

Emmaus Visitor

January, 1995

"A Safe Harbor"

Emmaus Lutheran Church 634-5515 1925 Summit Avenue

After 10:00 Service

Annual Meeting Set for January 22

There will be only one worship service on January 22, at 10:00 a.m., so that all members of Emmaus may attend the annual meeting of the congregation after the service. In previous years, some people have commented that holding the congregational meeting between services limited the opportunity for discussion, since the



pastors and others were obliged to leave the meeting by 10:30.

The agenda for this year's meeting includes the election of officers to the church council and approval of the 1995 budget. Open council positions for 1995 include the Treasurer, Social Concerns committee chair, and a Youth representative.

Saturday evening worship will retain its usual spot at 5:00 p.m. on Jan. 21. There will be no Sunday School on Jan. 22.

Wednesday Night at Emmaus Takes Hiatus

Pizza and Hands-On Science will take a break from the regular Wednesday night schedule of

activities during the month of January. Choirs will rehearse as usual. The full schedule will resume in February.

PASTORAL ACTS

Memorial Service: Nov. 30, 1994 Jerome Baggesen

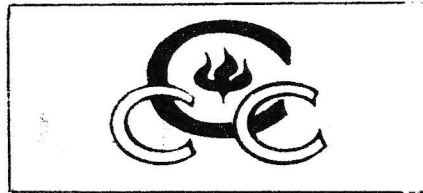
Jerry Baggesen passed away on Nov. 24. A native of Racine, he was a self-employed mechanic prior to his retirement. Jerry is survived by his wife, Josephine.

Center for Community Concerns Serves Racine

For over 25 years, The Center for Community Concerns (CCC) has helped devise creative and effective programs to address the social concerns of our community. The Center coordinates the CROP Walk for hunger, helps distribute Toys for Tots, and connects volunteers with worthwhile programs.

Current CCC programs include the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP), Last Resort Assistance Program, Volunteer Today, Corporate Volunteer Council (CVC), Youth Volunteer Network (YVN), and Emergency Pharmaceutical Fund.

RSVP provides volunteer opportunities for Racine County people age 55 and over, such as VIPS, an intergenerational program involved with school tutoring. Last Resort steps in where other public and private agencies cannot help because of red tape difficulties.



CVC includes the Giving Tree project; in 1992/3, it provided 2,600 Christmas gifts to needy children. The Emergency Pharmaceutical Fund is a United Way program to provide one-time assistance with prescriptions for people experiencing financial crisis.

A Grantsmanship Partnership Program has been set up with the City of Racine and other local agencies to offer grant writing assistance to Racine organizations.

At the December WELCA meeting, the women voted to give \$100 to CCC. Pastor Mary serves on the CCC Board and is a member of its Interfaith Committee.

To contact CCC, phone 637-9176 or write the Center at 1501 Villa Street, Racine, 53403.

**"Yank some of the groans out of your prayers
and shove in some shouts."**

--Billy Sunday

B.I.C. News

LYE Registrations Due

Here's what's new for the Believers In Christ (B.I.C.) senior high youth group in January:

Emmaus youth planning to attend the Lutheran Youth Event (LYE) Chicago Congress March 17-19 need to pre-register by January 8. There is a \$30.00 deposit due at pre-registration.



Sub Construction

It's time again for the annual construction of the sub-

marines! We'll be gathering at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 28 to put together the Superbowl Submarine Sandwiches.

Middle School News

Sign Up for Jan. 22 Peppermint Gym Outing

Plan to attend our next outing on Sunday, Jan. 22 at Peppermint Gym at 2:00 p.m. We have the gym rented from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m.

The cost is \$4.50 per person (\$3.00 if you are a Peppermint gym member). Then we'll go to the church for Infusino's pizza (cost approximately \$2.00). We should be through between 5:00 and 5:30 p.m.



We need to have a definite head count for this activity. Plan to sign up during Sunday School on January 8 or 15, or contact Cindi Larsen (681-0282) or Pat Liesch (835-1363) by January 15.



Over 100 mission congregations will dedicate new church buildings this year thanks to the commitment of our ELCA Mission Investors. Call 1-800/638-3522, ext. 2943, to learn how you can put your money to work in the mission field and continue to earn current interest rates for yourself.

Sunset Room ADULT FORUM 9:20 a.m.

Sessions of Adult Forum are held every Sunday when there is Sunday School, from 9:20 to 10:10 a.m. EVERY ADULT IS WELCOME TO ATTEND. The sessions follow the coffee fellowship in the Sunset Room.

- JAN. 1. No Adult Forum; one worship service at 10:00.
- JAN. 8. Hearing on the 1995 Budget. Members of the Executive Committee of the Church Council will lead the discussion of the budget. Your input is valued!
- JAN. 15. Second video in the Gary Smalley series on relationships. The first video was well received on December 4.
- JAN. 22. No Adult Forum; Annual Meeting of the Congregation in Fellowship Hall at 11:00 a.m. (10:00 worship).
- JAN. 29. Speaker to be announced.

Subscribe This Month to the Lutheran

Because Emmaus is discontinuing its congregation-wide subscription to Lutheran magazine, members will be encouraged to renew their subscriptions this month on an individual basis. In recent years, Emmaus has provided subscriptions to all its members as a gift. The Church Council has decided to give free one-year subscriptions to new members, but to discontinue the costly practice of paying for subscriptions for all members.

We would like to encourage members, however, to continue to receive The Lutheran. It is a quality magazine with inspirational and faith-building stories. Its informative articles about the ELCA and about religion at large would be difficult to replace. Each member's issue will come with a special wrapper for convenient renewal of your subscription.



Consecration Sunday Inspires Great Response

The numbers on the response to Consecration Sunday are better than we might have even dared to predict. A big increase not only in the number of pledges, but

also in the average amount pledged, combined for an overall increase in monies pledged of almost \$44,000! The chart below tells the story in numbers:

	1994	1995	% Increase
No. of Pledges	118	140	18.64%
Total Pledged	\$120,433.44	\$164,263.25	36.39%
Average Weekly	\$19.63	\$22.56	14.93%
Average Annual	\$1,020.62	\$1,173.31	14.96%

What it doesn't tell is the story in terms of faith. The people of Emmaus have once again responded with great love for their God and for their church community. May we continue to move forward in faith!

Christmas Eve Attendance Is Up

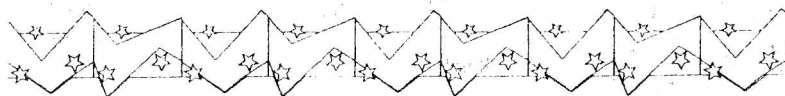
The combined attendance for the 4:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Christmas Eve worship services was 392, the best attendance for

Christmas Eve at Emmaus since 1988. It was great to have so many of our Emmaus family together to celebrate God's precious gift of love to us.

Calendar Notes

Please note the following changes to the January calendar in this issue:
 ☞ Lydia Circle will not meet

January 16.
 ☞ Worship & Music Committee will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 17.

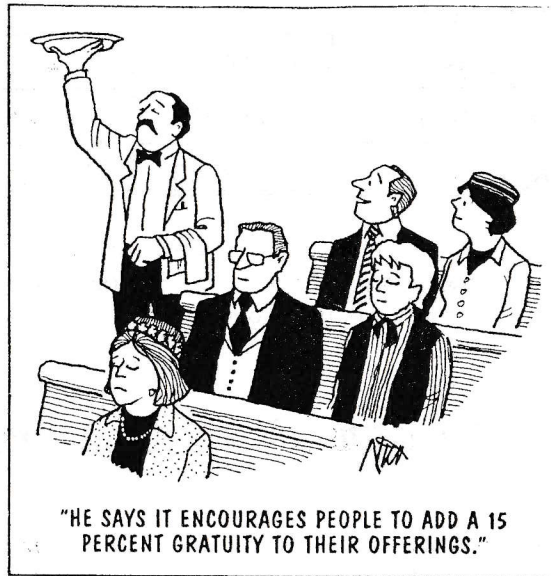


Many Sundays Are Available for Altar Flower

There are several openings still available to give the altar flowers at Emm celebration, in memory, or in thanks this year. (There are even three weeks availk the month of January.) A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the h outside the pastors' offices.

The altar flower schedule for January and early February is:

January 1: Gil & Barb Toslek
 January 8: Joyce & Nichelle Slawson
 February 5: Mary Larsen



Emmaus Staff and Worship Times

PASTORS: Mary L. Janz 1455 Sun Valley Dr., #104, 53406 633-31
 Paul J. Nuechterlein 1909 Summit Ave., 53404 637-0
 SECRETARY: Paul Berge Church office: 634-5
 CUSTODIAN: Wes Mohr

Services are held at Emmaus Saturdays at 5:30 p.m. and Sundays at 8:0 and 10:30 a.m. (On January 1 and 22, Sunday service will be at 10:00 a.m. only.) Nursery service is available during the 10:30 service. Sunday School and Adult Forum meet Sundays at 9:15.

Office hours are Monday through Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Emmaus Senior Fellowship Center

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

Director: Glenn Olson

The center opens at 10:00 a.m.

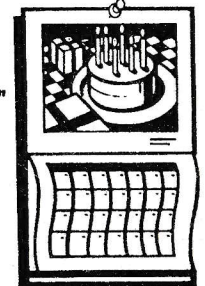
with coffee. Programs begin at 10:30 a.m.



Young at Heart

Program for January:

- JAN. 3 10:00 Coffee
 10:30 Remembering with Marge
 12:00 Regular Lunch
 1:00 Social Activities
- JAN. 10 10:00 Coffee
 10:30 John Peshek, Lincoln Lutheran Speaker's Bureau:
 Social Security and the Aging
 12:00 Regular Lunch
 1:00 Social Activities
- JAN. 17 10:00 Coffee
 10:30 VCR: "So Dear to My Heart"
 12:00 Regular Lunch
 1:00 Social Activities
- JAN. 24 10:00 Coffee
 10:30 Conclusion of "So Dear to My Heart"
 12:00 Regular Lunch
 1:00 Social Activities
- JAN. 31 10:00 Coffee
 10:30 VCR: Title to Be Announced
 12:00 Birthday Lunch
 1:00 Social Activities



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

January Birthdays - 70 Years and Over

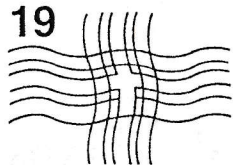
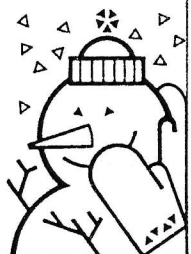
1/7	Harold Miller	2705 James Boulevard	53403
1/10	J. Erik Nielsen	3321 Fourth Avenue	53402
1/11	Oscar Haugsby	4140 Manhattan Drive	53402
1/20	Vivian Gattie	35 Harbor View Drive #312	53403
1/24	Ella Marie Allen	4314 Taylor Avenue	53405
1/26	Beulah Orman	Oak Ridge	53182
1/28	Esther Reichenberger	2035 Carlisle Avenue	53404
1/29	Jeannette Bertram	1830 Polaris Avenue	53404
1/30	Arden Bertermann	1100 Fountain Drive #303	53402
1/30	Grace Unger	6510 Lincolnshire Drive	53402

JANUARY 1995

Compliments of your District Representative
Darrell L. Reynolds
 633-9075



AID ASSOCIATION FOR LUTHERANS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY																																																																																																		
1 The Name of Jesus The Circumcision of Our Lord New Year's Day 10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE with Holy Communion (No Sunday School or Adult Forum)	2 Office Closed	3 9:15 PM Staff Mtg. 10:00 AM Senior Fellowship Center	4 ANNUAL REPORT DEADLINE 9:00 AM Mary Circle 1:30 PM Rebecca Circle	5 7:00 PM Miriam Circle 7:00 PM Stamp Club	6 Epiphany 7:00 PM R.E.S.T.	7 5:00 PM WORSHIP SERVICE																																																																																																		
Pastor Mary on Vacation.....																																																																																																								
8 1st Sunday after the Epiphany 8:00 & 10:30 AM TRAD. WORSHIP SERVICE 9:15 AM Sunday School 9:20 AM Adult Forum 1:30 PM Epiphany Festival at Siena Center 6:30 PM Teaching Parish Orientation at LSTC	9 5:00 PM Building & Grounds Committee 6:30 PM Council Mtg.	10 9:15 AM Staff Mtg. 10:00 AM Senior Fellowship Center	11 5:30 PM Carpenter's Kids 6:15 PM Sunrise Singers 7:00 PM Adult Choir rehearsal	12 7:00 PM Cluster Council	13 7:00 PM R.E.S.T.	14 5:00 PM WORSHIP SERVICE w/H.C.																																																																																																		
Pastor Mary at Continuing Education at Luther Seminary.....																																																																																																								
15 2nd Sunday after the Epiphany 8:00 & 10:30 AM CHICAGO FOLK SERVICE w/Holy Communion 9:15 AM Sunday School 9:20 AM Adult Forum VISITOR DEADLINE	16 Martin Luther King Day 6:30 PM Education Committee 7:00 PM Mary- Martha Circle 7:00 PM Lydia Circle	17 9:30 AM Cluster Clergy @ HCLC 10:00 AM Senior Fellowship Center 3:30 PM Hymn Sel- ection Committee	18 The Confession of St. Peter 5:30 PM Carpenter's Kids rehearsal 6:15 PM Sunrise Singers rehearsal 7:00 PM Adult Choir rehearsal	19  WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY	20 7:00 PM R.E.S.T.	21 5:00 PM WORSHIP SERVICE																																																																																																		
22 3rd Sunday after the Epiphany 10:00 AM TRAD. WORSHIP SERVICE 11:00 AM CONGREGATIONAL ANNUAL MEETING and pot luck 1:30 PM Middle School outing to Peppermint Gym	23 6:30 PM Social Concerns Cmte.	24 9:15 AM Staff Mtg. 10:00 AM Senior Fellowship Center 7:30 PM WELCA Board	25 The Conversion of St. Paul 10:00 AM La Leche League 5:30 PM Carpenter's Kids rehearsal 6:15 PM Sunrise Singers rehearsal 7:00 PM Adult Choir	26	27 7:00 PM R.E.S.T.	28 5:00 PM WORSHIP SERVICE																																																																																																		
29 4th Sunday after the Epiphany 8:00 & 10:30 AM SERVICE OF THE WORD 9:15 AM Sunday School 9:20 AM Adult Forum	30 	31 9:15 AM Staff Mtg. 10:00 AM Senior Fellowship Center	1 FEBRUARY 9:00 AM Mary Circle NOON Executive Cmte. 1:30 PM Rebecca Circle 5:45 PM Single Parents' Group	2 The Presentation of Our Lord 5:00 PM Community Meal @ St. Pat's 7:00 PM Miriam Circle	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="7">DECEMBER</th> <th colspan="7">FEBRUARY</th> </tr> <tr> <th>S</th><th>M</th><th>T</th><th>W</th><th>T</th><th>F</th><th>S</th> <th>S</th><th>M</th><th>T</th><th>W</th><th>T</th><th>F</th><th>S</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>3</td> <td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>3</td><td>4</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4</td><td>5</td><td>6</td><td>7</td><td>8</td><td>9</td><td>10</td> <td>5</td><td>6</td><td>7</td><td>8</td><td>9</td><td>10</td><td>11</td> </tr> <tr> <td>11</td><td>12</td><td>13</td><td>14</td><td>15</td><td>16</td><td>17</td> <td>12</td><td>13</td><td>14</td><td>15</td><td>16</td><td>17</td><td>18</td> </tr> <tr> <td>18</td><td>19</td><td>20</td><td>21</td><td>22</td><td>23</td><td>24</td> <td>19</td><td>20</td><td>21</td><td>22</td><td>23</td><td>24</td><td>25</td> </tr> <tr> <td>25</td><td>26</td><td>27</td><td>28</td><td>29</td><td>30</td><td>31</td> <td>26</td><td>27</td><td>28</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	DECEMBER							FEBRUARY							S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S					1	2	3					1	2	3	4	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	26	27	28				
DECEMBER							FEBRUARY																																																																																																	
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S																																																																																											
				1	2	3					1	2	3	4																																																																																										
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	5	6	7	8	9	10	11																																																																																											
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	12	13	14	15	16	17	18																																																																																											
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	19	20	21	22	23	24	25																																																																																											
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	26	27	28																																																																																															

Worship Assistants

	<u>Acolytes</u>	<u>Altar Guild</u>	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
Jan. 1 10:00 am	Scott Rudey Jon Cook	Arvilla Nemer Mabel Meyer	Kathy Christensen	Lyle & Bill Christensen
Jan. 8 8:00 am	Ryan Clinton John Knuteson	—	Hans Jepsen	Peter & Susan Bayer
Jan. 8 10:30 pm	Craig Moore Eric Moore	—	David Christensen	Denise Pipol Tim Van Berg
Jan. 14 5:00 pm	—	Jan Svendsen Shirley Irvine	—	—
Jan. 15 8:00 am	Sam Falaschi Jason Meteyard	Lael Richter Evelyn Larsen	Randy Sanders	Isabelle Barry Ruth Estep
Jan. 15 10:30 am	Ryan Sedgwick Dave Rudey	Connie Bertermann Jeannette Bertram	Tim Van Berg	Audrey & Ralph Rasmussen
Jan. 22 10:00 am	Matt Liesch Michael Yust	—	Bev Hansen	June & Al Beck
Jan. 29 8:00 am	Ryan Halsey Ryan Kreimer	—	Nicole Kreimer	Mark & Grace Falaschi
Jan. 29 10:30 am	Jill Lynch Tom Pie	—	Mildred Schroth	Sandy & Chad Strini

CAREER OPPORTUNITY

Have you been considering a career change?

Please join us for an informative seminar on career opportunities with Lutheran Brotherhood at our agency office in Brookfield. This 90-minute session, being held on January 10 at 7:00 p.m., will provide you with information about a career in the financial services industry. Lutheran Brotherhood is a Fraternal organization, offering a wide variety of financial products and services. We are looking for individuals with successful career records who are considering a new challenge. Full training is provided.

For information or a reservation, please contact:

Tony Zanis
Associate General Agent
Lutheran Brotherhood Financial Services
Midway Office Center
Brookfield, WI 53005
(414) 789-0119

ADOPT A SUNDAY To Help Reduce Indebtedness of Emmaus

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: _____

S

aus in
ble in
llway

59
71
15

>>>Sunday School News<<<

Happy New Year to all!!

Isn't This What Christmas Is All About?, our Christmas program was a great success. Thank you to all the students for their hard work and to all those who help us behind the scenes. Linda Meteyard and Karen Olson who also helped.

We also like to thank you to David Lasko (wiseman) and Christina Listrom(shepherd) for last mintue replacements.



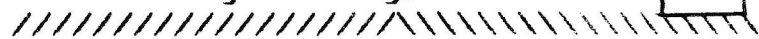
>>>>Memory Time <<<<<

Memory sheets have been mailed and all Sunday School students. You should start now to get it memorized. The memory sheets are such a nice color you might want to hang it on the refrigerator. We hope parents will take the time to help students with their Memory. If you didn't receive your Memory work please check with the Sunday School office. Remember you have until May, PLEASE don't wait till the last minute. Good Luck!



>>>>A REMINDER<<<<<

The 2nd Sunday of the month is Sunday School's chance to help the Northside Pantry. Everyone should bring a canned or non-perishable good. Our cash offering is used to buy perishable goods. Don't forget anytime is a good time to bring your offerings for the Northside Pantry (And you don't have to be in Sunday School to bring something.)

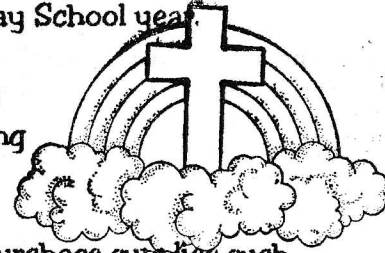


continue>

>>>>>OFFERING<<<<<

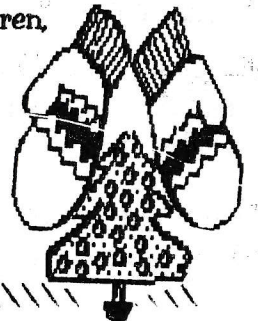
Sunday school offerings are very important. Everyone should remember to bring their offering in the envelopes that were provided at the beginning of the Sunday School year.

1. Our cash offering is used to help the Northside Pantry buy perishable goods for those who are in need. 2. Our offering is used to help our child through the Christian Children's Fund. 3. We also contribute to the mission fund. 4. We purchase supplies such as awards and material that teachers need to help in their teaching every Sunday. So don't forget you're offering every Sunday it is very important to you, our students.



>>>Hat, Mitten, Scarf Tree<<<

Now that our tree is bare and cold we ask that you warm our tree up. Hats mittens and scarves be for children, women and men, will warm up the tree and someone's hands and head. You can place those warm hats, mittens and scarves on the tree till the end of January. All of those mittens, hats and scarves will be given to Lutheran Social Services.



God's Love and Peace to you all!

Pat Shields

pat shields
Sunday School
Superintendent

 **No Sunday School January 22!**

Treasurer's Report as of November 30, 1994

BEGINNING BALANCE/(DEFICIT)		\$804.84	
		Over/(Under)	
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Budget</u>
General Offerings	11,850.88	17,500.00	(5,649.12)
Special Offerings	3,340.69	500.00	2,840.69
Transfers	8,413.00	0.00	8,413.00
<u>Other Income</u>	<u>888.00</u>	<u>400.00</u>	<u>488.00</u>
TOTAL INCOME	24,492.57	18,400.00	6,092.57
Pay/Benefits	10,755.11	10,812.00	(56.89)
Utility/Supplies	1,192.29	1,933.00	(740.71)
Benevolences	1,800.14	1,362.50	437.64
<u>Other Expense</u>	<u>9,470.01</u>	<u>6,655.00</u>	<u>2,815.01</u>
TOTAL EXPENSE	23,217.35	19,762.50	2,455.05
Ending Balance/(Deficit)		\$2,079.86	
W/H Payable		\$176.70	
Checkbook Balance		\$2,256.56	
Year-to-Date receipts as of Nov. 30:	\$168,638.84		
Needed Y-T-D 11/30 to meet budget:	\$200,287.48		

AVERAGE WEEKLY ATTENDANCE:

for Nov. 1994: 204	for Nov. 1993: 184	for Nov. 1992: 216
for Dec. 1994: 248	for Dec. 1993: 180	for Dec. 1992: 214

Elsewhere In Our Community

Epiphany Fest Theme is "Light of Light"

The fourth annual Epiphany Festival will be held Sunday, January 8 (NOTE: the date given in the December Visitor was incorrect) at the Siena Center, 5635 Erie Street. A Craft Fair will begin at 1:30 p.m., followed by a concert in the beautiful Siena Center chapel at 3:00. You are invited to rehearse with the mass adult choir that afternoon at 1:00.

The theme of the festival

this year is "Light of Light."

St. Olaf Choir to Sing at PAC

The internationally renowned St. Olaf Choir will perform at the Performing Arts Center in Milwaukee on January 30 to benefit Lutheran Social Service's "Touch a Life" Campaign. The concert will begin in Uihlein Hall at 8:00 p.m.

Pastor Paul's Column

'94 Blessings Yield '95 Hope

Dear Disciples of Emmaus,

We have much to look forward to in 1995! It is hard to believe that I am already beginning my second year here as one of your pastors. The time seems to have flown by.

1994 has been an eventful year, giving us much to remember. Our children often are featured in our special memories, such as the children's choir presentation of "Elijah" on Miracle Sunday,

and the wonderful dialogue with Pastor Dale Larson during his children's sermon on Consecration Sunday.

But these two days also had farther-reaching consequences for the long-range mission of our congregation. Coupled with the cottage meetings this summer, we faced some tough financial concerns together, and we can be proud of the response. (See the article elsewhere in this newsletter for

more details on the Consecration Sunday response.) 1994 may go down as an important year in the history of Emmaus. The foundation of facing challenges together has been laid, so that we may continue to face the ventures of years to come.

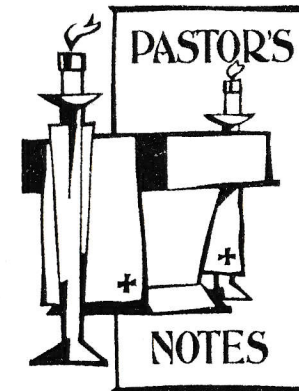
I look forward to sharing the years ahead with you: not only the challenges of mission as a church of Jesus Christ, but also the many significant events of our daily lives that I am

privileged to share with you as one of your pastors. I will remember 1994 as a special year of beginning to share life with all the special people who together make the family of Emmaus.

May the Lord richly bless our 1995 and the years to come, as we carry forward the ministry of Jesus Christ.

In his name,

Pastor Paul



Racine
Mission
Cluster
ELCA
Epiphany
Festival

1:30 pm
Jan. 8
Siena
Center
5635 Erie

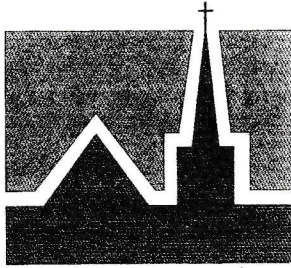
LIGHT OF LIGHT



Emmaus Lutheran Church
1925 Summit Avenue
Racine, WI 53404

Non-Profit Org
U.S. Postage
PAID
Racine, WI
Permit No. 137

Address correction requested



Emmaus Visitor

February, 1995

"A Safe Harbor"

Emmaus Lutheran Church 634-5515 1925 Summit Avenue

Seminarians Begin "Teaching Parish" Partnership with Emmaus

Four seminarians from the Lutheran School of Theology in Chicago (LSTC) have begun their Teaching Parish assignments at Emmaus as part of their training for ministry. Bob Castro, Sharon Georgi, Bev Rautenberg and Claire Cruise Warren have been placed with us partly due to the fact that all four are "second career" students who commute to school from here in Racine or the Milwaukee area.

Castro, Rautenberg and Warren have been placed here to coordinate with class work over the next fifteen months (or four seminary terms). Georgi has been re-assigned at Emmaus to complete the last quarter of her teaching parish, meaning that she will be with us for only three months.

The Teaching Parish is a partnership between parishes and the

seminary. Parish pastor-supervisors and a lay committee in the parish work with groups of three or four students for four quarters while the students take courses in specific ministry areas. Students are permitted to give ten hours per week to parish activities (including travel time). In addition to course-related assignments or projects, the pastor-supervisors may include the students in various ministry areas appropriate to student and parish needs.

The focus for Sharon Georgi in this last quarter of her teaching parish is preaching. The first quarter focus for the other three students is worship, through Bob Castro has been granted a petition to forego this quarter due to prior experience in leading worship.

Continued on next page ➤➤

Seminarians --

continued from page 1

Here is a brief start on getting acquainted with our teaching parish students:

Bob Castro is a practicing lawyer, training for the parish ministry. Bob lives in Hartland with his wife, Anita, and two children, Rebekah, age 12, and Timothy, 10.

Sharon Georgi is an artist/teacher who has worked for Racine Unified for 16 years. Her husband, Gottfried, teaches Tech Ed at Horlick High School. They live in Racine with their sons, Brandon, 14, and Brent, 13.

Bev Rautenberg brings experience in social work to her

training in ministry. A long-time active member of Mt. Pleasant Lutheran, she resides here in Racine with sons Michael, 17, and James, 13.

Claire Cruise Warren lives in Wauwatosa with her husband, Joe, and two children, Anna, 13, and Phillip, 10. She has a degree in Women's studies and a background in writing and editing.

All four students bring a wealth of experience to their seminary training. May God bless our further getting to know one another as we share ministry in Christ's name.

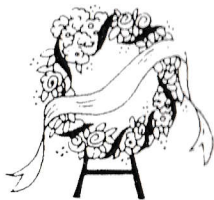
PASTORAL ACTS

FUNERAL:

January 18, 1995

Katherine Nelson George

Katherine George passed away on January 15 at the age of 81. Mrs. George used to work in the Emmaus church office when the church was located on Mound Avenue, and for 20 years at Porter's of Racine. Later, she and her husband, Russell, moved to Burlington.



MEMORIALS

Non-Designated Memorials:

In memory of Katherine George: \$10.00

"Life is a one-way street. No matter how many detours you take, none of them lead back. And once you know and accept that, life becomes much simpler. Because then you know how much you must do the best you can with, what you have and what you are and what you have become."

--Isabel Moore

Annual Congregational Meeting

Church Council Members Elected

At the annual meeting of the congregation, held January 22, the following slate of council members was approved:

Randy Sanders, President (2 years)

Bill Loendorf, V.P. (2 years)

Joan Larsen, Treasurer (2 years)

Chris Hansen, Deacons (2 years)

Peter Bayer, Stewardship (2 years)

Skip Toslek, Bldg. & Grounds

(2 years), and

Carol Rudey, Education (1 year)

Following the meeting, Cathy Knuteson was appointed to fill the vacancy of the Social Concerns position. As of press time, two council vacancies remain: Congregational Life (1 year) and Youth (2 years). There is also an unfilled position for our representative to the Racine Cluster Council, which is to be filled by a lay woman.



Retiring Council Members

Two members of the Church Council, Nancy Martinsen (Social Concerns) and Fred Van Nice (Education) have stepped down from their positions.

Nancy has served two two-year terms, heading the committee that promotes and supports the CROP Walk, Lutheran World Relief, projects of Lutheran Social Service

and much, much more. Under her leadership, the committee members (Julia Durand, Bev Johnson, Cathy Knuteson and lyle Zielke) have been active in organizing the projects spearheaded by the committee. Pastor Mary is the advisor for the Social Concerns Committee and Cathy Knuteson will assume the duties as chairperson beginning in February.

Fred Van Nice has served as the chair of the Education Committee for the past three years. That committee, advised by Pastor Paul, includes Glenn Olson, Pat Shields, and Joy Kousek. They are responsible for organizing Sunday School, Vacation Church School, Adult Forums, Bible Studies, and other learning opportunities at Emmaus. Carol Rudey replaces Fred as the chair of the committee.

Our thanks to Nancy and Fred for their service on the council!

Constitution Amended

The proposed change to the constitution was approved at the congregational meeting, giving young people an opportunity to have not only a voice but a vote in decisions made by the congregation. The constitution's definition of Voting Members as being confirmed members who have attained the age of 18 years was changed to read "Voting members are confirmed members who shall have communed and made a contribution of record during the current or preceding year.

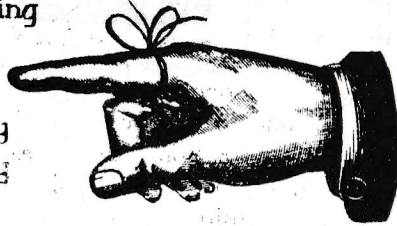
Sunday School News

>>>>> Memory Time <<<<<<

Memory sheets have been mailed to all Sunday School students. You should start now to get it memorized. The memory sheets are such a nice color you might want to hang it on the refrigerator. We hope parents will take the time to help students with their Memory. If you didn't receive your Memory work please check with the Sunday School office. Remember you have until May, **PLEASE** don't wait till the last minute. Good Luck!

>>>>A REMINDER<<<<<<

The 2nd Sunday of the month is Sunday School's chance to help the Northside Pantry. Everyone should bring a canned or non-perishable good. Our cash offering is used to buy perishable goods. Don't forget anytime is a good time to bring your offerings for the Northside Pantry (And you don't have to be in Sunday School to bring something.)



>>>>>OFFERING<<<<<<

Sunday school offerings are very important. Everyone should remember to bring their offering in the envelopes that were provided at the beginning of the Sunday School year.

1. Our cash offering is used to help the Northside Pantry buy perishable goods for those who are in need. 2. Our offering is used to help our child through the Christian Children's Fund. 3. We also contribute to the mission fund. 4. We purchase supplies such as awards and material that teachers need to help in their



teaching every Sunday. So don't forget your offering every Sunday. It is very important to you, our students.

>>>Hat, Mitten, Scarf Tree<<<<

is gone but the cold is not. Those hats, mittens, and scarves can still be brought in. Just drop them off at the Sunday school office and we will get them to Lutheran Social Services via Cathy Christensen. I thank everyone who has shared God's Love so someone could be a little warmer.

>>>>>>Stamps<<<<<<<<

Lent will be upon us soon and our stamp contest will be on again. A Big Thank you to Cathy Meyer who once again is heading up this stamp contest. When you do save your stamps do not trim them just make sure you have no addresses on them. Example is to the right > save, save, thank you!



God's Love to all
Pattie Shields
Pattie Shields
your Sunday School
Superintendent

Thoughts for Kids

Don't let your parents down; they brought you up.
Be humble enough to obey; you may give orders some day.
Stand for something or you will fall for anything.

--Horse Shoe Herald
Horse Shoe First Baptist church, Horse Shoe, NC

Kids' Choirs Begin Preparing Musical

Regular Wednesday rehearsals will continue in February with the Carpenter's Kids (K-grade 2) from 5:30 to 6:15 p.m. and the Sunrise Singers (grades 3-6) at 6:15 to 7:00 p.m. The choirs will not only be rehearsing to sing for Sunday services, but they will also be preparing a musical, "It's Cool In the Furnace," which will be presented in May.

We need singers, speakers, and instrumentalists for this performance. Any student interested in being a part of this musical event should come to the appropriate choir rehearsal.

Because the Sunday School students sounded so good when they sang at the Christmas program, we are inviting all of the age 3 through grade 2 children to join the Carpenter's Kids singing at services. We are



practicing at the Sunday School opening on Sundays and will sing at the following 10:30 a.m. services:

February 12
 March 12
 April 2
 April 16 (Easter, 9:30 a.m.)
 April 30

6th-7th Graders to Go on Retreat Feb. 23-24

Attention all sixth and seventh graders! Your confirmation retreat at Lutherdale is coming up!

Dates: Feb. 23 & 24 (Thurs.-Fri.)
 Cost: \$15 (camp scholarships available)

What We'll Do:

6th Graders: Study of Prayer - led by Pastor Mary
 7th Graders: Study of Baptism - led by Pastor Paul

Depart: Feb. 23 at 5:45 p.m. (eat dinner before you go)
 Return: Feb. 24 at 4:00 p.m. (breakfast & lunch included)
 What to bring: Warm clothing, Bible, sleeping bag/bedding, a snack to share (more details coming in a letter)
 What to leave at home: Walkman, tape/CD players, radios
 Payment Due: Feb. 15 (make checks payable to Lutherdale)

B.I.C. News

Jay Beech to Sing in Concert at Carthage

Attention all youth and adults who enjoy top quality Lutheran Rock Music: save the date of Saturday, February 11 for a concert by Jay Beech beginning at 7:00 p.m. The band that got the National Youth Gathering in Atlanta to its collective feet is coming to Carthage College.

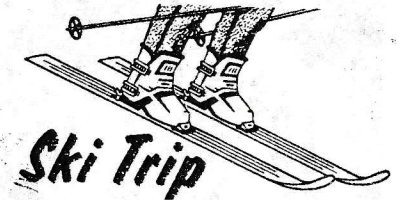
Tickets are \$8.00 and are only available in advance. Please see Sandy Strini or Pastor Paul by Feb. 8 for more details.

You will have the opportunity to hear the music of Jay Beech again on Sunday, Feb. 12. That afternoon at 1:00, he will be leading a special worship at Our Savior's Lutheran Church. Kids -- and all others who are interested -- are invited to experience this alternative worship led by Jay and his band.

All-Night Ski for Teens

This from Cluster Youth News: the First Annual All Night Ski for Teens will be February 17-18. The bus will leave from the parking lot of Atonement Lutheran, 2915 Wright Avenue, at 10:30 p.m. on the 17th for Wilmot Mountain. The group will ski from midnight to 6:00 a.m. Food and soft drinks will be available all night, but you must bring your own ski equipment. For those who want to take a break from the slopes, there will be dancing with a DJ from 2:00 to 5:00 a.m. in the juice bar.

This trip is open to all 6th through 12th graders; the \$25.00 fee



includes bus, lift, and lesson. Money and permission slips are due in the Atonement Church office on or before Friday, Feb. 10 at 4:30 p.m. Please make checks payable to Ronald Eckert.

Youth Cluster Meeting

The next meeting of the Youth Cluster will be at Christ Church United Methodist, 5109 Washington Avenue, February 5 at 7:00 p.m.

LYE Balance Due

Kids going to the Lutheran Youth Event Congress in Chicago March 17-19 need to pay the balance of their \$39.00 (\$34.00 if you provided child care during the annual meeting) by February 26.

First-time congress participants from Emmaus will pay \$25.00, with the remaining balance being donated by friends of our high school youth.

This year's theme is T.G.I.F. (To Gather In Faith).



THE JAY BEECH BAND IN CONCERT

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11th
7:00 PM**

**Siebert Chapel at Carthage College
Kenosha, Wisconsin**

Tickets are \$8.00 in Advance

**Contact Sandy Strini,
Pastor Paul or Pastor Mary
before February 8**

Organ, Tissue Donors to Be Adult Forum Topic

On Sunday, February 12, Jacqueline Sills-Ware, a spokesperson from the Wisconsin Donor Network, will speak at the Adult Forum on the critical need for organ and tissue donors in Wisconsin.



We hope to encourage members to make a decision about organ donation, and will make available donor cards at the Forum and in church bulletins. Please plan to attend this important program.

Altar Flowers for February

The following people have signed up to give the flowers in February:

Feb. 5: Mary Larsen

Feb. 12: Marion Andersen (altar)

Feb. 12: Ron & Pat Jensen (lectern)

The Sundays of February 19 and 26 are still available, as are May 21, July 23 and 30, August 27, November 19 and December 10. The sign-up chart is posted in the church office.

Emmaus Staff and Worship Times

PASTORS: Paul J. Nuechterlein 1909 Summit Ave., 53404 637-0671
Mary L. Janz 1455 Sun Valley Dr., #104, 53406 633-3059
SECRETARY: Paul Berge
CUSTODIAN: Wes Mohr
CHURCH OFFICE: 634-5515

Services are held at Emmaus Saturdays at 5:00 p.m. and Sundays at 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Nursery service is available during the 10:30 service. Sunday School and Adult Forum meet Sundays at 9:15. Office hours are Monday - Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

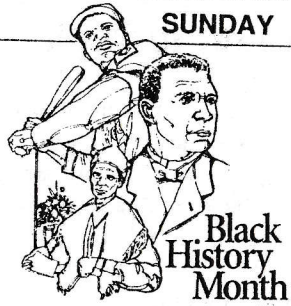
Consider geese: They fly in a "V" formation because it takes 71% less energy than flying solo. The lead goose has the difficult job of breaking the wind barrier, so they rotate leadership, and honk encouragement to the leader. If a goose is hurt in flight, two others accompany it to the ground and give help.

Church people also need to stick together, and to share the hard jobs at church. It is also important to remember to "honk encouragement" to one another and to take care of each other!
--Konnoak Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, NC

FEBRUARY 1995

Compliments of your District Representative
Darrell L. Reynolds
 633-9075

AAL AID ASSOCIATION FOR
 LUTHERANS



SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES:

- 5:00 PM Pizza
- 5:30 PM 3d-6th Gr. Hands-On Science
- 6:15 PM K-2nd Gr. Hands-On Science
- 5:30 PM Carpenter's Kids practice
- 6:15 PM Sonrise Singers practice
- 7:00 PM Adult Choir practice

- 1** 9:00 AM Mary Circle
- 1:30 PM Rebecca Circle
- 5:00 PM Wednesday Night Activities
- 5:45 PM Single Parents' Group

- 2** The Presentation of Our Lord
- 5:00 PM Community Meal @ St. Pat's
- 7:00 PM Miriam Circle
- 7:00 PM Stamp Club

- 3** 7:00 PM R.E.S.T.

- 4** 5:00 PM WORSHIP SERVICE with Holy Communion

5 5th Sunday after the Epiphany

- 8:00 & 10:30 AM TRAD. WORSHIP SERVICE w/Holy Communion; Church Council installation at both services
- 9:15 AM Sunday School
- 9:20 AM Adult Forum
- 7:00 PM Youth Cluster Mtg., Christ Church

- 6** 6:30 PM Worship & Music Committee

- 7** 9:15 PM Staff Mtg.
10:00 AM Senior Fellowship Center

- 8** 5:00 PM Wednesday Night Activities
- JAY BEECH TICKET DEADLINE

- 9** 7:00 PM ELCA RACINE MISSION CLUSTER ANNUAL ASSEMBLY Our Savior's Lutheran Church

- 10** 7:00 PM R.E.S.T.

- 11** 8:00 AM Paint the Church
- 9:00 AM Council Retreat @ Atrium
- 5:00 PM WORSHIP SERVICE
- 7:00 PM Jay Beech Concert @ Carthage

12 6th Sunday after the Epiphany
 Lincoln's Birthday

- 8:00 & 10:30 AM YOUTH SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE
- 9:15 AM Sunday School
- 9:20 AM Adult Forum
- 1:00 PM Worship with Jay Beech at Our Savior's

- 13** 5:00 PM Building & Grounds Committee
-
- VISITOR DEADLINE

- 14** Valentine's Day
- 9:15 AM Staff Mtg.
- 10:00 AM Senior Fellowship Center
- 3:30 PM Hymn Selection Committee

- 15** 5:00 PM Wednesday Night Activities
- 5:30 PM Mary-Martha Circle



- 17** 7:00 PM R.E.S.T.

- 18** 5:00 PM WORSHIP SERVICE w/H.C.

Racine Youth Cluster All-Night Ski for Teens, Wilmot Mountain

19 7th Sunday after the Epiphany

- 8:00 & 10:30 AM CHICAGO FOLK SERVICE w/Holy Communion
- 9:15 AM Sunday School
- 9:20 AM Adult Forum
- 1:00 PM Worship with Jay Beech at Our Savior's

- 20** Presidents' Day
- 6:30 PM Education Committee mtg.
- 6:30 PM Deacons meeting

- 21** 9:30 AM Cluster Clergy
- 10:00 AM Senior Fellowship Center
- 6:30 PM WELCA Study Leaders
- 7:00 PM WELCA Board

- 22** Washington's Birthday
- 5:00 PM Wednesday Night Activities

23

6th-7th Grade Retreat at Lutherdale:
 Leave Emmaus at 5:45 PM
 Return to Emmaus 4:00 PM

- 24** St. Matthias, Apostle
- 7:00 PM R.E.S.T.

- 25** 5:00 PM WORSHIP SERVICE

26 Last Sunday after the Epiphany
 TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

- 8:00 & 10:30 AM SERVICE OF THE WORD
- 9:15 AM Sunday School
- 9:20 AM Adult Forum
- 0:30 AM 7th Grade Affirmation of Baptism
- LYE Congress Balance due

- 27** 6:30 PM Social Concerns Cmte.

