly Orth & Carol Rudey: \$30.00

Rally Sunday, Sept. 8

Welcome to Sunday School

by Julie Field

Rally Day 2002 is coming September 8. Sunday School begins at 10:30 a.m. This year's theme will be Water Stories from the Bible. We will begin with the theme of baptism.

Children and parents are both invited to stay this first day for some fun, as we open our fall term with games and food!

Workshop Summaries

Rotation 1: Sept. 8 & 15 —
Baptism

Rotation 2: Sept. 22-Oct. 13
— Jonah: Obeying God
Based on Jonah 1-4

Treasure boxes, a giant whale, and a puppet show will highlight themes of obedience, hiding from

God, and God's mercy.

Art: The children will make a whale and Jonah for their treasure box as a visual reminder of the story.

Drama: The children will create a puppet show about Jonah's disobedience and the importance of obeying God.

Video: The story of Jonah will be viewed and discussion will reveal times when we have disobeyed God.

Games: The children will play games that show the importance of following directions. Discussion will follow regarding God's laws in our lives.

Preschool through grade 7 meet upstairs.

Grades 8 and 9 meet in the Fireside room.



September Youth Birthdays

Sept. 2 Kyle Jansen, 8

Sept. 3 Nicole Larsen, 18

Sept. 3 Melanie Pearce, 9

Sept. 8 Ashley Konsinowski, 16

Sept. 8 Nicholas Estep, 15

Sept. 9 Andrew Reischl, 15

Sept. 9 Kelli Zeleski, 5

Sept. 10 Brian Liesch, 11

Sept. 14 Brittany Lasko, 6

Sept. 15 Amy Jaskulske, 10

Sept. 17 Jon Oestreich, 11

Sept. 22 Tayler Ready, 3

Sept. 22 Valerie Yorgan, 17

Sept. 23 Lucas Steffensen, 13

Sept. 25 Ryan Lamberton, 10

"Let the children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs."

—Matthew 19:14

SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION

"Splish Splash Bible Bash" Water Stories from the Bible

Rally Day — Sunday, September 8, 10:30 a.m.
For parents and children to share in an orientation,
food and games

Below is a pre-registration form. If you would fill this out and return it to the church as soon as possible, it would help us in planning our classes. There will also be forms available on Rally Day.

Today's date _____

Name _____ Age _____ Birthday _____

Address _____ Phone _____

Grade in school _____ School attending _____

Parent/Guardians' names _____

Siblings/ names and ages _____

Allergies/Medical notes _____

Additional comments _____

8th-9th Grade Confirmation Orientation Slated September 18

Wednesday, September 18, at 6:30 p.m., eighth and ninth graders will meet with Pastor Mary and Carol Yust to begin this fall's study for confirmation.

The ten-week session will focus on the life of Christ. Presented through video, computers and drama, the birth, life and

teachings of Jesus will be studied.

Following the Christmas break, the Passover and Passion stories will lead the class into the Lenten season. In addition to the classroom sessions, there are worship and service requirements to be fulfilled prior to confirmation in the fall of the tenth grade.

10th Graders Make Final Preparations for October 27 Confirmation

As the final phase prior to affirming their Baptism on October 27, the tenth graders will meet several times with their assigned mentors.

Any unfulfilled requirements for worship and service points must

also be completed before the end of October. Those who have not fulfilled the minimum requirements by that time may do so during the year, postponing their confirmation to Pentecost Sunday in the spring.

ELCA Atlanta Youth Gathering Begins Registration

Every three years the ELCA has a national youth gathering that draws thousands of kids from all over the country. Next July, it's expected that 40,000 participants will gather in Atlanta for one of the two weeks the convention is offered. Highlights will include a bus trip with other area kids, a servant event in Atlanta, a hotel stay, top notch bands, speakers and other activities.

The \$100 pre-registration fee due in September will be cut in half for Emmaus participants by an

anonymous donor. Anyone registering for the national gathering by September 15 will need only pay \$50 (a non-refundable deposit), and that amount will then be matched.

Registration forms and further information are available at the church office. Information will be available at the Youth Forum, held in the Fireside Room, on Rally Day, September 8 at 10:30 a.m.

Questions? Call Carol Yust at 681-1225.

EASY Resumes This Fall

All kids who attend grades 1-5 are invited to participate in EASY, Emmaus After School for Youth program.

Beginning October 1, Emmaus will open its doors every Tuesday and Thursday from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. Wadewitz students will be escorted on their walk from the school to the church by an EASY staff member or volunteer, and parents will pick up the kids at the end of the day. Students from any school or neighborhood are welcome and are responsible for their own transportation.

A typical day in the after school program will include a snack, homework help, time for quiet play (board games, puzzles, etc.), a planned hands-on activity or craft. There will also be opportunity for outdoor play some days.

We need some willing folks



who like kids (the age span includes teenagers through retired people) to lend a hand in certain areas. Please prayerfully consider how you might

like to contribute: bake a treat for snack time, help plan some arts and crafts activities, find a special resource person to invite to EASY on a one-time basis (i.e., someone who has a special hobby or talent to share), work on further developing the children's library, and last but not least, spend time Tuesdays or Thursdays relating to the kids who attend.

Committed, responsible teens and adults who care about kids is the key to a successful program. Please keep this important ministry in your prayers and pick up the phone to call Pastor Mary or Velvetta (634-5515) if you can help in any way.

Tape Ministry Resumes in September

by Kathy Christensen

We now have the appropriate equipment and will begin taping the worship services on September 1. These tapes will be available for people who are unable to attend worship and will be delivered by a visitor or



through the mail.

If you are interested or know of someone who would appreciate receiving the taped services, please contact the church office.

Tree Succumbs to Dutch Elm Disease

by Amy Larsen

You may have noticed the huge elm tree located at the front of the church is not looking well. Unfortunately the tree has Dutch Elm Disease and will have to be cut down. We would like to replace the tree with as large a tree as possible. Any donations for a replacement tree would be much appreciated. Just mark "tree" on your envelope.



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 Custodians: Matt Liesch and Harley Slater

Services are held at Emmaus every Saturday evening at 5:00 and Sunday mornings at 9:15.
 Sunday School meets at 10:30 a.m.
 Emmaus office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.
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KidsHope Looks Forward to Third Year

by Marty Aiken

Always trying to take a creative view of what Kids Hope is, while never overlooking the details, is a pretty good description of what I try to do as our Kids Hope director. Recently I was given both a uniquely creative way of viewing Kids Hope, and a new set of details I had never anticipated.

Both perspective and details came from the teachers at Wadewitz. And, in the "wonderful ways of the Lord," rather than feeling I had been guilty of an oversight I felt privileged to be a part of an ongoing blessing.

Let me share with you what I have been learning.

I was in discussion with the

teachers whether our mentors should continue on to the third grade with their children, or begin again with new students in the first grade. We have very finite resources as a congregation and a need to be prudent stewards in their use. An obvious limitation is the number of people who can serve as mentors.

We can be very proud that even with our limitations in size we have served Wadewitz as people of generosity rather than shortcomings. We have approximately 30 people serving in a committed way inside Wadewitz. By contrast, Big Brothers/Big Sisters has only 90 relationships in the city of Racine.

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Emmaus Nominated for Excellence in Mentoring Award

Principal Patricia Limburg, on behalf of Wadewitz School and Racine Unified School District has nominated Emmaus for a state award for Excellence in Mentoring.

Impressed by the strong relationship between Emmaus and the school, Limburg states, "The school and church work cooperatively to provide an exceptional experience for students and mentors. The program stands out because of the depth of



commitment Emmaus Lutheran Church has made to Wadewitz School."

Limburg continues, "We are entering the third year of the program, and the church's commitment is as strong as the first The mentors are extremely reliable. If a mentor cannot make a session, the church provides a substitute mentor. The KidsHope USA model stresses the importance of honoring one's commitment to the students, and these mentors do that."

KidsHope

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This is an extraordinary comparison.

So I began presenting my dilemma to the teachers, and this is when I soon began to be amazed. The first teacher, almost before the question was finished, answered me immediately: "Continue into the third grade. The third grade is the most difficult of elementary school. For the first time in school the child is trying to learn how to be an individual. They don't know how to do this or who to trust in helping them sort this out. They don't know whether to depend upon the teacher or push him/her away.

"Their mentor may be the one individual who has built up a relationship with the child that has developed trust between them. And the relationship is just right, neither too much nor too little, to allow the child to depend upon them. Your mentors will be the people they need."

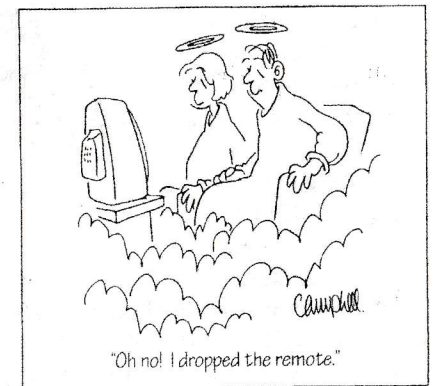
I was amazed. Notice that I was trying to ask about an imminent shortcoming, and she answered me by telling me about unique resources that only we had to give. And, they weren't resources that we had to begin with, but were resources entrusted to us through the initial risks of giving more than we thought we had.



Every other teacher said the same thing. I am tempted to say "even" the first grade teachers, but I should say "especially" the first grade teachers. By saying this they put themselves at risk of not having something they now want, our mentors with their children. But they also still think of those new third graders as their children, and won't sacrifice their care for them to the teachers' own convenience.

Those first grade teachers are my new models. They are willing to take a risk, and to trust that they will receive what they need. What they need are a few more of us to come share with them the opportunity to care for their children.

Ask yourselves if maybe there was something you missed learning in the first grade. If there was, please pray about it and see if this might be your chance to go back and learn it.



Adult Choir Rehearsals Begin September 4

The Adult Choir will begin rehearsals on Wednesday, September 4 at 7:00 p.m. Anyone with an



interest in singing is cordially invited.

For more information call Marsha Connet at 633-2047.

Scrip Proceeds to Replace Building Fascia

Thanks to continued sales of Scrip certificates, Emmaus has earned \$220 toward the \$1,200 cost of replacing the fascia on our building.

If you have not tried using the Scrip certificates, it's easy! You may purchase certificates after worship services on Saturday or Sunday.

Our most popular certificates are available on the spot; others will be ordered for deliver the following week.

Donations directly toward the fascia are also gratefully accepted. Just indicate your intention on your offering envelope or on the memo line of your check.

Help Fight Hunger During CROP Walk

The Volunteer Center of Racine will sponsor the 2002 Racine CROP Walk on Sunday, October 6. The Walk will start at the First United Methodist Church, 745 Main Street.

Registration opens at 12:30 p.m.; the Walk begins at 1:00. Walkers raise money by gathering sponsors for their 5 or 10 kilometer walk. Funds help feed the hungry here in Racine and around the globe.



259 walkers and their 1,543 sponsors, collected over \$20,600 in 2001. \$5,490 of that amount was returned to the Racine County Food Bank and distributed to

local meal sites and food pantries.

Racine's CROP Walk has raised approximately \$395,200 since 1981, \$94,240 of which has helped fund programs here in town.

The REST Sign Up Sheet is Posted

by Pat Liesch

We kick off another REST year for Emmaus with several new time slots. Please check out the sign up sheet in the narthex, for your choice of times. If you would rather work another time than listed, please contact Pat Liesch.

This year, Emmaus will staff the second, fourth and fifth Friday nights of the REST year, which runs from October 1 to April 30 citywide. Volunteers from Atonement Lutheran Church will staff our site each first and third Friday of the month.

We need volunteers for all time slots, but especially overnight and breakfast shifts. Please consult your social calendars, to see if you can volunteer your time for this worthy cause.

We also need toiletry items, new white socks, underwear and undershirts for men, men's jeans, sweatshirts, winter coats, hats, and gloves. Money is nice too! Your donations are appreciated.

Also remember our "brother buckets", located in the narthex and hallway. And the church rummage sale is coming up soon, with some of the proceeds going to support our REST program.

Thanks for all your help. I know it will be a busy year for us.

Deodorant Month

REST will ask for donations of

specific items, a different item each month for this REST year. These items will be fairly inexpensive, and are needed by the REST guests frequently. In the month of September, please bring in new deodorants, to be given to the REST guests as the need arises.

We will have a basket in the narthex for these items. Other "months" coming up as winter

closes in on us will be for new white socks, mittens, hats, toothbrushes, etc. Watch to see what the item is for October! Thanks!

Wachtet Auf!

Our Emmaus REST program is in dire need of individuals to fill in for our over night shift. We are especially interested in getting help from men or couples. If you can find a partner, you could even "share" the night, and each work half a shift. Please consider this, and contact Pat Liesch, 835-1363. Thanks.

Food Pantry Seeks Grocery Bags

The Northside Food Pantry needs paper grocery bags for the distribution of food. Please consider donating your grocery bags — whether empty or full is up to you.



Homeless Shelter

Visitors Needed for Homebound Members

by Carol Eschmann

It is time to meet to plan visits and renew our commitment to the Emmaus Visitors. The Emmaus Visitors are a group formed to provide visits to individuals and families that may be home bound.

Several persons have been providing visits to some of these folks over the past year.

This is an opportunity to provide a connection with church and companionship for a brief time

on a regular basis. It does not replace pastoral visits; it supplements them.



Home Visitation

Visitors are also trained to bring communion. The communion kits are provided through memorial gifts. You may also bring the tapes of the service for those who desire them.

New visitors are welcome and encouraged to join us. Watch the Sunday bulletin for time and date late in September. If you have any questions, please see me at church or phone me at 835-2372.

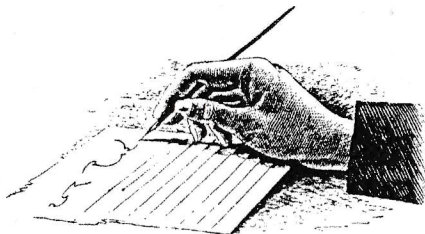
Letter

WELCA Appreciates Triennial Gift

Dear friends in Christ:

On behalf of Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, thank you for your generous gift of \$675.00 to Triennial Gathering 2002. Your gift, combined with those of countless other faithful women, will make possible the numerous ministries of Women of the ELCA. Through our partnership with the ELCA, you have also helped support

the church's worldwide ministries. You are a valuable link in the network of women who use their gifts and skills to provide for our Lord's ministries.



We thank God for your support of Women of the ELCA. May you continue to find joy in ministry and in your partnership with the women's organization.

God's grace and peace,
Catherine I.H. Braasch
Executive Director

WELCA Bulletins

Emmaus to Host Fall Brunch

Emmaus women will host the Racine Mission Cluster WELCA Brunch on Saturday, September 21. This year's program will be of special interest to mothers of confirmands and young teenagers. Rev. Denise Mbise and Joanie Williams will show how young people are taught to be alert to sexual exploitation which is now so prevalent all around them.

The Greater Milwaukee Synodical Women's Organization encourages the presentation of a six-lesson curriculum entitled "Wise As Serpents" to young people in grades 7 through 9. The Rev. Denise Mbise and Mrs. Warren Williams introduced the course at Atonement Lutheran Church last year.

There will be a sign-up sheet in the narthex. Muffin bakers and helpers for set-up, serving and clean-up are needed. Please volunteer on the sign-up sheet or call Denise Keller, 619-9911.

Sewing Kits

Sewing kits will be sent with the Lutheran World Relief shipment on October 12. People are encouraged to make up a kit and bring it to church and deposit it in the basket in the narthex.

Include the following items in each sewing kit:

- Three yards of 44" or 45"

cotton or cotton blend fabric; four yards if 36"

- One package of needles for hand sewing
- One spool of matching thread
- One card of buttons
- Wrap sewing notions inside the fabric and tie with string, yarn or a strip of fabric.

Kits are used to teach the young girls to sew. In some countries, men and women use the sewing kits to help learn a trade and earn an income. Please help us with this project.

Bake Sale

Bake sale at Emmaus rummage sale, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. September 7. We need bakers to donate baked goods and a variety of treats, including "kid-friendly" stuff like cookies.

Synodical Convention

15th annual Greater Milwaukee Synodical Women of the ELCA Convention will be October 11-12 at Our Savior's, 3022 W. Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee.

Come "Hear the Word of the Lord" at convention. Come celebrate the "Word of the Lord" with other women. Come listen to the words of Jeremiah concerning overcoming adversity and problems (chapters 22-29).

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Rummage Sale Set for September 7

by Kathy Christensen

The annual Emmaus Rummage Sale is scheduled for Saturday, September 7 from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Contributions can be dropped off at the church starting Wednesday, September 4.

We will need lots of help sorting and pricing items from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. On Saturday, we need volunteers to cashier as



well as to assist customers.

WELCA will have a table of baked goods to sell and will welcome contributions also.

Sign-up sheets are in the narthex. Participating is not only worthwhile, it's fun and a good way

to become better acquainted with your Emmaus family.

If you have any questions, contact Pat Liesch (835-1363) or Kathy Christensen (886-2151).

WELCA

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Come experience workshops on:

- internet and cyberporn
- Madagascar
- The Safe House
- Work of Mary Ellen Sorenson
- Caribbean culture
- Communications on the internet

- Living with laughter and stress

Scholarships are available. If you need more details, call Denise Keller, 619-9911.

Looking ahead

We're making plans for the æbelskiver brunch on October 20.

News of Our Members

Pedrosa Wins Scholarship

Brandie Pedrosa was one of four students awarded scholarships by the Ametek Foundation's 2002 International Student Exchange program. The program is open to the children of Ametek employees.

Brandie spent eight weeks this summer living with a host family in France. A senior at Horlick High School this fall, Brandie is the daughter of Pat Floyd.

Emmaus Group to See "Sound of Music"

by Amy Larsen

A group from Emmaus will attend "The Sound of Music" at the Fireside on Sunday, September 29.

We will car pool to Fort Atkinson from church, enjoy a delicious meal from salad to dessert and see one of the most beloved



musicals ever! We'll leave church at 12:15 p.m., dinner is at 3pm and the play begins at 5:00 p.m. Estimated time for return is 9:00 p.m. Cost per person is \$47.42.

Although the deadline for signing up has passed, call the church office if you would like your name placed on a wait list.

Emmaus Senior Fellowship Center

Center director: Carol Rudey (632-0643)

The Senior Fellowship Center opens at 10:00 a.m. with coffee; programs begin at 10:30 a.m. After a noon lunch, please stay for games and more conversation.

