

Emmaus Visitor

January, 2016

Emmaus, Emaús to Vote on Significant Changes at Annual Meeting

Emmaus and Emaús will hold simultaneous but separate congregational meetings on Sunday, January 24 to vote on dissolving the respective congregations; then the two will come together to vote on establishing the new unified congregation.

A catered meal will be served in Fellowship Hall after the meeting.

Because of these important decisions, the worship schedule has been changed to encourage everyone to attend this year's annual meeting. There will be no Saturday evening service on January 23 and both Sunday services will be at 10:00 a.m.

Emaús to Incorporate

Based on legal counsel, it is the intent of Parroquia Emaús ELCA to officially incorporate in early

January. By doing so, Emmaus and Emaús will come into the proposed union as equals. Synod Attorney Steven Knowles (who, incidentally, was married by Pastor Ken Carlson at Emmaus in 1972) will prepare and file the necessary paper work.

Name for New Congregation

After considerable discussion at many levels, including with the Synod attorney, the Emmaus council has recommended that the name of the proposed new congregation be "Emaus ELCA." The name reflects the way the early Scandinavians spelled the name, and it also is the current Spanish spelling (minus the accent mark) of the name. The proposed bilingual constitution, to be voted on January 24, includes Emaus ELCA throughout the document.

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Pastoral Acts

Baptism:
Jameson Palmgren
December 12, 2015

Jameson is the son of Andrew and Jenny Palmgren. His sponsors are Dale Jr. and Tippanie Howser, Amanda Sucharda and Justin Kratochvil.



13 Youth Confirm Baptismal Vows

Thirteen youth affirmed the promises made at their baptism and were confirmed into adult membership of the congregation on Sunday, December 13. Greater Milwaukee Synod Bishop Jeff Barrow, Pastors Jhon Freddy Correa and Gabriel Marcano, and even the worship band dressed up in pink for the celebration.

The youth who completed their confirmation classes this year are: Jonathan Calderon, Alicia Chavez, Ramiro Flores, Jesenia García, Mariana Gervacio, Michelle Gervacio, Kenia Herrera, José López, Adair Luna, Anthony Luna, Verónica Medina, Fernando Rojas and María del Rosario Calderón.

Pastor Jhon Freddy's Column

Thank You for Your Love and Support

Dear Emaus family,

I write this letter with mixed emotions—happiness and sadness, fear and trust—but knowing God is in control. It is with humble gratitude that I thank you for the wonderful ministry shared together. Thank you for your love and support, not only to me but also to my family. It has been my joy and honor to serve with you these last seven years, and even more than that, it has been a blessing to be served by all of you. Thank you! As a congregation and as individuals you have brought many blessings to my family and me. I am exceedingly thankful to

God for placing us here at Emaús-Emmaus family.

After two years of prayers, conversations with synod staff, ELCA, colleagues, family and friends, my family has accepted a new call. My last Sunday at Emaús-Emmaus will be January 17, 2016, and my last date of work January 19, 2016. On January 20 we will make the transition to the congregation in Florida where I will be serving as a redevelopment pastor.

I trust that the Lord, our provider, will bless ALL of us. May God guide and protect you always.

Thank you,
Pr. Jhon Freddy Correa

Emmaus Staff & Worship Times

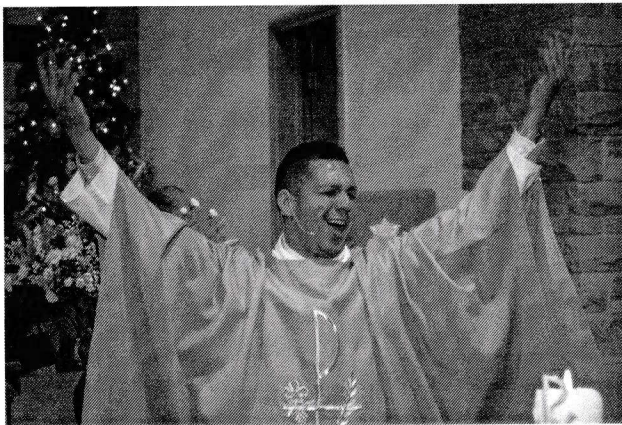
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Custodians: Rich Benson & Antelmo Hernandez

English language services are held every Saturday evening at 4:30, and Sunday mornings at 9:00. Spanish language services are held at Emmaus 11:00 a.m. on Sundays. On the weekend of January 23-24, there will not be a Saturday evening service, and both English and Spanish services will be at 10:00 a.m.

Emmaus office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, closed January 1. The VISITOR is published monthly September to July. The deadline for the February VISITOR is January 15. Submit articles to Paul Berge's attention by mail or by e-mail.

Gracias por Tu Amor y Compromiso

Escribo esta carta en una mezcla de emociones: felicidad y tristeza, miedo y confianza (esperanza) — pero seguro que Dios tiene el control. Con todo mi corazón les quiero decir gracias por compartir este gran ministerio de fe en Emaús.



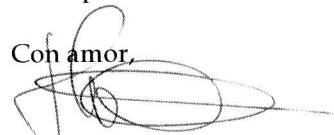
Gracias por tu amor y compromiso, no solo conmigo, pero con mi familia. Servir a la comunidad de Racine juntos me ha llenado de alegrías, ha sido una bendición y un honor en los últimos siete años. Pero mas gratificante ha sido ser testigo y bendecido por la manera como ustedes han sido mis pastores y me han servido.

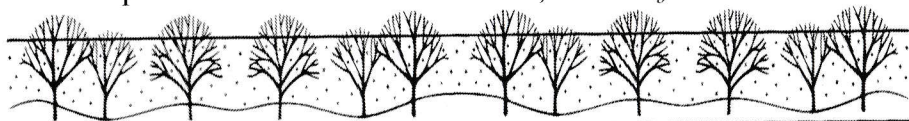
¡Gracias! Con mi familia hemos sido beneficiarios de todas las bendiciones que ustedes como familia (parroquia) y como individuos han traído. Estamos eternamente agradecidos con Dios por colocarnos en el camino, para compartir estas experiencias con la familia, de Emaús-Emmaus.

Después de dos años en

oración, conversaciones con el sínodo (Obispo y el staff), con la iglesia nacional ELCA, otros pastores, pastoras y amigos; mi familia ha aceptado un llamado a servir en una nueva parroquia. La ultima celebración-misa que ofreceré en Emaús como su pastor sera el domingo 17 de enero del 2016.

Trabajaré en la oficina hasta el 19; y el 20, mi familia y yo haremos la transición a la nueva parroquia en el estado de la Florida donde estaré sirviendo como pastor.

Con amor,

Pr. Jhon Freddy Correa



Q&A Sessions to Be Held January 9, 10

Do you have an unanswered question about the future of Emmaus/Emaus? Be sure to come to worship the weekend of January 9 and 10 when your questions will

be addressed. There will be additional time following the services to ask any other questions you may have.

Proposed Constitution Sent to ELCA

The groups from Emmaus and Emaús have come to a consensus regarding the content of the new bilingual constitution. The English version of the constitution has been submitted to the Secretary of the Greater Milwaukee, and only one minor change was

recommended. The revised version has been resubmitted and will be forwarded to the churchwide office of the ELCA in Chicago. Meanwhile, the final work on the Spanish version should be ready for submission within ten days.



Annual Reports Are Due in January

We remind church council members and organizations that it is time to write their annual reports to the congregation.

In order to present the full report to the congregation a week before the January 24 annual meeting, the office would like reports turned in by January 11. Reports may be submitted on paper, on computer disk, or by e-mail. If you submit a report by e-mail, it works best to have the report in the text of the e-mail in case there is any difficulty opening

the report as an attached file.

It is not necessary to submit reports to Pastor Mary for proofreading or approval; but if you feel

you must, the deadline to do so is January 8.

January Council Meeting Rescheduled

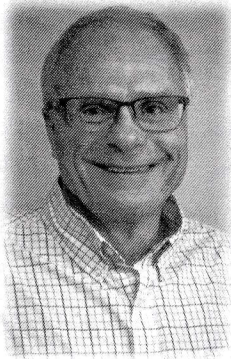
The January meeting of the Emmaus Council has been changed to the second Tuesday of the month, January 12, at 6:30 p.m.

Pastor Wohlfeil Accepts Interim Position

We are delighted to welcome Pastor Steve Wohlfeil, retired ELCA pastor and current Emmaus Bible study leader, as the Interim Pastor for the English speaking portion of our congregation. His half-time position begins February 1.

This appointment comes following approval of both the Synod staff and the Emmaus council in December meetings. During his time as the interim pastor, Pastor Steve will receive administrative support and consultation from Pastor Mary as well as preaching support from Pastor Marcy and others.

A North Dakota native, Pastor Steve is a graduate of the University of North Dakota and has earned Masters degrees at Luther Seminary and Creighton University. During his first call, he served the members of Zion Lutheran Church in Minot, North



Dakota, and among his parishioners was Harriet Janz, Pastor Mary's mother.

Following his time in North Dakota, Pastor Steve served in South Dakota as Campus Pastor at Augustana College and as Executive Director of a homeless shelter in Sioux Falls. Congregations served in the Greater Milwaukee Synod include Pentecost and Reformation in Milwaukee and Bethania / Holy Communion in Racine.

Following his retirement in 2013, he served as Interim Pastor at Incarnation in Milwaukee.

Pastor Steve's passions include walking with people who live in poverty, reading, NASCAR (#4), exercising, and cheering on the Boston Celtics.

Pastor Steve and his wife, Mary, live in north Racine. Pastor Mary serves at Resurrection in New Berlin. They have five children and one granddaughter.

RCF Awards EASY \$12,000

We have received word that the Emmaus EASY/SALT program has been awarded a grant in the amount of \$12,000 by the Racine Community Foundation for the current school year. The EASY

program meets four days a week, providing homework help, mentors and enrichment in math and science for 34 elementary students.

Emmaus NeedleWorks Regroup in January

The Knitting and Quilting group has been taking a break for Christmas and New Year's, but will resume their regular Wednesday morning sessions on January 6. Anyone



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

After School Program Resumes

Emmaus After School for Youth (EASY) is taking a well-deserved break over the holidays and will resume on Monday, January 4.

The staff and volunteers put in a collaborative effort during December to prepare for the pageant. They sat alongside the



kids as they sang at the end of each EASY session. The speaking parts practiced their lines again and again. Some were getting help from their families. The kids worked hard on Wednesday evenings to fine-tune their lines and songs. All said they were nervous! As was the staff!

Thank you, Ryan Lamberton, for coordinating the sound system. Thanks to Jose and

Erika Villegas for preparing the side stage.

Youth Birthdays

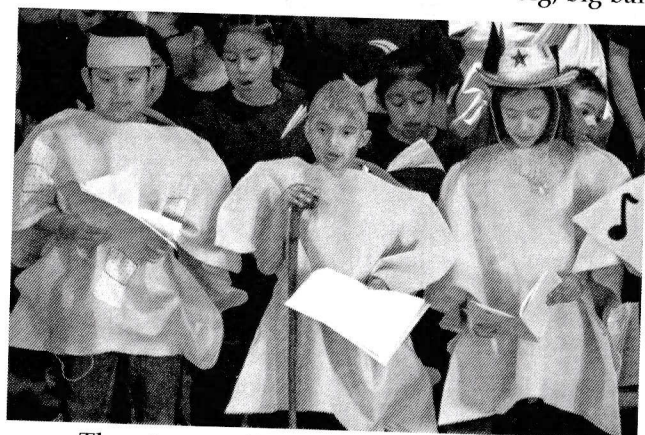
Jan. 1	Collin Cacciotti, 11
Jan. 1	Patrick Austin, 18
Jan. 4	Danna Trevino, 8
Jan. 5	Luis Tapia, Jr., 15
Jan. 9	Daniella Zavala, 7
Jan. 9	Julian Soria, 5
Jan. 10	Abbigail Perez-Alvarez 5
Jan. 10	Rylee Brown, 14
Jan. 13	Madelyn Vash, 11
Jan. 15	Alexa Blancarte, 3
Jan. 19	Alisson Anguiano, 16
Jan. 20	Maraina Love, 6
Jan. 20	Jesus Granados, 7
Jan. 20	Odalys Tinaro, 14
Jan. 23	Ilyn Ruiz, 6
Jan. 24	Rosie Hernando, 16
Jan. 25	Angel Mateo-Perez, 8
Jan. 26	Carina Saucedo, 7
Jan. 28	Kaitlyn Sodke, 16
Jan. 31	David Castañeda Jr., 8

'Star of Wonder' Shines Bright

Almost fifty EASY/Emmaus kids presented "Star of Wonder" during the worship service December 20. Their enthusiasm cast a bright light on those attending the pageant.



A sea of blue clad singers with a shooting star on their shirts, six stars wearing creative yellow costumes, a moon, and the three kings engaged all in a spirited musical about God's hope coming to earth. "Look up! Look up! Something's going on in the heavens tonight," set the pace for this fun and inspiring musical.



The stars realize something big is going on when they hear an angel say to the shepherds, "Don't be scared - a Savior is born this day in the city of David." Suddenly, a band of shepherds begin to play their instruments while another group of shepherds

step out in an original dance. The choir questions how God decided the word should be given to a big, big band of shepherds.

Shooting Star announces that another group is following them and watches as the Wee Three Kings dance with their gifts. At last the stars arrive at the manger. They are wowed by the sight of Mary and Joseph and the baby Jesus.

The moving song "Let your light shine on us," reminds us that the light of Jesus will help us find our way in the darkest night. Super Star excitedly gestures towards the manger and says, "But He's the real star of the show!"

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Thank You for Stewardship Response

The results of the Consecration Sunday 2016 Stewardship campaign are now in. A huge thank you to all who responded.

2016 pledge summary to date: 26 contributors have made a total commitment of \$89,368 for the year. This is



down from last year's pledges: 34 contributors made a total commitment of \$110,836.

For those still wishing to make a 2016 commitment, please contact the church office.

Winter Envelopes Will Be in Narthex

The next set of offering envelopes will be made available for members to pick up in the narthex. We will mail envelopes to shut-ins and distant members who wish to have them, but at over \$1 in postage per set, we try to mail out as few of them as we possibly can.

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

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

If you are interested in arranging EFTs to Emmaus, click on the green "Electronic Fund Giving" button on our web site, www.emmaus-racine.org. You can



arrange one-time or recurring gifts to Emmaus on a secure web site, either from your checking account or on your credit card. (Emmaus is charged a small percentage of credit card transactions.)

Emmaus to Serve Community Meal February 4

It's Emmaus' turn to serve at St. Patrick's Community Meal Site on February 4. Please sign up in the narthex to help serve, or to provide a casserole, jello, or dessert. 9"x13" pans are available

in the kitchen off the Sunset Room.

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

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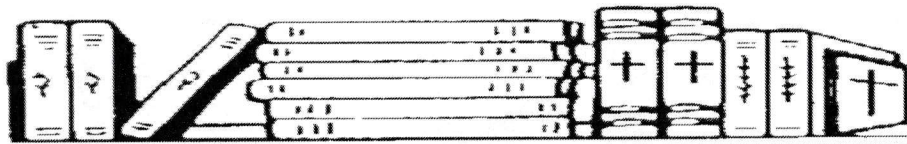
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January Worship Leaders

	Altar Guild	Communion Assts.	Readers	Ushers
Sat. Jan. 2 4:30 pm	Cathy Meyer	—	—	—
Sun. Jan. 3 9:00 am	Joy Lippmann	tbd	tbd	Team 4 Meteyard
Sat. Jan. 9 4:30 pm	Barb Toslek Jamie Toslek	—	—	—
Sun. Jan. 10 9:00 am	Cheryl Dexter	tbd	tbd	Team 1 Porcaro
Sat. Jan. 16 4:30 pm	Cheryl Dexter	—	—	—
Sun. Jan. 17 9:00 am	Audrey Villalobos	tbd	tbd	Team 2 Christensen
Sat. Jan. 23	No Saturday worship service			
Sun. Jan. 24 10:00 am	Barb Larsen	tbd	tbd	Team 3
Sat. Jan. 30 4:30 pm	Cathy Meyer Linda Clinton	—	—	—
Sun. Jan. 31 9:00 am	Caren Lamberton	tbd	tbd	Team 4

January Birthdays: 70 Years and Better

Jan. 7	Harold Miller	2704 James Avenue	53403
Jan. 28	Sandy Strini	1308 Willmor Street	53402



Lectionary Readings for January

January 1:	Numbers 6:22-27	Galatians 4:4-7	Luke 2:15-21
January 3:	Jeremiah 31:7-14	Ephesians 1:3-14	John 1:1- or 10-18
January 6:	Isaiah 60:1-6	Ephesians 3:1-12	Matthew 2:1-12
January 10:	Isaiah 43:1-7	Acts 8:14-17	Luke 3:15-17, 21-22
January 17:	Isaiah 62:1-5	1 Cor. 12:1-11	John 2:1-11
January 24:	Neh. 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10	1 Cor. 12:12-31a	Luke 4:14-21
January 31:	Jeremiah 1:4-10	1 Cor. 13:1-13	Luke 4:21-30

Participate in Souper Bowl of Caring

The Super Bowl takes place on Sunday, February 7, and approximately 100 million Americans are expected to tune in to watch. As many are enjoying abundant food and friendship while hosting or attending parties, approximately 1 billion people will be hungry.

The Souper Bowl of Caring is an ecumenical, youth-led movement, with more than 2,000 ELCA youth groups raising money for hunger-related charities each year. \$8,072,000 was collected

around the country for the 2015 Souper Bowl of Caring, \$104.02 from Emmaus.



At the February 6 and 7 worship services, drop a dollar in a soup pot during worship. Your

donation will go directly to food pantries right here in our community. With your help, more dollars will be raised, more lives will be changed, and more young people will experience the joy of serving Christ by serving others.

Food Pantry Volunteers Urged to Attend Training

We have some new volunteers. You are all deeply appreciated as we support this important ministry. Thank you for your support.