- 28** 9:15 AM Staff Mtg.
10:00 AM Senior Fellowship Center

- 1** Ash Wednesday
- 9:00 AM Mary Circle
- NOON Executive Cmte.
- 1:30 PM Rebecca Cir.
- 5:00 PM Wed. Night
- 5:45 PM Single Parents' Group
- 7:00 PM ASH WED. WORSHIP SERVICE

2 MARCH

- 7:00 PM Miriam Circle
- 7:00 PM Stamp Club

JANUARY

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

MARCH

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
						1
						2
						3
						4
						5
						6
						7
						8
						9
						10
						11
						12
						13
						14
						15
						16
						17
						18
						19
						20
						21
						22
						23
						24
						25
						26
						27
						28
						29
						30
						31

<p>Ash Wednesday March 1 <i>Matthew 25:35a and John 4:7-14</i> Soft Drinks! We drink them everyday -- so many different varieties and flavors. Many people never enjoy this luxury. For each soft drink container in your house (bottle or can) put 5 cents in your Lenten bank. <i>Pray for all who are thirsty -- not only those who have no soft drinks, but also for those who have no drinking water, and for those whose land is thirsty from lack of rain.</i></p>	<p>Tuesday, March 7 <i>Psalm 20:6-8</i> Cars! They're a necessity for our way of life. How difficult it is for us to go even one day without them. For most people in the world owning a car is an impossible dream! Give 50 cents for each car your family has. <i>Pray for those whose feet are callused and aching because they must walk everywhere they go.</i></p>
<p>Thursday, March 2 <i>Matthew 5:14-16</i> Lights! Imagine living without lights in your home! Yet they are a blessing which millions of people will never experience. For each light bulb in your house and yard contribute 5 cents to the bank. <i>Pray for light to come to all those who sit in spiritual darkness, as well as for those whose homes have no lights.</i></p>	<p>Wednesday, March 8 <i>I Corinthians 9:24-27</i> Sports! We spend a lot of time entertaining ourselves with all kinds of sports. The poor have little time for play, and their children have only homemade, makeshift toys. Count all your sports equipment (balls, bats, rackets, clubs, etc.) and for each item you have deposit 2 cents in the Lenten bank. <i>Thank God for the re-creation of athletics and games, and for all the things we use for play. Ask God to make it possible for children everywhere to know the joy of play.</i></p>
<p>Friday, March 3 <i>Philippians 4:6</i> Telephones! We take them for granted. Could we get along without our phones? Millions of people have never used a phone, never will Put 25 cents in the bank for each phone in your house and car. <i>Pray that people all over the world will grow in their ability to communicate -- with each other and with God.</i></p>	<p>Thursday, March 9 <i>Psalm 1</i> Plumbing! What would we do without our water pipes and faucets? In many places the poor have only one faucet for the needs of thousands of people. For each water faucet in your home, and outside, contribute 10 cents. <i>Thank God for clean, pure water, for drinking, for flush toilets and sprinklers. Pray that all people may someday enjoy these same blessings.</i></p>
<p>Saturday, March 4 <i>Luke 3:11; Matthew 6:25-30</i> Hangers! Our closets are jammed with hangers to hold all our clothes! The poor have no need of hangers. Donate 1 cent for each group of 10 hangers you can count in your house. <i>Pray for the poor of the world who do not have enough clothes to wear. Ask Jesus to help you understand what He meant when He said, "I was naked and you clothed me."</i></p>	<p>Friday, March 10 <i>Romans 10:14-15; Ephesians 6:13-15</i> Shoes! How many pairs of shoes do you have? In many parts of the world people go barefoot every day of their lives. For every pair of shoes your family owns donate 5 cents <i>Pray that God will make our feet swift to bring Good News to the poor and that we will always wear the "shoes" of the Gospel of peace.</i></p>
<p>Sunday, March 5 <i>Proverbs 30:8-9</i> Food! Each week most of us as families eat hundreds of dollars worth of food. We throw away more than the poor eat. Estimate how much your family will spend on food this week, and for each dollar put 1 cent in the bank to feed the poor. <i>Pray that God will continue to bless us with good food, and that out of our abundance we will share our bread with the hungry.</i></p>	<p>Saturday, March 11 <i>Ruth 1:15-17; Acts 2:41-47</i> Houses! For us a nice house, with several (or even many) rooms is a "must." It is a place to live; a place to call home; a place to welcome friends and guest. For the poor living in little one-room shacks with dirt floors; a real house is only a dream. Give 10 cents for each room in your house. <i>Pray that your house will always also be a "house of the Lord" where all who enter will feel God's presence and God's love. Dedicate your home to God and ask God to shelter the homeless.</i></p>
<p>Monday, March 6 <i>Jeremiah 14:14-16</i> Television! TV is one of our biggest luxuries. The average family watches 6 hours of TV a day. Can we imagine that millions of people have never seen a single TV program? For every hour of TV your family watches today donate 10 cents. <i>Confess how much time you spend watching violence, infidelities, and frivolous entertainment -- compared to time devoted to Bible reading, worship, and service to others.</i></p>	<p>Sunday, March 12 <i>Luke 4:14-20</i> Clocks! How many times a day do we check the time? How could we manage if our only time-pieces were the sun, or a crude sundial, or an hour glass -- which is all some people have? Count all the clocks and watches in your home; give 10 cents for each. <i>Pray that NOW is the time Good News will come to the poor, and that it will come through us.</i></p>

<p>Monday, March 13 <i>Matthew 15:22-28</i></p> <p>Pets! We love them, lavish kindness upon them and feed them sumptuously. They eat better than millions of people do. Those same millions have only scraps for their pets, if anything at all. Give 10 cents for each pound of pet food you have in your home, plus 15 cents for each pet. <i>Give thanks for the joy pets bring to our lives, and to the lives of others. Pray for those pets that must scavenge, or even take the lives of other animals to survive.</i></p>	<p>Sunday, March 19 <i>Joel 3:18; Exodus 3:7-8</i></p> <p>Milk! We buy as much as we want, whenever we want, and rarely stop to think of the children of the world whose thirst for milk's sweet nourishment is never satisfied. For each container of milk in your refrigerator give: 25 cents for quarts, 50 cents for half-gallons, and \$1.00 for gallons. <i>Pray that God's generous gift of good things will keep on flowing from a generous earth, and then through the generous hearts of God's people to nourish those whose cups are empty.</i></p>
<p>Tuesday, March 14 <i>John 15:1-5</i></p> <p>Plants! Most of our homes and patios are decorated with beautiful plants and flowers -- a blessing never known by many. For each plant found inside your home, or on your patio, give 5 cents. <i>Give thanks for the beauty of growing things, and pray that the world and its people may always be blessed with plants and flowers.</i></p>	<p>Monday, March 20 <i>John 13:3-15</i></p> <p>Baths and Showers! We bathe more than any other people on earth! For us it is daily routine, for others a rare luxury. For each bar of soap you find in your home donate 5 cents; for each tub or shower donate another 25 cents. <i>Give thanks for soap and water. Pray that our clean bodies will be matched by clean hearts that seek to know and do God's will.</i></p>
<p>Wednesday, March 15 <i>Mark:18-23</i></p> <p>Indoor Toilets! A necessity we could never do without! For sanitation and convenience, we must have them. Can we even imagine using only holes in the ground, or just going "behind the bushes," as so many poor must do. For every bathroom in your house put 25 cents in the bank, and then add another 5 cents for every roll of toilet paper you have. <i>Pray for the grace to be grateful for the luxuries we enjoy, and for the will to sacrifice a little of our luxury to bring hope to the poor.</i></p>	<p>Tuesday, March 21 <i>Proverbs 30:14-16</i></p> <p>Toothbrushes! "Brush twice a day," the dentist says. We use toothbrushes and nice tasting toothpaste -- not rough sticks like those used by many of the world's children. Count every toothbrush and toothpaste container in your home, and for each one put 10 cents in the bank. <i>Pray that those who prey upon the poor would be stopped, and that greed and injustice would cease.</i></p>
<p>Thursday, March 16 <i>Luke 2:29-32; Matthew 5:14-16</i></p> <p>Light Switches! "What a blessing!" (Many people would say, "What a miracle!") Turning night into day! Count all the light switches in your home and for each one give 3 cents. <i>Give thanks to God who is "The Light of the World," praying that we will be little lights shining in the darkness of the world's suffering. Ask for the grace to become switches to turn darkness into light.</i></p>	<p>Wednesday, March 22 <i>Luke 4:16-19; Acts 8:26-35</i></p> <p>Reading! Magazines and newspapers! In our homes they're "a dime a dozen." Most of the poor can't read, and those who have learned now hunger for the printed page. Count all the newspapers and magazines you have in your home today. Put "a dime a dozen" into the bank. <i>Pray for how we use the gift of reading -- that we read God's Word for ourselves, and that we share our understanding of it with others.</i></p>
<p>Friday, March 17 <i>Psalms 92:1-3</i></p> <p>Music! It is a joy to pop in a tape or a CD and hear music that delights the ear and lifts the heart. For many of the world's poor the only music is that which they make themselves. Count all the tapes, CD's and records your family owns and put 2 cents in the bank for each one. <i>Pray that all our music will reflect God's harmony with us, creating new harmonies among us all.</i></p>	<p>Thursday, March 23 <i>John 15:16; Matthew 12:33</i></p> <p>Fruit! Fresh fruit is an enjoyable part of our daily diet! We can get any kind we want anytime. The only fruit many people ever eat is that which they are sometimes able to find growing wild. For each piece of fresh fruit you find in your house today give 5 cents. (Grapes count as one piece.) <i>Pray for the fruit of the Spirit working in you to give you joy, peace, love, hope, and life -- and that we will share these gifts with others.</i></p>
<p>Saturday, March 18 <i>I Timothy 6:6-8, 17-19</i></p> <p>Pockets! Most of the clothes we wear have pockets, especially trousers and slacks. We need those pockets so we have a place to carry our money and other valuables. We need a lot of pockets because we have a lot of "stuff." Count the pants, slacks and shorts your family has and for each pair put 2 cents into the bank. <i>Pray that all whose needs are abundantly filled will learn to share abundantly with those who still wait for a reason to have pockets.</i></p>	<p>Friday, March 24 <i>Mark 6:30-32</i></p> <p>Vacations! We take family vacations to "get away from it all." Life goes on at the same dreary pace day after day, year after year. Give 5 cents for every day of vacation your family will have this year. <i>Pray that the Sabbath rest which God has promised may become a reality for those whose lives are an endless burden with little joy and no hope. Give thanks for your own life of work and rest.</i></p>

<p>Saturday, March 25</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>James 2:14-17</i></p> <p>Jackets, Coats, Sweaters! On those cold and rainy days what a blessing to have clothing that keeps us warm and dry! Can we even imagine not having one single jacket, coat or sweater? For every coat, jacket or sweater you can count in your house, donate 5 cents to help warm the poor. <i>Pray for the warmth of God's love, and the heat of the fire of God's Spirit, to fill us, and then radiate through us to touch those whose lives are cold and bare.</i></p>	<p>Friday, March 31</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>John 4:7-15</i></p> <p>Swimming! Clear, safe water for the luxurious fun of swimming. A blessing only a few in the world enjoy. For every bathing suit your family owns, donate 10 cents. If you have a swimming pool, donate another \$1.00 <i>Give thanks for enough clean, safe water for swimming. Pray that there might be enough for everyone, always.</i></p>
<p>Sunday, March 26</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Malachi 3:10; Daniel 6:10-12</i></p> <p>Windows! Imagine a house without windows or just openings in the wall with no glass or screening. The homes of many poor people are like that. For every window or glass door in your house, put 5 cents in the bank. <i>Pray that as we look out of our windows onto the world around us, we will see not only the light and the beauty, but also the dark ugliness of poverty.</i></p>	<p>Saturday, April 1</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>John 13:2-9</i></p> <p>Shampoos! Washing our hair is part of our routine hygiene. We couldn't call it a luxury, but for many it is. For each bottle or tube of shampoo in your house, donate 10 cents. <i>Give thanks for your Baptism, and pray that God will help you live in it every day -- that God will keep you "walking wet."</i></p>
<p>Monday, March 27</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>1 Kings 17:10-16</i></p> <p>Kitchens! They are so well-equipped with appliances, large and small. Imagine homes with no kitchen no stove, no refrigerator -- only a charcoal pot to cook on! Count all the appliances in your kitchen (if you don't count at least 10 you've probably missed some!). For each one donate 5 cents. <i>Offer prayers of thanksgiving for pantry and refrigerator shelves that are never empty, and for stoves and ovens that are used daily.</i></p>	<p>Sunday, April 2</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Matthew 6:25-30</i></p> <p>T-shirts! They are an indispensable and fun part of our wardrobe with their pictures and words -- especially for the young. For some poor children, one T-shirt is their only wardrobe. For every T-shirt you can locate in your house, put 3 cents in the bank. <i>Thank God for clothing. Pray for those who do not have clothes to wear. Ask God how God will clothe them today, even as God clothes the lilies of the field.</i></p>
<p>Tuesday, March 28</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>John 21:3-14</i></p> <p>Grills! Outdoor cooking on a gas or charcoal grill! What a treat! Many poor people always cook outside over charcoal, and it's a treat for them, too, because it means there's food! For every grill (gas or charcoal) your family owns, contribute 50 cents. <i>Pray for the Spirit to set our hearts on fire with love and compassion.</i></p>	<p>Monday, April 3</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Romans 10:9-15</i></p> <p>Radios! Still a marvel of communication! Would we want to live without them, as millions do? For every radio in your home and car(s) put 10 cents in the Lenten bank. <i>Pray that God will continue to use radio throughout the world to spread the Good News, and that we too, will "broadcast" the Good News in every way we can.</i></p>
<p>Wednesday, March 29</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Mark 2:1-12; Luke 9:58</i></p> <p>Beds! We sleep in comfortable, clean beds with springs and mattresses. In the homes of the very poor there are often no beds - or only one for the whole family to share. For every bed in your house give 25 cents to the poor via the Lenten bank. <i>Pray for all those who this very night are homeless and without a bed. Give thanks for sleep, for its peace and refreshment; but pray that we never fall asleep to the requirements of our discipleship.</i></p>	<p>Tuesday, April 4</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Luke 7:36-48</i></p> <p>Towels! How good they feel, so soft and clean as we dry ourselves after a bath or shower. It's hard to believe some people will never have a bath towel to use. Count all the bath towels in your home and for each one you have put 5 cents in the Lenten bank. <i>Give thanks for having been washed and made clean in the blood of the Lamb. Pray that the softness of God's love will wipe away the tears of those who mourn.</i></p>
<p>Thursday, March 30</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Isaiah 25:6-9</i></p> <p>Sweets! Cookies, cake, ice cream! We eat more sweets than we ought to every day! Imagine never tasting a cookie, or a piece of candy in your whole life. For every bag, package, container of cookies, candy or ice cream in your house, put 10 cents in the coin canister. <i>Give thanks for the sweetness of God's grace, and for a life flowing with milk and honey. Pray that God will take away the bitterness of the life of the poor.</i></p>	<p>Wednesday, April 5</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>John 6:35-40, 48-51</i></p> <p>Bread! For people everywhere bread is the "staff of life." Some are fortunate to have loaves on their tables daily. Others have just a few slices. Many have only crusts or crumbs. For every loaf of bread your family normally eats in any given week, donate 25 cents. <i>Remember those who grow the grain from which our bread is made. Ask God to remind us that the old saying is true: "God comes to the poor in the form of bread."</i></p>

Thursday, April 6

Isaiah 25:1-8

Air Conditioning! Think of the hottest, most humid summer day or one of those cold nights back in January. Could we endure either without our great cooling and heating systems? For every cooling and heating unit in your home and car(s) contribute 30 cents to the Lenten bank.
Pray for those who have no protection from heat or cold, from wind, storm or rain. May God cover them with the shadow of God's wings.

Friday, April 7

Jeremiah 17:5-8

Water! We draw from seemingly unlimited supplies every day -- for cooking, washing, watering the grass, drinking. Even during times of declared "shortages" we have more than enough. For each gallon of water your last bill said you used, give 1 cent. *Ask Jesus to help you see what He meant when He said, "For I was thirsty and you gave me drink." Listen to Him, thank Him for being our water of eternal life, and promise Him you will give the cup of cold water in His name.*

Saturday, April 8

Mark 10:13-16

Crayons! Children love to draw and color. Crayons serve as one of the best and earliest tools of learning and sources of fun. That's why we give our children boxes and boxes of them. It's also why other children consider one tiny stub a treasure. For every 10 crayons found in your house give 5 cents. *Thank God for all the color that fills our lives, Ask God how you can help "color" other people's lives to take away the darkness and let in the rainbow of God's love.*

Palm Sunday, April 9

Luke 19:28-40; John 21:25

Books! What a gift! Books are full of adventure, information, inspiration, and knowledge. Wouldn't it be wonderful if everyone in the world could read them? For every 10 books you count in your home give 5 cents to help children of the poor learn to read. *Give thanks for teachers who have taught us, and who teach others, to read. Ask for guidance in choosing the best books to read.*

Monday in Holy Week, April 10

Mark 11:15-19

Bicycles! We use them mostly for fun and exercise. For many they are the only form of transportation. Some people only dream of the day they might own one. For every bicycle your family has, give 25 cents. *Pray that all of us will learn more and more to use God's gifts as God desires, and above all that we will learn to share.*

Tuesday in Holy Week, April 11

Mark 11:27-33

Power! Remember the last time the power failed and how inconvenient it was? Think about those for whom the power never goes on. Look at your last electric bill. For every kilowatt hour it says you used, give 2 cents. *Pray for God's power and for the grace to use it as Jesus did -- for others.*

Wednesday in Holy Week, April 12

Mark 14:1-9

Perfumes/Colognes! We invest much time, money and care just to make sure we smell good. The poor pray only for that which they need to survive. For every container of perfume/cologne/deodorant/lotion in your home donate 5 cents for the needs of the poor. *Pray that our faith, our worship, and our loving service to others may ascend as a "sweet-smelling perfume" to the Lord.*

Maundy Thursday, April 13

Mark 15:16-20

Eyeglasses! What a blessing for those whose natural vision fails! It is a blessing not everyone can afford. For every pair of glasses or contact lenses (including sunglasses) your family has donate 10 cents. *Pray that God will open our eyes to God's love and mercy and take away our blindness to the needs of our sisters and brothers.*

Good Friday, April 14

Mark 15:1-5; 16-20

Blankets! We never have to shiver in our sleep from the chill in the air or the cold ground under our bodies. We are so snug and warm in our blankets. For every blanket or comforter in your home put 5 cents in the coin bank. *Pray that God will use you as "blanket" and "comforter" to warm and comfort the lives of others.*

Holy Saturday, April 15

Mark 15:33-37

Birthdays! Only among the richly blessed are the years from birth to death marked with parties, cakes and candles, presents and fun. One more year of emptiness holds little to celebrate. Add up the ages of everyone in your immediate family and for every year of life put 1 cent into the Lenten canister. *Let us thank God for the years of our lives, praying that God will make each year richer and more complete with faith and love through the death of Jesus.*

Racine Cluster Assembly to Meet Feb. 9

The annual assembly of the Racine Mission Cluster of the ELCA will convene at Our Savior's Lutheran Church at 7:00 p.m. Thurs., February 9. Items on the agenda are expected to include the election of a lay person as representative to the Mission and Stewardship Committee of the synod, and a proposed resolution requesting that the synod

assume greater control of the budget of Lutheran Social Services.

The Assembly is open to all; those who will be representing their church at the 1995 Synod Assembly (April 28-29) should plan to attend.

Our Savior's is located at the intersection of Washington and Taylor Avenues. Parking is available in the lot south of the church.



Worship Assistants

	<u>Acolytes</u>	<u>Altar Guild</u> ^S	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
Feb. 4 5:00 pm	—	Nancy Martinsen ^S Anne Felton ^S	—	—
Feb. 5 8:00 am	Jill Lynch Kevin Meteyard	Sharon Devine Cynthia Cook	Maury Felton	Randy Sanders David Smith
Feb. 5 10:30 am	Matt Liesch Ken Larsen	Mildred Schroth Ginny Dougall	Margaret Christensen	Nancy Martinsen Hans Hill
Feb. 12 8:00 am	Derek Haug Brad Falaschi	—	Nicole Kreimer	Youth Sunday
Feb. 12 10:30 am	Justin Svoboda Tom Pie	—	Gregg Albright	Youth Sunday
Feb. 18 5:00 pm	—	Cheryl Dexter ^S Barb Larsen ^S	—	—
Feb. 19 8:00 am	Ryan Clinton Jon Cook	Bev Hansen Pat Jensen	Al Svendsen	Doris & Gene Potterville
Feb. 19 10:30 am	Amanda Lawler Kristin Andersen	Sandy Strjini Kim Battisti	Nancy Martinsen	Lucille Atkinson Edith Bohn
Feb. 26 8:00 am	Dave Lasko Chris Nikolai	—	Karen Sedgwick	Cindi & Loren Larsen
Feb. 26 10:30 am	Eric Larsen Jason Meteyard	—	Cathy Andersen	Ginny Dougall Ginny Haugsby
Mar. 1 7:00 pm	—	Margaret Christensen ^S Audrey LeRoux ^S ^S Set-up	—	—



Emmaus Mortgage to Enter Tenth Year

Several questions were raised during the annual meeting concerning the status of our mortgage. It is helpful to pull all the facts of that history together in one place from time to time, as we will do here.

The initial cost of the addition in 1985 was \$550,000; \$250,000 was raised up front through member loans and special pledges. The closing of the mortgage for the balance



BUILDING FUND UPDATE

was July 31, 1985 -- a \$300,000 loan from Lutheran Brotherhood which matures in 2005. It began with an interest rate of 10.75%, but is renewable every five years. We are currently coming to the end of our second five years during which the rate has been 10.0%. According to the mortgage contract, August 1, 1995 is the second time the interest rate may be adjusted.

As of our February 1 mortgage payment (\$2,466 per month) the remaining balance of the loan is still \$231,989.77. In that payment, \$532.75 was toward principal and \$1933.25 was toward interest. In 1994, our \$29,592 in mortgage payments divided as follows: \$6,011.65 toward principal and \$23,580.23 in interest. In other words, we paid 80% interest and 20% principal!

Obviously, it would help to be able to make extra principal payments. But we must stress that, in recent years, our finances have dictated that our first priority for debt retirement has been to simply pay the monthly mortgage payment. Your generous gifts to Debt Retirement have made it possible to make those payments.

As our financial stewardship improved in 1994, we were able to make three extra principal payments totaling \$1,471.12. We hope that 1995 will further our success in reducing the principal. One last note in this regard: if you make a contribution that you want to go only to extra principal payments, we are faithful in honoring such requests.

Sundays Adopted in January

Our thanks to the following for adopting Sundays in January as part of Emmaus' debt retirement program:

Esther Reichenberger
in memory of George Reichenberger, Sr. and Russell Reichenberger

George Reichenberger, Jr.
in honor of Esther Reichenberger.

If you would like to adopt a Sunday at some time in 1995, you may use the special form enclosed in the Visitor.

ADOPT A SUNDAY
To Help Reduce Indebtedness of Emmaus

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: _____

Jan 9. Council Highlights

Council Approves Heating Project, Pest Control

After all of the bills for 1994 have been paid, there is \$1,250 remaining which will be used toward our benevolence commitment. We will still be short in benevolence giving for 1994 by about \$5,000.

The 1995 budget was approved by the council. The budget has been revised in a new computer program which improves the way it is read and understood.

The council approved moving ahead with two heating projects for energy conservation. Pastor Paul presented information regarding replacing the parsonage furnace, updating the boiler in the church and repairing the pneumatic thermostat system. The projects will save an estimated \$1,500 per year in gas bills. Skip Toslek and Pastor Paul have worked diligently to provide estimates and gather the necessary information to get this work done and take advantage of rebates and loans from the Wisconsin Gas Company.

The council approved using pest control to rid the church of ants and gnats and the parsonage of carpenter ants. People using the church kitchen need to be very careful about cleaning up food spilled on the counters and the floor and making sure garbage is contained in covered garbage cans which will be purchased soon.

Pastor Paul will be attending a Creation Awareness Conference in Madison on January 20 and 21. He encourages anyone interested in attending to join him.

Council Retreat will be Saturday, Feb. 11, 9:00-noon at the Atrium.

Installation Sunday will be February 5.

Work Projects Completed

In a three-day period January 17-19, the following Building and Grounds projects were completed: new energy-efficient furnace installed in the parsonage; new gutters constructed on the parsonage; a new computerized boiler control installed in the church; repair of the air compressor for the church thermostats; and the first spraying for ants in the kitchen and Fellowship Hall (which will continue at least two additional months). Still ahead in the coming weeks is the possible replacement of several thermostats in the church, which are "rusty" after several years of disuse.

Funding for these projects has been various: the gutters have been funded by special donations (though \$394 is still needed; see article on "Wish List"). Pest control will come out of the budget. The three heat-related projects are being funded by a low-interest loan through Wisconsin Gas. The total cost of the three projects has been carefully calculated to be approximately equal to the significant gas bill savings over the five-year life of the loan. And we become better stewards of God's creation to top it all off!

WELCA News

Women's Events Scheduled for March, May

Women of Emmaus: be sure to mark your calendars for the coming events:

Saturday, March 4, 9:00 a.m.: Lenten Breakfast.

Friday evening and Saturday, March 31-April 1: Women's Retreat at Siena Center.

Saturday, May 6, 9:00-11:30 a.m.: WELCA Racine Mission Cluster Brunch at Gethsemane Lutheran Church, 3319 Washington Avenue. Registration opens at 8:30.

Thursday evening, May 11, 6:30 p.m.: Mother/Daughter/Others dinner.

TREASURER'S REPORT AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1994

BEGINNING BALANCE/DEFICIT \$2,079.86

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	Over/(Under) <u>Budget</u>
General Offerings	14,456.46	17,500.00	(3,043.54)
Special Offerings	4,946.24	500.00	4,446.24
Transfers	1,206.21	0.00	1,206.21
<u>Other Income</u>	<u>400.00</u>	<u>400.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL INCOME	21,008.91	18,400.00	2,608.91
Pay/Benefits	11,337.71	10,812.00	525.71
Utility/Supplies	1,281.22	1,933.00	(651.78)
Benevolences	1,761.77	1,362.50	399.27
<u>Other Expenses</u>	<u>3,840.79</u>	<u>6,655.00</u>	<u>(2,814.21)</u>
TOTAL EXPENSE	18,221.49	19,762.50	(1,541.01)

ENDING BALANCE/(DEFICIT) 2,400.00

Year-to-Date receipts as of Dec. 31 \$188,931.09
 Needed YTD 12/31 to meet budget: \$220,760.00

AVERAGE WEEKLY ATTENDANCE:

for Dec. 1994: 248 for Dec. 1993: 180 for Dec. 1992: 214

"Kind words can be short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly endless."
 --Mother Theresa

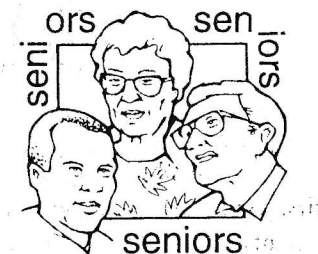
Emmaus Senior Fellowship Center

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

Director: Glenn Olson

The center opens at 10:00 a.m.

with coffee. Programs begin at 10:30 a.m.



Program for February:

- Feb. 7 10:00 Coffee
 10:30 VCR: Christy
 12:00 Regular Lunch
 1:00 Social Activities
- Feb. 14 10:00 Coffee
 10:30 Paul Reshek, Lincoln Lutheran, Answers to Questions about Social Security
 12:00 Regular Lunch
 1:00 Social Activities
- Feb. 21 10:00 Coffee
 10:30 Bob Anderson shares VCR: Snow White
 12:00 Regular Lunch
 1:00 Social Activities
- Feb. 28 10:00 Coffee
 10:30 Finish VCR: Snow White
 12:00 Birthday Lunch
 1:00 Social Activities



February Birthdays - 70 Years and Over

Feb. 1	Kathryn Thorsen	3900 N. Main St. #222	53402
Feb. 3	Keith Protheroe	1831 Geneva Street	53402
Feb. 4	Dan Bertram	1830 Polaris Drive	53404
Feb. 8	Chris La Blanc	5000 Graceland Boulevard	53405
Feb. 14	Bernice Holding	9824 4 Mile Road, Franksville	53126
Feb. 20	John Demant	14321 56th Road, Sturtevant	53177
Feb. 21	Beulah Tretow	3654 S. 51st St., Franksville	53126
Feb. 27	Harvey Thorsen	3900 N. Main St. #222	53402

Teen Parenting Program Helps Educate Young Mothers

Greetings:

We have just completed our first semester working with teen parents. At present there are 30 parents enrolled in the three centers.

On the 17th of December we had a very nice potluck Christmas dinner at Emmaus for the parents, children, fathers and many grandparents. It was very gratifying to us as staff and board members to hear the appreciation from the families for the dinner and what the program means to their family. Many mothers may only stay with us for one or two years, but our program has acted as a positive transitional period. During this time, it helps the extended family to alleviate the stress and disruptions that go along with teen pregnancy and also enables the mother to continue her education.

Parents have been attending meetings for child safety, nutrition and child discipline. We recently received a grant to implement a highly recommended parenting skills curriculum called "STEP." It will begin in the fall of 1995.

We continue to appreciate the use of the church, the friendliness of the senior citizens passing through and the donated supplies.

Thank you,
Charlene Gerressen
Teen Parenting Program

LSS: Thanks for Giving Tree Donations

Dear Friends,

I hope your holidays were relaxing and that you had time to share the blessings of the season with those you care about. I am writing to let you know just how far your caring extended.



The concern and generosity expressed by your church and others in Racine was heartwarming. It enabled hundreds of children and families throughout Racine to receive a gift of caring from you. For many, these were the only gifts they received. On behalf of them, I would like to thank you for the gifts themselves, and especially for the gift of your caring. Oftentimes, it is the realization that there are others who care enough to share with them that matters as much as the gift itself.

Thank you for sharing your blessings and for helping so many to feel Christ's presence with them. May you have a peaceful new year!

Sincerely,
Virginia Thome, Ph.D.
Clinic Supervisor
Lutheran Social Services

Remembered Generosity

...a woman came with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment of nard, and she broke open the jar and poured the ointment on Jesus' head. But some were there who said to one another in anger, "Why was the ointment wasted in this way? For this ointment could have been sold for more than 300 denarii..."

[Jesus said,] "Truly I tell you, wherever the Gospel is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in remembrance of her." (Mark 14:3-5 & 9)

This story of the woman anointing Jesus is one of my favorites. What total love and dedication, and what nerve and generosity! This woman was so bold in her seeking out Jesus and so extravagant in her giving (and so inappropriate in her behavior, according to those observers who were at the dinner party with Jesus). She certainly wasn't bound by old norms and rules or by financial "common sense."

When it comes to that lavish expression of her love for Jesus, I can picture how uncomfortable it must have made those who were with Jesus that day. They no doubt questioned the woman's "crashing the party" as well as her frivolous act of breaking open that alabaster jar of expensive ointment, only to see it be used to anoint Jesus! What a waste in their eyes! Couldn't she have

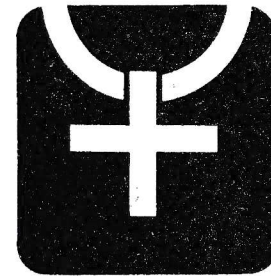
been more practical?

Breaking open the jar -- what a generous, bold expression of faith by one who had been marginalized by her culture. She made a statement about her love for Jesus that would never be forgotten as long as the Gospel was proclaimed (Mark 14:9). Jesus commended what she had done as a beautiful thing.

"Breaking open the jar" -- the theme that will be used throughout this country in 1995 to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the ordination of women in the Lutheran church. That wasn't an option for me as I was receiving my education and being trained for a teaching career in the mid '60's. But there were other women and men who were bold enough not only to see

the ordination of women as a possibility, but to "break open the jar" in a faith-filled response to Jesus. Thus, the doors were opened for many women, including myself, to later pursue theological studies leading to ordination. I am grateful for those who had the courage to "break open the jar," in spite of how they were viewed by the by-standers.

How can we as a congregation be a faith-filled community and bold in faith, broad in vision, generous in giving -- as we "break open the jar"? How do we get beyond the miserly,



Continued on back page →

**Ash Wednesday:
March 1**

Ash Wednesday, March 1, marks the beginning of Lent for the Christian Church. Emmaus will have a worship service with the option of the imposition of ashes and the opportunity for the sacrament of Holy Communion at 7:00.

Our Lenten theme this year is "From Brokenness to Healing. Midweek services will be held Tuesdays at noon and Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. March 7 through April 5.

8th & 9th grade confirmands are reminded of the requirement to take notes on ten sermons during Lent, mid-week or Sundays.

Pastor Mary's Column *continued*

cautious response of the by-standers in the text, those who considered the ointment to be "wasted" because it could have been sold for more?

Many of you as individuals have taken a big leap in your giving of time and money for 1995; you have said, "It is time to 'break open the jar' and proclaim whose we are!" And now, will we as an entire congregation "break open the jar," making a renewed commitment to the wider mission and benevolence of the church? Will we be remembered for boldly proclaiming the Gospel and for our generosity?

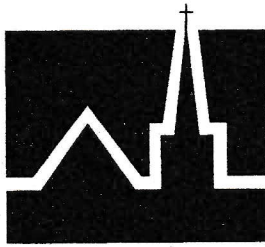
That is my prayer for us.

Pastor Mary

**Emmaus Lutheran Church
1925 Summit Avenue
Racine, WI 53404**

Non-Profit Org
U.S. Postage
PAID
Racine, WI
Permit No. 137

THOMAS MENTCH
2432 JACATO DRIVE #10
RACINE WI 53404



Emmaus Visitor

March, 1995

"A Safe Harbor"

Emmaus Lutheran Church 634-5515 1925 Summit Avenue

Special Supper for Ash Wednesday

The menu for Wednesday night supper changes from pizza to **Infusino's chicken and Italian potatoes** on Wednesday, March 1, only. Dinner will be served in Fellowship Hall from 5:00 to 6:15 p.m.

The cost is \$3.00 for adults, \$2.00 for kids 11 years and under. To help us with our planning, please give the church office a call before noon on Wednesday (if you haven't already signed up in the narthex).

Welcome! Bring a friend!

1995 Lenten Theme Is "From Brokenness to Healing"

Ash Wednesday Services will be held at Emmaus March 1 at noon and 7:00 p.m.

Between March 7 and April 5, you are invited to attend regular midweek services at Emmaus at your choice of **Tuesdays at 12:15 p.m.** or **Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.**

Those worshipping on Tuesday noon are invited to join the Seniors for lunch at 11:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Cost: \$1.50. Please sign up or call



**LENTEN
WORSHIP**

the church office (634-5515) by Monday noon to make a reservation.

Our Lenten theme this year is "From Brokenness to Healing," an examination of the Gospel accounts of Jesus' healing of broken bodies, minds, spirits and relationships with God. The March 22 service will be the Service of the Word for Healing.

For a complete list of the Lenten service themes, see Pastor Paul's column on the back page of the *Visitor*.

PASTORAL ACTS

BAPTISMS:

January 29, 1995

Christopher Friis

Kyle Vincent Jansen

February 5, 1995

Joseph Julius Ford

Christopher Friis, age 11, is the son of Jerry and Kim Ziminski. His sponsors were Joyce Berkowitz and Jeff Ziminski.

Kyle Jansen, born Sept. 2, is the son of Joseph and Traci Jansen. His sponsors were William and Marci Meteyard.

Joseph Ford was born Oct. 9 to Kathy Robuck and Duane Ford. His sponsors were Jessie Andrews and Rachel Dahlke.



Baptisms

MEMORIAL SERVICE:

February 6, 1995

Philomena Beyel Foreman

Philomena Foreman passed away on January 28. Born in Bavaria, she immigrated to the U.S. in 1947 and moved to Racine in 1954. She is survived by her husband of 47 years, Howard Foreman, and by four sons, Gary, Eric, Wayne and Curt. Mena and Howard's love for the music of Hawaii was reflected in the memorial service, at which hymns were sung in both English and Hawaiian.

FUNERAL:

February 15, 1995

Christine Nielsen LaBlanc

Christine LaBlanc passed away February 11, three days after her 84th birthday. She was a life-long resident of Racine, and owned and operated the La Blanc Grocery Store on Yout Street along with her husband, Harold, for many years. She had been active in the Meals On Wheels program, Emmaus Senior Citizens, and the Mary and Lydia Circles.

MEMORIALS

Non-designated Memorials

In memory of Katherine George:

\$95

In memory of Philomena Foreman:

\$175

Designated Memorials

In memory of Richard Carrington

\$200

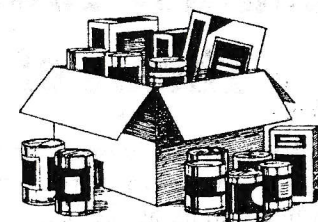
for choir music and the flower garden



Count Your Blessings

We as individuals and as a church have many blessings for which to be thankful. As we pause during this Lenten season to reflect on our own material well-being and abundance, we also focus on those for whom disaster has meant being stripped of many of those material necessities. Among others, remember the devastating earthquake in Kobe, Japan, and the fire which destroyed Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church in Milwaukee.

As part of your Lenten walk, you are encouraged to reflect and respond, using the activity calendar found in the center pages of the *Visitor*. Remove the calendar, placing it on the refrigerator or in your Bible -- or wherever you will notice it daily. Then, take a jar or a can and use it as a Lenten bank.



Disaster Relief

The Lenten bank is to be turned in Easter Sunday (or as soon afterward as possible). To receive credit on your statement for your gift, please write your name and envelope number on the container.

These Lenten gifts will be forwarded to the ELCA Disaster Fund for Japan and to Cross Lutheran Church so that they may know that their brothers and sisters in Christ support them in their rebuilding process.

Wednesday Night Schedule Changes In Lent

To make room for worship on Wednesday nights in Lent, there are several slight adjustments in the Wednesday night schedule:

5:00-5:45 pm - Pizza

5:15-6:00 pm - 3rd-6th Grade Hands-On Science

5:30-6:00 pm - Carpenter's Kids rehearsal

6:00-6:45 pm - Kindergarten - 2nd Grade Hands-On Science

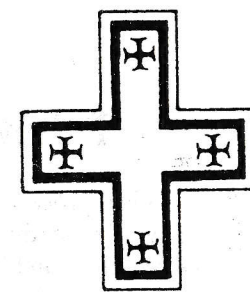
6:00-6:45 pm - Sunrise Singers rehearsal

6:00-6:30 pm - Cantata rehearsal

6:30-7:00 pm - Adult Choir rehearsal

7:00-8:00 pm - Worship service

Note that Sunrise Singers rehearsal and Hands-On Science will start 15 minutes earlier than usual, and that rehearsals for the Cantata (to be performed April 30) and Adult Choir will meet before the 7:00 service.

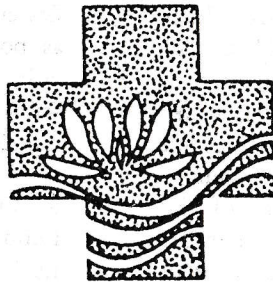


LENT
Schedule

"Journey Toward Wholeness" to be Theme of Women's Retreat

All women of Emmaus and their friends are invited to participate in 21 spirit-filled hours at the Siena Retreat Center on March 31 and April 1. The special Lenten retreat, "A Journey Toward Wholeness," will begin Friday evening between 6:00 and 7:00 with snacks, socializing, and settling in. Single rooms are provided for all women, as are breakfast and lunch on Saturday.

Pastor Kris Totzke, Associate Pastor of Mt. Pleasant Lutheran Church, will be our retreat leader. In addition to her presentations to the entire group, there will be an opportunity for small group discussion, music, and free time. The retreat, which will focus on the theme of Healing and Wholeness, will close with a communion service on Saturday



afternoon. The retreat will end at 4:00 p.m.

Members of the planning committee are Pastor Mary, Margaret Christensen, Ruth Hlavka, Mildred Schroth, Nancy Martinsen, and Fay Pearson. The cost of the overnight retreat is \$38.00 per person. The cost of Saturday only (including breakfast and lunch) is \$15.00.

Scholarships funds are available to those who might need them; for more information please contact Pastor Mary or Margaret Christensen.

Please register as soon as possible. A \$10.00 deposit is required, with full payment due by March 22. A sign-up sheet and registration forms are available in the narthex.

Follow Pastors From Text to Sermon

What process do your pastors follow to study Biblical texts, interpret them and finally attempt to proclaim them in a relevant way in their preaching?

During Lent, you will have the opportunity to be a part of that process. The texts for the midweek Lenten services will be studied and discussed on the Sunday prior to each of the midweek services. At 9:20 a.m. on Sundays, beginning Feb.

26, the pastor who will be preaching for the upcoming midweek service invites you to participate in the study and discussion. These studies do not replace the regular Adult Forum; you have a choice during the six Sundays from February 26 to April 2 to attend either the Bible study or the forum following the time of fellowship in the Sunset Room.

Join Adult Choir for Special Cantata

Singers are invited to join our Adult Choir for an Easter season (April 30) production called "Breakfast in Galilee." This special cantata uses the post-Easter story of a breakfast in Galilee (John 21:1-19) to reminisce back over the events of Holy Week.



It's a short-term commitment -- 30 minutes on some Wednesdays between now and April 30. Rehearsal time during Lent will be 6:00-6:30, with pizza dinner beginning at 5:00. Please help us with this very special cantata!

First Communion Classes Offered

A series of three classes dealing with the topic of the Sacrament of Holy Communion will be offered for all 5th graders and their parents, as well as to anyone else who is older but has not yet attended these sessions. The classes, to be held in the Sunset Room, will introduce the Old and New Testament texts that are the basis for this Sacrament, as

well as to study the liturgy of Holy Communion as found in *The Lutheran Book of Worship*.

Classes are scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on the following Tuesday evenings: March 21, March 28, and April 4. First Communion for those attending the class will be at the Maundy Thursday service on April 13 at 7:00 p.m.

Vacation Church School Slated for July-August

Planning is already underway for the Lutherdale Day Camp and Pre-school programs. Vacation Church School will be offered July 31 through August 4 this year, instead of in June as during years past.

Tuition will be \$15 for Day Camp for children who have completed Kindergarten through grade 5, and \$5 for the morning program for 3-, 4-, and 5-year-olds.

Enrollment forms will be available May 1.

We will gratefully accept Campership donations any time. Lutherdale's cost has increased to \$45 per child this year. We will be applying for matching funds through Lutheran Brotherhood Branch #8013.

If you have questions or would like to help in the planning, call Ellen Nuechterlein at 637-0671.

◀-The B.I.C. Pen-▶

Nine Youth to Represent Emmaus at LYE Congress

The following high school youth will be attending the Lutheran Youth Encounter Congress in Chicago on March 17-19:

- Seniors: David Christensen, Nikie Kreimer, Heather Pechman;
 - Sophomores: Ben Field, Tiffany Kreimer, Jason Lees, Chad Strini, Peter Sukus; and
 - Freshman: Ryan Sedgwick.
- Pastor Paul and Sandy Strini

will be the adult advisors.

The B.I.C. (Believers In Christ) High School Youth group would like to extend a big thank-you to all of you for your support in our sub sandwich sale. We earned \$100.00 to put toward our L.Y.E. Congress. There are four high school youth attending the congress for the first time. We are looking for sponsors for these four high school students.

Middle Schoolers to Bowl March 26

Attention, Middle School students! Join us at Paradise North Lanes, 2915 Romaine Avenue, from 2:00 to 4:30 p.m. Sunday, March 26 for some fun and food. The cost is \$4.50 per person and includes two games of bowling, shoes, a hot dog, chips and a large soda. Drop-off and pick-up will be at Paradise North.

We can bring snacks and a dessert, but must purchase our soda there. Parents: if you can provide things like chips, salad, vegetables and dip, brownies, etc., please



contact Cindi Larsen, 681-0282, or Pat Liesch, 835-1363.

>>>Sunday School News<<<

>>>>> Memory Time <<<<<

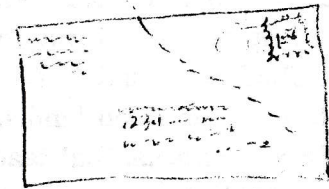
Everyone should have received their memory sheets and you have them memorized already. Well, you say you haven't, well start now and get it memorized. Parents it wouldn't hurt us any to take a little time and see what our students are memorizing. If you didn't receive or your dog ate your Memory sheets please check with the Sunday School office. Remember you have until May, PLEASE don't wait till the last minute. Good Luck!

>>>>>>Stamps<<<<<<<

Lent is upon us and our stamp contest in full swing.

Cathy Meyer is heading up this stamp contest. So please count your stamps before turning them in, it is easier on Cathy and all, thank you.

When you do save your stamps do not trim them just make sure you have no addresses on them. Example is to the right > save, save. thank you!



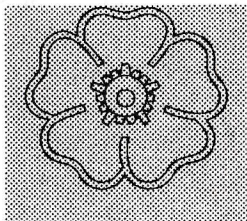
>>>>>>>Sharing<<<<<<<<

Sunday School Students made Valentines for the residents at Becker/Schoop Center, a Lincoln Lutheran Nursing Home and for the Seniors that meet at Emmaus every Tuesday.

The Students made about 150 Valentines and did a very nice job of sharing God's Love. Great Job everyone!!

Pastors to Make Home Visits to 4th Graders

To introduce the Emmaus confirmation program and to have an opportunity to get to better know the 4th



graders and their parents, Pastor Paul and Pastor Mary are scheduling home visits with all 4th graders and their parents. Those visits will be completed prior to Sunday, March 12, when the 4th graders will be invited to present a contract committing to be a part of the confirmation program at Emmaus.

Worship Assistants

>>>>A REMINDER<<<<<

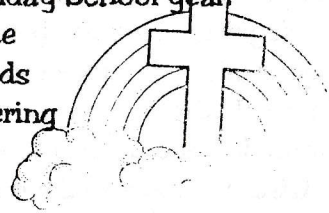
The 2nd Sunday of the month is Sunday School's chance to help the Northside Pantry. Everyone should bring a canned or non-perishable good. Our cash offering is used to buy perishable goods. Don't forget anytime is a good time to bring your offerings for the Northside Pantry (And you don't have to be in Sunday School to bring something.)



>>>>>OFFERING<<<<<

Sunday school offerings are very important. Everyone should remember to bring their offering in the envelopes that were provided at the beginning of the Sunday School year.

1. Our cash offering is used to help the Northside Pantry buy perishable goods for those who are in need. 2. Our offering is used to help our child through the Christian Children's Fund. 3. We also contribute to the mission fund. 4. We purchase supplies such as awards and material that teachers need to help in their teaching every Sunday. So don't forget you're offering every Sunday it is very important to you, our students.





God's Love to all
Pattie Shields
 Pattie Shields
 your Sunday School
 Superintendent

	<u>Acolytes</u>	<u>Altar Guild</u>	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
Mar. 1 7:00 pm	—	Margaret Christensen Audrey LeRoux	—	—
Mar. 4 5:00 pm	—	Marian Bower Evelyn Larsen	—	—
Mar. 5 8:00 am	Sam Falaschi Ryan Kreimer	Joyce Slawson Helen Mickelson Linda Meteyard	Anne Felton	Gayle Krug Linda Clinton
Mar. 5 10:30 am	Michael Yust Scott Rudey	Julie Christensen Pat Jensen	Heidi Lamberton	Don & Dolly Orth
Mar. 12 8:00 am	Eric Larsen Adam Van Nice	—	Cindi Larsen	Bev & Chris Hansen
Mar. 12 10:30 am	Jason Meteyard John Knuteson	—	Amy Larsen	Denise Pipol Tim Van Berg
Mar. 18 5:00 pm	—	Marge Jensen Evelyn Larsen	—	—
Mar. 19 8:00 am	Jill Lynch Brad Falaschi	Arvilla Nemer Lael Richter	Lyle Christensen	Cheryl Dexter Betty Barth
Mar. 19 10:30 am	Justin Svoboda Eric Moore	Pat Shields Jo Baggesen	Myra Nielsen	Ralph & Audrey Rasmussen
Mar. 26 8:00 am	Derek Haug Ryan Clinton	—	Cathy Meyer	John & Kathy Cook
Mar. 26 10:30 am	Matt Liesch Ken Larsen	—	Ryan Sedgwick	Al & June Beck

Emmaus Staff and Worship Times

PASTORS: Mary L. Janz 1455 Sun Valley Dr., #104, 53406 633-3059
 Paul J. Nuechterlein 1909 Summit Ave., 53404 637-0671
 SECRETARY: Paul Berge CHURCH OFFICE: 634-5515
 CUSTODIAN: Wes Mohr

Services are held at Emmaus Saturdays at 5:00 p.m. and Sundays at 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Ash Wednesday services will be held March 1 at noon and 7:00 p.m.; beginning March 7, Midweek Lenten services will be held Tuesdays at 12:15 p.m., and Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m.
 Sunday School and Adult Forum meet Sundays at 9:15 a.m.
 Nursery service is available during the 10:30 Sunday service. Office hours are Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES:</p> <p>5:00 PM Pizza 5:15 PM 3d-6th Gr. Hands-On Science 6:00 PM K-2nd Gr. Hands-On Science 5:30 PM Carpenter's Kids practice 6:00 PM Sonrise Singers practice 6:00 PM Adult Cantata practice 6:30 PM Adult Choir practice</p>			<p>1 Ash Wednesday 9:00 AM Mary Circle NOON ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP SERVICE 1:30 PM Rebecca Circle 5:00 PM Wed. Night Activities 5:45 PM Single Parents' Group 7:00 PM ASH WED. WORSHIP SERVICE</p>	<p>2 7:00 PM Miriam Circle @ L. Clinton's 7:00 PM Stamp Club</p>	<p>3 7:00 PM R.E.S.T.</p>	<p>4 9:00 AM Women's Lent Breakfast 11:15 AM Altar Guild 5:00 PM WORSHIP SERVICE w/Holy Communion</p>
<p>5 1st Sunday in Lent 8:00 & 10:30 AM TRAD. WORSHIP SERVICE w/Holy Communion 9:15 AM Sunday School 9:20 AM Lenten Bible Study 9:20 AM Adult Forum 7:00 PM Youth Cluster Meeting at Zion Lutheran Church</p>	<p>6 6:30 PM Worship & Music Committee</p>	<p>7 9:15 AM Staff Mtg 10:00 AM Senior Fellowship Center 12:15 PM LENTEN WORSHIP SERVICE 2:00 PM After Pastors</p>	<p>8 5:00 PM Wednesday Night Activities 7:00 PM LENT WORSHIP SERVICE</p>	<p>9 7:00 PM Cluster Council mtg.</p>	<p>10 7:00 PM R.E.S.T.</p>	<p>11 8:00 AM Paint the church 5:00 PM WORSHIP SERVICE</p>
<p>12 2nd Sunday in Lent 8:00 & 10:30 AM TRAD. WORSHIP SERVICE; 4th Grade Contracts of Commitment at 10:30 9:15 AM Sunday School 9:20 AM Lenten Bible Study 9:20 AM Adult Forum</p>	<p>13 5:00 PM Building & Grounds Committee 6:30 PM Council Mtg.</p>	<p>14 9:15 AM Staff Mtg. 10:00 AM Senior Fellowship Center 12:15 PM LENT WORSHIP SERVICE</p>	<p>15 5:00 PM Wednesday Night Activities 5:30 PM Mary-Martha Circle 7:00 PM LENT WORSHIP SERVICE</p>		<p>17 St. Patrick's Day 7:00 PM R.E.S.T.</p>	<p>18 5:00 PM WORSHIP SERVICE w/H.C.</p>
<p>19 3rd Sunday in Lent 8:00 & 10:30 AM CHICAGO FOLK SERVICE w/Holy Communion 9:15 AM Sunday School 9:20 AM Adult Forum 9:20 AM Lenten Bible Study</p>	<p>20 3:30 PM Hymn Selection mtg. 6:30 PM Deacons meeting 6:30 PM Education Committee meeting</p>	<p>21 9:30 AM Cluster Clergy 10:00 AM Senior Fellowship Center 12:15 PM LENTEN WORSHIP SERVICE 7:00 PM First Communion Class</p>	<p>22 5:00 PM Wednesday Night Activities 7:00 PM LENTEN WORSHIP: Service of the Word for Healing</p>		<p>23</p> 	<p>24 7:00 PM R.E.S.T.</p>
<p>26 4th Sunday in Lent 8:00 & 10:30 AM SERVICE OF THE WORD 9:15 AM Sunday School 9:20 AM Adult Forum 9:20 AM Lenten Bible Study 2:00 PM Middle School Bowling</p>	<p>27 6:30 PM Social Concerns Cmte.</p>	<p>28 9:15 AM Staff 10:00 AM Senior Fellowship Center 12:15 PM LENTEN WORSHIP SERVICE 6:30 PM WELCA Study Leaders 7:00 PM First Communion Class 7:30 PM WELCA Board</p>	<p>29 5:00 PM Wednesday Night Activities 7:00 PM LENT WORSHIP SERVICE</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31 7:00 PM R.E.S.T.</p>	<p>1 APRIL 5:00 PM WORSHIP SERVICE w/Holy Communion</p>
<p>Pastor Paul on vacation</p>			<p>Pastor Nuechterlein on vacation.....</p>			
						<p>6:30 PM Women's Retreat at Siena Center</p>

AN EVENING OF SONG



A Benefit Concert Celebrating 15 Years of Service

THE RACINE COUNCIL ON ALCOHOL & OTHER DRUG ABUSE

Saturday, March 4th, 1995

7:00 p.m.

\$10 per ticket

Mount Pleasant Lutheran Church
1700 South Green Bay Road
Racine, Wisconsin

Featuring:

Caritas (Gregory & Kathy Berg, Katie Potter-Barrow, Chip McCrary)

The Voices of St. Paul (Baptist Church)

Amy Haines Soprano

Nola Starling-Ratliff Mezzo-Soprano

Stephen Samuelson Tenor

Gregory Berg Baritone

Stephen Smith Piano

For tickets and information, call:

 The Racine Council
on Alcohol & Other Drug Abuse
818 6th Street
632-6200

Mount Pleasant Lutheran Church
1700 South Green Bay Road
634-6669

February 11 Meeting

Church Council Prepares Cottage Meeting Plans

by Kathy Christensen

Pastor Al Heggen, Assistant to the Bishop, led the council in planning for cottage meetings in 1995. A planning committee was formed and will present a proposal at the March council meeting.

The total offerings for the month of January were \$22,673.68.

Treasurer's report was prepared on the new computer program by Pastor Paul and Joan Larsen.

The council approved a motion presented by Pastor Paul to restructure his pay for tax purposes. An Accountable Reimbursement plan will be implemented for him.

The Synod Assembly will be held on April 28 and 29 at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Milwaukee. Two delegates are needed to attend along with the pastors.

The Music and Worship committee will help to plan events for Miracle Sunday, May 14. A recommendation was approved to have one service at 10:00 that day.

A survey will be put in the bulletins for two or three

Sundays seeking members' preferences of worship service times for the summer.

1995 Church Council

The members of the 1995 church council are:

President Randy Sanders	633-6126
Vice President Bill Loendorf	637-2035
Secretary Kathy Christensen	886-2151
Financial Secretary Tim Van Berg	639-7907
Betty Barth (Congregational Life)	639-7894
Chris Hansen (Deacons)	886-2247
Skip Toslek (Bldg. & Grounds)	681-0240
Carol Rudey (Parish Education)	632-0643
Cathy Knuteson (Social Concerns)	639-5621
Peter Bayer (Stewardship)	639-7280
Jess Sedgwick (Worship & Music)	681-3188
Mildred Schroth (WELCA)	639-1881

Altar Flowers for March

The following are signed up to give the altar flowers in March:

- March 5: Audrey & Lloyd LeRoux
- March 12: Martin & Joy Kousek
- March 19: Wallace Sorenson
- March 26: Al & Jan Svendsen
- April 2: Jeff & Linda Clinton

The sign-up sheet is in the church office. July 30 and August 27 are still available.



Social Concerns Report

March 12 to be Center for Community Concerns Sunday

by Nancy Martinsen

The Social Concerns Committee of Emmaus has designated March 12 as the Sunday when the programs and services of Racine's Center for Community Concerns be highlighted. For over 25 years, the Center for Community Concerns has helped devise creative and effective programs which address the social concerns of our community -- everything from Toys for Tots to CROP Walk to Habitat for Humanity to Project Emergency to volunteer coordination.

The Center depends upon free-will contributions to fund its unique services. Since many of the Center's programs augment similar efforts of local congregations, it is especially

important for churches to maintain this "ministry partnership" through their financial support.