Sept. 3: Helen Gill

Sept. 10: "Tracing Your Family Roots"

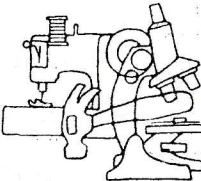

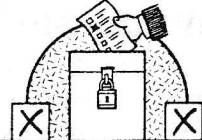
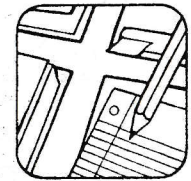

Sept. 17: Read and Remember

Sept. 24: Al Beck "On the Road to Washington"

September Birthdays — 70 Years and Better

Sept. 1	Robert Christensen	221 William Street	53402
Sept. 2	Gerry Dykstra	1521 Summit Avenue	53404
Sept. 5	Louise Nelson	2041 Case Avenue	53403
Sept. 5	Mary Schultz	222 88th Avenue, Sturtevant	53177
Sept. 9	Meta Haanstad	3340 Fourth Avenue	53402
Sept. 10	Catherine Miller	2704 James Boulevard	53403
Sept. 10	Marilyn Anderson	155 Lakefield Court	53402
Sept. 11	Howard Jensen	1935 Jupiter Avenue	53404
Sept. 15	Dorothy Bagley	2056 Wustum Avenue	53404
Sept. 19	Lucille Dudek	3900 N. Main Street #215	53402
Sept. 25	Robert Mathieus	5455 Durand Avenue	53406
Sept. 27	Ella Nielsen	3321 Fourth Avenue	53402
Sept. 28	Caroline Schultz	812 Illinois Street	53405
Sept. 30	Vic Johnson	7131 Fieldview Court	53406



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 15 th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 9:15 am Worship service; LBW setting 1 with Holy Communion 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship	2 LABOR DAY Office closed 	3 10:00 am Senior Citizen Fellowship Center 5:00 pm TOPS	4 1:30 pm Lydia Circle 7:00 pm Adult Choir rehearsal	5 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 7:00 pm Stamp Club	6	7 ROSH HASHANAH 9:00 am Rummage sale 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion
----- <i>Rummage sale items accepted, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall</i>						
8 RALLY DAY; 16 th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 9:15 am Worship service; Special service with Sacrament of Holy Baptism 10:15 am Rally day festivities 	9 11:00 am Staff meeting 6:30 pm Church council mtg.	10 PRIMARY ELECTION DAY 10:00 am Senior Citizen Fellowship Center 5:00 pm TOPS 	11 7:00 pm Adult Choir rehearsal	12 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold; opacity: 0.5;">September, 2002</div>	13	14 HOLY CROSS 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion
15 17 th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 9:15 am Worship service; Chicago Folk Service with Holy Communion 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School Oct. <i>Visitor</i> deadline	16 YOM KIPPUR 11:00 am Staff meeting 12:00 Lincoln Lutheran Fall Luncheon	17 9:30 am Cluster Clergy meeting 10:00 am Senior Citizen Fellowship Center 5:00 pm TOPS	18 6:30 pm Orientation for 8 th & 9 th grade confirmation 7:00 pm Adult Choir rehearsal	19 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 1:00 pm Book club	20  SEPTEMBER	21 ST. MATTHEW 8:30 am WELCA Fall Luncheon here 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion
22 18 th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 9:15 am Worship service; WOV Service of Word & Prayer 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School	23 11:00 am Staff meeting 6:30 pm REST Board	24 10:00 am Senior Citizen Fellowship Center 5:00 pm TOPS	25 6:30 pm 8th-9th grade confirmation class 7:00 pm Adult Choir rehearsal	26 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline	27	28 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion
29 ST. MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS; 19 th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 9:15 am Worship service; LBW setting 1 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School 12:15 pm "Sound of Music"	30 11:00 am Staff meeting	Oct. 1 10:00 am Senior Citizen Fellowship Center 5:00 pm TOPS	2 1:30 pm Lydia Circle 6:30 pm 8th-9th grade confirmation class 7:00 pm Adult Choir rehearsal	3 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 5:00 pm Community Meal, St. Pat's 7:00 pm Stamp Club	4 7:00 pm REST  OCTOBER	5 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion

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Store name	Emmaus earns	Denominations available	Quantity	Total
DRUG & GROCERY STORES				
GNC	6%	\$25		
Kohl's Food Store	4%	\$10, \$25		
Piggly Wiggly	4%	\$25, \$50		
Jewel/Osco	4%	\$30, \$25		
CLOTHING, SPORTING & DEPARTMENT STORES				
American Eagle Outfitters	8%	\$25		
August Max Women	19%	\$10		
Burlington Coat Factory	12%	\$10, \$25		
Cabela's	7%	\$25		
Casual Corner/August Max	16%	\$25		
Claire's	7%	\$10		
Dick's Sporting Goods	8%	\$25		
Eddie Bauer	9%	20%		
Foot Locker	8%	\$25		
Gap debit card	8%	\$20		
J. C. Penney gift card	5%	\$25, \$100		
K-Mart	3%	\$10, \$25, \$50		
The Limited	8%	\$25		
Old Navy debit card	8%	\$25		
Payless Shoe Source	12%	\$10, \$20		
Sears	2%	\$25, \$100, \$250		
ShopKo debit card	4%	\$25, \$50		
Spiegel! Catalog	9%	\$20		
Structure	10%	\$25		
T. J. Maxx, Marshalls	8%	\$10, \$25		
BOOKSTORES, OFFICE SUPPLY				
Barnes & Noble	8%	\$10, \$25		
Office Max debit card	3%	\$25		
Walden Books	8%	\$25		
STEREO, VIDEO EQUIPMENT, VIDEO RENTAL				
Best Buy	2%	\$25, \$50		
Blockbuster Video	7%	\$10		
Circuit City gift card	2.5%	\$25, \$50, \$100		

Hollywood Video	15%	\$10		
Musicland/Sam Goody/Suncoast	4%	\$25		
HARDWARE, BED & BATH				
Ace Hardware	7%	\$25		
Bath & Body Works	13%	\$10, \$20, \$25		
Home Depot	3%	\$25, \$100, \$250		
Menards Home Improvement	3%	\$25, \$50, \$100		
Pier 1 Imports	7%	\$10, \$25		
TOYS				
Kaybee Toys				
Tots R Us, Kids R Us, Babies R Us				
TRAVEL, SERVICE STATIONS				
BP/Amoco pre-pay oil card	3%	\$25, \$50		
Citgo	2.5%	\$50		
Exxon/Mobil driver cash card	2.5%	\$25, \$50		
Kwik Trip	3%	\$10		
Shell Oil	2%	\$25, \$50		
Speedway/Super America	3%	\$25		
RESTAURANTS, COFFEE SHOPS				
Applebee's	8%	\$20		
Boston Market	10%	\$5		
Burger King booklets	3.6%	\$5		
Chi-Chi's	15%	\$10		
Chuck E. Cheese debit card	7%	\$10		
Cracker Barrel	8%	\$5		
Denny's	8%	\$5		
Domino's Pizza	4%	\$5		
KFC	8%	\$5		
Mrs. Field's	20%	\$5		
Olive Garden/Red Lobster	13%	\$10		
Pizza Hut	9%	\$5, \$10		
Ponderosa	9%	\$5		
Starbucks coffee card	7%	\$25		
Wendy's	7%	\$10		
			TOTAL:	

Please check catalog, lay-away and charge account policies at your particular store. Some stores place restrictions on Scrip purchases with those services. Please make checks payable to Emmaus Lutheran Church

August 12, 2002

September Worship Assistants

	Altar Guild	Readers	Ushers	Acolytes
Aug. 31	Lyle & Marge Zielke			
Sept. 1 9:15 am	Ruth Estep Bev Hansen	Lyle Christensen	Team #4 John Cook	(Music: Brian & Julie Field)
Sept. 7	Pat Jensen			
Sept. 8 9:15 am		Mildred Schroth	Team #5 Bill Meteyard	Hailey Sommer Kelsey Albright
Sept. 14 5:00 pm	Betty Schultz Cathy Meyer			
Sept. 15 9:15 am	Mildred Schroth Marge Jensen	Brenda Gieszler	Team #1 Harold Miller	Brian Field Andrew Reischl
Sept. 21 5:00 pm	Marion Andersen Judy Berndt			
Sept. 22 9:15 am		Al Svendsen	Team #2 Rich Christensen	Tanya Rasmussen Marissa Connet
Sept. 28	Evelyn Larsen			
Sept. 29 9:15 am		Nathan Albright	Team #3 Howard Jensen	Justin Haman Nathan Lamberton
Oct. 5 5:00 pm	Cheryl Dexter Barbara Larsen			
Oct. 6 9:15 am	Gregg & Kylee Albright	Kathy Christensen	Team #4 John Cook	Kally Jansen Amy Meteyard

	Altar Flowers	Fellowship	Candle Care	Communion Asst.
Sept. 1	R & K Christensen	<i>Please</i>		Karen Sedgwick
Sept. 8	J & M Haanstad	<i>sign up on</i>		
Sept. 15	D & D Orth	<i>the orange sheet</i>	Evelyn Larsen	Carol Eschmann
Sept. 22	H & D Slater	<i>on the</i>		
Sept. 29	M & L Zielke	<i>Sunset Room</i>		
Oct. 6	L Christensen	<i>door</i>	Ruth Estep	Gregg Albright

Thanks for Adopting Sundays

Our thanks to the following members and friends of Emmaus, who have adopted Sundays as part of Emmaus' Adopt-a-Sunday debt retirement program:

Julia Durand, in honor of Pastor Mary.

Nancy and Art Smith, in honor of Pastor Mary.

Emmaus Attendance Statistics

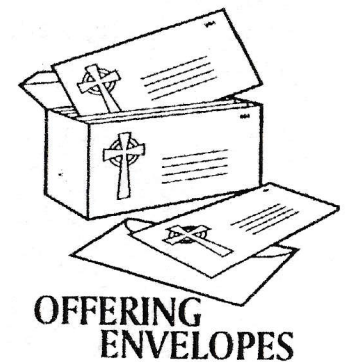
Average weekly attendance, June:	2000: 136	2001: 126	2002: 111
Average weekly attendance, July:	2000: 137	2001: 132	2002: 120
Average weekly attendance, August:	2000: 133	2001: 139	2002: 123
Average weekly attendance, Sept.:	2000: 172	2001: 156	

Financial Figures

Genl. Fund/Misc. offerings received in June	\$13,535.00	
Genl. Fund/Misc. offerings received in July	\$18,431.92	..... YTD 99,355.76
Bldg. Fund offerings received in June	\$193.00	
Bldg. Fund offerings received in July	<u>\$355.00</u>	..... YTD <u>\$2,309.00</u>
Unified budget receipts for June-July	\$32,514.92	..... YTD \$101,664.76
2001 Fund offerings in June & July	\$235.00	..... CAMPAIGN TOTAL \$99,426.12
8/1/02 mortgage payment:		
Principal	\$526.87	
Interest	\$439.13	
Total	\$966.00	
Principal balance as of August 12, 2002	\$63,874.07	

Fall Envelopes Are On Their Way

Emmaus members should receive their offering envelopes for October, November, December and January in the mail sometime this month. Please watch for your set of envelopes, and if they have not arrived by September 29, please contact the church office.



OFFERING ENVELOPES

Fall Brunch

WELCA Racine Mission Cluster

Saturday morning, Sept. 21, 2002

8:30 (registration) to 12:00 noon



Emmaus Lutheran Church

at the corner of Yout and Summit
(elevator at south entrance)

Our Fight Against Darkness Begins:
Wise as Serpents, a Christian Resource
presented by Rev. Denise Mbise & Joannie Williams

Matthew 10:16:

"See, I am sending you out like sheep in the midst
of wolves, so be wise as serpents....."

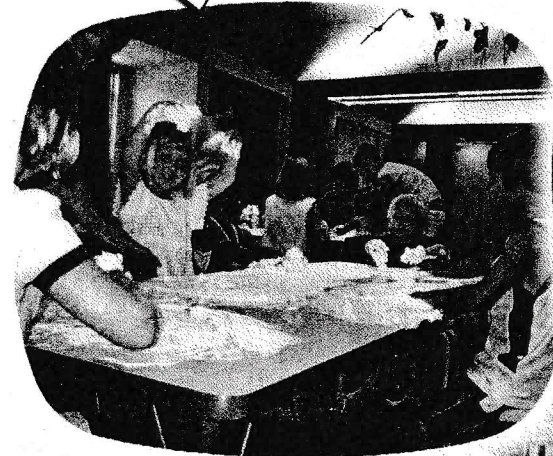
Each church must call in its reservation count by September 16

Phone Denise Keller: 619-9911

Cost \$4.00

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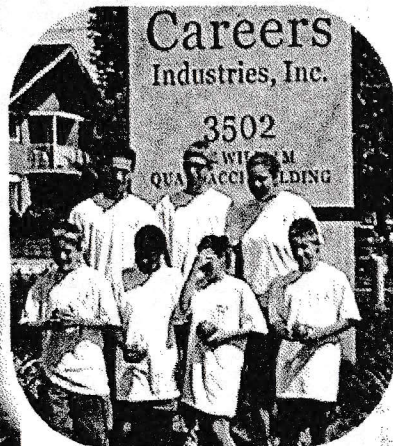
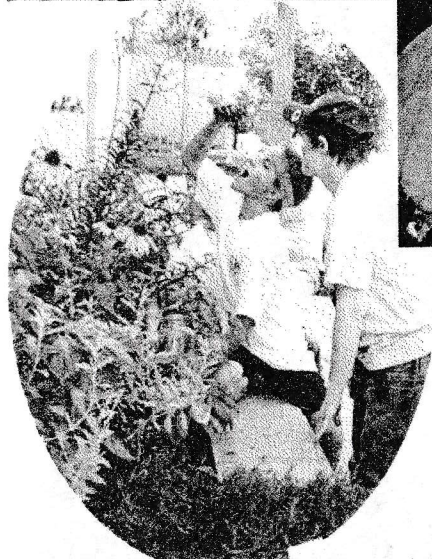
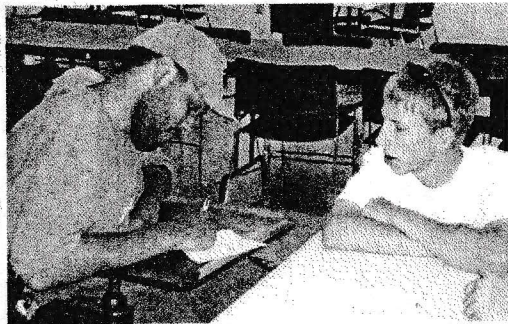
Photo Album
Emmaus Vacation
Bible School



Land Neighborhood Camp



Photo Album: Summer of Service



Parish Nurse Corner

Study Finds Risks in Hormone Replacement Therapy

by Carol Eschmann

Women's health issues are in the news daily. Many of you have received information about recent findings of the Women's Health Institute regarding Hormone Replacement Therapy (HRT). The Women's Health Initiative is one of the largest prevention studies of its kind. The study was designed to look at the effects not only of HRT, but also diet modification and vitamin and mineral supplements.

Nearly 67,000 women nationwide are participating in the clinical trials. The study is also following the medical history and health habits of another very large group of women to examine the relationship between lifestyle, health and risk factors with specific disease outcomes. Final results are expected in 2006.

Information about HRT is readily available. I have posted the informational letter from All Saints regarding this important issue. I wish to share some alternative therapies so that you can make informed choices with your physician. Your personal risk factors affect your options.

You can reduce risk of heart disease by stopping smoking and by keeping your weight, cholesterol levels and blood pressure under control. Some antidepressants can

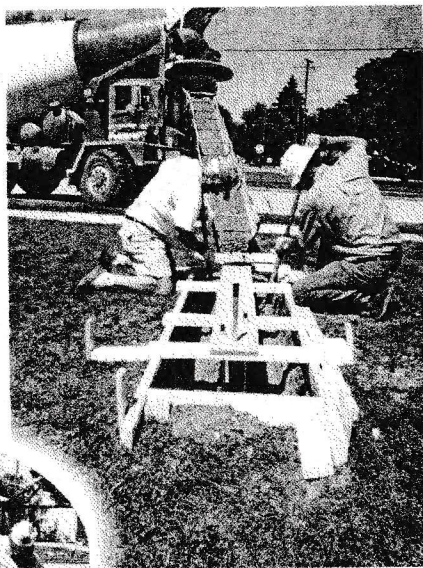
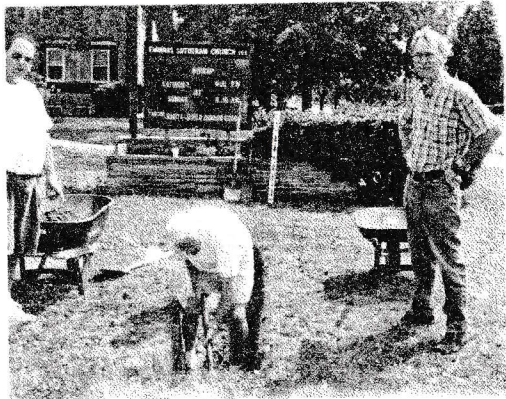
relieve hot flashes. There are some options to help protect against osteoporosis. Weight bearing exercise (walking) also prevents loss of bone.

Herbal remedies are also available. The newsletter from the Medical College of Wisconsin urges caution: "Just because something is derived from a plant does not necessarily mean it is safe. Some herbal remedies work a little, but some don't work at all. Many have potentially dangerous health risks. There is even less data on herbal remedies than on HRT."

You should discuss any alternative herbal therapies with your physician or pharmacist as they can interact with other medications you may be taking.

The most important message is that women need to understand the risks and benefits so they can make informed choices about hormone replacement. Your physician or nurse practitioner is the best person to discuss your concerns with because he/she knows your complete health history.

At press time, there are twelve openings in the September 18 Hormone Replacement Therapy Roundtable. However, if you are interested in these informative sessions, be sure to phone LifeSpan at 687-4800.



Bishop Rogness Issues Farewell Message

July 2002

Dear Partners in Ministry,

How do I write my final message to all of you? Easy. Thanksgiving!

I am so enormously grateful—

- for the synod assembly, its gracious show of support for me personally, the staff who have served with me, my family that is part of who I am—
- for the wonderful servant leaders you lifted up as potential successors, for the gifts each one offers to the Lord of the church and for the trust and courage of each to

participate in that process—
 • for Paul Stumme-Diers, good friend and strong colleague over these years, who lets me leave with the confidence of strong and able leadership continuing for these people I love so much— and for Laurie, superbly gifted pastor in her own right, now carrying yet another dimension of service to the church
 • for the marvelous people I've been privileged to serve with as staff of this synod, clear in their commitment to the life of the church, whose working

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Milwaukee Congregation Dissolves

MILWAUKEE — Jeanne E. Solik, Pastoral Coordinator for Redeemer Lutheran Church at Layton and Rogers on Milwaukee's south side, announced that the congregation had made the difficult decision to disband and close. The decision followed a June meeting at which synod officials conveyed their finding that Redeemer was no longer a viable congregation.

Redeemer Lutheran Church began in 1906 with fifteen families who met for worship in the pastor's attic. It has shared space for the past two years with Cristo Rey, a Hispanic ministry. Rick Deines

reports that plans are for Cristo Rey to continue use of the building.

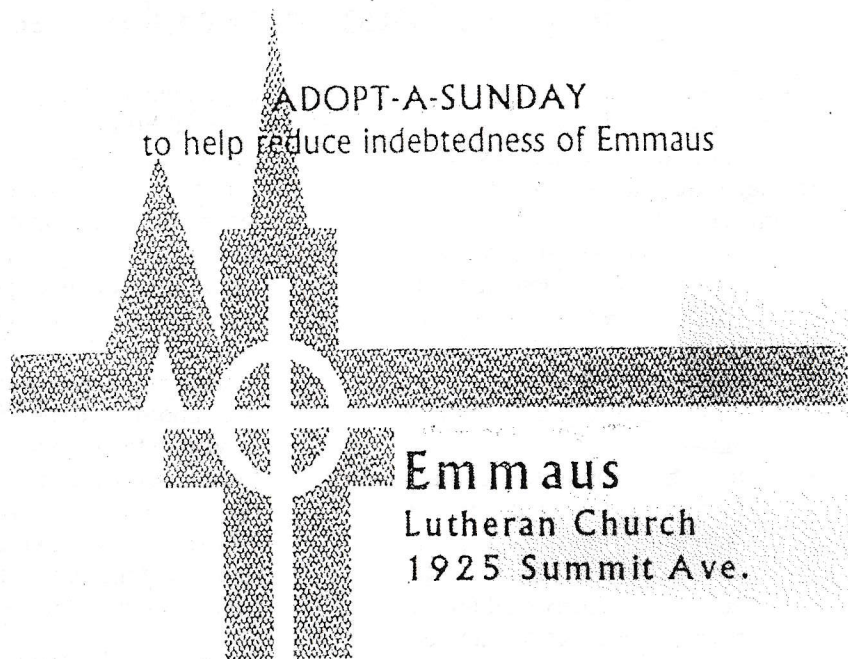
The 2002 ELCA yearbook lists Redeemer as having 102 members and a weekly worship attendance of 43.

Redeemer's leadership committee has extended an invitation for the members of the

Greater Milwaukee Synod to join together with them on Sunday, October 13, 2002 at 3:00 p.m. for a Closing Ritual, a service to honor what Redeemer has been and a celebration of the life that continues.



ADOPT-A-SUNDAY
to help reduce indebtedness of Emmaus



Emmaus
Lutheran Church
1925 Summit Ave.

I wish to contribute: \$1,000 \$750 \$500
 \$300 \$100 \$_____

(Suggested minimum \$100; any gift appreciated)

Sunday to adopt: _____

In memory of: _____

In honor of: _____

Occasion: _____

Contributor: _____

AAL Offers Benefits for Life

Aid Association for Lutherans (AAL) provides more than insurance. As an AAL member, you'll have the chance to help others through volunteerism and branch

activities, support your Lutheran heritage and order complimentary educational and informational benefits designed to help improve the quality of your life.

Rogness Message

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- relationship with me was always both honest and supportive
- for the rostered ministers of this synod, clergy and lay alike, who bring their rich diversity of gifts and perspectives to the common life we share
 - for the countless faithful disciples who work hard at the often-invisible but important tasks of keeping local congregational ministry strong
 - for the honesty of critics whose impatience with the imperfections in the world and the church keep challenging us to examine ourselves and our ministries
 - for your healthy view of the ELCA as a church body, and your refusal to let the cultural cynicism of institutions make us skeptical of God's ability to work through a church body such as ours
 - for the incredibly rich ecumenical and interfaith milieu that has enriched my life and ministry personally,

- and added a fullness to our life as a church in this place
- for the additional pages and pages this list could continue into—
- and, finally—
- for the goodness of a God who has placed us in the midst of a wondrous creation,
 - for the love of a God seen in Jesus Christ who grabs hold of us as we are, unconditionally, warts and all, and claims us, and
 - for the living Spirit of God who gives life and renewal to us all.

In all these things and more, and for each day of the rest of my life, I will be grateful to God for the journey we have had together.