Because of the requirement for a refresher lesson for Civil Rights Training, it has been requested that we all attend a 15-minute discussion of this topic. If as many of you could attend the training on Thursday, January 28, it would assist our church in meeting this requirement. Those of you unable to attend, please let Cindi Larsen know and she will check with David Brittig on how we should

proceed.

Volunteer Schedule

January 28: Cheryl Dexter, Cindi and Loren Larsen, Kathy and Rich Christensen, Carolyn Wooster

February 25: Boots LeRoux, Pat Jensen, Carolyn Wooster, Cheryl Dexter, Cindi and Loren Larsen

If you are unable to work your scheduled date, please trade with someone on the schedule. Please do not call Cindi Larsen to find someone. Also, please do not leave only two people on duty.

Thank you for your support of this important ministry.

Our Diet Impacts the Environment

by John Berge

It has been quite some time since I have read or written about "meatless Mondays," but the environmental reasons for such an idea are still valid. Raising animals for food, especially cattle, requires lots of water, large usage of land, and often erosion of land and pollution of streams and rivers. While it may surprise you, there also is a strong contribution to climate change or global warming.

Methane contributes at least 25 times as much greenhouse effect per molecule, as does carbon dioxide. While methane doesn't stay in the atmosphere as long, each molecule of methane is eventually oxidized to two molecules of water and one of carbon dioxide, both of which are greenhouse gases. According to the EPA, fermentation in the stomachs of cattle and other ruminants and the microorganisms that grow in manure produce 36% of the methane produced by human activity, topping the natural gas and petroleum industry's 29%.

A recent paper in the *Journal of Geophysical Research: Atmosphere* raised the possibility

that the EPA data are out of date and that livestock are even a greater source of methane. Within the livestock community, beef cattle produce 71.2% of the "enteric fermentation," dairy cattle 25.3%, swine 1.5% and all others just 2.0%. We will leave the data for manure management's 10% to others or another column.



So a meatless Monday could reduce meat consumption and production by 14%, thereby reducing the methane going into the atmosphere by a similar amount and probably doing us some good on our waistlines and in our arteries.

Nutritionists tell us that we should be eating fish at least once a week.

According to the EPA data, poultry and pork are relatively small contributors to the enteric fermentation problems. Much of this is due to the food that the livestock eat. Cattle eat grasses and other sources of cellulose that we can't digest. Cattle can't either, but they have in their four stomachs lots of bacteria that can break down the cellulose to give nutrients to the cattle with methane as a major by-product.

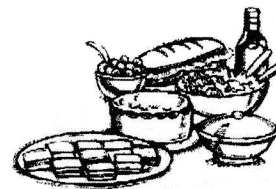
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Those who have lived on a farm or ranch know that a lot of that methane is burped by the cattle, so it is both ends that must be taken into consideration as scientists work to reduce this source of methane.

This may seem like a strange subject for a church newsletter, but what we eat has a profound effect on our environment and on social justice when we consider how much corn is raised for cattle that is not available to those who are



hungry and can't even imagine eating a t-bone steak.

As the cows say in the commercial, "eat mor chikin." It is good environmental stewardship.

Memorials & Honoraria

Designated for Giving Tree:

In honor of Eschmann family grandchildren: \$80.00

Non-designated memorials:

In memory of John Demant: \$935.00

In memory of Jan Sukus: \$25.00

Crunching the Numbers

Weekly worship attendance averages (calculated as of Dec. 27, 2014)

	2013			2014			2015		
	Sat	Sun	Dom	Sat	Sun	Dom	Sat	Sun	Dom
Nov	15	86	181	9	46	123	10	38	159
Dec	24	85	130	11	72	156	15	81	141
Xmas Eve	200 + 250			97 + 233			87 + 180		
	2014			2015					
Jan	17	66	129	11	39	158			

Financial Figures

Total thru 11/22/15 Year to date

General Fund offerings received in Nov. '15: \$ 10,931.43 \$ 113,731.81

Mortgage retirement offerings received in Nov. '15 \$30.00 YTD: \$1,089.00

Mortgage payments in Dec., '15: Principal \$ 469.32

Interest..... \$ 497.68

Total..... \$ 967.00

Principal balance as of December 7, 2015: \$ 113,754.78



Hospitality Center Seeks Support

Help support Racine's largest meal program, hosted by the Hospitality Center, serving over 42,000 meals a year. The center needs your support to allow them to continue to offer both help and hope to the community, and the opportunity to care for those who are hungry, thirsty, tired, cold, ignored, passed by, and too often forgotten.

You can make financial contributions in the form of cash, check, or PayPal. Checks can be made payable to the Hospitality



Center and mailed to Hospitality Center, P.O. Box 250972, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53225, or you can find PayPal on hospitality-center.org.

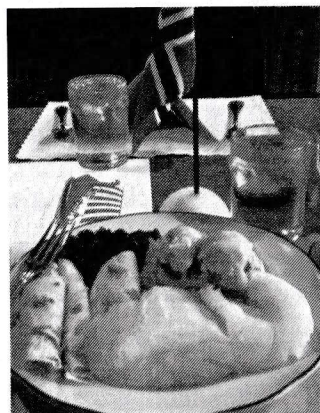
They are also always in need of blankets, coats, hats, mittens, gloves, and socks. Donations can be dropped off at the Hospitality Center,

located at 7th and Main, or make arrangements through Carol Yust.

O Lutefisk, Come Saturday, I Tink I Eat You Anyvay

Norway Evangelical Lutheran Church, 6321 Heg Park Road in Wind Lake, invites you to reserve your seat at their annual Norwegian lutefisk and meatball dinner on Saturday, February 13. Servings are at 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. and include side dishes, beverages, many cakes and wonderful ethnic pastries.

Reservations are required. 534-3862.



Tickets go on sale January 1. Tickets are \$17.50 for adults, \$16.00 for seniors, \$7.50 for children under 10, and free for children able to fit in a high chair. Call Joanne Jacobson at 262 534-6867 or Donna Hanson at 262

Celebrating, Letting Go, Anticipating the New

A Half Century

Tomorrow I board a plane for Arizona where I will be until New Year's Day. As I make these plans, I reflect on the last half century and the richness of my deep friendship with a dear college friend.

We have been there for each other through thick and thin, celebrating personal successes and crying together when things have been tough. We both hail from North Dakota, are one week apart in age, and have had the privilege of traveling extensively and of living and working abroad.

Now my friend is in his last stages of the dreaded disease of multiple myeloma. He is in constant pain, very weak and so grateful for his loving partner who is also his caregiver during this difficult time.

I am so looking forward to seeing my dear friend one more time, but I know the letting go will be bittersweet. Because I love him, I can do no less than to release him to God's loving care and to the new life where he will be free of pain and suffering and tears.

I am reminded of the words of the angel that I preached on

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Christmas Eve, "Fear not! For unto you is born this day in the City of David, a Savior who is Christ the Lord!" What words of reassurance during a time of loss and letting go! We all need those words of hope and the assurance of new life!

A Century and a Half

We are about to embark on an historic moment in the time of Emmaus. We celebrate over 160 years of history in Racine. Danish and Norwegian immigrants formed that early congregation, which

began in a home and then had its modest roots planted in a small frame building on State Street with the people praying and worshipping together as extended family. The growing congregation then moved on to worship in the building on Mound Avenue before relocating to the corner of Summit and Yout sixty years ago.

Recognizing the changes that had been taking place in our current neighborhood—faces now brown and black, as well as the original light skin of those Northern European immigrants—ministry began to change at Emmaus sixteen years ago. The

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outreach ministry began with the children of Wadewitz School and of the neighborhood. Mentoring, an after school program (EASY), and a free five-week summer Neighborhood Camp were begun. Seeds were being planted for the next generations.

Seven years ago we welcomed Jhon Freddy Correa into our midst. A small group of Spanish speakers began gathering in homes for prayer, Bible study and fellowship. The group increased in number, and the following year the people of the newly formed Emaús Mission Start congregation were welcomed to share the building.

As one Emmaus member states, "We had no road map or guidebook to tell us what to do." Language barriers, differences in culture and background, and lack of education could very well have impeded us from making progress, causing us to part ways. However, dedication and faithful commitment of members to the one God we all worship and serve, lots of prayer, the guidance of the Holy Spirit, leadership of pastors,

council members and staff, working out differences, AND getting to know one another and our personal stories, have all brought us to where we are today.

We are now at a new juncture—one of celebrating the past, letting go, and anticipating what is next. On January 24 both

faith communities will vote to dissolve their current status (Emmaus as an established congregation of the ELCA for over 160

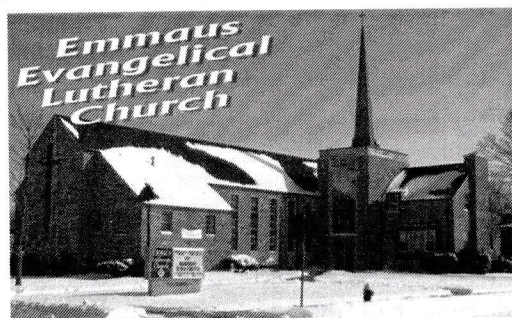
years and Emaús as an ELCA Mission Start) in order to form one new unified bilingual, multi-cultural congregation, Emaus ELCA.

A Quarter Century

It's hard for me to believe that it is nearly 25 years ago that I arrived to Racine for the very first time. Following conversations, interviews and prayer, I said "yes" to the call extended to me as Associate Pastor of Emmaus. It's funny how God works. I expected to be here two or three years and then move on. Here I am 24½ years later!

I thought my experience as a

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Spanish teacher and coordinator of student travel to Mexico and Spain were just past history that had no connection with my new work. Today I find myself speaking Spanish every day! I thought my past experience of running a business was just that. Now I am mired in budgets and grant writing and reporting, all possible because of that previous experience.

After several attempts to "cut back," the January 24 vote seemed a logical time to make that "cutting back" much more significant. As a result, my role will change drastically. I will be handing over the reins of the writing and administering of grants to Carol Yust, who has worked with me side-by-side during the past eight months in that area. Pastor Steve Wohlfeil, retired ELCA pastor who has been leading Bible studies at Emmaus (see article on page 6), will step in as the English speaking interim pastor beginning February 1.

Today, December 27, Pastor Jhon Freddy announced to the congregation that he has accepted a new call and will be leaving Racine January 20 (see his letter to the congregation on page 3). Pastoral candidate Gabriel Marcano, with the support of others, will continue to provide pastoral leadership to the Spanish-

speaking community. A call committee will be formed to begin the process of calling a lead bilingual pastor.

My new role will consist of providing interim advisory and administrative support to both the English and the Spanish speaking portions of the new congregation during the process. Although I offered to step aside completely, both Pastor Steve and the current Emaús leaders have requested that I stay involved in this advisory capacity during the interim period. Because I believe so strongly in the direction Emaus ELCA will be moving, I am honored to be a part of this important process in the formation of the new congregation.

Once again, the strong reminder is that even as we have much to celebrate in the past, it is time to let go, that New Life can be anticipated and bear fruit in our future together. We remember the words of the angel, "Be not afraid!" The risen Christ walks with us on this Road to Emaus and makes himself known in the breaking of the bread together! Trusting in this promise, we anticipate new and abundant life—together!

Blessings as we continue this journey,

Pastor Mary

*In the January Visitor:
Important Annual
Meeting
Confirmation 2015
'Thank You for Love,
Support'
Q&A Sessions
Annual Reports Due
Interim Pastor Steve
Wohlfeil
NeedleWorks Resumes
'Star of Wonder'
Stewardship Report
Pantry Civil Rights
Session
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Congregational Votes Create Emaus ELCA

Two simultaneous worship services at 10:00 a.m, followed by two simultaneous congregational meetings of Parroquia (Parish) Emaús and Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Church on January 24 led to the official consolidation into one new congregation, Emaus ELCA.



The process, shepherded by Stephen Knowles, attorney for the Greater Milwaukee Synod, went smoothly as each entity decided to consolidate and then name three commissioners, who would then serve on the Transition Team. Rev. Sandy Chrostowski, Director of Evangelical Mission and Synod staff person, together with Rev.

Hector Carrasquillo from the national office of the ELCA participated in the morning events.

Documents were notarized and signed by the members of the Transition Team, consisting of Antelmo Hernando, Cathy Meyer, Pablo Enriquez, Carol Yust, Maribel Ortiz, Pastor Mary and the

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Pastoral Acts

Baptisms:

Tyriece Earl Jackson, Jr.
Jayce Louis Jackson
January 16, 2016

Tyriece and Jayce are the sons of Erin Tussler and Tyriece Jackson, and the great-grandsons of Joyce and Roger Kaiser. Tyriece's sponsors are Casey Morgensen and Scott Johnson; Jayce's sponsors are Danielle Love and Alex Maryland.

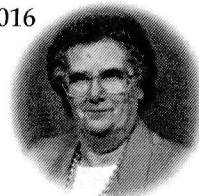
Funerals:

Robert Allen Mathieus
January 16, 2016



Bob Mathieus was president of UAW local 180 for ten years. Until his eyesight failed him, his favorite hobbies included converting old family photographs and clips into his own "RAM" video productions. He is survived by his wife, Edna; their children, Linda (Jerry) Verwey, Sharon (Brian) Truss, and Robert Mathieus; grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Eleanor Gerdhardt Lawrenz
January 26, 2016



Elly was a devoted member of the VFW and a volunteer at Lincoln Lutheran. Elly is survived by her three daughters: Donna Sharp, Judy Wilson and Sue Justman, and by grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

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Lent Begins Ash Wednesday

Pastor Steve Wohlfeil will lead an Ash Wednesday worship service at noon on February 10. The service will include the traditional imposition of ashes



and the sacrament of Holy Communion. "On the Edge" Bible study will meet afterward in the Sunset Room.

We also offer an Ash Wednesday service in Spanish at 7:00, led by Pastor Gabriel Marcano.

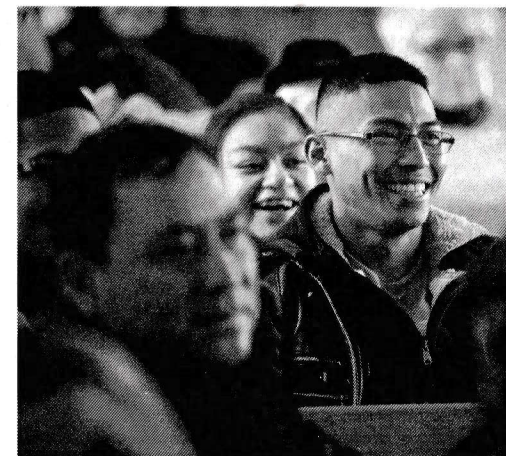
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two secretaries, Missy Porcaro and Luz Cetina.

Following the separate meetings, there were cheers of approval as the groups came together in the sanctuary. The Emmaus vote for approval of the consolidation was 39-5, with the vote of the Emaús congregation being unanimous at 59-0.

The first official congregational meeting of Emaus ELCA was then held, led by Chris Lamberton, Pastor Gabriel and Pastor Mary. Pastor Sandy and Pastor Hector offered an opening prayer. Following the introduction of the Transition Team, the new bilingual constitution was approved. The proposed unified budget of \$371,000 was also approved, and the group agreed to extend the terms of the current council members for an additional four months.



The meeting ended with a sharing of the peace and then sharing a catered meal in the church basement.

Pastor Mary Will Be Away

Pastor Mary will be away for the month of February. Pastoral emergencies should be directed to the Emmaus office or to Pastor Steve Wohlfeil.

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The Power of the Spirit Is at Work

Wow! How does one begin to explain all that has taken place here at Emaus ELCA?

As I personally reflect on all that has transpired, I find myself in a state of amazement—amazed at the way the Power of the Spirit works within and among us.

At times I find it difficult to wrap my mind around all that we have accomplished together. Our capacity to embrace our fears and to head down a path that at times has stretched us beyond our comfort zones can only be explained by one thing: The Power of the Spirit was at work!

Recently I read a reflection titled "Filled with Power" (Luke 4:14):

"When Jesus returns to Galilee, he is filled with the power of the Spirit. He does not claim to be filled with the power of the Spirit: he simply is."

After I read the reflection, it became clear "the Spirit of the Lord was upon us." Being filled with the Power of the Spirit has allowed us to open ourselves up, and listen with new understanding. It has helped us to reshape our thoughts, to see and hear, as if for the first time. Being filled with the Power of the Spirit has humbled the privileged, brought hope to the oppressed, acknowledged differences,

accepted change, built unity, and stretched many beyond normal capacity to see what it means to be the hands and feet of Christ Jesus.

Here at Emaus, we do not have to make claims that we are filled with the Power of the Spirit. It is simply who we are! The fact that we are now Emaus ELCA, one family united with diversity, serving and worshiping together, is our claim to be filled with the Power of the Spirit. Who we are speaks for itself. Together with the Power of the Spirit upon us we can and have moved mountains.

I am aware that there is plenty of work ahead of us, that voting "yes" on Sunday was just the beginning. I am confident that we have in place all that is necessary to continue this journey as we move forward.

Many have expressed some fear of Jhon Freddy and Mary's absence moving forward. Be Not Afraid! It is their strong leadership that has empowered us to continue on in this journey, and they will always be with us.

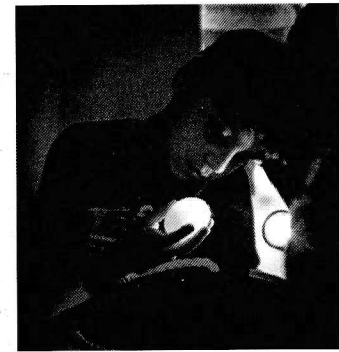
Jhon Freddy and Mary will be the first to say that it is You, each and every one of You, who has listened, envisioned, embraced, led, hoped, and loved, so that we are now claimed on this new identity together, Emaus ELCA!

— Carol Yust

EASY Investigates Owl Pellets and Eggs

January has been a month of exploration and investigation for the EASY after school program. What is an owl pellet? Did you know that an owl swallows its prey whole and regurgitates what is not used in the form of oval shaped pellets. The kids had a chance to dissect owl pellets and discover all kinds of interesting skeletal structures.