If you would like to make a financial gift to the Center for Community Concerns, please make your check payable to Emmaus Church and note on the check that it is for the Center for Community Concerns; put the check in the collection plate on Sunday, March 12. The church will then make out one check for the total amount received from members' donations to send to the Center. Thank you for supporting the many efforts of the Center for Community Concerns.

Pastor Mary serves on the Board of Directors and on the Interfaith Committee of the Center.

ADOPT A SUNDAY To Help Reduce Indebtedness of Emmaus

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: _____

Wish List

Installing choir loft security gates: \$450
Brass Nickel (Easter service music): \$500
Replacing parsonage gutters: \$394
Camperships to help support confirmation retreats, summer camp and day camp for Vacation Bible School

A Lenten Prayer

O Heavenly Father, we thank thee for food, and remember the hungry.
We thank thee for health, and remember the sick.
We thank thee for friends, and remember the friendless.
We thank thee for freedom and remember the enslaved.
May these remembrances stir us to service, that thy gifts to us may be used for others. Amen.

Emmaus Senior Fellowship Center

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

Director: Glenn Olson

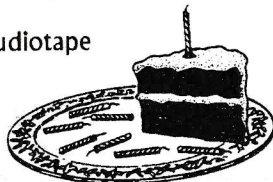
The center opens at 10:00 a.m.

with coffee. Programs begin at 10:30 a.m.



Program for March:

- March 7 10:00 am - Coffee & Conversation
 10:30 am - Ray's Audio: Jack Benny
 11:30 am - Lunch
 12:15 pm - Lenten Services
 1:15 pm - Social Activities
- March 14 10:00 am - Coffee & Conversation
 10:30 am - Lee's VCR tape: Egypt & the Pharoahs
 11:30 am - Lunch
 12:15 pm - Lenten Services
 1:15 pm - Social Activities
- March 21 10:00 am - Coffee & Conversation
 10:30 am - *Life of Jesus* part 2
 11:30 am - Lunch
 12:15 pm - Lenten Services
 1:15 pm - Social Activities
- March 28 10:00 am - Coffee & Conversation
 10:30 am - Complete Jack Benny audiotape
 11:30 am - Birthday lunch
 12:15 pm - Lenten Services
 1:15 pm - Social Activities



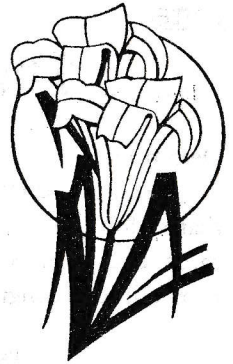
March Birthdays - 70 Years and Over

3/1 Mabel Woiteshek	3900 N. Green Bay Road	53404
3/6 William Allen	4314 Taylor Avenue	53405
3/7 Eileen Olson	1817 Mars Avenue	53404
3/9 Carolyn Weitzel	1519 60th Street, Kenosha	53140
3/14 Selma Sorensen	3910 River Drive	53405
3/16 Virginia Haugsby	4140 Manhattan Drive	53402
3/19 Wallace Sorensen	3900 N. Main St. # 221	53402
3/21 Lillian Henrickson	2250 Layard Avenue #319	53404
3/29 Mary Wisby	1027 Layard Avenue	53404

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, April 16.

Please indicate your choice of plant(s) on the form below and return it to the church office with payment by March 29.



Quantity	Description	Cost
_____	Easter lily (white only)	\$7.25
_____	Regal Geranium (dark purple only)	\$9.00
_____	Mums <input type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> Yellow <input type="checkbox"/> Lavender <input type="checkbox"/> Pink <input type="checkbox"/> Assorted	\$8.00
_____	Tulip <input type="checkbox"/> Pink <input type="checkbox"/> Red <input type="checkbox"/> Yellow <input type="checkbox"/> Lavender <input type="checkbox"/> Assorted	\$8.25
_____	Azalea <input type="checkbox"/> Pink <input type="checkbox"/> Red <input type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> Assorted	\$10.50
_____	Daffodil (yellow only)	\$8.25
_____	Hyacinth Pink <input type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> Blue <input type="checkbox"/> Assorted	\$8.25
_____	Hydrangea <input type="checkbox"/> Pink <input type="checkbox"/> Blue <input type="checkbox"/> Assorted	\$10.50
_____	Violet <input type="checkbox"/> Pink <input type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> Blue <input type="checkbox"/> Lavender <input type="checkbox"/> Assorted	\$3.00

Your name: _____ Phone: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

Given in memory honor of: _____

Thanks for Your Prayers

Dear friends at Emmaus,

A note to express my sincere thanks for all the prayers, calls and cards I've received from so many people in our congregation.

--Shirley Psiones

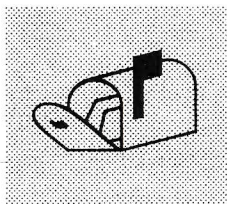
Gifts to Shepherds Yield Results

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for sharing in the compassionate ministry of Shepherds. Your love and assistance will help bring out the best in our residents in '95! Thank you for the Campbell's labels.

This month, our residents are studying about the life of David. They are learning how to develop a heart for the Shepherd in each of their lives. It has already proven to be a tremendous blessing for many of them.

Several of our residents are also attending some exciting Milwaukee Admirals hockey and Wave soccer games. They will be going to the YMCA as well, to have a winter swim. Our Handbell Choir



and our Gospel teams are currently ministering in Florida, sharing the love of Jesus on a special ministry tour.

These are just some of the many special activities and blessings friends like you have provided for our residents...and we are grateful for the support. God bless you!

Because of His Grace,
David H. Hammers
Asst. to the President for
Resource Development

CROP Walkers Raise Over \$15,000

Dear Members of Emmaus,

The results are in for the 1994 CROP Walk. We were able with your help to raise \$15,025.00, and of that Project Emergency received a check for \$3,756.25.

Your church helped raise \$1,609.00. I would like to thank you for your continued support in helping feed the Hungry through CROP Walk.

Please mark your calendar for the 1995 CROP Walk, Sunday, October 8 at YWCA.

Many blessings,
Georgia Schanstone
City Recruiter

Pastor Paul's Column

From Brokenness to Healing

Dear Disciples of Emmaus,

I invite you to join us on our Lenten journey in search of healing. We have entitled our Lenten series "From Brokenness to Healing."

That title might seem a bit out of place. More in the language of our times might be something like

"From Sickness to Health." A word like "brokenness" isn't often used in modern medical lingo.

But Pastor Mary and I would like to suggest that, in our Christian context of talking about healing, using a word such as "brokenness" fits just fine.

Let's continue the comparison for a few moments. The approach to healing in modern medicine has built its success by focusing on physical sickness. We find out what is wrong with a person's body; and we have been able to do it better in this century than anyone could have imagined. The increase in knowledge about how our body works has been astounding.

But even modern healers are beginning to admit the limits to this approach. Oh, the humble among 20th century doctors have always been frank about how much there is yet to learn. But I'm talking about a different kind of limit to this focus on our physical

bodies: namely, that human beings are much more than physical bodies. Focusing just on our bodies, no matter how good we get at it, will still come up short because we are more than bodies. So recent studies in medical research have begun to be much more cognizant of those other aspects of who we are as persons. They've noted

things such as the connection between stress and heart disease. They've even begun to talk more about things like the link between one's **spiritual well-being** and how well your immune system fights disease.

Spiritual well-being. That's a matter we've addressed in the church all along. And when someone's spirit is down, we usually don't say it is "sick." We often say his or her spirit is "broken." I think this is partly because we realize that spiritual well-being has mostly to do with relationships getting broken.

Join us for the mid-week Lenten worship services on a journey "From Brokenness to Healing." Jesus came into this world to heal our broken relationship with God. In so doing, he offers us healing for all our broken relationships, including our relationship to our own bodies.

Continued on back page ➤➤



Pastor Paul's Column Continued

Each week we will focus on a different healing story from the gospels. Often it is the story of a physical healing, but with Jesus that always goes to a deeper level of who that person is. The schedule is as follows:

Week 1 / March 1: John 4:7-42 -- Jesus' Encounter with the Samaritan Woman at Jacob's Well.

Week 2 / March 7-8: Mark 5:1-20 -- Exorcising the Demons from the Man at Gerasa.

Week 3 / March 14-15: Luke 13:10-17 -- The Healing of the Bent Over Woman.

Week 4 / March 21-22: Mark 5:21-43 -- Jairus, His Daughter, and a Woman of Faith.

Week 5 / March 28-29: Mark 7:24-30 -- The Syro-Phoenician Woman.

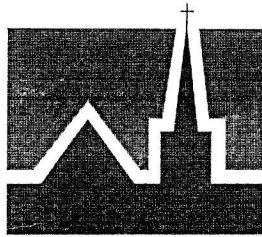
Week 6 / April 4-5: John 11:1-44 -- Jesus Raises Lazarus from the Dead. In addition to the mid-week worship, this Lenten journey will also include a bible study on the text that previous Sunday during the education hour (9:15-10:15 a.m.). This study will be an option to the Adult Forum. We would love to have you as a companion on this journey to healing!

In Christ,

Pastor Paul

Emmaus Lutheran Church
1925 Summit Avenue
Racine, WI 53404

Non-Profit Org
U.S. Postage
PAID
Racine, WI
Permit No. 137



Emmaus Visitor

April, 1995

"A Safe Harbor"

Emmaus Lutheran Church 634-5515 1925 Summit Avenue

Holy Week

Emmaus Journeys from Hosannas to Resurrection April 9-16

Palm or Passion Sunday, April 9, will begin with the traditional Procession of Palms at both services, outdoors if weather permits. We will then use the liturgy we have used the past two years which dramatizes the Holy Week story: Walter Wangerin's "The Cry of the Whole Congregation."

Maundy Thursday services will be celebrated at Emmaus at noon and 7:00 p.m. April 13. The Last Supper will be the focal point of worship at both services. The services will conclude with the stripping of the altar, leading us to Good Friday and the crucifixion.

Good Friday, we will once again experience the crucifixion through song and word, with worship

at noon and a Tenebrae (service of darkness) at 7:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday features two festival worship services of Holy Communion at 6:30 and 9:30 a.m. We celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord through festive floral decorations, joyful music, and proclamation of the Easter. "The Brass Nickel" quintet will play at both services, with special instrumental preludes preceding the 9:30 service.

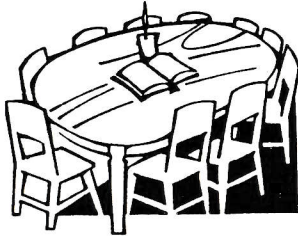
Following the Sunrise Service, everyone is invited to Fellowship Hall for a breakfast served by our youth.

You are invited to walk the whole journey with us, from Palms and hosannas, to Last Supper, to the Crucifixion, and finally, to the empty tomb and our Risen Lord.



Tuesday Evening Bible Study Returns in May

Beginning Tuesday, May 2, Pastor Paul will once again lead an evening Bible study at 6:45-8:00 p.m. Our topic will be the most mysterious book of the Bible, the Revelation of St. John. Plan on joining us for the five to six week study; look for more



details in upcoming bulletins and the *May Visitor*.

PASTORAL ACTS

BAPTISM:

March 26, 1995 Daniel Richard Rieves

Daniel Rieves was born in Washington D.C. on March 4 to Joseph and JoAnne Rieves. JoAnne is the daughter of Jan Sukus, and is stationed with her husband at Fort George Meade Air Force Base in Maryland.

FUNERALS:

March 8, 1995 Leo Nemer

March 13, 1995 Mildred Linstroth Helgesen

Leo Nemer passed away on March 5. Leo served in the 3rd Army during World War Two; he was an avid golfer and Packer fan. Locally, Leo is survived by his wife, Arvilla, and his daughter, Jan Sukus.

Millie Helgesen passed away on March 8. Formerly the head cook at St. Luke's Hospital, she is survived by one daughter, Shirley Bendix of Racine, and by grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

MEMORIALS

Designated Memorials

In memory of Christine LaBlanc: \$25 for Pastor's Discretionary Fund
 \$1,020 for Building Fund
 \$30 for Library Book

In memory of Leo Nemer: \$630 for Organ balcony gate
 \$30 for Building Fund

Non-Designated Memorials

In memory of Christine LaBlanc: \$120

Wednesday Night Activities Resume April 26

Wednesday Night at Emmaus will take a week off on April 19, returning April 26. The pre-Lenten schedule will return, beginning April 12:

5:00 p.m. Pizza
 5:30 p.m. 3rd-6th Grade Hands-on Science
 5:30 p.m. Carpenter's Kids rehearsal
 6:15 p.m. Kindergarten-2nd Grade

Hands-On Science

6:15 p.m. Sunrise Singers rehearsal

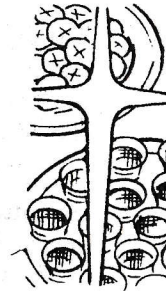
7:00 p.m. Adult Cantata rehearsal

7:30 p.m. Adult Choir rehearsal

Also, please note that there will be no rehearsal for the Carpenter's Kids or the Sunrise Singers on Wednesday, April 5. The regular practice schedule will resume the following Wednesday, April 12.

First Communion Studies Offered For Both Youth and Adults

A number of our fifth graders are currently preparing for their first communion through three Tuesday evening classes led by the pastors. They will have the opportunity to make their first communion on Maundy Thursday, April 13.



first communion policy here at Emmaus, to open it to our children younger than fifth grade. The first step in this process will be to hold Adult Forums on this issue, tentatively beginning April 30. More details will follow. Please join us for these discussions on a very important matter in the life of our Emmaus family.

But did you know that roughly one in five ELCA churches currently open communion to ages younger than 5th grade? And the list of churches which commune children of younger ages includes: Roman Catholic, United Methodist, and Episcopal? The Eastern Orthodox churches have practiced infant communion for virtually the 2000-year history of the Christian church. did you know that our current policy allows the younger children of these other churches to take communion with us while excluding our own?

We would like to consider our

8th-9th Grade Confirmation Classes Resume

Confirmation Classes for 8th & 9th graders resume Wednesday, April 26 and 6:00 p.m. The theme of the classes this spring will be "From Bondage to Freedom."

Meanwhile, students are required to take sermon notes (a total of ten are due) during Lent. Forms from the sermon notes are located in the upper left mailbox outside the church office.

Benevolences Are Current; Pictorial Directories Are Expected This Month

by Kathy Christensen

Receipts for January and February totaled more than \$40,000. This is good news. Our benevolences are current to date and there will be enough money to pay our current expenses.

Picture directories should be distributed by the end of April.

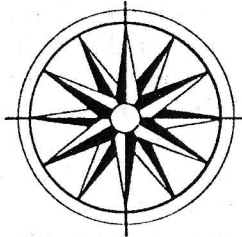
The summer worship schedule will be Saturday evenings at 5:00 and Sunday mornings at 9:15.

The cottage meetings will be held June 19 through August 1. Facilitator training will take place on June 12. Anyone interested in participating as a facilitator is welcome to attend.

Time and Talent commitments will be emphasized on Miracle Sunday, May 14.

The council approved purchasing a maintenance contract for the duplicator at a cost of \$395 per year.

People are needed who are willing to serve on a nominating committee. This committee will be responsible for finding council representatives, Synod Assembly delegates and representatives for the Racine Cluster Council.



Congregation Council

The church council approved a motion to purchase Fidelity Bond Coverage. R&R Insurance offers a policy for a maximum of \$50,000 coverage for \$175.00 for three years.

Fund-Raising Policy Approved

A proposal submitted by the Social Concerns Committee was approved setting forth policy guidelines for outside group fund raising:

1. The organization must be non-profit and a member of the Emmaus congregation should be involved;
2. a written proposal must be submitted to the council for approval prior to soliciting funds; and
3. no announcements will be made from the lectern or in the newsletter, only in the bulletin.
4. Final approval granted by council.

Two Building & Grounds Workdays Set

We invite you to help beautify our Emmaus home with:

- **April 8**, 8 a.m. to noon, Paint Day
 - **May 6**, 8 a.m. to noon, Spring Clean-up.
- Thanks for your help!

Offerings and Memorials Make Gate Possible

By Jess Sedgwick

For many weeks, the church Wish List has had a request for funds for the installation of gates to close off the church balcony. Our goals in closing off the balcony are to safeguard children from falling over the railing and to protect the church organ from accidental damage.

While we have not had any children injured in falls from the balcony, the organ has been damaged in the past, and we hope to avoid future problems by securing the balcony. Most Worship and Music Committee members can explain where and how the gates will work upstairs. Please feel free to ask us your questions.

Thanks to \$200 in designated contributions and \$625 in memorials to Leo Nemer, it should be possible to commence with commissioning the start of this project. Thanks to all

those whose support has made this project possible!

Our committee is also requesting help (on the Wish List) to offset the \$500 Easter Sunday cost of the brass ensemble, The Brass Nickel. These fine musicians have played for Emmaus for many years and their performance has enhanced past Easter worship services. Please consider giving toward this Wish List item.

Choir Presents "Breakfast in Galilee"

The Adult Choir will present a special cantata at both services on April 30. "Breakfast in Galilee" tells the post-Easter story of John 21:1-19, recalling the events of Holy Week.

This musical offering is given in memory of Joanne Van Berg.

Cottage Meetings Coming This Summer

Cottage meetings will be held in homes of Emmaus members again this summer, from June 19 to August 8. The cottage meetings will be like those held last summer, in that all members of Emmaus will be invited to one or another meeting, and notes of the conversations at each meeting will be compiled into a composite report to the church council.

A meeting facilitator training session will be held on June 12. If you are interested in hosting a cottage



meeting or in doing some of the telephoning to invite others, please contact Carol Rudey at 632-0643.

Teens Make Trip to LYE Youth Congress

Nine of our high school youth, accompanied by Pastor Paul and Youth Advisor Sandy Strini attended a Youth Congress of the Lutheran Youth Encounter (LYE). They are David Christensen, Ben Field, Nikie and Tiffany Kreimer, Jason Lees, Heather Pechman, Ryan Sedgwick,

Chad Strini and Peter Sukus.

The Congress was held at the Holiday Inn O'Hare in Chicago March 17 to 19. Our group was among 2000 youth from all over the midwest who gathered in faith to celebrate and to grow in Christ..

Children's Choirs Featured

Second Annual "Miracle Sunday" Coming May 14

Last year's Miracle Sunday celebration was such a wonderful day that we would like to continue the tradition this year on May 14. To add to the festive, family mood of the day, we will hold only one worship service that morning at 10:00 a.m.

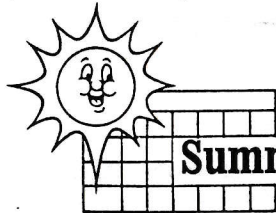
Worship will feature, as last year, a cantata by our children's



Stewardship

choirs. Led by Cathy Meyer, they will present "It's Cool in the Furnace," based on Daniel 3.

The stewardship focus will be on the gifts of time and talent.



Summer Service Times Set

This past February, the Worship & Music Committee conducted a survey of the congregation to help determine when members would like the summer worship service times to be. As a

result of the survey, the committee has decided that there will be one worship service on Sunday mornings, at 9:15 a.m., beginning June 11.

Saturday worship services will continue to be held at 5:00 p.m. through the summer.

"In a world that 'couldn't care less,' we are to be people who couldn't care more."

--Our Daily Bread

WELCA News

All Women Invited to Join Circles

We would like to extend an invitation to every woman in our congregation to attend one of our circles. The times they meet are as follows:

- Mary Circle: First Wednesday of the month at 9:00 a.m. (meet in members' homes)
- Mary/Martha Circle: Third Wednesday of each month at 5:30 in the Fireside Room
- Rebecca Circle: First Wednesday of the month at 1:30 p.m. in the Sunset Room
- Miriam Circle: First Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at members' homes.

There is Bible study and fellowship at our meetings. Women are not required to lead the Bible study.

Cluster Brunch at Gethsemane

Mark your calendars for the following dates:



May 6: Racine Cluster Brunch at Gethsemane Lutheran Church at 8:30 a.m. speakers will be Mrs. Cindi Larsen from Emmaus and Rev. Norma Carter from Gospel Assembly Church. Please make reservations with Betty Barth (639-7894). The cost is \$3.50.

May 11: Plan to attend our Mother-Daughter-Other Event at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting Change for Miriam Circle

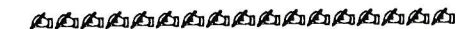
Miriam Circle will meet at the home of Karen Sedgwick on April 6.



Letters Your Support Means Much

Thank you members of Emmaus for your prayers, cards and calls to Marian. Special thank you to Pastors Mary Janz and Paul Nuechterlein for their visits while I was in the hospital.

Peace-Shalom,
Mae Henke



ADOPT A SUNDAY
To Help Reduce Indebtedness of Emmaus

I wish to contribute _____ \$1,000 _____ \$750

_____ \$500 _____ \$300 _____ \$100 \$
 (Suggested minimum \$100. Any gift appreciated.)

Sunday to adopt: _____
 (date)

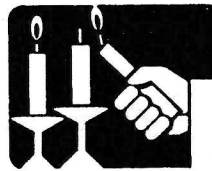
In memory of: _____

In honor of: _____

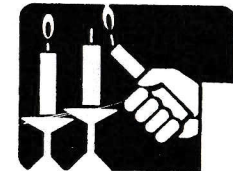
Occasion: _____

Contributor: _____

I
 H
 D:
 ca
 up
 w
 th
 of
 in
 nu
 su
 hc
 in
 Er
 ah
 A
 A
 A
 A



Worship Assistants



	<u>Acolytes</u>	<u>Altar Guild</u>	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
Apr. 1 5:00 pm	—	Amy Larsen Pat Jensen	—	—
Apr. 2 8:00 am	Dave Lasko Chris Nikolai	Ruth Estep ^s Isabelle Barry	Bev Hansen	Lyle & Bill Christensen
Apr. 2 10:30 am	Amanda Lawler Kristin Andersen	Connie Bertermann Jeannette Bertram	Ryan Sedgwick	Sandy & Chad Strini
Apr. 9 8:00 am	Sam Falaschi Ryan Kreimer	—	—	Peter & Susan Bayer
Apr. 9 10:30 am	Michael Yust Tom Pie	—	—	Nancy Martinsen Hans Hill
Apr. 13 7:00 pm	John Knuteson Jason Meteyard	Pat Jensen Marg. Christensen	—	—
Apr. 14 7:00 pm	Scott Rudey Derek Haug	—	—	—
Apr. 16 6:30 am	Eric Larsen Ken Larsen Michael Yust	Sharon Devine Cynthia Cook	Al Svendsen	Isabell Barry Ruth Estep
Apr. 16 9:00 am	Jill Lynch Justin Svoboda Adam Van Nice	Marion Andersen Marge Zielke	Eileen Olson	Lucille Atkinson Edith Bohn
Apr. 23 8:00 am	Jon Cook Eric Moore	—	Betty Barth	Mark & Grace Falaschi
Apr. 23 10:30 am	Matthew Liesch Kevin Meteyard	—	Ginny Dougall	Ginny Dougall Ginny Haugsby
Apr. 30 8:00 am	Derek Haug Ryan Clinton	—	TBA	Randy Sanders David Smith
Apr. 30 10:30	Amanda Lawler Kristin Andersen	—	TBA	Don & Dolly Orth

Emmaus Staff

PASTORS: Mary L. Janz 1455 Sun Valley Dr., #104, 53406 633-3059
 Paul J. Nuechterlein 1909 Summit Ave., 53404 637-0671
 SECRETARY: Paul Berge CHURCH OFFICE: 634-5515
 CUSTODIAN: Wes Mohr

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

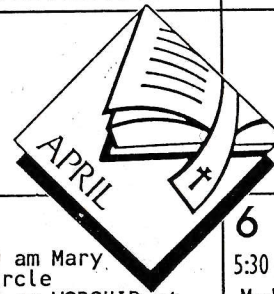
FRIDAY

SATURDAY

April, 1995

Emmaus Lutheran Church

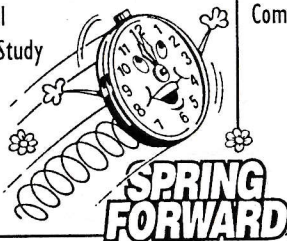
1925 Summit Ave. Racine, WI 53404 414/634-5515



1 Women's Retreat
at Siena Center
5:00 pm WORSHIP
SERVICE w/H.C.

2 Fifth Sunday in Lent

8:00 & 10:30 am TRAD. WORSHIP SERVICE with Holy Communion
9:15 am Sunday School
9:20 am Lenten Bible Study
9:20 am Adult Forum



3

9:00 am Quilting Group
6:30 pm Worship & Music Committee

4

9:15 am Staff Meeting
10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center
12:15 pm LENTEN WORSHIP SERVICE
7:00 pm 1st Communion class

5

9:00 am Mary Circle
10:00 am WORSHIP at Villa St. Anna
12:00 Executive Cmte.
1:30 pm Rebecca Circle
5:00 pm Wednesday Night Activities
5:45 pm Single Parents' Group
7:00 pm LENTEN WORSHIP SERVICE

6

5:30 pm Community Meal at St. Patrick's
7:00 pm Miriam Circle at C. Dexter's
7:00 pm Stamp Club

7

6:00 pm Ruetz-Smith Rehearsal
7:00 pm R.E.S.T.

8

8:00 am - Noon Paint Day
8:30 am - Noon WELCA Leadership Training workshop
1:00 pm Ruetz-Smith wedding
5:00 pm WORSHIP SERVICE

9 Sunday of the Passion

8:00 & 10:30 am **SPECIAL PASSION SUNDAY LITURGY**
9:15 am Sunday School
9:20 am Lenten Bible Study
9:20 am Adult Forum

10

9:00 am Quilting Group
5:00 pm Bldg. & Grounds
6:30 pm Church Council

11

9:15 am Staff Meeting
10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center

12

5:00 pm Wednesday Night Activities

13 Maundy Thurs.

12:00 noon WORSHIP SERVICE w/H. C.
7:00 pm WORSHIP SERVICE w/H.C.
First Communion

14 Good Friday

12:00 noon WORSHIP SERVICE
7:00 pm TENEBRAE SERVICE
7:00 p.m. R.E.S.T.

15

No Saturday worship service

16 The Resurrection of Our Lord

6:30 am SUNRISE SERVICE w/Holy Communion
7:45 am Breakfast in Fellowship Hall
9:30 am FESTIVAL SERVICE w/Holy Communion
Visitor deadline

17

9:00 am Quilting Group

18

9:30 am Cluster Clergy mtg.
10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center

19

No Wednesday night activities
5:30 pm Mary-Martha Circle

20

7:00 pm Cluster Council meets here

21

7:00 pm R.E.S.T.

22

5:00 pm WORSHIP SERVICE

23 Second Sunday of Easter

8:00 & 10:30 am TRAD. WORSHIP SERVICE
9:15 am Sunday School
9:20 am Adult Forum

24

9:00 am Quilting Group

25 St. Mark, Evang.

9:15 am Staff meeting
10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center
6:30 pm WELCA Study Leaders
7:30 pm WELCA Board

26

6:45 am Racine 2000 Prayer Breakfast
5:00 pm Wed. Night Activities
6:00 pm 8th-9th Grade Confirmation

27

28

7:00 pm R.E.S.T.

29

5:00 pm WORSHIP SERVICE

Synod Assembly, Our Savior's Lutheran, Milwaukee

30 Third Sunday of Easter

8:00 & 10:30 am **CHOIR CANTATA: "BREAKFAST IN GALILEE"**
9:15 am Sunday School
9:20 am Adult Forum

May 1

9:00 am Quilting Group
6:30 pm Worship & Music Committee

2

9:15 am Staff meeting
10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center

May 1995

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT EMMAUS

(Apr. 5 time/April 12 & 26 time)

5:00/5:00 pm Pizza
5:15/5:30 pm 3d-6th Gr. Hands-On Science
- /5:30 pm Carpenter's Kids practice
6:00/6:15 pm K-2nd Gr. Hands-On Science
- /6:15 pm Sunrise Singers practice
6:00/7:00 pm Adult Cantata practice
6:30/7:30 pm Adult Choir practice

EMMAUS SENIOR FELLOWSHIP CENTER

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

Director: Glenn Olson

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

Programs begin at 10:30 a.m.



EVENTS FOR SENIORS

PROGRAM FOR APRIL:

- April 4: 10:00 a.m. - Coffee & Conversation
10:30 a.m. - VCR: *Egypt and the Pharoahs*, part 1
11:30 a.m. - Early lunch
12:15 p.m. - Lenten services
12:45 p.m. - Social activities
- April 11: 10:00 a.m. - Coffee & conversation
10:30 a.m. - Begin Part 3 in *Life of Jesus* series
12:00 noon - Lunch
1:00 p.m. - Social activities
- April 18: 10:00 a.m. - Coffee & conversation
10:30 a.m. - Finish Part 3 of *Life of Jesus* series
12:00 noon - Lunch
1:00 p.m. - Social activities
- April 25: 10:00 a.m. - Coffee & conversation
10:30 a.m. - VCR: Finish *Egypt and the Pharoahs*
12:00 noon - Birthday lunch
1:00 p.m. - Social Activities



April Birthdays - 70 Years and Over

4-16	Evelyn Eschmann	2504 Drexel Avenue	53403
4-26	Arvilla Nemer	1805 Jupiter Avenue	53404

Glenn Olson Recognized by WRJN, All Saints

Emmaus member Glenn Olson was honored by Racine radio station WRJN and All Saints Hospital as "Senior Citizen of the Year" on March 23. Olson was

recognized at a dinner at Roma Lodge for his service as director of the Senior Fellowship Center which meets at Emmaus every Tuesday.

Olson has been director of the Center for the past 20 years. From thirty to forty seniors meet every week for fellowship, entertainment, education and lunch.

Congratulations to Glenn Olson on his well-deserved award!

Please Remember Your Lenten Offerings

Emmaus members have been led this Lenten season to reflect on and to respond to the blessings we receive every day, and to give thanks for them in a special Lenten offering. The activity calendar included in the March Visitor listed a number of those blessings, and suggested offerings to be stored in a homemade Lenten bank.

These offerings are to be turned in (or soon after) Easter Sunday,

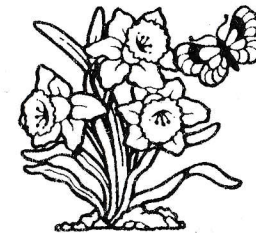
April 16. To receive credit on your giving statement for your gift, please write your name and envelope number on your container.

The gifts received this year will be forwarded to the ELCA Disaster Fund for Japan and to Cross Lutheran Church in Milwaukee. (This is in response to the earthquake in Kobe, Japan, and the fire which destroyed Cross Lutheran's church building.)

ALTAR FLOWERS FOR APRIL

The following members of Emmaus have signed up to give the altar flowers this month:

April 2: Jeff & Linda Clinton
April 9: Julia Durand
April 23: Mary Larsen
April 30: Pat LeRoux-Sodke



Sunday, July 30 is the one day left open on the flower sign-up chart in the church office. The cost of altar flowers is \$15.

>>>Sunday School News<<<

>>>>A REMINDER<<<<<

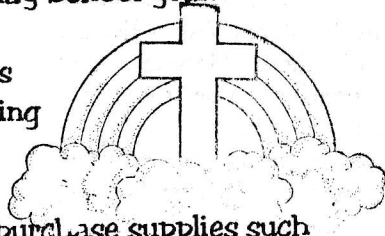
The 2nd Sunday of the month is Sunday School's chance to help the Northside Pantry. Everyone should bring a canned or non-perishable good. Our cash offering is used to buy perishable goods. Don't forget anytime is a good time to bring your offerings for the Northside Pantry (And you don't have to be in Sunday School to bring something.)



>>>>>OFFERING<<<<<

Sunday school offerings are very important. Everyone should remember to bring their offering in the envelopes that were provided at the beginning of the Sunday School year.

1. Our cash offering is used to help the Northside Pantry buy perishable goods for those who are in need. 2. Our offering is used to help our child through the Christian Children's Fund. 3. We also contribute to the mission fund. 4. We purchase supplies such as awards and material that teachers need to help in the teaching every Sunday. So don't forget you're offering every Sunday it is very important to you, our students.



>>>>>>Stamps<<<<<<<

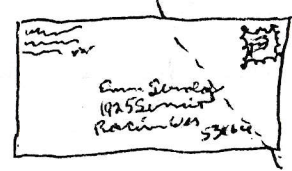
Lent is upon us and our stamp contest in full swing. Cathy Meyer is heading up this stamp contest. So please count your stamps before turning them in, it is easier on

continue>

>>>Sunday School News<<<

Cathy and all, thank you.

When you do save your stamps do not trim them just make sure you have no addresses on them. Example is to the right > save, save, thank you!



>>>>>Memory Time <<<<<

Everyone should have received their memory sheets and you have them memorized already. Well, you say you haven't, well start now and get it memorized. Parents it wouldn't hurt us any to take a little time and see what our students are memorizing. If you didn't receive or your dog ate your Memory sheets please check with the Sunday School office. Remember you have until May, **PLEASE** don't wait till the last minute. Good Luck!

God's Love to all
Pattie Shields
Pattie Shields
your Sunday School
Superintendent

Unscramble these words to find names of animals that are found in the Bible.

ntalepoe _____ Deuteronomy 14:5

cooircdle _____ Leviticus 11:30

prdleoa _____ Revelation 13:2

hpsee _____ Deuteronomy 14:5

zilorda _____ Leviticus 11:29

ttcael _____ Genesis 1:25



ADULT FORUM

Adult Forum meets on Sundays from 9:20 to 10:10 a.m. following coffee fellowship in the Sunset Room on the main floor. All adults are welcome.

- April 2:** Lenten Bible Study on John 11, the raising of Lazarus; and a video on fighting racism.
- April 9:** Bible Study led by Pastor Paul on the meaning of Holy Week.
- April 16:** EASTER -- NO FORUM
- April 23:** Earth Day focus on caring for creation, including video presentations
- April 30:** Hosted by Worship & Music: Topic to be announced

Emmaus to Serve Community Meal April 6

It's Emmaus' turn to serve the community meal at St. Patrick's Church this month. Here's the hot dish recipe:

Brown 2 lbs. ground beef with onion, salt and pepper and put in the bottom of a 9"x13" pan. Sprinkle 1½ lbs. green beans over the meat. Pour 2 cans of cream of chicken/mushroom

soup over the beans. Spread 1½ lbs. tater tots over the top of the mix. Bake at 350° for 45 minutes.

Volunteers are welcome to help serve the meal, at 5:00 p.m. Thursday, April 6 at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Douglas Avenue and Prospect Street.

SUMMER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AT HOLDEN VILLAGE

* North Cascade Mountain Ecumenical Retreat Center *
Rooted in the Lutheran Tradition

- * Many short-term positions open April - October
- * Room and board provided
- * Minimum age 18; no upper age limit
- * Some year round positions available

Write Staff Coordinator, Holden Village
Chelan, Washington 98816

Come and be a part of our ministry!



Racine Mission Cluster Assembly

Assembly Elects Cluster Representatives

The 1995 Assembly of the Racine Mission Cluster of the ELCA was held February 9 at Our Savior's Lutheran Church. The Racine Mission Cluster consists of the 16 ELCA congregations in Racine, Mt. Pleasant, Caledonia and North Cape, and the non-parish clergy in our area.

Donna Bumpus reported that the Cluster's Sunday evening community meal site at Our Savior's has served 18,000 meals in the past two years. This year, the meal site received a grant from the Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA).

Rev. Tim Hansen (Good Shepherd) reported that the cluster's Youth group, begun by Atonement's Ron Eckert, has been energetic and exciting. The group, which meets the first Sunday of each month, now includes non-ELCA youth groups as well as ELCA groups.

Rev. Walter Hermanns (Holy Communion) was elected to be the Racine Cluster's representative to the Synod Nominating Committee. Mark Peters (Emmanuel) and Matt Bahr (Holy Communion) were elected to be the cluster's Youth representatives to the 1995 Greater Milwaukee Synod Assembly, April 28-29.

GMS Assembly to Meet in Milwaukee

The 1995 Annual Assembly of the Greater Milwaukee Synod of the ELCA will be held April 28-29 at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Milwaukee. Emmaus delegates to this year's assembly will be Al and June Beck, and Pastors Mary and Paul.

The theme of the assembly is "Rooted in Gospel, Growing in Community, Living in Hope." Rev. Barbara Lundblad of Our Savior-Atonement Lutheran Church in New York and Dr. Jody Kretzmann of Northwestern University Center for Urban Affairs will be the keynote speakers.

This year's assembly marks a

departure from most years, when the assembly has been held over three days in June at Carthage College.

The change is being tried out in response to calls to hold abbreviated assemblies in Milwaukee in odd-numbered years and full assemblies at Carthage in even-numbered years. The practicality of the abbreviated assembly will be evaluated before deciding whether to continue the practice of alternating assembly sites.

Our Savior's Lutheran Church is located at 3022 West Wisconsin Avenue, three blocks north of I-94 at 31st Street.



Lutheran Musicians Present Benefit Concert

A concert of J.S. Bach by Lutheran professional musicians from the greater Chicago area to benefit the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago will take place on Sunday, April 23, at 3:30 p.m. The concert will be at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 5472 South Kimbark, Chicago.

Singers and players will join to offer the Magnificat of J.S. Bach and his motet, Singet dem Herren ein Neues Lied, directed by Mark Bangert, professor of church music at LSTC.

All members of the public are invited to attend this concert. Discounted tickets (\$13 for adults, \$6 for seniors/students, and \$3 for children) will be available in advance by calling (312) 753-0744. LSTC is a seminary of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

ELCA Seminarians Are Older, More Diverse

From *The Christian Century*

There are more women and people of color enrolled in master of divinity courses this academic year than last at the eight seminaries of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). Also, more of the seminarians are over 39 years of age. Statistics gathered by the ELCA Division for Ministry indicate that 1,618 students are currently working toward an M.Div. degree in the denomination's seminaries, a slight drop from a peak of 1,631 in 1992-93.

A total of 725 women were enrolled in ELCA M.Div. programs in

1994-95 - 44.8% of the total. That percentage has steadily increased in recent years. 60 seminarians this year are Lutherans of color, an increase of six over last year.

As in other seminaries, the trend toward an older student population continues. 37% of the students in ELCA M.Div. programs are in their 20s; 27% are in the 30s; 26.8% are in their 40s; and 8.9% are 50 to 64 years of age.

Daylight Savings Time Begins

Scientists at the Mount Palomar Observatory predict that the night of Saturday, April 1, will be one hour shorter than usual. "We believe that the phenomenon may be due to the accumulation on the planet of time-saving devices, such as fax machines, microwave ovens, and instant tea," said spokesscientist Dr. Geoffrey Steub.

Scientists have dubbed the phenomenon "Daylight Savings Time," and predict that due to the lost hour, the sun will begin rising one hour later than usual. While it is not known where the missing hour will have gone, Dr. Steub expressed confidence that the mystery will be solved within six months.

The bishop's office has expressed concern over the possibility of widespread panic caused by the missing hour, and is urging Lutherans to set their clocks ahead one hour before going to bed April 1 so that nobody will be late to church on April 2.

Pastor Mary's Column

Much More Than "Super Glue"

*Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall
Humpty Dumpty had a great fall
All the king's horses
and all the king's men
Couldn't put Humpty together again.*

- Shattered hopes and dreams
- Deteriorating health
- Broken spirits
- Fragmented lives and homes
- Fragile relationships

Help! Handle with care!
Despair and a sense of hopelessness invade so many lives. The stress and the pressure are about to make us break.

I've heard a great deal of "Humpty Dumpty" talk recently. Does the state of hopelessness describe where you or your loved ones might be right now? There is no question that more and more of us face what seem to be overwhelming circumstances in our lives.

Where do you turn when that which is very important to you shatters to bits? Do you sit with your own bottle of "super glue" and painstakingly try to put those splinters together by yourself? Do you feel like a failure because you can't "fix" all that seems to be falling apart around you? Do you turn the other way, giving up?

During this Lenten season we have addressed many forms of brokenness in our lives. That

reflection can be very painful. But, out of that pain and brokenness we have also seen the promise of a healing touch, transformation and wholeness in Christ.

Where can we turn for that renewed hope and promise of healing and shalom?

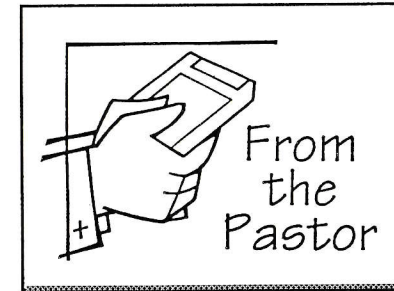
That healing salve comes in many ways: reading and reflecting upon **scripture**, hearing God's word of promise in word and song during **worship**, being forgiven and nourished

and strengthened around the **Lord's table**, **praying** and being prayed for, and receiving God's care and loving **support through others**. We need **all** of that in our journey toward wholeness. A re-reading of one of the Psalms expressing

lament/despair and praise (some of those are Psalms 6, 10, 13, 22, 27, 46, 57, 71, 86, 130, 139) or of Romans 8 may be a place to begin.

It is important that we don't attempt to make this journey toward wholeness alone. We have been created to be in relationship and community. Not only does God walk with us, but we also need our sisters and brothers in Christ to surround and support us. In whose face(s) is God's love reflected for you? The ongoing support and love of Christians for one another is a key factor in putting "Humpty Dumpty" together

Continued on back page ➤



Pastor Mary's Column
Continued

again. We need one another, for God's spirit works through each of us as we reach out in love to share that healing touch.

As we continue our Lenten journey, we're reminded once more that we are not alone. So, let's stop groping for the "super glue" and accept the invitation from the only one who can truly restore us to wholeness -- Jesus the Christ.

Blessings to you during this holy season,



Emmaus Lutheran Church
1925 Summit Avenue
Racine, WI 53404

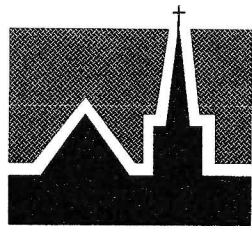
Services are held at Emmaus Saturdays at 5:00 p.m. and Sundays at 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Forum meet between the Sunday services.

Midweek Lenten services will be held Tuesday, April 4 at 12:15 a.m. and Wednesday, April 5 at 7:00 p.m.

Holy Week services will be held Thursday, April 13 at noon and 7:00 p.m., and Friday, April 14 at noon and 7:00 p.m.

Easter: Sunrise Service on Easter Sunday will be held at 6:30 a.m. The Easter Festival Service will begin at 9:30 a.m.

Non-Profit Org
U.S. Postage
PAID
Racine, Wi
Permit No. 137



Emmaus Visitor

May, 1995

"A Safe Harbor"

Emmaus Lutheran Church 634-5515 1925 Summit Avenue

Miracle Sunday Features Children's Cantata

Miracle Sunday, May 14, we will celebrate the miracles of ministry at Emmaus. Emmaus will hold only one service that morning, at 10:00 a.m. There will be no Sunday School or Adult Forum.



This special service will feature "It's Cool In the Furnace," a cantata sung by the Sunrise Singers and Carpenter's Kids. "It's Cool in the Furnace" tells the story from Daniel 3 of those famous pyronauts, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego.

Come to experience the joyous grace of the family in Christ to which God calls us! Be a part of the miracle!

Pastor Paul to Lead Study of Revelation

Beginning May 9, all are invited to investigate the most mysterious book of the Bible: the Revelation of St. John. In this six-week class on Tuesday evenings (6:45-8:00), we will use a video-based resource called

Breaking the Code: Understanding the Book of Revelation.

If you would like to participate and to purchase a copy of the accompanying text, please sign up in the narthex or contact Pastor Paul.

PASTORAL ACTS

Wedding: April 8, 1995 Brian Patrick Smith and Debra Lynn Ruetz

Eleven Celebrate First Communion

Eleven members of Emmaus completed a program of studies on the sacrament of Holy Communion last month. They celebrated their first communion during Holy Week.

Receiving their first communion on Maundy Thursday or

Easter were: Kristen Clinton, Rebecca Fiebig, Christopher Friis, Nicholas and Steven Furuglyas, Rebecca Gottfredsen, Christina Listrom, Tanya Moore, Jennifer Olson, Katie Sanders, and Alyssa Yorgan.

Adult Forums to Study First Communion Policy

There will be an opportunity for information and discussion concerning Emmaus' policy regarding the age at which baptized members receive their first communion. The policy will be reviewed at two Adult Forums, April 30 and May 7, during the Sunday School hour (9:15-10:15).



The church council is considering lowering the age of first communion from the fifth grade, and would invite all interested members to be a part of these forums. A study of this topic has recently been completed by the ELCA

and will be available to aid our discussion. We value your opinion, and hope you will attend.

Emmaus Staff & Worship Times

PASTORS: Paul J. Nuechterlein 1909 Summit Ave. 637-0671
Mary L. Janz 1455 Sun Valley Dr. #104 633-3059
SECRETARY: Paul Berge
CUSTODIAN: Wes Mohr
CHURCH OFFICE: 634-5515

Services are held at Emmaus every Saturday evening at 5:00 and Sunday morning at 8:00 and 10:30. **On May 14, there will be one worship service at 10:00 a.m.** Nursery service is available during the late Sunday service. Sunday School and Adult Forum meet May 7 and 21 between Sunday services at 9:15.

AAL to Present Forum Against Crime

At the May 21 Adult Forum, Aid Association for Lutheran (AAL) will present its branch program of the year, "Together Against Crime." "Together Against Crime" is a 60-minute educational program designed to help people of all ages and geographic locations reduce their risk of being victims of crime.

Participants will learn what criminals look for in choosing their victims, and steps to safeguard themselves and their property from crime, as well as how to join with others to form Neighborhood Watch groups. Each attending family will receive a mail-in coupon for a light timer, and a copy of *Safe and Sound*:

A Common Sense Approach to Protecting Yourself and Your Property Against Crime.

Together Against CRIME

For more details about the Together Against Crime program, refer to the *1995 Branch Action Guide*, or contact your fraternal benefits associate in the Fraternal Benefits Department of AAL.

WELCA News

Rev. Tim Hansen to Entertain at Mother-Daughter-Other Banquet May 11

Our Mother, Daughter and Other Banquet will be Thursday, May 11 at 6:30 p.m.

Pastor Tim Hansen from Good Shepherd Lutheran Church will be providing musical entertainment. Rev.

Hansen was featured in the local insert in the March issue of *The Lutheran* magazine.

Tickets will be \$6.00 for adults and \$3.00 for those 12 and under. Tickets will be available on Sundays and in the church office. Please plan



to attend!

Women's Usher Team

A women of Emmaus ushering team is being formed for the 8:00 service. Any women who wish to participate, please call Marge Jensen, 634-8754.

Miriam Circle Meeting

Members of Miriam Circle, please note that this month's meeting at Ellen Nuechterlein's will be on Tuesday, May 2 at 7:00 p.m.

"Time & Talent" Pledges Opportunity Planned for Miracle Sunday

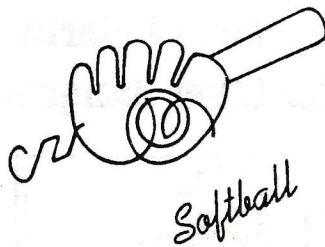
Last year, Miracle Sunday was held partly in response to a crisis in financial support of Emmaus' ministry. Quite frankly, we were hoping for some miracles when it comes to paying bills!

Well, our hopes and prayers were answered. What a difference a year makes! Four and a half months into 1995 we are actually ahead of our budget! This year, Miracle Sunday on May 14 can be more of a celebration of those miracles.

Do we dare pray for new miracles? Yes, we dare! The Stewardship Committee and Church Council would like to lift up the needs for volunteer support of ministry. We plan to offer something a bit new: a "pledge card" for time and talents. We will highlight a number of areas we would really like to see grow at Emmaus and give you an opportunity to pledge your support through time and talent.

Kringles Softball Season Opens May 16

The Emmaus "Kringles" softball team will once again be getting together for Christian recreation and fellowship on Tuesday evenings at Cliffside Park. All



men and boys 14 years and over are welcome to sign up and to attend the pre-season practices. Please sign up in the narthex or call Ed Simon (634-5666) for details.

Unified School Representatives to Seek Input on Plans

Emmaus members and area residents are invited to join our Senior Citizens for a slide presentation and discussion of the first draft of Racine Unified School District's strategic plans for the future. School Board president Harry Garnette is scheduled to be one of Unified's representatives here at 1:00 p.m. May 23 in

Fellowship Hall.

Participants will be asked to respond to a survey and to share their comments and suggestions for the future of our schools. Unified is seriously hoping to learn the attitudes of the entire community and to hear as many diverse ideas as possible.

April 10 Meeting

Council Approves Suggestion Box, Youth Volleyball

by Kathy Christensen

It was reported that Chris Olson, an Emmaus member, would be rekeying all of the locks in our church building, and new keys would be issued to those needing them. Old keys will no longer be valid and can be thrown away.

A suggestion box will be made available to the church members. The Executive Committee will be responsible for tabulating and reporting on suggestions received.

The gates to the balcony will now be installed. The cost will be covered by donations. Pat Shields is resigning as Sunday School

Superintendent after seven years of service. We are grateful to Pat for her generous contribution to Emmaus.

The Adult Forum on April 30 and May 7 are scheduled as opportunities for discussion on the possibility of lowering the age for baptized members to receive Holy Communion.

The council approved offering the use of Emmaus for a Neighborhood Watch group for this area.

The council approved a motion to allow the Cluster Youth to play volleyball on our empty lot during the month of May on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 to 8:00.

LaBlanc Daughters Adopt Sunday

We extend our thanks to the four daughters of Christine LaBlanc for adopting Sunday, April 30 in her memory. The Emmaus Adopt-a-Sunday program was begun in 1992 to help retire the church's debt.