Grace and Peace,
Peter Rogness, Bishop

Bishop Peter Rogness completed his term as bishop of the Greater Milwaukee Synod on July 31.

The Rev. Paul Stumme-Diers became interim bishop of the synod on Aug. 1 and his six-year term begins Sept. 1.

Elsewhere In Our Area

Lutherdale Auctions Quilts

Lutherdale's Fest and Quilt Auction will be Saturday September 7 from 9:00 to 4:00. Enjoy this festive day of food, fun, quilts, and collectibles. There is something for everyone. Proceeds are matched by Aid Association for Lutherans and Lutheran Brotherhood.

Lutherdale is located on Highway 12 just north of Elkhorn. Call 262-742-2352 for more information.

St. Michael's Hosts Grief Retreat

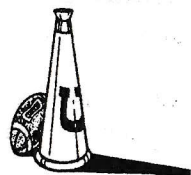
St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 4701 Erie Street, will host "Joyful Again!", a grief retreat for widows and widowers, September 14 and 15. The retreat is designed to help move participants along in the grieving process.

The cost is \$60.00, which covers five meals and all materials. Contact Joan Spinks at 681-1008 for further information.

Lutheran College Fairs Scheduled for Fall 2002

CHICAGO (ELCA) — There will be a Lutheran college fair on Sunday, Sept. 15 in Waukesha from

3:45 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. This will be an opportunity for students and parents to ask questions and find out more about the variety of Lutheran colleges and universities.



Specifics:
Sunday Sept. 15
in Waukesha
Country Inn Hotel
and Conference
Center
(262/547-0201)

2810 Golf Road (from I-94 take Highway T to Golf Road. West on Golf Road approximately 1 mile to hotel.)

Schedule of events:

3:45 p.m. Registration begins
4:00 - 4:45 p.m. College and Career Planning
5:00 - 5:45 p.m. Financial Aid
5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Lutheran College Fair - Reception and hors d'oeuvres

The event is open to students, parents, pastors and youth leaders.

Admission representatives from Lutheran colleges and universities will be available to answer questions regarding admission, academic programs, student life, housing and financial aid.

A college planning Web site for parents is available online at www.collegevalue.com. For more information about Lutheran colleges and universities, visit www.lutherancolleges.org.

North Cape Hosts Fish Boil

North Cape Lutheran Church, on Highway 45 about ¾ mile north of Highway K, invites you to their nineteenth annual All-You-Can-Eat fish boil Saturday, September 28, 3:30-8:00 p.m. Advance tickets are \$9.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children ages 6-11, and free for children 5 and under. Tickets at the door are \$9.50 for adults, \$5.50 for kids 6-11.



The menu includes boneless, skinless ocean cod smothered in butter (or margarine on request), new jacketed potatoes, boiled carrots and onions, dessert and a beverage. Watch the "masters" cook the meal outdoors over an open wood fire.

Proceeds will be used for church fellowship and outreach activities. For information or reservations, call the church office, 835-2206 mornings.

Covenant Seeks Volunteers

Covenant Home Health and Hospice is committed to helping families keep loved ones with a life-limiting disease in the home. To help with this they are looking for volunteers with the loving heart and hands of a good neighbor. Many satisfying volunteer opportunities are available, from in-office clerical help to nurturing patients and care-

givers.

To learn more about becoming a Covenant Hospice Volunteer, please call Pam Balthazor at 884-2980. New volunteer training is scheduled for October 5 and 12 in the Racine office.

Synod Sponsors Worship and Liturgy Class

Rev. Dr. Steve Kuhl will lead a course to give students an understanding and appreciation for the history, theology and practice of Christian worship that will be useful for enhancing their own participation in worship and for evaluating the assumptions and conflicts that frustrate the worship of life of today's church. Special attention will be given to the art of planning and leading worship, especially those occasions for worship that are lay (or AIM) led.

Anyone and everyone is invited to take this course for personal enrichment. The ten Saturday morning sessions meet 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. September 28 through November 30 at Martin Luther Church, 9235 W. Bluemound Road, Milwaukee.

The cost is \$250 tuition plus books and materials (an additional \$150 if you want credit toward a degree at Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago). The course is sponsored by the Greater Milwaukee Synod and LSTC.

How Large Is Our Church?

As a Pastor, I am very often asked the question, "How large is your church?" I struggle with how best to answer that question.

Do I quickly reply with a figure of 600+ and leave it at that? That number represents those baptized folks "on the rolls," but I don't think it leaves an accurate impression of Emmaus.

Or, do I refer to numbers representing regular contributors or average weekly attendance? No matter what I answer, I get responses that vary from "Oh, that's a good-sized church" to "I didn't realize your church was so small."

As Paul Berge has undertaken the tedious task of trying to decipher faded script of former pastors and record-keepers (written in Danish until the 1930's), over the past months he has transferred name after name and date after date to a computerized record of baptisms since 1851. Behind what is recorded in those old tomes are stories of how large our church actually was and is.

In the 1870's, '80's and '90's, there were as many as 120 people baptized in any given year. As people "came off the boat," leaving behind families and friends in the old country, they came to Emmaus

and to other churches in the area, eager to be a part of this new family.

Also behind those names and dates are stories of lives impacted by the words, "baptized in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit." As a family of God, we share a promise, and we share a part of our pilgrimage of faith together. And, those who were here before us have shaped our church and our lives in ways we cant even name. The words of Hebrew 12 come to mind:

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith...

On Sunday, September 8, there will be a visual reminder of that cloud of witnesses as a long, long paper chain will be hanging around the sanctuary. On each link will be one of the nearly 5,000 names who are included in this "cloud of witnesses" of those baptized at Emmaus.

Many of those dear saints have gone before us, leaving a legacy of

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mission and care and compassion. They, living in the promise of their baptismal waters, weathered scandals, divisions and disagreements in the church and in their lives.

As brothers and sisters in Christ, they also were fed by the Word and the Sacrament of holy Communion. They worshiped and prayed and ate together. They supported one another in time of need and loss. And, they reached out to those who needed to hear the same word of hope and promise.

We continue to celebrate all who join us in the promise of life and forgiveness that comes in Baptism. Our new brothers and sisters are no longer those who "come off the boat," but they are those who are already a part of our neighborhood and our city.

We pray that this new generation of the Baptized will be embraced by and embrace the promise that is theirs in their new family, the family of the Christian Church. May they

know they truly "belong." We are *all* children of God, heirs of the kingdom.

How large is our church? It's huge! We pray that the word of promise and grace continue to grow and thrive among us.

Shalom,

CELEBRATE DeKOVEN CENTER'S 150TH ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2002

3:00 PM IN ST. JOHN'S CHAPEL
AN INTERPRETIVE CONCERT with internationally-known cellist **MICHAEL FITZPATRICK**
 winner, the Prince Charles Award given by HRH
 READINGS FROM THOMAS MERTON BY PAUL HOLBROOK

4:00 IN ST. JOHN'S CHAPEL
CHORAL EVENSONG AND BLESSING OF THE DeKOVEN ICON
JAMES SCHATZMAN Conducting
 St. Luke's Episcopal Church Choir with Guests from the Choral Arts Society
 in honor of **BILL LEWIS & JOSEPHINE McNEIL LEWIS,** Patrons

5:00 IN THE GREAT HALL
CHAMPAGNE RECEPTION FREE WILL OFFERINGS ACCEPTED

The DeKoven Center is located at 600 - 21st St. (21st St. & Wisconsin Ave.) in Racine, Wisconsin. Phone (262) 633-6401 or e-mail dekoven.center@juno.com visit our web site at dekovencenters.palm.com



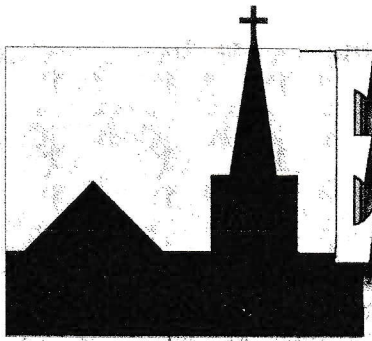
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*Visitor:***

- Sunday School Begins
September 8
- 8th-9th Gr. Confirmation
Orientation Sept. 18
- A Farewell to Elms
- KidsHope Gears Up for
Third Year
- Visitors Needed
- Emmaus to Host
WELCA Brunch
- Rummage Sale Sept. 7
- Pictures of Vacation
Bible School, Summer
of Service, and the New
Sign

Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Church
1925 Summit Avenue
Racine, Wisconsin 53404-2374

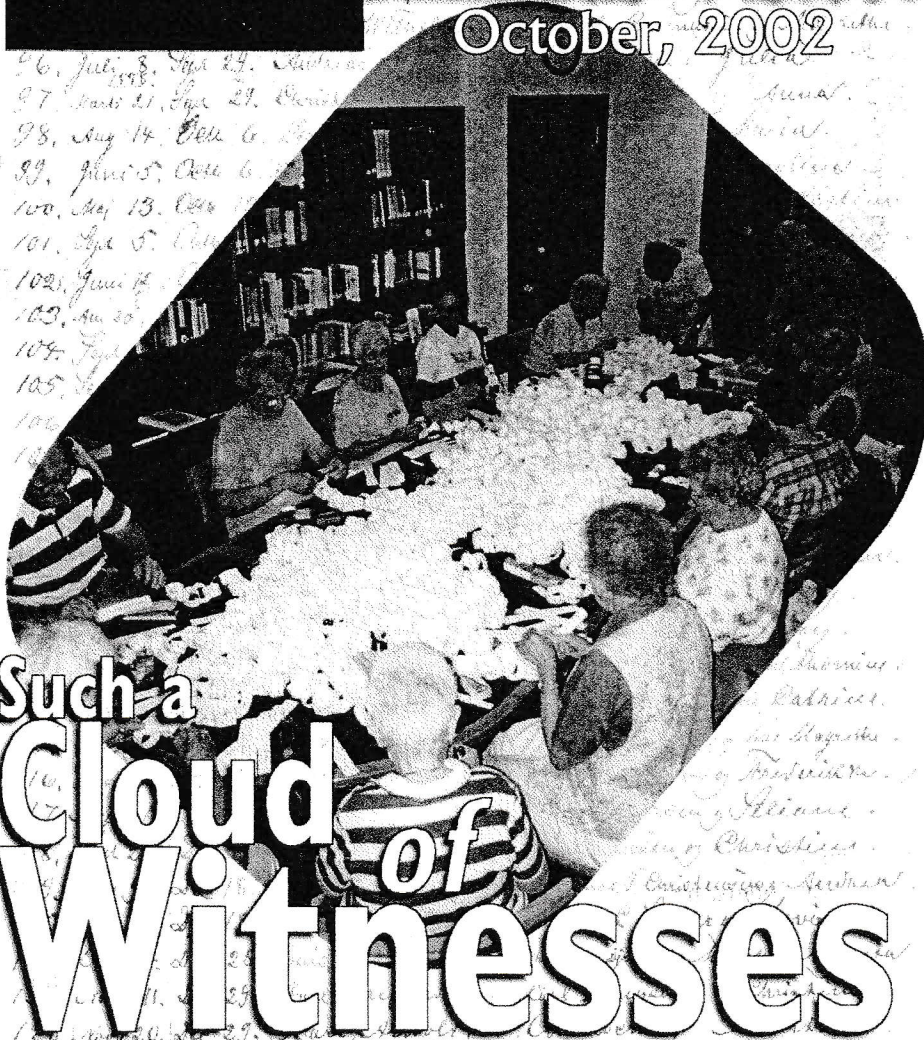
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October, 2002



Such a Cloud of Witnesses

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"Sent Forth By God's Blessing"

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PASTORAL ACTS

Baptisms:

September 8, 2002

Kimberly Anne Andersen
Melanie Marie Andersen
Terry Jordan Andersen
Cody Shaun Andersen

Melanie, T.J., and Cody Andersen are the children of Kimberly (née Endresen) and Jamie Andersen. Melanie is 9 years old; T.J. is 8, and Cody is 5. Kim works in the lab at St. Mary's Hospital. Terry and Kay Andersen are sponsors for Kim and the children.

September 8, 2002

Christian Matthew Krug

Christian is the infant son of Kevin and Tanya Krug, and the grandson of Bill and Gayle Krug. His sponsors are Dave and Joy Martini and Terry and Rachel Krug.

Funeral:

October 1, 2002

Deloris Tollefson Slater

Dee passed away September 24 after suffering a heart attack while she and husband Harley were visiting their son Greg in Columbus, Ohio. She was an active volunteer at the church, lately scheduling Sunday lay readers. The Slaters also have another son, Jeff, of Racine.

We celebrate with Ron and Pat Jensen in the birth of their grandson, Samuel David Albright, on September 23. Samuel's parents are Deborah and Kirk Albright.

Tenth Graders to Be Confirmed Oct. 27

The following tenth graders are completing their preparation to publicly affirm their baptism:

Joe Devine
April Falaschi
Ashley Lambertson
AnnMarie Liesch
Laura Olson
Dylan Scoon
Erin Sommer



These Emmaus tenth graders will meet with their mentors prior to the rite of confirmation at the 9:15 service on Sunday, October 27. Confirmands and mentors discuss faith as it relates to our everyday lives and the choices we make in life.

Acting as mentors for our confirmands this year are Marty Aiken, Carol Yust, Sandi Strini, Traci Purath, Amy Larsen, Nancy Smith and Cathy Knuteson.

Confirmands will have their picture taken *before* the service at the front of the church. Please be sure to be at the church with your alb on and boutonniere pinned at 8:45 a.m.

Parents of confirmands are asked to select a Bible verse to be presented to their son or daughter during the Rite of Confirmation. Please call the church office to inform the church secretary of the Bible verse by October 18; if there is a particular Bible translation you prefer, it may be best to get the verse to the office on paper.

Youth Birthdays in October

Oct. 3	Alex Gueldenzopf, 18
Oct. 5	Samantha Galligan, 13
Oct. 8	Kaitlyn Hall, 2
Oct. 9	Joe Ford, 8
Oct. 9	Nichelle Slawson, 16
Oct. 13	Adam Jaskulske, 13
Oct. 13	Mike Liesch, 12
Oct. 14	Collin Christman, 6
Oct. 15	Joshua Williams, 2
Oct. 17	Aaron Smith, 9
Oct. 18	Joey Butler, 7
Oct. 22	Sarah Higgins, 6
Oct. 23	Tim Koenig, 16
Oct. 24	Kally Jansen, 14
Oct. 26	Hailey Sommer, 13

Choir Rehearses on Sundays

by Marsha Connet

The Adult Choir, in an effort to attract more members, has moved rehearsals to 8:00 a.m. Sunday mornings. Anyone interested in singing is invited to join



us in the choir loft rehearsal room.

Sunday morning rehearsals will run through the month of October and then will be evaluated.

Please join us!

Thank You to This Year's Sunday School Staff

by Denise Keller

Rally Day kicked off our Sunday School program on September 8 with 30 kids attending. We started out the hour with Pastor Mary talking about Baptism in the sanctuary, continued outside for some games and activities, and ended with a snack up in the temple room. Thank you to all who helped get us off to a good start.

We have 41 kids registered in pre-school through grade 7; six children are new to the program this year! Older youth attend the weekly Youth Forum let by Carol Yust.

The younger children continued to talk about Baptism on September 15 and 22. We learned that Jesus asked John the Baptist to

baptize him because he wanted to start his ministry right. Jesus started out right by obeying God.

We made dove magnets and learned that the dove is a symbol of God's Spirit. We also played games that made us think about right choices in our lives.

We ended the month with singing in church the song "Deep and Wide... There's a Fountain Flowing" on September 29.

Rotation 2: September 29-October 13

Jonah, the Reluctant Prophet Obeying God

Based on Jonah 1-4

There will be no Sunday School on October 20: Sunday

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Sunday School Welcomes Denise Keller

Denise Keller, former pre-school Sunday School teacher (she co-taught with Joy Lippmann), has assumed the position of Sunday School coordinator. Beginning her responsibilities September 1, Denise has had a busy start to what promises to be an exciting year.

Identifying willing volunteers, creation of curriculum and taking responsibility for logistics are but a part of Denise's new role. How are certain kids motivated? What will best engage the variety of styles of learning? How is all of this tied in with teaching the kids the basics about our Christian faith?

Denise has already learned how to use the multi-projector, and she often finds herself on the phone or the internet tapping the resources

that will help enhance the program. Jamie Toslek has assumed the pre-school position that Denise once held. Karla Bielewicz, children's music director, works closely with Denise and other staff members, always willing to take leadership for Sunday morning "opening" time and to lend a hand in the activities that follow.

The Sunday School children are scheduled to sing during the 9:15 a.m. worship service the last Sunday of each month.

Do you enjoy children? Would you like to "get your toes wet"? (This year's Sunday School theme is water!) Give Denise a call (619-9911) or come upstairs to observe some Sunday at 10:30. See where you might best fit in!



Denise Keller

Sunday School Staff

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School kids will sing October 27 at the 9:15 service.

Art, drama, video and games will highlight themes of obedience, hiding from God, and God's mercy.

Art: The children will make a whale and Jonah for a visual reminder of the story.

Drama: The children will create a puppet show about Jonah's disobedience and the importance of obeying God.

Video: The story of Jonah will

be viewed and discussion will reveal times when we have disobeyed God.

Games will be played that show the importance of following directions. Discussion will follow regarding God's laws in our lives.

Pre-school through grade 7 meet upstairs.

Grades 8-12 meet in the Fireside Room.

Sunday School begins at 10:30 and ends at 11:30.

Snack time 10:15-10:30.

Emmaus Staff & Worship Times

Pastor: Mary L. Janz	1909 Summit Avenue 633-3059
Visitation Pastor: Sharon Georgi	6733 Jacobsen Lane 886-3960
e-mail: Church—emmaus@execpc.com	Church office:
Pastor Mary—mljanz@aol.com	262 634-5515
EASY—velvetta@execpc.com	fax: 262 633-0726

Council President: Amy Larsen	Services are held at Emmaus every Saturday
Sun. School Coordinator: Denise Keller	evening at 5:00 and Sunday morning at 9:15.
Kids Hope USA Dir.: Marty Aiken	Sunday School meets at 10:30 a.m.
Organist: Joyce Kaiser	Emmaus After School for Youth (EASY) is
Adult Choir Dir.: Marsha Connet	open from 2:30 to 5:30 Tuesdays and Thursdays.
Youth Music Dir.: Karla Bielewicz	Office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Secretary: Paul Berge	Monday through Friday.
Custodians: Matt Liesch & Harley Slater	The <i>Visitor</i> is published monthly except July.
	The deadline for the November issue is October 15.

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Sunday School Thanks Julie Field

Sunday School coordinator, Julie Field, stepped down from that position at the end of August. Julie was part of the original "dream team" (other members were Carol Rudey, Nancy Smith and Pastor Mary) that launched our second floor renovation three years ago. They also implemented the Workshop Rotation model of Sunday School that is currently in use.

Julie's creative touches and artwork can be found everywhere on the second floor. Have you seen the crucifix made of computer parts in the computer room, the "Jesus wall" and the colorful timepiece in the art room, the strip of film painted on the video room walls, and the "Amazing Grace" walls in the choir room? Julie created all of that artwork. Visitors "ooh and aah" over her work on a regular basis!

As Sunday School coordinator, Julie assumed the responsibility of all the scheduling of staff, creating of curriculum and general logistics of

the Emmaus Sunday School program. Although she no longer assumes the overall responsibility, Julie can still be found lending a hand on Sunday mornings where there is a need.

We are grateful for all Julie has done and is doing for the kids of Emmaus, and we pray that God be with her as she pursues new ventures.

Sunday School Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed for Sunday School. There are many opportunities to be a part of our exciting program! Calling all shepherds and workshop leaders — let's pull together as a church community and show our children how important they really are to us — important enough to give our time!

Emmaus Opens After School Tuesdays and Thursdays

Beginning October 1, Emmaus will open its doors every Tuesday and Thursday from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. for students in grades 1 through 5.

A typical day in the EASY (Emmaus After School for Youth) program will include a snack, homework help, time for quiet play (board games, puzzles, etc.), a planned hands-on activity or



craft. There will also be opportunity for outdoor play some days.

EASY offers an escort from school for Wadewitz students; students from any other school or neighborhood are welcome, but must arrange for their own transportation. Parents are to pick up the kids at the end of the day.

WELCA Bulletins

Women Serve Æbleskiver Brunch October 20

by Denise Keller

The women will host an æbleskiver brunch October 20 at 10:30 a.m. Tickets go on sale September 29: \$4.00 in advance for adults (\$4.50 at the door), and \$2.00 for children (in advance or at the door).

Please sign up in the Narthex to help sell tickets, serve and clean up.

25% of the proceeds will go to women; another 25% to youth, and 50% will go to the new tree fund.