What happens when you place an egg in a container of vinegar for a few days? The shell disappears and what is left is an egg that feels like a



rubber balloon; i.e., a bouncy egg. What does it feel like to walk on eggs in your bare feet? How does one separate egg whites from

a yolk using a plastic bottle? How many books can you place on two eggs before the eggs break? Spin a raw egg. Did you know that the egg will continue to spin after you place your finger on it? Air pressure, density and dispersion as well as osmosis – all terms used to explain what can happen to eggs in different experiments.



Souper Bowl Offerings Benefit Food Ministries

The Super Bowl takes place on Sunday, February 7, and approximately 100 million Americans are expected to tune in to watch. While many are enjoying abundant food and friendship while hosting or attending parties, approximately 1 billion people will be hungry.

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



ELCA youth groups raising money for hunger-related charities each year.

Be generous! Bring your food items and cash or checkbooks the first two Sundays in February, or drop off your donations during the week. They will be distributed among food ministries in Racine.

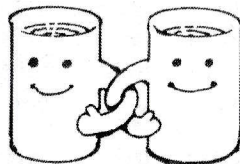
Emaus Youth Team Up with Mt. Meru Farmers

By Diane Melander

This is good news! The Mt. Meru Coffee Project has given us the opportunity to partner with them in mission. Now, when you purchase a bag or box of coffee, your sale not only helps the farmers of the Meru Region of Tanzania, but also, it gives our Emaus Youth Program a working budget!

This new "Teaming up in Mission" project began in December of 2015 and will continue through 2016.

The "Teaming up in Mission" project will help your Youth program by allowing us to use a small portion of the price of each bag or box of coffee we sell for a mission project within our congregation. Our Youth Program did not have any budget. This mission program will give our Youth the opportunity to grow and plan their mission.



We have supported the Mt. Meru Coffee project for the last seven years by serving and drinking this high quality, delicious coffee every Sunday during coffee time. Many of you have been purchasing this coffee to brew at home. The

coffee is available in drip grind, regular grind and the new single serve boxes. It also is available in four delicious flavors, chocolate-raspberry, butter pecan, French vanilla and hazelnut.

Thank you so much for your continued support of our project through all these years, and for your future support. If you have questions about the "Teaming up in Mission" project or the coffee, please see Diane Melander during coffee time! Please continue to enjoy this delicious Mt. Meru Coffee!

Cutlery Fund Raiser Offers Discount

Do you need a quick gift for someone? Could you use some new cutlery? Emaus has a fundraiser that sells high quality cutlery at very reasonable prices. This product is made in the USA and has a lifetime guarantee.

Just for the month of February, any knife, sharpener or peeler we have on hand, (one we do not have

to order) will be sold at a ten percent discount. All of the proceeds from the sale of cutlery will go directly to our church. Everyone who uses this cutlery loves it, and comes back to get more. You can check out the cutlery during coffee hour at the coffee table!

Lenten Offerings for Outreach Are Encouraged

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






During this Lenten season, we are encouraged to give 50 cents, a dollar, or even five dollars a day a day for 40 days. Your gift directly touches lives right here in southeastern Wisconsin. Thank you!

February Worship Leaders

	Altar Guild	Communion Assts.	Readers	Ushers
Sat. Jan. 30 4:30 pm	Linda Clinton Cathy Meyer	—	—	—
Sun. Jan. 31 9:00 am	Caren Lamberton	Cindi Larsen Rich Benson	Cindi Larsen	Team 4 Meteyard
Sat. Feb. 6 4:30 pm	Barb Toslek Jamie Toslek	—	—	—
Sun. Feb. 7 9:00 am	Kathy Christensen	Joy Lippmann	Melissa Lemke	Team 1 Porcaro
Wed. Feb. 10 12:00 noon	Cheryl Dexter Barb Larsen	—	—	—
Sat. Feb. 13 4:30 pm	Cheryl Dexter Carolyn Wooster	—	—	—
Sun. Feb. 14 9:00 am	Joy Lippmann	K. Christensen Diane Melander	Jim Larrabee	Team 2 Christensen
Sat. Feb. 20 4:30 pm	M. & A. Zielke, M. Porcaro	—	—	—
Sun. Feb. 21 9:00 am	Cheryl Dexter	Shirley Velzka	Lee Woodward	Team 3
Sat. Feb. 27 4:30 pm	Cathy Meyer Linda Clinton	—	—	—
Sun. Feb. 28 9:00 am	Audrey Villalobos	Chris Lamberton Nancy Smith	Kathy Christensen	Team 4 Meteyard

February Birthdays: 70 Years and Better

Feb. 1	Carol Saylor	4511 Harvest Lane	53402
Feb. 2	Pat Torine	3829 S Chicago Ave # 103, S. Milwaukee	53172
Feb. 10	Alfred Thomsen	3296 Backridge Rd., Woodlawn TN	37191
Feb. 21	Constance Bertermann	135 Avie Ct., Brookfield, WI	53045

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Jan. 31 4 TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY 9:00 am Worship service with Holy Communion (English) 11:00 am Santa misa (español) 	February 1 1:00 pm Staff mtg. 3:00 pm EASY	2 PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD; CANDELARIA 1:00 pm FaithWorks food pantry at AOS 3:00 pm EASY 5:00 pm TOPS 5:15 pm Baptism class (español)	3 ST. ANSGAR 10:00 am NeedleWorks 1:00 pm 'On the Edge' Bible study 3:00 pm EASY 6:00 pm Misa familiar 7:30 pm 1 st communion class (español)	4 11:00 am Weekend bulletin deadline 3:00 pm EASY 5:00 pm Community Meal at St. Patrick's 6:00 pm FaithWorks food pantry at AOS	5	6 10:00 am Confirmation class (español) 4:30 pm Worship service with Holy Communion (English)
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Pink Paddling Power Plans Rummage Sale

Pink Paddling Power is planning a rummage sale here March 13 and 14. In the meantime, the Paddlers welcome contributions of rummageable items in good



condition. See Joy Lippmann for details.

Pink Paddling Power is a breast cancer survivor support group and dragon boat team based in Racine since 2006. All proceeds benefit Pink Paddling Power.

Offering Envelopes Have Arrived

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

To trim costs, we try not to order offering envelopes for members who generally give "loose" offerings or who contribute by electronic funds



transfers. We also plan to mail only those envelopes assigned to members who are not able to attend church regularly; please give the church office a call if you would like your envelopes mailed or delivered to your home.

Crunching the Numbers

Weekly worship attendance averages (calculated as of Jan. 25, 2015)

	2013-14*			2014-15			2015-16		
	Sat.	Sun.	Dom.	Sat.	Sun.	Dom.	Sat.	Sun.	Dom.
Dec	10	48	222	11	72	156	15	81	141
Jan	17	66	129	12	29	142	20	37	198
Feb	21	79	137	12	41	142			

* Sat. & Sun. figures include Emmaus and St. Andrew together.

Financial Figures

General Fund offerings received in December 2015: \$ 20,759.06 Total for month Year to date
\$ 136,473.87

Mortgage retirement offerings received in Dec. '15: \$ 70.00... Campaign YTD: \$1,519.00
Mortgage payments in Dec. '15: Total..... \$ 967.00
Principal balance as of Jan. 7, 2016: \$ 113,285.46

Scrip Cards Are Available After Services

By Cathy Meyer

Scrip gift cards make great Valentine gifts. We have many gift cards on hand and can special order others from a wide variety of

businesses. Scrip cards will be sold after services both Saturday and Sunday. If you have any questions, please contact Cathy Meyer (321-0050).

Letters

Outreach for Hope Sends Thanks

Dear people of the ELCA, Racine County,

"Christ was born for this, Christ was born for this," is a well-known line from the Christmas hymn "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice." Comfort, forgiveness, healing, hope, and Heaven are all part of the "this" for which Christ came.

Thank you for your donation of \$350 — a portion of the loose offering from your recent "God's Work, Our Hands" service Sunday — to make those Christ gifts known throughout the churches and ministries in low-income communities throughout Southeastern Wisconsin — where



the resources are limited, but the need for the presence of the Christ Child is keenly felt.

May you also be blessed with the gifts of the Christ Child in this new year. And thank you for being a blessing to others. I hope that you will make Outreach for Hope a part of your 2016 commitment to help make Christ known in every part of Southeastern Wisconsin and in the world.

Thank you so much for including Outreach for Hope as a place to do "God's Work"!

In the name of the Christ Child,

Rev. Jim Bickel

Director, Outreach for Hope

Bible Readings in February

Feb. 7: Ex. 34:29-35; Psalm 99; 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2; Luke 9:28-36 [37-43a].
Feb. 10: Joel 2:1-2, 12-17 or Isaiah 58:1-12; Psalm 51:1-17 or Psalm 103:8-14; 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21.
Feb. 14: Deut. 26:1-11; Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16; Romans 10:8b-13, Luke 4:1-13.
Feb. 21: Gen. 15:1-12, 17-18; Psalm 27; Philippians 3:17-4:1; Luke 13:31-35.
Feb. 28: Isaiah 55:1-9; Psalm 63:1-8; 1 Corinthians 10:1-13; Luke 13:1-9.

Recycle This Newsletter

by John Berge

"Reduce, reuse and recycle" has long been the mantra of those trying to reduce the amount of material that ends up in the landfills, incinerators, along our highways and in our streams, rivers, lakes and oceans.

In Racine, the amount of material that is recycled has been increased from 10% of all trash before the blue bins were issued to all households, to about 19% in both 2014 and the first 11 months of 2015, according to data supplied by Tom Eeg of the Department of Public Works - almost doubling our recycling efforts. It also is reducing the amount the city has to pay in tipping fees at the landfill by about \$150,000.

At our house, we recycle approximately 50% of that we would throw out; the recycle bin in two weeks has more than twice as much in it as the weekly trash - and that doesn't count all that we compost.

Good, but a long ways from that in the little town of Kamikatsu in Japan, which recycles or reuses 80% of their solid waste and expects to be at 100% by 2020.

I was recently referred to a short YouTube description of

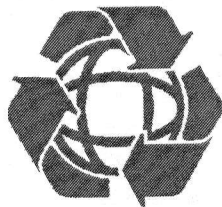
what this town was doing to increase their recycling of waste. In the past, they incinerated their waste, but they realized that this was not only harmful to the environment, but also to their health.

Now they have multiple bins in each household, but they must sort their waste into 34 categories! Food scraps, yard waste, and the like are composted at each homesite. Paper is divided into newspapers, magazines, flyers, packaging, and miscellaneous. Metals cans and plastics are washed and sorted. Then all the various bins or bags are taken to a central recycling area where an employee will assist them and make sure the sorting was done correctly.

They also stress the reuse portion of that trilogy. They make things like teddy bears and hand-woven belts out of what would otherwise be trash. The narrator of the film was wearing a dress made from flags flown on the beach during a holiday called Children's Day. Very colorful and a good message.

We should appreciate that in Racine (and I believe in many of the communities around here) the company that receives our

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Emmaus to Serve Community Meal February 4

It's Emmaus' and St. Andrew's turn to serve at St. Patrick's Community Meal Site on February 4. Please sign up in the narthex to help serve, or to provide a casserole, jello, or



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

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

Food Pantry Volunteers

February 25: Boots LeRoux, Pat Jensen, Carolyn Wooster, Cheryl Dexter, Cindi and Loren Larsen

March 24: Diane Melander, Cheryl Dexter, Art Smith, Carolyn Wooster, Cindi & Loren Larsen

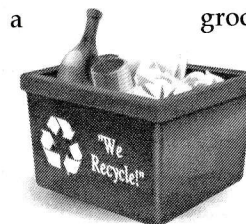
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recyclables does the sorting. Thirty-four recycle bins could be a problem in most households.

As another, and possibly extreme, example a young woman, recently graduated from a university with a degree in environmental studies, stated on YouTube that her life style didn't match her degree. Now, she does not buy anything wrapped in plastic and buys her food in bulk at farmers' markets, bringing her own reusable containers. With this strict regimen, her leftover trash for two years fits in one quart glass jar.

We may not be able to do this well, especially in larger



households, but we can do more than we do. We can reduce the amount of packaging by using our cloth bags rather than choosing between plastic and paper at the grocery or big box store. When picking up just one or two items, say you don't need a bag. Buy what you need, not everything that you want. Composting is one

of the reuse aspects I like particularly, but there are many other aspects of reuse one can consider. The quilting program for Lutheran World Relief is an example. Good environmental stewardship means finding and utilizing others.

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Resurrection Serves Æbleskivers

Æbleskiver Breakfast, Sunday February 14, at Lutheran Church of the Resurrection, 322 Ohio Street, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. \$5 per person. Children under 3 Free! Tickets are on sale in the Resurrection narthex and office through February 14.



What are æbleskivers? They are a traditional Danish pancake in distinctive shape of a sphere. They are solid like an American pancake but light & fluffy like a donut puff. They are served with a variety of toppings and sausage on the side. Join Resurrection for some good Scandinavian food and fellowship on Sunday February 14.

Zion Hosts Rummage Sale

Rummage sale indoors! Saturday, April 9, 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Would you like to purchase table space to sell your items? The cost for space is \$25.00. To claim a space, please email Zion Lutheran Church at

zionlutheran_church@yahoo.com. In the subject line, please put Linda Sale Space. Linda will answer you as soon as possible. Any questions, send an email or call 262 633-4579.

RIC Breakfast Focuses on Beloved Community

Racine Interfaith Coalition's Annual Fund Raiser, The Love and Justice Breakfast, will be held on Saturday, February 6 at the Miracle Center, 1100 Center St. The theme is "Beloved Community: Our Response-Ability."

Doors open at 7:30 a.m. Breakfast will be served at 8:00



a.m. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$5 for ages 5-12, under 5 is free. If we reserve a table for 8, the cost is \$100, or \$12.50 per person; see Jane Witt or call 456-7193.

The event includes Community Service Awards, a silent auction, clergy bakery auction and an auction of a paella dinner for six.

We're One!

The morning after the momentous January 24 vote to become one new, bilingual multi-cultural congregation, I found myself wanting to let everyone know. It was as I was sitting at the clinic waiting to be called in for my annual physical, that I took my "smart" phone and composed an email to my ELCA colleagues here in Racine. I was excited and wanted to get the word out. Subject line of the email – We're One!

Replies came pouring in: "Congratulations! Awesome! Blessings! May the Spirit continue to draw Emaus ELCA into the exciting newness of the future! Huzzah!"

It's so much more than unified bank accounts, one name, one budget, or one constitution. It's all about one Spirit binding us together in our Baptism. It's about the unconditional love and hope we share together as we are called to be bearers of that Good News to ALL people. It's all about being empowered and about reaching out so that the marginalized might share that same power that makes us whole. It's all about that mystery we call grace.



to best pitch in and work together? Will you hold our new, expanded family in prayer?

On January 25, I personally took the signed documents of consolidation to the office of the Register of Deeds at the Racine Court House. It's official! We're one!

And, just as is true in any stable marriage, now the real work begins. We pledge to honor, respect and celebrate one another and the many God given gifts that we bring to this union, asking God to bless Emaus ELCA as we move forward in faith TOGETHER!

Grateful for a God who makes all things new,

Pastor Mary

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- ♥♥ Congregations Unite
- ♥♥ Ash Wednesday Services
- ♥♥ 'The Power of the Spirit Is at Work'
- ♥♥ Owl Pellets and Eggs
- ♥♥ Souper Bowl of Caring
- ♥♥ Emaus Youth Team Up with Coffee Farmers
- ♥♥ Outreach for Hope
- ♥♥ Rummage Sale
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Carol's Column

Unified Council Meets for First Time

By Carol Yust

On February 16, 2016 the new council of Emaus ELCA met for the first time. Together we embraced the barriers of language, culture and traditions, moving another step forward in our mission of being one united family. It was with the help of interpreter Shawna Stevenoski of Bilingual Training Consultants that we were able to engage in meaningful

conversation while we were getting to know one another better.

Collectively, we shared our hopes for the future of Emaus, the purpose of a church council, and the mission of the transition team. Being well aware that this is only the beginning, we willfully accept the challenges we face moving forward, knowing that with prayers and your support we are up to the challenges.

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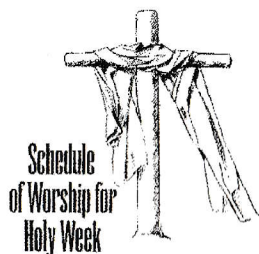
Funeral:
Harold M. Miller
February 28, 2016

Harold was an usher at Emmaus for 25 years, many of them as team captain. After serving in the U.S. Army during World War II, he entered a career as a U.S. Postal carrier. He is survived by his wife, Catherine; their children William, Kristine Miller-Pinti, and Jeffrey; nine grandchildren and a great-granddaughter.

Holy Week Services Set Stage for Easter

Worship services at 4:30 p.m. Saturday, March 19, and at 9:00 a.m. Passion Sunday, March 20, will begin with the traditional Procession of Palms.

Pastor Gabriel will lead worship services at 6:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday and Good



Friday, March 24 and 25. While the services will be conducted in Spanish, there will be a printed translation of the liturgies in English. (See Pastor Steve's column on page 19.) An Easter vigil is also planned on Saturday evening at 6:00 p.m.

Brass Ensemble Graces Easter Worship

Joyce Kaiser has arranged for a brass quintet to provide special music for our 9:00 Festival Easter service on March 27.

Donations to help defray the cost can be earmarked "Easter Music" on your offering envelope. Note the amount on the blank on the right side of your offering envelope and note "Easter music" above it, or include that notation on your check if you do



not use your offering envelope. If you make your donation on line (you may use the "Electronic Fund Giving" link at www.emauselca.org), select "Other" as the category and note "Easter music" in the space provided.

Pastor Gabriel and the choir will lead the 11:00 Spanish language service.