As of the beginning of May, the balance on Emmaus' mortgage stands at \$230,378.16. Our monthly mortgage payment is \$2,466; of that

amount, \$1,919.82 last month went to pay the interest on the mortgage.

If you would like to adopt a Sunday at some time in the future, please fill out the form included in your Sunday bulletin (or *Visitor*). You may mail it to or drop it off at the church office any time, or place it in the offering plate on Sunday.

Church Re-Keyed in April

The locks at Emmaus have been re-keyed by Emmaus member Chris Olson, owner of Hoernel Lock and Key of Kenosha. The new keys are available through the church

office.

A big thank you to Chris for greatly simplifying the key system here at Emmaus!

REST Program Completes Second Year

by Cathy Knuteson

As you may know, Racine Emergency Shelter Taskforce (REST) is a grassroots volunteer-driven effort begun in the fall of 1993 to provide shelter to homeless men, women, and children in Racine. Seven churches rotate the responsibility for providing shelter and volunteers to assist the "guests" throughout the cold months of the year.

Funding for this program is provided through Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA; 21.6%), churches (41%), a foundation (21.6%), business and club donations (8.6%) and individual donations (7.1%). This money is used to pay the salary (very modest) of the coordinator, supplies, postage, taxes, printing and a telephone. FEMA funding is designated and cannot be used for such things as food, bus tokens, or the coordinator's salary.

Due to an increase in the number of guests and a decrease in individual donations, there isn't enough money to pay for laundry, salaries, and bus tokens. The 1995 season will end at the end of April, but there is a definite need for financial assistance.

This program has really been successful. Many of the guests are employed but their salaries are insufficient to provide for housing. We all are working to decrease the need for such shelter for the homeless, but right now people need help.

If you are able, please consider making a donation to the REST program or think about volunteering

any night of the week at any of the

Help for the



Homeless

Call the REST office at 632-7048 or Jim Palmer (681-2363), Pastor Mary, or Cathy Knuteson (639-5621) to offer your service or financial support. I guarantee you it will be appreciated. This is truly service to people in need.

REST Volunteer Pot Luck Supper Slated May 6

All R.E.S.T. volunteers and donors for the 1994-95 season are invited to a pot luck supper and open house May 6 at 6:00 p.m. at Holy Communion Lutheran Church. Holy Communion is located on the top of the hill where Sixth Street becomes Kinzie Avenue.

Please bring a dish to pass. Beverages will be provided. You will be invited to share any special R.E.S.T. stories with your fellow volunteers.

Emmaus Senior Fellowship Center

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

Director: Glenn Olson

The center opens at 10:00 a.m. with coffee
Programs begin at 10:30 a.m.





PROGRAMS FOR MAY:

May 2:	10:30 a.m.	On the Road with Al & June
	11:45 a.m.	Leave for Brother-In-Law Restaurant
	1:15 p.m.	Return to church
May 9:	10:30 a.m.	Clara Westergaard: Spring Flowers
	12:00 noon	Lunch
	1:00 p.m.	Social activities
May 16:	10:30 a.m.	John & Lila Berge: Spring in the Smoky Mts.
	12:00 noon	Lunch
	1:00 p.m.	Social activities
May 23	10:30 a.m.	Social activities
	12:00 noon	Lunch
	1:00 p.m.	Unified School speaker about their School plan.
		Other centers are invited
	1:45 p.m.	Coffee & cookies
May 30:	10:30 a.m.	Film: <i>Two from the Sea</i>
	12:00 noon	Lunch
	1:00 p.m.	Social activities

May Birthdays - 70 Years and Over

5/1	Ruth Hlavka	1237 Isabelle Avenue	53402
5/1	Arlene Nielsen	4000 Maryland Avenue	53405
5/3	Alfred Sorensen	3910 River Drive	53405
5/8	Mae Henke	3920 N. Green Bay Road	53404
5/9	Ruth Estep	2522 Maple Grove Avenue	53404
5/13	Chester Meyer	1435 Windsor Way	53406
5/17	Letta Harcus	516 W. Cole Road, Fremont, OH	43420
5/19	Delbert Brown	1621 Walter Avenue	53403
5/23	John Psiones	1231 Harrington Drive	53405
5/24	Mabel Meyer	1435 Windsor Way	53406
5/29	Hans Jepsen	1342 Harrington Drive	53405

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday																																																
May, 1995 Emmaus Lutheran Church 1925 Summit Avenue Racine, WI 53404 414 634-5515	1 Sts. Phillip & James 9:00 am Quilting Group 6:30 pm Worship & Music Committee	2 9:15 am Staff Meeting 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 7:00 pm Miriam Circle at Ellen N.'s	3 9:00 am Mary Circle at Bev H.'s 12:00noon Executive Committee 1:30 pm Rebecca Circle 5:00 pm Wed. Night Activities 5:45 pm Single Parents' Group 6:00 pm 8th-9th Grade Confirmation	4 7:00 pm Stamp Club	5 7:00 pm Senior High Lock-in at Carthage (to 8 am Saturday)	6 8:00 am Spring Clean-up (to noon) 9:00 am WELCA Cluster Brunch at Gethsemane 5:00 pm Worship Service w/H.C.																																																
7 4th Sunday of Easter 8:00 & 10:30 am TRAD. WORSHIP with Holy Communion 9:15 am Adult Forum 9:15 am Sunday School 7:00 pm Youth Cluster meeting Sorensen 50th Anniversary	8 9:00 am Quilting Group 5:00 am Building & Grounds committee 6:30 pm Church council	9 9:15 am Staff meeting 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 6:45 pm Bible Study	10 5:00 pm Wed. Night activities 6:00 pm 8th-9th Grade Confirmation	11 6:30 pm All-Daughters Event 7:00 pm Racine Mission Cluster Council	12  MAY	13 5:00 pm Worship Service																																																
14 Miracle Sunday -- 5th Sun. of Easter -- Mothers' Day 10:00 am WORSHIP SERVICE with Children's Choir Cantata No Sunday School or Adult Forum	15 9:00 am Quilting group 6:30 pm Education Cmte. 6:30 pm Deacons meeting <i>Visitor deadline</i>	16 9:30 am Cluster Clergy mtg. 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 6:45 pm Bible Study TBA Men's Softball	17 5:00 pm Wed. Night activities 5:30 pm Mary-Martha Circle 6:00 pm 8th-9th Grade Confirmation	18 19 Nuechterleins on vacation to May 22....		20 5:00 pm Worship Service w/H.C.																																																
21 6th Sunday of Easter 8:00 & 10:30 am CHICAGO FOLK SERVICE with Holy Communion 9:15 am Last Adult Forum 9:15 am Last Sunday School	22 9:00 am Quilting group 6:30 pm Social Concerns Committee	23 9:15 am Staff meeting 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 6:30 pm WELCA Study Leaders 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm WELCA Board TBA Men's Softball	24 5:00 pm Wed. Night activities 6:00 pm 8th-9th Grade Confirmation	25 The Ascension of Our Lord	26 Pentecost Geranium order deadline	27 5:00 pm Worship Service																																																
...Nuechterleins on vacation			<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 10px;"> WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT EMMAUS 5:00-6:15 pm Pizza 5:30-6:15 pm 3rd-6th Gr. Hands-On Science 5:30-6:15 pm Carpenter's Kids practice 6:15-7:00 pm K-2nd Gr. Hands-On Science 6:00-7:00 pm Sunrise Singers practice 7:00-8:15 pm Adult Choir practice </div>																																																			
28 7th Sunday of Easter 8:00 & 10:30 am SERVICE OF THE WORD	29 Memorial Day <i>Office closed</i>	30 9:15 am Staff meeting 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 6:45 pm Bible Study TBA Men's Softball	31 The Visitation	<table border="1"> <tr> <td colspan="7">June 1995</td> </tr> <tr> <td>S</td><td>M</td><td>T</td><td>W</td><td>T</td><td>F</td><td>S</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td><td></td><td></td><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>3</td><td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>4</td><td>5</td><td>6</td><td>7</td><td>8</td><td>9</td><td>10</td> </tr> <tr> <td>11</td><td>12</td><td>13</td><td>14</td><td>15</td><td>16</td><td>17</td> </tr> <tr> <td>18</td><td>19</td><td>20</td><td>21</td><td>22</td><td>23</td><td>24</td> </tr> <tr> <td>25</td><td>26</td><td>27</td><td>28</td><td>29</td><td>30</td><td></td> </tr> </table>		June 1995							S	M	T	W	T	F	S				1	2	3		4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	
June 1995																																																						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S																																																
			1	2	3																																																	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10																																																
11	12	13	14	15	16	17																																																
18	19	20	21	22	23	24																																																
25	26	27	28	29	30																																																	
Compliments of your District Representative Darrell L. Reynolds 633-9075		 AAL Aid Association for Lutherans																																																				



Worship Assistants



Acolytes

Altar Guild

Readers

Greeters

May 6 5:00 pm	—	Sandy Strini Kim Battisti	—	—
May 7 8:00 am	David Lasko Chris Nikolai	Cheryl Dexter Barb Larsen	Brenda Giesler	Gene & Doris Potterville
May 7 10:30 am	Michael Yust Scott Rudey	Mildred Schroth Ginny Dougall	Chris Lamberton	Denise Pipol Tim Van Berg
May 14 8:00 am	Jill Lynch Brad Falaschi	—	Children's Cantata	Chester & Mabel Meyer
May 14 10:30 am	Jason Meteyard John Knuteson	—	Children's Cantata	Ralph & Audrey Rasmussen
May 20 5:00 pm	—	Margaret Christensen Audrey LeRoux	—	—
May 21 8:00 am	Sam Falaschi Ryan Kreimer	Arvilla Nemer Lael Richter	Linda Clinton	Cindi & Loren Larsen
May 21 10:30 am	Matt Liesch Tom Pie	Nancy Martinsen Anne Felton	Ginny Dougall	June & Al Beck
May 28 8:00 am	Derek Haug Ryan Clinton	—	Ruth Hlavka	Gayle Krug Linda Clinton
May 28 10:30 am	Adam Van Nice Ken Larsen	—	David Christensen	Sandy & Chad Strini



Emmaus Nursery (10:30):

May 7:	Amy Haman
May 14:	Ellen Nuechterlein
May 21:	Lynda LeClair
May 28:	Denise Pipol



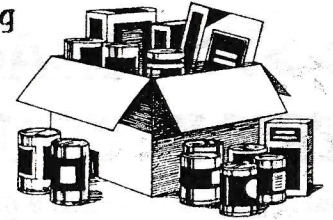
Altar Flowers:

Walter & Sandy Strini
Ole & Myra Nielsen
Howard & Marge Jensen
Chris & Karen Lamberton

>>>Sunday School News<<<

>>>>A REMINDER<<<<<

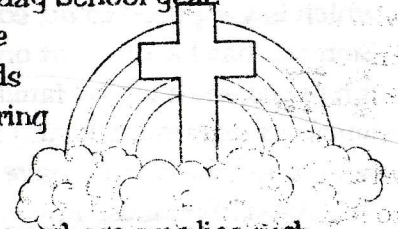
The 2nd Sunday of the month is Sunday School's chance to help the Northside Pantry. Everyone should bring a canned or non-perishable good. Our cash offering is used to buy perishable goods. Don't forget anytime is a good time to bring your offerings for the Northside Pantry (And you don't have to be in Sunday School to bring something.)



>>>>>OFFERING<<<<<

Sunday school offerings are very important. Everyone should remember to bring their offering in the envelopes that were provided at the beginning of the Sunday School year.

1. Our cash offering is used to help the Northside Pantry buy perishable goods for those who are in need. 2. Our offering is used to help our child through the Christian Children's Fund. 3. We also contribute to the mission fund. 4. We purchase supplies such as awards and material that teachers need to help in their teaching every Sunday. So don't forget you're offering every Sunday it is very important to you, our students.



>>>>> Memory Time <<<<<

ATTENTION STUDENTS

Time is getting close to the end of another Sunday School year. May 21st is the last day of Sunday School for you. So, hope you all have your MEMORY work memorized. Awards will be handed out on that Sunday.

>>>>IT'S ALL OVER<<<<

The Lenten Stamp Contest is over and we want to **THANK** you **CATHY MEYER** for all of your hard work collecting all of those stamps and delivering them. **THANKS CATHY!**



>>>>>TEACHING IS FUN TRY IT YOU'LL LIKE IT <<<<<

Since you all did such a great job of teaching this year, why not consider doing it again next year. If you did not get a chance to teach this year and would like too, **PLEASE** contact Pastor Paul.

>>>>Till we meet again<<<<

This is my last sunday school news I am writing and it is with a very sad heart. It is not an easy thing for me, to say goodbye which is very hard to do, so I won't, I will say so long for now. Emmaus has become not only friends and a place of support, it has become a loving family. The thing that is hard, is pulling my roots out from a loving family at Emmaus. You don't know what good things you have in something until you lose or have to leave it. Emmaus, Pastor Mary, Pastor Paul, and all my friends I have made since joining Emmaus in April 1986.

Love to all and thanks for being a friend.

Thanks for being there!

Emmaus is and will be a big part of my heart, so till we meet again.

love pattie shields

Have a safe and wonderful summer!

God's Love to all
Pattie Shields
Pattie Shields
your Sunday School
Superintendent

Thank You and Farewell to Pat Shields

Long-time Sunday School Superintendent Pat Shields is moving with her family to Kingsport, Tennessee. At a reception for



her during the April 23 Sunday School hour, Pat was honored with several gifts given in thanks to her dedicated leadership these past six years. There were also teary hugs and goodbyes to a dear sister and friend in Christ.

Thank you and Godspeed, Pat! May God bless you, Kristy, and Glen in your new home!

Sunday School Sponsors Indonesian Girl

Emmaus Sunday School is beginning to sponsor a new child through the Christian Children's Fund. This child, 8-year-old Suriyati, lives in Indonesia, a chain of islands extending southeast from the Malay peninsula.

Suriyati's family circumstances are ones of dire poverty and need. Her father works as a farmer, but his earnings are no more than a pittance, far from enough to support his family of five. Her mother tries hard, but it is a struggle to make ends meet. The family lives in a two-room shack without electricity or sanitation.

Suriyati, who will turn nine on June 8, is in the second grade of primary school. Her health is good, and she enjoys singing. Being at home, she likes helping wash dishes. The family is Moslem.

Emmaus has been connected with Suriyati because Rotary Family Helper Project, the program helping Cristina Ogardo, is no longer affiliated with the Christian

Children's Fund. Emmaus began helping Cristina in 1992.

Stamp Contest Collects 18,600 Stamps

by Cathy Meyer

Thank you to all who participated in the Lenten Stamp Contest and congratulations to the four classes that contributed the most stamps: Grade 2 with 2005, Grade 3 with 3377, and Grade 8 with 2206.

All participating classes received a special treat during Sunday School on April 30. The 18,600 stamps collected have been delivered to the Wisconsin Southern Center for their use.



Carthage to Host Lock-In

A lock-in for Senior High youth begins at 7:00 p.m. May 5 at Carthage College, through 8:00 the following morning. Call Sandy Strini at 639-3755.



LWR Prepares Fall Clothing Drive

The Lutheran World Relief 1995 Clothing Drive will be conducted in the fall. A shipping schedule will be announced in August. Needed in 1995 are: school kits,

health kits, soap, quilts, blankets, layettes, sewing kits, and clothing (light and medium weight clothing for men and children, sweaters of all kinds for men, women and children).

Letter

Thanks for Supporting LSS

Dear members and friends of Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Church:

More than likely you will never know or even hear about how many desperate, troubled, and lonely people you touched with God's mercy and grace through your gifts to Lutheran Social Services during 1994.

Contributions from more than 700 congregations in Wisconsin and Upper Michigan totalled \$1,259,000, an eloquent demonstration of support for the caring work of LSS.

We know the demands on your benevolence are considerable. We assure you that your support is deeply valued, and we only wish each one of you could personally witness the hope and healing you are helping bring to people in need.

On behalf of those who

ministered and those who were ministered to, we express appreciation for your efforts to reach out and touch lives with God's compassion and love through Lutheran Social Services.

From the bottom of our hearts, thank you.

Sincerely yours,
Pastor Robert E. Duea
President

Memorials

Building fund, in memory of:

Leo Nemer: \$20

Non-designated, in memory of:

Lois Gueldenzopf: \$1000

After Oklahoma City: We Are Not Helpless

Dear Disciples of Emmaus,

I have watched, as have you, the unfolding events these past days, since the horrifying bombing in Oklahoma City. I have cried with the parents and family of slain children; I have felt outrage at the extremist groups responsible.

Yet one feeling I have not felt, which is otherwise a common response to such acts of terror, is helplessness. It is so easy to view such random acts of violence and to feel helpless, to feel that there is nothing one can do in response. But I have

instead felt strangely renewed -- renewed in my sense of call to speak the gospel about God's remedy for such violence. For my deepest conviction is that that's precisely what the Gospel of Jesus Christ is: God's response to the problem of human violence. So we are not helpless in the aftermath of events like Oklahoma City, if we are armed with the Gospel.

It is also a conviction of mine, however, that the Church has gotten somewhat off-track in understanding the gospel resource that is ours, with which we are able to stand against the forces of evil and violence. The Church, in fact, has its own bloody history of supporting the forces of violence rather than standing against them. We must begin by "cleaning our own house."

The first thing we need to be absolutely clear about is the God

whom we come to know through Jesus Christ. One of the investigators of this crime called it a "godless act." Unfortunately, I don't think this is quite true from the standpoint that most of these extremist groups definitely worship their own version of a god. It is not the God whom we worship, but that is why we need to be clear about who that God is.

A more subtle example involves our response to those who perpetrated this crime. Our most natural response has been for 'swift and certain justice' that climaxes in their execution. But I was moved by a pastor in Oklahoma City, whose mother still lay in the rubble. He said that his feelings for Timothy McVeigh were expressed by our Lord on the cross when he said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." What a witness!

And so we might ask ourselves: Which God do we believe in? A God whose righteous anger calls us to exact punishment on the perpetrators of violence, or a God who breaks the cycle of violent revenge through forgiveness? We must be clear about which God we worship through Jesus Christ. I believe that the cross shows us a God who stands against our violence by becoming a victim to it, instead of responding with divine violence. And I believe that the



Pastor Paul's Column (continued)

resurrection promises ultimate victory to those who follow in God's way of nonviolent resistance to the violence.

Another big step to reform might be to ask: Is our use of the Bible part of the problem? Don't we need to learn to use God's-Word-made-flesh in Jesus Christ to critically assess God's Word as it comes to us through Scripture? I believe the Bible to be "in process" of revealing God's Word in Jesus Christ. As such, it sometimes falls short of the mark in helping us to know the God revealed in Jesus. It reveals, at times, a god who resorts to violence. Can we learn to accept that those portraits of God simply are not faithful to the God we come to know in Jesus? We probably need to renew the entire way in which we do Bible study, always careful to use the gospel portrait of God in Jesus Christ to measure all other portrayals of God, even those in other portions of

Emmaus Lutheran Church
1925 Summit Avenue
Racine, WI 53404

Scripture.

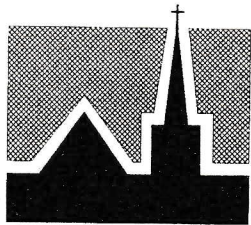
The Book of Revelation (which we begin studying this month on Tuesday nights) is a prime example. It is a favorite of extremist groups! Without the Christ of the gospels as a measure, it is the most misused book in Scripture, used to justify human violence by the supposed command of a god who does violence.

Join me in proclaiming a different God, one whose answer to human violence is the love of Jesus Christ! We may still feel outraged and grieved by the violence that continues in this world. But we need never feel helpless. The final victory will be the Lamb's, whose feast we already begin to share! And so we are nourished to take a different stand—a nonviolent one—against the evil of this world.

In Christ,

Pastor Paul

Non-Profit Org
U.S. Postage
PAID
Racine, WI
Permit No. 137



Emmaus Visitor

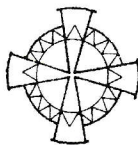
June, 1995

"A Safe Harbor"

Emmaus Lutheran Church 634-5515 1925 Summit Avenue

Summer Schedule Begins June 11

Summer worship schedule at Emmaus begins the weekend of June 10-11. The Saturday worship service will continue at 5:00 p.m., but there will be only one service on Sunday mornings through



**Summer
Worship**

Labor Day weekend.

Sunday services this summer will begin at **9:15 a.m.** Weather permitting, coffee and fellowship will be held on the front lawn after the service.

From the Desk of the President

Cottage Meetings Offer Opportunity for Input

This year so far has been a fruitful year at Emmaus. We have been able to make changes in the church building and parsonage to make them more energy efficient and by doing so we are saving money. Through your expanded giving we are able to make the ministry of Emmaus grow. In meetings we are not focusing on the financial struggle but are able to pay all commitments on a timely basis.

This summer, we are starting "Cottage Meetings Part II." We will

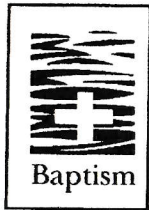
continue to listen to your comments, concerns, and suggestions. I strongly encourage you to sign up to open your homes to hold a meeting, to come to a meeting, or to offer to facilitate one time. We will have training available for facilitators on June 12 at 6:30 at church. When someone calls from Emmaus or when you see the sign-up, respond positively. You can and have made a difference.

--Randy Sanders

PASTORAL ACTS

Baptism:

May 21, 1995 Alexander Maryland
 May 27, 1995 Stefanie Deanna Noack
 Adam Matthew Van Nice
 May 29, 1995 Samuel James Hierseman



Born Feb. 27, Alexander is the son of Willie and Susan Maryland and the grandson of Joyce and Roger Kaiser. His sponsors were Rhonda Meh and Faith Scalzo.

Stefanie was born to Charles and Angelique Noack on February 6. Her sponsors were Jeffrey Jacobson and Deanna Smet.

Adam, the son of Fred Van Nice and Laurie Anusevich-Griffith, will celebrate his twelfth birthday on the 29th. His baptismal sponsors were former Emmaus seminarian Kurt Handrich

and his wife, Kristy.

Samuel is the six-month-old son of Jerry and Lisé Hierseman and grandson of former Adult Choir director Norm Lanning. His sponsors were Robert and Jean Hoffman.

Funerals:

May 5, 1995 George Dudek
 May 13, 1995 Ole Nielsen



George Dudek passed away on May 4. Mr. Dudek was married to Lucille Adams on November 20, 1989. An active member of V.F.W. Post #1391, he had serviced in the U.S. Air Force in World War II and ran a coffee shop in the Veterans Affairs Building in Milwaukee for many years.

Ole Gordon Nielsen and his wife, Myra, joined Emmaus in 1956 after having moved to Racine from South Dakota. He was awarded the Purple Heart and a presidential citation for his service as a medic in World War II. Included among his survivors are daughters Doreen Sommer, Debbie White, and Laurie Schanstine, and son Jeffrey Nielsen.

MEMORIALS

Non-dedicated memorials:

\$125 in memory of George Dudek

\$75 in memory of Ole Nielsen

To Pastor's Discretionary Fund:

\$100 in memory of Rev.

Clarence Jensen

Dedicated Funds, Choir:

\$50 in memory of Joanne Van Berg

Building Fund/Debt Retirement:

\$1,310 in memory of George R. Dudek

May 8 Council Meeting

Carillon Repairs, TV-VCR Purchase Approved

by Kathy Christensen

Tim Van Berg, Financial Secretary, had scheduled a meeting with Alan Larsen and a committee he has formed to discuss refinancing our mortgage (see related story). Lutheran Brotherhood has offered an 8.125% interest rate.

Joan Larsen reported that our giving and spending are staying within budget. She will be paying bills twice monthly, on the 15th and 30th. All bills should be turned in to her by the 10th and 25th of the month and should indicate what they are for.

Grace Falaschi and Karen Olson are the new co-superintendents of the Sunday School.

Congregational Life reported that Emmaus will be attending a Brewer Baseball game on July 16 through AAL Day at the Brewers. June 30 is the deadline for signing up.

Building & Ground's lighting survey showed that the biggest savings in electricity would be in replacing the 300-watt bulbs in the basement with fluorescent lights.

Social Concerns reported that 130 people were served at Emmaus in the REST homeless shelter program last winter. We need more volunteers for the coming winter.

Deacons reported that a suggestion box has been placed in the narthex. The congregation is encouraged to use it.

The new church directories have arrived. They are free to members who have their picture in

them or \$3.00 for members who do not.

A motion was passed to pay for repairs to the carillon with money from non-designated memorial funds. Repairs were completed on May 9.

WELCA has donated \$200 toward the purchase of a new portable TV-VCR. A motion was approved to use non-designated memorial funds to cover the extra cost.

A motion was approved to empower the pastors to create a Confirmation Task Force with the purpose of examining the confirmation program for about a six-month period and to shape the program to the pastors as well as the congregation and families involved.



Members Sought for Task Force

At the request of the pastors at its May meeting, church council created a Confirmation Task Force to evaluate and to revise our confirmation program over the next several months. Any parents, students, or interested members are encouraged to contact either of the pastors immediately if you would like to be part of this short-term project.

Our primary goal is to clarify the aims and procedures of the program in writing, so that participating families and leaders will have a clear understanding of our commitments.

"Reach For A Star"

by Cathy Knuteson

The Women's Resource Center (WRC) Provides our community with a safe haven for battered women and their children during times of crisis. You can help support this important organization by participating in their primary annual fundraising event entitled "Reaching For a Star."

Throughout the weekend of July 7-9, WRC is sponsoring a multi-event athletic competition with a variety of family and social activities including golf, volleyball, walk/run, pig roast, and many other activities.

Interested in helping raise funds while having fun? Call Julie Berg at 553-3644 for information.

Debt Reduction Update

Council Considers Rewriting Mortgage

We have discovered a very important fact about our mortgage since we last updated you in the February Visitor.

First, let's rehearse the basic facts again: it is a 20-year note for \$300,000 signed on July 31, 1985, with a payment structure and interest rate that is adjustable every five years. What we recently re-discovered is that this note matures in 2005 with a \$114,000 balloon! This has prompted council to seriously consider re-writing the mortgage with another

lender in time for this year's interest rate adjustment on August 1.

In the meantime, your contributions toward debt retirement are very welcome! We still have a principal balance of over \$225,000 after 10 years of payments. The amortization schedule is still roughly at a 4-to-1 ratio of interest to principal.

Your gift of \$500 to debt retirement, for example, saves us nearly \$2,000 in interest! Not a bad return on your gift!

Building & Grounds

Lighting Survey Conducted at Emmaus

Church lighting expert John Fetters made a visit to Emmaus and four other Racine ELCA churches April 26-28. He spent several hours touring Emmaus, giving us suggestions as to how to save on electricity through more efficient energy use.

He will also be sending follow-up suggestions in writing, at which time Building & Grounds hopes to put together a plan for funding and implementation. So there's more news to come in the months ahead!

Festival Pentecost Worship Planned



Pentecost

The color red is used liturgically to mark this time of celebration in the

The birthday of the Christian church and the gift of the Holy Spirit are celebrated on the festival of Pentecost.

church year (red is also the liturgical color for Reformation Sunday and for the ordination of a pastor), and red geraniums and banners will be but some of the visual reminders at Emmaus.

Sunday, June 4, is Pentecost Sunday, with a festival worship and Holy Communion at the 8:00 and 10:30 services. The adult choir will sing at both services. Our summer worship schedule begins the following weekend, with services at 5:00 p.m. Saturday and 9:15 a.m. Sunday.

Cantata Honors Memory of Joanne Van Berg

The Easter story retold in word and song was the focus of the April 30 choir cantata presented at both worship services. "It gave me goose bumps," "It brought tears to my eyes," and "The catchy music was so uplifting" were but a few of the comments following the special cantata, "Breakfast in Galilee," sung in memory of Joanne Van Berg, choir member who passed away two years ago at the age of 37.

The choir, under the direction of Marsha Connet, was composed of Mildred Schroth, Pat Jensen, Kathy Christensen, Bettina Stricker, Heidi Lamberton, Amy Larsen, Kylee Albright, Don and Shirley Velzka, Beverly Johnson, Loren & Cindi Larsen, Fay Pearson, Marilyn McGinnis, Jess Sedgwick, Fred Van

Nice, Lyle Zielke, Vern Peterson, Gregg Albright, Paul Massey, Paul Nuechterlein, and Peter Connet. Pastor Paul's vocal solo and Joyce Kaiser's piano solo were but two of the highlights of the morning.

On behalf of all who attended, a big thank you to Marsha, Joyce and all the choir members for the hours of preparation and rehearsal leading up to an unforgettable morning of worship and song.

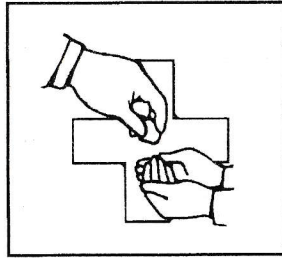


Cantata

"Let us aspire to so live our lives that when we die even the undertaker will be sorry." --Mark Twain

First Communion Study Continues

Church Council hosted Adult Forums April 30 and May 7 on the issue of first communion, in consideration of a possible opening of the age to younger children. Such a change would be in keeping with a new draft statement from the ELCA on "The Use of the Means of Grace."



(Copies are available in both the narthex and Sunset Room.)

Council hopes to make a decision before the end of the year. Your questions and comments continue to be welcome, through cottage meetings, personal contact, or in writing. We value your input!

Ways to Make Cottage Meetings a Success

1.) Plan to attend a cottage meeting in July or August. Beginning in late June, sign-up sheets will be available in the narthex.

2.) Be willing to listen to others and to express any concerns you have. Many new possibilities can and will arise from our conversations.

3.) Offer to be a recorder. For each of the meetings, notes will be taken (no names are included), recording concerns, suggestions and comments from the group. These will be compiled for the consideration of Church Council and pastors.

4.) Offer to host a meeting. The majority of meetings will be held in homes, some during the day and others in the evening. The host/ess provides a snack/dessert and beverage for those attending (generally about 10 people). If you cannot provide your home, but would be willing to serve elsewhere, that is also needed for several meetings.

5.) Offer to make phone calls inviting others to these important

meetings.

6.) Offer to facilitate one of the meetings. There will be a training session Monday, June 12 at 6:30 p.m. led by Rev. Ken Wheeler, Assistant to the Bishop, for all facilitators.

To offer your help, please call Carol Rudey or Pastor Mary. They are counting on you and your involvement!



WELCA News

Thanks to All Who Helped with Banquet

by Betty Barth

A Mother, Daughter and Friends Banquet was enjoyed by many women in our church as well as guests. We would like to thank the men that served and the Rebecca Circle for preparing the food, as well as everyone that helped in any way.

Help Emmaus Avoid "Summer Slump"

Will you be away for part of the summer? If so, please consider mailing your contributions to the church before you go. We hope to keep us the great pattern of giving established since the first of the year.

Do your part and use the enclosed envelope to help keep us current.

Thank you for your faithful giving thus far; it has made a difference!

Storage Areas Transformed

Many, many hours of hard work by four individuals have transformed second story storage areas into efficient space. Cathy Meyer has spent countless hours re-arranging and organizing music-related items in the practice room and nearby closet.

Al Beck, Boots and Lloyd LeRoux tackled another area, sorting

and arranging the many pounds of food donations received by Emmaus through the Postal Food Drive in May. Thanks go to Joyce Kaiser for steering those donations our way. When space

permits, the food will be transferred to the Northside Food Pantry housed at Trinity United Methodist Church.



Lincoln Lutheran Auxiliary News

"We Care" Raises Over \$400

by Betty Barth

The Lincoln Lutheran Auxiliary has received \$410.49 in receipts from "We Care" since January. Thank you to all who bring their Pick 'n' Save grocery receipts. Be sure to ask the cashier to put a "We Care" sticker on your receipt when you shop.

The Auxiliary helps buy various items for the Lincoln Lutheran Homes. The Auxiliary has furnished lounges, bought a van, purchased Christmas gifts for residents and given teas.

KRINGLES SOFTBALL

SCHEDULE FOR JUNE:

June 6: vs. Mt. Pleasant, SW diamond, 7:15 p.m.

June 13: vs. Northside Northside Catholic Collaboration, SW diamond, 7:15 p.m.

June 20: vs. Christian Reformed, NE diamond, 7:15 p.m.

June 27: vs. Grace Lutheran, SE diamond, 7:15 p.m.



Parish Education Committee

Grace Falaschi, Karen Olson to Head Sunday School

by Carol Rudey

Emmaus will have new Sunday School Co-Superintendents. Our church welcomes Grace Falaschi and Karen Olson to the integral job of educating our children in the words of Christ. They will replace **Pattie Shields**, who was our Superintendent for seven years. We would like to thank Grace and Karen for volunteering their time and talents for our children. We also would like to thank Pattie for her many years of dedicated service to Emmaus.

Our Sunday School Teachers are dedicated people who gladly volunteer their time on a weekly basis. Our Emmaus Sunday School teachers are:

- 3-year-olds: Joy Kousek
Heidi Lamberton
- 4-year-olds: Julie Field
Linda Meteyard
- Kindergarten: Caren Lamberton
- 1st Grade: Grace Falaschi
- 2nd Grade: Pat LeRoux-Sodke
- 3rd Grade: Kelley Toslek
- 4th Grade: Irene Pechman
- 5th Grade: Fay Pearson
- 6th Grade: Diane Lasko
John Liesch
Chris & Karen Olson
- 7th-8th Grade: Jody Svoboda
Loren & Cindi Larsen
Diane Haug
Linda Clinton
Mike Blackmon
- 9th-12th Grade: Sandy Strini



Thank you for teaching!

Our Parish Education Committee has several people who work behind the scenes to make sure Sunday School, Senior Center, Vacation Church School, and Adult Forum run smoothly. You often do not see these people, but without them, these programs could not function and provide educational services to Emmaus. I would like to thank Joy Kousek, Glenn Olson, Pastor Paul, Ellen Nuechterlein, and Fred Van Nice for all the work they have done at Emmaus. I would also like to thank June Beck and Cindi Larsen because they always say "yes" when I need help.

We will be asking for volunteers for Vacation Church School and Sunday School over the summer. I hope you have included **Education** on your priority list. We also welcome new ideas and suggestions that can be placed in the Suggestion Box located by the office.

Have a great summer!

Sunday School News

Memory Awards Given to Sunday School Students

Memory awards were given to the following Sunday School students:

3-year-olds:
Allison Fiebig
Joshua Nuechterlein
Kenneth Soens
Jon Oestreich
Claire Hierseman

4-year-olds:
Courtney Jansen
Erin Napier
Stephan
Justin Haman
Sarah Listrom
Gregory Gottfredsen
Hailey Sommer
Brian Field
Michael Liesch

Kindergarten:
Justin Pipol
Nathan Lamberton
Kalley Jansen

Grade 1:
Amy Meteyard
Matthew Nuechterlein

Grade 2:
Ashley Lamberton
Laura Olson

Grade 3:
Names not available
at press time

Grade 4:
Alex Gueldenzopf
Melanie Olson
Jonathan Pechman

Grade 5:
Alyssa Yorgan

Grade 6:
Jennifer Olson

Grade 7:
Justin Svoboda
Chris Nikolai
Nicole Blackmon

Grade 8:
Ryan Clinton
Eric Larsen
Sam Falaschi
John Knuteson
Derek Haug
Jason Meteyard
Ryan Kreimer

You all did great!



THANK YOU !

To the church council for your gift of an angel.

To wednesday night for your gift.

To all of the sunday school teachers for your gift.

To the education committee for your gift.

To Pastor Mary and Pastor Paul for being there and more.

To all of Emmaus from the bottom of my heart for letting me be part of your family.

To Pat Jensen for inviting me to Emmaus one sunday, over nine years ago.

Emmaus for letting me into your hearts. You will be in my heart forever. God bless each and everyone of you!

Love and Peace of God be with you all!!

Pattie Shields

Good luck to Grace & Karen

Miracles Continue Unfolding

The spirit was one of celebration on Miracle Sunday, May 14. Just a year ago, the first Miracle Sunday was celebrated at Emmaus, when a strong financial response addressed the monetary crisis then being faced.

This year's celebration combined thanksgiving for the turnaround experienced over the past year (No monies for undesignated memorials or other funds have been used for general operating expenses, and we are currently up-to-date in our benevolence/mission commitments). There was also a celebration of one of our greatest gifts - the children of the congregation.

The highlight of the Miracle Sunday worship service was the children's musical under the direction of Cathy Meyer. Participating in the musical, "It's Cool in the Furnace" were Kelsey Albright, Joseph Devine, Amanda Fiegel, Rachel Haug, Ashley Lamberton, Ken Larsen, Jill Lynch, Nicole Maryland, Joel and Matthew Nuechterlein, Austin Schultz, Chris Sedgwick, Erin Svoboda, Erin Tussler and Adam Van Nice. Lots of M&Ms and other candy were used during the meditation following the musical as a reminder of the abundance we enjoy and of all the gifts and abilities we can share with others.

An opportunity to commit those gifts came at the time of the processional offering, when pledges of time and talent were made in addition to gifts of money. That abundance was shared in the following ways:

- ▶ Eight responses from people who pledged time and talent

for the first time.

- ▶ 58 responses from people already giving their time and who were willing to commit to additional tasks and responsibilities.
- ▶ \$2,370 in commitments to Adopt a Sunday (representing 13 households).
- ▶ \$2,100 for principal reduction on the existing debt.
- ▶ \$1,800 toward items on the wish list.

And, Time & Talent cards continue to be turned in with even more miracles unfolding. A big thank you to all who made this year's Miracle Sunday the success that it was!

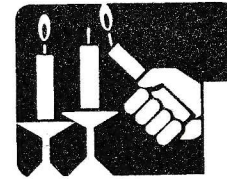
Pictorial Directories Are Available

PICTORIAL



**CHURCH
DIRECTORY**

The new Emmaus pictorial directories have arrived at church and are available free to those members whose pictures appear in the book. If your picture was not taken for the directory, you may purchase your copy for \$3.00.

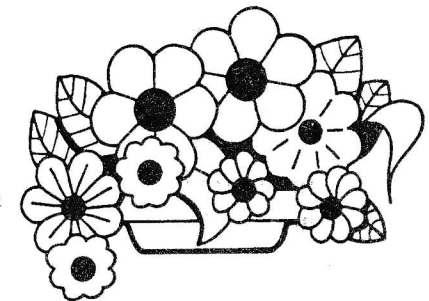


Worship Assistants

	<u>Acolytes</u>	<u>Altar Guild</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
Jun. 3 5:00 pm	—	Jan Svendsen Shirley Irvine	—	—	—
June 4 8:00 am	Eric Larsen Ken Larsen	Ruth Estep Isabelle Barry	Team #7 J. Cook	Hans Jepsen	Bev & Chris Hansen
June 4 10:30 am	Michael Yust Kristin Anderson	Constance Bertermann Jeannette Bertram	Team #4 Ri. Christensen	Catherine Andersen	Jim & Nancy Martinsen
June 11 9:15 am	Justin Svoboda Dave Lasko	—	Team #6 H. Jensen	Karen Sedgwick	Doris & Gene Potterville
June 17 5:00 p.m.	—	Pat Jensen Julie Christensen	—	—	—
June 18 9:15 am	Scott Rudey Jason Meteyard	Sharon Devine Cynthia Cook	Team #8 W. Meteyard	Kathy Christensen	Julia Durand David Smith Lucille Atkinson
June 25 9:15 am	Sam Falaschi Brad Falaschi	—	Team #10 Ro. Christensen	Traci Sawalski	Loren & Cindi Larsen Jim & Ginny Dougall
July 1 5:00 pm	—	Evelyn Larsen Beverly Hansen	—	—	—
July 2 9:15 am	Eric Moore Jon Cook	Linda Meteyard Joyce Slawson Helen Mickelson	Team #1 M. Falaschi	TBA	Linda Clinton Dolly & Don Orth



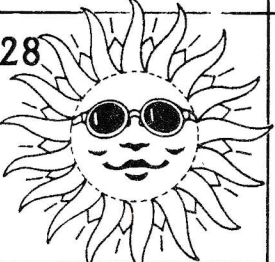
Altar Flowers

June 4	Cathy Meyer
June 11	Martin & Joy Kousek
June 18	Gerry Dykstra
June 25	Lyle & Cathy Andersen
July 2	John & Pat Liesch



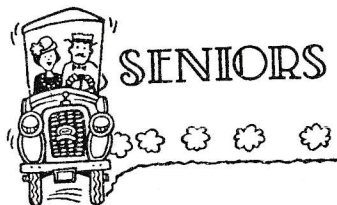
"No matter what other nations may say about the United States, immigration is still the sincerest form of flattery."

--Pathfinder

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday																																																																																																									
<h1>June, 1995</h1>	<table border="1"> <tr><th colspan="7">May 1995</th></tr> <tr><th>S</th><th>M</th><th>T</th><th>W</th><th>T</th><th>F</th><th>S</th></tr> <tr><td></td><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>3</td><td>4</td><td>5</td><td>6</td></tr> <tr><td>7</td><td>8</td><td>9</td><td>10</td><td>11</td><td>12</td><td>13</td></tr> <tr><td>14</td><td>15</td><td>16</td><td>17</td><td>18</td><td>19</td><td>20</td></tr> <tr><td>21</td><td>22</td><td>23</td><td>24</td><td>25</td><td>26</td><td>27</td></tr> <tr><td>28</td><td>29</td><td>30</td><td>31</td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr> </table>	May 1995							S	M	T	W	T	F	S		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31				<table border="1"> <tr><th colspan="7">July 1995</th></tr> <tr><th>S</th><th>M</th><th>T</th><th>W</th><th>T</th><th>F</th><th>S</th></tr> <tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>2</td><td>3</td><td>4</td><td>5</td><td>6</td><td>7</td><td>8</td></tr> <tr><td>9</td><td>10</td><td>11</td><td>12</td><td>13</td><td>14</td><td>15</td></tr> <tr><td>16</td><td>17</td><td>18</td><td>19</td><td>20</td><td>21</td><td>22</td></tr> <tr><td>23</td><td>24</td><td>25</td><td>26</td><td>27</td><td>28</td><td>29</td></tr> <tr><td>30</td><td>31</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr> </table>	July 1995							S	M	T	W	T	F	S							1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31						Emmaus Lutheran Church 1925 Summit Avenue Racine, Wisconsin 53404 ☎ 414 634-5515	1 5:00 pm Community Meal at St. Patrick's	2	3 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion
	May 1995																																																																																																														
S	M	T	W	T	F	S																																																																																																									
	1	2	3	4	5	6																																																																																																									
7	8	9	10	11	12	13																																																																																																									
14	15	16	17	18	19	20																																																																																																									
21	22	23	24	25	26	27																																																																																																									
28	29	30	31																																																																																																												
July 1995																																																																																																															
S	M	T	W	T	F	S																																																																																																									
						1																																																																																																									
2	3	4	5	6	7	8																																																																																																									
9	10	11	12	13	14	15																																																																																																									
16	17	18	19	20	21	22																																																																																																									
23	24	25	26	27	28	29																																																																																																									
30	31																																																																																																														
Pastor Paul in Chicago for Conference																																																																																																															
4 Pentecost Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 am FESTIVAL WORSHIP SERVICES with Holy Communion 9:15 am Sunday School Teacher Appreciation Brunch 7:00 pm Youth Cluster meeting	5 6:30 pm Worship & Music Committee	6 9:15 am Staff Meeting 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 6:45 pm Bible Study 8:30 pm Men's Softball vs. Mt. Pleasant Luth.	7 9:00 am Mary Circle at Fran B.'s 12:00 noon Executive Committee 1:30 pm Rebecca Circle	8 7:00 pm Racine Mission Cluster Council	9 6:00 pm Wedding rehearsal	10 11:00 am Lamberton-Van Nice wedding 5:00 pm Worship service																																																																																																									
11 Trinity Sunday 9:15 am TRAD. WORSHIP SERVICES 10:15 am Coffee & Fellowship 	12 St. Barnabas, Apostle x:00 Youth outing to Great America theme park 5:00 pm Building & Grounds Committee 6:30 pm Church Council with Facilitator training meeting	13 9:15 am Staff meeting 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm Miriam Circle at Amy L.'s 7:15 pm Men's softball vs. Northside Catholics	14 Flag Day	15  Visitor deadline	16	17 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion																																																																																																									
18 2nd Sunday after Pentecost 9:15 am CHICAGO FOLK SERVICE with Holy Communion 10:15 am Coffee & Fellowship	19 6:30 pm Education Committee 6:30 pm Deacons mtg.	20 9:30 am Cluster Clergy mtg. 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 7:15 pm Men's softball vs. Christian Reformed	21 5:30 pm Mary/Martha Circle	22	23	24 Nativity of St. John the Baptist 1:00 pm Renewal of Monosso wedding vows 5:00 pm Worship service																																																																																																									
25 3rd Sunday after Pentecost 9:15 am SERVICE OF THE WORD 10:15 am Coffee & Fellowship	26	27 9:15 am Staff meeting 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 2:00 pm After Pastors mtg. 7:15 pm Men's Softball vs. Grace Lutheran	28 	29 St. Peter & St. Paul, Apostles	30	July 1 5:00 pm Worship service with Holy Communion																																																																																																									

Emmaus Senior Fellowship Center

Tuesdays: 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
 Director: Glenn Olson
 The center opens at 10:00 a.m. with coffee
 Programs begin at 10:30 a.m.



PROGRAMS FOR JUNE:

June 6:	10:00 a.m.	Coffee & conversation
	10:30 a.m.	Film: <i>Table for One</i>
	11:45 a.m.	Devotions
	12:00 noon	Lunch
	1:00 p.m.	Social activities
June 13:	10:00 a.m.	Coffee & conversation
	10:30 a.m.	Out for breakfast at Big Star
	12:00 noon	Back to church for social activities
June 20:	10:00 a.m.	Coffee & conversation
	10:30 a.m.	Film: <i>Watching Birds</i>
	11:45 a.m.	Devotions
	12:00 noon	Lunch
	1:00 p.m.	Social activities
June 27:	10:00 a.m.	Coffee & conversation
	10:30 a.m.	Act I: Victor Borge
	11:45 a.m.	Devotions
	12:00 noon	Birthday Lunch
	1:00 p.m.	Social activities



June Birthdays - 70 Years and Over

6/1	Marcie Runge	6940 Mariner Dr. #202	53406
6/10	Evelyn Larsen	5315 Norman Street	53406
6/17	Mildred Schroth	3900 N. Main Street #231	53402
6/19	Marvin Gattie	P.O. Box 221, Ellison Bay, WI	54210
6/25	Lowell Klees	1903 Shoop Street	53404

Sundays Adopted in May

Our thanks to the following, who adopted Sundays in the month of May as part of Emmaus' Adopt-a-Sunday debt retirement program:

Julia Durand, in memory of Laurier Durand.

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, or you can drop it off at or mail it to the church office.

Norman & Gladys Sorensen, in thanks to God for fifty years of marriage on May 8.

Isabelle Barry, in memory of Elmer D. Barry on his birthday.

The B.I.C. Pen

Youth Plan Trip to Great America

Believers In Christ (BIC), the Emmaus High School youth group, announces the following events coming soon:

Monday, June 12, BIC will go on a trip to Great America as the official welcome to the 8th grade class



as they approach high school. Get your reservations in to Sandy Strini (639-3755) promptly!

Canoe Trip

The BIC annual canoe trip to Luther College is scheduled for July 21-23. Watch for more information in your Sunday bulletin.

Vacation Church School Set For July 31-August 4

Registration forms are now available for Lutherdale Day Camp and Pre-school programs at Emmaus. Forms may be found on the bulletin board outside the church offices. Vacation Church School this year will be held the week of July 31-August 4.

The cost is \$5.00 per child for the pre-school program, \$15.00 per child for grades K-5. Registration forms are due at the church office by **July 10**. If you have any questions, please contact Ellen Nuechterlein at 637-0671.

Letters

Blessings from Gehrkes, Van Bergs

April 14, 1995

Dear Friends

This date marks two years since our Joanne has gone to her heavenly home. This message is in thanking you for the kindnesses, love, caring, and prayers you have so generously given us.

We liken Joanne's life as somewhat paralleling Jesus' life. Born at the Christmastime (December 23), she entered into Heaven during the Easter celebration (Good Friday when she lapsed into her coma). Her age of 37 years approximated Jesus' early age at crucifixion.

Certainly any of you might have experienced a sorrow such as we have -- and, perhaps, something even of greater sadness.

Though the hurt might never disappear, your presence and sincere considerations (even as you knew Joanne in life) have done so very much for all of us in our family in our grief recovery.

May God bless you.

With love,
*Lillian and Wyeth Gehrke,
Tim, Eric and Rachel Van Berg*

Thanks from Sorensens

We wish to thank the congregation for the beautiful plant given to us for our 50th anniversary, and for the prayers and cards. Thank you to the pastors for their kind words.

Norm & Gladys Sorensen



Thanks from CCC

Dear members of Emmaus,

Your generous donation of \$100.00 to the Center for Community Concerns is deeply appreciated.

We at the Center are indeed grateful for your support. Because of contributions like yours, we are able to do the things we feel are most beneficial in obtaining social justice; for example, we are able to serve as a catalyst as we bring together various segments of the community to respond to individual and community needs.

Sincerely,
Jean M. Mandli,
Executive Director

ADOPT A SUNDAY To Help Reduce Indebtedness of Emmaus

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: _____

Donations Help Victims of Flood

Dear Friends in Christ,

Thanks for your contribution of \$200.00 to the ELCA Domestic Disaster Response. Gifts like yours are channelled as designated by the donor, either for specific disasters or to be used where needed most. [Editor's note: This contribution was designated for victims of the flooding in California.]

We are so thankful to be able to respond immediately to disasters like the floods in California. We were able to give immediate assistance

because we had some undesignated funds. Lutheran Social Services agencies of Northern and Southern California are coordinating the relief efforts on our behalf.