WELCA Brunch

The Emmaus women hosted the Racine Mission Cluster WELCA Brunch on Saturday, September 21. Sixty women attended from fifteen Racine area churches and enjoyed a great meal prepared by Kathy Christensen, Cheryl Dexter, *et al.* in Fellowship Hall.

They then continued into sanctuary for an interesting program called "Our Fight Against Darkness Begins: Wise As Serpents, A Christian Resource." The presentation by Joanne Williams, R.N. and Pastor Denise Mbise showed how young people are taught to be alert to sexual exploitation, which is so prevalent all around them.

Thank you to all the women who helped set up, prepare, serve,

clean up and bake muffins.

Sewing Kits

Sewing kits will be sent with Lutheran World Relief shipment on October 12. Anyone is encouraged to make up a kit and deposit it in the basket in the narthex.

Include the following items in each sewing kit:

- Three yards of 44" or 45" cotton or cotton blend fabric, four yards if 36"
- One package of needles, for hand sewing
- One spool of matching thread
- One card of buttons

Wrap the sewing notions inside the fabric and tie with string, yarn or a strip of fabric.

Bake Sale

Thank you to all who baked delicious looking baked goods for our sale on September 7. We made \$143.00. One quarter of the proceeds will go to women's mission, while the 75% will help fund children's and youth ministries of Emmaus.

Synodical Convention

To women from Emmaus will attend the 15th annual Greater Milwaukee Synod Women of the ELCA convention October 11 and 12 at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Milwaukee.

Calling All Admirals Fans

Emmaus members are going on an outing to a Milwaukee Admirals game on Saturday, October 26. \$17.00 includes tickets and a school bus ride up to the game.

Sign up in the narthex by October 12, or see any



member of the Chris Lamberton family (639-1712). The game is at 7:12 p.m., so we expect to leave from Emmaus around 6:00.

Packer Tailgate Party Planned for Nov. 17

by Kylee Albright

Wear your Green and Gold to church on Sunday, November 17 and join the middle and high school youth in some pre-game tailgating following the service. We'll have a big screen TV set up in Fellowship Hall for you to watch the game with the rest of the Emmaus Packer fans.

This is a "bring your own" event: meat to grill — whatever side



dish(es) you may want — a comfortable chair.

We'll have available:

The big screen TV (\$5 per person to cover cost of TV rental) — Beverages (sold for 50¢ each) — Cheesecake by the slice (sold for \$2.00/slice). Grills will be available at no charge. Condiments will also be supplied free of charge.

All proceeds will go toward the Summer Youth Trip to Atlanta. Hope to see you there to cheer on "the Pack."

Fellowship Hall Remodeled

Just in time for fall, Emmaus has remodeled Fellowship Hall. The '50's style light fixtures (which never lit up the room as much as 300 watts per bulb would suggest) are gone, replaced with much brighter, more energy efficient recessed fluorescent lights. A drop ceiling conceals some of the pipe and duct work.

The stairway outside the back entrance by the kitchen has also been replaced. The steps have bumps to help avoid slipperiness in the winter.

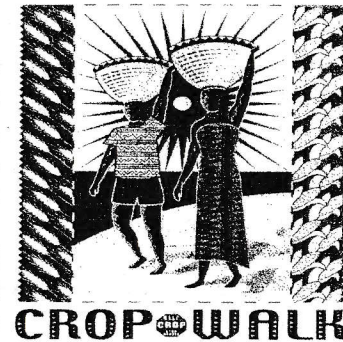
Funding for these projects has come from savings designated for capital improvements, but earmarked donations are welcome.

Walk for the Hungry Sunday, Oct. 6

by Cindi Larsen

Just a reminder that the CROP Walk will begin at First United Methodist Church. Registration is at 12:30 p.m. with the Walk beginning at 1:00 p.m.

Please call or see Cindi Larsen (681-0282) for pledge sheets. Upon the completion



of the Walk, please be sure to turn in pledge envelope with monies collected to Cindi Larsen.

Thanks for caring about hunger in our world.

Emmaus Serves Community Meal October 3

It's Emmaus' turn to prepare and serve the Community Meal at St. Patrick's Catholic Church on October 3. On the first Thursday of every other month, Emmaus members prepare jello, cakes, and casseroles to feed needy men, women and children in Racine.

We can always use help in

servicing the meal. We meet at St. Patrick's, 1100 Erie Street, at 5:00 p.m. Contact Margaret Christensen at 681-0128 to help. We have pans in the kitchenette off the Sunset Room which you may use; please tape your name to the pan if you leave it at Emmaus for us to take to St. Pat's. Thank you!

Thanks for Giving, Buying and Rummaging

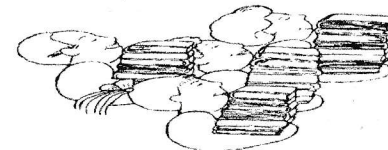
Thanks to all those who helped make our rummage sale another success, whether you worked, donated treasures, or bought goodies. The proceeds will

go toward REST, mission trips, and our women's group.

Matching funds have been applied for from Thrivent (AAL-Lutheran Brotherhood).

Book Club Reads Russo

The Emmaus book club will meet October 17 to discuss *Empire*



Falls by Richard Russo. The book club meets on the third Thursday of the month at 1:00 p.m.

REST Seeks Volunteers, Cooks

by Pat Liesch

Many thanks to all of you who already signed up to volunteer at our Emmaus site on Friday nights. We are off to a good start, but are always looking for new faces on our volunteer list! Please consider volunteering. You won't regret it.

A big thank you goes out to Thrivent (formerly AAL) and all its members. Thrivent members helped staff The Emmaus rummage sale last month, and provided funding so this REST site could continue to operate.

If anyone out there would like to make a casserole, for our suppers, please call me. I am looking for ways to simplify our meals, and of course, I am always looking for new recipes! Also, on October 25, REST will serve chili for supper to our guests.

I am looking for volunteers to make up a batch of chili, and bring it to church, where we'll mix it all together in a big pot. If your chili is especially spicy, please let me know, and I'll keep that separate from the rest.

Please contact me at 835-1363, and I can provide you with some of the ingredients.

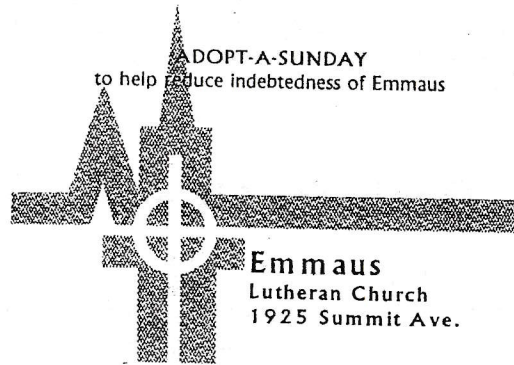
Look for the REST basket in the narthex. This month, Emmaus REST is collecting toothpaste and toothbrushes for our guests. These items will be given out here, at Emmaus, as the need

arises.

Your donations, of your time, treasures, treats and money are always appreciated. Please don't forget the "brother" buckets in the narthex. That change really mounts up!

Secretary to Take Vacation

Our secretary, Paul Berge, will be on vacation the week of November 3-9. Volunteers are needed to staff the church office between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday that week. Please contact Paul at the church office (634-5515).



I wish to contribute: \$1,000 \$750 \$500
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(Suggested minimum \$100; any gift appreciated)

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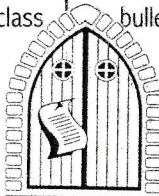
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September Worship Assistants

	Altar Guild	Readers	Ushers	Acolytes
Oct. 5 5:00 pm	Cheryl Dexter Barbara Larsen			
Oct. 6 9:15 am	Gregg & Kylee Albright	Kathy Christensen	Team #4 John Cook	Kally Jansen Amy Meteyard
Oct. 12 5:00 pm	Lael Richter Arvilla Nemer			
Oct. 13 9:15 am		Cindi Larsen	Team #5 Bill Meteyard	Hailey Sommer Kelsey Albright
Oct. 19 5:00 pm	Barb Toslek Kelly Austin			
Oct. 20 9:15 am	Ruth Estep Bev Hansen	Ken Larsen	Team #1 Harold Miller	Brian Field Andrew Reischl
Oct. 26 5:00 pm	Jan Svendsen Shirley Irvine			
Oct. 27 9:15 am		Bev Hansen	Team #2 Rich Christensen	Marissa Connet Kally Jansen Amy Meteyard Tanya Rasmussen
Nov. 2 5:00 pm	TBA			
Nov. 3 9:15 am	TBA	Marsha Connet	Team #3 Howard Jensen	Justin Haman Nate Lambertson

	Altar Flowers	Fellowship	Candle Care	Communion Asst.
Oct. 6	Lyle Christensen	Balthazar girls		Gregg Albright
Oct. 13	B & D Keller	D & K Smith	Ruth Estep	
Oct. 20	Harley Slater	Æbleskiver		Kylee Albright
Oct. 27	J & J Larsen	J & K Cook		
Nov. 3	D & M Anderson	Albrights	Mildred Schroth	Kathy Christensen

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<h1>October, 2002</h1> <p>Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Church 1925 Summit Avenue, Racine ☎ 262 634-5515</p>		1 <i>No Senior Fellowship Center</i> 11:00 am Slater funeral 5:00 pm TOPS	2 1:30 pm Lydia Circle 6:30 pm 8th-9th Gr. confirmation class 7:30 pm 10 th grade confirmands	3 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 5:00 pm Community Meal at St. Pat's 7:00 pm Stamp Club	4 7:00 pm REST	5 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion 
6 20 TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 8:00 am Adult Choir rehearsal 9:15 am Worship Service LBW Setting 2 with Holy Communion 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School 12:30 pm CROP Walk at 1 ST United Methodist 	7 11:00 am Staff mtg. 6:00 pm WELCA Board mtg. 7:00 pm Worship & Music committee	8 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 5:00 pm TOPS	9 6:30 pm 8th-9th Gr. confirmation class 	10 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline	11 7:00 pm REST	12 <i>Deadline for Admirals' game</i> 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion <hr/> <i>GMS WELCA Convention, Our Savior's, Milw.</i>
13 21 ST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 8:00 am Adult Choir rehearsal 9:15 am Worship Service WOV Service of Word & Prayer 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School	14 COLUMBUS DAY 11:00 am Staff mtg. 6:30 pm Church council mtg.	15 <i>Nov. Visitor deadline</i> 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 5:00 pm TOPS	16 6:30 pm 8th-9th Gr. confirmation class	17 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 1:00 pm Book club	18 ST. LUKE 7:00 pm REST	19 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion 
20 22 ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 8:00 am Adult Choir rehearsal 9:15 am Worship Service Chicago Folk service with Holy Communion 10:30 am Æbleskiver breakfast	21 11:00 am Staff mtg. 6:30 pm REST Board 7:00 pm Miriam Circle at Jan Sukus'	22 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 5:00 pm TOPS	23 ST. JAMES OF JERUSALEM 6:30 pm 8th-9th Gr. confirmation class	24 UNITED NATIONS DAY 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline	25 7:00 pm REST	26 1:00 pm Savage-Christensen wedding 5:00 pm Worship service w/HC 6:00 pm Trip to Admirals game 2:00 am Daylight Savings ends
27 REFORMATION SUNDAY 8:00 am Adult Choir rehearsal 8:45 am Confirmands' photo shoot 9:15 am Worship Service WOV Service of Word & Prayer; 10 th Grade confirmation 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School	28 ST. SIMON & ST. JUDE 9:00 am Deadline for All Saints' flower orders 11:00 am Staff mtg.	29 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 5:00 pm TOPS	30 6:30 pm 8th-9th Gr. confirmation class 	31 REFORMATION DAY 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline	Nov. 1 ALL SAINTS' DAY 7:00 pm REST	2 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion

Emmaus Name: _____ Home phone: _____

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Store name	Emmaus earns	Denominations available	Quantity	Total
DRUG & GROCERY STORES				
GNC	6%	\$25		
Kohl's Food Store	4%	\$10, \$25		
Piggly Wiggly	4%	\$25, \$50		
Jewel/Osco	4%	\$30, \$25		
CLOTHING, SPORTING & DEPARTMENT STORES				
American Eagle Outfitters	8%	\$25		
August Max Women	19%	\$10		
Burlington Coat Factory	12%	\$10, \$25		
Cabela's	7%	\$25		
Casual Corner/August Max	16%	\$25		
Claire's	7%	\$10		
Eddie Bauer	9%	20%		
Foot Locker	8%	\$25		
Gap debit card	8%	\$20		
J. C. Penney gift card	5%	\$25, \$100		
K-Mart	3%	\$10, \$25, \$50		
The Limited	8%	\$25		
Old Navy debit card	8%	\$25		
Payless Shoe Source	12%	\$10, \$20		
Sears	2%	\$25, \$100, \$250		
ShopKo debit card	4%	\$25, \$50		
Spiegel Catalog	9%	\$20		
Structure	10%	\$25		
T. J. Maxx, Marshalls	8%	\$10, \$25		
BOOKSTORES, OFFICE SUPPLY				
Barnes & Noble	8%	\$10, \$25		
Office Max debit card	3%	\$25		
Walden Books	8%	\$25		
STEREO, VIDEO EQUIPMENT, VIDEO RENTAL				
Best Buy	2%	\$25, \$50		
Blockbuster Video	7%	\$10		
Circuit City gift card	2.5%	\$25, \$50, \$100		
Hollywood Video	15%	\$10		

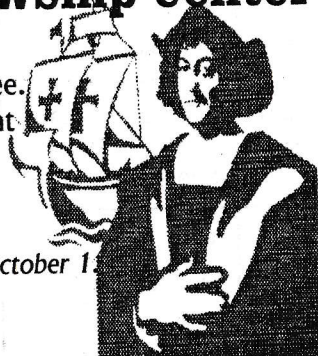
Musicland/Sam Goody/Suncoast	4%	\$25		
HARDWARE, BED & BATH				
Ace Hardware	7%	\$25		
Bath & Body Works	13%	\$10, \$20, \$25		
Home Depot	3%	\$25, \$100, \$250		
Menards Home Improvement	3%	\$25, \$50, \$100		
Pier 1 Imports	7%	\$10, \$25		
TOYS				
Kaybee Toys				
Tots R Us, Kids R Us, Babies R Us				
TRAVEL, SERVICE STATIONS				
BP/Amoco pre-pay oil card	3%	\$25, \$50		
Citgo	2.5%	\$50		
Exxon/Mobil driver cash card	2.5%	\$25, \$50		
Kwik Trip	3%	\$10		
Shell Oil	2%	\$25, \$50		
Speedway/Super America	3%	\$25		
RESTAURANTS, COFFEE SHOPS				
Applebee's	8%	\$20		
Boston Market	10%	\$5		
Burger King booklets	3.6%	\$5		
Chi-Chi's	15%	\$10		
Chuck E. Cheese debit card	7%	\$10		
Cracker Barrel	8%	\$5		
Denny's	8%	\$5		
Domino's Pizza	4%	\$5		
KFC	8%	\$5		
Mrs. Field's	20%	\$5		
Olive Garden/Red Lobster	13%	\$10		
Pizza Hut	9%	\$5, \$10		
Starbucks coffee card	7%	\$25		
Wendy's	7%	\$10		
			TOTAL:	

Please check catalog, lay-away and charge account policies at your particular store. Some stores place restrictions on Scrip purchases with those services. Please make checks payable to Emmaus Lutheran Church

September 24, 2002

Emmaus Senior Fellowship Center

Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
 The center opens at 10:00 a.m. with coffee.
 Programs begin at 10:30. Stay for lunch at
 noon and games at 1:00!
 Director: Carol Rudey



The Senior Fellowship Center will not meet on October 1.
 The Center resumes October 8.

Birthdays This Month: 70 Years and Better

Oct. 4	Marge Jensen	1935 Jupiter Avenue	53404
Oct. 6	June Beck	733 West Lawn Avenue	53405
Oct. 12	Maryllis Hensel	220 N. Westfield #102, Oshk.	54902
Oct. 19	Olaw Thomsen	1233 Illinois Street	53405
Oct. 21	Greta Andersen	1724 Michigan Boulevard	53402
Oct. 23	Marion Andersen	3668 Erie Street	53402
Oct. 29	Julia Durand	3900 N. Main Street #323	53402
Oct. 30	Bill Christensen	1700 C. A. Becker Drive	53406

Film Portrays Effects of Mental Illness

The success of the Academy Award-winning movie, "A Beautiful Mind," starring Russell Crowe as the Nobel Prize-winning mathematician John Nash, has opened the door to widespread public discussion of mental illness, symptoms, treatment and recovery. Some viewers are surprised to find persons with mental illness can and do contribute to society.

The film invites compassion as it reveals the progress of a beautiful mind destroyed by schizophrenia. Perhaps it is most effective in drawing the audience into the

delusions of Nash's mind to the point where the viewer doesn't know what is hallucination and what is reality.

But the film does not leave us without hope. Nash was able to survive years of madness, and in an almost miraculous way come out on the other side. Not all persons with mental illnesses have such remissions.

Those interested in John Nash's story will want to read the original book, *A Beautiful Mind*, by Sylvia Nasar, published by Simon & Schuster, 1998.

Emmaus Remembers Our Saints

In celebration of All Saints Day on November 3, 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 bulletin.

Please complete the enclosed form and include \$3.00 for each person you are memorializing. The forms and donations may be placed in the offering plates or turned into the church office by October 27. Excess monies will be contributed to ELCA World Hunger Appeal.

All Saints' Day Memorial Garden

On All Saints' Sunday, November 3, Emmaus members are invited to memorialize loved ones by purchasing one or more floral stems (one stem per person memorialized). We are asking \$3.00 per stem.

Number of flowers: _____ Payment included: \$ _____

My/Our name: _____

In memory of:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

Thank You for Adopting Sundays

Our thanks to the following friends of Emmaus who adopted a Sunday in September. Adopt-a-Sunday is part of Emmaus' debt

retirement program.

Abby & Ken Jones, in honor of Pastor Mary

Third Quarter Giving Statements Available Soon

Giving statements for July, August and September will be printed and made available in the narthex in the first week of October.

Look for the envelope with your statement in it, and please inform the office of any discrepancies.

Emmaus Attendance Statistics

Average Weekly Attendance, Aug.:	2000: 137	2001: 139	2002: 123
Average Weekly Attendance, Sept.:	2000: 172	2001: 156	2002: 142*
Average Weekly Attendance, Oct.:	2000: 160	2001: 137	

*Average calculated as of September 22, 2002

Financial Figures

		Year to date	Last year
General funds receipts in August 2002	.....	\$13,081.23	\$104,576.49
Bldg. Fund offerings received in August 2002		\$ 389.00	\$ 2,698.00
Unified funds receipts in August 2002	.....	\$13,470.23	\$107,274.49
			\$126,420.88
		<u>Campaign total</u>	
2001 Fund offerings received in August 2002	..	\$195.00	\$99,621.12
September mortgage payments		Principal	\$530.49
		Interest	\$435.51
		Total	\$966.00
Principal balance as of September 12, 2002	.....		\$62,816.71

Daylight Savings Time Ends

As Daylight Savings Time reaches its conclusion on Saturday night, October 26, we are happy to report members of our congregation have been exemplary in their frugal use of daylight during the past six months.



So pat yourself on the back! Shake your hand! Give yourself a hug! Turn your clocks back an hour Saturday night and reward yourself with an extra hour of sleep Sunday morning!

The Front Yard Is Very Bare

The large elm tree in front of the church met its demise on a Saturday in September. Chris and Mike Lamberton tackled the monumental task of removing the tree, which was suffering from Dutch elm disease, downing the tree over the course of twelve hours. The Lambertons used chain saws and a cherry picker.



Joy Lamberton spent

a better part later in the day observing her two sons climbing, sawing, tugging and pulling, all the while avoiding obstacles below. She was very relieved when they and her daughter-in-law, Caren, and grandsons Nate and Ryan (all of whom helped with the ground work) were safe at the end of the day.

Milt Christensen has volunteered to remove the stump that remains. A big thank you to the Lambertons and to Milt for all their hard work!

Plans are being made to replace the downed tree. The council has set a goal of \$1,500 in order to get a large, high-quality tree

with a two-year guarantee.

Gifts are now being received toward the new tree, which will be either a Norway maple or a King Crimson maple. Approximately 60% of the needed amount has been contributed. Any gifts made should be designated "tree" and may be specified "in honor" or "in memory" of a loved one.

Memorials

Non-designated memorials:

In memory of Fern Clark: \$50.00

Designated for new tree:

In memory of Aleda Tollefson:
\$100.00

Yes! I'd like to contribute to a new tree for Emmaus!

\$ _____ Amount

In memory of _____

In honor of _____

Get your tickets
ROW!