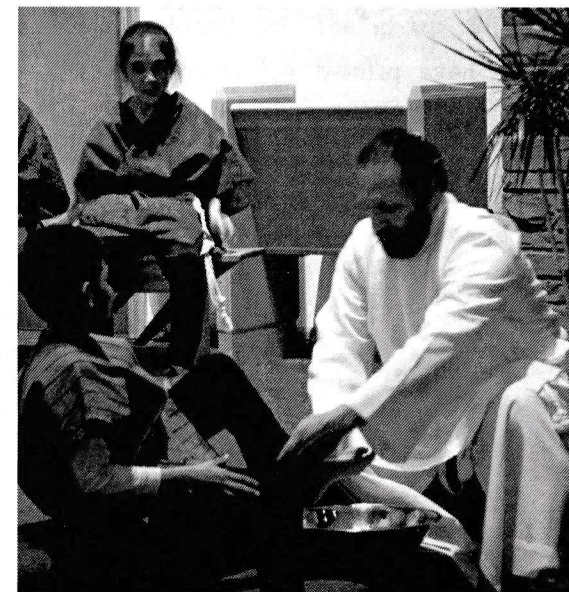
Youth Lead Prayer Walk of the Passion

Wednesday, March 23, Emaus ELCA's after school program will present the Prayer Walk of the Passion.

At 6:00 p.m., everyone is invited to Fellowship Hall for a full meal.

At 7:00 p.m. there will be a procession, beginning at the back circle drive, where the crowds shout "Hosanna" and wave palms, greeting Jesus and the live donkey making their entry into Jerusalem (circling around the field area of the church).

The crowd then enters the sanctuary to a changed mood. The time which precedes Jesus' death is reenacted by the children, with the story being told through narrated mime. At the end, all are invited to the haunting experience of



entering the tomb—a time for prayer and reflection.

Greeters, ushers, and kitchen crew are needed. How can you help? See Nancy Smith and ask how you can give an hour or two of your time.

Daylight Saving Time Resumes This Month

Early to bed and early to rise may or may not make you healthy, wealthy, or wise; but they will help make you on time for church on the

morning of Sunday, March 13 when Daylight Savings Time



begins. Even though it is still winter, it's time to spring ahead one hour on Saturday night, setting your clocks sixty

minutes forward before you drop off to sleep.

Emaus Members Contribute to Outreach for Hope Lenten Devotion Series

We have printed up several copies of this year's daily Lenten devotionals, featuring stories from individuals affected by the ministry with your dollars support through Outreach for Hope. Contributors this year include Pastor Steve, Carol Yust and Nancy Smith.

If you prefer, you can sign up to receive a devotional message every day during Lent by email; sign up on the right column at <http://outreachforhope.org/2016-lenten-devotions/> If you received the Outreach for Hope devotions



last year by email, you should already be subscribed. However, you can double check by registering again. The system will recognize if your email address is already included.

We encourage you to add to your daily devotion Lenten practice, by including a Dollar a Day for Poverty. At the end of the 40 days, your gifts can be sent to Outreach for Hope to support the churches and ministries in the Greater Milwaukee Synod which bring life-giving Hope to the low income communities they serve.

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English language services are held at Emmaus on Saturday evening at 4:30 and Sunday mornings at 9:00. Spanish language worship services are offered Sundays at 11:00 a.m., and Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday at 6:00 p.m.

Emmaus office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday (English) or 1:00 to 6:00 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday (Spanish).

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

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Good Friday Trip to Holy Hill Planned

Pastor Gabriel will lead a Stations of the Cross trip to Holy Hill in Hubertus on Good Friday,

March 25. The group will leave Emaus at 7:30 a.m.



Emaus Members March on Madison

Pastor Steve, Pastor Gabriel, and several Emaus members participated in "A Day without Latinos or Immigrants" (Un día sin Latinos e inmigrantes) at the capitol in Madison on February 18. The march was organized to protest a pair of bills under consideration by the State Assembly and Senate.

AB450/SB369 would encourage police to ask people who have been charged with a crime about their immigration status, and require local agencies to cooperate with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE).

The bill would outlaw "Sanctuary Cities." Critics charge that this bill could lead to race-based policing.

AB723/SB533 would prohibit local municipalities from providing local ID cards for undocumented people and those who lack the documents to obtain state IDs.

State Assembly Republicans passed both bills on February 17, but a spokeswoman for Senate Majority Leader Scott Fitzgerald told the *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel* on February 19 that the Senate was unlikely to take up AB 450/SB 369.

Stewardship Conference Inspires Attendees

By Carolyn Wooster

We had the opportunity to attend a very informative and motivating Stewardship Conference at Gethsemane Lutheran Church in Milwaukee Friday and Saturday, March 5 & 6. Those attending were Gabriel Marcano, Erica Villegas, Naomi Ortiz, Carol Yust, and Carolyn Wooster. It was not only inspirational but a great opportunity to visit with each other and be good "stewards of communication."

These are exciting and challenging times at Emaus ELCA. It is an opportunity to continue to be good stewards of communication and further our efforts to get to know each of the members of our united family

better. Our diversity gives us so much to share and an opportunity to learn. Our serving and



worshiping together gives us so much in common. The Spirit of the Lord moves with us as we continue on this amazing and fulfilling journey. Take time to say hello and visit with your fellow Emaus partner.

Crunching the Numbers

Weekly worship attendance averages (calculated as of Feb. 21, 2016)

	2014*			2015			2016		
	Sat.	Sun.	Dom.	Sat.	Sun.	Dom.	Sat.	Sun.	Dom.
Jan	17	66	129	11	39	158	19	37	148
Feb	21	79	137	12	29	142	13	32	147
Mar	23	73	126	12	41	142			
Ash Wed.		252			191			15 + 69	

* Sat. & Sun. figures in 2014 include Emmaus and St. Andrew together.

Financial Figures

General Fund offerings received in January, 2016: \$ 12,064.91

Mortgage retirement offerings received in Jan. '16 \$ 110.00..... Campaign YTD: \$110.00

Mortgage payments in Jan. 2016: Principal..\$ 473.44

Interest..\$ 493.56

Total..... \$ 967.00

Principal balance as of Jan. 7: \$ 113,285.46

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Member Care Visits Homebound Members

By Cathy Meyer

During the months of February and March, Pastor Steve Wohlfeil and Cathy Meyer are visiting the Emaus homebound. These visits allow Pastor Steve to become acquainted with long-time church members.



This is also an opportunity to share information about the recent changes at Emaus and to answer questions or note any suggestions.

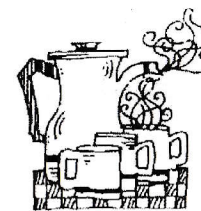
If you would like a visit, and we have not yet scheduled one, please call Pastor Steve (414-339-2343) or Cathy Meyer (262-498-4931).

Mt. Meru Coffee Available in Single Serve Pods

Mt. Meru Coffee sales have been up in the month of February. Particularly popular are the boxes of single serve coffee for use in the Keurig type coffee makers. Another item that has been popular is the flavored coffees.

As announced last month, a portion of the sales from this fair trade coffee go to support our youth program. We thank you all

for your ongoing support of the coffee program.



If you have special requests for coffee or have questions or concerns about the project, please contact Diane Melander during coffee time or

by phone (262-412-20700 or e-mail: ironoreflicka@mac.com).

Pink Paddling Power to Hold Rummage Sale

Pink Paddling Power will hold a rummage sale here March 18 and 19. (The dates in the February Visitor were wrong.) The Paddlers welcome contributions of rummage-worthy items in good



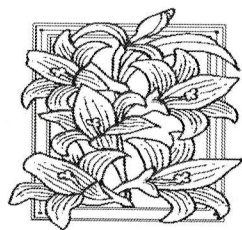
condition. See Joy Lippmann for details.

All proceeds benefit Pink Paddling Power. Pink Paddling Power is a breast cancer survivor support group and dragon boat team based in

Racine since 2006.

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Flowering plants, symbolizing rebirth, have long been used to enhance the worship experience at Easter services. We offer a wide variety to choose from again this year. Choose from the plants listed below to decorate Emaus on this special day. The plants will be yours to take after the late worship service on Easter Sunday, March 27.



Please indicate your choice of plant(s) on this order form and return it to the church office by March 13.

Quantity	Description	Cost per plant
_____	6" white Easter lily (5-8 flowers)	\$9.00
_____	6" chrysanthemums	\$9.50
_____	7" cineraria	\$10.00
_____	6½" daffodil (3-4 flowers)	\$10.00
_____	6½" hyacinth (3-4 flowers)	\$10.00
_____	6½" tulip (6-7 flowers)	\$10.00
_____	7" regal geranium	\$10.00
_____	7" azalea	\$16.00
_____	7" hydrangea (3-5 flowers)	\$17.00
Total enclosed		_____

Your name(s): _____ Phone _____

Given in ☐ memory ☐ honor of: _____

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

Counters mark if ☐ paid. Office mark: ☐ Bulletin ☐ Order list

March Worship Leaders

	Altar Guild	Communion Assts.	Readers	Ushers
Sat. Feb. 27 4:30 pm	Cathy Meyer Linda Clinton	—	—	—
Sun. Feb. 28 9:00 am	Audrey Villalobos	Chris Lamberton Nancy Smith	Lee Woodward	Team 4 Meteyard
Sat. Mar. 5 4:30 pm	Barb & Jamie Toslek	—	—	—
Sun. Mar. 6 9:00 am	Barb Larsen	Cindi Larsen	Karen Sedgwick	Team 1 Porcaro
Sat. Mar. 12 4:30 pm CST	Cheryl Dexter Carolyn Wooster	—	—	—
Sun. Mar. 13 9:00 am DST	Caren Lamberton	Rich Benson Karen Sedgwick	Sandy Strini	Team 2 Christensen
Sat. Mar. 19 4:30 pm	Marge & Amy Zielke Missy Porcaro	—	—	—
Sun. Mar. 20 9:00 am	Kathy Christensen	Carol Eschmann	Carol Eschmann	Team 3
Sat. Mar. 26	No English worship service			
Sun. Mar. 27 9:00 am	Joy Lippmann	Carol Yust Kathy Christensen	Nancy Smith	Team 4 Meteyard
Sat. Apr. 2 4:30 pm	Barb & Jamie Toslek	—	—	—
Sun. Apr. 3 9:00 am	Cheryl Dexter	Chris Lamberton	Carol Yust	Team 1 Porcaro

Scrip Sales Continue at Church

Need something for your Easter baskets? We continue to sell Scrip gift cards after weekend worship services. In addition to a variety of gift cards that we have on hand, we also have a complete list of



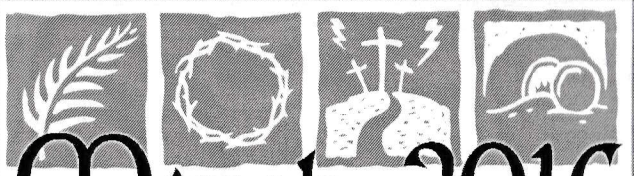



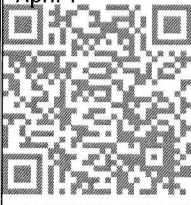
businesses that offer Scrip gift cards, and we can order those cards for you.

If you have any questions, please contact

Cathy Meyer (262-498-4931 or cjanemeyer@yahoo.com)

March Birthdays: 70 Years and Better

Mar. 4 Bev Hansen 3700 6th Place, Kenosha 53140
Mar. 19 Bonnie French 1600 Ohio Street, #52 53405

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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6TH SUNDAY IN LENT 9:00 am Worship service with Holy Communion (English) 10:15 am Coffee & conversation 10:15 am Blood pressure tests 11:00 am Santa misa (español) 11:00 am God Time 12:15 pm Convivio	7 1:00 pm Staff mtg. 3:00 pm EASY	8 1:00 pm FW food pantry 3:00 pm EASY 5:00 pm TOPS	9 10:00 am Emaus stitchers 1:00 pm 'On the Edge' Bible study 3:00 pm EASY 5:30 pm Clase de 1ª comunión 5:30 pm Supper 6:00 pm Misa familiar (bilingual) 6:15 pm God Time	10 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 3:00 pm EASY 6:00 pm FW food pantry	11 6:30 pm Ejercicio del santo viacrucis	5 8:30 am Green Congregations mtg., at LC Resurrection 10:00 am Confirmation class (español) 4:30 pm Worship service with Holy Communion (English)
13TH SUNDAY IN LENT 9:00 am Worship service with Holy Communion (English) 10:15 am Coffee & conversation 11:00 am Santa misa (español) 11:00 am God Time 12:15 pm Convivio	14 1:00 pm Staff mtg. 3:00 pm EASY	15 April Visitor articles due 1:00 pm FW food pantry 3:00 pm EASY 5:00 pm TOPS 6:30 pm Church council	16 ST. URHO 10:00 am Emaus stitchers 1:00 pm 'On the Edge' Bible study 3:00 pm EASY 5:30 pm Clase de 1ª comunión 5:30 pm Supper 6:15 pm God Time	17 ST. PATRICK 11:00 am Sunday bulletin deadline 3:00 pm EASY 6:00 pm FW food pantry 	18 8:00 am Pink Paddling Power rummage sale	19 ST. JOSEPH 8:00 am PPP rummage sale 12:00 día Retiro de cuaresma (español) 4:30 pm Worship service with Holy Communion (English)
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27 RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD  9:00 am Festival service with Holy Communion (English) 10:15 am Coffee & conversation 11:00 am Santa misa (español)	28 <i>Offices closed</i>	29 1:00 pm FW food pantry 5:00 pm TOPS 7:00 pm Fireside Exchange	30 10:00 am Emaus stitchers 1:00 pm 'On the Edge' Bible study 5:30 pm Clase de 1ª comunión 5:30 pm Supper 6:15 pm God Time	31 11:00 am Weekend bulletin deadline 6:00 pm FW food pantry	April 1 	2 4:30 pm Worship service with Holy Communion

No EASY March 24-31

Emaus Serves April St. Patrick's Community Meal

Emmaus will again prepare and serve the food at the St. Patrick's Community Meal site on Thursday, April 7. A sign-up sheet is on the table in the narthex for those who can help by preparing a casserole, jello, or dessert and for those who can help serve the food.

9"x13" pans are available in the kitchen off the Sunset Room. Please tape your name to the pans (whether they are yours or were borrowed from the church) so they can be returned.

Casserole ingredients:
2 lbs. ground beef



Onion (chopped, diced or grated)
Salt and pepper
1½ lbs. french cut green beans (frozen)

2 cans of cream of chicken or cream of mushroom soup
1½ lbs. tater tots
Brown the beef, onion, salt and pepper and put them

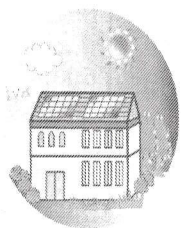
in the bottom of a 9"x13" pan.
Sprinkle the green beans over the beef. Pour both cans of soup over the beans.
Spread the tater tots over the top of the casserole.
Bake at 350°F for 45 minutes.

Environmental Stewardship

Future Looks Bright for Solar Panels

by John Berge

If you want to be a good environmental steward by installing solar panels on your home, but have been put off by the upfront costs, help may be on the way. The Energy Group of Greening Greater Racine (GGR) is seeking to produce significant savings by group purchasing power. The Energy Group has formed "Solar Racine" and will send out on March 2 a Request for Proposals (RFP) which will be distributed to a number of experienced and qualified



installers of residential solar panel systems.

In the RFP which is quoted extensively below, "Greening Greater Racine is seeking qualified firms to submit proposals for the design, procurement, and installation of new, residential, direct-owned photovoltaic systems at a per-watt price lower than the typical residential installation."

Solar Racine's program is

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Green Congregations Meet March 5

Racine Green Congregations will meet from 8:30 to 10:00 a.m. Saturday, March 5 at Lutheran Church of the Resurrection, 322 Ohio Street. Agenda items include

EcoFest, Greening Greater Racine, future planning, and updating each other on what our congregations are doing for the environment.

Hospitality Center Meal



Emaus members helped prepare and serve the noon meal to over 200 persons at the Hospitality Center on February 22.

Photos by Carol Yust



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Souper Bowl Collection Aids Local Pantries

As of February 17, groups around the country have collected \$8,397,889 in cash and food items for the 2016 Souper Bowl of Caring. Emaus raised \$69.85 through special



offerings during the first two weekends of February. The Emaus collection will go toward Racine food pantries.

Northside Food Pantry Schedule

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

March 24: Diane Melander, Cheryl Dexter, Art Smith, Carolyn Wooster, Cindi & Loren Larsen

April 28: Boots LeRoux, Kathy and Rich Christensen, Cheryl Dexter, Carolyn Wooster, Cindi and Loren Larsen

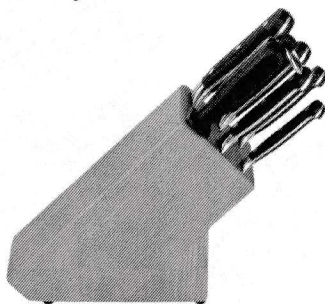
If you are unable to work your scheduled date, please trade with someone on the schedule. Please do not leave only two people on duty. Thank you for your support of this important ministry.

Paring Knives Discounted in March

By Diane Melander

Due to a successful cutlery sale in the month of February, we would like to offer another special for the month of March. During March, the regular paring knife, which normally sells for \$4.75 each, will be on sale for \$4.00 each.

Currently we have several in stock in both the black dishwasher safe finish as well as the silver stainless steel finish. While you are looking at the paring knives, take a look at some of the other



quality items available including the deluxe peeler and the knife sharpener.

The sale of this cutlery is a fundraiser for our church and all proceeds from their sale go to Emaus. Thanks you to all of you for your continued support for Emaus. If anyone has questions or wants more information about the cutlery, see Diane Melander during coffee time or by phone (262-412-20700 or e-mail: ironoreflicka@mac.com).

Atonement, Our Savior's Merge

The congregations of Atonement and Our Savior's Lutheran Church voted on January 31 to merge into a single congregation. The new name of the congregation is Living Faith Lutheran Church.

Founded in 1896, Our Savior's was a daughter of Emmaus as a member of the United Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Atonement was founded in 1909, a daughter of Holy Communion Lutheran Church.