Your contributions, whether designated or undesignated, are much needed and appreciated. Thanks for your generosity.

Your Servant in Christ,
Pastor Roger O. Livdahl, Dir.
ELCA World Hunger &
Disaster Appeals

ELCA Responds to Oklahoma City Disaster

*from Rev. Leon Phillips,
Director of the Inter-Lutheran and
ELCA Domestic Disaster Response*

[In the aftermath of the Oklahoma City bombing,] Lutheran Social Services continues to be heavily involved in counseling with both the grieving families and those trying to recover the bodies and give help to those afflicted.

Volunteers from congregations and LSS therapists are staffing a hotline for families, relatives, and friends of victims. A mobile van serves as a counselling headquarters in the Latino community, where a multi-lingual counsellor from LSS Iowa spent the day comforting

the family of an Assembly of God pastor, killed as he escorted two of his members to the Social Security offices. Counseling efforts will be increased in the weeks to come.

Special materials will be prepared to help children cope with the tragedy. Support groups are being organized. Emergency grants are available through LSS, some of which will be used for funeral and other expenses.

Keep these people of Oklahoma City in your prayers, and continue to remember the caregivers, the pastors and firefighters, the social workers, doctors and nurses, and all who are pouring their whole selves into this tragic grueling task.

To contribute through
Emmaus, make out your check
to Emmaus and designate it
"OK City Disaster" on the
memo line; we will credit you
for your contribution and
forward it to the ELCA
Domestic Disaster Response.

Chilstrom Sees "Future Bright with Possibilities"

*A portion of the annual message from
Bishop Herbert Chilstrom, Bishop of
the ELCA:*

Someone may paint in a future time a clear picture of what transpired in our first years together in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. That is not easy to do when in the middle of the day-to-day joys and struggles of church life! As I approach the end of my term as your bishop, what I *can* say is that we have sought to live out a Christ-centered vision of our church: "a church, so deeply and confidently rooted in the Gospel of God's grace, that we are free to give our life joyfully in witness and service."

My time in office is winding down. But my hope and expectation for the future of the ELCA grows stronger as I reflect on the possibilities that lie ahead for this church.

Along with you, I am praying for the guidance of the Holy Spirit as we look toward new leadership in many of our synods and the ELCA as a whole. I pray that God will bless us with synod bishops and a bishop of the church who will build on the foundation that has been laid and will help our church to grow in strength for mission. These persons will have to deal with some of the same issues that have taxed our unity these first years of our life together. Inevitably, other stressful matters will come before the church in the years to come. Yet in the confidence that is born of the Gospel, we look forward to a future bright with possibilities. I invite you to join

me in prayer for our new leaders.

Churchwide Assembly Issues

In August, our family will gather for the Churchwide Assembly in Minneapolis. Not only will the assembly elect officers, including a new bishop; it also will make decisions about the future of theological education in our church. We all know how important strong leadership is for our congregations and for all parts of our church. Decisions made in August will shape the way we train those leaders. Other decisions relating to budget, to a statement on peace, to urban issues, and to many issues raised by synods for churchwide consideration will be on the agenda of this important churchwide gathering. We will also highlight the 25th anniversary of the ordination of women in our church -- a real milestone!

The Lutheran Book of Worship is nearing two decades of service among us. It remains the primary resource for worship in our congregations. Yet, there is a growing call for new hymnody and varied liturgical settings to enhance our worship life. Even as our church develops additional, supplemental worship materials, we will also be engaging in church-wide study and reflection on our sacramental practices. This two-year process will deepen our understanding of the means of grace we receive in Baptism and Holy Communion. I encourage your congregation's participation in this conversation.

Courses Offered on Self-Esteem, Budgeting

Project FACE (Four Agency Cooperative Effort), 420 Seventh Street, is offering a variety of programs for the month of June. Courses include the following:

"Children Cope With Divorce," June 7 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Catholic Social Service, 2711 19th Street. To register, call 637-8888.

"Building Self Esteem," seven Wednesdays beginning June 21, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Family Service of Racine, 420 7th Street. This workshop is designed to teach techniques for growth in self worth and awareness. Call 634-2391 to register.

"Honey, I Shrunk the



Paycheck!" June 14, 9:30-11:00 a.m. or June 21 6:30-8:00 p.m. at 420 Seventh Street. A free, single session group to assist in making choices to strengthen your basic money plan. Call 634-2391 to register.

"Kids Liking Themselves," four Thursdays beginning June 22, 6:00-7:00 p.m. at Children's Social Service, 818 Sixth Street.

Young people (7-12) will have an opportunity to discover their strengths, gifts and creativity. Call 633-3591.

For a complete listing, see the bulletin board outside the pastors' offices.

Salvation Army Seeks Youth for Summer Work

The Salvation Army is seeking teen-agers interested in being a part of their summer youth team from June 26 to August 18. The position will pay \$5.00 per hour at approximately 25 hours per week, 1:00 to 6:00 p.m..

Members of the youth team will each need a work permit. The job will involve assisting Salvation

Army officers with sports activities, crafts, neighborhood Bible studies, singing, walks, puppets, drama, and special speakers.

For more information, contact the Salvation Army 632-3147, or stop by 1907 Washington Avenue during office hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays.

LSS Seeks Adoptive, Foster Parents

Lutheran Social Services in Milwaukee is seeking families interested in adopting through their Philippine Adoption Infant Program. For more information, please call LSS at (414) 281-4400.

Infant Foster Care Homes are

also needed. Foster care involves short-term care for infants between their birth and their placement in a permanent home. To volunteer for the foster care program, contact Rita Indresano of LSS's Adoption Program at (414) 325-3081.

News of Our Members

Julia Durand Honored as Nursing School Alumna

Julia Durand was honored by the Nurses Foundation of Racine (NFR) as St. Luke's School of Nursing Alumna of the Year at the Kenosha-Racine Nurses Association annual banquet on May 23. Durand has served as a member and in various offices of the St. Luke's Alumni Scholarship Board since 1932, and also in many offices of the Racine District Nurses Association. She is currently retired after 49 years as a registered nurse, but remains active in the Kenosha-Racine Nurses Association and as the chairperson of the NFR board of directors.

Also at the banquet, the Marian B. Bower Scholarship/Research award was awarded to Mary Swift of Kenosha to attend the Milwaukee County Medical Complex School of Nursing. The amount of the scholarship was \$800.

Pastor Paul Presents Paper at Conference

Pastor Paul will be in Chicago for three full days June 1-3 to attend the annual conference of the Colloquium on Violence and Religion (known as "COV&R"). He is a member of this international group of people who have been invigorated by the work of Christian scholar René Girard and its far-reaching implications into every area of human endeavor.

Pastor Paul is presenting a paper that makes a "Girardian"

interpretation of how the church has experienced and practiced the sacrament of Holy Communion (an expanded re-write of the article published last October).

Synod Assembly

Seedlings and Bulbs Serve as Reminder of Easter Hope

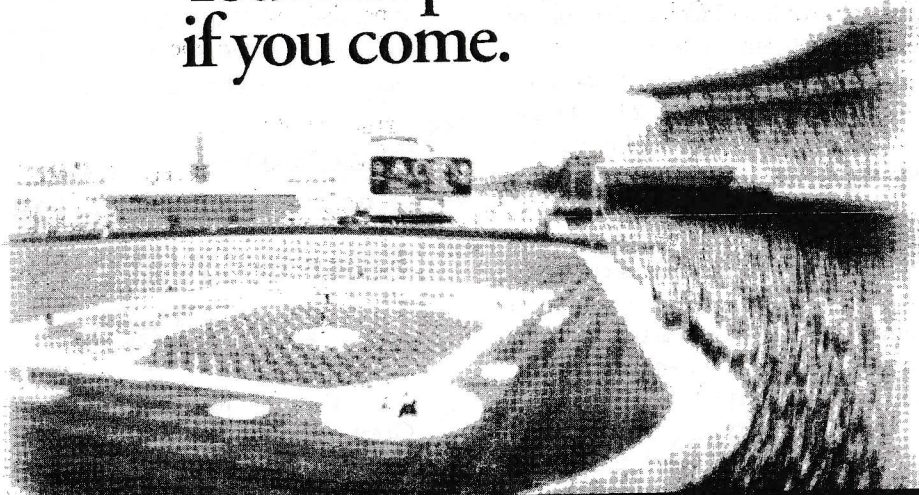
For the first time ever, the Greater Milwaukee Synod held its annual assembly in the city of Milwaukee. On Friday and Saturday, April 28-29, Emmaus delegates June and Al Beck and Pastors Mary Janz and Paul Nuechterlein joined clergy and lay leaders at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Milwaukee.

As a symbol of hope, the seedling trees that had been given to each congregation at the 1994 assembly were brought to this year's assembly and carried to the altar in a procession at the opening worship service. The seedlings will be replanted in various locations in the community. During communion, delegates were given flowering bulbs to plant in their congregations' communities "as a reminder that we are an Easter people of hope," in the words of Rev. Audrey Lukasak.

Offerings were collected at the opening and closing services for Cross Lutheran Church of Milwaukee, which was destroyed by fire in February.

AAL Field of Dreams '95

You'll help build it—
if you come.



Sunday, July 16, 1995

Game time: 1:05pm
Tailgating: 10am-12:30pm
Milwaukee County Stadium

Help Others!

- For every ticket purchased, AAL will contribute 50c to Children's Hospital of Wisconsin, Child Abuse Prevention (CAP) Fund.
- Dunk tank proceeds benefit area Ronald McDonald Houses.
- Everyone is welcome!

Tickets

- Upper Grandstand: \$5
- Lower Grandstand: \$8
- Meal Tickets: \$3.75 (6-inch sub sandwich, potato salad, ice cream sandwich, beer/soda)

Contact:

BARB TOSLEK
MILDRED SCHROTH
BETTY BARTH

AAL BR. 4157

Celebrate AAL Day with the Brewers

Milwaukee Brewers
vs.
Chicago White Sox

Have Fun!

- Tailgating features Bernie Brewer, clowns, music and food!
- Free visors for everyone!
- National Anthem sung by the AAL Choir
- Chance to win autographed Brewers keepsakes

Reservation & prob. due July 1st



AID ASSOCIATION FOR LUTHERANS

4321 N. Ballard Road, Appleton, WI 54919-0001

Pastor Mary's Column

Church Growth

The hum of activity, the air of anticipation and the expectation of new life became apparent almost immediately that day. I had taken part of the day off to go to a nursery greenhouse to select flowers to be planted outside my condo.

What a world of new life! There were so many varieties to choose from. Flats and flats filled the greenhouses with new buds, new flowers and new growth everywhere. It was hard to imagine that the myriad of colors

and all those flowers came from hundreds and thousands of tiny seeds in the first place. What patience and care it must have taken to get them to this place of healthy little plants!

After a fair amount of agonizing and trying to visualize these flowers growing in my pots and flower beds, the selection was finally made. Then, the expertise of an experienced gardener (thanks, Al!) came into play as the flowers were planted later that afternoon. How will they respond to the water and sun and Miracle Grow that they'll receive in the coming days and weeks? I realize that part of the responsibility is up to me to "tend the garden," making sure the flowers get plenty of water and care as they grow.

As three baptisms over the Memorial Day weekend remind us, we as a church continue to be blessed with

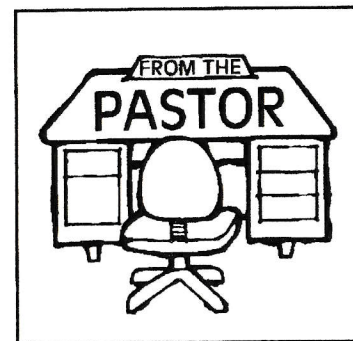
new life. And how do all of us, as members of the Christian church on earth, contribute to growth in the faith after those waters of baptism are poured over the heads of these children? How do we provide the best place possible for spiritual nourishment from cradle to grave, not only for them but for all of us?

As we look ahead to Pentecost Sunday, celebrating the gift of the Holy

Spirit and the birth of the Christian church, we have a challenge here at Emmaus. We are called to be much more than a Lutheran social club on the corner of Summit and Yout. We are called to respond to the waters of our baptismal promise, to the Son and to the miracle of growth that comes with the gift of the Holy Spirit. And so, in the midst of program goals and financial goals, let us never lose sight of our spiritual goals -- regular prayer, reflection, and deepening of our roots as we grow in faith.

As we talk of church growth here at Emmaus, I believe that our first priority must be an emphasis on the renewal of spiritual growth. Where our roots are shallow and close to the surface, we need to be nourished on a **daily** basis, and we

Continued on back page >



Pastor Mary's Column *Continued*

have to be intentional about taking nourishment that will allow our roots to run deep.

After the celebration of the new life on Pentecost Sunday, highlighted by the color red, the liturgical color of the day, for the many Sundays following, the color is green. Let's make that color green a symbol of spiritual growth here at

Emmaus this year. Then and only then will this "greenhouse" at the corner of Summit and Yout be a symbol to the rest of the world of hope and new life in Jesus Christ.



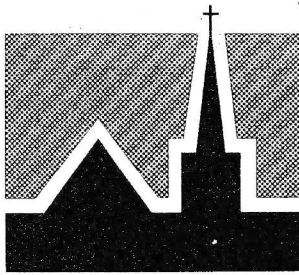
Emmaus Staff & Worship Times

PASTORS:	Mary L. Janz	1455 Sun Valley Dr. #104	633-3059
	Paul J. Nuechterlein	1909 Summit Avenue	637-0671
SECRETARY:	Paul Berge	CHURCH OFFICE:	634-5515
CUSTODIAN:	Wes Mohr		

Services are held at Emmaus every Saturday evening at 5:00. Sunday services June 4 will be held at 8:00 and 10:30. Summer schedule begins June 11 with Sunday services at 9:15 only (the Saturday services will continue.)

Emmaus Lutheran Church
1925 Summit Avenue
Racine, WI 53404
Address correction requested

Non-Profit Org
U.S. Postage
PAID
Racine, WI
Permit No. 137



Emmaus Visitor

July-August, 1995

"A Safe Harbor"

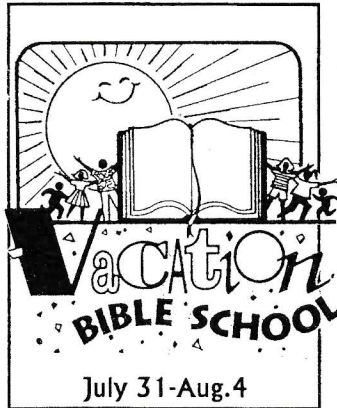
Emmaus Lutheran Church 634-5515 1925 Summit Avenue

Register for Vacation Bible School by July 10

Vacation Bible School and Pre-School will be offered at Emmaus the week of **July 31 to August 4**. The deadline to register your children in July 10.

Vacation Bible School for children entering Kindergarten through Grade 5 this fall will meet from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. A typical day will include worship and Bible study, recreation, songs and crafts, led by counselors from Lutherdale Bible Camp. The cost for the week is only \$15.00.

The pre-school program is



open to children aged three to five years; children who have completed Kindergarten may enroll in this program instead of the K-5 program. The pre-school will meet from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m., and the cost for the week is only \$5.00.

Registration forms are available on the bulletin board outside the church

office. If you have questions or are available to help with either of the two programs, please call Ellen Nuechterlein at 637-0671.

Sign Up *Today* for AAL Day With Brewers!

The deadline for signing up to attend the July 16th Brewers game is now. Don't miss out on the fun as they take on the Chicago White Sox in the 1:05



game! Tickets are \$5 upper grandstand or \$8 lower grandstand. But the deadline is passing as this Visitor arrives to you, so call now to see if you can still be part of the fun. AAL coordinators for Emmaus are: Betty Barth (639-7894), Mildred Schroth (639-1881), and Barb Toslek (681-0240).

Come along early and have fun tailgating with us! The bus arrives at Emmaus at 10:15. For only \$3 per person or \$8 per family, we will provide brats, hot dogs, beer, soda, potato salad, and watermelon wedges.

Those with names beginning with A-K are asked to bring snacks, such as chips, veggies and dip. Those whose names begin with L-Z can bring desserts/finger food. If your name starts with A-Z, remember to bring your sunscreen!

Everyone on the trip will receive a free visor. For every ticket purchased, Aid Association for Lutherans will contribute 50¢ to Children's Hospital of Wisconsin,

Child Abuse Prevention (CAP) Fund.

Pastoral Acts

Baptism:

June 25, 1995 Genevieve Elizabeth Crull

Genevieve is the infant daughter of Sarah Jacobsen and Richard Crull. Her sponsors are Steven & Rachel Desens, Frederick Taylor, and Dominick Cappelza.

Wedding:

June 10, 1995 Heidi Lamberton and Fred Van Nice

Heidi and Fred were married in the church by Pastor Paul. Heidi is the daughter of Joy Lamberton. Fred joined Emmaus in 1991.



We extend our sympathy to Carol Yust, whose father, Ken Saylor, passed away on June 10; and to John Liesch, whose father, Gordon Liesch, passed away in June.

Memorials

Undesignated

In memory of Ole Nielsen: \$5

Building Fund

In memory of Leo Nemer: \$125

Building & Grounds

Painters Needed for Parsonage Paint Days

July 8 and 29 have been set aside to paint the exterior of the parsonage; painting will begin at 8:00 a.m. both days. Special scaffolding is being arranged for the second floor window frames and overhang.

What we need is you! This is a big job which will be made much easier by many hands! There will be plenty of easier, ground level jobs, too, since storm windows and screens will also need painting (as well as some

kitchen cupboard doors).

So bring a paintbrush and your sanding equipment and pitch in! To help us plan for the day, please

let us know of your plans to come by signing up in the narthex or by contacting Skip Toslek (681-0240). Thank you!



Guess Who's Coming to Dinner?

Sign up for Tables of Eight and find out! Grab a friend or mate and sign up on the bulletin board for a once-a-month evening of good food and great company!



consider putting your name down as a substitute.

Sign up in the narthex to reserve your place at a Table of Eight. Bon appetit!

--Brought to you by the Congregational Life Committee

Coffee Hour Hosts Still Needed

One of the highlights of being together for summer Sunday worship is having fellowship time on the front lawn afterward with refreshments. We still have some openings for hosts. You may sign up during one of the coffee hours. Or, if you have any questions about what is involved, contact Betty Barth (639-7894).

Here's how it works: four times a year on the second Sunday of the month (October 8, November 12, January 14 and February 11) your pair will dine with six other people. You will have a turn to host a group and to provide the main course, and your guests will provide salad and rolls, vegetable and dessert. Everyone will have a turn to host as well as rotate with the other courses.

You will always be dining with a different group of people. If you cannot commit to all four dates, please

Wheeler Meets with Cottage Meeting Facilitators

by Kathy Christensen

Ken Wheeler, Assistant to the Bishop, met with the council and some of the volunteer facilitators to plan the cottage meetings. The purpose of the cottage meetings is to provide an opportunity for the congregation to identify concerns about Emmaus as well as to discuss ideas to better use the strengths we have in our ministry.

The cost of \$415 for the repairs of the carillon were taken out of the undesignated memorial funds.

A motion was approved that a steering committee be appointed to determine the extent, focus, and all elements necessary for a Capital Funds drive. This committee will report its recommendations back to the council at the September meeting.

A need has been identified for a volunteer to purchase the supplies needed in several areas of the church.

This person would compare costs and determine the best sources for the needs of Emmaus within budgeted amounts. Anyone who would be interested and willing to help in this capacity can contact one of the pastors.

A motion was approved to pay up to \$2,000 for the repair of the industrial pump lift station immediately out of Capital Improvements.

Cottage Meetings Offer Opportunity for Input

"Cottage Meetings Part II" have started this summer for your comments, concerns, and suggestions. Plan to attend a cottage meeting in July or August. Most meetings will be held in members' homes (hosts are also needed). Contact Carol Rudey (632-0643) or Pastor Mary (633-3059).

COMMUNITY MEAL RECIPE

It will be Emmaus' turn to host the Community Meal at St. Patrick's (1100 Erie St.) on Thursday, August 3. To offer your help in food preparation or serving, call Cathy Knuteson at 639-5621.

Ingredients:

- 2 lbs. ground beef
- Onion (chopped/diced/grated)
- Salt and pepper
- 1 ½ lbs french cut green beans (frozen)

2 cans of cream of chicken or cream of mushroom soup

1 ½ lbs. tater tots

Brown the beef, onion, salt and pepper and put them in the bottom of a 9"x13" pan.

Sprinkle the green beans over the meat. Pour both cans of soup over the beans. Spread the tater tots over the top of the mixture.

Bake at 350° for 45 minutes.

Hymnal Donations Sought

The Worship & Music Committee has decided to purchase new hymnals for use at Saturday evening services and for small groups. A number of them will be purchased with money from the Joanne Van Berg memorial funds in her memory. Members of Emmaus are also invited to contribute \$10 per hymnal in memory, or in honor, of loved ones or as a gift to Emmaus (to be recognized with a bookplate).

Saturday Evening Services Offer Cool Worship Option

Emmaus' 5:00 p.m. Saturday worship is the "cool" worship option. This is a reminder that we meet in the Sunset Room in air conditioned comfort on the hot summer days.

If you haven't yet tried the Saturday worship, we feature uplifting, contemporary liturgies, and your

favorite hymns accompanied on piano. Holy Communion is offered on the first and third weekends, the same as our Sunday schedule. Come join us on Saturdays!

Special Music Returns to Summer Sunday Worship

As our choirs take well-deserved summer rest, we are thankful to organist Joyce Kaiser for arranging special music once again this summer for our Sunday 9:15 a.m. worship. We are also grateful for our summer musicians, including: the Albright family, Katie Potter Barrow, Greg & Kathy Berg, Alan Biehn, Marvin Bohlman, JoAnn Christensen, Cheryl Dexter, Chris Inloes, Debby Marten, Chip McCrary, Fay Pearson, Vern Peterson, Patt Reitsma, David Schultz, Ryan Sedgwick, Kelley Toslek, and Gary Wee.



Wish List

New Vacuum Cleaner Needed

Our current vacuum cleaner is giving out (and not doing an adequate job), so we would like to purchase a new industrial grade vacuum for approximately \$250. If you can make a special donation toward this end, simply specify "vacuum" on the memo

line of your check and place it in the offering.

"The only true happiness comes from squandering ourselves for a purpose"

--William Cowper

Northside Food Pantry Serves Record Number of Applicants

The Northside Food Pantry at Trinity United Methodist Church, 3825 Erie Street, reports that it provided 358 individuals with a week's supply of food in May of this year. This is an all-time monthly high for the Northside pantry.

The management of the food

pantry would like to see a **third volunteer at each shift** in addition to the two who are there to dispense food. This third volunteer would help process paperwork. They further suggest that one of the volunteers be male, as a security precaution.

WELCA News

Lutheran Brotherhood Gives Grant to Quilting Group

by June Beck & Betty Barth

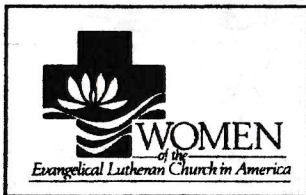
The Women of Emmaus were given a grant from Lutheran Brotherhood of \$400.00 for bibs and quilts.

Our women have made 395 bibs for Lincoln Lutheran Homes and 56 quilts for Lutheran World Relief. There will be more quilts made before it is time to send them to Lutheran World Relief. People at Emmaus have donated used sheets and material, and we have used some of the money for buying fillers and good used sheets and material for quilts.

Thanks to all who helped make this possible.

Circle Meetings Resume in Fall

Our circle meetings will resume in September.



Miriam Circle meetings will be changed to the **second Tuesday** of each month, beginning September 12. Hostesses for the Sept.-Nov. meetings will be the same as listed in the WELCA booklet, but Jan Sukus will host the December meeting.

Cluster, Synod, & National Events

Mark these dates of upcoming events on your calendar:

Sept. 16: Emmaus will host the Racine Mission Cluster WELCA Brunch.

Oct. 13-14: The Greater Milwaukee Synod WELCA Convention will be held at the Archbishop Cousins Center in St. Francis.

July 11-14, 1996: The WELCA Triennial convention will be held in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Contributors Help Toward Debt Retirement

We extend our thanks to the following members who adopted Sundays in June as part of our debt retirement program:

Vic & Bev Johnson, celebrating their 45th wedding anniversary.
Elwood & Jody Svoboda,

celebrating their 15th anniversary.
Dan & Jeannette Bertram, celebrating their 53rd wedding anniversary.

Walter & Marcella Runge, celebrating their 55th wedding anniversary.

Emmaus Attendance Statistics

Average Weekly Attendance, April:	1993: 283	1994: 261	1995: 271
Average Weekly Attendance, May:	1993: 196	1994: 206	1995: 203
Average Weekly Attendance, June:	1993: 187	1994: 182	1995: 169*
Average Weekly Attendance, July:	1993: 159	1994: 170	
Average Weekly Attendance, August:	1993: 168	1994: 172	

*As of June 18, 1995

Financial Statistics

Offerings received in May:	\$11,098.20
Needed monthly for '95 budget:	\$17,801.59
Total received as of 5/29/1995:	\$93,280.77
Total budgeted as of 5/29/1995:	\$86,269.26



Lincoln Lutheran Hosts Ice Cream Social Aug. 10

Mark your calendar for the 22nd Annual Lincoln Lutheran Auxiliary Ice Cream Social, Thursday, August 10. There will be ice cream and music from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m., rain or shine.

The Ice Cream Social will be held at Lincoln Villas Apartments, 5820 Lincoln Village Drive, south of Mt. Pleasant Church. The apartments are handicap-accessible.

Senior High Youth Plan Canoe Trip July 21-23

The Senior High Youth canoe trip will leave Emmaus for Luther College at noon Friday, July 21. Kids

will be dropped off at home between 3:30 and 4:30 p.m. on Sunday the 23rd. Don't forget your sunscreen!

Congratulations 1995 Graduates!



<u>Graduate</u>	<u>High School</u>	<u>Plans</u>
Kerry Andersen	Horlick	Work through the summer and tentatively go to Gateway in the fall.
Jennifer Bayer	Horlick	Work through the summer.
David Christensen	Case	Working full-time laying carpets.
Sara Kiger	Waukesha South	Tentatively to attend college in Arizona in fall.
Nicole Kreimer	Park	Will attend UW-Green Bay in the fall.
Matthew Palmer	Mt. Horeb	Working at WRJN this summer.
Heather Pechman	Horlick	Will attend U. of Minnesota in the fall, tentatively to study psychology.
Kathy Robuck	Horlick	Will attend UW-Parkside in the fall to study elementary education.
Kelley Toslek	Horlick	Hopes to attend Carthage College after working full-time for a while.

Emmaus Staff & Worship Times

Pastors: Paul J. Nuechterlein 1909 Summit Avenue 637-0671
Mary L. Janz 1455 Sun Valley Drive #104 633-3059
Secretary: Paul Berge Church Office: 634-5515
Custodian: Wesley Mohr

Services are held at Emmaus every Saturday evening at 5:00 and Sunday morning at 9:15 a.m. through September 3.

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

The *Visitor* is published eleven times per year. The deadline for the September issue is August 15.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Please Consider Making a Commitment to Our Children

A most-oft expressed concern these days is the lack of guidance for our children amidst the noise and confusion of our modern world. We proclaimed once again on Pentecost Sunday that the loving Word of Jesus Christ through the Holy Spirit is the voice that can cut through the noise and bring us together. You can be a bearer of that loving Word to our children as a Sunday School teacher at Emmaus!



**And these words...
shall be upon your heart;
and you shall teach them
diligently to your children..**

-Deuteronomy 6:6-7

Please prayerfully consider this commitment to our children. There are openings available to teach all grade levels.

If you have any questions, or would like to discuss the possibility of teaching further, please contact Grace Falaschi (632-2147).

Karen Olson (634-2582), Carol Rudey (632-0643) or Pastor Paul (634-5515).

Educators Meet for Reflection and Renewal

You are cordially invited to attend a morning of reflection and renewal for Racine educators Saturday, August 26, at Plymouth Congregational Church, 1143 College Avenue. The program starts at 8:00 a.m.

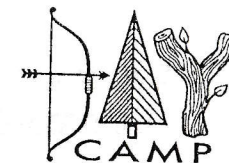
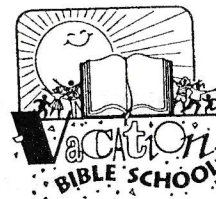
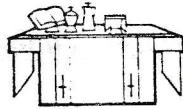
Bruce Clanton will present "Teaching: A Career or a Calling?" Loretta Life, of Faith Community Church will present "Spirit Care for

Teachers." Lunch will be provided at the close of the seminar.

This event is co-sponsored by the Racine Clergy Association, Downtown Cooperative Parish, and Racine 2000. A donation of \$5, payable at the door, is requested. If you have questions, please call Mike Frontier (634-0283), Brenda Walsh (639-4100), or Connie Molbeck (639-8720).



Worship Assistants



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

	<u>Acolytes</u>	<u>Altar Guild</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
July 1 5:00 pm	—	Evelyn Larsen Beverly Hansen	—	—	—
July 2 9:15 am	Eric Moore Jon Cook	Linda Meteyard Joyce Slawson Helen Mickelson	Team #1 M. Falaschi	Mildred Schroth	Linda Clinton Don & Dolly Orth
July 9 9:15 am	Tom Pie Kevin Meteyard	—	Team #2 L. Andersen	Nancy Martinsen	Bev & Chris Hansen Denise & Jerry Pipol
July 15 5:00 pm	—	Marge Jensen Jo Baggesen	—	—	—
July 16 9:15 am	Derek Haug Ryan Clinton	Arvilla Nemer Lael Richter	Team #3 H. Miller	Bev Hansen	Cheryl Dexter Betty Barth Ralph & Audrey Rasmussen
July 23 9:15 am	John Knuteson Ryan Kreimer	—	Team #4 Ri. Christensen	Eileen Olson	John & Kathy Cook Al & June Beck
July 30 9:15 am	Chris Nikolai Michael Yust	—	Team #5 G. Potterville	David Christensen	Bill & Lyle Christensen Sandy & Chad Strini
Aug. 5 5:00 pm	—	Marion Andersen Marge Zielke	—	—	—
Aug. 6 9:15 am	Amanda Lawler Jill Lynch	Jan Svendsen Shirley Irvine	Team #6 H. Jensen	Myra Nielsen	Peter & Susan Bayer Tim Van Berg Hans Hill
Aug. 13 9:15 am	Eric Larsen Ken Larsen	—	Team #7 J. Cook	Ruth Hlavka	Isabelle Barry Ruth Estep Jim & Nancy Martinsen
Aug. 19 5:00 pm	—	Cheryl Dexter Barb Larsen	—	—	—
Aug. 20 9:15 am	Sam Falaschi Brad Falaschi	Kim Battisti Sandy Strini	Team #8 W. Meteyard	Audrey Rasmussen	Mark & Grace Falaschi Lucille Atkinson Edith Bohn
Aug. 27 9:15 am	Jason Meteyard Kevin Meteyard	—	Team #10 Ro. Christensen	Ryan Sedgwick	Randy & Barb Sanders Denise & Jerry Pipol

Altar Flowers

July 2	John & Pat Liesch
July 9	Brian & Nancy Roosa
July 16	Jim & Nancy Martinsen
July 23	Edith Bohn
July 30	Paul & Ellen Nuechterlein
August 6	Bill & Linda Clinton
August 13	John Skelley & Karen Kopschke
August 20	Jess & Karen Sedgwick
August 27	Jim & Ginny Dougall

Coffee/Fellowship

Jan Svendsen
Nancy Martinsen
Pat Jensen
Miriam Circle
Linda Clinton & Fay Pearson

July 31-August 4, 1995

Registration forms are available on the bulletin board for both the grades K - 5 Day Camp program and the Pre-school VBS program.

The Day Camp theme this year is "HEAR & LIVE!" (Hear God's Word and Live it Out!) led by the Lutherdale Camp Counselors. Day Camp runs from 9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., and the registration cost is \$15.00.

The Pre-school theme is "AWESOME ADVENTURES" - God's Amazing Deeds from Augsburg Fortress. Pre-school VBS runs from 9 a.m. - 11 a.m., and the registration cost is \$5.00.

WE ALSO NEED YOUR HELP!

_____ I would like to donate \$45.00 for one Campership, or \$_____ to help support Day Camp.

_____ I am willing to donate a meal/groceries for the counselors' meals.

_____ I am willing to provide a drink/snack for VBS.





_____ I am able to provide transportation for Day Camp and/or field trips.

_____ I would be able to assist the Lutherdale Counselors if needed: _____ every day; _____ Mon. _____ Tue. _____ Wed. _____ Thu. _____ Fri.



_____ I would like to assist with the Pre-school VBS program.

Please fill out and put in the offering or the church office. Indicate "Campership" on all Campership checks. Thank You!

Name _____ Phone _____

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday																																																																																																			
July, 1995	Emmaus Lutheran Church 1925 Summit Avenue Racine, Wisconsin 53404 Phone 414 634-5515		<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="7">June 1995</th> </tr> <tr> <th>S</th><th>M</th><th>T</th><th>W</th><th>T</th><th>F</th><th>S</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4</td><td>5</td><td>6</td><td>7</td><td>8</td><td>9</td><td>10</td> </tr> <tr> <td>11</td><td>12</td><td>13</td><td>14</td><td>15</td><td>16</td><td>17</td> </tr> <tr> <td>18</td><td>19</td><td>20</td><td>21</td><td>22</td><td>23</td><td>24</td> </tr> <tr> <td>25</td><td>26</td><td>27</td><td>28</td><td>29</td><td>30</td><td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		June 1995							S	M	T	W	T	F	S					1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30		<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="7">September 1995</th> </tr> <tr> <th>S</th><th>M</th><th>T</th><th>W</th><th>T</th><th>F</th><th>S</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>1</td><td>2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3</td><td>4</td><td>5</td><td>6</td><td>7</td><td>8</td><td>9</td> </tr> <tr> <td>10</td><td>11</td><td>12</td><td>13</td><td>14</td><td>15</td><td>16</td> </tr> <tr> <td>17</td><td>18</td><td>19</td><td>20</td><td>21</td><td>22</td><td>23</td> </tr> <tr> <td>24</td><td>25</td><td>26</td><td>27</td><td>28</td><td>29</td><td>30</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		September 1995							S	M	T	W	T	F	S						1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	1 Pastor Paul on vacation to July 10 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion
			June 1995																																																																																																						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S																																																																																																			
				1	2	3																																																																																																			
4	5	6	7	8	9	10																																																																																																			
11	12	13	14	15	16	17																																																																																																			
18	19	20	21	22	23	24																																																																																																			
25	26	27	28	29	30																																																																																																				
September 1995																																																																																																									
S	M	T	W	T	F	S																																																																																																			
					1	2																																																																																																			
3	4	5	6	7	8	9																																																																																																			
10	11	12	13	14	15	16																																																																																																			
17	18	19	20	21	22	23																																																																																																			
24	25	26	27	28	29	30																																																																																																			
2 4th Sunday after Pentecost 9:15 am Worship Service with Holy Communion 10:15 am Coffee & Fellowship	3 	4 Independence Day <i>Office Closed</i> <i>No Senior Fellowship Center</i> <i>No Softball games</i>	5 12:00 noon Executive Committee	6	7	8 8:00 am Parsonage Paint Day 5:00 pm Worship Service																																																																																																			
9 5th Sunday after Pentecost 9:15 am TRAD. Worship Service 10:15 am Coffee & Fellowship	10 6:30 pm Confirmation Task Force	11 9:15 am Staff Meeting 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 7:00 pm AMI Candlelight Vigil mtg. 8:30 pm Softball vs. United Presbyterian. NW	12 6:30 pm Wednesday Night Task Force	13 7:00 pm Cottage meeting at Amy Larsen's 7:00 pm Cluster Council	14	15 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion																																																																																																			
16 6th Sunday after Pentecost 9:15 am Chicago Folk Service with Holy Communion 10:15 am Coffee & Fellowship 10:30ish am Bus leaves Emmaus for AAL Day at the Brewers 	17 6:00 pm Youth Pizza party	18 9:15 am Staff meeting 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 8:30 pm Softball vs. Emmanuel Luth. NE	19 Pastors Mary & Paul at Siena Center 	20 7:00 pm Cottage meeting at Sedgwicks'	21 12:00 noon B.I.C. Canoe trip leaves Emmaus 	22 St. Mary Magdalene 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion																																																																																																			
23 7th Sunday after Pentecost 9:15 am Trad. Worship Service 10:15 am Coffee & Fellowship B.I.C. Canoe group returns	24 6:30 pm Church Council	25 St. James the Elder 9:15 am Staff meeting 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center	26 7:30 pm Worship & Music Committee	27 1:00 pm Library Committee	28	29 8:00 am Parsonage Paint Day 5:00 pm Worship Service																																																																																																			

Emmaus Lutheran Church

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 8th Sunday after Pentecost 9:15 am Service of the Word 10:15 am Coffee & Fellowship Lutherdale Staff arrives for VBS	31	AUGUST 1 9:15 am Staff meeting 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center	2	3 5:00 pm Community Meal, St. Patrick's	4	5 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion
 July 31 to August 4: 9:00 to 11:00 am: Vacation Bible Preschool 9:00 am to 2:30 pm: Vacation Bible School						
6 9th Sunday after Pentecost 9:15 am Trad. Worship Service with Holy Communion 10:15 am Coffee & Fellowship	7 Pastor Mary on Vacation this week	8 9:15 am Staff meeting 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center	9	10 5:30 pm Lincoln Lutheran Ice Cream Social	11	12 5:00 pm Worship Service
13 10th Sunday after Pentecost 9:15 am Trad. Worship Service 10:15 am Coffee & Fellowship	14 5:00 pm Building and Grounds Cmte.	15 Mary, Mother of Our Lord 9:15 am Staff meeting 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center <i>Visitor deadline</i>	16	17 9:30 am Congregational Life Cmte.	18	19 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion
Pastor Mary at Minneapolis Conference on the 25th Anniversary of Lutheran Ordination of Women, August 14-17						
20 11th Sunday after Pentecost 9:15 am Chicago Folk Service with Holy Communion 10:15 am Coffee & Fellowship	21 6:30 pm Education cmte.	22 9:15 am Staff meeting 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 6:30 pm WELCA Study Leaders 7:30 pm WELCA Board	23 	24 st. Bartholomew	25	26 5:00 pm Worship Service
27 12th Sunday after Pentecost 9:15 am Service of the Word 10:15 am Coffee & Fellowship	28 6:30 pm Social Concerns Cmte. 6:30 pm Stewardship Cmte	29 9:15 am Staff meeting 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center	30	31	Sept. 1	2 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion

Elsewhere In Our Area

Community Christian Church Sponsors Concert at Zoo

Community Christian Church is sponsoring "Concert at the Zoo" on Sunday, July 2 at 5:00 p.m. There is no charge for admission, and no offering will be taken. Concertgoers may wish to bring a blanket or lawn chairs.

The concert will feature Dayspring, a contemporary Christian music and drama group. The concert includes a variety of traditional hymns, choruses, and contemporary works.

In the event of rain, the concert will be held at Washington Park High School.

AFS Seeks Hosts for Exchange Students

The Racine chapter of American Field Service (AFS) is looking for volunteers to host foreign exchange students in 1995-6. Families with teens, young families, single parents, single people and empty nesters all have had outstanding experiences hosting AFS students. If you would like more information about hosting an AFS student, please call Ron Smith at 639-7187 or Ellen Zabrowski at 639-8073.

Veterans Center Opens

Harith Veterans Center, located at 1109 Douglas Avenue, is a 10-bed

living facility to house homeless men/veterans. Eight beds are available for homeless or "at-risk" veterans and two beds are available for city homeless.

The environment is structured to prevent boredom and help residents obtain meaningful employment and permanent, independent housing. Programs offered at Harith include daily AODA groups, daily stress management, budget counseling and job search groups, and training in basic living skills.

Volunteers are needed! For more information, contact Executive Director Lesia Hill or House Administrator Debra Rhone at (414) 635-0659.

Host Families Sought for Japanese Guests

S.C. Johnson is seeking twelve host families for the Japan Family Forum July 30-August 8 or August 10-19. Three Japanese women and three Japanese teenage girls will visit Racine to live with local families. During each host family stay, there will be two days when the Japanese guests will be involved in corporate-sponsored activities. A picnic for the Japanese guests and their host families will be held on Sunday, Aug. 6 at Armstrong Park.

To register, or if you have questions, please contact Irma Popp at 631-2154.

ADOPT A SUNDAY To Help Reduce Indebtedness of Emmaus

I wish to contribute _____ \$1,000 _____ \$750

\$500

\$300

\$100

\$

(Suggested minimum \$100. Any gift appreciated.)

Sunday to adopt: _____

(date)

In memory of: _____

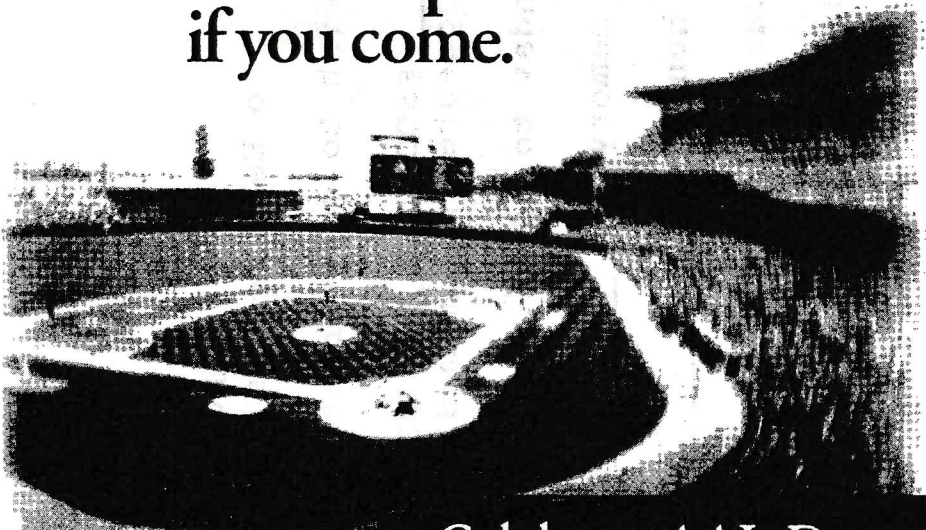
In honor of: _____

Occasion: _____

Contributor: _____

AAL Field of Dreams '95

You'll help build it—
if you come.



Sunday, July 16, 1995

Game time: 1:05pm

Tailgating: 10am-12:30pm

Milwaukee County Stadium

Celebrate AAL Day with the Brewers

Milwaukee Brewers
vs.
Chicago White Sox

Have Fun!

- Tailgating features Bernie Brewer, clowns, music and food!
- Free visors for everyone!
- National Anthem sung by the AAL Choir
- Chance to win autographed Brewers keepsakes

Help Others!

- For every ticket purchased, AAL will contribute 50¢ to Children's Hospital of Wisconsin, Child Abuse Prevention (CAP) Fund.
- Dunk tank proceeds benefit area Ronald McDonald Houses.
- Everyone is welcome!

Tickets

- Upper Grandstand: \$5
- Lower Grandstand: \$8
- Meal Tickets: \$3.75 (6-inch sub sandwich, potato salad, ice cream sandwich, beer/soda)

Contact:

BARB TOSLEK

MILDRED SCHROTH

BETTY BARTH

AAL BR. 4157

Reservation & prob. due July 1st



AID ASSOCIATION FOR LUTHERANS

4321 N. Ballard Road, Appleton, WI 54919-0001



Synod Assembly Highlights

April 28-29, 1995

Assembly Goes Into the City

For the first time ever, the Greater Milwaukee Synod held its annual assembly in the city of Milwaukee. On Friday and Saturday, April 28-29, clergy and lay leaders gathered at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 3022 W. Wisconsin Ave., under the theme "Rooted in Gospel, Growing in Community, Living in Hope."

The goals for holding the assembly in a new place and with a new format were based upon the theme of Gospel, community, and hope, explained Aleta Chossek, synod assembly chairperson. "By changing location and format, we hoped to begin to see ourselves in new ways, to see our connections to one another and to our neighborhoods in new ways, and to experience Gospel in new ways," she said.

As a symbol of hope, the seedling trees that had been given to each congregation at the 1994 assembly were brought back to this year's assembly. The seedlings that had been cared for since last year were carried up to the altar in a procession at the beginning of the

opening service. They will be replanted in various locations in the community.

During communion, delegates were given a flowering bulb to take back and plant in their congregation's community "as a reminder that we are an Easter people of hope," said the Rev. Audrey Lukasak, a member of the synod assembly planning committee.

The offering at both the opening and closing services was for Cross Lutheran Church, which is planning to rebuild its innercity church following a devastating fire.

The Rev. Reginald Hansome, Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Milwaukee, served again as assembly chaplain, opening and closing plenary sessions with prayer and rousing choruses of "alleluia."

Keynote speakers were the Rev. Barbara Lundblad, Our Savior Atonement Lutheran Church, Manhattan, and Jody Kretzmann, author of *Building Communities from the Inside Out* (Northwestern University Press.)

Greater Milwaukee Synod - ELCA

414/671-1212

Ministry Events Are Highlight of Assembly

Twenty-four "Living Ministry Events" were held in ministry sites in the inner city on Saturday morning to demonstrate the anchoring of ministry in local needs and to lift up the abundance of mutual ministries across diverse settings.

Delegates agreed that these ministry experiences, which found "hope in the city," were the highlight of the assembly.

Topics included Mission Partnerships, AIDS Ministry, Outreach

Through Food Ministries, Youth Focus, Parish Nurses, Employment Ministries, Outreach Ministries, Multicultural Music in Worship, Tutoring Programs, Shelters, Prison Ministry, and Chaplaincy. Sites included the Next Door Foundation, Milwaukee Innerscity Churches Allied for Hope (MICAHA), Bread of Life, Sojourner Truth House, Guest House, Salvation Army, Lutheran Human Relations Association (LHRA), and several area churches.

Several Speakers Make Points

- **Malcolm ("Mac") Minnick**, executive director of the ELCA Division for Outreach, spoke about the interdependent relationship between congregations, synods, and churchwide programs. He also presented the 1995 assembly video, "Making Christ Known," featuring ELCA Bishop Herbert Chilstrom.
- **Paul Quello**, staff for the ELCA Foundation, entertained delegates by singing a jingle set to the tune of "Oh my darling Clementine": "Oh my Lutherans, oh my Lutherans/ Paul Quel-lo is his name/ he will come and teach planned givin'/ and you'll never be the same."
- **The Rev. Howard Beutler**, chair of the Mult-synodical Candidacy Committee, discussed the need for identifying those people in congregations who have gifts for pastoral ministry. According to the "early discernment process," synods should be contacted 8-10 months before candidates apply to seminary.
- **The Rev. Richard Jensen** spoke about the newly-formed Covenant Cluster of seminaries: Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago; Trinity Lutheran Seminary, Columbus, OH; and Wartburg Theological Seminary, Dubuque, IA. In affirming theological education as a "foundational priority" of the ELCA, the bishops of the synods in Regions 4 and 5 will meet with seminary representatives on a regular basis as a kind of long-range planning committee.

Anniversaries Honored

Those pastors celebrating their 25 and 50 year anniversaries in 1995 were honored by the assembly. Celebrating 25 years of ordained ministry are:

- **The Rev. Marlin Carlson**, St. Peter Lutheran Church, Milwaukee.
- **The Rev. Paul Dawson**, Holy Nativity Lutheran Church, Kenosha.
- **The Rev. Richard Druckery**, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Random Lake.
- **The Rev. Ronald Keller**, Military Chaplain at Fort Know, TN.
- **The Rev. David Meissner**, St. John's Lutheran Church, Waukesha.
- **The Rev. Dean Nelson**, Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Milwaukee.
- **The Rev. Delbert Sailer**, Grace Lutheran Church, Thiensville.
- **The Rev. Daniel Thurmer**, Fox Point Lutheran Church, Fox Point.
- **The Rev. David Zellmer**, Kingo Lutheran Church, Shorewood.

Celebrating 50 years of ordained ministry are:

- **The Rev. Edwin Heyne**, has served the Greater Milwaukee Synod in a variety of interim ministry assignments since his retirement in 1987. He is currently visitation pastor at Abiding Savior Lutheran Church, Milwaukee.
- **The Rev. James Hughes**, served several parishes in Wisconsin and elsewhere, including Dr. Martin Luther Church, Oconomowoc; and Peace Lutheran Church, Milwaukee, before retiring in 1979.

In addition, **The Rev. Martin Kretzmann** was honored for 65 years of ordained ministry. Kretzmann spent most of his ministry years as missionary and professor in India and in positions with the Lutheran World Federation. Kretzmann and his wife Gladys were applauded heartily by the assembly.

Retiring Synod Council Members Thanked

The bishop recognized and thanked the outgoing members of the synod council for their commitment to the work of the church.

Those honored were the Rev. Viviane Thomas-Breitfeld, Waukesha Cluster; Mr. Joe Horton, at-large; Ms. Joan Jacobson, at-large; Mr. Robert Castro, Lake Country Cluster; the Rev. Susan Sheffer-Meyer, at-large; Ms. Audrey Graf-

wallner, Milwaukee 3 Cluster; the Rev. Fred Mai, Milwaukee 4 Cluster; and Ms. Rachel Spransy, youth representative.

In addition, the Rev. Karl Nelson was thanked for his eight years of service as Synod Secretary. "I don't know of any non-staff person who has put in more time for the sake of our life together as a synod," Rogness said.