Peopleskiver breakfast



10:30 a.m.
Sunday, October 20

Tickets: Adults, \$4.00 in advance
\$4.50 at the door
Children, \$2.00 advance/at door



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*Proceeds go toward Emmaus Women and Youth programs
and planting of a new tree in the churchyard.*

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Faith on the Air

WISN Picks Up Bethel TV Ministry

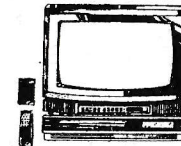
Bethel Lutheran Church in Madison announced that WISN-TV in Milwaukee has begun broadcasting Bethel's worship services Sunday mornings at 11:30 a.m. Bethel's early morning worship service is edited to 28 minutes for the broadcast. Services feature organ music, choir anthems, prayers, Gospel readings and a sermon.

Nov. 1 Reflections on one year as presiding bishop

You can read these texts or listen to the current message on RealAudio by going to www.elca.org/bishop/dial.html

Face to Face Examines Legacy of 9/11

Face to Face on Channel 4, WTMJ-TV begins a new season on Sunday, Oct. 6, 5:30 a.m. The show on Sunday is repeated on the following Saturdays at 5:00 a.m. on PAX55 (Telecable channel 15). Tom Heinen of the Milwaukee *Journal Sentinel* is the journalist.



On Oct. 6, 2002 Heinen will interview

Chaplain (Colonel) Larry W. Myers, Administrative Pastor at Elm Grove Evangelical Lutheran Church, in Elm Grove Wisconsin. Myers was in the Pentagon when the plane slammed into it on 9/11/01. He helped tend to victims and remained there for over 50 days. He is the only reserve chaplain of any branch of the services to serve the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

On Sunday, October 13, 5:30 a.m. the guest will be Imam Ronald B. Shaheed of the Clar Mohamed School in Milwaukee. He will tell of the effects of 9/11 on the Islamic community in southeast Wisconsin and how the children of the school are coping.

WMVT to Air Program on Lutheran Roots

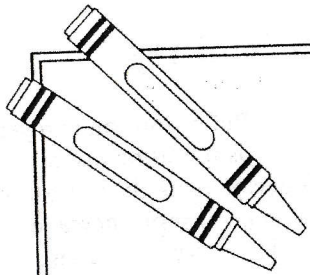
Milwaukee channel 36, WMVT-TV (Telecable channel 16) will air "Mosaic: Lutheran Roots in America" at 1:30 p.m., Sunday, October 13. The program looks at the first Lutherans in the new world, from Swedes to Danes to Germans and Norwegians.

Stay in Touch with Bishop Hanson

MILWAUKEE (From 1212) — You can hear 3-4 minute recorded messages from ELCA Presiding Bishop Mark S. Hanson by dialing 733-380-2930 any time. These messages are updated twice each month.

Scheduled topics for 2002 are:

- Oct. 1 For the Healing of the World
- Oct. 15 ELCA Planning update



Just for **KIDS**

The Books of the Bible Seek and Find

All of the books of the Bible are hidden in this puzzle. There are 39 from the Old Testament and 27 from the New Testament. Use your Bible to help you find the names. Circle each one. The names can go → ← ↓ ↑ ↘.

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Elsewhere in Our Area

AMI Marks Mental Illness Awareness Week

Under the leadership of Community Outreach Chair, Rev. Dr. Tony Larsen, the Alliance for the Mentally Ill will hold its annual candle light vigil Sunday, October 6.

The prayer service and dinner will be at Cristo Rey Catholic Church at 8th Street and College Avenue. The vigil will begin with a prayer service in the church, followed by a march around the courthouse leading to proclamations and speeches on the west steps of the courthouse.

This year's theme, "You'll Never Walk Alone," was chosen as a reminder that we all help each other traverse the road of life. St. Luke's Hospital Chaplain Doug Vardell will deliver the homily.

Lutheran High Ladies Host Fair

The Lutheran High School Ladies' Guild Harvest Fair will be Friday, November 1 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Racine Lutheran High School, 251 Luedtke Avenue, Racine.

There is no admission charge, parking is free, and strollers are welcome. The facilities are handicap-accessible.

Browse through the many booths of handmade crafts and holiday decorations, antiques and collectibles, toys, gift items, household helpers, freshly baked

goods, caramel apples, candies and treats, antique linens, and fresh fruits and vegetables.

A buffet luncheon of cranberry chicken breast, wild rice stuffing, Swedish meatballs, glazed yams, pea salad, relish, rolls, beverage and dessert will be served from 11:00 to 1:30. Cost is \$6.50 for adults (in advance, or \$7.00 at the door), \$6.00 for senior citizens, and \$3.50 for children age 5 to 12.

For advance reservations, call 637-6538 or 632-7720.

Cabbage City Theatre Presents *Greetings*

Cabbage City Theatre will open its first production of this season with the comedy/mystery *Greetings!* on October 31. Regular performances will run Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays through November 16.

Greetings! is story about a son, raised in a very Catholic working-class family, who brings home his Jewish/atheist fiancée to celebrate Christmas. Themes of belief (or lack of belief) in something greater than ourselves, family, diversity, and a sense of humor play out in the course of the drama.

Performances are at Greg's Catering, 3120 Roberts Street, Franksville. Call Shawn Britten at 886-6008 or 989-4852.

Rooted, But Not Rootbound

Tell me about your roots ... If someone you knew and trusted were to ask you to do just that, to look at your heritage and your roots and expound on them, how might you respond?

During this month of October, I will be reflecting on that question at more than one level.

Early in the month, I will travel to my hometown of Minot, North Dakota, to visit my mother and spend some time at the world famous Høstfest.

What? You've never heard of it? It's a large annual Scandinavian festival, complete with food, art, handmade goods, entertainment, and several ambassadors visiting from Scandinavia.

This year, I look forward to meeting a long-lost Norwegian relative who will be at the festival displaying and selling his art work. I'll also eat lefse and other Norwegian treats as I listen to family stories of days gone by. Celebrating my heritage and recognizing that those roots run deep will be highlights of my North Dakota visit.

Later in October, we will have

another celebration at Emmaus. On the last Sunday of the month, red balloons and banners and paraments will remind us of our Lutheran heritage as we celebrate Reformation.

Surrounded by these reminders and hearing "A Mighty Fortress," our confirmands will affirm their Baptism on their confirmation day. Those young people are reminders to the rest of us that our church

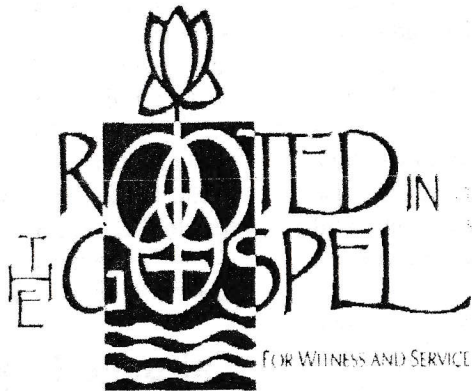
is made up of some teenagers who are already living out their faith in new and exciting ways.

They have been part of service events that have taken them from the streets of Racine to South Dakota, Tennessee and Juarez, Mexico. Many of them attend the weekly youth forum and discuss anything and everything, acknowledging that it's not always easy having one's daily life and faith intersect as challenges are faced.

Do these young people continue to hear the radical promise of grace they received in their Baptism? That is our prayer as we celebrate their confirmation on October 27.

It's as I look at the younger members of our community that I

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Pastor Mary's Column

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realize we have the daunting responsibility of honoring our roots — without becoming rootbound. For the church to grow and to have life, re-formation and re-creation must be an on-going process. Rooted in the promise of our Baptism, we must ask, "Where is God calling us now?"

Martin Luther wrote "A Mighty Fortress" to the tune of a famous drinking song of his day; he translated Scripture in German so that the everyday people would have access to it. He made the powerful message of the Gospel accessible and relevant to *all* of the people of his community.

The questions are now being asked by a number of ELCA Lutherans of Racine, "How do we reform our old notions of "turf" and

begin seeing ourselves as a city-wide parish of the ELCA? How can we partner and collaborate to better serve the whole people of God?"

I'm proud to be the pastor of Emmaus, because I truly believe that you also look at new possibilities and ways of sharing God's love and grace. We are able to join God in the on-going work of re-creation, re-formation and re-visioning.

I thank God for the privilege of being a part of the Racine community and the rich resources that are ours to share. We pray for God's guidance as we journey together, partners in building up God's Kingdom here on earth.

Yours in the Spirit,
Pastor Mary
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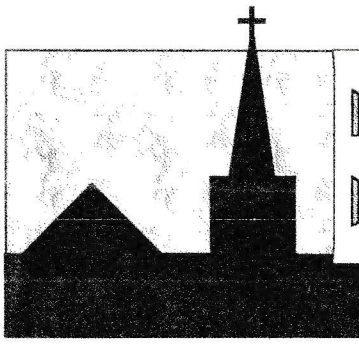


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October 27
- ✿ Welcome Denise Keller as
New Sunday School
Coordinator
- ✿ EASY Opens Doors After
School
- ✿ Æbleskiver Breakfast
October 20
- ✿ Calling All Milwaukee
Admirals Fans
- ✿ CROP Walk October 6
- ✿ REST Shelter Opens
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- ✿ Say It With Flowers —
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November, 2002



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Emmaus to Observe All Saints' Sunday



During worship on November 2 and 3, we pause to honor the saints from Emmaus who have joined the saints in heaven during the past year:

George R. Mathieus, Sr. (Aug. 1, 1912 - Nov. 27, 2001)
 Lillian Wendt Fredericksen (June 12, 1907 - Dec., 2001)
 Frances Powless Larsen (Date not available - Jan. 12, 2002)
 Judith Dykstra (Apr. 20, 1942 - Feb. 15, 2002)
 Carolyn Kreis Lakvold (Apr. 10, 1937 - May 8, 2002)
 Marjorie Luccasen Hoffman (Oct. 25, 1921 - June 27, 2002)
 Fern Abrahamson Clark (Aug. 10, 1920 - July 25, 2002)
 Donald Gueldenzopf (Aug. 25, 1925 - July 29, 2002)
 Deloris Tollefson Slater (May 29, 1929 - Sept. 25, 2002)
 Peter D. Connet (Nov. 13, 1939 - Oct. 1, 2002)

PASTORAL ACTS

Wedding

October 26, 2002
 David Christensen
 Sarah Savage

David is the son of Rich and Kathy Christensen. David is an apprentice carpenter, and Sarah works at the Chancery restaurant while completing her college education. The couple live in Racine.

Funeral

October 4, 2002
 Peter Connet

Peter passed away October 1. He was the founder of the Racine Area Multiple Myeloma Network. The husband of our choir director, Marsha Connet, he is also survived by his children, Marissa and Rachel of Racine, and Tim of Hayward.

We extend our deepest sympathy also to Mark Peterson and his family on the death of Mark's father, William Saunders, on October 9. Mr. Saunders was a member of Atonement Lutheran Church.

Scrip Certificates Make Great Gifts

Scrip is now taking special orders for holiday gift giving. Pick up a sheet in the Scrip bucket in the narthex, or contact Pat Liesch or Cathy Meyer. Order early, so you

won't be disappointed! Scrip is also available every Saturday and Sunday, after services.

Scrip proceeds go toward replacing fascia on our building.

Thanksgiving Eve Worship Features Processional Offering of Food

Help fill the shelves of our local food pantry! As part of our Thanksgiving Eve service, there will be a processional offering of non-perishable food items to be donated to the Northside Food Pantry, the pantry to which Emmaus has contributed food and money for several years now, located at Trinity United Methodist Church.

If you prefer to give a monetary contribution to the food pantry, make your check payable to



Emmaus and indicate "Food Pantry" on the memo line. Thank you for your generosity!

Emmaus' Thanksgiving Eve service will be on Wednesday, Nov. 27 at 7:00 p.m. The service will include celebration of Holy Communion.

After the service, join the fellow members of your Emmaus family for the pie social in Fellowship Hall. Donations at the tables will be used to finance next summer's high school youth trip to Atlanta.

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 Secretary: Paul Berge
 Custodians: Matt Liesch, Peter Nelson and Harley Slater

Services are held at Emmaus every Saturday evening at 5:00 and Sunday morning at 9:15. Sunday School meets at 10:30 a.m. Thanksgiving Eve worship will be at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, November 27.

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

The *Visitor* is published monthly except July. The deadline for the December issue is Nov. 15.

Letting Our Light Shine

Emmaus Enters a Time of Prayer, Reflection and Commitment

Members of the Emmaus church council and those who serve on the Prayer Chain will lead the congregation in a focus on prayer and commitment throughout the months of November and December.

Beginning at the November council meeting and later that week for the Prayer Chain, each member will make a commitment to pray for our church, the community and the world, for specific persons they would like to lift up in prayer.

The invitation to prayer and commitment will then be extended to the entire congregation, requesting a response on or before Christ the King Sunday, November 24. That Sunday will also be a time of commitment in terms of our



financial resources for the coming year.

As we begin celebrating Advent on December 1, the commitment to serve will be added to our "Let Your Light Shine" focus.

Each baptismal service includes the words to the newly baptized: "Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.."

It's into a world of darkness that we, as Christians, are called to let our light shine. Reflecting the light of Christ, we commit once again to lives of prayer, reflection, commitment and generosity. May we live into the invitation and the challenge of our Baptism each and every day!

Watch the Game on the Big Screen!

Wear your Green and Gold to church on Sunday, November 17 and join the middle and high school youth in some pre-game tailgating following the service. We'll have a big screen TV set up in Fellowship Hall for you to watch the game with the rest of the Emmaus Packer fans.

Bring your own meat to grill, whatever side dish(es) you may want, and a comfortable chair.



We'll have available a big screen TV (\$5 per person to cover cost of TV rental) — Beverages (sold for 50¢ each) — Cheesecake by the slice (sold for \$2.00/slice). Grills will be available at no charge. Condiments will also be supplied free of charge.

All proceeds will go toward the Summer Youth Trip to Atlanta.

Sunday School News

New Rotation Follows Moses Across Red Sea

by Denise Keller

Last month the Sunday School kids continued learning about obeying God and doing what's right as they went on Jonah's Journey. We made a huge whale as a reminder of what happened to Jonah when he ignored God's instructions and for us to listen carefully to God's instructions and to obey.

We viewed the story of Jonah, then created a puppet show about Jonah's disobedience. We also enjoyed playing games, such as Jeopardy, twister, a suitcase relay and a listening activity about the story of Jonah. We ended the rotation with singing "Jonah's Journey" on October 27.

Rotation 3: October 27 — November 10

Moses and Crossing the Red Sea: Exodus 14:5-31

Art, video and the computer lab workshops will highlight a theme of God's being trustworthy, so we can rely on him completely, even when we need protection.

Art: The Sunday School kids will part the Red Sea for a visual reminder of always to trust in God. God keeps us safe in miraculous

ways.

Video: The story of crossing the Red Sea will be viewed and discussion will reveal how we see God's protection in our lives.

Computer lab: The Life of Moses CD-ROM will be used to explore Crossing the Red Sea with kid pleasing graphics, animation, and interactivity.

Just a note: The Sunday School kids will sing at the 9:15 am service on November 24.

Sunday school is open to all children preschool age and up. Pre-school through grade 5 meet upstairs. Sixth and seventh graders meet with Mr. Albright. Grades 8-12 meet in the Fireside Room with Carol Yust. Sunday school begins at 10:30 and ends at 11:30. Snack time is 10:15- 10:30.

Sunday School Kids to Receive Bibles

As a part of the baptismal promise made by parents and the congregation, we promise "to place the Scripture in the hands" of each baptized child. Each fourth and fifth grade child is invited to receive a Bible with his or her name on it at the 9:15 a.m. worship service on November 24.



26 Mentors Commit to Wadewitz Kids

Marty Aiken, Kids Hope mentor director, has completed the fall recruitment and training of mentors. In addition to the 26 people who have committed to spending one hour per week with a child assigned to them, there are six people who are willing to step in to substitute when needed.

The mentors meet with the students, ranging from first through



third grade, during the regular school day.

Principal Pat Limburg and staff continue to express appreciation and gratitude for the work of Marty and all of the Emmaus mentors. Thank you to all who are impacting the lives of children through your consistent, caring, nurturing and guidance. You are making a difference as you share Jesus' love with the kids of Wadewitz!

Thank You, After School Volunteers!

This fall, there are currently fifteen children, ranging from grades 1 to 5 in our EASY (Emmaus After School for Youth) program.

EASY is staffed by adult volunteers (Thanks, Ruth and Nancy!) and teen interns Carly, José and Eliezer. Thanks also go to our resource people: Dick, Kathy, Nathan, Pat and Carol. The kids meet every Tuesday and Thursday from 2:45 to 5:30 p.m.. Snacks, homework help, hands-on activities,



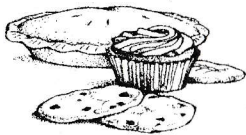
games and computers make the afternoon time pass by quickly. Homemade treats, papier mâché pumpkins (what a fun mess!) and hands-on science

have been recent highlights for the group.

To provide a snack or juice to volunteer your time, contact Velvetta Hargrove or Pastor Mary.

Senior Fellowship Center Seeks Pies

The Senior Fellowship Center is in need of pumpkin and apple pies for the

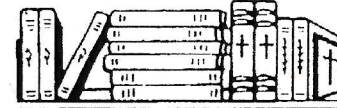


November Thanksgiving meal and the December Christmas meal.

Also, if anyone has a turkey to donate, please call Carol Rudey at 632-0643.

Book Club Meets November 21

The Emmaus book club will discuss *Things Fall Apart* by Chinua Achebe at the November meeting. This month's meeting will be at 1:00 p.m. November 21. We meet on the third



Thursday of each month in the Sunset Room.

New members are welcome! You can call Marjorie Jensen for more information: 634-8754.

Meal Site Seeks Co-Director

The Racine Mission Cluster of the ELCA is seeking a co-director for the Sunday evening Community Meal site at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 2219 Washington Avenue.

The co-director's responsibilities are to share the following duties:

- to manage all aspects of the Sunday evening meal (planning, hosting, and clean-up);
- to be present on Sundays (shared with other co-director) or have an appropriate representative present;
- to schedule volunteers (primarily from church cluster members) to serve the meal;
- to provide guidance for the volunteers and guests;
- to coordinate the dinner, dessert and beverage;
- to make sure that the meal rules are followed;
- to provide reports and information to the Racine Cluster Council.

The meal site directors should be patient, with some management

skills, be task-oriented, have initiative and have the ability to work with a variety of people. This salaried position will require sharing approximately 28-35 hours per month. Previous restaurant or café experience is a plus.

If interested in this part-time position offered by the Racine Mission Cluster Council, please contact Pastors Karen Kastler (634-7998) or Paul Nuechterlein (633-2243).



Youth Birthdays

Nov. 1	Brittany Schanstine, 11
Nov. 3	Chris Buelow, 15
Nov. 8	Alyssa Rivera, 5
Nov. 12	Austin Schultz, 17
Nov. 20	Anicka Purath, 8
Nov. 23	Amanda Hegeman, 15
Nov. 25	Erin Tussler, 18
Nov. 27	Erin Svoboda, 18
Nov. 29	Melanie Andersen, 10
Nov. 30	Ilis Purath, 6

REST Seeks Socks

by Pat Liesch

Many of you are asking about developments on the "single site". The Racine Journal Times reported we were looking at the Kranz building as a possible REST site. At this point, we are still checking into the cost of renovating that building, as well as looking into other options.

No definite decisions have been made by the REST Board. So, I guess it looks like we are here to stay at Emmaus, and the other churches, at least for the present time. We will keep you updated as things change.

The REST basket item for November is new white socks. If you can donate a pair or two, it would be

greatly appreciated. Socks are one of those precious commodities in the shelters. After being outside all day, their worn socks really need a refresher!

I am also looking for a person, couple, group, or whatever combination — to cook the main meal for Emmaus REST, once, once a month, or once in awhile. Food can be provided to you. All you have to do is cook it — either in your home, or in church.

If you have time to do this, please contact me at 835-1363. The guests love home cooked meals! Make a family favorite, or try out a new recipe— your choice!

P.S.: We're also looking for a man's coat, size 42-44.

Synod to Install Bishop Stumme-Diers

The Greater Milwaukee Synod invites you to a service of Holy Communion and the installation of the Reverend Paul Stumme-Diers as Bishop of the Greater Milwaukee Synod, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

The installation service will be at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, November 2 at St. Mary's Lutheran Church, 2001 80th Street, Kenosha. A reception will immediately follow the service.

The offering from the installation service will help support four important ministries: our companion synods in El Salvador and Meru Diocese in Tanzania; the



Rev. Paul Stumme-Diers

Fund for Leaders in Mission (supporting ministry candidates of the ELCA); and the ELCA Board of Pension's Special Needs Retirement Fund.