Grace Hospice Seeks Racine Volunteers

Grace Hospice is seeking compassionate individuals who are willing to provide companionship and support to our patients and their family members. Volunteers are a vital part of our hospice team because family members often become overwhelmed and need the assistance that our volunteers can offer. Grace Hospice volunteers also provide friendly visits to our patients, and offer them additional

companionship and solace during a time when they need it most.

Grace Hospice is looking for volunteers to help with companionship, caregiver support, Veteran to Veteran outreach, and much more! Grace Hospice currently has patients in the Racine area in need of a volunteer.

For more information, please contact Alexis, Volunteer Coordinator, at adahberg@ghospice.com or 414-395-8650.



Bible Readings in March

March 6: Joshua 5:9-12; Psalm 32; 2 Corinthians 5:16-21; Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32.

March 13: Isaiah 43:16-21; Psalm 126; Philippians 3:4b-14; John 12:1-8.

March 20: Luke 19:28-40; Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9-16; Philippians 2:5-11; Luke 22:14-23:56 or Luke 23:1-49.

Maundy Thursday: Exodus 12:1-4 [5-10] 11-14; Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; John 13:1-17, 31b-35.

Good Friday: Isaiah 52:13-53:12; Psalm 22; Hebrews 10:16-25 or 4:14-16; 5:7-9; John 18:1-19:42.

Easter Sunday: Acts 10:34-43 or Isaiah 65:17-25; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; 1 Corinthians 15:19-26; Luke 24:1-12 or John 20:1-18.

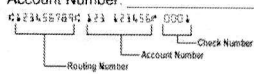
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Environmental Stewardship

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modeled after similar successful programs recently carried out in Milwaukee. In 2013, Solar Riverwest helped 17 homeowners add solar to their homes at record low prices; in the following year, Solar Bay View added 38 installations.

As a result of this RFP, one or more qualified solar installation contractors will be selected by a broad based Advisory Committee to enter into a Master Service Agreement with Greening Greater Racine. The Agreement will set forth the terms under which a contractor will design, procure, and install residential solar systems for up to fifty Solar Racine participants.

Interested participants can sign up starting March 19 to June 10, and the bids are to be provided to all participants by June 24. There will be no additional charge to the homeowner for a site assessment and system design proposals which "should be aesthetically pleasing, taking into consideration the preferences of the owner while minimizing project costs and maximizing solar energy production." Each participant is expected to make their decision by July 8 when installations can begin to be finished by the end of the year.

Between the months of March and June of 2016, Solar Racine and its partners "will promote and deliver educational workshops at easily accessible public locations" at which time possible participants

can sign up, expressing their possible interest to have solar panels installed at their home.

The 30% federal tax credit (a deduction on your taxes, not a direct price reduction) for solar installations has been continued for 2016, and Focus on Energy continues to be funded in Wisconsin to assist in such installations, adding to the financial incentive to install solar panels this year.

But isn't the greater incentive to do your part in reducing global warming, and all the negatives arising from climate change, by reducing or even eliminating the use of fossil fuels to generate your electrical energy needs or wants? No mercury or toxic dusts will be spread to generate your solar electricity, no wars will be fought to protect fossil fuel supplies, you won't add to the acidification of the oceans due to absorbing carbon dioxide, and you won't add to the rising of the oceans, displacing the homes of countless people. A pretty good payback for environmental stewardship.



Forum to Address Public Education

ΦΔΚ invites the public to a community dinner and forum about public education Thursday, March 3 at the Marriott Hotel, 7111 Washington Avenue. Panelists RUSD Superintendent Dr. Lolli Haws, parent Cory Mason III, and retired educator Joe Kiemen will discuss whether we need public



schools, how children's education can change with the times, and where our school leaders are leading us, with moderator Dr. Steven Brown.

Doors open at 5:30; dinner is at 6:00; and the program begins at 7:00. There is a \$20.00 all-inclusive charge for the event. Contact Mary Catherine Cashion at cashion@uwp.edu or 262-639-0239.

Any Marriage Can Use a Tune-Up

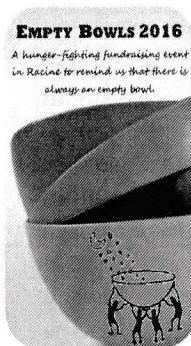
Give your marriage a tune-up at the next Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend, April 22 - 24, at the Garden Hotel in South Beloit, Illinois. Apply today at GodLovesMarriage.org, or contact

Jan Gerzevske at luthmarrencounternorthil@gmail.com or 630-294-5014 for more information. Applications accepted through April 1, 2016. Weekends fill fast – don't miss out.

Soup Event Aids Hunger, Homeless Programs

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

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



Since 1997, Empty Bowls has donated over \$138,000 to hunger and homeless assistance programs in Racine. Bring a canned good donation and/or an empty bowl from a previous year and earn an additional chance to win a special bowl set.

Let's Worship Together Holy Week

For the past few years we have danced with the FaithWorks congregations on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday; however, with the dissolution of FaithWorks we have lost our dance partner. So what do we do for Holy Week this year?

After glancing around, looking for another, it dawned on some of us that our partner was standing right in front of us -- our Latino sisters and brothers. (Ok, so dancing on Good Friday may not be the best image, but you get the point.)

We plan to gather on Maundy Thursday at 6:00 p.m. and Good Friday at 6:00 p.m. Pastor Gabriel already has their service planned, so this year we are being invited into their liturgy. It's a Spanish language service, not an English or bilingual service, although we hope to have bulletins in English, some of the readings in English, maybe even some of the music. Even with the challenge of two languages, I think we can enter into the spirit of Holy Week in a fresh way.

Is this now the "new normal?" Not all. We're still trying to find

our way. It's not at all clear just how to get from "us and them" to just "us." Here is something consider.

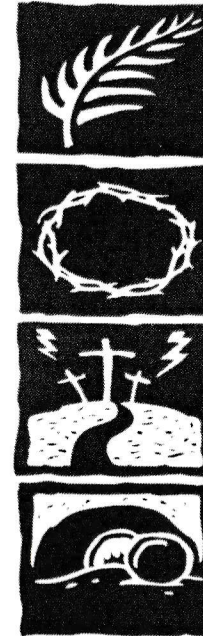
At our council meeting, we were asked to gather in small groups with folks whose birthdays

were in the same month as ours and learn to say our birthday in Spanish if we were an English speaker, and in English if we were a Spanish speaker. In the joy of the moment it was just "us," not "us and them," no daylight between us.

But we had to risk repeating the words a few times before we got the hang of it and feeling foolish in the process as we worked to get it correct. Patience helped, not only with ourselves but with each other. Perhaps living into the reality of just "us" rather than "us and them" is a bit like this.

I'm not sure I still have my birthday right. I believe it's *nuevo de junio* (June 9.) Either way in some small way I feel closer to our Latino sisters and brothers. Not because I know how to say my birthday in Spanish but because we tried and stumbled and succeeded together.

Pastor Steve



In the March Visitor:

- ✦ *Unified Council Meets*
 - ✦ *Holy Week Services*
 - ✦ *Easter with Brass*
 - ✦ *Prayer Walk of the Passion*
 - ✦ *Outreach for Hope*
 - ✦ *Lenten Devotions*
 - ✦ *Un Día Sin Latinos*
 - ✦ *Stewardship Conference*
 - ✦ *Member Care Visits*
 - ✦ *Easter Flower Form*
 - ✦ *Community Meal*
 - ✦ *Coffee, Knife Sales*
 - ✦ *'Let's Worship Together'*
- ...and plenty more

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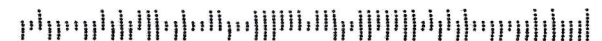
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Bishop Barrow Leads Festival Service Pentecost Sunday

Bishop Jeff Barrow will lead a special unity worship service at Emaus at 10:00 a.m. Pentecost Sunday, May 15. This service will take the place of the other Saturday and Sunday worship services that weekend.



After worship, join us outside for a cornerstone ceremony as we add 2016 items to the box in the church cornerstone. You are invited to bring dishes for a pot luck dinner after the ceremony.

Members to Elect Council, Vote on Call

A meeting of the congregation has been called for Sunday, June 5 between worship services for the purpose of electing a church council and extending a call to Pastor Gabriel Marcano.

We have learned that for Pastor Gabriel to move forward in the immigration process as smoothly as possible, it would be to his advantage he be officially called and ordained to serve as a pastor of the ELCA. Rather than

the current agreement as a temporary interim at Emaus, a term call as Pastor of Emaus would provide the stability needed to be granted the green card.

This is not a call to serve as the Lead Bilingual Pastor as outlined in our Mission Profile. Budgeted monies already allocated for a pastoral assistant and interim Latino pastor would be used to cover this position.

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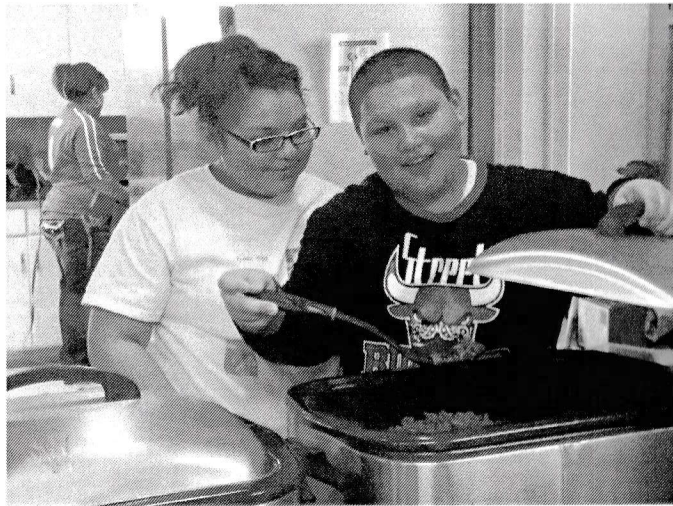
Baptism:

Genesis Estrella Garay
March 13, 2016

Genesis is the daughter of Cinthya and Jose Garay. Her sponsors are Ivan and Janet Avendano.

Fiesta Mexicana Serves Food, Fun, Music and Prizes

Emaus invites you to Fiesta Mexicana in Fellowship Hall Saturday, May 7. A joint effort by Emaus members, all proceeds will go to the general fund of the church, helping sustain the building that houses the many ministries offered here.



Our chefs will serve an all-you-can-eat Mexican buffet from 11:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Meal tickets are on sale for \$10.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children between 3 and 10 years of age. Children under three eat free.

There will be three raffles: \$5 tickets buy a chance to win a cash prize of either \$100 or \$500. Tickets sold for \$1.00 each may go either to the general raffle or to the individual gift baskets.

Our annual fiestas have been successful because of the many volunteers who help support this fundraiser. It has taken hundreds of hours of volunteer work to help prepare, cook, serve, sell, donate and clean.

For more info on how you can help (shopping, donating or soliciting raffle items, preparation, serving, clean up, ticket sales), please contact Carol Yust or Antelmo Hernando.

Council Endorses Call for Pastor Gabriel

Venezuelan native Rev. Gabriel Marcano approaches the completion of all requirements for his final approval for ordination in the ELCA. Already ordained in the Anglican Catholic tradition in Venezuela, Gabriel has spent the past two years fulfilling requirements put forth by the Candidacy Committee of the Greater Milwaukee Synod of the ELCA.

He has now completed his internship at Emaus, Clinical Pastoral Training, several seminary courses, his final approval essay and other requirements. The Candidacy Committee will meet May 5 to consider final approval for Gabriel. Meanwhile, next steps are already being discussed among Emaus, the Synod and Gabriel.

Gabriel currently holds an R1 (Religious Worker) visa, and is now in the process of working with an immigration attorney as he applies for residency through a Green Card. Being a called, ordained pastor of an ELCA congregation would not only benefit the immigration process for Gabriel, but it would also assure Emaus of consistency in the Spanish speaking pastoral leadership we already have during this time of transition.

Meanwhile, the process of seeking a lead bilingual pastor

continues, and the results of the Ministry Site Profile will be submitted to the Synod office in early May.

A preliminary proposal to call Gabriel full-time as of July 1 was



brought before a specially called meeting of the council leadership of Emaus on Sunday, April 17. Pastor Mary explained the proposal and the willingness of Pastor Gabriel to accept compensation under

the Synod guidelines if he were extended an eighteen-month term call. There was consensus of the joint council members present to pursue such a possibility. The Synod staff has been notified of this intent, and future work will be coordinated through the Transition Team.

The Transition Team (Pastor Mary, Cathy Meyer, Carol Yust, Antelmo Hernando, Noemi Ortiz and Pablo Enriquez) will serve as the Call Committee for the details of the proposed call. They will work closely with the Synod staff throughout the process.

A June 5 congregational meeting has been set for 10:15 a.m. for the purpose of electing a new council and for a vote to extend a term call to Gabriel Marcano.

Transition Team Plans for Call Process

By Pastor Mary Janz

A draft copy of the completed Ministry Site Profile will be sent to the Synod office the first week of May. A Call Committee made up of three English speakers and three Spanish speakers will work directly with Pastor Kristin Nielsen, Assistant to the Bishop, who works with congregations and candidates in the call process. This process begins in early June.

As part of the administrative and financial unification following the formation of Emaus ELCA, the following has already taken place:



- Registration of the papers of merger and incorporation with the Registrar of Deeds at the Racine County Court House

- Receipt of a new EIN number
- Meeting of finance group (Art Smith, Noemi Beltran, Pastor Mary, Carol Yust, Pastor Gabriel and Juan Carlos Cabrera); Art Smith led training regarding the use of Quickbooks and new chart of accounts

- Setting up new bank checking and savings accounts

- Application and receipt of DUNS number

- Advising vendors and grantors of new name

- Application for new tax-exempt number from the state

- Receipt of letter from ELCA stating 501(c)(3) status of congregation

The new name now appears on letterhead and other documents coming from the church office, and the new web address is: emauselca.org.

The Transition Team initiated planning for the upcoming Fiesta Mexicana, which will be held May 7. A team to work on history and the cornerstone ceremony to take place on Pentecost Sunday, May 15, is now at work.

Future work of the Transition team will include discussion on signage, the possibility of a picture directory, technology and communication, building use and maintenance, as well as other details that need to be addressed prior to the June 21 bilingual council meeting. At that meeting, the new council will carry on with any unfinished business of the Transition Team. It is anticipated that the role of Pastor Mary as consultant for the transition process will end by July 31. She will continue to provide support to Carol Yust, Outreach Director, in the writing and seeking of grants and funding as needed.

Questions or concerns to be addressed to the Transition Team may be directed to Pastor Mary, mljanz@aol.com.

Synod Assembly Convenes at Carthage

Cathy Meyer, Antelmo Hernandez, Pastor Mary Janz and Pastor Gabriel Marcano have been named as our voting members to the annual Synod Assembly to be held at Carthage College June 3 through 5. Pablo Enriquez and Carol Yust will attend as non-voting members.

You can follow the assembly on Twitter with the hashtag #ClaimedtoBe.

The Synod is pleased to partner with the ELCA Outreach Center in Kenosha to pack personal hygiene kits during assembly and asks that

congregations gather the following items for this project:

- small shampoo (travel size or hotel size)
- deodorant
- toothpaste
- feminine hygiene items
- bar soap (travel size or hotel size)
- combs
- razors
- shaving cream
- plastic grocery bags for packing the hygiene kits

Items can be brought to church and dropped off in the office until May 29.

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Custodians:	Ricardo Flores & Antelmo Hernandez	

English language services are held at Emaus on Saturday evening at 4:30 and Sunday mornings at 9:00. Spanish language worship services are offered Sundays at 11:00 a.m. A unity service at 10:00 a.m. Sunday, May 15 will replace the other services that weekend.

Emaus office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday (English) or 1:00 to 6:00 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday (Spanish).

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

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What Does Synod Support Do?

By Carolyn Wooster

Each year Emaus ELCA pledges an amount to the Greater Milwaukee Synod to support the synod mission projects. This year we are pledging \$17,700.

Where will that money go?

- \$9,735 is shared with the ELCA for:

- Global Mission - send missionaries and personnel, offer grants and scholarships designed to strengthen church leadership, and support the ministries of global companions.

- Congregational and Synodical Mission - includes new congregations, congregational renewal, multi-cultural ministries, peacemaking, and people in poverty.

- Mission Advancement - shares the ELCA's message of God's love with diverse audience across all media and supports the ELCA's work through major gifts, appeals and planned giving.

- Office of our Presiding Bishop, ELCA Secretary and Treasurer

- \$2301 is used to support synod ministries:

- Lutheran Campus Ministry at UWM and Marquette University

- Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago; Wartburg Seminary, Dubuque, Iowa.



- Wisconsin Council of Churches, the Interfaith Conference of Greater Milwaukee, the Lutheran Office of Public Policy and others.

- \$5664 is used for the care of congregations by:

- Bishop and Synod Staff

- Youth and Family Ministry

- Shepherding candidates for rostered, ordained and lay ministry

- Anti-racism training

- Leadership development activities.

Emaus ELCA has been the recipient of approximately \$52,000 in grants from the Greater Milwaukee Synod. Next month—more info on those grants.

Who is the Greater Milwaukee Synod?

The Greater Milwaukee Synod (GMS) is a grouping of congregations, extending from Sheboygan down to the Illinois border and from Lake Michigan to the western edge of Waukesha County. We are one of 65 synods of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). This synod is made up of 129 congregations and 76,000 baptized members in southeastern Wisconsin led by Bishop Jeff Barrow and a 17-member synod council.

Transition Team Report

Committee Opens Cornerstone Capsule

A cornerstone's original function was to provide a solid foundation on which to build a building. It was usually the first stone laid. Sometimes that event was accompanied by a ceremony. Now days the ceremony is what is important and it is usually accompanied by a selection of articles pertinent to the building to include in a time capsule.

Emaus ELCA has a cornerstone with such a time capsule right by our front door. The stone was laid in 1954 during the building of our present church. Pictures of this ceremony have been in the Sunset Room for years. For those with sharp eyes and a long memory, the little girl in the picture is Cheryl Dexter.