New Synod Council Members Elected

The following people were elected to seats on the Synod Council:

- **Mr. Stanley R. Schmitt**, St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Cudahy—Milwaukee 3 Cluster.
- **Ms. Ethel Manchester**, Redemption Lutheran Church, Wauwatosa—Milwaukee 4 Cluster.
- **Ms. Ellen Maxon**, Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Hartland—Lake Country Cluster.
- **Mr. David Carstens**, St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Waukesha—Waukesha Cluster.
- **The Rev. Kathy Boadwine**,

Cross Lutheran Church, Burlington—at large member.

- **The Rev. Karl Nelson**, First United Lutheran Church, Sheboygan—at large member.
- **The Rev. Reginald Hansome, Jr.**, Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Milwaukee—at large member.
- **Mr. John Silseth**, Mount Carmel Lutheran Church, Milwaukee, was elected to the Lutheran Social Services board of directors.
- **Mr. Steve Knowles**, Bayshore Lutheran Church, Whitefish Bay, was elected as Synod Secretary.

Assembly Passes Resolutions

- Passed Mission Funding Strategy that includes guidelines for mission funding, establishment of Operation Jump Start program, and establishment of Outreach Fund.
- Urged calling of an ecumenical conference to develop guidelines for non-governmental organizations in Cuban relief efforts.
- Established Companion Synod relationship with Meru Diocese, Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania. This relationship is meant to complement the synod's ongoing partnership with the Lutheran Church in El Salvador.
- Memorialized the churchwide assembly to commit the ELCA and its resources to life-giving ministry in the city and to implement several specific strategies as a practical reflection of its commitment to the city.
- Referred to the synod communications committee for more research a proposal for synod sponsorship of Lutheran Vespers.
- Approved the request of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Kenosha, WI (Slovak Zion Synod) to become a member congregation of the Greater Milwaukee Synod.
- Commended to the synod assembly planning committee a request to hold future assemblies on a Friday evening through Sunday noon schedule and hold an annual Lay Sunday on the Sunday of the assembly.

Pastor Paul's Column

Reflections on Freedom

Dear Disciples of Emmaus,

As this newsletter goes out, we are celebrating the wonderful freedom we enjoy in this country. It is part of our identity as citizens of this nation to be confident in the freedom we enjoy as no other civilization or nation before us.

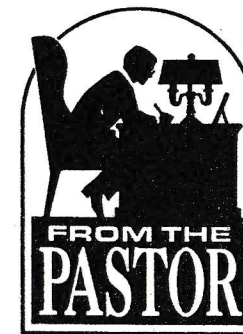
As disciples of Jesus, we are doubly blessed. It is also part of our identity as Christians to celebrate and to claim an even greater freedom, living in the Spirit of Christ Jesus.

How can there be a greater freedom? I invite you to read and reflect on St. Paul's letter to the Galatians, which we are currently reading on Sundays. This is Paul's most impassioned letter, as he feels that the members in Galatia are being led astray. And the whole issue for Paul boils down to one of freedom: "For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery (Gal. 5:1)." What is the slavery they are in danger of falling back to? In Paul's view it was adding the Jewish Law to the gospel, as his detractors were apparently calling for.

For us to really take this seriously, we need to take the Jewish Law seriously. We need to see it as representing the very best human option for living, just as we now see our own Constitution as the best system of law and as a champion of freedom. I think that Paul is making the argument that any system of

human law is still slavery compared to the freedom of the gospel.

Why is this so? Paul uses the language of parenting to help us understand the difference (especially in 3:23-29).



When our children are young we need to help them understand the limits and dangers of the outside world, so we

use the law. We make a lot of rules and support them with rewards and punishments.

But I think it is the hope of every parent that as our children mature, they get beyond being motivated by just those rewards and punishments. Otherwise, there is a sort of slavery: our children will always be acting to meet someone else's system of rules. They will never know the joy of finding an internal motivation, of knowing who they are, and acting on that basis.

That freedom of an inward sense of being comes from being loved, doesn't it? It comes from knowing you are lovable, that you have qualities and gifts as a person that are valued and important. So you come to use those gifts because you want to, not

Pastor Paul's Column *Continued*

just because the rewards are right.

This is what St. Paul is talking about. To have faith in Jesus Christ is to come to know God as the ideal parent, who has lovingly created us to be someone special. Any system of Law, on the other hand, is impersonal; it can never make us feel loved. It cannot show us who we were made to be; it can only offer us a reward or threaten a punishment on the basis of its system of rules. So if after having known the freeing love of the Father through the Son you return to life under the Law, any law, you are submitting to slavery.

I want to wish you a wonderful 4th of July celebration of freedom and

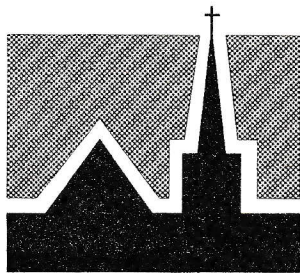
a refreshing summer. And I also want to invite you to keep your Emmaus family in mind for summer worship and for making your fall plans. For it is among our sisters and brothers in Jesus Christ that we can truly learn to live and grow in freedom. And we can celebrate freedom not just once a year, but every Sunday, as we gather to celebrate our freedom in Christ!

In the Spirit's love,

Pastor Paul

Emmaus Lutheran Church
1925 Summit Avenue
Racine, WI 53404

Non-Profit Org
U.S. Postage
PAID
Racine, WI
Permit No. 137



Emmaus Visitor

September, 1995

"A Safe Harbor"

Emmaus Lutheran Church 634-5515 1925 Summit Avenue

"God's Awesome Adventures" Is Rally Day Theme

SCHEDULE FOR SEPT. 10:

- 8:00 a.m. Worship.
- 9:00 a.m. Special coffee hour in Fellowship Hall.
- 9:15 a.m. Sunday School -- 3 years old to grade 12, beginning in the sanctuary; parents please register students in Fellowship Hall.
- 9:20 a.m. Adult Forum in the Fellowship Hall for a "Share Fair" (see Adult Forum schedule).
- 10:30 a.m. Worship.
- 11:45 a.m. All-church picnic -- food and fun for all! Suggested donation: \$2.00 adults, \$1.00 children under 10. (Donated salads and desserts also welcome).



Fall is a time when we jump back into our full pace of activities after the summer respite, and our life as church family is no different. We have plenty of ways for members of all

ages to be active in growing their Christian faith. Be part of "God's Awesome Adventures" this year at Emmaus!

Pastoral Acts

Baptism:
July 5, 1995 Alexander Winter Page

Alexander was born on March 5 to Brian and Susan Page. His sponsors were his aunt Julie Winter, and uncle Robert Page.

Funerals:
August 10, 1995 Kenneth Plonsky
August 14, 1995 Helen Reginski
Trojan

Kenneth Plonsky was a member of Emmaus for several years beginning shortly after the present church was

built. Mr. Plonsky passed away August 9 after suffering a heart attack. He is survived by his wife, Jean, as well as by a son, two daughters, and five grandchildren.

Helen Troyan, mother of Ronald and Clifford Voss, passed away on August 12 at the age of 83. Originally from Wauwatosa, Mrs. Troyan had been a Racine resident since 1964.

We extend our sympathy to Don Velzka, whose mother, Ethel Dubuque Velzka, passed away on July 3. Mrs. Velzka was a member of St. Sebastian's Catholic Church.

Memorials



General Fund

In memory of Lois Gueldenzopf: \$1,000.00

Kitchen Fund

In memory of Arthur Burdick: \$25.00

Emmaus Attendance Statistics

Average Weekly Attendance, June:	1993: 187	1994: 182	1995: 177
Average Weekly Attendance, July:	1993: 159	1994: 170	1995: 145
Average Weekly Attendance, August:	1993: 168	1994: 172	1995: 166
Average Weekly Attendance, Sept.:	1993: 202	1994: 196	



Financial Statistics

Offerings received in June:	\$12,571.70
Offerings received in July:	\$15,043.60
Needed monthly for '95 budget:	\$17,801.59
Total received as of 7/30/1995:	\$120,896.07
Total budgeted as of 7/30/1995:	\$123,241.80

All Are Invited!

Youth Ministry Committee Forming at Emmaus

The first meeting of our new Youth Ministry Committee has been

set for
Wednesday, Sept. 6, at 6:30 p.m.
Chris Olson will be chairing this committee, as well as representing it on the church Council. Other committee members currently include Sandy

Strini for high school youth, and Cindi & Loren Larsen and Pat Liesch for middle school youth.

Are you a prospective member of this committee? Yes! If you are interested in youth ministry leadership (both youth and adults are welcome!), then we would love to have you. Speak to Chris Olson or Pastor Paul to express your interest. One of the first items on our agenda will be to provide

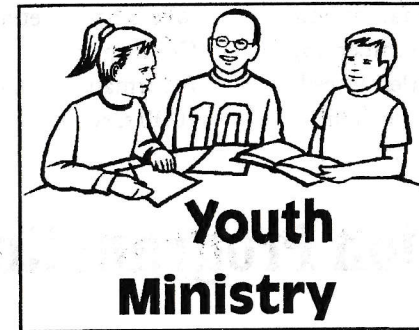
further training for youth ministry leadership.

Why this new committee? For years, Emmaus has had dedicated youth leaders, but the programming has never been more formally part of our administrative structure. One result, among others, has been under-

representation for youth ministry in our church budget. With this new committee, we firmly hope to move decisively forward in growing our youth ministry at Emmaus.

Come be part of the excitement!

Look for a special youth ministry pull-out page to come to the *Visitor* soon!



Middle School News

Activity Planning Hinges on Survey

by Pat Liesch

Watch for an interest survey in your Sunday School classes in September. We want to hear from you!

We are looking to hold middle school activities in November, January, and



March and we need your input! We are also considering doing a social project as a group. Sounds interesting? Watch for the survey, or call Cindi Larsen (681-0282) or Pat Liesch (635-1363).

Fall Confirmation Schedule Announced

The orientation meeting for 8th and 9th graders and their parents will be at 6:45 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 20. Thereafter, 8th and 9th grade confirmation classes will begin at 6:00 Wednesday evenings. The fall session will continue through November 15; the topic will be the Apostles' Creed, using a new video-based curriculum.

Tenth graders in the

confirmation program are scheduled to meet their mentors at Emmaus at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 13. Confirmands and mentors will then schedule individualized times for the following meetings. The Rite of Confirmation is planned for Reformation Sunday, Oct. 29 at the 10:30 service.

Confirmation Program Reviewed

In an effort to strengthen our Confirmation program at Emmaus, a

Confirmation Task Force has been formed. Beginning their work during the summer, they have reflected on the purpose of confirmation and on areas to be honestly evaluated as possible changes are considered for the 1996-97 year. Requirements, length of the program, curriculum, parental involvement, format and many other components are being discussed by the task force.

To learn from area congregations about what works well for them, task force members have had lengthy interviews with pastors and lay leaders



from two Milwaukee, two Kenosha and four Racine ELCA churches.

Based on some consensus coming from those discussions, the committee is now reviewing a specific curriculum that has been recommended.

Current members of the task force are Chris Olson, Pat Liesch, Randy and Josh Sanders, Tim Van Berg and Pastors Paul and Mary. They welcome other interested members of the congregation to join them for their next meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 27. If you can't

attend the meeting, please contact one of the committee members to share your ideas and concerns.

New Youth Choir Schedule Announced

Attention all Emmaus youth! Choir rehearsals begin after Rally Sunday for the Carpenter's Kids and Sunrise Singers.

For those children 3 years old through 2nd grade, your group, the Carpenter's Kids, will practice Sunday mornings during the Sunday School opening beginning at 9:15 a.m. This group will sing for Sunday services once each month.

The Sunrise Singers, students in grades 3-7, will meet Wednesday

evenings from 5:30 to 6:15 p.m. beginning Wednesday, September 13.

(Hands-On Science will follow rehearsal for this age group, so you will again be able to participate in both choir and the science group.) The Sunrise Singers will sing approximately twice each month for Sunday and evening services.

Cathy Meyer will be directing these groups again this year. She looks forward to seeing many of you at the first rehearsal!



Children's Choir

Emmaus Staff & Worship Times

Pastors: Paul J. Nuechterlein 1909 Summit Avenue 637-0671
 Mary L. Janz 1455 Sun Valley Drive #104 633-3059
 Church Council President: Randy Sanders
 Sunday School Superintendents: Grace Falaschi & Karen Olson
 Adult Choir Director: Marsha Connet
 Youth Choirs Director: Cathy Meyer
 Organist: Joyce Kaiser
 Secretary: Paul Berge
 Custodian: Wesley Mohr
 Church Office: 634-5515

Services are held at Emmaus every Saturday evening at 5:00 and Sunday morning at 9:15 a.m. through September 3. Beginning September 10, Sunday services will be held at 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.; Saturday services will continue at 5:00 p.m. A nursery is available during the 10:30 service.

Sunday School and Adult Forum meet at 9:15 a.m. Sundays beginning September 10.

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

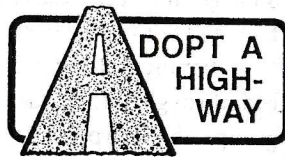
The *Visitor* is published monthly except August. The deadline for the October issue is September 15.

"O Lord, you have given me a mind, and you have given me a mouth.
 Help me keep the two connected." --Cal Tinney

Cluster Youth Group Adopts Highway

The Racine Mission Cluster Youth Council announces that the cluster youth group has adopted a stretch of Highway H between Highway K and Four Mile Road. At the Youth Council meeting on August 16, dates to plan clean-up of this stretch of road were scheduled to be

discussed. Also on the agenda was getting involved with the Habitat for Humanity.



Let's Keep In Touch!



Is there anyone in your family who is away at college or in military service?

Please provide the church office with the campus or military address of your

family member for our newsletter mailing. We want to remember them and to keep them abreast of news here at Emmaus.

We invite you also to let the office know of honors, accomplishments and promotions of our members away from home. Please let us share your good news in future issues of the *Visitor*.

Wish List

Expansion of Gift Bible Program Planned

Special donations to expand our gift Bible program would be greatly appreciated. We have budgeted for our tradition of giving gift NRSV Bibles to our 4th graders. With your help, we would like to extend that tradition to giving Bibles to our first graders.



It will be a children's edition of the brand-new Contemporary English Version translation (written on a 1st grade level). Cost of each Bible will be \$10; simply label your donation "Gift Bibles" on the memo line of the check.

Pastor Mary Leads Thursday Bible Study

St. Paul's letter to the Romans will be explored in a four-week discussion-based study to be led by Pastor Mary. The group will discuss what it means to be faithful disciples in a changing world.

The study will be held 6:45-8:00 p.m. on the following Thursday

evenings: Sept. 21 & 28 and October 12 & 19. (Note: there will be no study on Thursday October 5.)

Consider joining us as the faith comes alive in study and conversation. You will want to be a part of this important time of study, reflection and sharing together.

WELCA Bulletins

Emmaus to Host Cluster Women's Brunch

by Betty Barth

The WELCA Fall Brunch will be held at Emmaus, Saturday, September 16 at 8:30 a.m. Rev. Norman Silvester of Franksville United Methodist Church will present a humorous program on the theme "Pleasure Shared is Pleasure Magnified."

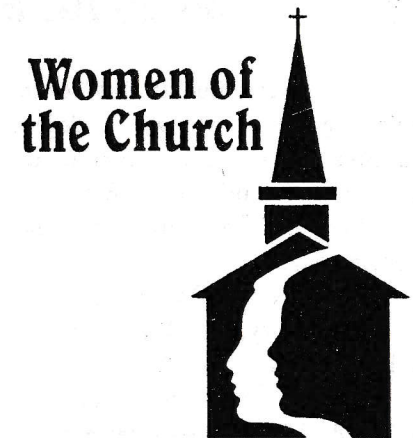
We hope you will plan to attend. Reservations can be made at circle or in the church office. Reservation deadline is Sept. 11 and the cost is \$3.50.

We also hope many of you can help us in preparing and serving the brunch to all the ELCA women from the Racine area churches.

Circle Meetings Resume

Our circles will meet in September as follows. We invite anyone who would like to join us.

Sept. 6, 1:30 p.m.: Rebecca



Circle in the Sunset Room (contact Jan Svendsen, 634-8295);

Sept. 12, 7:00 p.m.: Miriam Circle at Cathy Meyer's (contact Diane Haug, 639-8164);

Sept. 13, 9:00 a.m.: Mary Circle at Marge Zielke's (contact Kathy Christensen, 886-2151);

Make a Joyful Noise!

by Marsha
Connet

The Choir season will kick off at Emmaus on Wednesday, September 6, when the Adult Choir will begin rehearsals at 7:00



p.m. in the choir loft. Anyone interested in joining the Adult Choir is invited to attend.

No special musical training or experience is necessary, just a love of music and a desire to praise the Lord in song. If you have any questions, call Marsha Connet at 633-2047.

Thanks for Adopting Sundays

We extend our thanks to the following persons who adopted Sundays this summer as part of the debt retirement program of Emmaus:

Mary Schultz, in memory of her wedding day;

Jim & Nancy Martinsen,

Art, Nancy, Josh & Abby Smith, in honor of Pastor Mary;

Larry & Ruth Estep, in memory of Rev. & Mrs. Charles Estep and Mr.

& Mrs. William Traeger;

Her secret pal, in honor of Pastor Mary

The Emmaus Women of the ELCA, in honor of Pastor Mary

Isabelle M. Barry, in memory of Dorothy Reilly & Beatrice Traeger

As of the end of August, the current principal balance on our mortgage stands at \$228,165.98, at an annual interest rate of 8.125%.

Choral Group Formed

On June 18, 1995, a choral group called Voices and Verses was formed under the direction of Karel Suchy. Mr. Suchy has performed, composed, and directed instrumental and vocal music in southeastern Wisconsin since his arrival from Europe in 1980.

Plans are being made for the group to participate in an International Advent Sing in Vienna this December. New singers are welcome to join the group. Questions can be directed to Mr. Suchy at 553-9062.

Emmaus Kringles Complete '95 Season

Our men's softball team, the Emmaus Kringles, enjoyed a fine season of recreation and Christian fellowship. A big thanks goes out to

Ed and Joan Simon for all their efforts to organize and lead the team! Thanks, too, to Jim Palmer for hosting the year-end picnic!

CROP Walk to Aid Hungry Oct. 8

The 1995 CROP Walk to stop hunger will start from the YWCA at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 8. This event can be a five or ten kilometer walk. Sponsors of the walk include the Church World Service, Center for Community Concerns, Racine Clergy and the YWCA.

Walkers raise money for each mile they walk to help people in more than 70 countries, bringing safe water,

seeds and tools, education and a chance for a better life. A percentage of the monies raised will be allocated to the community meal programs and the food pantries in Racine.

Emmaus needs a recruiter able to attend a meeting of Racine area CROP Walk recruiters at the Center for Community concerns, 1501 Villa Street, on Thursday, Sept. 7 at 7:00 p.m.

Building & Grounds Notes

Parsonage Paint Day Slated Sept. 9

We hope to bring the parsonage painting project to a close this month, but we need your help! Our Building & Grounds crew should be able to finish the second story exterior work on the 9th. But we need a number of

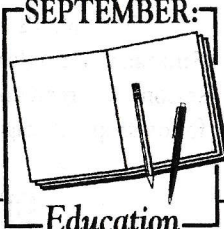
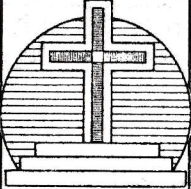
folks to join us if we are to finish the first floor and garage exteriors.

Please sign up in the narthex to let us know of your plans to help out. Work begins at 8:00 a.m. for as many hours as your can spare us. Thanks!

WANT ADS

Wanted: Wednesday Night Volunteers -- We need more folks to help with kitchen work and child supervision. If you can help with

either of these things, please contact Joy Kousek (632-0573) or one of the pastors.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
September 1995 Emmaus Lutheran Church 1925 Summit Avenue, Racine, WI 53404-2374 Phone (414) 634-5515		SEPTEMBER:  Education	WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE: 5:00-6:15 pm Supper 5:30-6:15 pm K-2nd Grade Hands-On Science 5:30-6:15 pm Sunrise Singers practice 6:15-7:00 pm 3rd-6th Grade Hands-On Science 7:00-8:15 pm Adult Choir practice		1	2 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion
3 13th Sunday After Pentecost 9:15 am TRAD. WORSHIP SERVICE with Holy Communion 10:15 am Coffee & Fellowship	4 Labor Day <i>Office closed</i>	5 9:15 am Staff meeting 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Cen. 12:00noon Capital Funds Steering Committee 7:00 pm Worship & Music Committee	6 6:30 pm Rebecca Circle 6:30 pm Youth Ministry Committee meeting 7:00 pm Adult Choir rehearsal	7 7:00 pm Cluster Council	8	9 8:00 am Parsonage Paint Day 5:00 pm Worship Service
10 RALLY DAY; 14th Sun. after Pentecost 8:00 am TRAD. WORSHIP SERVICE 9:15 am Sunday School 9:20 am Adult Forum: "Share Fair" 10:30 am TRAD. WORSHIP SERVICE 11:45 am Rally Day Picnic	11 5:00 pm Building & Grounds Committee 6:30 pm Church Council	12 9:15 am Staff meeting 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 7:00 pm Miriam Circle at Cathy M.'s 7:00 pm Alliance for Mentally Ill Candlelight Vigil mtg.	13 9:00 am Mary Circle at Marge Z.'s 9:30 am After Pastors 5:00 pm WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES RESUME 6:30 pm Meeting of 10th graders and mentors	14 Holy Cross Day 	15 9:30 am Set-up for WELCA Brunch VISITOR DEADLINE	16 8:30 am WELCA Cluster Brunch here to noon 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion
17 15th Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 & 10:30 am CHICAGO FOLK SERVICE with Holy Communion 9:15 am Sunday School 9:15 am Carpenter's Kids practice 9:20 am Adult Forum	18 6:30 pm Education Committee	19 9:30 am Cluster Clergy 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center	20 5:00 pm Wed. Night Activities 6:00 pm Confirmation small group leaders 6:45 pm 8th-9th grade confirmation with parents	21 St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist 6:45 pm Bible Study	22 6:30 pm Wedding rehearsal	23 2:00 pm Burmeister-Olle wedding 5:00 pm Worship Service
24 16th Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 & 10:30 am SERVICE OF THE WORD 9:15 am Sunday School 9:15 am Carpenter's Kids practice 9:15 am Inquirers' Class 9:20 am Adult Forum	25 6:30 pm Social Concerns Committee	26 9:15 am Staff meeting 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 6:30 pm WELCA Study Leaders 7:30 pm WELCA Board	27 5:00 pm Wed. Night Activities 6:00 pm 8th-9th grade confirmation 7:00 pm Confirmation Task Force 7:15 pm Stewardship Committee	28 6:45 pm Bible Study	29 St. Michael & All Angels 6:30 pm Wedding rehearsal	30 3:00 pm Lyden-Pekrul wedding 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion

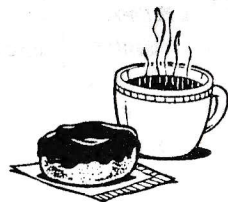
Worship Assistants

	<u>Acolytes</u>	<u>Altar Guild</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
Sep. 2 5:00 pm	—	Ruth Estep Isabelle Barry	—	—	—
Sep. 3 9:15 am	Justin Svoboda	Mildred Schroth Ginny Dougall	Team #1 M. Falaschi	Karen Sedgwick	Doris & Gene Potterville Jim & Nancy Martinsen
Sep. 10 8:00 am	Jon Cook Ryan Kreimer	—	Team #3 H. Miller	Lyle Christensen	Julia Durand David Smith
Sep. 10 10:30 am	Adam Van Nice Scott Rudey	—	Team #2 L. Andersen	Myra Nielsen	Lucille Atkinson Edith Bohn
Sep. 16 5:00 pm	—	Nancy Martinsen Anne Felton	—	—	—
Sep. 17 8:00 am	Ryan Clinton Derek Haug	Sharon Devine Cynthia Cook	Team #5 E. Potterville	Al Svendsen	Loren & Cindi Larsen
Sep. 17 10:30 am	Ken Larsen Michael Yust	Connie Bertermann Jeannette Bertram	Team #4 Ri. Christensen	Catherine Andersen	Ginny & Jim Dougall
Sep. 24 8:00 am	Jill Lynch Tom Pie	—	Team #7 J. Cook	Mildred Schroth	Linda Clinton
Sep. 24 10:30 am	Amanda Lawler Kristin Andersen	—	Team #6 H. Jensen	Fred Van Nice	Don & Dolly Orth
Sep. 30 5:00 pm	—	TBA	—	—	—
Oct. 1 8:00 am	Dave Lasko Chris Nikolai	TBA	Team #1 M. Falaschi	TBA	Bev & Chris Hansen
Oct. 1 10:30 am	John Knuteson Eric Larson	TBA	Team #8 W. Meteyard	TBA	Jerry & Denise Pipol



Altar Flowers

Sept. 3 Mary Schultz
 Sept. 10 Lee & Betty Woodward
 Sept. 17 Lee & Betty Woodward
 Sept. 24 Jan Sukus
 Oct. 1 Don & Dolly Orth



Coffee Fellowship

Please
 sign up on
 the orange sheet
 in the
 Sunset Room!



Nursery

—
 Please
 contact
 Caren Lamberton
 (639-1712)

Churchwide Assembly Elects Anderson Bishop

H. George Anderson was elected to succeed Herbert Chilstrom as bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) at its national assembly in Minneapolis, August 17-22. Rev. Anderson has been President of Luther College in Decorah, Iowa.

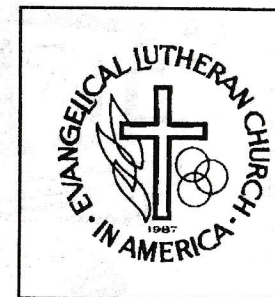
Anderson is viewed as a centrist regarding social issues currently being discussed within the Lutheran church.

"We spend a lot of time as Lutherans

on theology," he told assembly delegates. "But Jesus would ask us what have we done with the poor, the hungry, and the naked."

The Racine Mission Cluster delegate to the assembly was Rev. Blaine Johnson of Lutheran Church of the Redeemer. The next national assembly of the

ELCA will be held in 1997.



Letter:

Support for Cross Lutheran Appreciated

Dear Sisters and Brothers of the Greater Milwaukee Synod Congregations:

What a beautiful, generous, loving gesture -- to designate the 1995 Synod Gathering offerings for the rebuilding of Cross Church! Then on top of that, some 50 congregations in the Synod have sent offerings on their own!

There is no way that we can adequately thank you for such solidarity and generosity. But on behalf of the members of Cross, as well as the community people who depend upon Cross Church as a sign of hope and sanity and life in a sea of hopelessness, insanity, and death, I want to express our profound thanks for such extraordinary support. Suddenly all those "invisible" brothers

and sisters in Christ have become wonderfully visible.

Jean Guenther, Vice President of the synod, joins me in thanking all of you for your support (not only for Cross Church, but for urban ministry) and in asking you for your continuing prayers and financial support.

In the joy of partnership in the Gospel,

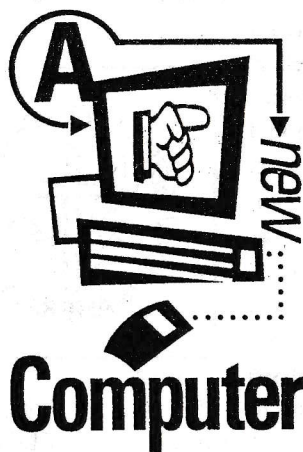
Joseph W. Ellwanger, Pastor
 Cross Lutheran Church,
 Milwaukee

Editor's Note: A portion of Lenten offerings given to Emmaus this year were forwarded to Cross Lutheran Church, which was badly damaged by fire in February.

Laptop Computer Donated

Thanks to a generous gift designated for a laptop computer, that purchase has now been made. The Dell computer, which is compatible with the computer in the main church office, will be used primarily by Pastor Mary and by the treasurer of the congregation.

The computer is very compact and lightweight, and can be easily carried and used anywhere. Because of that feature, Pastor Mary says, "I will now be able to save a step in all of my sermon preparation and other writing,



(which I always do at home in order to avoid interruption). I appreciate the added flexibility the new computer will give to me and those sharing it with me. A big thank you to the individuals who have made this possible through their gift of money!"

For you computer buffs, the specs are: 486 100MHz processor, dual color display, 8 Mb RAM, 420 Mb hard drive, and 14.4 Kb FAX/modem.

Coming in October -- Mark Your Calendar Now!

October 1995						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

- Sun., Oct. 8: Presentation of Bibles; CROP Walk
- Sun., Oct. 15: Pink Ribbon Sunday (Breast Cancer Awareness)
- Sun., Oct. 22: Children's Sabbath and Aebelskiver Breakfast
- Sun., Oct. 29: Reformation Sunday Festival Service; Confirmation 10:30 am

Thank You To VBS Helpers

Thank you to all who helped make our Vacation Bible School a success! There were donations of camperships, snacks, and dinners for the Lutherdale counselors. Joy Kousek taught the pre-school class with able

help from Pat Torine and Jennifer Olson. Ellen Nuechterlein coordinated all these efforts.

A big thank you to everyone for such great team work!

Congregational Life

Tables of Eight Offers Opportunity for Fellowship

"Tables of Eight" is a perfect opportunity to renew old friendships and make new ones over dinner and conversation. Singles and couples are welcome for this once-a-month evening of good food and great company.

Sign up with a spouse or a friend (or, simply sign up as a single and you will be paired with another person) for the four meals on the second Sunday of the month. The dates are Oct. 8, Nov. 12, Jan. 14, Feb. 11. If you don't want to make a commitment to all four, simply sign up as a substitute.

How does Tables of Eight work? For one of the four dinners, you and your partner will host the meal and provide a main course. Six other people will join you -- your guests will

provide salad and rolls, a vegetable and dessert. You and your partner will



dine with **different** people each month and everyone will have a turn to host as well as to rotate with the other courses.

Have questions? Ask Pastor Mary, Ellen Nuechterlein or Betty Barth for more details. Sign up **now** in the narthex to reserve your place at a Table of Eight.

Wednesday Night at Emmaus Events Schedule

5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30
Supper (Fellowship Hall)							
	K-2nd Grade Hands-On Science (FH)	3rd-6th Grade Hands-On Science (FH)					
	Sonrise Singers practice (Choir loft)			Adult Choir rehearsal (Choir loft)			
	Children's Time (Children's Library)						
		8th-9th Grade Confirmation					
	Single Parents' Group (Fireside Room; first Wednesday of month)						

Emmaus Senior Fellowship Center

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

Director: Glenn Olson

The center opens at 10:00 a.m. with coffee
Programs begin at 10:30 a.m.

PROGRAMS FOR SEPTEMBER:

Sept. 5 10:00 a.m. Coffee & Conversation
10:30 a.m. Memories of School
11:45 a.m. Devotions
12:00 noon Lunch
1:00 p.m. Social activities

Sept. 12 10:00 a.m. Coffee & Conversation
10:30 a.m. Hollywood Children
11:45 a.m. Devotions
12:00 noon Lunch
1:00 p.m. Social activities

Sept. 19 10:00 a.m. Coffee & Conversation
10:30 a.m. VCR (film to be announced)
11:45 a.m. Devotions
12:00 noon Lunch
1:00 p.m. Social activities

Sept. 26 10:00 a.m. Coffee & Conversation
10:30 a.m. Film: *How Far Home*
11:45 a.m. Devotions
12:00 noon Birthday Lunch
1:00 p.m. Social activities



September Birthdays - 70 Years and Onward

Sept. 1	Bob Christensen	221 William Street	53402
Sept. 2	Gerry Dykstra	1521 Summit Avenue	53404
Sept. 5	Mary Schultz	222 88th Street, Sturtevant	53177
Sept. 5	Marian Bower	5926 Douglas Avenue, #6	53402
Sept. 9	Meta Haanstad	3340 Fourth Avenue	53402
Sept. 10	Catherine Miller	2705 James Boulevard	53403
Sept. 19	Lucille Dudek	3900 N. Main Street #215	53402
Sept. 27	Ella Nielsen	3321 Fourth Avenue	53402

AIDS Walk Wisconsin Takes Place September 17

Registration forms are available now at retail establishments such as Kohl's Food Stores and Walgreens for the Wisconsin AIDS Walk on Sunday, September 17. The 10-kilometer walk begins at the Summerfest Grounds on Milwaukee's lakefront at noon. After sending in their registration forms, walkers will receive Walk Sponsor forms to collect pledges for each kilometer walked; collected money should be brought to the Summerfest grounds at the time of the walk.

Last year, 8,500 walkers raised \$570,000 to provide essential financial support for important AIDS prevention, early intervention and research programs in Wisconsin. Organizers of the walk anticipate that

all records in participation and fund raising will be shattered in 1995.

This year's honorary co-chairs of the AIDS Walk are Vice President Al Gore and Tipper Gore. The schedule for the walk begins with a breakfast at the Italian Community Center at 9:30 a.m. (call 1-800-348-WALK for ticket



information), followed by sign-in and opening activities at 10:30 a.m. Opening Ceremonies at noon lead into the Walk itself at 12:30, and the day concludes with grand celebrations at 4:00 p.m.

Seminary to Host Conference

Ventures in Vocation, a conference for college students and second career persons exploring service in pastoral or lay ministry in the Church, will be offered October 15-16

at Luther Seminary in St. Paul, Minnesota. For more information, call the Admissions Office at Luther Seminary at 1-800-LUTHER-3.

Gethsemane Invites Crafters

Gethsemane Lutheran Church will be hosting a craft fair to be held during West Racine's Christmas Open House on Saturday, November 18, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. They are being joined this year by Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, and extend an invitation to anyone else who may be interested in displaying

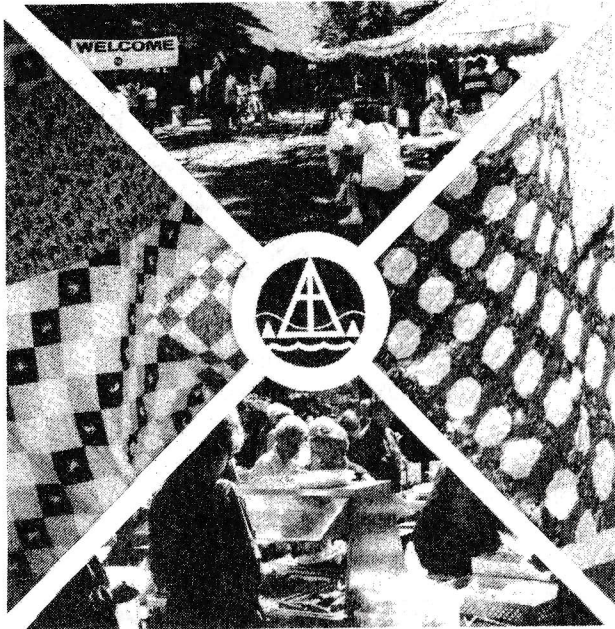
their crafts.

There is no table fee, but 15% of the money taken in will be collected and donated to the Women's Resource Center. If you would like to reserve a spot or need more information, contact Ann Larsen at 634-2331 weekdays, or at 835-0090 evenings.

A COMING EVENT FOR OUR AAL BRANCH

A Benefit for Lutherdale

Q
U
I
L
T



A
U
C
T
I
O
N

LUTHERDALE FEST '95

Saturday, September 9, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

8 a.m. Quilt Preview
 9 a.m. AUCTION of Quilts/ Comforters/ Wall hangings
 11 a.m. PIG ROAST: Pork Sandwiches/ Brats/ Hot Dogs
Adults \$5.50 - Children \$3.25

Snack Shop * Bakery/Preserves Sale *** Arts 'n' Crafts Sale**

Pontoon Boat Rides * Free Door Prizes *** Shuttle Service**

Quilt Preview Friday (10 a.m. - 4 p.m.)

N7891 U.S. HWY 12
 ELKHORN, WI 53121



AID ASSOCIATION FOR LUTHERANS

414-742-2352
 8 miles North of Elkhorn

Pastor Mary's Page

THANK YOU!

- ▶ A flannel night shirt (bedecked with angels and complete with a clerical collar in case a certain pastor might oversleep)...
- ▶ A bathtub filled with 53 goldfish (50 representing years on earth and 3 for a blessing)...
- ▶ Bouquets of daisies (my favorite flower)...
- ▶ A dynamite candle (that refused to be blown out)...
- ▶ And many dear friends (from as near as Racine and as far as Minnesota, South Dakota, New Jersey, Virginia and Japan).

What do all of the above have in common? All were a part of a birthday weekend full of celebration and surprises.

Wow! And here I thought that laughing with kids from my childhood neighborhood and playing pin the tail on the donkey and blowing out a handful of candles atop my lemon-filled birthday cake were memories that couldn't be topped! But, thanks to so many Emmaus friends, I have to admit that the celebration of my 50th birthday went far above and beyond anything I had ever experienced. You outdid yourselves in the planning and generosity and outpouring of fun, food and fellowship for my birthday. Thank you!

I dare not list names, because I don't know how many of you were involved. What I do want you to know is how much I appreciate **all of you** -- those of you who were able to directly participate in the birthday celebration and those of you who didn't or couldn't for whatever reason.



As I enter this new decade, I frequently find myself pausing to reflect. And, so often I have reflected on the abundance of blessings I receive in this community of faith. You have given me gifts far beyond the generous gifts of money and special moments (thank you for all that, too); those are the gifts of your prayers, your support and encouragement, your love and your partnership in the ministry of this church. I thank God for you and pray that we together can continue to celebrate life and to reflect Christ's love throughout the world.

In thanksgiving and love,

Pastor Mary

Adult Forum

Adult Forum meets on Sundays from 9:20 to 10:10 a.m. following coffee fellowship in the Sunset Room on the main floor. All adults are welcome.

- Sept. 10 **Share Fair:** There will be a special coffee hour in the Fellowship Hall with numerous displays to help you sign up and be part of things.
- Sept. 17 **TBA**
- Sept. 24 **Dean Petersen**, chaplain at Carthage College, will give a presentation on what's happening at Carthage, a Lutheran college in Kenosha.

"I Live Alone, Dear Lord"

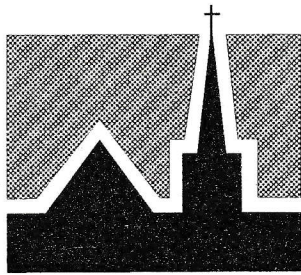
by Marie Middleton (submitted by Twyla Jaekel)

I live alone, Dear Lord; stay by my side.
In all my daily needs be Thou my
guide.
Grant me good health, for that I pray,
To carry on my work from day to day.
Keep pure my thoughts, my every deed;
Let me be kind, unselfish to my
neighbors' need.
If accident or sickness should me befall

Then humbly Lord, I pray, hear Thou
my call.
And when I'm feeling low or in
despair,
Lift up my heart and hear me in my
prayer.
I live alone, Dear Lord, yet have no
fear
Because I feel Thy presence ever near.

Emmaus Lutheran Church
1925 Summit Avenue
Racine, WI 53404

Non-Profit Org
U.S. Postage
PAID
Racine, WI
Permit No. 137



EMMAUS VISITOR

October, 1995

"A Safe Harbor"

Emmaus Lutheran Church 634-5515 1925 Summit Avenue

Join Us in the CROP Walk, October 8

by Cathy Knuteson

On October 8, 1995, Racine will hold its 17th annual CROP Walk. Last year, over 250 walkers raised \$15,000 for the hungry. \$3,075.00 (25%) of that amount stayed in Racine to help our area food pantries.

Unfortunately, more and more single adults and families with children find themselves in need of food. Through participating in the CROP Walk, you help end hunger in our community and the world.

If you are interested in



obtaining pledges and walking, contact Nancy Martinsen. If you are interested in sponsoring a walker, watch for the sign-up sheets in the narthex. You can make a difference!

Pastoral Acts

Weddings:

Aug. 26, 1995 Patricia Debish &
Daniel Haas
Sept. 23, 1995 Pamela Burmeister
& Ralph Olle
Sept. 30, 1995 Mary Lyden &
Richard Pekrul

Pastor Mary co-officiated with Father Brian Holbus at the wedding of Katy Debish and Dan Haas at St. Therese Church in Kenosha. Dan is the son of Art and Diane Rode. The couple plans to live in Stevens Point, where Dan



will be an announcer for WSPT radio.

Pam Burmeister, daughter of Karen Burmeister and the late Gene Burmeister, was married to Ralph Olle of Sturtevant at Emmaus. Pastor Paul officiated at the wedding.

Pastors Mary Janz and Michael Peck co-officiated at the wedding of Mary Lyden and Richard Pekrul; Rev. Peck is the grandson of former Emmaus pastor Rev. Thorvald Hansen. The couple resides in Hawaii.

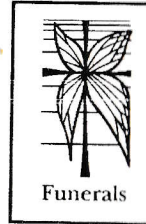
Funerals:

Sep. 5, 1995 Harold Wiley
Sep. 25, 1995 Shirley Scheel Psiones

Harold Wiley, father of Judy Yorgan, passed away on September 2. A salesman, amateur photographer and skilled handyman, Mr. Wiley is survived by his wife, Leone, three sons, and three daughters.

During her lifelong membership here, Emmaus has been blessed through Shirley Psiones' talents in the Adult Choir and her efforts as a member of the Mary Circle. Her artistic talent graced many a poster and worship bulletin here. Survivors include her husband, John, daughter Julie Field, and cousin Beverly Johnson.

We extend our Christian sympathy to Brian Roosa on the death of his mother, Vera Peterson Roosa, on Sept. 9. Mrs. Roosa, a member of St. John the Divine Episcopal Church in Burlington, is also survived by her husband, Floyd Roosa, and their daughter, Jean Olsen.



REST Begins Third Year of Help to Homeless

The REST (Racine Emergency Shelter Taskforce) program is getting underway for the 1995-96 season beginning at Emmaus with the first Friday of October. Emmaus provides a safe place for the homeless of Racine to sleep every Friday night from October through April. We share the responsibility for providing volunteers to staff the site from 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. with Community Christian Church.



Homeless Shelter

Participating in this program is an important part of our community outreach effort as we extend our Christian hospitality to those in need of shelter. Please consider becoming an active supporter of this program through donating time, financial assistance, and prayers.

Jim Palmer coordinates the program at Emmaus and has been a committed and enthusiastic volunteer over the last two years. If you are interested in helping, please contact Jim.

The shifts and duties are as follows: First shift (6:30-9:30 p.m.) registers guests, sets up mats, prepares a light meal (there is no community meal program on Friday nights).

Second shift (9:30 p.m.-5:30 a.m.) registers any late-comers (who must be in no later than 10:00 unless brought in by a police agency), assists guests as needed, and answers the phone.

Third shift (5:30-7:30 a.m.) makes and serves light breakfast, assists

guests in leaving (guests clean their own mats), stores laundry in the closet, takes out garbage, and leaves the kitchen and bathrooms clean.

We need three people for the first shift, two people for the second, and two or three for the third shift.

Last year, several very committed members of Emmaus gave generously of their time and energy through volunteering frequently. Because this level of commitment caused some volunteers to feel burned out, we want to increase our pool of volunteers this year.

Please consider helping with one or two shifts throughout the year...we will help you feel comfortable with shift responsibilities. The guests are really nice people who find themselves in situations resulting in having to call the street "home." Through our program, these men, women and children have a safe, dry and warm place to stay until they are able to find more permanent housing. Please call Jim Palmer at 681-2363 today and ask how you can help.

Thanks to Chester Meyer for Shelves

A special thank you to Chester Meyer for building the new shelves for the R.E.S.T. program storage area. They were much needed and much appreciated. Thanks. -- Jim Palmer

Memorials

Dedicated Memorials: Christmas

In memory of Harold F. Wiley: \$280.00

Council Tables Communion Proposal

by Kathy Christensen

Chris Olson is the new Youth Ministry council representative.

The Capital Funds Steering Committee has met with a representative from a fund-raising firm and will be making a recommendation to the Council.

The Confirmation Task Force is holding meetings to look over new confirmation materials.

Cottage meeting reports will be compiled by the Executive Committee of the Council. An Adult Forum in October will be an opportunity to discuss the summary.

A motion was approved to have Advance Heating come in and turn on the boiler and also to check the building to ensure our heating system will function properly.

The First Communion Policy proposal was presented to the Council for approval. A motion was passed to table the vote until the congregation has responded to a request for concerns or questions people might have regarding this important proposal. Any member of the Church Council or the Worship & Music Committee can be approached with responses.

A motion was passed that up to

\$200 of Lutheran Brotherhood matching funds be allocated to the Emmaus WELCA to be used for scholarships to help women attend the WELCA national convention in Minneapolis next July.

Building & Grounds Notes

Paint Day Scheduled

A paint day for the parsonage has been scheduled for October 7. Work will start at 8:00 a.m.

Thank you to Vern Peterson, Loren Larsen and Al Beck for their help on paint day in September! Thanks, too, to Vic Johnson for painting all the parsonage screens and storm windows over the past several months!

Congregational Life

Tables of Eight Postponed

Tables of Eight will begin in November rather than October.

Sign up in the narthex with a spouse or a friend (or sign up as a single and be paired with another person) for four meals on the second Sunday of the month. For each meal, a host couple will provide the main course, and the three guest couples will bring salad and rolls, a vegetable and a dessert.

See Pastor Mary, Ellen Nuechterlein or Betty Barth for details.

10th Graders to Be Confirmed Oct. 29

Emmaus Tenth Graders have been meeting with their mentors since mid-September in final preparation for



CONFIRMATION

the rite of confirmation at the 10:30 service on Sunday, Oct. 29. Confirmands and mentors have been discussing faith as it relates to our everyday lives with family and friends, and the choices we make in life.

The following tenth graders are completing their preparation to publicly affirm their baptism:

Ryan Halsey
Brad Kousek
Chris Pearson
Adam Pechman
David Rudey
Josh Sanders
Adam Schultz
Ryan Sedgwick
Eric Toslek

Our thanks to Gregg Albright, Al Beck, John Cook, Bill Irvine, John Liesch, Chris Olson, Glenn Olson, Steen Stricker, and Lyle Zielke for serving as mentors to this year's group of confirmands!

Emmaus Staff & Worship Times

PASTORS: Mary L. Janz 1455 Sun Valley Drive #104 633-3059
Paul J. Nuechterlein 1909 Summit Avenue 637-0671

Church Council President: Randy Sanders

Sunday School Superintendents: Grace Falaschi & Karen Olson

Adult Choir Director: Marsha Connet

Youth Choirs Director: Cathy Meyer

Organist: Joyce Kaiser

Senior Fellowship Center Director: Glenn Olson

Secretary: Paul Berge

Custodian: Wesley Mohr

Church office: 634-5515

Services are held at Emmaus every Saturday evening at 5:00 and Sunday morning at 8:00 and 10:30. Sunday School and Adult Forum meet between services 9:15 a.m. A nursery is available during the 10:30 service.

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

The *Visitor* is published monthly except August. The deadline for the November issue is October 15.

City Youth Group Plans Road Rally

Believers In Christ (BIC), the Emmaus senior high youth group, has a busy month planned for October!

Look for the sign-up sheet for the CROP Walk! All youth in grades 6-12 are encouraged to find sponsors and to join the Racine Christian Youth Organization (RCYO--formerly the Cluster Youth) in the Walk, Oct. 8.

October 15, RCYO will sponsor a Road Rally. Each team of 2-4 youth plus a driver (who must be at least 21) will be given a set of general instructions and a set of directions giving clues, hints, and--yes--misdirections as to the route to drive.

Starting times for the road rally will be staggered, beginning at 4:00 p.m., so that everyone has an equal chance to make the same mistakes. Points will be awarded for driving the course in the correct (that is, *safe*) time

and for correct answers to the questions in the rally clues. No special equipment other than a car and a licensed driver is needed; a city map is recommended, however.

Pre-Confirmation Breakfast

The Senior High Forum extends an invitation to all 1995 year confirmands to attend a pre-confirmation breakfast. Watch for this breakfast to be scheduled later this month.

Coming up next month: RCYO is planning to sponsor a dance on Nov. 18 at 7:00 p.m., and BIC will be serving at the Thanksgiving Eve Pie Social at Emmaus on Nov. 22. Anyone wishing to bake a pie for the pie social, please place your name on the pie social list. We need 12-15 pies for Thanksgiving Eve. Thank you!

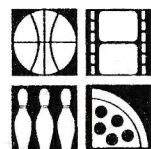
Middle School News

Survey Reveals Popular Activities

by Pat Liesch

In case you wanted to know-- Here's the results of your Middle School survey, taken at Rally Day:

Lock-Ins, swim parties, Peppermint Gym, roller skating, movies, horseback riding, pizza parties and ice skating ranked the highest. We'll be making plans for the year soon.



ACTIVITIES

grades 6-12.

Watch for a calendar of activities next month!

A swim and pizza party is being planned sometime in November at the YMCA. This event will be open to all kids in

Gift Bibles October 8

We are planning an expansion of our Gift Bible program at Emmaus. In recent years, we have given an NRSV Bible to each fourth grade student with his/her name imprinted on the front cover. This year, when we present Bibles during worship on Oct. 8, we will begin an expanded program that will also present an Illustrated Bible for children in the brand new Contemporary English Version. This is an actual translation of the entire biblical text made especially for children, and not a paraphrase or children's bible story book.

In subsequent years, these CEV Bibles will be given to first graders; this year, we need to give them to second and third graders, too, so that all children above first grade will have received a gift Bible from Emmaus.

You can help with the cost! To offset the congregational cost of expanding the gift Bible program this year (we budgeted for only the 4th grade Bibles), you are invited to donate the cost of these books.

The Bibles are \$10.00 each. If you would like to donate one or more copies of THE CONTEMPORARY ENGLISH VERSION BIBLE, please fill out the form below, and place it with your payment in the offering plate, or drop it off at or mail it to the church office.