St. Mary's is located on the south side of Kenosha, two blocks east of 22nd Avenue (Ohio Street from Racine) or six blocks west of Sheridan Road (Hwy. 32). Parking

will be available on both the east and west parking lots of the church. If necessary, overflow parking will be at Snap-On, 2801 80th Street with shuttle service.

WELCA Bulletins

Preparations Begin for Thankoffering Service

by Denise Keller

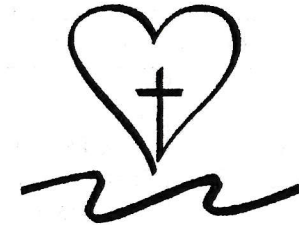
Thank you, thank you and Thank you!

Thank you to all who put sewing kits together and donated quilts for Lutheran World Relief. They were put on a boxcar on October 12.

The Women's Thankoffering Service will be the weekend of December 7-8. Please pick up Thankoffering envelopes in the narthex.

Æbleskiver Brunch

Thank you to all who helped make a successful and delicious



Æbleskiver brunch! We served approximately 150 people and made \$450.00 to be split among the women (25%), youth mission (25%) and

new tree fund (50%).

Board Meeting

Women's board meetings are the first Monday of the month. Anyone is welcome to attend. The next meeting is November 4 at 6:00 PM in the Sunset room. See you there!

Emmaus Senior Citizen Fellowship Center

Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The center opens at 10:00 a.m. with coffee.

Programs begin at 10:30. Stay for lunch at noon and games at 1:00!

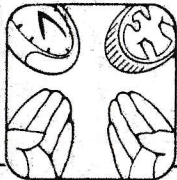



Director: Carol Rudey

Programs: Nov. 5 Boots LeRoux presents "Dolls"
Nov. 12 John & Lila Berge slide show about Nova Scotia
Nov. 19 "The Real Thanksgiving story"
Nov. 26 *No Senior Fellowship Center*



Birthdays This Month: 70 Years and Better

Nov. 1	Dolly Wiley	3920 N. Green Bay Road	53404
Nov. 8	David Anderson	155 Lakefield Court	53402
Nov. 12	Vernon Svendsen	1539 Ostergaard Avenue	53406
Nov. 20	Chris Hansen	240 88 th Avenue, Sturtevant	53177
Nov. 26	Dorothy Niva	1703 60 th Street, Kenosha	53144
Nov. 28	John Haanstad	3340 Fourth Avenue	53402

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Church 1925 Summit Avenue, Racine, Wisconsin 53404-2374 Phone 262 634-5515 ♦ Fax 262 633-0726 http://www.emmaus-racine.org				<h1>November, 2002</h1>		1 ALL SAINTS' DAY 7:00 pm REST	2 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion
3 ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY 8:00 am Choir rehearsal 9:15 am Worship service: <i>LBW</i> Setting 2 with Holy Communion 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School	4 11:00 am Staff meeting 6:00 pm WELCA Board meeting 7:00 pm Worship and Music Committee	5 ELECTION DAY 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 2:30 pm Emmaus After School for Youth 5:00 pm TOPS	6 1:30 pm Lydia Circle 6:30 pm 8th-9th grade confirmation class	7 2:30 pm Emmaus After School for Youth 7:00 pm Belle City Stamp Club	8 7:00 pm REST 	9 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion	
10 25 TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; MARTIN LUTHER'S BIRTHDAY 8:00 am Choir rehearsal 9:15 am Worship service: <i>WOW</i> Service of Word and Prayer 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School	11 VETERANS' DAY 11:00 am Staff meeting 6:30 pm Church council meeting 	12 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 2:30 pm Emmaus After School for Youth 5:00 pm TOPS	13 6:30 pm 8th-9th grade confirmation class	14 Pastor Mary at clergy meeting 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 2:30 pm Emmaus After School for Youth	15 5:00 pm Jarstad rehearsal 7:00 pm REST	16 2:30 pm Jarstad wedding 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion	
17 26 TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 8:00 am Choir rehearsal 9:15 am Worship service: Chicago Folk Service with Holy Communion 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Packer tailgate party	18 11:00 am Staff meeting 6:30 pm REST Board meeting 7:00 pm Miriam Circle at Jan Sukus'	19 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 2:30 pm Emmaus After School for Youth 5:00 pm TOPS	20 6:30 pm 8th-9th grade confirmation class	21 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 1:00 pm Book Club 2:30 pm Emmaus After School for Youth	22 7:00 pm REST	23 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion	
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Emmaus Name: _____ Home phone: _____

Scrip Address: _____ ZIP: _____

Store name	Emmaus earns	Denominations available	Quantity	Total
DRUG & GROCERY STORES				
GNC	6%	\$25		
Kohl's Food Store	4%	\$10, \$25		
Piggly Wiggly	4%	\$25, \$50		
Jewel/Osco	4%	\$30, \$25		
CLOTHING, SPORTING & DEPARTMENT STORES				
American Eagle Outfitters	8%	\$25		
August Max Women	19%	\$10		
Burlington Coat Factory	12%	\$10, \$25		
Cabela's	7%	\$25		
Casual Corner/August Max	16%	\$25		
Claire's	7%	\$10		
Eddie Bauer	9%	20%		
Foot Locker	8%	\$25		
Gap debit card	8%	\$20		
J. C. Penney gift card	5%	\$25, \$100		
K-Mart	3%	\$10, \$25, \$50		
The Limited	8%	\$25		
Old Navy debit card	8%	\$25		
Payless Shoe Source	12%	\$10, \$20		
Sears	2%	\$25, \$100, \$250		
ShopKo debit card	4%	\$25, \$50		
Spiegel Catalog	9%	\$20		
Structure	10%	\$25		
T. J. Maxx, Marshalls	8%	\$10, \$25		
BOOKSTORES, OFFICE SUPPLY				
Barnes & Noble	8%	\$10, \$25		
Office Max debit card	3%	\$25		
Walden Books	8%	\$25		
STEREO, VIDEO EQUIPMENT, VIDEO RENTAL				
Best Buy	2%	\$25, \$50		
Blockbuster Video	7%	\$10		
Circuit City gift card	2.5%	\$25, \$50, \$100		
Hollywood Video	15%	\$10		

Musicland/Sam Goody/Suncoast	4%	\$25		
HARDWARE, BED & BATH				
Ace Hardware	7%	\$25		
Bath & Body Works	13%	\$10, \$20, \$25		
Home Depot	3%	\$25, \$100, \$250		
Menards Home Improvement	3%	\$25, \$50, \$100		
Pier 1 Imports	7%	\$10, \$25		
TOYS				
Kaybee Toys				
Tots R Us, Kids R Us, Babies R Us				
TRAVEL, SERVICE STATIONS				
BP/Amoco pre-pay oil card	3%	\$25, \$50		
Citgo	2.5%	\$50		
Exxon/Mobil driver cash card	2.5%	\$25, \$50		
Kwik Trip	3%	\$10		
Shell Oil	2%	\$25, \$50		
Speedway/Super America	3%	\$25		
RESTAURANTS, COFFEE SHOPS				
Applebee's	8%	\$20		
Boston Market	10%	\$5		
Burger King booklets	3.6%	\$5		
Chi-Chi's	15%	\$10		
Chuck E. Cheese debit card	7%	\$10		
Cracker Barrel	8%	\$5		
Denny's	8%	\$5		
Domino's Pizza	4%	\$5		
KFC	8%	\$5		
Mrs. Field's	20%	\$5		
Olive Garden/Red Lobster	13%	\$10		
Pizza Hut	9%	\$5, \$10		
Starbucks coffee card	7%	\$25		
Wendy's	7%	\$10		
			TOTAL:	

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September 24, 2002

November Worship Assistants

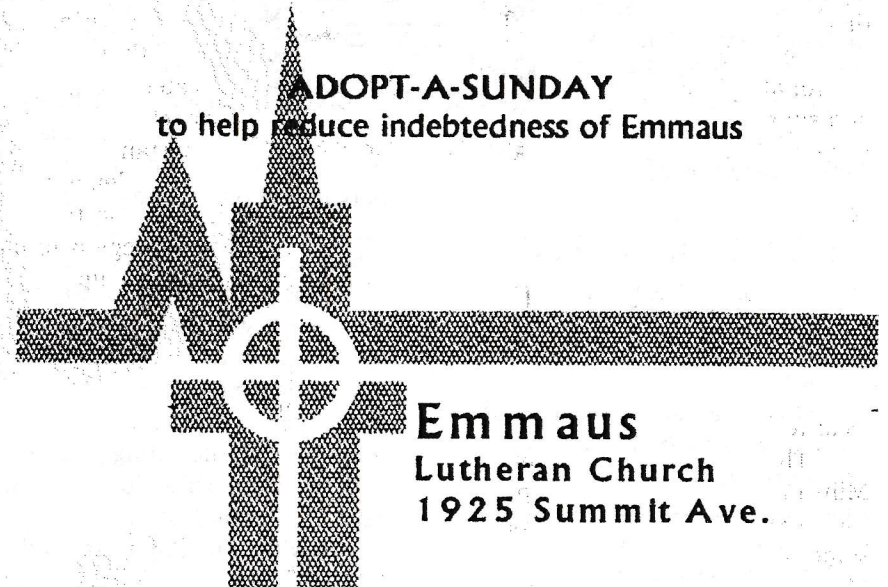
	Altar Guild	Readers	Ushers	Acolytes
Nov. 2 5:00 pm	Brian & Denise Keller			
Nov. 3 9:15 am	Ruth Estep Bev Hansen	Marsha Connet	Team #3 Howard Jensen	Justin Haman Nate Lamberton
Nov. 9 5:00 pm	Pat Jensen			
Nov. 10 9:15 am		Mildred Schroth	Team #4 John Cook	Brian Field Andrew Reischl
Nov. 16 5:00 pm	Betty Schultz Cathy Meyer			
Nov. 17 9:15 am	Helen Mickelson Linda Meteyard	Matt Liesch	Team #5 Bill Meteyard	Kelsey Albright Hailey Sommer
Nov. 23 5:00 pm	Marion Andersen Judy Berndt			
Nov. 24 9:15 am		Sandy Strini	Team #1 Harold Miller	Kally Jansen Amy Meteyard
Nov. 27 7:00 pm	Evelyn Larsen		Team #2 Rich Christensen	Marissa Connet Tanya Rasmussen
Nov. 30 5:00 pm	Cheryl Dexter Barbara Larsen			
Dec. 1 9:15 am	Mildred Schroth Marge Jensen	TBA	Team #3 Howard Jensen	TBA

	Altar Flowers	Fellowship	Candle Care	Communion Asst.
Nov. 3	D & M Andersen	Albrights		Kathy Christensen
Nov. 10	Amy Larsen	Dylan, Carly, Amy		
Nov. 17	Harley Slater	<i>Packer Party</i>	Mildred Schroth	Marsha Connet
Nov. 24	L & C Larsen	Balthazar girls		
Nov. 27				Karen Sedgwick
Dec. 1	J & J & A Larsen	Albrights	Pat Jensen	Shirley Velzka

Auxiliary Hosts Book Sale at Convalescent Center

Come, join the fun at the Lincoln Lutheran Auxiliary holiday book fair. Books will be sold at prices up to 70% off original price at the Fireside Room of the Lincoln

Convalescent Center, 1700 C.A. Becker Drive. Sale hours are Tuesday, November 5, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; and Wednesday, November 6, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



I wish to contribute: \$1,000 \$750 \$500
 \$300 \$100 \$

(Suggested minimum \$100; any gift appreciated)

Sunday to adopt: _____

In memory of: _____

In honor of: _____

Occasion: _____

Contributor: _____

Letters

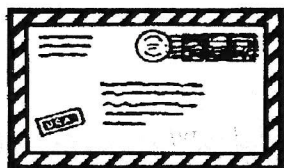
Connet Family Sends Thanks

Dear Emmaus family,

Thank you so much for the beautiful flowers. They brought real joy to us during a difficult time.

I can't begin to thank you for all of your kindness and support. It has helped us more than we can say.

—*Marsha Connet, Marissa, Rachel & Tim*



inquire.

If you know of someone who is involved with this group, please try to stay in touch with them. It is important that they not be isolated from family and church. It is also important to be aware of the demands that the group will make on the young person and one strategy is to make sure that they keep up in their school work and social contacts.

One thing to do is to inform your congregations about this group. The simplest way is to do a Search on the internet under "the Boston Movement". I have also found it helpful to ask the young person who gets involved to also do a search and read about this movement.

I will be talking to the folks at UWM to try to find out more information.

—*Sandy Jacobs*

ELCA Campus Pastor at UWM

Cult Reported Active at UW-M

Dear folks,

This is to alert you that the Milwaukee Church of Christ, part of the International Church of Christ, sometimes known as the Boston Movement, is alive and well and working at UWM as a student organization — Milwaukee Christians on Campus. There have already been several pastors and parents who have called me to

Stay in Touch with Bishop Hanson

MILWAUKEE (From 1212) — You can hear 3-4 minute recorded messages from ELCA Presiding Bishop Mark S. Hanson by dialing 733-380-2930 any time. These messages are updated twice each month.

Scheduled topics for 2002 are:
Nov. 1 Reflections on one year

as presiding bishop
Nov. 15 ELCA Church Council report
Dec. 1 AIDS, world hunger
Dec. 15 Christmas message

You can read these texts or listen to the current message on RealAudio by going to www.elca.org/bishop/dial.html

MEMORIALS AND HONORARIA

Non-designated memorials:

In memory of Deloris Slater: \$140.00

In memory of Peter Connet: \$340.00

Designated for new tree:

In memory of Fred & Nellie Andersen and Bill Hunter: \$50.00

In memory of Dan Bertram: \$10.00

In memory of Olga Blumholst: \$100.00

In memory of Marian Bower, Mae Henke, Fern Clark: \$150.00

In memory of Peter Connet: \$140.00

In memory of Deloris Slater: \$100.00

In memory of Mr. & Mrs. William Traeger: \$20.00

In memory of Martha Zielke: \$50.00

In honor of Dave, Kirk and Jill Dougall: \$100.00

In honor of Ashley, Nathan & Ryan Lamberton and the Emmaus family: \$40.00

In honor of Ralph and Audrey Rasmussen: \$50.00

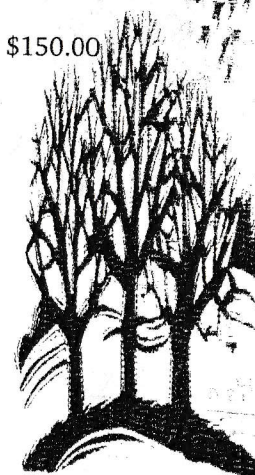
In honor of Nancy Smith: \$25.00

Designated for Pastors' Discretionary Fund

In memory of Peter Connet: \$50.00

Designated for Music Department

In memory of Peter Connet: \$10.00



Emmaus Attendance Statistics

Average Weekly Attendance, Sept.:	2000: 172	2001: 156	2002: 143
Average Weekly Attendance, Oct.:	2000: 160	2001: 137	2002: 164
Average Weekly Attendance, Nov.:	2000: 173	2001: 139	

Financial Figures

	Year to date	Last year
General funds receipts in September, 2002	\$15,182.90	\$139,570.53
Bldg. Fund offerings received in September, 2002	\$ 360.00	\$ 4,171.00
Unified funds receipts in September, 2002	\$17,320.65	\$143,741.53
<u>Campaign to date</u>		
2001 Fund offerings received in Sept., 2002	\$260.00	\$99,881.12
October mortgage payments:		
Principal	\$534.14	
Additional principal	\$1,500.00	
Interest	\$431.86	
Total	\$2,466.00	
Principal balance as of September 12, 2002	\$62,816.71	



Poinsettias to decorate Emmaus for Christmas will be ordered this year and are available for purchase by members and friends of Emmaus. These plants will be yours to take, if you choose, after the late evening service December 24.

Please reserve _____ poinsettias
at \$8.25 each

(# _____ red # _____ white # _____ pink)

My name: _____

As a MEMORIAL for: _____

and/or to HONOR: _____

Deadline to order and make payment is November 28, 2002. 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.

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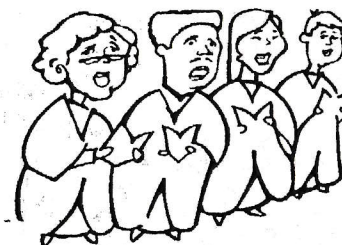
Elsewhere In Our Area

Concert Aids Respite Services

The sixth annual musical fund raising event for Respite Services of Lincoln Lutheran will take place on Sunday, November 3 at 2:00 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 716 College Avenue.

This program will showcase the diversity of talent in our community such as Caritas, the Clum Family, and Churchsingers. A reception with bean soup will follow the concert.

Tickets are \$6.00 and can be purchased at Educators Credit Union or at the door. For further information, contact Respite Services at 632-9828. All proceeds benefit the Harmony Club.



December 14 at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 3022 West Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee. Parking in rear; enter from Wells Street.

Lutheran A Cappella Choir Performs

The Lutheran A Cappella Choir of Milwaukee will present their Christmas concerts on Friday, Dec. 6, 8:00 p.m., at Galilee Lutheran Church, N24 W26430 Crestview Drive, Pewaukee, and

Sunday, Dec. 8, 3:00 p.m., at Capitol Drive Lutheran Church, 5229 W. Capitol Drive, Milwaukee.

The program will include works by Benjamin Britten, John Rutter, Michael Praetorius and others. Two special works featured are: "On Christmas Eve", a collection of familiar hymns and carols arranged by the choir's second director, the late Hugo Gehrke; and "I Sing the Birth", an award winning carol composed by Emily Maxson Porter.

Tickets: \$10 at the door; \$8 in advance for seniors and students; group rate available in advance. Call (262) 521-4545. For more information or look us up on the web at www.lutheranacappella.org.

Milwaukee Congregation Hosts Barbershop Concert

Our Savior's Lutheran Church of Milwaukee presents "Milwaukee Festival City Barbershop Chorus & Quartets" featuring the Our Savior's Senior Choir and special guests the Madrigal Singers and Suzuki violin group.

Tickets are \$10.00, \$7.00 for students and seniors (2:00 p.m. show only).

The concert will be at 2:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. Saturday,

Moving Forward in a Cooperative Spirit

John Donne (1572-1631) once said, "No man is an island..." As some of you might guess, in this century, I'd add, "No woman is an island."

When we are participating members of the Body of Christ, we know how important it is to be a part of a larger community. We are not placed on this earth to be isolated and so fiercely independent that our only concern is "me, myself, and I." Rather, we are healthier and thrive more fully when we live in relationship, interdependence and mutual caring.

As I was talking recently with the director of a non-profit agency dealing with job placement and counseling, he told me that those who are a part of a faith community have a higher rate of employment, job retention and wages than those who are not.

Being a part of a caring, supportive community can and does make a difference at a number of levels. We know what it is to encourage and network and pray for one another. When times are challenging, we know we're not alone.

No Church Is an Island

I'd like to add to John Donne's insight that "No church is an island." Not too many years ago, the trend

for Lutheran churches was to emphasize the autonomy of individual congregations, and with that came emphasis on "turf." Lutheran churches saw themselves in competition as they vied for the loyalty of those who already called themselves Lutheran. Here in Racine, there have often been accusations of "sheep stealing" as disgruntled Lutherans have left one church for another.

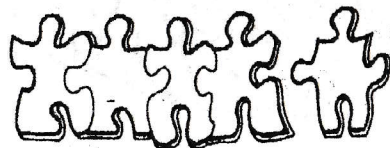
I'm happy to report that hard work is now being done by the ELCA clergy of Racine to reverse that trend.

We acknowledge that there are some ELCA congregations in transition due to a recent conflict or pastoral vacancy. We are also aware that during those times there will be members of those churches choosing to worship elsewhere.

For some, that may simply be a need to have a sheltering, nurturing place for a time. Following time for healing or change, those members will eventually want to return to their home church. There will be others who will want to make their change a permanent one.

We as clergy in Racine have agreed that we will not receive membership transfers from ELCA churches undergoing major transition. Instead, we will welcome

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any of their members as full participants at any time.

And then, when a new pastor/staff is in place in their home church, those members can discern where they would like their membership. It is our hope that this policy will minimize hasty decisions that might be regretted later. It is also our goal to be supportive of those congregations and members that might be most vulnerable during difficult times of transition and not to take advantage of them in any way.

Cooperation Benefits All

This spirit of cooperation and collaboration among ELCA congregations goes much further. As the result of partnerships, several congregations have been recipients of generous grant monies that would not have been available to the churches individually. That has been true for grants received from the Siebert Lutheran Foundation, Aid Association for Lutherans, Lutheran Brotherhood, and the Synod Outreach Fund.