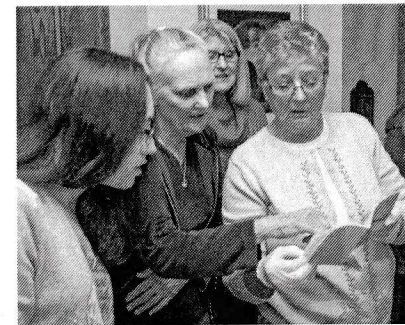
The Emaus Transition Committee thought it might be interesting and useful to add to that time capsule as we transition into our new congregation. But first we needed to figure out what we were working with. Our church history describes the cornerstone's contents:

Prior to the placing of the new church's cornerstone, the old Mound

Avenue church's cornerstone was opened on October 3, 1954. It contained the 1872 church constitution, a Danish testament, and the January 6, 1875 *Racine Daily Journal*. These effects were placed inside the new box along with copies of the 75-year anniversary book in English and Danish, the centennial book, a 1953 annual report, the January and October 1954 issues of the church newsletter, programs from the kick-off dinner of

Lutheran High School, the May, 1954 ground-breaking story and the June 1, 1954 *Racine Journal Times*. Congregation president Hans Jepsen and Building Committee chair Harry Andersen laid the cornerstone as part of the dedication service on October 10, 1954.

From the picture it was not clear how big the box was or whether there would be room for any additional material. The only



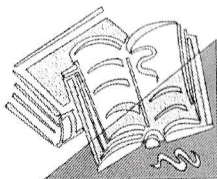
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Emaus Library Undergoes Update

by Cathy Meyer

You may have noticed that the Emaus library shelves in the Sunset Room have been cleaned out and reorganized.

All books on the shelves are for your reading pleasure. We operate on the honor system. Simply take any books you would



like to read and return them when you are finished.

If you have any books to share, feel free to bring them at any time and leave them on the shelf designated New Books.

Cornerstone Time Capsule

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way to find out was to open up the cornerstone. In March a committee was chosen to investigate. The committee membership included Kathy and Rich Christensen, Cheryl Dexter, Art Smith, Michaela Wieties and Jose Villegas. We decided on April 17 to open the cornerstone.

It looked from the outside as if the stone might be just a face brick on the wall holding the time capsule in a hollowed out part of the wall. This hypothesis was proven wrong. Jose cleared away some of the mortar and found that the cornerstone was almost a foot deep — truly a structural element of the building. Removing the mortar on the bottom of the stone revealed that the stone was



actually open on the bottom. This made sense since this design would keep water out of the stone.

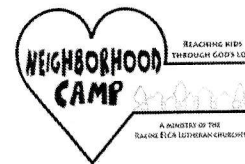
After breaking out some of the stones beneath the cornerstone, we extracted the time capsule. It turns out that it consists of a copper box approximately 14"x9"x6". The seams of the box had been soldered closed, further protecting the contents from water damage.

On April 24 we opened the box and the contents listed above were found. One interesting part of the contents was another copper box that contained artifacts of the cornerstone of the Mound Avenue church. It is obvious that there is room to add additional material to the box before re-sealing it. Now we just need to decide what we want to be remembered by.

Neighborhood Camp Registration Opens May 1

Check in the narthex, the table outside Nancy's office, or online (Neighborhood Camp website) for registration forms.

Those who have attended camp in the past will have the opportunity to register by May 15. New campers who register before May 15 will be put on a waiting list. Camp is offered to kids who



live in the neighborhood, attend EASY and Emaus God Time and to those who attend Emaus. Neighborhood Camp can accept up to 60 campers. Register early!

Camp themes for this year include: Animals: Inside and Out; Flashback: The Vikings; Color Crazy: Art Splash; Migration: Butterflies to Whales; and Olympics: Go for the Gold.

Camps Partner with Summer Food Service Program

Stressing the importance of offering nutritious meals to children during the summer months, Racine ELCA Neighborhood Camps announce the sponsorship of the Summer Food Service Program at Neighborhood Camp at Emaus ELCA and Living Faith Lutheran Church in Racine.

The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP), funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and administered by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction, provides nutritious meals to children during the summer, when free and reduced-price school meals are typically unavailable. Free meals will be made available to children 18 years of age and under.

Meals will be provided Monday through Thursday June 20 through July 28 during the



weeks Neighborhood Camp is in session, to children regardless of origin, age, gender or disability, and there will be no discrimination in the course of meal service.

This program fills a void created when school lunches are not available. Helping parents meet the nutritional needs of their children is the strength of this program.

Camp Intern Training Set June 15-17

Training is set for Wednesday through Friday, June 15-17. All interns are expected to participate. Applications are due to Carol Yust at 1925 Summit Avenue, Racine, 53404 or by email by May 1. Most hiring is complete by May 31.

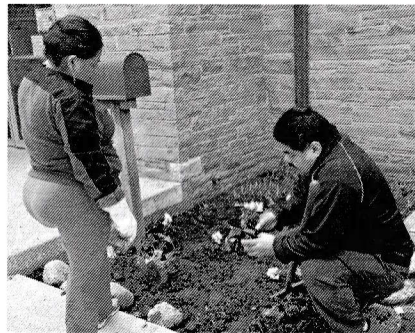
Dates for Neighborhood Camp are June 20 through July 28; there will be no Neighborhood Camp the week of July 4 at Emaus and

Living Faith. Camp at Redeemer will end a week early on July 21.

This will be the seventeenth year for Neighborhood Camp and it continues to have a positive impact on the lives of our neighborhood kids. We couldn't do this program without the ongoing financial, volunteer, and spiritual support of each and every one of you.

Join Green Grounds Team

To all those members and friends getting that outside yard itch! Join the Green Grounds Team. We maintain the flower beds, bushes and anything else that pops up outside that needs some TLC. You may work in groups once a week or adopt a space and add your TLC whenever it fits your schedule.



Thank You to Community Meal Helpers

Thank you so much to all who helped out preparing and serving the Community Meal at St. Patrick's Church on April 7. It is good to see so many willing to help out those who are in need.

Our next scheduled date at St. Pat's is Thursday, June 2. St.

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Patrick's plans not to use their oven during the summer, so we will not provide the usual casseroles. Instead, we're asking for cold pasta or leaf salads, fresh fruit, beans, and desserts. St. Andrew members plan to bring hot dogs, buns and chips. Watch for a new sign-up sheet in the narthex presently.

EASY Prepares for Year-End Program

The last day for Emaus After School for Youth (EASY) is Wednesday, May 18. It's a special time for kids, staff, mentors, as well as families and friends. The evening begins with supper at 5:30 p.m. Immediately following the meal,



all are encouraged to try their skill during the Hands On Science Fair. The kids will demonstrate the experiments and STEM challenges they have tried throughout the year.

At 7:00 p.m. we will gather in the sanctuary for a closing program, during which time the kids will recognize their mentors.








EASY Celebrates Earth Day

One warm sunny afternoon the EASY kids walked around the church neighborhood and picked up trash. One busy picker upper exclaimed over and over again, "Not another plastic bottle cap!"

They returned with many bags of discarded and windblown items. During the week of earth day, they saw and heard about the impact that plastics; bags bottles and caps are having on our

environment. Huge seas of plastic are forming in our oceans. They were saddened and appalled to learn about the devastating effects that plastic is causing our animal population. One video they saw involved the removal of an item lodged in the nostril of a full grown sea turtle. Much to everyone's surprise and disgust, the item was a plastic straw about seven inches in length.

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Synod assembly at Carthage College June 2-4						

May Worship Leaders

	Asst. Ministers	Altar Guild	HC Assts.	Readers	Ushers
Sat. 4/30 4:30 pm	—	Barb & Jamie Toslek	—	—	—
Sun. 5/1 9:00 am	Karen Sedgwick	Kathy Christensen	Shirley Velzka	Karen Sedgwick	Team 1 Porcaro
Sat. 5/7 4:30 pm	—	Cheryl Dexter C. Wooster	—	—	—
Sun. 5/8 9:00 am	Carol Yust	Joy Lippmann	C. Yust, C. Lamberton	Amy Haman	Team 2 Christnsn.
Sat. 5/14	No Saturday worship service May 14				
Sun. 5/15 10:00 am		Cheryl Dexter	Carol Eschmann	Carol Yust	Team 3
Sat. 5/21 4:30 pm	—	Cathy Meyer Linda Clinton	—	—	—
Sun. 5/22 9:00 am	Kathy Christensen	Audrey Villalobos	N. Smith, K. Christensen	Melissa Lemke	Team 4 Meteyard
Sat. 5/28 4:30 pm	—	Barb & Jamie Toslek	—	—	—
Sun. 5/29 9:00 am	Cindi Larsen	Barb Larsen	J. Lippmann, K. Sedgwick	Cindi Larsen	Team 1 Porcaro
Sat. 6/4 4:30 pm	—	Cheryl Dexter C. Wooster	—	—	—
Sun. 6/5 9:00 am	Rich Benson	Caren Lamberton	Cindi Larsen	Lee Woodward	Team 2 Christnsn.

Remember Mom with Scrip

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

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

May Birthdays: 70 Years and Better

May 5	Carolyn Wooster	4825 Indian Hills Drive	53406
May 11	Ray Rommelfaenger	2513 Jean Avenue	53404
May 17	Janet Thomsen	3296 Backridge Road, Woodlawn TN	37191
May 20	Marjorie Zielke	3121 Walden Way	53405
May 28	Diane Melander	1315 Isabelle Avenue	53402

Mt. Meru Coffee Helps Farmers

By Diane Melander

The Mt. Meru fair trade coffee project helps the farmers of Tanzania get a fair price for the coffee they raise. By selling Mt. Meru coffee, we help these farmers earn a living that allows them to send their children to a good school as well as support their family. In addition, the project helps the farmers to learn better and more efficient growing techniques, so they will be working smarter to raise their crops.

In addition to helping the farmers, for this entire year, the Mt. Meru project is "Teaming up in Mission" with congregations by helping us use a portion of the coffee funds for a mission in our church. At Emaus, that mission is to help our Youth Group. A portion of each bag of coffee sold will come back to us to help fund our youth group!

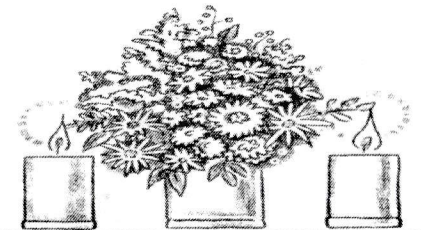
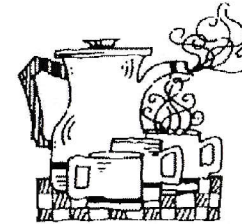
Mt. Meru is a high quality coffee that arrives to us fresh. The beans are raised and picked in Tanzania. The green beans are shipped to Milwaukee and roasted here, so rest assured that when you get your coffee, it is the freshest coffee available.

We have a number of varieties ready for you to enjoy. We have

whole bean, drip grind, percolator grind, perfect pot packets, (perfect for a coffee maker) and single serve boxes, with twelve single servings per box. In addition, we have four delicious flavor varieties of French vanilla, chocolate raspberry, hazelnut and butter pecan. All of the above varieties are offered in both regular and decaf styles.

In addition, you may purchase them in 12-ounce size or 4-pound packages. So, not only do you get to drink this delicious coffee, you have a wonderful way to help the Emaus youth.

If you have questions you may contact Diane Melander during coffee hour or call her at 262-412-2070.



Memorials & Honoraria

Non-designated:

In memory of Eleanor
Lawrenz: \$70.00

In memory of Harold Miller:
\$25.00

In memory of Ralph
Rasmussen: \$25.00

June Offering Envelopes Are Here

Offering envelopes for June, July, August and September have arrived at church. As a cost control

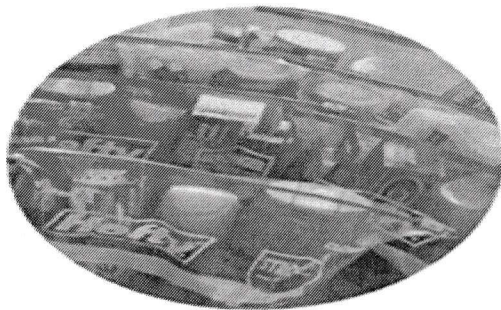


measure, we ask that you pick up your envelopes at church if at all possible. We do mail envelopes out to our shut-ins.

Outdoor Service Planned

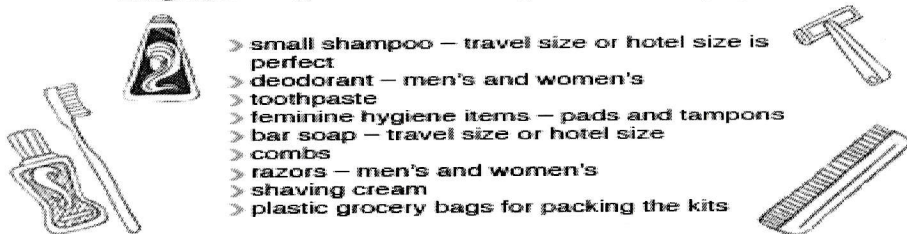
Weather, permitting, Emaus plans to hold the 11:00 a.m. service outdoors on May 29. The Spanish-language worship service will

celebrate children and mothers. A picnic in the field will follow the Día de los Niños service.



ELCA OUTREACH CENTER SYNOD ASSEMBLY 2016 SERVICE PROJECT

We are pleased to partner with the ELCA Outreach Center in Kenosha to pack personal hygiene kits during assembly. We ask that congregations gather the following items for this project:



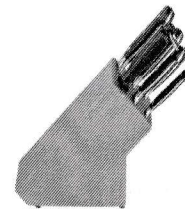
- > small shampoo – travel size or hotel size is perfect
- > deodorant – men's and women's
- > toothpaste
- > feminine hygiene items – pads and tampons
- > bar soap – travel size or hotel size
- > combs
- > razors – men's and women's
- > shaving cream
- > plastic grocery bags for packing the kits

Items can be brought directly to Synod Assembly on June 2 or dropped off at the synod office until May 16.

Learn more here

<http://milwaukeeesynod.org/synod-assembly-2016/service-project-elca-outreach-center>

Cutlery Discounted in May



By Diane Melander

We sell a high quality cutlery during coffee hour. All proceeds from

an item there that you would like. They also make wonderful shower or wedding gifts. If you have questions you may contact Diane Melander at 262-412-2070, or by email at: ironoreflicka@me.com.

the sale of our cutlery go directly to the church to help with expenses. This cutlery is made in the USA and is priced to sell. Also, to spur sales of all items in stock, they will be discounted from 10 to 25%.

Stop by the coffee table on Sunday morning to see if there is



Nurses from Gateway visited Emaus in April.

Crunching the Numbers

Weekly worship attendance averages (figures available as of Apr. 24, 2016)

	2014 FaithWorks North			2015 Emmaus & Emaus			2016 Emaus		
	Sat	Sun	Dom	Sat	Sun	Dom	Sat	Sun	Dom
Apr	39	105	160	14	61	177	10	38	128
May	19	61	139	12	34	133			

Emaus Financial Figures

	Total for month	Year to date
General Fund offerings received in March 2016:	\$ 12,605.23	\$ 34,345.13
Mortgage retirement offerings received in March '16.....	\$ 60.00.....	YTD: \$ 250.00
Mortgage payments in Apr. '16:		
Principal	\$ 477.59	
Interest at 5¼%.....	\$ 489.41	Principal balance as of
Total.....	\$ 967.00	Apr. 6, 2016: \$ 111,865.13

Root Out Invasive Plants

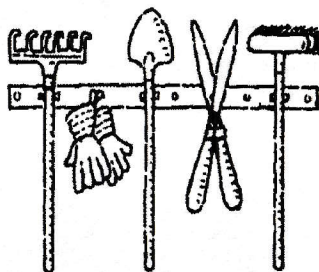
by John Berge

Despite the snow on five of the first ten days of April, spring is really here. In addition to all the spring bulbs that are blooming, many native plants are coming up and flowering. Trout lilies (or dog-tooth violets), bloodroot, spring beauties, Dutchman's britches and Virginia bluebells are in bloom in our small yard; May apples, wild ginger, wild leeks, wild geraniums, trillium and woodland violets are pushing up new foliage and flower buds.

Unfortunately, also coming up throughout our area are the invasive plant species which can be squeezing out the native species or upsetting the balance between the native plants and those who feed on or pollinate them.

As I take my walks in the neighborhood and parks, I see that garlic mustard, one of the most prolific of the invasive species, is already up and flourishing. Woody plants such as non-native bush honeysuckle, and common and glossy buckthorn have survived from previous years and are some of the first to leaf out in the spring. Purple loosestrife and non-native strains of phragmites (common

reed grass) are very invasive in wetlands and along the shores of ponds, lakes and streams. There are many more invasive alien species, but removing these is a good first step.



First, check your own yard. Are you harboring any of these aliens? Cutting down and disposing of the woody aliens and pulling up the herbaceous ones is the preferred way. Since buckthorn and honeysuckle will sprout back from the stump, this is one case where an herbicide is called for. Glyphosate or triclopyr applied immediately after cutting to the stump (avoid spraying which will kill or contaminate the surrounding plants and area) will effectively stop sprouting.

Garlic mustard and many other herbaceous aliens should not be composted, either by the homeowner or the city, since their seeds can continue to ripen even after they are pulled. We put them in bags for disposal at the landfill with the hope that they will not sprout and infest "Mount Trashmore."

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Environmental Stewardship

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You say you can't identify these alien species? There are several good books that will help you, such as *"Invasive Plants of the Upper Midwest"* by Elizabeth Czarapata, and numerous publications available from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. But another way to learn that I recommend is to volunteer with one of the groups that are striving to remove the invasive plant species from our parks and replace them with native species.

The Sierra Club holds workdays in Colonial Park on the fourth Saturday of each month from April or May to November, as does Pringle Nature Center in Kenosha County. Just show up or contact me for further information. River Bend also schedules workdays to remove invasive alien plants.