.....
_____ Yes, I/we would like to donate _____ copy/copies of THE CONTEMPORARY ENGLISH VERSION BIBLE:

Name of donor(s): _____

Phone: _____ Enclosed: \$ _____

Sunday School Sentinel

Emmaus Lutheran Church
October, 1995

Sunday School Teachers Installed

Sunday School teachers were installed at both services on Sept. 24. We thank each and every one of the following for accepting the call to teach our children the love of God.

3-year-olds: Joy Kousek

4-year-olds: Barb Toslek

Susan Page

Kindergarten: Caren Lambertson

1st Grade: Kelley Toslek

2nd Grade: Pat LeRoux-Sodke

3rd Grade: Sharon Devine

Ellen Nuechterlein

4th Grade: Irene Pechman

5th Grade: Vicki Steger

6th Grade: Chris Olson

7th-8th Grade: Rotation of parents

High School: Sandy Strini

Superintendents: Grace Falaschi

Karen Olson

Treasurer: Linda Meteyard

Carpenter's Kids Choir: Cathy Meyer

2nd Week Offerings Help Food Pantry

On the second Sunday of each month, students are encouraged to bring canned food or another non-perishable food item along with their cash offering. All offerings that Sunday will go to the Northside Food Pantry to help those less

fortunate than ourselves.

Offerings on other Sundays go toward the purchase of classroom supplies and to Suriyati, the Indonesian child we sponsor through Christian Children's Fund.

WELCA Bulletins

Æbleskiver Brunch Slated for Oct. 22

Mark your calendar for October 22. WELCA and Congregational Life Committee will be serving an Æbleskiver Brunch after both services. We need people to help prepare, cook, and clean up. Sign-up sheets are in the narthex for workers (or contact Betty Barth at 639-7894) and also for reservations to attend the brunch. Reservations may also be called in to the church office (634-5515).

Æbleskiver (pronounced able-skeever) is a rich, delectable Danish doughnut-hole-like pancake. Some say they're best with jam or jelly, others with apple sauce and others with syrup. You decide. The menu will also include juice, sausages, coffee, tea and milk. The suggested donations are \$3.00 for adults, \$1.50 for children. Money raised at the brunch will go toward the WELCA scholarship fund and Children's Sabbath fund, and will be matched by Lutheran Brotherhood Branch #8013.

Lutheran Brotherhood Gift

Emmaus WELCA acknowledges

with thanks the receipt of \$400.00 from Lutheran Brotherhood Racine Branch #8013, to reimburse us for the purchase of fabrics to make the bibs for Lincoln Lutheran Home and the quilts that we make for Lutheran World Relief.

Kitchen to Be Rewired

The Board of the Emmaus Women of the ELCA voted unanimously at its September meeting to contribute up to \$1,780 for the first phase of kitchen renovation. That phase will include some rewiring, in an effort to lessen the problem of frequently tripping circuit breakers.

In addition, new overhead fluorescent lights will be installed in the kitchen area. The monies come from WELCA project funds designated for updating the kitchen. Longer range plans include additional work, including the eventual installation of a commercial dishwasher. Some memorial money and special gifts have already been designated as seed money for those future projects; the entire project is expected to cost an estimated \$15,000.



"Where God has put a period, do not change it to a question mark."

--T. J. Bach

Lutheran World Relief Calls for School & Health Kits

by Cathy Knuteson

The train is coming on October 21 to load the Racine area donations of school and health kits, blankets and quilts, sewing kits and men's and children's clothing. Millions of people overseas continue to have need for aid

School Kits

For children whose lives have been disrupted by war or some other disaster, receiving a school kit is a sign that someone far away cares. Adults in literacy classes appreciate the supplies needed to learn to read and write.

Each school kit is to contain the following items:

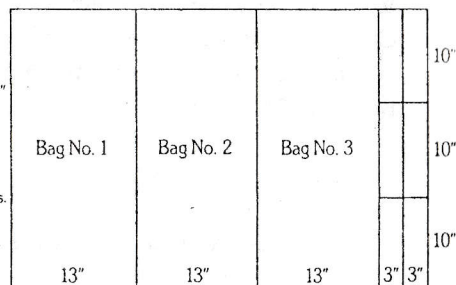
- ▣ Pads or notebooks of ruled paper approximately 8 1/2 by 11 inches containing 100-150 sheets of paper.
- ▣ One blunt scissors. The "safety" scissors with imbedded steel blades is an excellent choice.
- ▣ One 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other.
- ▣ One pencil sharpener.
- ▣ Six new pencils with erasers.
- ▣ One eraser approximately 2 1/2 inches long.
- ▣ 12 sheets of construction paper in assorted colors.
- ▣ One box of 8, 16 or 24 crayons.
- ▣ One cloth bag approximately 12 by 14 inches with cloth handles.

Pack all the items in the bag, fold the handles over and secure with two large rubber bands, if you wish.

Here is a "no waste" pattern for three cloth bags with handles made from a piece of sturdy fabric 30 by 45 inches. The seam allowance is 1/2 inch.



Sew slim panels into tubes. Cut into three pieces for six handles.



Health Kits

Clean hands, good grooming, bright and shining smiles—you can help bring them about through the gift of health kits.

Each kit is to contain the following items:

- ▣ One hand towel.
- ▣ One washcloth.
- ▣ One bath-size bar of any brand of soap.
- ▣ One toothbrush.
- ▣ One tube of toothpaste, 5-7 ounces.
- ▣ One comb.
- ▣ One metal nail file, or nail clippers with file attached.
- ▣ Six Band-Aids, preferably 1/2 to 3/4 inches.

Wrap all the smaller items in the towel or pack in a zip lock plastic bag. Tie securely with ribbons or yarn.

and assistance.

Boxes for donated items are located in the narthex. \$5.00 will purchase a blanket and can be donated through the church office.

Below are the materials for school and health kits.



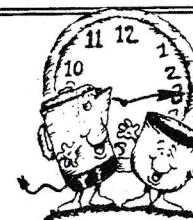
Worship Assistants

	<u>Acolytes</u>	<u>Altar Guild</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
Oct. 1	Dave Lasko	Jo Baggesen	Team #1	Cathy	Bev & Chris
8:00 am	Chris Nikolai	Bev Hansen	M. Falaschi	Meyer	Hansen
Oct. 1	John Knuteson	Pat Jensen	Team #8	Jerry	Jerry & Denise
10:30 am	Eric Larson	Julie Christensen	W. Meteyard	Hiersemann	Pipol
Oct. 8	Jason Meteyard	—	Team #3	Hans	Cheryl Dexter
8:00 am	Sam Falaschi	—	H. Miller	Jepsen	Betty Barth
Oct. 8	Justin Svoboda	—	Team #10	Karen	Audrey & Ralph
10:30 am	Eric Moore	—	Ro. Christensen	Sedgwick	Rasmussen
Oct. 14	—	Ruth Estep	—	—	—
5:00 pm	—	Isabelle Barry	—	—	—
Oct. 15	Brad Falaschi	Linda Meteyard	Team #5	Randy	John & Kathy
8:00 am	Kevin Meteyard	Helen Mickelson	G. Potterville	Sanders	Cook
Oct. 15	Ken Larsen	Evelyn Larsen	Team #2	Ginny	Al & June
10:30 am	Adam Van Nice	Marge Jensen	L. Andersen	Dougall	Beck
Oct. 22	Ryan Kreimer	—	Team #7	Nancy	Lyle & Bill
8:00 am	Jon Cook	—	John Cook	Martinsen	Christensen
Oct. 22	Scott Rudey	—	Team #4	Kathy	Sandy & Chad
10:30 am	Matthew Leisch	—	Ri. Christensen	Christensen	Strini
Oct. 29	Dave Lasko	—	Team #1	Eileen	Peter & Susan
8:00 am	Chris Nikolai	—	M. Falaschi	Olson	Bayer
Oct. 29	Tom Pie	—	Team #6	Amy	Tim Van Berg
10:30 am	Jill Lynch	—	H. Jensen	Larsen	Hans Hill
	Matt Liesch	—			



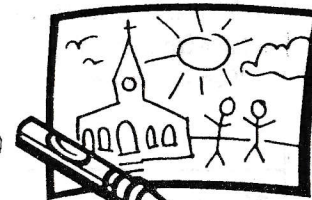
Altar Flowers

Oct. 1	Don & Dolly Orth
Oct. 8	Jess & Karen Sedgwick
Oct. 15	Ed & Joan Simon
Oct. 22	Lyle Christensen
Oct. 29	Amy Larsen



Coffee Fellowship

Pat Jensen
Marilyn McGinnis
TBA
TBA
TBA
TBA





Nursery

TBA
TBA
TBA
TBA
TBA

"Attempt something so great for God that it is doomed to failure unless God be in it."

--Randy Pope

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY																																																	
1 17th Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 & 10:30 am TRAD. WORSHIP SERVICE with Holy Communion 9:15 am Sunday School 9:15 am Carpenter's Kids practice 9:20 am Adult Forum: Shepherds 9:20 am Inquiry Class	2  OCTOBER: Outreach	3 9:15 am Staff meeting 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 2:00 pm Aebleskiver planning meeting 7:00 pm Worship & Music committee	4 9:00 am Mary Circle at Bev. J.'s 1:30 pm Rebecca Circle 5:00 pm Wednesday Night Activities 5:45 pm Single Parents group 6:15 pm 8th-9th Grade confirmation 7:00 pm Youth Committee	5 5:00 pm Community Meal at St. Pat's	6 6:30 pm Schilcher-Lasko rehearsal 7:00 pm R.E.S.T.	7 8:00 am Paint Day at parsonage 3:30 pm Schilcher-Lasko wedding 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion																																																	
8 18th Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 & 10:30 am TRAD. SERVICE ; presentation of Bibles at 10:30 service 9:15 am Sunday School 9:15 am Carpenter's Kids practice 9:20 am Open meeting on First Communion policy 12:30 pm CROP Walk registration	9 Columbus Day 5:00 pm Building & Grounds committee 6:30 pm Church Council	10 9:15 am Staff meeting 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 6:30 pm Deacons meeting 7:00 pm Miriam Circle at Cindi L.'s	11 5:00 pm Wednesday Night Activities 6:15 pm 8th-9th grade confirmation	12 6:45 pm Bible Study	13 7:00 pm R.E.S.T.	14 5:00 pm Worship Service																																																	
15 Pink Ribbon Sunday; 19th Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 & 10:30 am CHICAGO FOLK SERVICE with Holy Communion 9:15 am Sunday School 9:15 am Carpenter's Kids practice 9:20 am Adult Forum: Breast Cancer Awareness 9:20 am Inquiry Class 4:00 pm Racine Youth Road Rally	16 6:30 pm Education Committee	17 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center	18 St. Luke, Evangelist 5:00 pm Wednesday Night Activities 6:15 pm 8th-9th grade confirmation	19 6:45 pm Bible Study	20 7:00 pm R.E.S.T.	21 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion																																																	
	<i>Synod Theological Conference at Green Lake, Wis.</i>																																																						
22 Children's Sabbath; 20th Sun. after Pent. 8:00 & 10:30 am WORSHIP SERVICE 9:15 & 11:45 am Aebleskiver brunch 9:15 am Carpenter's Kids 9:20 am Adult Forum	23 6:30 pm Stewardship Committee 6:30 pm Social Concerns Committee	24 9:15 am Staff meeting 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 6:30 pm WELCA Study Leaders 7:30 pm WELCA Board	25 5:00 pm Wednesday Night Activities 6:15 pm 8th-9th grade confirmation 7:15 pm Confirmation Task Force	26	27 7:00 pm R.E.S.T.	28 Pastor Nuechterlein at Milwaukee Diocese Leadership Training 5:00 pm Worship Service																																																	
29 Reformation Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 am WORSHIP SERVICE ; Rite of Confirmation at 10:30 service 9:15 am Pre-confirmation breakfast 9:15 am Sunday School 9:15 am Carpenter's Kids practice 9:20 am Adult Forum: '95 Cottage meetings	30	31 Reformation Day 9:15 am Staff meeting 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 	WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE: 5:00-6:15 pm Supper 5:30-6:15 pm K-2nd Grade Hands-On Science 5:30-6:15 pm Sunrise Singers practice 6:15-7:15 pm 8th-9th Grade confirmation class 6:15-7:00 pm 3rd-6th Grade Hands-On Science 7:00-8:15 pm Adult Choir practice		<table border="1" data-bbox="1470 1144 1690 1364"> <tr><th colspan="7">November 1995</th></tr> <tr><th>S</th><th>M</th><th>T</th><th>W</th><th>T</th><th>F</th><th>S</th></tr> <tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>3</td><td>4</td></tr> <tr><td>5</td><td>6</td><td>7</td><td>8</td><td>9</td><td>10</td><td>11</td></tr> <tr><td>12</td><td>13</td><td>14</td><td>15</td><td>16</td><td>17</td><td>18</td></tr> <tr><td>19</td><td>20</td><td>21</td><td>22</td><td>23</td><td>24</td><td>25</td></tr> <tr><td>26</td><td>27</td><td>28</td><td>29</td><td>30</td><td></td><td></td></tr> </table>		November 1995							S	M	T	W	T	F	S				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30		
		November 1995																																																					
S	M	T	W	T	F	S																																																	
			1	2	3	4																																																	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11																																																	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18																																																	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25																																																	
26	27	28	29	30																																																			
					October, 1995 Emmaus Lutheran Church 1925 Summit Avenue Racine, Wisconsin 53404 Phone (414) 634-5515																																																		

Adult Forum

Adult Forum meets on Sundays from 9:20 to 10:10 a.m. following coffee fellowship in the Sunset Room on the main floor. All adults are welcome.

- Oct. 1 **Shepherds Group Home** – Joe Feest will give a presentation on behalf of Shepherds Group Home in Union Grove.
- Oct. 8 **Open Meeting** on proposed First Communion policy.
- Oct. 15 **Breast Cancer Awareness:** Mrs. Joy Kousek
- Oct. 22 **Children's Sabbath;** Aebleskiver Brunch
- Oct. 29 Discussion of the **summer cottage meetings.**

Scofflaws Have Until October 29

Did you know that it is **illegal** in the state of Wisconsin for businesses not to set their workplace clocks ahead to Daylight Savings Time in the spring? If you are a Wisconsin employer, and you have not set your clocks ahead to Daylight Savings Time this year, time is running out to comply with the law!

At 2:00 on the morning of Sunday, Oct. 29, all of us citizens who have been patriotically complying with the law will be setting our clocks back one hour, giving ourselves an extra

hour of sleep before church in the morning. In the meantime, those who have been violating the Daylight Savings Time Uniformity Act will be lying awake all night wondering if the state Department of Industry, Labor and Human Relations will burst in with a last-minute raid.



Emmaus Attendance Statistics

Average Weekly Attendance, Sept.:	1993: 202	1994: 196	1995: 207
Average Weekly Attendance, Oct.:	1993: 228	1994: 219	



Financial Statistics

Offerings received in August:	\$13,582.60
Needed monthly for '95 budget:	\$17,801.59
Total received as of 8/27/1995:	\$134,478.67
Total budgeted as of 8/27/1995:	\$139,674.04

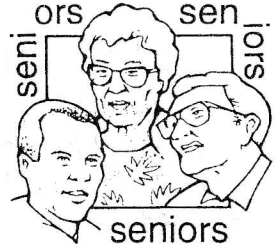
Emmaus Senior Fellowship Center

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

Director: Glenn Olson

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

Programs begin at 10:30 a.m.



PROGRAMS FOR OCTOBER:

- Oct. 3 10:00 a.m. Coffee & conversation
10:30 a.m. On the Road with Al & June
11:45 a.m. Devotions
12:00 noon Lunch
1:00 p.m. Social activities
- Oct. 10 10:00 a.m. Coffee & conversation
10:30 a.m. Movie: *Hollywood Children*
11:45 a.m. Devotions
12:00 noon Lunch
1:00 p.m. Social activities
- Oct. 17 10:00 a.m. Coffee & conversation
10:30 a.m. Healthful Heart
11:45 a.m. Devotions
12:00 noon Lunch
1:00 p.m. Social activities
- Oct. 24 10:00 a.m. Coffee & conversation
10:30 a.m. Piano: Helen Hill
11:45 a.m. Devotions
12:00 noon Birthday Lunch
1:00 p.m. Social activities
- Oct. 31 10:00 a.m. Coffee & conversation
10:30 a.m. VCR: title to be announced
11:45 a.m. Devotions
12:00 noon Lunch
1:00 p.m. Social activities



October Birthdays - 70 Years and Onward

Oct. 14	Ray Knapp	1236 Valley View Drive	53405
Oct. 15	Dorothy Bagley	2056 Wustum Avenue	53404
Oct. 19	Olaw Thomsen	1233 Illinois Street	53405
Oct. 20	Mabel Melvin	3900 N. Main Street #308	53402
Oct. 29	Julia Durand	401 Walton Avenue	53402
Oct. 30	J. William Christensen	5745 Cambridge Lane	53406

UNITED METHODIST HYMNAL

-- a hymnal for use at our Saturday services in the Sunset Room, has been purchased here at Emmaus. It is a collection of hymns, songs, and prayers designed to enhance the informal Saturday worship service...from old favorites like "In the Garden" and "God Will Take Care of You" to contemporary tunes such as "El Shaddai" and "Thy Word Is a Lamp."

We have ordered 40 pew editions. To offset the congregational cost of purchasing these books, you are invited to donate the cost of these books in honor of, in memory of, or in thanksgiving for blessings received. A bookplate will be put in the books to commemorate your gift, and your reason for giving.

The books are \$10.00 each.

These books are sure to provide our musical experience with a wide variety of melodies that will surely be appreciated by everyone.

If you would like to donate one or more copies of THE UNITED METHODIST HYMNAL, please fill out the form below, and place it with your payment in the offering plate, or drop it off at or mail it to the church office.

_____ Yes, I/we would like to donate _____ copy/copies of THE UNITED METHODIST HYMNAL:

In memory of: _____

In honor of: _____

In thanksgiving for: _____

Name of donor(s): _____

Phone: _____ Enclosed: \$ _____

Pastors to Attend Synod Theological Conference in Green Lake

Pastors Mary and Paul will attend a Greater Milwaukee Synod theological conference in Green Lake

October 16-18. Pastor Mary has been on the planning committee for the event and will be the liturgist for the opening worship on Monday.

Lincoln Lutheran Auxiliary News

Ice Cream Social Raises Nearly \$4000

by Audrey Rasmussen

The Lincoln Lutheran Ice Cream Social in August was a huge success! Profits totaled \$3,964. Thanks to all who baked pies and worked that evening.

Thank you for saving the Pick 'N Save register receipts with the "We Care" stickers attached. The Auxiliary has earned \$901 thus far this year.

Your support helps to provide many extras for the residents of the Lincoln Lutheran Homes.

Auxiliary Memberships

Over the past forty years, Lincoln Lutheran Auxiliary has

lovingly provided the little "extras" that help make life a bit more pleasant for the elderly residents of Lincoln Lutheran's facilities. Through membership dues and other fund-raising projects, they have provided such items as calendars and other Christmas gifts, TV sets and sound equipment, lounge furnishings, wheelchairs, teas and parties, as well as vans and buses.

October is Membership Month for the Auxiliary. To join the Auxiliary or to renew your membership, please fill out the form below and mail it to:

Gale Sorenson
3326 Monarch Drive
Racine, Wisconsin 53406

Lincoln Lutheran Auxiliary Membership Form Please print

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Church: _____

Type of membership (circle one): \$3.00 \$5.00 \$10.00 \$100.00 (Life membership)

Sundays Adopted to Relieve Emmaus Debt

Our thanks to the following, for adopting recent Sundays as part of Emmaus' debt retirement program:

Vic & Bev Johnson, on their 45th anniversary;

Elwood & Jody Svoboda, on their 15th anniversary, in honor of Justin and Erin;

Dan & Jeannette Bertram, on their 53rd anniversary;

Walter & Marcella Runge, on their 55th anniversary;

Mary Schultz, on her wedding anniversary;

James and Nancy Martinsen, on their 41st anniversary;

Larry & Ruth Estep, in memory of Rev. & Mrs. Charles

Traeger and Mr. & Mrs. William Traeger;

Pastor Mary's secret pal, in honor of Pastor Mary;

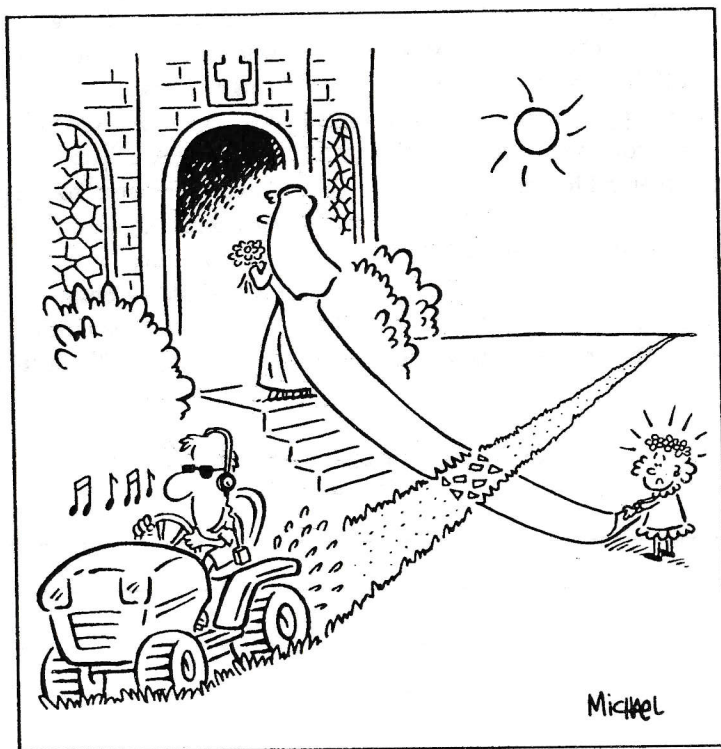
Amy Larsen and Adam & Austin Schultz, in honor of their grandparents;

Isabelle Barry, in memory of Dorothy Reilly and Beatrice Traeger;

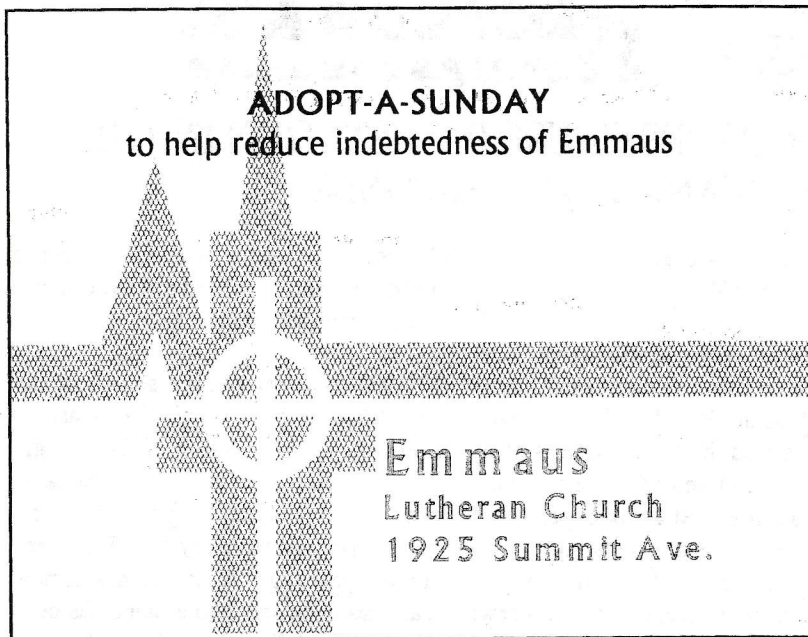
Gary & Julie Field, in memory of Shirley Psiones and in honor of John Psiones;

Harley & Deloris Slater, in honor of Greg and Sally Slater;

and **Marion Bower**, in memory of her parents and her brother, Fredric.



ADOPT-A-SUNDAY
to help reduce indebtedness of Emmaus



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: _____



ELCA Domestic **DISASTER** Response

HURRICANES CAUSE DEVASTATION IN THE CARIBBEAN: ELCA RESPONDS

DISASTER - GRAM
September 18, 1995

Close on the heels of Hurricane Luis which caused much damage on Antigua and St. Martin, HURRICANE MARYLYN devastated the U.S. Virgin Islands. Damage to St. Thomas was catastrophic while St. John and St. Croix experienced extensive and widespread damage. Early observers saw the destruction as worse than Hurricanes Hugo and Andrew: widespread destruction of homes (more than 80% have suffered extensive damage) hospitals, churches, and Lutheran Social Service institutions.

As of this writing, Reformation Lutheran Church, St. Thomas and a nearly new Lutheran Social Service group home for the developmentally disabled, have been reported as destroyed. The extent of

damage to the other 6 ELCA churches and other church-related institutions has not yet been reported.

\$36,000 has already been sent from the ELCA Domestic Disaster Response to Lutheran Social Service of The Virgin Islands. This agency gained valuable expertise in disaster response management during the recovery from Hurricane Hugo 6 years ago. A disaster assessment team has been sent and a plane has been chartered to deliver urgently needed supplies.

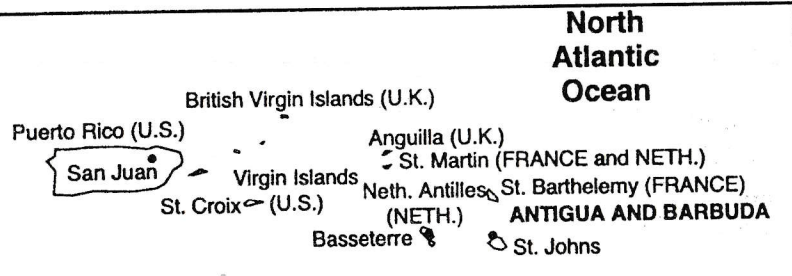
You may contribute through your congregation or send to the ELCA Domestic Disaster Response (note "Caribbean Hurricane Relief"), P.O. Box 71764, Chicago, IL 60694-1764.

*"Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ."
Galatians 6:2.*

In times of disaster

**THE ELCA IS THERE
THE ELCA IS THERE**

VIRGIN ISLANDS



Statement on Peace Approved

H. George Anderson will be installed as bishop of the ELCA on November 18 in Chicago. Anderson, 63, was elected on the fifth ballot at the ELCA's churchwide assembly August 17-22 to succeed Bishop Herbert W. Chilstrom, the church's first bishop.

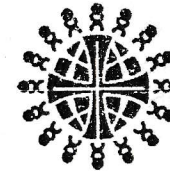
In other action, the assembly overwhelmingly approved a comprehensive statement on world peace. The statement asks churches to become models of peace in their own gatherings and to equip members to "act for peace in all their communities."

The statement urges Christians to take part in the affairs of government, locally and globally. "With its significant economic, political, cultural and military power, the United States plays a vital leadership role in world affairs," the statement notes. "It cannot and should not withdraw or isolate itself from the rest of the world." The statement warns against having the U.S. assume the role of the world's police force, but notes that economic aid, disaster relief, and other humanitarian aid can foster world peace.

\$87 Million Budget

The assembly approved a budget of over \$87 million for 1996-97. The largest piece of the budget, \$21,451,100, is devoted to witness, providing resources for starting 40 new

congregations. The budget also includes \$4 million in grants to support ELCA seminaries, and \$12 million toward relief of world hunger. The budget anticipates increases in giving support from synods, congregations and individuals. Should income be weaker than anticipated, spending reductions will be made.



**MAKING
CHRIST
KNOWN**

Churchwide Day of Healing

Delegates voted to ask that the Sunday nearest St. Luke's Day (Oct. 18) be established as an annual

"churchwide day of healing," and that materials be provided to help congregations raise awareness of the AIDS epidemic. The memorial also affirmed that "this church does not discriminate against persons who carry the AIDS virus in its calling or employment practices."

Delegates voted to call for a "statement on human sexuality reflecting the areas in which there is sustained agreement within the church" by 1997. The Church Council had earlier decided to postpone a statement on sexuality indefinitely.

Delegates rejected a Church Council recommendation for churchwide assemblies to meet every three years instead of every two. The next churchwide assembly will be August 14-20, 1997, in Philadelphia.

Elsewhere in Our Area

LSS Offers Parenting Skills Course

The Nurturing Program is an intensive 10-week program offered by Lutheran Social Services (LSS) for families to learn parenting and interactional skills while having fun together. Participants will learn effective communication skills and problem solving strategies and they will learn to build family support. Families will learn about developmental tasks children deal with

at home, at school and with peers and how to master these tasks successfully.

The program meets weekly on Thursdays beginning October 5 and ending on December 14 (with a break on Thanksgiving Day). Classes will meet at LSS from 4:00-5:45 p.m. and a snack will be provided during that time.

Please contact LSS at 637-3886 to register for the Nurturing Program.

North Cape Hosts Fish Boil Oct. 14

North Cape Lutheran Church will be having its 12th annual All-You-Can-Eat Fish Boil on Saturday, Oct. 14, from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. Meals include boneless, skinless ocean cod smothered in melted butter or margarine, new jacketed potatoes, boiled carrots and onions, homemade dessert and a beverage.

Advance ticket donation is \$7.50 for adults, \$4.00 for children



aged 6-11, and free for children 5 and under. (Add 50¢ for tickets at the door.) For more information or to make your reservation, call Jo Bailey at 878-1885, or the church office at 835-2206 mornings.

North Cape Lutheran is located on the east side of Highway 45 between 4¼ Mile Road and Highway G.

Lutheran College Reps to Meet Students

On Sunday, Nov. 12, a Lutheran College Night will be held at the Sheraton Mayfair Inn from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Many Lutheran colleges and universities will be represented at this event. Students and parents will have opportunities to have questions

answered and to receive information from college admissions counselors.

The Sheraton Mayfair Inn is located in northwestern Milwaukee at the junction of Highway 45 and North Avenue. Come explore the Lutheran college option!

Pastor Paul's Column

Real Economic Freedom

Dear Disciples of Emmaus,

I would like you to reflect with me for a few moments on a much-cherished value of the modern world: "economic freedom." It seems to drive nearly everything, doesn't it? If we have a modern idol that we tend to worship the most, isn't this it? The much-sought-after ideal in our society would seem to be this: to attain enough economic means so as to have the freedom *not* to let economics determine your life.

Our family, for example, recently made the big decision to become a two-income family. Ellen went back to work outside the home after ten years of being a stay-at-home mother. What a big change for all of us! So we also hope that this decision is based on positive reasons and not just economic necessity. We don't like to feel trapped by our finances. We'd rather feel like we are making this decision with some measure of economic freedom—or at least like this decision is going to greatly enhance our economic freedom.

But, as with any idol, there is also a dangerous illusion involved. In the case of economic freedom, I think the illusion is this: even if we are wealthy enough to not have economic necessity drive our decisions, do we then have the wisdom to know what is best for ourselves? If we think we know such things on our own, then we are deceiving ourselves.

Isn't that the message of the

Parable of the Rich Fool (Luke 12:13-21) that we read on Sunday again recently? This wealthy man was the epitome of modern economic freedom. He had enough money to decide whatever he wanted for himself. But God steps in and tells him, "Fool! This very night your life is demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" A dynamic that struck me about this parable for the first time is that, up to the point where God intervenes, the man has only talked to himself. I would like to suggest that this man's problem was not simply that he was greedy, but that he only talked to himself. In other words, he assumed that he alone knew what was best for his life. His "economic freedom" duped him under the illusion that he didn't need God's guidance for his life.

I would like to suggest, then, that this is one of the most important Christian principles for our lives: Instead of talking to ourselves when we make decisions, we need to be in dialogue with God. And that means more than just talking *at* God; it also means listening to God.

How do we listen to God? This is another place where I think modern influence can steer us wrong. We tend to think in individualistic terms. So we might tend to think that the best way to listen to God is by ourselves.

Continued on back page >

Pastor Paul's Column *Continued*

But when was the last time you heard God 'speak' directly to you? God more often, I think, speaks to us through others. Most importantly, we believe that God spoke to us through Jesus Christ—and, even then, most of us don't often hear Jesus speak directly to us. But we do have the witness of the early apostles, who recorded for us what Jesus said and did. They continue to speak to us through the Bible and through the Word and Sacrament ministry of the Church. So we might say that Jesus comes to speak to us primarily through the "Body of Christ." In short, we can best listen to God in the Church, through traditional things like going to church and studying the bible with others.

Which finally brings me to stewardship (the fall stewardship emphasis begins this month!), as a way to wrap-up these reflections on "economic freedom." Real economic

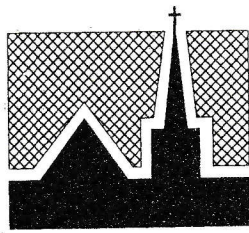
freedom comes from listening to God's direction for our lives. And it comes from making decisions to support those ways in which we can best listen to God. Dare I say it? Yes, the time-honored way of making a decision to support your life of listening to God is by making a pledge of time, talent, and treasure to your church. There, I said it. But I hope that in the context of these reflections you can approach this year's pledge as an opportunity to truly enhance your economic freedom. If talking to yourself like the rich fool is economic foolishness, then learning to listen to God for your life through the Church is economic prudence. Come hear and embrace God's economy of grace in Jesus Christ!

In the Spirit's love,

Pastor Paul

Emmaus Lutheran Church
1925 Summit Avenue
Racine, WI 53404

Non-Profit Org
U.S. Postage
PAID
Racine, WI
Permit No. 137



Emmaus Visitor

November, 1995

Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Church 1925 Summit Avenue
"A Safe Harbor" Phone (414) 634-5515

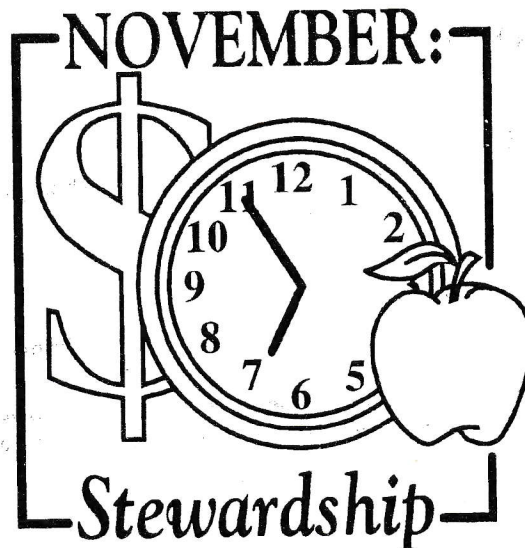
Worship Service at 9:15

Consecration Sunday Is November 12

Once again this year, our stewardship campaign will climax with a special "Consecration Sunday" on November 12. Instead of our usual schedule, there will be **one service at 9:15 a.m.** for this Sunday only, followed by a brunch in Fellowship Hall.

There will also be **no Sunday School or Saturday worship**, so that we can all be together for this special day of celebration and commitment to our common ministry.

Consecration Sunday encourages every member/household to make a pledge of financial support. The pledge cards are distributed and then turned in as a climax to the worship that day. We do not write a 1996 budget until after your response, because the emphasis is not on the church's need to receive, but on the

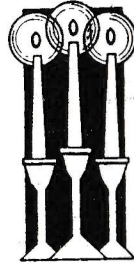


giver's need to give. Consecration Sunday also features an outside resource person to lead us on that day; in that role this year at Emmaus is Rev. Fred Mai of Memorial Lutheran of Milwaukee.

Emmaus to Observe All Saints' Sunday

During worship on November 4-5, we will pause to honor the saints from Emmaus who have joined the saints in heaven during the past year:

Raymond Carter (Mar. 17, 1912 - Oct. 29, 1994)
Margaret Stone (Jan. 21, 1918 - Nov. 2, 1994)
Aage Jensen (Feb. 5, 1905 - Nov. 8, 1994)
Jerome Baggesen (Oct. 17, 1927 - Nov. 30, 1994)
Katherine George (May 31, 1913 - Jan. 15, 1995)
Philomena Foreman (May 10, 1929 - Jan. 28, 1995)
Christine LaBlanc (Feb. 8, 1911 - Feb. 11, 1995)
Leo Nemer (Dec. 31, 1917 - Mar. 5, 1995)
Mildred Helgesen (Apr. 11, 1909 - Mar. 8, 1995)
George Dudek (Aug. 4, 1917 - May 4, 1995)
Ole Nielsen (Nov. 20, 1921 - May 9, 1995)
Kenneth Plonsky (June 1, 1932 - Aug. 9, 1995)
Helen Troyan (July 9, 1912 - Aug. 12, 1995)
Harold Wiley (Feb. 25, 1911 - Sep. 2, 1995)
Shirley Psiones (Aug. 4, 1925 - Sep. 22, 1995)



Thanksgiving Eve Worship Features Processional Offering of Food

Help fill the shelves of our local food pantry! Emmaus supports the Northside Food Pantry at Trinity United Methodist Church and makes referrals to this pantry for those in need. 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.

If you prefer to give a monetary contribution to the food pantry, make your check payable to Emmaus and indicate "Food Pantry"

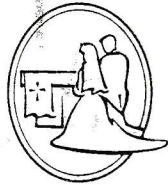


on the memo line. Thank you for your generosity now and throughout the year!

The Thanksgiving Eve service will be on Wednesday, Nov. 22 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 Senior High Youth activities.

PASTORAL ACTS



Wedding:

Oct. 7, 1995 Jackie Schilcher & Richard Lasko

Richard Lasko is the son of Gary & Diane Lasko. Jackie is the daughter of Stuart and Rose Schilcher. The couple live in Racine.

Our congratulations are extended to Eugene and Doris Potterville, whose daughter, Lorrie, was married to Mark Peterson at Emmanuel Lutheran Church on September 9.

We offer our sympathy to the family of Christopher Sorensen, the late brother of Norm Sorensen, June Johns, and Alfred Sorensen. Our sympathy is extended also to Harvey Thorsen, whose sister, Vi Johnson, passed away October 7.

Emmaus Leases Recycling Bin

Emmaus has begun leasing a paper recycling bin in our continuing efforts to reduce the amount of trash we contribute to local landfills. The bin is for all kinds of clean paper and cardboard *except* waxed paper,

bathroom tissue, carbon paper, food wrapping/pizza boxes/napkins/etc.

Our paper for recycling will be picked up by Sanifill of Racine on alternate Mondays.

North Side Food Pantry Referrals Skyrocket

by Margaret Christensen

The North Side Food Pantry has seen a tremendous increase in the number of client referrals for emergency food service. The average number of clients served over the past eight years has been 2,031 per year, and through August of this year, we have already served 2,753.

While there is a continuing need for the non-perishable items we place in the food cart, there is also a need for monetary contributions to purchase perishable items such as meat, margarine, eggs, and bread. We ask that you prayerfully consider making a monetary contribution for this worthwhile local mission.

Please make your check out to Emmaus Lutheran Church and indicate "food pantry" on the memo line. You will be given credit on your statement of contributions to the church. Thank you!

MEMORIALS

Non-dedicated memorials:
\$2,845 in memory of Shirley Psiones

Building Fund:
\$175 in memory of Shirley Psiones
\$25 in memory of Dr. Victoriano Baylon

Christmas:
\$40 in memory of Harold Wiley

Emmaus Urged to Increase Mission Support

by Kathy Christensen

Pastor Halom from St. Paul's Lutheran Church gave a presentation on behalf of the ELCA Churchwide Ministries and the Greater Milwaukee Synod regarding Emmaus' benevolence giving. Our total mission support was down to 4.7% of our budget in 1994 and we are encouraged to increase that to 5.2% in 1995.

Our weekly offerings average about \$3,000. We actually need \$4,000 to stay current with expenses.

In preparation for Consecration

Sunday, there will be a dinner for all church leaders, committee members and spouses on Monday, November 6 at 6:00 p.m. The council will have their regular meeting following the dinner.

The proposed first communion policy, tabled at the September meeting, was voted for presentation to the congregation at the annual meeting in January.

The cottage meetings will be discussed at the Adult Forum on October 29. A summary of the discussions at those meetings will be available for people to pick up.

Emmaus Staff & Worship Times

PASTORS: Mary L. Janz 1455 Sun Valley Dr. #104 633-3059
Paul J. Nuechterlein 1909 Summit Avenue 637-0671

Church Council President: Randy Sanders

Sunday School Superintendents:

Grace Falaschi & Karen Olson

Senior Fellowship Center Director: Glenn Olson

Organist: Joyce Kaiser

Adult Choir Director: Marsha Connet

Youth Choirs Director: Cathy Meyer

Secretary: Paul Berge

Custodian: Wes Mohr

CHURCH OFFICE: 634-5515

Services are held at Emmaus every Saturday evening at 5:00 and Sunday morning at 8:00 and 10:30. Sunday School and Adult Forum meet between services at 9:15 a.m. A nursery is available during the 10:30 service.

CONSECRATION SUNDAY services November 12 will be held at 9:15 a.m.; there will be no Saturday evening service on November 11.

THANKSGIVING EVE services will be held at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, November 22.

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

The *Visitor* is published monthly except August. The deadline for the December *Visitor* is November 15.

EMMAUS VISITOR

Vol. 24, No. 3

NOVEMBER, 1995

Thankoffering Service Planned December 3

This year's Thankoffering service for the women is being planned for Sunday, December 3. Women are to bring their thankoffering boxes to both services that Sunday.

A Women's Chorus is being gathered to sing the anthem at this year's service. All Emmaus women are invited to join -- you do not have to be a member of the Adult Choir. The Women's Chorus will rehearse on Wednesdays in November (except Nov. 22) from 6:45 to 7:05.

Women's Group



branch #8013. October 22 was Children's Sabbath, and part of the proceeds will go toward helping children through the Adopt-a-Neighborhood program. The balance of profits will be used toward the Women's Convention Scholarship Fund.

Christmas Meeting

Please note on your calendar that the WELCA Christmas meeting and cookie pack will be on Tuesday, December 5 at 7:00 p.m. The Miriam and Martha/Mary Circles are scheduled to be hostesses.

Letter

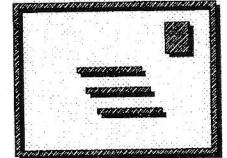
Thanks for Your Outpouring of Love

Dear Friends in Christ,

Faith is the foundation for one's life. It is because we have faith in God and His promise of new life, that we endure the loss of a loved one.

We convey our deep appreciation to Pastor Mary, Pastor Paul, the choir, and all our friends at Emmaus for their outpouring of love and sympathy at the time of passing of our Shirley.

John W. Psiones & family



Lutheran Woman Today Subscriptions Due

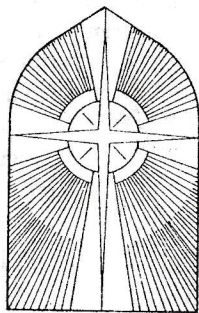
It's time to renew your subscription to *Lutheran Woman Today*. Please be sure to submit \$8.00 for your subscription, along with the mailing label from your issue. You may place it in the Mary/Martha Circle slot by the church office in care of Linda Meteyard, or mail it to the church to Linda's attention. Please get your subscription renewal in by November 12.

Æbleskiver Brunch Proceeds

Thankyou to all the workers at the æbleskiver brunch on October 22! The proceeds from the brunch will be matched by Lutheran Brotherhood

Christmas Decoration of Church Scheduled Dec. 2

On Saturday, Dec. 2, we will need your help to decorate our church for Christmas. Please put this on your calendar. If you can help, please contact Marsha Connet (633-2047) or the church office (634-5515).



The new year on the Christian calendar begins on Dec. 3 with the first Sunday of Advent. Historically a time for fasting and repentance,

Advent nevertheless has overtones of celebration in expectation of Christmas.

Committee Budgets Due

Committee chairpersons are asked to submit their budgets by November 6. They should submit a bare bones budget and one showing costs of items that would be possible with a more generous budget. This year's church budget will be based on the financial commitment of our members.

Sundays Adopted in October

Our thanks to the following, who adopted Sundays in the month of October as part of Emmaus' Adopt-a-Sunday debt retirement program:

Ellen, Matthew, Joshua, & Joel Nuechterlein, Ed & Ursula Slaggert, and Gene & Shirley Nuechterlein, in honor of Pastor Paul's 10th anniversary of ordination;

The family of Freda M. Christensen, in her memory;

Harley & Deloris Slater, in honor of Jeff & Maureen Slater; and in celebration of their own 43rd wedding anniversary;

Loren & Cindi Larsen, in celebration of their 20th anniversary;

Ralph & Audrey Rasmussen, in

honor of their five grandsons; **Fran Burdick**, in memory of Milton Burdick;

Mary Larsen, in honor of Adam Schultz.

The 10th Grade Confirmation class in celebration of their confirmation.

As of October 11, the principal balance of our Lutheran Brotherhood loan stood at \$226,317.49. The interest on the loan is 8 1/8%.

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, or you can drop it off at or mail it to the church office.

Volunteers Make Things Happen

Have you noticed the parsonage lately? This year has brought many updates and capital improvements -- the most noticeable of which have been new gutters and an exterior paint job. The following is a list of recent improvements, along with many thanks for those who helped to bring them about.

- ▶ Thanks to Al Beck, Loren Larsen, Vern Peterson, Sue Page and Skip Toslek for putting in up to four Saturdays of their time in painting the parsonage exterior.
- ▶ Thanks to Vic Johnson, who has steadily over several months time painted the screens and storm windows for all sixteen parsonage windows.
- ▶ Thanks to Loren, Eric, and Ken Larsen for sanding and repainting all the parsonage kitchen drawers and cupboard doors.
- ▶ Thanks to Skip Toslek for giving up one of his Sundays to install a new screen door and main door for the parsonage side entrance.
- ▶ Thanks to Chris Olson for donating and installing new locks on all the parsonage doors...and for repairing the doorbells. Chris also donated

and, with Chris Pearson's help, installed "kick-stands" for a number of church doors.

- ▶ A new energy-efficient furnace was installed earlier this year as part of a special loan with Wisconsin Natural Gas, replacing the 40-year-old original furnace.
- ▶ Special anonymous donations have been made to purchase and install new kitchen counters (just last month) and new gutters (last winter).
- ▶ Thanks to Ellen Nuechterlein for many, many hours spent painting and redecorating numerous rooms in the parsonage.

All these folks have cooperated this year to practice good stewardship of this home that we the people of Emmaus own together. Many thanks to all who have pitched in!

Annual Committee Reports Due Jan. 3

Church committees are asked to turn their annual reports in to the office by Wednesday, January 3. The full annual report of the congregation is to be available to members of Emmaus by Sunday, January 14.

Sunday School Sentinel



Emmaus Lutheran Church
November, 1995

Thank You to Our Sunday School Teachers!

We'd like to thank all the teachers who are volunteering their time and accepted the call to teach our children the love of God. We're proud to announce the Sunday School teachers for the 1995-96 year:

3-year-olds: Joy Kousek

4-year-olds: Barb Toslek & Sue Page

Kindergarten: Caren Lamberton

1st Grade: Kelley Toslek

2nd Grade: Pat LeRoux-Sodke

3rd Grade: Ellen Nuechterlein & Sharon Devine

4th Grade: Irene Pechman

5th Grade: Vicki Steger

6th Grade: Christopher Olson

7th-8th Grade: Cindi & Loren Larsen

9th-12th Grade: Sandy Strini

Treasurer: Linda Meteyard

A big musical thank you to Cathy Meyer for leading our children in song on Sunday mornings!



Christian
Education

Where Your Offerings Go

Our 2nd Sunday cash offering goes to help buy perishable goods. Along with our cash offering, we ask each student to bring a canned/non-perishable good. All of this will go to the Northside Food Pantry to help those less fortunate. Thanks!

We sponsor Suriyati through Christian Children's Fund. We contribute to the Mission Fund. We then have to purchase supplies, awards and other materials that the teachers might need to use in their classrooms. So please remember your offering every Sunday, and if you are not there on a Sunday, bring it with you the following Sunday.

Welcome back to all our students! We look forward to seeing you every Sunday to become richer in God's love.

No Sunday School Nov. 12

We will *not* have Sunday School on Nov. 12 due to the special Consecration Sunday schedule. Contributions of canned and non-perishable goods may still be brought to church that Sunday.

The Giving Tree



Christmas is coming soon! Watch for the Giving Tree to be put up on Nov. 26. Lutheran Social Services is providing us with the names of children who are less fortunate than we are. These names, with ages and clothing sizes, will be on the tree for you to pick from. Purchase and wrap your gift, and place it under the tree by Dec. 14.

Christmas Program

The Sunday School's Christmas program will be Sun., Dec. 17. There will be one rehearsal, Sat., Dec. 16 at 9:00 a.m. Rehearsal should last one hour.