For Emmaus, that funding has allowed us to be much more intentional about neighborhood outreach: Kids Hope USA mentoring program, EASY (Emmaus After School for Youth) and last summer's six-week Neighborhood Camp. Other ELCA congregations in partnership have also received funding for Neighborhood Camp and for church/school outreach. What a

difference cooperation and collaboration can make!

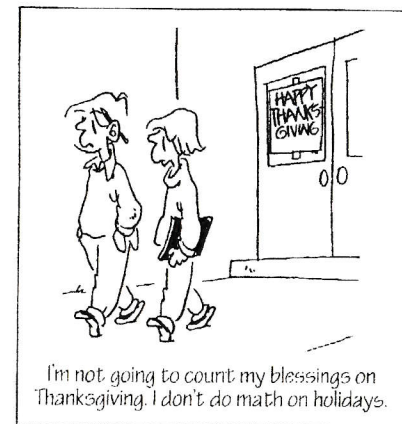
This is just a beginning of collaborative ministries among the ELCA congregations of Racine. How can we vision and dream in a way that will lead us to a "One Body, One Spirit" way of thinking and being? Those questions will be asked as the ELCA clergy of Racine meet on November 14 for a full day retreat at the DeKoven Center.

Please keep the "One Body, One Spirit" vision in your prayers (and give me a call if you would like to be a part of the clergy/lay visioning team which is bound to follow). I am grateful that you of Emmaus so often capture that vision of the wider church!

May God guide us in our journey together.

Yours in the Spirit,

Pastor Mary
Pastor Mary



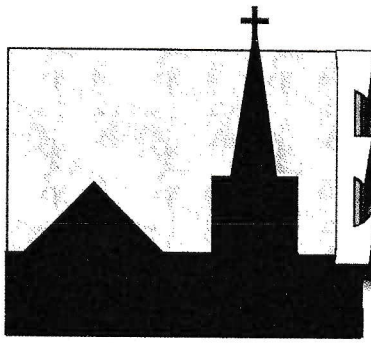
In the November

Visitor:

- ▶ We Remember on All Saints' Sunday
- ▶ Bishop Stumme-Diers Installation Nov. 2
- ▶ Bring Food Donations Thanksgiving Eve
- ▶ "Let Your Light Shine"
- ▶ Sunday School Follows Moses Across Red Sea
- ▶ Bible Sunday Nov. 24
- ▶ REST Item of the Month: New Socks
- ▶ Thank You, Mentors and EASY Volunteers!
- ▶ Meal Site Seeks Co-Director

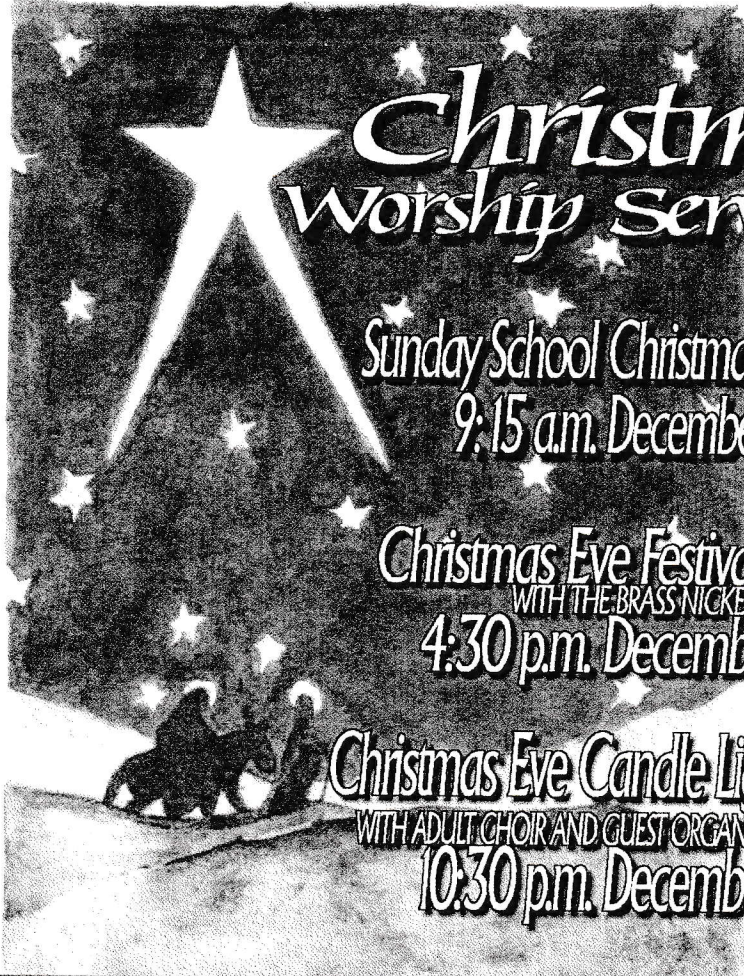
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Emmaus Visitor

December, 2002



Christmas Worship Services

Sunday School Christmas Program
9:15 a.m. December 15

Christmas Eve Festival Service
WITH THE BRASS NICKEL
4:30 p.m. December 24

Christmas Eve Candle Light Service
WITH ADULT CHOR AND GUEST ORGANIST JIM BROWN
10:30 p.m. December 24

Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Church 1925 Summit Avenue Racine

"Sent Forth By God's Blessing"

e-mail: emmaus@execpc.com

<http://www.emmaus-racine.org>

Office: 262 634-5515

Cell: 262 989-2337

Fax: 262 633-0726

PASTORAL ACTS

Marriage:

Nicole Marron

Michael Jarstad

November 16, 2002

Nicole is employed by Pilot Truck

Stop. Michael is working at S. C.

Johnson. The couple lives in Racine.

MEMORIALS

Designated for churchyard tree replacement:

In memory of Wesley & Opal Cook: \$100.00

In memory of Deloris Slater: \$60.00

In memory of Peter Connet: \$50.00

Non-designated memorials:

In memory of Peter Connet: \$25.00

In memory of Fern Clark: \$25.00

\$100.00 included in the November *Visitor* as non-designated memorials to Peter Connet should have instead been included as designated for churchyard tree replacement in memory of Peter Connet.



EMMAUS STAFF & WORSHIP TIMES

PASTOR: Mary L. Janz 1909 Summit Avenue 633-3059
 Visitation Pastor: Sharon Georgi 6711 Jacobsen Lane 886-3960

Church office:
 262 634-5515
 Fax: 262 633-0726

E-mail: Church — emmaus@execpc.com
 Pastor Mary — mijanz@aol.com

Services are held at Emmaus every Saturday evening at 5:00 and Sunday mornings at 9:15. Sunday School meets at 10:30 a.m.; there will be no Sunday School on Dec. 30.

CHRISTMAS EVE, there will be a festival service at 4:30 p.m. and a candlelight service at 10:30 p.m.

Emmaus office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. The office will be closed on Dec. 25 and Jan. 1.

The *VISITOR* is published monthly September to July. The deadline for the January *VISITOR* is December 15.

Council President: Amy Larsen
 Sun. School Coordinator: Denise Keller

Kids Hope USA Dir.: Marty Aiken
 Organist: Joyce Kaiser
 Adult Choir Dir.: Marsha Connet
 Youth Music Dir.: Karla Bielewicz
 Secretary: Paul Berge
 Custodians: Matt Liesch, Peter Nelson, & Harley Slater

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Sunday School News

Children Present Christmas Program December 15

by Denise Keller

In November, the Sunday School kids continued learning about obeying God and doing what is right as they crossed the Red Sea with Moses.

We learned that when God asked Moses to lead the Israelites out of Egypt, Moses had his doubts. He was afraid and scared. What if he stumbled over his words? What if the king of Egypt wouldn't listen? What if the people wouldn't follow him?

Moses could have let his doubts lead him into disobedience, but instead trusted and obeyed God's plan, and God helped him lead the people safely out of Egypt.

We viewed the story of Moses crossing the Red Sea, and explored the new computer software, "Life of Moses." We made tambourines as a symbol of joy and happiness, of being free.

The third and fourth graders parted the Red Sea with wax and watercolor art. The pre-school and kindergarten kids made paper dolls to tell the story. The Sunday School kids sang "This Little Light of Mine" and "B-I-B-L-E" in church on November 24.

Christmas Program

The Sunday School kids will be busy preparing for the Christmas program on December 15 at the 9:15 a.m. service while learning the true

meaning of Christmas.

Everyone will have a special part in the Christmas play "A Christmas of Values," written by Pastor Sharon Georgi. It is very important that kids attend each Sunday for rehearsals.

We also will have a rehearsal on Saturday, December 14 at 10:30 a.m.

After the program on December 15, we will have a birthday party for Jesus in Fellowship Hall.

Parents: we need your help, too! Please see or call Karla (657-0173) or Denise (619-9911) if you are able to help dress, make cookies, set up the reception, serve, or clean up.

Classes Start at 10:30

Sunday School is open to all children pre-school age and up. Pre-school through grade five meet upstairs. Sixth and seventh graders meet with Mr. Albright. Grades 8-12 meet in the Fireside Room with Ms. Carol Yust.

Sunday School begins at 10:30 and ends at 11:30. Snack time is 10:15-10:30.



CHRISTMAS PLAY

Sunday School Kids to Participate in Heifer Project International

Through their offering, our Sunday School kids will be able to purchase gifts of livestock to a family in need. Back in 1944, Heifer International realized that there was an alternative to endless hunger and poverty. Why not give families the valuable resource of food — and income-producing farm animals?



Each family assisted commits to pass on their gift animal's first female offspring to another family in need, so the whole community benefits.

The Sunday School has picked chicks, bees and rabbits to start the program. We have already raised enough money in the chick fund to purchase the gift of chicks. Each week, there are three offering boxes; the Sunday School kids can pick which animal their offering will help purchase.

Emmaus Youth Partake Their First Communion

Congratulations and prayers of thanks for Aaron Smith and Katie Zeleski! Having expressed their desire to join us at the Lord's table, Aaron and Katie were invited to participate in Holy Communion for the first time on October 20 and November 17, respectively.

We welcome Aaron and Katie to the Lord's table. We thank Jesus for you and rejoice in your being among us. And we pray that you will remain faithful to Christ and his holy Church, finding joy and strength in his body and blood, the signs of his love for the world.

Youth Birthdays

Dec. 4	Jordan Christensen	9
Dec. 7	Zachary LaVassor	1



Kaiser Records Piano CD

by Kathy Christensen

By popular demand, piano music played by Joyce Kaiser is being recorded on compact disk. "Sounds of Joy" will be available in December and can be pre-ordered before December 6 for the bargain price of \$10.00 each. (This price covers recording costs and will assist us in determining how many to order.)



Joyce Kaiser

Order forms are available in the narthex. The price will go up to \$12.00 after December 6.

A preview party is planned for Sunday, December 15, following the worship service. "Sounds of Joy" will be playing in the Sunset Room and Joyce will be on hand to sign your copy.

Don't miss out on this opportunity to enjoy Joyce's music in your own home and share it with others as a Christmas gift.

Choir Invites You to Get into the Christmas Spirit

by Marsha Connet

The Adult Choir is busy preparing for the Advent and Christmas season. If you can make a short-term commitment, come join

the choir through December.

We meet Sundays at 8:00 a.m. in the choir room, up behind the organ loft. Get into the spirit of it all!

Troll We Now the Yuletide Carol

by Kathy Christensen

You are invited to join the After School Program to do some Christmas caroling for our shut-ins and neighbors on Thursday, December 12. We will leave the church at 3:00 and return by about 5:00.

A beautiful singing



voice is not required, just a willing spirit. We can use some people to drive as well as sing. Please sign up in the narthex or call Kathy Christensen at 886-2151.

EASY to Share Christmas Cheer

The fifteen first through fifth graders participating in our after-school program have a busy December planned for them. Learning traditional Christmas carols, going out with some Emmaus adults for an afternoon of caroling December 12, and preparing small gifts of love for our homebound will be a part of their activities.

In addition to daily homework help and reading and computer time, the kids look forward to special times such as "cooking with Mrs.



Jensen" and "Science Fun with Mrs. Rudey."

Ruth Copeland and Carly Thomas, together with two teenagers from Father Bruce Clanton's program, provide consistency in staffing every Tuesday and Thursday afternoon as they serve snacks, help with crafts, play games and at times play a role as disciplinarians.

Plans are now being made for a December 19 Christmas party for the children.

EASY Undergoing Transition

Due to the recent resignation of Community Outreach Coordinator Velveta Hargrove, the Emmaus After School for Youth (EASY) program will undergo a change in leadership.

During the month of December, Pastor Mary, Nancy Smith and Ruth Copeland will lead the program. They will have the assistance of the three teenagers who have been regularly helping each Tuesday and Thursday of the program.

A temporary interim coordinator for the program is being sought for two to three months, beginning in January. Hours will be Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2:00

p.m. to 6:00 p.m., with an additional four hours of flexible time each week.

Responsibilities include: scheduling resource people and activities, planning and serving snacks, shopping for supplies, supervision of the teen staff, collaboration with adult volunteers, communication with parents and school staff, and record keeping.

Compensation is \$15.00 per hour. Persons interested in the interim position should contact Pastor Mary or Amy Larsen.

Further grant funding is currently being sought, with the expectation that a full-time outreach coordinator will be hired by April 1.

WELCA Bulletins

Pastor Sharon to Preach at Thankoffering Service

Pastor Sharon will preach at the Women's Thankoffering Services on the weekend of December 7 and 8.

What is Thankoffering?

There are four ways of giving to support the mission and ministry of Women of the ELCA. These four avenues for monetary giving are regular offerings, Thankofferings, designated gifts, and special offerings and gifts. Envelopes and boxes are available in the narthex.

Thankofferings are a daily gift showing gratitude for God's blessings and to support our partnership with God that all the world may know Christ. We are called to offer with joy and thanksgiving what God has first given us.

This is what makes us different from a charity organization. God directs what resources are needed to accomplish our ministry tasks.

Thankofferings:

- encourage women to give thanks and give monetarily;
- help Women of ELCA provide the resources, events and programs you need;
- support the organization's annual gift (undesignated portion) to the ELCA.



The heart and cross symbol reminds us that this offering is a result of God's activity in our lives.

Brownie Mix

Emmaus WELCA will sell brownie and muffin mix gift bags for \$4.00 each. Sales begin Thanksgiving Eve service Wednesday, November 27.

Christmas Cookie Pack

WELCA Christmas party and cookie pack is December 4 at 1:00 p.m. If you would like to bake cookies for the pack, you may join the Lydia Circle in packing or leave them in the kitchenette. If you leave them for the cookie pack, please be sure to mark them so we know what they're for.

The cookies will be delivered to the shut-ins when the after-school kids go caroling on December 12.

Board Meeting

Women's board meetings are on the first Monday of the month. Anyone is welcome to attend. The next meeting is December 2 at 6:00 p.m. in the Sunset Room.

See you there!



Emmaus to Serve Community Meal Dec. 5

It's Emmaus' turn to provide food for the December 5 Community Meal at St. Patrick's Church. Please sign up to provide either a casserole, cake or jello.

The pans and covers are in the cupboard in the kitchen off the Sunset Room. We also have canned beans and cream of mushroom soup for making the casserole. Thank you

for your continued support of this program.

REST Needs Sloppy Joe Mixers

REST (Racine Emergency Shelter Task force) is looking for volunteers to make sloppy joe mix in late December. Please call Pat Liesch (835-1363). Thanks!

Funds Granted to Extend Aiken's Position

Representatives of each of Racine's fifteen ELCA churches met November 14 for a day-long gathering at the DeKoven Center. The meeting, led by Assistant to the Bishop Sue Ruehle, was also attended by Bishop Paul Stumme-Diers. Representing Emmaus were Pastor Mary, Pastor Sharon, and Marty Aiken.



In addition to sharing joys and challenges experienced in our individual congregations and ministries, considerable time and energy was dedicated to the concept of seeing ourselves as one ELCA church body in Racine. If we were to take seriously an emphasis on the ELCA body as a whole, how would that affect the way we do ministry?

The themes of collaboration, partnership and cooperation continued to surface as new

possibilities for working together were discussed. "Lone Ranger" mentality is becoming a thing of the past for many congregations and their leaders; a growing sense of interdependence is emerging among many ELCA congregations in Racine.

The group discussed the use of remaining 2002 Siebert grant funds. A major portion of those funds will be used to launch a Young Adult Ministry Task Force for Racine. The pastors who will lead this effort are Pastor Kara Skatrud (Mt. Pleasant), Pastor Kris Capel (Holy Communion/Good Shepherd), Pastor Paul VanDeBerg (Bethania), and Pastor Sarah VanDeBerg (Resurrection).

A smaller portion of the remaining funds has been designated for Emmaus' use, extending Marty Aiken's position as Kids Hope USA coordinator into the beginning months of 2003.

Advent Decoration Wraps Up December 7

by Marsha Connet

We will decorate the church for Christmas on Thursday, December 6 and Friday, December 7

beginning at 9:30 a.m. both days.

Many hands are needed, so all volunteers are welcome. Please call Marsha Connet at 633-2047 if you can help.

Can You Help Spread Some Christmas Cheer?

Volunteers will be needed to help deliver poinsettias to shut-ins after Christmas. Pastor Mary will be on vacation between Christmas and New Year's, so we can use plenty of help getting these poinsettias out while they're still in good shape.

Each poinsettia will have

labels indicating whether someone intended to take it home, or wanted it taken to a shut-in member of Emmaus. Please contact Pastor Mary, the church office (634-5515), or the Emmaus Visitors if you

would like to help spread Christmas cheer with a poinsettia.



Remember our Shut-ins

Emmaus Members Respond to God's Covenant

On November 23 and 24, Emmaus members responded to God's call to commitment by offering their financial and ministry covenants.

At the time of this writing, 76 pledges have been received. In 2000, Emmaus 63 pledges were returned on the first weekend of our stewardship emphasis.

If you have not returned your covenant cards, we urge you to prayerfully consider your response and to mail those in or bring them to church.

Emmaus members have also responded to God's call for service,

both within and outside of our congregation. As the hands and feet of Christ, we offer service to those in need through our participation in Kid's Hope, the REST program, helping lead the worship service, making food for a variety of programs, and in many other ways.

During this season, we pray that the Holy Spirit works in each of us to faithfully respond to God's call to serve and to make a covenant to the mission and ministry of Emmaus Lutheran Church.

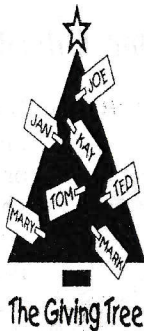
We give thanks to God for all who have already responded — your gifts do make a difference!

Help Someone Through the Giving/Mitten Tree

by Cindi Larsen

Would you like an alternate way of celebrating this Christmas? Please consider a gift or a donation to our Emmaus Giving Tree.

This year our Emmaus Giving Tree will be dedicated to acquiring gifts for some of our Wadewitz Elementary School students, other neighborhood kids, and some of our own Emmaus families.



The Giving Tree

We will have gift cards which will note sex, age, size, and suggested clothing/ toy item for you to pick up beginning Sunday, November 17. Gifts can be returned to our Emmaus Giving Tree by Sunday, December 15, to be delivered to Wadewitz and the other families that following week.

For those of you who hate the hustle and bustle of Christmas shopping, monetary donations can be given with checks made out to Emmaus Lutheran Church with "the Giving Tree" on the memo line. A special box will also be available on Sundays for the collection of these donations.

An Emmaus member will then use your contributions to complete purchases of some of the needed gifts that will help to brighten the Christmas of many young people and their

families.

One other suggestion for a gift would be to purchase a scrip gift certificate which would not only be used to purchase a gift, but would also help to support the raising of funds to cover the cost of the replacement of the fascia on our church building.

Please see Cindi Larsen in the narthex on Sundays if you have questions or wish to purchase scrip for the Giving Tree. You may also call her at 681-0282 after 4:30 p.m. with questions.

With our Stewardship theme of "Let Your Light Shine" in mind, our Emmaus family can help to spread that light of God's love to our Emmaus family and our neighborhood this blessed holiday season.

AAL Contributes Toward Repair

AAL paid almost \$700 toward the repair of the elevator.

Sunday Adopted to Relieve Emmaus Debt

Our thanks to the following, for adopting a recent Sunday as part of Emmaus' debt retirement program:

Loren & Cindi Larsen, celebrating their 27th wedding anniversary.

We Wish Esther Jensen a Happy Birthday

The family of Esther Jensen will host fellowship hour after the worship service on December 15 in

celebration of her 90th birthday. Come share the occasion with them as we honor this special lady.

Emmaus Senior Citizen Fellowship Center

Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The center will be closed December 24 and 31.

The center opens at 10:00 with coffee.

Programs begin at 10:30. Stay for lunch at noon and games at 1:00!