For invasives along waterways, the Racine Health Department Laboratory periodically seeks volunteers to participate in the restoration of Samuel Myers Park. If interested, contact Julie Kinzelman at 262-636-9501 or Adrian Koski at 262-636-9571.

Good environmental stewardship can and should include removal of invasive alien plant species from our yards and public places.



Speaker Shares Decluttering Tips

Spring has sprung, and that means it's time to clean out the garage, shed, basement, office and attic and all those other little places that collect stuff! At a loss on how to say good-bye to certain items you were taught must stay in your family, even though no one seems to want them any more? Do you own more stuff than you can keep track of?

"Sundaes on Wednesday" guest speaker Kathi Miller will present "De-Clutter Today for a Carefree Tomorrow!" May 25 at 1:30 p.m. in the parlor at Living Faith Lutheran Church, 2915



Wright Avenue, to get helpful and humorous hints on how to tackle that overwhelming job.

Kathi has been an educator, mentor, and entrepreneur who combines her lifelong fascination with efficiency with an unrelenting determination to truly enjoy life. She loves speaking and teaching — sharing her expertise and motivating others to de-clutter their homes, offices and schedules.

Kathi has been described as "knowledgeable non-judgmental and inspirational with a sense of humor."

Please call Living Faith at 637-5671 to make your reservation. A \$5 donation is suggested to help offset the speaker fee and can be brought to the event.

Kevin Hunter Bikes to End AIDS

Shirley Velzka's son Kevin Hunter will participate in the AIDS LifeCycle Ride to End AIDS from San Francisco to Los Angeles June 5-11.

Donation forms will be available in the narthex, and from the Emaus and AIDS/LifeCycle web sites. Please mail the form with your donation to: AIDS/LifeCycle, Dept. 34745, P.O. Box 39000, San Francisco, CA 94139, or make your donation online at www.aidslifecycle.org. Please include that you are making a donation in the name of Kevin F. Hunter, South Bay Blaze team.

Donors will receive a letter of acknowledgment for tax purposes. The federal EIN for the San Francisco AIDS Foundation is 94-2927405.

Shirley and Kevin greatly appreciate your support.

Relay for Life Battles Cancer

Contact Denise Keller (262-619-9911) to participate in Relay for Life, the American Cancer Society's signature fund raiser for

the fight against cancer. The run will take place June 10-11 at Caledonia / Mount Pleasant Memorial Park in Franksville.

Registration Opens for MS Golf Benefit

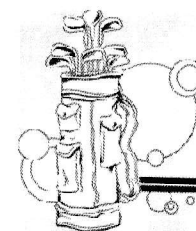
The second annual Walter Hermanns Memorial Tee Off for MS Golf Outing is Friday, July 29, at the Ives Grove Golf Course with dinner/bash at Fountain Hall. Cost: \$100/person includes 18 holes of scramble-style golf (four-player teams) teeing off at 11:00 a.m., dinner and drinks. A \$30 dinner and raffle only option is also available.

Multiple sclerosis, an unpredictable, often disabling disease of the central nervous system, interrupts the flow of information within the brain, and between the brain and body. Wisconsin has one of the highest

prevalence rates of MS in the nation and this community has personally witnessed the challenge and heartbreak that multiple sclerosis causes.

All proceeds from the outing will go the National Multiple Sclerosis Society-Wisconsin Chapter which funds cutting-edge research, drives change through advocacy, and provides programs and services to help people with MS and their families.

Registration forms are available from Mike Balcer at 262-930-6600 or by e-mailing TeeOff4MS@gmail.com and are due by June 1.



Bible Readings for May

May 1: Acts 16:9-15; Psalm 67; Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5; John 14:23-29 or John 5:1-9.

Ascension: Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 47 or 93; Ephesians 1:15-23, Luke 24:44-53.

May 8: Acts 16:16-34; Psalm 97; Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21; John 17:20-26.

Pentecost: Acts 2:1-21 or Genesis 11:1-9; Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; Romans 8:14-17 or Acts 2:1-21; John 14:8-17 [25-27].

Trinity: Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31; Psalm 8; Romans 5:1-5; John 16:12-15.

May 29: 1 Kings 8:22-23, 41-43; Psalm 96:1-9; Galatians 1:1-12; Luke 7:1-10.

Doing Worship Well

Worship is at the heart of who we are as people of faith, so it's essential that we do it well. That, however, is easier said than done. I think we're finding that language is only one of the challenges we face as we seek to create a community of just "us." Some thoughts as we continue on our journey to Emaus:

1. **CONFESSION**, as in the *Augsburg Confession*, the "Lutheran Bible." In Article VII it says: "It is sufficient for the true unity of the Christian Church that the Gospel be preached in conformity with a pure understanding of it and that the Sacraments be administered in accordance with the Divine Word. It is not necessary for the true identity of the Christian Church that ceremonies instituted by men (!) should be observed uniformly in all places." What are essential for Lutheran worship are preaching the good news and administering the Sacraments properly — Word and Sacrament. Everything else ("ceremonies") can vary from Lutheran congregation to Lutheran congregation.

2. **CATHOLIC**, as in **ROMAN CATHOLIC**. We have to be careful not to dismiss a style of worship simply because we don't like it or understand it. We may not like

incense or sprinkling water or pomp but to dismiss them as "Catholic" would be inaccurate. They are simply elements of a "style" of worship that is practiced in many Lutheran churches.

Pastor Gabriel rightly points out that at the center of our worship is Grace. Lutherans receive the Sacrament as a gift. It's



not an obligation as it is in the Roman Catholic Church. That's why, for example, we don't *have* to have communion instruction. We simply have to open our hands and receive the gift of

Jesus. Children understand this better than adults.

Some of us don't like "high liturgy" and some of us do. It's a preference. That's a fair conversation to have, but let's be clear. We're not talking about being Lutheran *vs.* being Roman Catholic; we're talking about two different styles of Lutheran worship. ("Ceremonies" in Article VII above.)

I've been told that Pastor Jhon Freddy had a "charismatic" style of worship. I suspect that means, among other things, he didn't wear always vestments, didn't use incense, and used a simple liturgy.

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Pastor Steve's Column

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That's a style of worship. But that style doesn't make it Lutheran any more than incense and sprinkling water make a service Catholic.

3. **COMMUNITY**. There is a difference between a house and a home. A house is simply a structure. A home is what we do with the structure.

The same is true of Lutheran worship. There is a four-part structure to Lutheran liturgy: Gathering, Word, Meal, Sending. That's the house. What we do with the structure is unique to the community who gathers. That's the home. Each community takes the Lutheran house and turns into a home, an Emaus home, for example.

Let me offer a couple of examples. Generally four scripture readings are assigned each Sunday for the Word part of the liturgy: an Old Testament reading, a Psalm, a New Testament reading and a Gospel. Some will say that unless we read all of them we are not being Lutheran. That's nonsense. We can use only the Gospel one Sunday if we chose. And the Gospel and a Psalm another. In the Lutheran structure what's essential is that the Word is heard, not how many lessons are read.

The Confession and Forgiveness is considered part of the Gathering. That doesn't mean

that if we don't have a Confession and Forgiveness, we don't have a Lutheran service. We could substitute a Remembrance of Baptism during the Easter season and sprinkle water on people as a reminder of our Baptism. Or we could use a Kyrie in place of the Confession. We may process in during the opening hymn or not. What's important is that we have a Gathering.

Part of what goes into making our worship at Emaus "home" includes ethnic/cultural considerations. The four-part structure remains the same, but what happens within each section depends upon our community.

I would like to see both the 9:00 and 11:00 services use the *ELW* more — not exclusively, just more. To that end I would also like both services to learn Setting 7 in the *ELW*, not immediately, but over time, so that when we worship together we have a common liturgy.

4. **COMMUNICATION**. We (Latino and Anglo together) are growing into a style of worship at Emaus. We're not there yet. So it's essential that we keep talking and listening to each as we try to create a community of just "us" — not us and them just "us."

Pastor Steve

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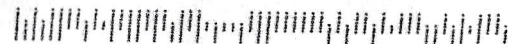
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Members to Elect Council, Vote on Call

A meeting of the congregation has been called for Sunday, June 5 between worship services for the purpose of electing a church council and extending a call to Pastor Gabriel Marcano.

We have learned that for Pastor Gabriel to move forward in the immigration process, it would be to his advantage he be officially called and ordained to serve as a pastor of the ELCA. Rather than the current agreement as a temporary interim at Emaus, a term call as Pastor of Emaus would provide the stability needed to be granted the green card.

This is not a call to serve as the Lead Bilingual Pastor as outlined in our Mission Profile. Budgeted monies already allocated for a pastoral assistant and interim Latino pastor would be used to cover this position.

Una reunión de la congregación ha sido convocada

para el domingo 5 de junio a las 10:00 a.m. con el propósito de elegir a un consejo de la iglesia y que se extiende una llamada al Pastor Gabriel Marcano.

Hemos aprendido que para que el pastor Gabriel pueda avanzar en el proceso de inmigración lo más rápido posible, debiese llamado y ordenado para servir como Pastor de la ELCA oficialmente. En el actual acuerdo como pasante temporal en Emaús, pasara a ser Pastor, proporcionándole la estabilidad necesaria para conceder su permiso de trabajo.

Este no es un llamado para servir como el pastor bilingüe que requiere el perfil de nuestra misión. Los fondos presupuestados previamente asignados para un asistente pastoral y pastor latino se utilizarían para cubrir este puesto de trabajo.



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Pastoral Acts

Baptism:

Ana Marie Ayala-Ferraro
May 28, 2016

Ana Marie is the daughter of Thalia & Brandon Ayala-Ferraro. Her sponsors are Ezra & Alexa Reed.

Wedding:

Maribel Vega
Javier Madrid
May 21, 2016

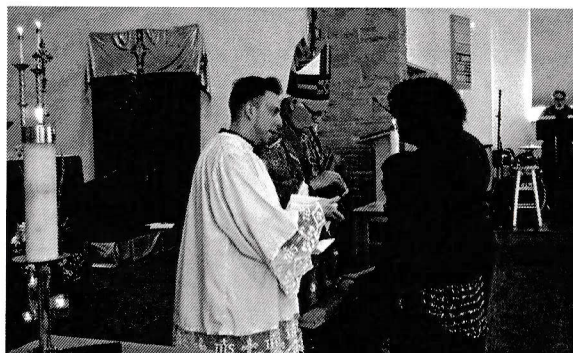
Pastor Mary presided over a blessing of the marriage of Maribel and "Jay" Madrid. Maribel runs the Racine Family Literacy program, now located at 1510 Villa Street.

Pentecost Worship Celebrates New Beginnings

A combined, bilingual worship service on Pentecost Sunday celebrated new beginnings, including the Affirmation of Baptism of eight individuals. Those confirming their faith were: Kimberly Martínez, Imelda Hernando, Brian González, Erasto Cruz Peralta, Vicente Morales Flores, Luis Moya, Érica Villegas and Edgardo Acosta.

Bishop Jeff Barrow, the pastors of Emaus, a bilingual chorus, and the Cornerstone Committee all shared in leading the Spirit-filled festivities in a sanctuary filled with members and friends the morning of May 15.

We thank Kathy Christensen, Cathy Meyer, Missy Porcaro, Marge Zielke and Jess & Karen Sedgwick for contributing the geraniums that adorned the



worship space for our Pentecost festival service on May 15.

Remember Pastor Gabriel's Family in Your Prayers

Early Sunday morning, May 22, Pastor Gabriel received word that his 99-year-old grandmother, Marita Aguiar, had passed away in Venezuela. The Emaus family extends our sympathy to Gabriel's family as they celebrate the life of a very special woman in their lives.



Ricardo Flores Joins Staff

We welcome Ricardo Flores as our new custodian. Ricardo joins Antelmo Hernando and has been

hard at work cleaning the main and upper floors of the building.

We thank Rich Benson for his valuable service keeping our facilities clean since 2011.

EASY Families Gather for Closing

May 18 was an eventful night for the EASY kids. The Hands-on Science Fair kept families and friends on their toes. The kids were expectant and excited to share the various projects they had explored throughout the year. From

bubbles, balancing nails, ice cube rope, lemon battery to squishy circuits, jelly marbles, and the leak proof bag; these fun science activities had all engaged as EASY celebrated another year.

During the program, the kids shared thanks with their mentors.

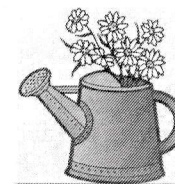


One by one, the kids stood up front and read a personal note to their special mentor and presented them with a flowering plant. Each expressed how grateful they were for conversation and help in math, vocabulary and reading. They also expressed hope that their mentor would return next year.

Hats off to Lou Barrera! She has mentored Sebastian Cruz for five years. Sebastian is one of three fifth graders who will be moving on to middle school.

Weeders Invite Green Thumbs

Reminder to those who adopted a landscape area: it is now time to start weeding and trimming. Anyone who is interested in helping with this project is invited to join



the Green Team Weeders on Wednesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. beginning June 22. If you have questions, contact Sandy Strini (262 639-3755).

Synod Assembly Convenes at Carthage

The annual Assembly of the Greater Milwaukee Synod will convene at Carthage College June 2-4. The agenda includes election of a bishop to succeed Rev. Jeff Barrow, who is retiring after two terms in office.

Resolutions up for a vote include support of Accompanying Migrant Minors with Protection, Advocacy, Representation and Opportunities.

A contingent of Neighborhood Camp kids, led by Daisy the Clown (aka Nancy Smith), will interrupt assembly presentations on Friday, June 3, at approximately 7:30 p.m. They will take the

spotlight during the Outreach for Hope segment, bringing the message "Hope Grows!"

Later that evening, Pastor Mary will be among the pastors recognized for celebrating significant ordination anniversaries. She was ordained June 4, 1991 before accepting the call as Associate Pastor of Emmaus on July 1, 1991.

Due to the scheduling of the Assembly after our newsletter deadline, a summary report will be published on our web site, emauselca.org, as soon as possible, then in the July-August edition of the *Visitor*.

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English language services are held at Emaus on Saturday evening at 4:30 and Sunday mornings at 9:00. Spanish language worship services are offered Sundays at 11:00 a.m.

Emmaus office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday (English) or 1:00 to 6:00 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday (Spanish).

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

Emmaus Visitor

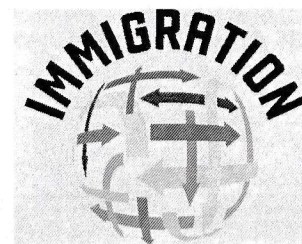
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Emaus Hosts Immigration Rights Forum

Conozca Sus Derechos: Un foro informativo presentado por abogados de inmigración de caridades católicas: sus comentarios, sus preguntas, respuestas de ellos: Domingo, el 5 de junio al 12:00 p.m. en Parroquia Emaus ELCA. Patrocinado por Racine Interfaith

Coalition's Fuerza de especial de Inmigración.



Know Your Rights: an informational forum presented by Catholic Charities Immigration Lawyers: your comments, questions, their answers: Sunday, June 5 at 12:00 p.m. at Emaus ELCA. Sponsored by Racine Interfaith Coalition's Immigration Task Force.

Thank You, Mentors!

Not a day went by when an after school arrival would walk through the door and ask, "Is my mentor coming today?" Yes, mentors, the kids looked forward to their time with you! You are making a difference by being a constant in their lives. You are modeling hope, encouraging them in their studies, as well as listening to their ups and downs. Thanks for your patience in dealing with the craziness of schedules. Most of all, thanks for sharing God's love!

Neighborhood Camp: As the newsletter goes to press, camp is

almost at capacity. Camp has room for 60 kids. The response has been fantastic! Themes are: Animal Migration: Butterflies to Whales; Flashback: The Vikings; Color Crazy: Art Splash; All God's Critters: Inside and Out; and The Olympics: Go for the Gold. Stay tuned: camp needs will be posted in the narthex and on



the Emaus and Neighborhood Camp websites.

Congratulations to Our Graduating Seniors

Congratulations to Emaus high school and college graduates in 2016!

Patrick Austin graduates from Case High School this month. He is working at Menard's.

Alex Villalobos graduates from Case High School this month. The honor roll student

plans to study Engineering at UW-Milwaukee this fall and to apply for the Naval ROTC program.

Best of luck to all our high school and college graduates, including all those we were not able to



We're Proud of You!

mention here.

Emaus Serves Community Meal June 2

Our next scheduled date to provide and serve the Community Meal at St. Patrick's is Thursday, June 2. St. Patrick's plans not to use their oven during the summer, so we will not provide the usual casseroles. Instead, we're asking for cold pasta or leaf salads, fresh

fruit, chips, beans, and desserts. A sign-up sheet is posted in the narthex.

Community Meal director Margaret Clickner asks that you please use a spray in pans to make the dish washers' job easier. Thank you!