Peace to all,

Karen Olson & Grace Falaschi
Sunday School Co-Superintendents

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
November, 1995 Emmaus Lutheran Church 1925 Summit Avenue Racine, WI 53404 Phone (414) 634-5515		WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES: 5:00-6:15 pm Supper 5:30-6:15 pm K-2nd Grade Hands-On Science 5:30-6:15 pm Sonrise Singers practice 6:15-7:15 pm 3rd-6th Grade Hands-On Science 6:15-7:15 pm 8th-9th Gr. Confirmation (Nov. 1, 8, 15) 6:45-7:05 pm Women's Chorus practice 7:05-8:00 pm Adult Choir practice		1 All Saints' Day 9:00 am Mary Circle at Julia Durand's 9:30 am After Pastors 1:30 pm Rebecca Circle 5:00 pm Wednesday Night Activities 6:15 pm 8-9th Grade Confirmation 7:00 pm Youth Committee	2 	3 6:30 pm R.E.S.T.	4 5:00 pm Worship Service w/Holy Communion <i>Lutheran Woman Today</i> subscriptions due
5 All Saints' Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 am Worship Service w/ Holy Communion 9:15 am Sunday School 9:15 am Carpenter's Kids practice 9:20 am Adult Forum	6 6:00 pm Stewardship Dinner for Council and all committees 7:00 pm Church council	7 9:15 am Staff meeting 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 6:30 pm TOPS	8 5:00 pm Wednesday Night Activities 6:15 pm 8-9th Grade Confirmation	9 7:00 pm Cluster Council	10 Dr. Martin Luther's Birthday 6:30 pm R.E.S.T.	11 Veterans' Day NO WORSHIP SERVICE	
12 23rd Sunday after Pentecost 9:15 am Consecration Sunday Worship Service 10:15 am Fellowship Brunch 4:00 pm KFC-BIC Swim Party at YMCA	13 5:00 pm Building & Grounds meeting	14 9:15 am Staff meeting 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 6:30 pm TOPS 7:00 pm Worship & Music committee	15 5:00 pm Wednesday Night Activities 5:30 pm Mary-Martha Circle 6:15 pm 8-9th Grade Confirmation VISITOR DEADLINE	16 	17 6:30 pm R.E.S.T.	18 5:00 pm Worship Service w/Holy Communion 7:00 pm Youth Dance at Christ United Methodist	
19 24th Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 & 10:30 am Chicago Folk Service w/Holy Communion 9:15 am Sunday School 9:15 am Carpenter's Kids practice 9:20 am Adult Forum	20 6:30 pm Education Cmte. 6:30 pm Deacons mtg.	21 9:30 am Cluster Clergy 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 6:30 pm TOPS	22 5:00 pm Wednesday Night Activities 7:00 pm Thanksgiving Eve Service w/Holy Communion 8:00 pm Pie Social	23 Thanksgiving Office Closed	24 6:30 pm R.E.S.T.	25 5:00 pm Worship Service	
Pastor Mary out of town to Tuesday noon							
26 Christ the King Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 am Worship Service 9:15 am Sunday School 9:15 am Carpenter's Kids practice 9:20 am Adult Forum	27 6:30 pm Social Concerns committee 6:30 pm Stewardship committee	28 9:15 am Staff meeting 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 6:30 pm WELCA study leaders 6:30 pm TOPS 7:30 pm WELCA Board	29 5:00 pm Wednesday Night Activities	30 St. Andrew, Apostle	Dec. 1 6:30 pm R.E.S.T.	2 9:00 am Church Christmas Decoration 5:00 pm Worship Service w/HC	



Worship Assistants

	<u>Acolytes</u>	<u>Altar Guild</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
Nov. 4 5:00 pm	—	Arvilla Nemer Lael Richter	—	—	—
Nov. 5 8:00 am	Jason Meteyard Sam Falaschi	Jan Svendsen Shirley Irvine	Team #3 H. Miller	Karen Sedgwick	Isabelle Barry Ruth Estep
Nov. 5 10:30 am	Amanda Lawler Kristin Andersen	Ginny Dougall Mildred Schroth	Team #8 W. Meteyard	Mildred Schroth	Jim & Nancy Martinsen
Nov. 12 9:15 am	Eric Larsen Eric Moore	—	Team #5/#10 E. Potterville/Ro. Christensen	Ruth Hlavka	Mark & Grace Falaschi
Nov. 18 5:00 p.m.	—	Cheryl Dexter Barb Larsen	—	—	—
Nov. 19 8:00 am	Brad Falaschi Kevin Meteyard	Sharon Devine Cynthia Cook	Team #7 J. Cook	Bev Hansen	Randy & Barb Sanders
Nov. 19 10:30 am	Justin Svoboda Matthew Liesch	Nancy Martinsen Anne Felton	Team #2 L. Andersen	Anne Felton	Jerry & Denise Pipol
Nov. 22 7:00 pm	Adam Van Nice Ken Larsen	Marion Andersen Marge Zielke	Team #4 Ri. Christensen	—	TBA
Nov. 26 8:00 am	Ryan Kreimer Jon Cook	—	Team #1 M. Falaschi	Sandy Strini	Eugene & Doris Potterville
Nov. 26 10:30 am	Tom Pie Jill Lynch	—	Team #6 H. Jensen	Maury Felton	Jim & Nancy Martinsen
Dec. 2 5:00 pm	—	Sandy Strini Kim Battisti	—	—	—
Dec. 3 8:00 pm	TBA TBA	Helen Mickelson Linda Meteyard	Team #3 H. Miller	TBA	Julia Durand David Smith
Dec. 3 10:30 am	TBA TBA	Connie Bertermann Jeannette Bertram	Team #8 W. Meteyard	TBA	Lucille Atkinson Edith Bohn

Altar Flowers

Nov. 5	Loren & Cindi Larsen
Nov. 12	Rich & Kathy Christensen
Nov. 19	Joyce Kaiser
Nov. 26	Paul & Ellen Nuechterlein
Dec. 3	Amy Larsen

Coffee Fellowship

TBA
Consecration Sunday
TBA
TBA
TBA

The B.I.C. Pen

Youth Plan Swim Party at YMCA

Believers In Christ (BIC), the Emmaus High School youth group, and Kids For Christ (KFC), the middle school youth group, invite all 6th-12th graders to a swim and pizza party at the Racine YMCA on Sunday, Nov. 12.

We will meet at the YMCA at 4:00 p.m. for swimming until 5:30 p.m. Then we'll have pizza; we

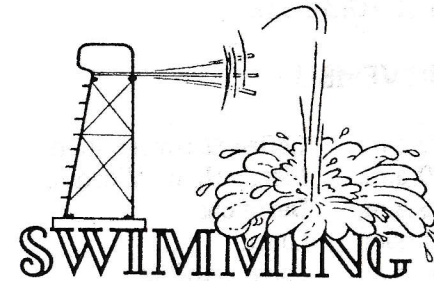
should be through about 6:30 p.m.

The cost is \$4.00 per person for use of the pool; please pay by November 5. We'll collect for pizza on the day of the swim.

Watch for a sign-up in your Sunday School class or in the narthex. Bring your suit, towel, and a friend!

Questions? Please call Cindi Larsen (681-0282), Sandy Strini (639-3755) or Pat Liesch (835-1363).

P.S.: We need parents to chaperon!



Crafters Deserve Applause

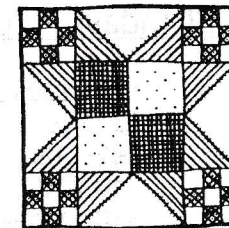
We extend our thanks to Alice Falkner of our Senior Citizen Fellowship Center for crocheting several caps and mittens for this year's Mitten Tree. The Mitten Tree will be in our narthex until December 14 for

donations of winter clothing for needy children.

Thanks also go to Boots LeRoux for making and donating a quilt which sold for \$95.00 at the Lutherdale quilt auction September 9.

Quilts Donated to Lutheran World Relief

Emmaus worshipers on October 15 arrived at church to find the pews a sea of vibrant colors, thanks to the women who put together 62 quilts for Lutheran World Relief. Women met at Emmaus on Monday mornings in October to make these offerings of warmth to needy children and adults as part of LWR's annual fall drive.



Emmaus members also cut bibs for LWR to distribute to infants in needy families. Our Monday morning quilters and bib-makers included Jo Baggessen, June Beck, Fran Burdick, Margaret Christensen, Bev Hansen, Gayle Krug, Boots LeRoux, Arvilla Nemer, Jan Svendsen and Marjorie Zielke.

EMMAUS SENIOR FELLOWSHIP CENTER

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

Director: Glenn Olson

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

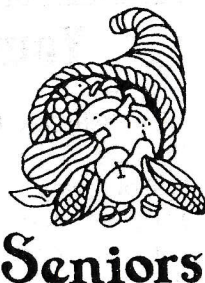
Programs begin at 10:30 a.m.

PROGRAMS FOR NOVEMBER:

November 7:	10:00 a.m.	Coffee & conversation
	10:30 a.m.	Meta's Home Video
	11:45 a.m.	Devotions
	12:00 noon	Lunch
	1:00 p.m.	Social activities
November 14:	10:00 a.m.	Coffee & conversation
	10:30 a.m.	Video <i>to be announced</i>
	12:00 noon	Lunch
	1:00 p.m.	Social activities
November 21:	10:00 a.m.	Coffee & conversation
	10:30 a.m.	Video: <i>Now You're Talking</i>
	11:00 a.m.	Bingo
	11:45 a.m.	Devotions
	12:00 noon	Lunch
	1:00 p.m.	Social activities
November 28:	10:00 a.m.	Coffee & conversation
	10:30 a.m.	On the Road with June & Al: Covered Bridges of Indiana
	11:45 a.m.	Devotions
	12:00 noon	Birthday Lunch
	1:00 p.m.	Social activities

November Birthdays - 70 Years and Over

11/2	Clara Buchman	1223 Lathrop Avenue	53405
11/8	LaVerne Jepsen	1342 Harrington Drive	53405
11/15	Dagny Thomsen	2424 Thor Avenue	53405
11/20	Chris Hansen	240 88th Avenue, Sturtevant	53177
11/26	Dorothy Niva	5305 Sixteenth Street #27	53406
11/26	Catherine Andreasen	10441 S. Nicholson, Oak Creek	53154
11/28	John Haanstad	3340 Fourth Avenue	53402



Seniors

Rescue Story to Appear on Television

by Esther Jensen

A must to see and hear on TV is coming Nov. 8 on "Focus on the Family," presenting "Rescue Mission." "Rescue Mission" tells of the miraculous rescue of the singing group Lutheran Evangelistic Singers and their crew after their plane went down in the Bering Sea as they were returning from a successful Christian Mission to Lavrentiya in eastern Russia. Their plane crashed in 37° Fahrenheit water in the sea between

Russia and Alaska. Miracle upon miracle happened, and all the singers and crew were saved.

Two of the members of Lutheran Evangelistic Singers, now located in Tempe, Arizona, are Dave and Barb Anderson. Dave and Barb have been at Emmaus several times, and are friends of former Emmaus pastor Rev. Ken Carlson. A number of Emmaus members have records by the Andersons.

This is a must for us to see. Watch the papers for time and station.

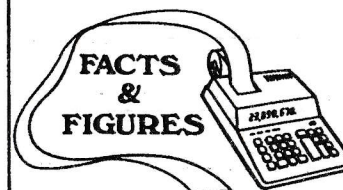
Pastor Paul Speaks at Leadership Conference

Pastor Paul was a workshop presenter at this year's Parish Leadership Conference, sponsored by the Archdiocese of Milwaukee on October 28. Pastor Paul's afternoon workshop at the day-long conference for Roman Catholic lay leaders was

entitled "Being the Salt of Servant Leaders in a World of Domination." He offered the insights of René Girard in suggesting a model for church leadership, based on serving the least, and on responding to violence with love.

Emmaus Attendance Statistics

Average Weekly Attendance, Oct.:	1993: 228	1994: 219	1995: 226
Average Weekly Attendance, Nov.:	1993: 184	1994: 204	

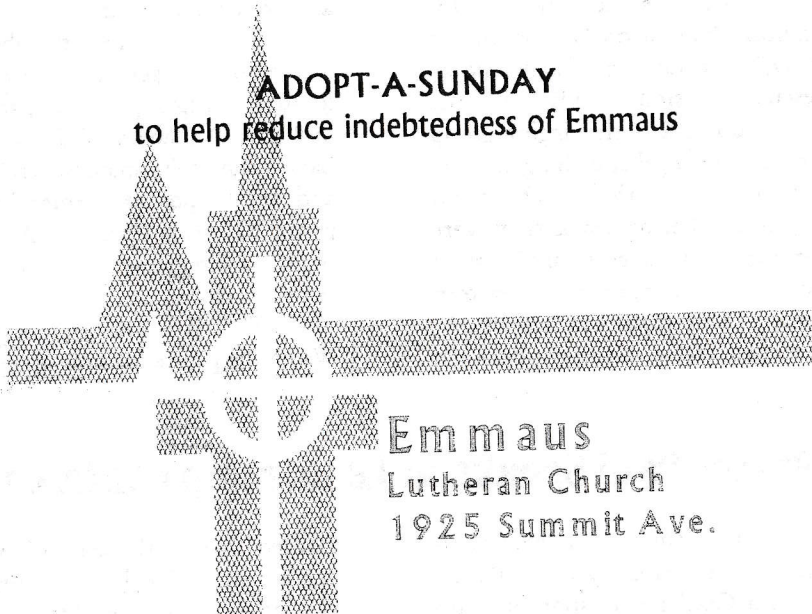


**FACTS
&
FIGURES**

Financial Statistics

Offerings received in Sept:	\$13,230.67
Needed monthly for '95 Budget:	\$17,801.59
Total received as of 9/27/95:	\$147,709.34
Total budgeted as of 9/27/95:	\$139,674.04

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: _____



ELCA Domestic **DISASTER** Response

HURRICANES CONTINUE ASSAULT ON U.S.: ELCA RESPONDS

DISASTER-UPDATE

October 9

While the U.S. Virgin Islands were digging themselves out from the wreckage of Hurricane Marilyn, Hurricane Opal roared into the Florida Panhandle causing at least 19 deaths and \$2 billion in losses, resulting in a widespread destruction of homes, businesses and jobs in a four-state area.

As the storm approached, the ELCA Domestic Disaster Response and its partner, Lutheran Ministries of Florida, had a disaster response team and a truckload of emergency supplies on its way to the storm area. Appropriate Lutheran social ministry organizations will carry out our disaster response in other affected states.

The damage caused by Hurricane Marilyn in St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, proved catastrophic: 80 percent of the homes were destroyed or badly damaged; ELCA congregations and a new LSS group home for the developmentally disabled were destroyed. St. John and St. Croix also suffered damage (20-40 percent of the buildings were damaged). After Hurricane Hugo six years ago, wind insurance became either unavailable or unaffordable.

As the Rev. Leon Phillips, director of the ELCA Domestic Disaster Response, was leaving St. Thomas, an elderly ELCA member said, "Please don't forget us."

Your designation to "Hurricane Relief" enables us to respond to victims of both Hurricanes Marilyn and Opal (and others that may be following this season). We do honor designations to individual disasters, but marking checks "Hurricane Relief" will ensure a rapid and efficient response.

You may contribute through your congregation or send to the ELCA Domestic Disaster Response (note "Hurricane Relief"), P.O. Box 71764, Chicago, IL 60694-1764.

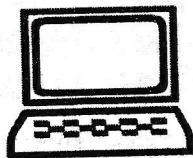
Thank you.

For information about emergency supplies or volunteer opportunities, call 800-638-3522.

*"Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ."
Galatians 6:2*

Bishop Anderson Hooks Onto the Net

Rev. H. George Anderson, the Bishop-elect of the ELCA, has established an e-mail address for people to communicate with him. His address is anderson@luther.edu.



As of November 1, Bishop Anderson's Internet address will be anderson@elca.org. His Lutherlink address will be george.anderson.

Elsewhere In Our Area

Loss of a Child Is Theme of Choral Concert

The Chorale and Voices of UW-Parkside, along with the Chorale of Stephen Bull Fine Arts Elementary School, will present a concert titled "The Loss of a Child: a Choral Remembrance" at the Siena Center Chapel on November 5 at 7:00 p.m.



Directors of the chorales are James B. Kinchen, Jr., and Carolyn Gibson, respectively. The Siena Center is located at 5635 Erie Street, half a mile north of 4 Mile Road.

LSTC Hosts Lutheran Concert

Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, 1100 E. 55th Street, presents "A Celebration of Lutheranism" at 3:00 p.m. and again at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 5. Professor Emeritus Paul Manz and the Concordia

University Kapella and Wind Ensemble will be featured in this special concert.

Aid Association for Lutherans will distribute ticket monies evenly between LSTC and Concordia University, providing scholarships for their students and support for their programs to prepare pastors, teachers, and lay leaders for the Church of the 21st Century.

Tickets range in price from \$10 to \$85. Call 1-800-635-1116 for ticket and seating availability.

LSS Plans Adoption Meeting

Lutheran Social Services is planning an informational meeting for couples and single women who would be interested in adopting infants from China. The meeting will be from 10:00 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Nov. 18 at the DePaul Chapel in the LSS office in Milwaukee, 4143 S. 13th Street. Contact Dana Mostoller at (608) 277-2970, ext. 136 if you have any questions.

Pastor Mary's Column

On Metal Gates & Candy Dishes

Have you noticed the new metal gates at each entrance of the balcony in the church? Those gates, recently installed by Chester Meyer, were purchased with special gifts and memorials. And there is no question that the first time some of the kids saw the gates, they knew the message that went with them: Keep Out!

Yes, that is the intention. The gates make a statement that the balcony is off limits to kids running around. We want to protect our very valuable children from accidentally falling, and we also want to protect our very valuable organ from the active, curious little ones wanting to try the pedals and buttons. So, these gates have been erected, and most of us would agree that they are "good gates."

What other messages are visible for the children of our church? The bright red worship bags filled with crayons, paper and a story book and the worship bulletins designed for kids are intened to send the message: Welcome! We want you to ge a part of worship at Emmaus!

Even the candy dish in my office has become a familiar stopping off place for kids (and adults, too) after worship or a class -- a way of telling those who enter that they are welcome.

Hospitality -- being a welcoming

place to the newcomer and the stranger, while continuing to be there for longtime members and friends -- that's a topic that was discussed at a recent Bible study I led. We asked ourselves whether we have erected any "bad gates" at Emmaus, perhaps invisible and most often unintentional. What are the barriers that don't

welcome folks in? Are there enough signs to make it clear the location of an entry, the elevator, the nursery, the Sunday School office or the Saturday evening service? Do visitors know that there is some parking (albeit scarce, but that's a topic for another day) in the alley? Is the worship service as printed in the bulletin clear for a

newcomer? Do we greet those who are unfamiliar to us and introduce ourselves, or do we think to ourselves, "Maybe I should know them; I guess I won't say anything"? Do we send the message that **all** are welcome to hear and experience the promise of Jesus' love at Emmaus, truly believing that song "red and yellow, black and white, all are precious in His sight" and that we are called to share Christ's love with everyone?

These are questions of hospitality. They are questions of evangelism (which in simple terms means "sharing the Gospel/Good News"). And these are questions that

Continued on back page >



**From the
PASTOR**

Pastor Mary's Column Continued

go beyond the Deacon's Committee or a Bible study on discipleship. We can all take ownership and be evangelists. Those around us are so hungry for a word of hope and good news in their lives. We have that word to share.

It's up to each of us to begin breaking down those invisible barriers and gates. In the Bible study I heard some visioning for the future that was truly exciting.

Where can you start? Following are half a dozen suggestions -- we can each begin with one. That's how seeds will be planted and barriers torn down.

1.) Invite an unchurched friend to worship.

2.) Be a person of Christian hospitality in your daily life; reach out to a friend or neighbor who is lonely.

3.) Ask about being trained as a

Friendship Minister/Visitor.

4.) Share your ideas and visions in the idea box in the front entrance of the church (near the guest book).

5.) Pray that we may discern God's purpose for us and then have the courage to break down any existing barriers.

6.) Share the importance of your faith and your church with another person.

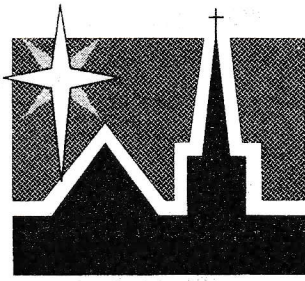
Let's put the name Evangelical back in the name of our church! Our official name is Emmaus *Evangelical* Lutheran Church. Let us share the Good news of Jesus Christ to all people so that we might truly be a people of hospitality in His name!

Pastor Mary

Emmaus Lutheran Church
1925 Summit Avenue
Racine, WI 53404

Non-Profit Org
U.S. Postage
PAID
Racine, WI
Permit No. 137

Address correction requested



Emmaus Visitor

December, 1995

Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Church 1925 Summit Avenue
"A Safe Harbor" Phone (414) 634-5515

Christmas Eve at Emmaus



SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP: 10:00 a.m.

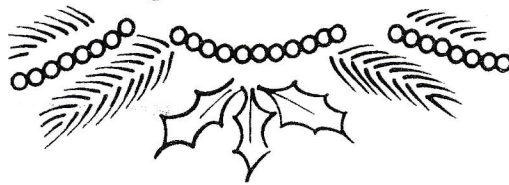
No Sunday School or Adult Forum

CHRISTMAS EVE FESTIVAL SERVICE: 4:30 p.m.

Sunrise Singers and Carpenter's Kids sing

CANDLELIGHT SERVICE: 10:30 p.m.

Sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated
Adult Choir sings



PASTORAL ACTS

Funerals:

Nov. 4, 1995 Bernice Jensen Klees

Bernice Klees, wife of Lowell Klees, passed away October 31 at the age of 80. Bernice is a cousin of Emmaus member Howard Jensen. Survivors include a son, Robert, and a daughter, Barbara.

MEMORIALS

Non-Dedicated Memorials:

In memory of Kenneth Plonsky: \$30.00

In memory of Bernice Klees: \$317.00

In memory of Shirley Psiones: \$25.00

Wednesday Nights Take Winter Break

Wednesday night activities at Emmaus will be on Winter Break after December 13. Choir rehearsals will meet to rehearse on December 20 and resume again in January, but other Wednesday night activities such as Hands-On Science and Fellowship Dinner will resume in February.

See you then!

EMMAUS STAFF & WORSHIP TIMES

PASTORS: Paul J. Nuechterlein 1909 Summit Avenue 637-0671
Mary L. Janz 1455 Sun Valley Dr. #104 633-3059

Sunday School Superintendents: Grace Falaschi & Karen Olson

Church Council President: Randy Sanders

Adult Choir Director: Marsha Connet

Senior Fellowship Director: Glenn Olson

Youth Choirs Director: Cathy Meyer

Organist: Joyce Kaiser

Secretary: Paul Berge

Custodian: Wes Mohr

CHURCH OFFICE: (414) 634-5515

Services are held at Emmaus every Saturday evening at 5:00 and Sunday morning at 8:00 & 10:30. Sunday School and Adult Forum meet between services at 9:15 a.m. A nursery is available during the 10:30 service.

CHRISTMAS EVE, there will be one Sunday morning service at 10:00 a.m. The Christmas Eve festival service will be Dec. 24 at 4:30 p.m. The Candlelight service will be held at 10:30 p.m. There will be no Saturday service on December 23.

Emmaus office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. The office will be closed on Dec. 25.

The Visitor is published monthly September to July. The deadline for the January Visitor is December 13.

EMMAUS VISITOR

Vol. 24, No. 4

DECEMBER, 1995

B.I.C. Pen

Lock-In Planned During Christmas Break

Believers In Christ (B.I.C.), the Emmaus Senior High Youth Group, invites you to bring a friend to our lock-in at church on Wednesday, Dec. 27. We'll have music, bowling (no, not in the church), pizza, a Youth Serve project, videos, and worship.

Next month, watch for a lock-in

at Car-
thage
Col-
lege
on
Jan.
19,
and a
sub-

**YOUTH
LOCK-IN**



marine sandwich sale on Superbowl Sunday, Jan. 28. Registration money for the Lutheran Youth Event Congress in Chicago is due on January 14. The registration fee for the March 15-17 LYE Youth Congress is \$30.00.

Thanks!

The B.I.C. Youth group would like to extend its thanks to the congregation for attending the Thanksgiving Pie Social on Wed., Nov. 22. We would also like to thank all the people who so generously donated pies for the social.

Emmaus Youth in Action

Many of our youth are involved in activities, be it sports or choir, or whatever. We would like to take this time to recognize them:

Ben Field: Varsity Cross Country -

Case

Ryan Clinton: J.V. Volleyball -

Horlick

Eric Larsen: Soccer - Horlick

Jason Meteyard: Freshman Football
- Horlick

Adam Pechman: Varsity Swimming
- Horlick

Josh Sanders: Varsity Volleyball -
Horlick

Ryan Sedgwick:

Chorale/Symphonic Band -
Horlick

Chad Strini: Varsity Volleyball -
Horlick

Peter Sukus: Newspaper/Chorale -
Horlick

Eric Toslek: Experimental Aviation
Association - Horlick

Jonathan Cook: Baseball - Park

Ryan Kreimer: Hockey - Park

Chris Pearson: Cycling - Park

Sam Falaschi: Football - Park

Let's take time on Sundays in the future to wish all the students good luck in whatever they do. If we forgot someone or if we made a mistake, please let Kelley Toslek know so we can make it right. Good luck to all!

Ben Field Receives Honor

Emmaus member Ben Field was inducted into the National Honor Society in a ceremony at Case High School on November 10. Members of the National Honor Society are students who maintain a grade point average of 3.75 (out of 4.0) in school. Ben is the son of Gary and Julie Field and grandson of John Psiones.

Middle School Youth to Bowl Dec. 10

The Middle School youth are now going by the name K.F.C. (Kids For Christ).

Join us on Sunday, Dec. 10 for bowling and pizza. Meet us at Paradise North bowling alley at 3:00 p.m. We will bowl two games (\$3.00; shoe rental is 50¢ extra).

We'll return to church around 5:00 p.m. for Infusino's pizza (approximate cost \$2.00). Feel



free to bring a Christmas "goody" to share for dessert, and a friend. Estimated pick-up time is 6:30 p.m.

Questions? Call Cindi Larsen (681-0282) or Pat Liesch (835-1363).

Parents are needed to transport kids between the lanes and church.

Upcoming Events

Please mark your calendars for upcoming events: January 14, 1996: Peppermint Gym

February 11, 1996: Pettit Ice Center

We will try to schedule activities for the second Sunday of each month.

UW-M Group Condemns Racism

The Directing Committee of Metro Milwaukee Lutheran Campus Ministry, an agency of the ELCA at UW-Milwaukee, reaffirmed on October 31 its statement condemning racism. The statement was originally adopted in March, 1988.

In part, the document states that "We believe in God who created all humanity in God's image, who established diversity as a gift to enhance our life together. ...Specifically, we condemn the recent racist incident at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. We support the efforts of the students and administrations of Milwaukee area schools to seek an end to racism on their campuses, [and] to provide an open and supportive climate for racial

minorities."

The reaffirmation of the anti-racism statement was in response to the use of a racially offensive term in an opinion column of *The UWM Times*, a student newspaper.



1996 Pledges Outpace 1995 Figures

Consecration Sunday on Nov. 12, the climax to our fall stewardship campaign, was a success once again this year. Special thanks to Pastor Fred Mai for leading worship and to Pat Jensen and her kitchen crew for spearheading the brunch. They helped lead our day of celebration of our ministry together.

Behind the scenes was the work of the Stewardship Committee: Peter Bayer (chair), Amy Larsen, and Al Svendsen. Their diligent work prepared us for a fine day. Thanks, too, to Maury Felton for his stirring "Temple Talk" on Nov. 5.

Thanks to all who made a pledge. Your commitment helps us to make our budget plan for our ministry in 1996. Thus far, with pledge cards continuing to come in, we have received 116 pledges for a total of over \$151,500 for the year. Coincidentally, we received exactly 116 pledges on Consecration Day last year, and the



total amount pledged so far this year is about \$9,000 above the amount pledged on Consecration Day in 1994. We anticipate that a few more pledges will be received in time to project an increase in our income for writing the 1996 budget. Thank you for your generous

response to the Gospel!

Thanks to Brunch Volunteers

I would like to thank everyone who helped make the brunch on November 12 such a success!

To all those who set up, cut up, boiled, brewed, baked, peeled, mashed, mixed, spread, shredded, served, cleared, washed and dried, thank you! It wouldn't have been possible without you!

--Pat Jensen

Wadewitz Students to Carol at Emmaus

The Wadewitz School Choir will perform a Christmas concert at the Emmaus Senior Fellowship Center at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 19. The director of the students is Jon Senzig.

Newcomers are welcome to

come for the concert and for the lunch at noon.

Senior Center meets in Fellowship Hall Tuesdays from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The Center will not meet December 26.

November Council Meeting Highlights

Amy Larsen Agrees to Fill Treasurer's Position

by Kathy Christensen

Amy Larsen has agreed to accept the position of Treasurer on a trial basis for three months. If she finds that she is able to manage this responsibility with her schedule, she will accept the position as regular council position.

To assist the Youth Committee in paying the cost of pool rental for the swimming event on November 12, the Council approved a motion to write a check for that amount to be reimbursed when the funds are collected from those participating.

Cathy Knuteson, Social Concerns chairperson, attended a meeting of the Racine Interfaith Coalition (RIC) to



understand more about the group's purpose. The aim of RIC is to create a force to enact greater social change by having churches band together to address common community concerns. She and Pastor Mary recommended that we postpone making a decision to join until the philosophy and concept of this relatively new organization becomes clearer.

Chris Hansen, Deacons Committee chairperson, reported that he had been looking into the cost of placing a directory board at each entrance to assist newcomers in finding their way in our building. It has also been suggested that there should be signs indicating the Fireside Room and the Sunset Room.

A motion was approved to refer the matter back to the Deacons Committee for further investigation.

ADULT FORUM

Adult Forum meets on Sundays from 9:20 to 10:10 a.m. following coffee fellowship in the Sunset Room on the main floor. All adults are welcome.

- Dec. 3 Gary Smalley video:** "Hidden Keys to loving Relationships," part 1. Smalley powerfully and engagingly talks about valuing our loved ones, and about overcoming our differences as male and female.
- Dec. 10 Reception for new members.**
- Dec. 17 "Proclaiming the Prince of Peace."** Pastor Paul will outline and share from his reflections on the work of René Girard, under the Christmas theme of "Peace to God's people on Earth."

There will be no Adult Forum on Dec. 24 or 31.

Worship Assistants

	Acolytes	Altar Guild	Ushers	Readers	Greeters
Dec. 2 5:00 pm		Sandy Strini Kim Battisti			
Dec. 3 8:00 am	Kristen Clinton Becky Fiebig	Helen Mickelson Linda Meteyard	Women's team	Betty Barth	Julia Durand Bev Hansen
Dec. 3 10:30 am	Rebecca Gottfredsen Alyssa Yorgan	Connie Bertermann Jeannette Bertram	Women's team	Bettina Stricker	Lucille Atkinson Edith Bohn
Dec. 10 8:00 am	Ryan Clinton Derek Haug		Team #5 E. Potterville	Al Svendsen	Loren & Cindi Larsen
Dec. 10 10:30 am	Nate Pearson Chris Friis		Team #10 R. Christensen	David Christensen	Jim & Ginny Dougall
Dec. 16 5:00 pm		Pat Jensen Julie Christensen			
Dec. 17 8:00 am	Katie Sanders Kevin Meteyard	Bev Hansen Pat Jensen	Team #7 J. Cook	Eileen Olson	Linda Clinton
Dec. 17 10:30 am	Kristina Listrom Kristin Andersen	Boots LeRoux Marg. Christensen	Team #2 L. Andersen	Ryan Sedgwick	Don & Dolly Orth
Dec. 24 10:00 am	Jon Cook Scott Rudey		Team #1 M. Falaschi	TBA	Bev & Chris Hansen
Dec. 24 4:30 pm	Justin Svoboda Sam Falschi		Team #4 R. Christensen	Cathy Meyer	Denise & Jerry Pipol
Dec. 24 10:30pm	Eric Larsen Ken Larsen	Pat Jensen Evelyn Larsen	Team #6 H. Jensen	TBA	TBA
Dec. 31 8:00 am	Dave Lasko Chris Nikolai		Team #3 H. Miller	Karen Sedgwick	Cheryl Dexter Betty Barth
Dec. 31 10:30 am	Tom Pie Adam Van Nice		Team #8 W. Meteyard	Kathy Christensen	Ralph & Audrey Rasmussen


Altar Flowers

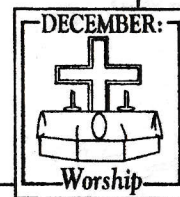
- Dec. 3 Amy Larsen
- Dec. 10 Marty & Marion Andersen
- Dec. 17 Mike Schendel, Heddie Wagner
- Dec. 24 Mildred Schroth
- Dec. 31 Bob & Margaret Christensen

Coffee Fellowship

- Kathy Christensen
- Deacons Committee
- Judith Berndt
- (Only one a.m. service)
- Loren & Cindi Larsen



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY																																											
DECEMBER, 1995 Emmaus Lutheran Church 1925 Summit Avenue Racine, Wisconsin 53404 Phone (414) 634-5515				WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES: 5:00-6:15 pm Supper 5:30-6:15 pm K-2nd Gr. Hands-On Science 5:30-6:15 pm Sunrise Singers practice 6:15-7:00 pm 3rd-6th Grade Hands On Science 7:00-8:00 pm Adult Choir Practice	January 1996 <table border="1"> <tr> <td>S</td><td>M</td><td>T</td><td>W</td><td>T</td><td>F</td><td>S</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>3</td><td>4</td><td>5</td><td>6</td> </tr> <tr> <td>7</td><td>8</td><td>9</td><td>10</td><td>11</td><td>12</td><td>13</td> </tr> <tr> <td>14</td><td>15</td><td>16</td><td>17</td><td>18</td><td>19</td><td>20</td> </tr> <tr> <td>21</td><td>22</td><td>23</td><td>24</td><td>25</td><td>26</td><td>27</td> </tr> <tr> <td>28</td><td>29</td><td>30</td><td>31</td><td></td><td></td><td></td> </tr> </table>	S	M	T	W	T	F	S		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31				1 6:30 pm REST	2 9:00 am Church Decoration for Christmas 5:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion
S	M	T	W	T	F	S																																											
	1	2	3	4	5	6																																											
7	8	9	10	11	12	13																																											
14	15	16	17	18	19	20																																											
21	22	23	24	25	26	27																																											
28	29	30	31																																														
3 1st Sunday in Advent 8:00 & 10:30 am WOMEN'S SUNDAY Worship Services with Holy Communion 9:15 am Sunday School 9:15 am Carpenter's Kids practice 9:20 am Adult Forum	4 Pastors' Planning Day 6:30 pm Worship & Music Committee 7:30 pm Executive Committee	5 9:15 am Staff meeting 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 5:00 pm TOPS 7:00 pm WELCA Christmas party & cookie pack	6 1:30 pm Rebecca Circle 5:00 pm WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES 5:00 pm Kitchen Committee	7 5:00 pm Community Meal at St. Patrick's 7:00 pm Stamp Club	8 6:30 pm REST 6:30 pm Staff /Council Christmas Dinner	9 5:00 pm Worship Service																																											
10 2nd Sunday in Advent 8:00 & 10:30 am Worship Service 9:15 am Sunday School 9:15 am Carpenter's Kids practice 3:00 pm KFC Bowling 4:30 pm New member Social at Pastor Mary's GIVING TREE DONATIONS DUE	11 5:00 pm Building & Grounds Committee 6:30 pm Church Council	12 9:15 am Staff meeting 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 5:00 pm TOPS 7:00 pm Miriam Circle at Jan Sukus	13 5:00 pm WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES VISITOR DEADLINE	14 7:00 pm Cluster Council	15 6:30 pm REST	16 9:00 am Rehearsal for Sunday School Program 5:00 pm Worship Service w/H.C.																																											
17 3rd Sunday in Advent 8:00 am Worship Service with Holy Communion 9:15 am Sunday School 9:15 am Carpenter's Kids practice 9:20 am Adult Forum 10:30 am Children's Sunday School Program; Holy Communion	18 6:30 pm Deacons' meeting	19 9:30 am Cluster Clergy 10:00 am Senior Fellowship Center 5:00 pm TOPS	20 5:00 pm WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES	21 St. Thomas, Apostle	22 6:00 pm Ager-Williams wedding 6:30 pm REST	23 NO SATURDAY WORSHIP																																											
24 4th Sunday in Advent 10:00 am Worship - Carol Sing 4:30 pm Festival Service 10:30 pm Candlelight Service with Holy Communion	25 Christmas Day Office Closed	26 St. Stephen, Martyr No Senior Fellowship Center 5:00 pm TOPS	27 St. John, Apostle & Evangelist NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES BIC Overnight	28 The Holy Innocents, Martyrs	29 6:30 pm REST	30 5:00 pm Worship Service																																											
Pastor Mary out of town...																																																	
31 1st Sunday After Christmas 8:00 & 10:30 am Worship Service No Sunday School or Adult Forum	JANUARY 1 New Year's Day Office Closed	2 9:15 am Staff meeting 10:00 am Seniors 5:00 pm TOPS	3 COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORTS DUE NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES	4	5 6:30 pm REST	6 5:00 pm Worship Service w/HC																																											



EMMAUS SENIOR FELLOWSHIP CENTER

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

Director: Glenn Olson

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

Programs begin at 10:30 a.m.

PROGRAMS FOR DECEMBER:

Dec. 5 10:00 a.m. Coffee & conversation
 10:30 a.m. Dickens' A Christmas Carol
 11:45 a.m. Devotions
 12:00 noon Lunch
 1:00 p.m. Social activities

Dec. 12 10:00 a.m. Coffee & conversation
 10:30 a.m. Christmas films: "Little Brown Burro," "The Gift" from Gethsemane library
 11:45 a.m. Devotions
 12:00 noon Lunch
 1:00 p.m. Social activities

Dec. 19 10:00 a.m. Coffee & conversation
 10:30 a.m. Christmas in video
 11:45 a.m. Devotions
 12:00 noon Lunch
 1:00 p.m. Wadewitz choir concert

Dec. 26 CENTER WILL NOT MEET -- Have a happy holiday!



December Birthdays - 70 Years and Onward

Dec. 1	Mary Larsen	3900 N. Main St., #224	53402
Dec. 1	Harry Larsen	5315 Norman Street	53406
Dec. 8	Wally Runge	6940 Mariner Dr., #202	53406
Dec. 14	Esther Jensen	3900 N. Main St., #212	53402
Dec. 21	Donald LaFave	1016 Kentucky Street	53405
Dec. 31	Gilbert Toslek, Sr.	2621 Cottonwood Court	53402

WELCA Bulletins

Women to Hold Christmas Meeting Dec. 5

by Betty Barth

Plan to attend our Christmas meeting Tuesday, December 5 at 7:00 p.m. It would be appreciated if you would bring cookies for packing for the shut-ins.

Following our cookie packing, we will have a special musical treat by Alyssa and Jim Yorgan and Becky Fiebig.

Our kitchen is in need of some supplies and we will have a Kitchen Shower. There is a suggestion list posted on the bulletin board by the church office. Hostesses will be the Miriam and Martha/Mary Circles.

Plan to attend, and bring a friend!

A special thank-you to all of the

women participating in the Thanksgiving service Sunday, Dec. 3: Presiding Minister Karen Sedgwick; Women's Chorus Director Marsha Connet; Guest Pastor Rev. Sandy Roberts; Julie Field for the bulletin cover; Kathy Christensen, Karen Sedgwick, Bettina Stricker, Marsha Connet and Pastor Mary for planning the service; and to Ellen Nuechterlein, Cathy Andersen, Audrey Rasmussen, Betty Barth, Linda Clinton, Margaret Christensen, Diane Rode, Marilyn McGinnis, Jan Svendsen, Diane Haug, Nancy Martinsen, Joy Kousek, Marge Jensen, Julie Christensen, Bev Hansen, Julia Durand, Kristen Clinton, Becky Fiebig, Rebecca Gottfredsen and Alyssa Yorgan for their help in leading the service.

Lincoln Lutheran Homes

Activity Dept. Asks for Volunteers, Donations

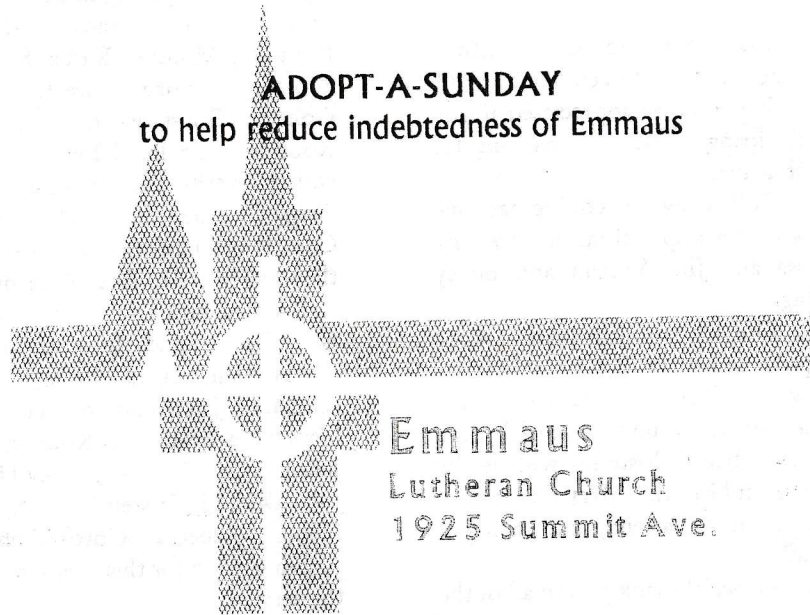
Lincoln Lutheran Home at 2015 Prospect Street in Racine is actively seeking volunteers to help with a variety of tasks in the activity Department. Job duties could include assisting activity staff with groups such as craft class, cooking class, etc. If you or someone you know may be interested in volunteering a few hours, please contact Dee Dee D'Amato, Activity Director, at 637-6531. Your time could make a difference in someone's life.

The Activity Dept. is also in need of bingo prizes. Women's prizes may be perfume, hankies, jewelry, lotions, while men's prizes might

include wallets, change purses, hankies, combs, socks, aftershave, etc. These items need not be new and may be left at the front desk or brought rightdown to the Activity Dept.

In January of 1996, Lincoln Lutheran Home will be holding its First Annual Cinderella Ball. This will be a black tie affair and women will be wearing formals or ballroom gowns to this event. Donations for formals/evening gowns are needed for this event. If you've had one hanging in your closet for years and just don't know what to do with it, bring it in. (Large and extra large dresses may be more in demand.)

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 Mission Cluster Epiphany Festival
Slated for January 21**

The theme for the 1996 Epiphany Festival, presented at the Siena Center by the Racine Mission Cluster of the ELCA, is "Sometimes a Light Surprises!" The festival will be held on the afternoon of January 21 at the Siena Center.

There will be crafts and refreshments between the hours of 1:30 and 3:00. At 3:00, there will be a program in the Siena Center chapel.

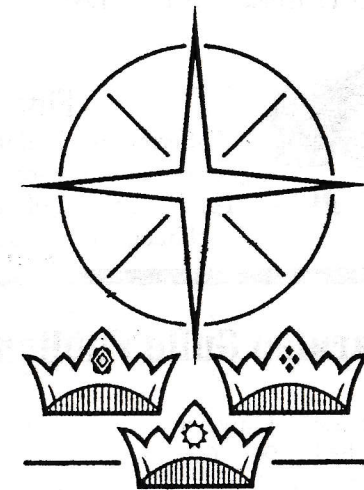
People from every ELCA congregation in the Racine Mission Cluster are invited to participate in the mass choir. This year's director will be Cheryl Neff-Lorenz, who directs the choir at Good Shepherd Lutheran. Also planned are a mass children's choir and a signing choir.

The festival planning committee seeks members from each member congregation to help with snacks and craft projects.

The festival planning committee consists of Eric Kaminski, Cheryl Neff-Lorenz and Rev. Tim Hansen of Good Shepherd Lutheran, Rev. Karl Otto of Bethania Lutheran, and Rev. Warren Williams of Atonement Lutheran.

Services Emphasize 12-Step Recovery

St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 4635 Erie Street, offers worship



services for those who are recovering from addictions of any kind, and to family members and friends of persons who are recovering or who are still suffering. The services are held on the second and fourth Saturday of every month at

6:00 p.m.

Services are based upon the standard Episcopal worship service with a particular emphasis upon 12-step recovery. The homily and readings directly relate to addiction and recovery. For information, call Father Terry McGugan at 639-2507, ext. #5.

Bethania to Hold Danish Christmas Service

Bethania Lutheran Church, 4120 Wright Avenue, will host a Danish language worship service Sunday, Dec. 24 at 3:00 p.m. Members of Bethania will lead a simple service of Christmas hymns, lessons, and prayers *i dansk*, although the sermon by Rev. Karl Otto will be in English. The sacrament of Holy Communion will be included in the order of worship.

Emmaus Attendance Statistics

Average Weekly Attendance, Oct.:	1993: 228	1994: 219	1995: 226
Average Weekly Attendance, Nov.:	1993: 184	1994: 204	1995: 192
Average Weekly Attendance, Dec.:	1993: 180	1994: 248	



Financial Report

Financial Statistics

Offerings received in October:	\$15,896.33
Needed monthly for '95 budget:	\$17,801.59
Total received as of 10/29/1995:	\$163,605.02
Total budgeted as of 10/29/1995:	\$176,646.58

Valparaiso Guild Publishes Cookbook

The Valparaiso University Guild has published *The Guild Cookbook, Volume IV*, a collection of 600 recipes using the newest and healthiest ingredients from grocery shelves. Symbols mark sections indicating authentically international, chef's special, make-ahead, healthy eating, fast and easy, microwavable and special events menus. Twenty-two Valparaiso University Guild chapters were involved in testing each recipe.

Special features include comments from a dietician, home economist, the editor, and in addition to a Volume IV index, it includes an index of the Guild's first three cookbooks. Recipes are not duplicated in any of the volumes.

Colored dividers featuring artwork from the Valparaiso University Museum of Art mark the sections of this exceptional cookbook and all proceeds provide scholarships for students attending Valparaiso

University.

To obtain a copy of *The Guild Cookbook, Volume IV*, call Kathy Bardenhagen at 639-1989. The cost of the cookbook is \$10.00.

Some Gifts Keep On Giving

Approximately every 18 minutes, someone in the United States needs an organ transplant. Transplants of kidneys, livers, hearts, pancreases, lungs, and heart-lungs are now considered an accepted part of medical treatment.

Transplantation owes a great deal of thanks to people who realize they can help save lives simply by signing an organ donor card and telling family of their intention to donate their organs upon death. To receive a free organ donor card and brochure from UNOS, the United Network for Organ Sharing, call 1-800-243-6667.

Pastor Paul's Column

Forgiveness Means Everyone's Invited

Dear Disciples of Emmaus,

The holidays are a special time for family dinners. We gather together and share festive meals—meals of celebration and thanksgiving. More so than at other times of the year, we also make an effort to include the children. Christmas just isn't the same without the children.

I would like to take a few moments to share my thoughts and feelings with you about our family dinner at Emmaus. We have an important vote coming next month at the annual meeting for possibly opening Holy Communion to all ages.

I am a little uncomfortable sharing these reflections here, because there is the risk that this be perceived as "Pastor Paul's issue." But I've decided to share this with all of you in writing in the hopes that it *not* be just my issue. I sincerely would like to see this change be one that we can all embrace together. So I spend a few moments with you now, making clear why I think this matter is of such importance to us.

Let's get right to heart of the matter: forgiveness. This is what Luther emphasized in the Lord's Supper, and it is what many of us have grown up with. It is our faith that we hear the promise of God's forgiveness proclaimed to us each time we partake of this holy meal.

What has been meaningful to me, in my own reflections in recent years, has been to remember the first time that the promise of forgiveness was proclaimed to me: at my baptism. As a tiny infant, even before I had a chance to try to earn that forgive-

ness—something I cannot do, in the first place!—I was reconciled with God through forgiveness in Jesus Christ and called into God's family. The gracious meaning of forgiveness, then, is that God includes me in the Christian family without my having done anything to deserve it. In short, the gracious meaning of forgiveness is being included. This remains so, even though, since my baptism, I have acted in ways that have no doubt given God the justification for excluding me, for throwing me out. At Holy Communion, I hear once again that this true God, whom I have come to know in Jesus Christ, just doesn't operate that way. This God is about inclusion, not exclusion; about forgiveness and reconciliation, not condemnation and rejection.

Can Holy Communion convey such a word of forgiveness to us, if we practice it with rules of exclusion? This is the question that has made our exclusion of children such an urgent matter to me. We talk about what young children can understand in coming to our Lord's table. Something that they can understand at a very early age is whether or not they are being included or excluded. When they see others getting something that they are not, they know they are being left out.

That forgiveness means I am included in God's family, when God would be justified in excluding me, is something that has been made more clear to me in recent years through my involvement in the work of René

Continued on back page >

"An argument is when two people are trying to get in the last word first."

-- Herbert W. Prochnow

Pastor Paul's Column Continued

Girard. On Christ the King Sunday, I shared his first basic premise: that we humans live in a force field not only of natural forces like gravity, which we have come to understand better since Isaac Newton, but also in a 'force field' of desire, which governs our relationships with God and others. This force field of desire is constantly bringing us into rivalry with one another, and eventually into violent conflict. Girard's second major premise is that the way we deal with this rivalry and conflict is with acts of exclusion. We find some measure of unity by drawing lines between ourselves and certain others. We attempt to achieve our sense of belonging and inclusion at the price of excluding someone else.

Jesus Christ came to both expose this exclusionary behavior of ours and to forgive it, making it clear that God does *not* operate this way. Right from the very beginning, Jesus was born as one excluded in a stable on the outskirts of town. The only ones to come visit this newborn baby were

shepherds and some *foreign* dignitaries, i.e., other outsiders. His life was lived with "sinners" and people who lived on the fringes. Finally, he was executed as a criminal, declared an outsider by our human law. God exposes this human way of doing things through Jesus and offers us a different way, the way of a radical forgiveness that invites everyone back into God's family, even though we continue to play our sinful games of exclusion.

This radical forgiveness is the wonderful basis for true peace that we celebrate once again this Christmas. It is the basis for the peace we celebrate each time we gather at our Lord's Table. I think we have an opportunity in January to make that celebration even more meaningful by including all our children. In the meantime, have a blessed Christmas! May all your family dinners bring you peace.

In the Spirit's love,

Pastor Paul

Emmaus Lutheran Church
1925 Summit Avenue
Racine, WI 53404

Non-Profit Org
U.S. Postage
PAID
Racine, WI
Permit No. 137