Director: Carol Rudey

- Programs:
- Dec. 3 Making Christmas ornaments
 - Dec. 10 Helen Gill Christmas concert
 - Dec. 17 Al Beck Christmas show



Birthdays This Month: 70 Years and Better

Dec. 1	Harry Larsen	5315 Norman Street	53406
Dec. 5	Milton Christensen	4202 Walsh Road	53405
Dec. 8	Wally Runge	3140 Wood Road #15	53406
Dec. 14	Esther Jensen	5727 Erie Street # 122	53402
Dec. 19	Shirley Velzka	11515 1 st Street, Lot 11, Sturt.	53177
Dec. 23	Lael Richter	1724 Polaris Drive	53404

Prospective Members to Meet December 8



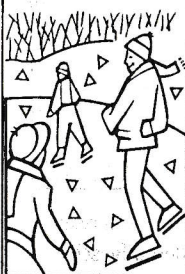


Pastor Mary invites all those who would like further information regarding Emmaus, together with those joining the church, to a time of coffee and conversation on Sunday, December 8 at the parsonage at 10:45 that morning.



Reception of new members will contact the church office.

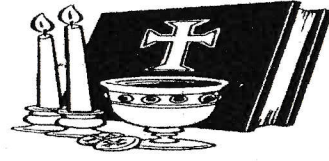
take place January 26 at the 9:15 a.m. worship service. All those transferring their memberships or affirming their Baptism will be recognized that day.

Persons desiring further information regarding church membership should

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 1 st SUNDAY IN ADVENT; WORLD AIDS DAY 8:00 am Adult Choir 9:15 am Worship service; LBW setting 2 with Holy Communion 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School	2 6:00 pm WELCA board meeting 7:00 pm Worship & Music committee mtg.	3 10:00 am Senior Citizen Fellowship Center 2:30 pm EASY 5:00 pm TOPS	4 1:00 pm WELCA Christmas party and cookie pack	5 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 2:30 pm EASY 5:00 pm Community Meal at St. Pat's 7:00 pm Stamp Club	6 7:00 pm REST	7 5:00 pm Thankoffering Worship service with Holy Communion
8 2 nd SUNDAY IN ADVENT 8:00 am Adult Choir 9:15 am Worship service; Women's Thankoffering service 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School 10:45 am Prospective members at parsonage	9 11:00 am Staff meeting 6:30 pm Church council mtg.  DECEMBER	10 10:00 am Senior Citizen Fellowship Center 2:30 pm EASY 5:00 pm TOPS	11	12 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 2:30 pm EASY Christmas caroling 	13 7:00 pm REST	14 10:30 am Sunday School program rehearsal 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion
15 3 rd SUNDAY IN ADVENT 8:00 am Adult Choir 9:15 am Scripture readings and Holy Communion, followed by Sunday School program, "A Christmas of Values" 10:30 am Birthday party for Jesus 10:30 am Coffee & CD signing Jan. <i>Visitor</i> deadline	16 11:00 am Staff meeting	17 9:30 am Cluster Clergy meeting 10:00 am Senior Citizen Fellowship Center 2:30 pm EASY 5:00 pm TOPS	18 	19 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 1:00 pm Book club 2:30 pm EASY Christmas party	20 7:00 pm REST	21 ST. THOMAS 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion 
22 4 th SUNDAY IN ADVENT 8:00 am Adult Choir 9:15 am Worship service; WOV Service of Word & Prayer 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship	23 6:30 pm REST Board	24 CHRISTMAS EVE <i>No Senior Fellowship Center</i> 4:30 pm Festival Service with Holy Communion 10:30 pm Candle Light Service with Holy Communion	25 CHRISTMAS DAY <i>Office closed</i>	26 ST. STEPHEN 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline	27 ST. JOHN 7:00 pm REST	28 HOLY INNOCENTS 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion
<i>Pastor Mary on vacation December 25 - 31</i>						
29 ST. MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS; 1 st SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS 9:15 am Worship service; LBW setting 1 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship	30 	31 <i>No Senior Citizen Fellowship Center</i> 5:00 pm TOPS	Jan. 1, 2003 <i>Office closed</i>	2 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 7:00 pm Stamp Club	3 7:00 pm REST	4 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion



December Worship Assistants



	Altar Guild	Readers	Ushers	Acolytes
Nov. 30 5:00 pm	Cheryl Dexter Barbara Larsen			
Dec. 1 9:15 am	Mildred Schroth Marge Jensen	Kathy Christensen	Team #3 Howard Jensen	Justin Haman Nate Lamberton
Dec. 7 5:00 pm	Lyle & Marge Zielke			
Dec. 8 9:15 am		<i>Women's service</i>	Team #4 John Cook	Brian Field Andrew Reischl
Dec. 14 5:00 pm	Evelyn Larsen			
Dec. 15 9:15 am	Lael Richter Arvilla Nemer	Gregg Albright	Team #5 Bill Meteyard	Kelsey Albright Hailey Sommer
Dec. 21 5:00 pm	Marion Andersen Judy Berndt			
Dec. 22 9:15 am		Eric Larsen	Team #2 Christensen	Tanya Rasmussen Andrew Reischl
Dec. 24 4:30 pm	Pat Jensen		Team #1 Harold Miller	Kally Jansen Amy Meteyard
Dec. 24 10:30 pm	Evelyn Larsen		Team #3 Howard Jensen	Marissa Connet Nathan Lamberton
Dec. 28 5:00 pm	Jan Svendsen Shirley Irvine			
Dec. 29 9:15 am		Chris Lamberton	Team #4 John Cook	Justin Haman Brian Field
Jan. 4 5:00 pm	Brian & Denise Keller			
Jan. 5 9:15 am	Gregg & Kylee Albright	Karen Sedgwick	TBA	Kelsey Albright Hailey Sommer

	Altar Flowers	Fellowship	Candle Care	Communion Asst.
Dec. 1	J & J & A Larsen	Balthazar girls		Shirley Velzka
Dec. 8	R&M Christensen	Hamans		
Dec. 15	Esther Jensen	Lois Pedersen		Jess Sedgwick
Dec. 22	J&M Haanstad	Echmanns	Pat Jensen	
Dec. 24				4:30: Pat & Ron Jensen, Julie Field. 10:30: Cindi Larsen, Nancy Brown, Amy Larsen
Dec. 29	Lambertons	Lambertons		

A Carthage Christmas
A Festival of Reading and Carols
Featuring the majestic organ of the church Memorial Organ

**Out of Darkness,
Light**

Concert
Friday, December 6: 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, December 7: 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, December 8: 4 p.m.
Free admission • Reservations required

Art Exhibit
Featuring art work from the offices of the
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
H. E. Johnson Gallery of Art
(The gallery will be open one hour
before and after each concert)

For information and reservations, call 262-591-5810.
Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. (except November 24-25)

ELCA Council Hears of 'Positive' ELCA-LCMS Conversation

CHICAGO (ELCA) — A Nov. 12 meeting in St. Louis of the Committee on Lutheran Cooperation (CLC), in which leaders of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) and Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod (LCMS) met to discuss matters of mutual interest, had a "different tone" and was "positive" compared to other recent meetings, said the Rev. Mark S. Hanson, ELCA presiding bishop, in a report to the ELCA Church Council.

The Church Council is the ELCA's board of directors and serves as the legislative authority of the church between churchwide assemblies.

In recent years, the relationship between the two churches has been strained. In 2000, the LCMS convention declared that it does not "consider [the ELCA] to be an orthodox Lutheran church body" and called for a review of cooperative ministries in which the LCMS and ELCA are partners.

Recent meetings between the leaders of the ELCA and LCMS, arranged by the late Rev. A. L. Barry, who was LCMS president, and the Rev. H. George Anderson, former ELCA presiding bishop, "were not particularly productive," Hanson said.

At the CLC meeting, LCMS officials expressed concern about the ELCA's current sexuality studies and the possibility that the ELCA may change its policies regarding ordination, Hanson said.

Other subjects discussed at the CLC meeting included cooperative ministries of the two churches, such as Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services, Lutheran Disaster Response, Lutheran World Relief and Lutheran Services in America, and issues related to the current ELCA dialogues with Christians of the Roman Catholic and Orthodox traditions.

Hanson told the council that meetings with LCMS officials will take place every six months.

Hanson also addressed several other matters in his report to the council:

In response to recent concerns raised by some members of the Division for Church in Society board, Hanson defended his public statements on the situation between the governments of the United States and Iraq.

"I take seriously that a pastor is called to speak publicly as a public leader," he said, adding that his comments are based in the social policy statements of the ELCA. Hanson — and other church leaders — criticized talk by U.S. officials about a pre-emptive strike against Iraq, which he said could not be justified under historic principles of "just war."

Hanson said he is "deeply dismayed" at the decline in giving to the ELCA World Hunger Appeal, which may end the fiscal year as much as \$1 million behind its budget of \$16.5 million.

'Trees On the Move' to Plant Oak

The church council has approved hiring Trees On the Move to plant a 25' red oak tree. Trees On the Move should begin work here in

the spring.

The following is a list of dedications:

Harley & Deloris Slater
Ruth Estep
Jan Bertram
Brian & Denise Keller
Don & Shirley Velzka

The Adult Choir
Don & Shirley Velzka
Nancy Smith

Nancy Smith
Nancy Smith
Brenda Gieszler
Julia Durand
Gary Swiden
WELCA
Judy Yorgan
Pastor Mary Janz
Pastor Mary Janz
Jim & Ginny Dougall
Chris & Caren Lamberton

Ken & Marilyn Guetlich
Boots LeRoux
Denise & Brian Keller
Bernice Holding

In addition, we thank the following, who also donated to the Churchyard Tree Replacement Fund:
Marty & Kathryn Aiken; David & Marilyn Anderson; Randy & Celia Bagley; Jeff & Linda Clinton; Ruth Copeland; Lucille

in memory of Aleda Tollefson
in memory of Mr. & Mrs. William Traeger
in memory of Dan Bertram
in memory of Peter Connet
in memory of Fred & Nellie Anderson and Bill Hunter
in memory of Peter Connet
in memory of Peter Connet
in memory of Marian Bower, Mae Henke and Fern Clark
in memory of Deloris Slater
in memory of Peter Connet
in memory of Olga R. Blumhardt
in memory of Martha Zielke
in memory of Wesley & Opal Cook
in memory of Deloris Slater
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in memory of Peter Connet
in honor of Dave, Kirk and Jill Dougall
in honor of Ashley, Nathan & Ryan Lamberton and the Emmaus family
in honor of Ralph & Audrey Rasmussen
in honor of Nancy Smith
in honor of Michaela & Erin Keller
in honor of Pastor Mary



Dudek; John & Meta Haanstad; Chris & Bev Hansen; Esther Jensen; John & Cathy Knuteson; Joyce Lamberton; Amy Larsen; Chester & Mabel Meyer; Harold & Catherine Miller; Ralph & Audrey Rasmussen; William Syty family; Celia Weber.



Our poinsettia order has been called in, but there is still time to add to it (some colors may turn out to be in short supply at this point). These plants will be yours to take, if you choose, after the late evening service December 24.

Please reserve _____ poinsettias
at \$8.25 each
(# _____ red # _____ white # _____ pink)

My name: _____

As a MEMORIAL for: _____

and/or to HONOR: _____

Deadline to order and make payment is December 16, 2002.
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: *

Grant Reports and Grant Proposal Submitted

During the month of November, Nancy Smith and Pastor Mary have spent considerable time compiling information and photos for grant reports now due. In addition to the reports prepared for the Siebert Lutheran Foundation and the Synod outreach Fund, they are compiling a notebook of photos and stories for the Emmaus archives. These reports tell the story of how outreach funds have been used in 2002.

On behalf of the ELCA Racine Cluster and following consultation with Rev. Sue Ruehle, Pastor Mary is also submitting a grant proposal to the Siebert Lutheran Foundation for the year 2003. The proposal, due December 1, requests funding totaling \$25,000 for outreach ministry through Emmaus and an additional \$5,000 for Lutheran Church of the Redeemer's outreach ministry.

Gifts Due Dec. 31 for 2001 IRS Credit

In order to claim donations to Emmaus as charitable gifts made in 2002, you must either bring them to the church no later than the offering

collection on December 31, 2002, or have them postmarked by Monday, December 31.

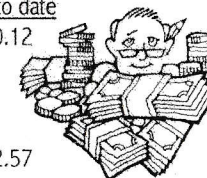
Emmaus Attendance Statistics

Average Weekly Attendance, Oct.:	2000: 160	2001: 137	2002: 164
Average Weekly Attendance, Nov.:	2000: 173	2001: 139	2002: 154
Average Weekly Attendance, Dec.:	2000: 143	2001: 146	

Financial Figures

		Year to date	Last year
General funds receipts in October	\$13,513.55	\$133,272.94	\$151,062.15
Building Fund offerings received in October	\$ 399.00	\$ 3,457.00	\$ 4,870.00
Unified funds receipts in October	\$14,311.55	\$136,729.94	\$155,932.15

		Campaign to date
2001 Fund offerings received in October	\$25.00	\$93,450.12
October mortgage payments:		
Principal	.. \$537.81	
Interest	.. \$428.19	
Total	.... \$966.00	
Principal balance as of October 14, 2002		\$62,282.57



ADOPT-A-SUNDAY
to help reduce indebtedness of Emmaus



Emmaus
Lutheran Church
1925 Summit Ave.

I wish to contribute: \$1,000 \$750 \$500
 \$300 \$100 \$

(Suggested minimum \$100; any gift appreciated)

Sunday to adopt: _____

In memory of: _____

In honor of: _____

Occasion: _____

Contributor: _____



presents its annual
Christmas Concert

"On Christmas Eve"

Friday, December 6, 2002
8:00 p.m.
at
Galilee Lutheran Church
N24 W26430 Crestview Drive
Pewaukee, WI

and

Sunday, December 8, 2002
3:00 p.m.
at
Capitol Drive Lutheran Church
5229 W. Capitol Drive
Milwaukee, WI

\$10 at the door
\$8 in advance for seniors and students
Group rates available
For more information call (414) 421-8988

Our Savior's Lutheran Church Committee for the Arts
Presents

**Milwaukee Festival City
Barbershop
Chorus & Quartets**



Featuring: Our Savior's Senior Choir
Special Guests: The Madrigal Singers
& Suzuki Violin Group

"The Peace of Christmas"



Saturday, December 14, 2002
2:00 p.m. & 8:00 p.m.

Our Savior's Lutheran Church
3022 W. Wisconsin Avenue - Milwaukee -
414-342-5252

Parking in rear -- enter from Wells Street
\$10.00

\$7.00 - Students & Seniors at 2:00 p.m. show only

Synod Panel Urges Peaceful Solutions for Iraq

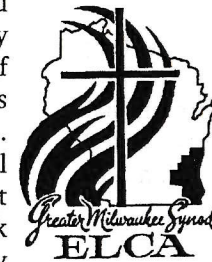
The following is a Statement Regarding Possible War with Iraq, passed by Peace and Justice Committee of the Greater Milwaukee Synod, November 6, 2002:

Congress has passed a momentous resolution granting President Bush the unilateral power to wage war against Iraq should he deem such a course necessary to disarm Saddam Hussein of weapons of mass destruction, as required by several U.N. Resolutions. The Congressional Resolution charges the President to consult with allies and to seek approval from the U.N. Security Council, but clearly gives him authority to proceed on his own judgment.

The debate in Congress over this grant of power was unfortunately colored by political considerations during this fall's congressional elections and was blurred by deep diplomatic misunderstandings and disputes among our allies and within the Security Council. Accordingly, we believe that a rush to war with Iraq is ill advised and should be avoided pending further public discussion of the issues.

The Constitution of the United States wisely assigns the war-making power to the people, acting through their representatives in Congress. The executive branch is given no necessary role in this process. We believe the founding fathers were correct and that it is always

improper and arguably unconstitutional to cede this power to the executive. Such a grant of power to President Johnson in the 1964 Gulf of Tonkin resolution was used to circumvent congressional oversight of the Vietnam war. The results are well remembered.



The specter of war with Iraq poses not only constitutional and political problems; it raises — most importantly — the moral question of justice. As Christians we are committed to peace — to the proposition that war is justified only as a last resort — after all peaceful means have failed and a hostile attack has occurred or is clearly imminent. To wage "preemptive war" is to undercut the only moral justification for the use of force.

We believe that in view of all these concerns, President Bush should be advised not to proceed toward war without fully exhausting diplomatic measures and then only as a "last resort."

We urge Christians to join us in communicating this message to the President and to members of Congress.

- Gene Haugse
- Gerhard Fischer
- Art Koch
- Rick Engen
- Dick Moen
- Orlando Tweet
- Frank Zeidler

LSS Seeks Adoptive Parents

Lutheran Social Services (LSS) of Wisconsin and Upper Michigan is looking for families interested in adoption. An orientation meeting will take place from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. Saturday, December 7 at St. Matthew's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 1615 Wauwatosa Avenue in Milwaukee.

This is the "kick-off" meeting for LSS's domestic infant program. Attendance at this informational meeting is required to be considered for the random drawing of families to be studied in 2003.

Elsewhere in Our Area

UW-Parkside Choirs Present "Messiah" Dec. 1, 7, 8

The UW-Parkside Choirs present three complete performances of Handel's "Messiah" Dec. 1 through 8. A chorus of 70 voices and a professional orchestra of more than 20 pieces will treat audiences in Racine, Waterford, and Kenosha to what conductor James Kinchen calls the greatest story ever told set to the greatest music ever written.

Professor Kinchen said "Messiah" continues to stir audiences more than two centuries after it was written because it delivers a powerful, uplifting story.

"Besides being good art, it has a wonderful message. It's a message that speaks truth to many people;

Couples need to be from Kenosha, Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Racine, Washington or Waukesha County. The random drawing will be held later in December. Mandatory study group dates (2½ days) will follow in February and July.

Information regarding LSS international adoption programs will also be highlighted at the meeting.

If you have any questions, need directions or would like any additional information, please call Dorothy Bunke at 414-325-3222.

speaks hope, I think, to all people," Kinchen stated. "Handel really knew what folks would connect with."

The UW-Parkside Choirs' Racine concert is Sunday, Dec. 1, at Grace Church, 3626 Highway 31, beginning at 4:00 p.m. The other performances are scheduled for Community United Methodist Church, 455 S. Jefferson St., Waterford, Dec. 7 at 3:00 p.m., and at the UW-Parkside campus Dec. 8 at 3:30 p.m.

Admission to each performance is \$10.00. Student admission at the campus performance is \$8.00. For more information, call the UW-Parkside Music Department at (262) 595-2457.



Pastor Sharon's Column

'You Shall Eat Your Fill and Bless the Lord'

I just had a short conversation with our youngest son, Brent. He is part of the "loss prevention" team at ShopKo. He is one of the people that watch the cameras and detain or chase shoplifters.

I asked him about his work schedule for the next few days, because I had several projects I wanted him to do (like put up the Christmas lights) over the next few weeks. He reminded me that Thanksgiving marks the beginning of the feeding frenzy we refer to as "holiday shopping" and one of the busiest times for security in retail stores. I asked his forgiveness, that I, a mother, would forget such an important event in his work cycle.

He has had this job for the past few years, and the thing that struck me in our conversation was how he talked about the next few weeks until Christmas. It seems that people feel the need to have these material things to celebrate the season, and even they can't afford what they think they need, all too often they will go to any length — including stealing — to get it.

I remembered a story Brent told us last year about someone who had their young child push a cart full of merchandise out the door and then ran after it, as though to catch the child and bring him back. Of course, that did not happen, and the security team had to chase the parent and shopping cart across the parking lot, leaving the young child standing

there alone and crying. What message was the parent sending to that child?

Our Old Testament text for Thanksgiving, Deuteronomy 8:7-18, tells us that God provides for the people a rich land, with plentiful food, water and resources, where they can prosper. It tells us that we should praise God, be thankful for these things in life and remember who provided them.

As I go about my task as a chaplain for Lincoln Lutheran and talk to the people I meet every day, I am always reminded how they have learned to appreciate the simple things. Many have sold their large homes and accumulated possessions. (One lady told me, "Honey, you just have to dust it anyway. It's much better without all of that!")

God has given us a beautiful and bountiful world, rich in the things we need to be happy. We are asked to do a few things while we are here, but on the whole we are blessed with more than enough, if we share and care for each other. We do not need to scramble for the superficial things our TV commercials tell us we need.

The term "Jesus is the reason for the season" has become a cliché. However, the idea that this time of the year, when the crops are harvested, the first snow has fallen,

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and everything slows down... is a good time to stop and think about what we are about as God's people and how we truly relate to His creation and each other.

The old bumper sticker, "The one who dies with the most toys

wins!" is not what God would like to see on the back of our Chevy. Have a blessed holiday season in Christ.


Pastor Sharon