Crunching the Numbers

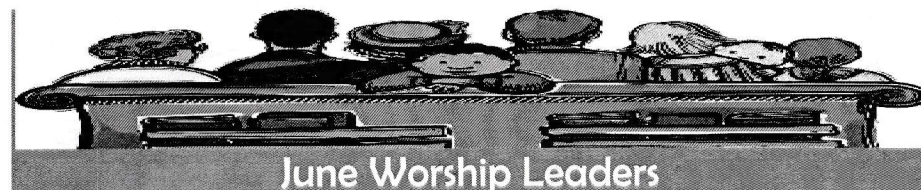
Weekly worship attendance averages (figures available as of May 22, 2016)

	2014 FaithWorks North			2015			2016		
	Sat	Sun	Dom	Sat	Sun	Dom	Sat	Sun	Dom
Apr	39	105	160	14	61	177	10	38	128
May	19	61	139	12	34	133	12	39	149
Jun	20	74	165	12	39	131			

Emaus Financial Figures

General Fund offerings received in April 2016: Total for month \$ 9,409.91
Year to date \$ 43,955.21

Mortgage retirement offerings received in April '16.....	\$ 0.00.....	YTD: \$ 250.00
Mortgage payment on June 1, 2016: Principal	\$ 479.68	
Interest at 5¼%.....	\$ 487.32	Principal balance as of
Total.....	\$ 967.00	May 8, 2016: \$ 111,387.54

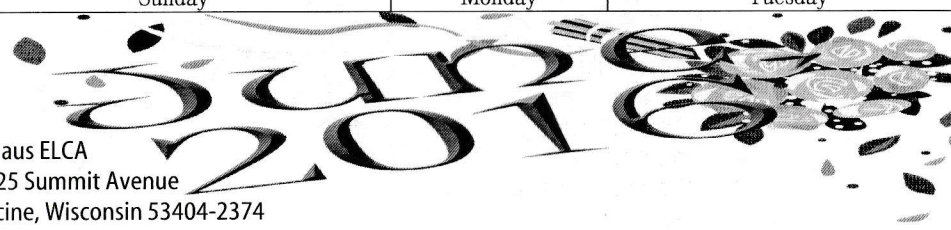


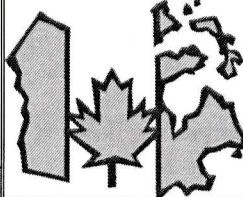


June Worship Leaders

	Asst. Ministers	Altar Guild	HC Assts.	Readers	Ushers
Sat. 5/28 4:30 pm	—	Barb & Jamie Toslek	—	—	—
Sun. 5/29 9:00 am	Cindi Larsen	Barb Larsen	J. Lippmann, K. Sedgwick	Cindi Larsen	Team 1 Porcaro
Sat. 6/4 4:30 pm	—	Cheryl Dexter C. Wooster	—	—	—
Sun. 6/5 9:00 am	Rich Benson	Caren Lamberton	Cindi Larsen	Lee Woodward	Team 2 Christnsn.
Sat. 6/11 4:30 pm	—	M&A Zielke, M. Porcaro	—	—	—
Sun. 6/12 9:00 am	Kathy Christensen	Kathy Christensen	K.Christnsn., S. Velzka	Kathy Christensen	Team 3
Sat. 6/18 4:30 pm	—	Cathy Meyer Linda Clinton	—	—	—
Sun. 6/19 9:00 am	—	Joy Lippmann	Chris Lamberton	Sandy Strini	Team 4 Meteyard
Sat. 6/25 4:30 pm	—	Barb & Jamie Toslek	—	—	—
Sun. 6/26 9:00 am	Jim Larrabee	Cheryl Dexter	N. Smith, D. Melander	Carol Eschmann	Team 1 Porcaro
Sat. 7/2 4:30 pm	—	C. Dexter C. Wooster	—	—	—
Sun. 7/3 9:00 am	Carol Yust	Audrey Villalobos	Joy Lippmann	Carol Yust	Team 2 Christnsn.

June Birthdays: 70 Years and Better

June 7	Jim Brown	1814 Mars Avenue	53404
June 10	Evelyn Larsen	3920 N. Green Bay Road # 74	53404
June 14	Dennis Eschmann	8024 Highway K, Franksville	53126
June 17	Mildred Schroth	244 N. Macy St., Fond du Lac	54935
June 19	Renate Doughty	1921 Arcturus Avenue	53404
June 21	Lee Woodward	2333 Arlington Avenue	53403
June 24	Mary Ann Miller	5031 S Green Bay Road	53403
June 26	Rose Rommelfaenger	2513 Jean Avenue	53404
June 27	Al Svendsen	949 Sibley Memorial Hwy #101, St. Paul	55118

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Greater Milwaukee Synod Assembly, Carthage College, June 2-4						
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Neighborhood Camp, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.						



Fiesta Mexicana Draws a Crowd

Emaus ELCA's Fiesta Mexicana has become an event that friends from all over the city now look forward to every year. One of our visitors called to tell us how much she and her husband enjoyed the food, the music, and even how helpful the kids were.

Many thanks to all who donated food, time, and hard work to make the Fiesta fundraiser such a success! Special thanks go to

sponsors, the teams who served food and cleaned up at the event—and most of all, to all who bought raffle tickets, bid on auction items and came to enjoy the food, music and fun in person!

Proceeds for the May 7 Fiesta totaled \$1,256. All proceeds of the fund raiser will go to fund regular programming and operating costs included in the general budget of the church.

Message Board:

Spirit Shapes, Informs Emaus Mission

Pastor Steve:

Call it the work of the Spirit, but I received word this morning about the transition at Emmaus/ Emaus. I was baptized at Emmaus by my grandfather Thorvald Hansen who served as Senior Pastor at the time. (For those who might remember, I am Ruth's son.)

I am very pleased to see how the Holy Spirit continues to shape



and inform the mission and ministry of a church whose roots are deeply imbedded in serving the immigrant population; though that population is no longer coming from Denmark. Please know that Emaus is in my prayers on this day of celebration!

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Grants Fuel Outreach Ministry Work

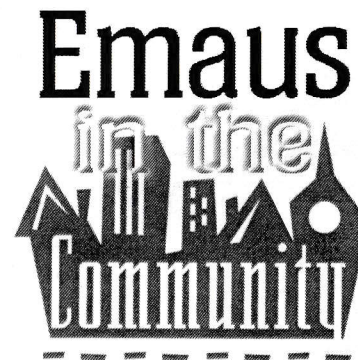
by Carolyn Wooster

Emaus ELCA anticipates receiving approximately \$156,000 in grant monies this year. These monies do not miraculously appear at our doorstep. Grants have to be applied for. We have received these grants due to the hard work and long hours that Pastor Mary Janz and Carol Yust, Outreach Coordinator, have spent in writing these grant requests and communicating with funders. They would not be

awarded, however, if it were not for Emaus ELCA's many outstanding outreach ministry efforts.

Grant monies received or requested for this year include:

- Siebert Lutheran Foundation for Emaus New Start: \$20,000 (\$30,000 additional committed for next two years)
- Siebert Lutheran Foundation for EASY: \$25,000
- Siebert Lutheran Foundation for Neighborhood Minister: \$16,000
- Siebert Lutheran Foundation for Neighborhood Camp (a third of total grant): \$11,700



- Department of Public Instruction for Neighborhood Camp meals (half of grant): \$6,000
- Racine Unified School District for summer SALT program: \$8,000
- Greater Milwaukee Synod Outreach for Hope for Neighborhood Camp (a third of total grant): \$5,700
- Greater Milwaukee Synod Outreach for HOPE for outreach program: \$35,000
- Greater Milwaukee Synod for Latino Ministry (subsidy for Pastor Gabriel's stipend): \$8,400
- Racine Community Foundation: \$12,000
- ELCA for New Start: \$23,000

What an awesome privilege it is to be a part of this church. And a huge thankyou to all of you members who are contributing so much of your time and talent to the success of these wonderful ministry efforts. A special thank you to Nancy Smith, Carol Yust, and Pastor Mary who lead some of these outreach projects. What we are doing is truly amazing and contributing so much to the community and the neighborhood.

Next month features several of these outreach efforts.

Check Out Scrip Table

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



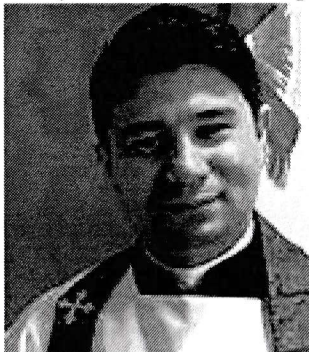
various restaurants, department stores, and specialty stores. Check out the Scrip table after worship service.

Pastor Gabriel Attends ELCA Events

Pastor Gabriel was the only participant from Wisconsin (and, as Pastor Steve pointed out, no doubt the only person from Venezuela) attending the ELCA Multi-Cultural Leadership Summit held in Chicago from May 18 to 22. "The Power of Connection" was the overall theme of the gathering, and there was an emphasis on developing leaders, recognizing that we are stronger as we join together.

Immediately following the first event, Pastor Gabriel attended

2½ days of an ELCA Boundaries workshop. First-call pastors in the ELCA are required to be trained in the areas of expectations and of appropriate boundaries in their pastoral roles.



Pastor Gabriel has been recommended for an 18 month term call to serve the Spanish-speaking community of Emaus. The official vote to extend that call will take place at the 10:15 a.m. congregational meeting on Sunday, June 5.

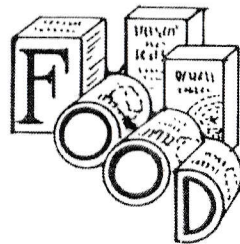
NorthSide Food Pantry Schedule

June 23: Diane Melander, Cheryl Dexter, Kathy and Rich Christensen, Cathy Knuteson, Cindi & Loren Larsen

July 28: Cindi and Loren Larsen, Cheryl Dexter, Boots LeRoux, Art Smith, Carolyn Wooster

If you are unable to work your scheduled date, please trade with someone on the schedule. Please do not leave only two

people on duty. Thank you for your support of this important ministry!



Environmental Stewardship

Renewable Energy Alternatives Exist

by John Berge

In the last six months or so, I have written twice in this column about rooftop solar generation of electricity and mentioned that I was unable to join those good environmental stewards with photovoltaics on their house or garage. Our roof is oriented the wrong way and we have lots of overhanging trees.

So some years back I joined our local power company's "Energy for the Future" program, which was supposed to provide me with green energy from renewable sources. It cost a little more (a couple of pennies per kilowatt hour) but my hope was for enough people to sign up for this program that would then require the power company to use more renewables than the state's minimum. Unfortunately, that does not appear to be the case. As recently as 2014, the latest data on their web site, We Energies had only 2.6% of it generating capacity categorized as "renewables."

Wisconsin used to have some of the lowest electrical rates in the Midwest; but since the building of two new, huge, coal-fired power plants in Oak Creek, Wisconsin now has one of the highest. Iowa, which generates about 30% of its power from wind, now has one of the lowest

electricity costs in the midwest and is ranked in the top three in wind generation in recent years. Wind energy saves water, too: 3.2 billion gallons per year in Iowa.

So this year, I switched our electricity contract to Arcadia Power, which sells only 100% wind power. The same power lines are hitched up to our house and there was no interruption of service. My bills now come from Arcadia Power and there is still a small surcharge, but I feel more confident that my electric power is truly being generated by the wind. No carbon dioxide or methane is being put into the atmosphere, no asthma due to air pollution, and no heavy metals leaching from coal ash into our ground and surface waters. No wars are being fought over the rights to the wind and no coal miners are dying from accidents or lung problems to produce our electricity.

True, more miners are unemployed as mines are shut down (the coal for the Oak Creek power plant comes from huge open pit mines out west) and some birds and bats are killed by wind turbines. But stewardship consists of making choices. I believe the choice of wind generation of electricity is good environmental stewardship.

Neighborhood Camp Congratulates Jessica Luis

One of the outreach programs of Emaus has played a significant role in influencing one of its participants. Jessica Luis, a recent graduate of St. Cloud University, has been involved with Neighborhood Camp for over ten years. On May 7 she received her Bachelor degree in Social Studies with a minor in Native American studies. It has been the culmination of a dream she has had since the sixth grade.

Jessica will be working her final year at camp as assistant site coordinator. She began many



years ago as a volunteer, then worked as staff until becoming the assistant for Nancy Smith.

Jessica was the first recipient of the Racine ELCA Neighborhood Camp scholarship. Her years at St. Cloud have provided her with time to explore the possibilities for her future. She spent the last semester of her senior year practice teaching in Texas. This fall she will move to Aldine, Texas, where she has been offered an amazing teaching position. We wish her the best!

Kevin Hunter Bikes to End AIDS

Shirley Velzka's son Kevin Hunter will participate in the AIDS LifeCycle Ride to End AIDS from San Francisco to Los Angeles June 5-11. Donation forms are available in the narthex, and from the Emaus and AIDS/LifeCycle web sites. Please mail the form with



your donation to: AIDS/LifeCycle, Dept. 34745, P.O. Box 39000, San Francisco, CA 94139, or make your donation online at www.aidslifecycle.org. Please include that you are making a donation in the name of Kevin F. Hunter, rider #2177.

Elsewhere in Our Area

St. Paul Baptist Hosts RIC Choir Fest

Racine Interfaith Coalition invites choirs to join them at St. Paul Baptist Church, 1123 Center Street, for a choir festival on

Sunday, June 12. The concert runs from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. There is no admission charge. Parking is available in the school lot.

Pastor Steve's Column

Remember to Be Attentional

Activist/preacher William Sloane Coffin wrote in the latter part of his life: "It's not that I feel I'm withdrawing from the world, only that I am present in a different way. I'm less intentional than 'attentional'." What's the difference?

Representative Paul Ryan captured the meaning of being present in the world intentionally when he addressed the Carthage College graduating class of 2016. "Go where you can make a difference," he said. It makes for a great commencement speech. I've given it myself. Go and make the world a better place!

Being present attentionally is more about enjoying the world than improving it. "Why did God create us?" a friend of mine asks. Her answer: "Because God thought we'd enjoy it."



"I'm more and more attentive to family and friends and to nature's beauty," Coffin continued.

So what am I getting at? Simply this. Our transition is an intentional process. There are tasks to be done, deadlines to be met, and hoops to jump through. Some days it gets exhausting.

An antidote to exhaustion? To be attentive to the hilarious and the heartwarming, the silly and the sublime along the way. To be mindful of that which delights and brings joy.

God didn't put this incredible mix of people together around here just to do a mission together. God put us together to enjoy each other, to find delight in each other.

Pastor Steve

Pastor Steve

Bible Readings in June:

May 29: 1 Kings 8:22-23, 41-43; Psalm 96:1-9; Galatians 1:1-2; Luke 7:1-10.

June 5: 1 Kings 17:17-24; Psalm 30; Galatians 1:11-24; Luke 7:11-17.

June 12: 2 Samuel 11:26-12:10, 13-15; Psalm 32; Galatians 2:15-21.

June 19: Isaiah 65:1-9; Psalm 22:19-28; Galatians 3:23-29; Luke 8:26-39.

June 26: 1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21; Psalm 16; Galatians 5:1, 1-25; Luke 9:51-62.

July 2: Isaiah 66:10-14; Psalm 66:1-9; Galatians 6:[1-6] 7-16; Luke 10:1-11, 16-20.

In the June Visitor:

- + June 5 Congregational Meeting
- + New Beginnings at Pentecost
- + Ricardo Flores Joins Staff
- + EASY Closing Program
- + Green Team Weeders
- + Synod Assembly June 2-4
- + EASY Program Thankyous
- + Community Meal June 2
- + Fiesta Mexicana Report
- + Grants Fuel Outreach Work
- + Multi-Cultural Leader Summit
- + Renewable Energy Alternatives
- + Congratulations, Jessica Luis
- + 'Being Present Attentionally'

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Emaus Visitor

July-August, 2016

Pastor Gabriel to Be Installed July 16

On Saturday, July 16, all are cordially invited to the celebration of the Eucharist in which the Reverend Gabriel Marcano will be installed for 18 months as the pastor of Emaus. The installation service will be held at 6:00 p.m. and will be presided over by Bishop Jeff Barrow.



Sábado 16 de Julio están todos cordialmente invitados a la celebración eucarística en la que será instalado el Reverendo Gabriel Marcano como el pastor de Emaús por 18 meses. La misa será a las 6:00 p.m. y será presidida por el Obispo Jeff Barrow.

Emaus Celebrates Pastor Mary's Ministry

Emaus will celebrate Pastor Mary's ministry at Emaus on Sunday, July 31. We will gather on the church lawn for a bilingual worship service at 10:00 a.m. So that we can all come together as a community to say thankyou to Pastor Mary, there will be no other Saturday or Sunday services.



Following the service, we will continue our celebration with a pot luck picnic. Watch for details about food.

With Pastor Mary's retirement, Pastor Gabriel's installation, and the formation of a call committee to call a bilingual pastor, it's a good time to say, in the words of Dag Hammarskjöld: "For all that has been — thanks. To all that shall be — yes!"

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Pastoral Acts

Baptisms: Lia Josephine Schultz May 28, 2016	Lia is the daughter of Adam and Kate Schultz. Her sponsors are Sean Radford and Francis Kimou.
Bryan Jesús Lopez Olguin June 19, 2016	Bryan is the son of Amelia Olguin Lopez. His sponsors are Jesús Olguin Soto and Griselda Martinez.
Tania Sarahi Peralta June 26, 2016	Tania is the daughter of Bernabe Briones and Rafael Peralta. Her sponsors are Erasmo Maldonado and Monica Peralta.
Weddings: Deysi Ramirez & Jose A. Gutierrez Vera May 28, 2016	Pastor Mary officiated at Deysi and Jose's wedding.

Please Remember Them in Your Prayers

Along with the rest of the Racine Mission Cluster, we keep the families and friends of Rev. Chuck Ruehle and Rev. Dick Warber in our prayers. Pastor Chuck, 68, laid down his Masai spear and shield on June 1; a former co-pastor of Reformation Lutheran Church in Milwaukee, and co-executive

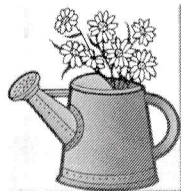


Director of Crossroads Anti-Racism Education and Organizing, he and his wife, Rev. Sue Ruehle, are members of Lutheran Church of the Redeemer.

Pastor Warber passed away on June 14 at age 87. Rev. Warber had recently moved to Milwaukee, but had been a tireless servant of the Racine Mission Cluster during his retirement years. He is survived by his wife, Betty.

Weeders Meet Wednesdays

Reminder to those who adopted a landscape area: it is now time to start weeding and trimming. Anyone who is interested in helping with this project is invited to join



the Green Team Weeders on Wednesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. If you have questions, contact Sandy Strini (262 639-3755).

Congregation Issues Term Call to Pastor Gabriel, Elects Council

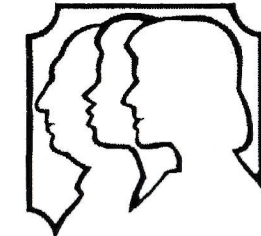
Emaus voted at a congregational meeting on Sunday, June 5 to issue an 18-month term call to Rev. Gabriel Marcano effective July 1. The slate of candidates for church council was approved by voice vote with the addition of Edilberto Martínez to serve as co-Vice President with Antelmo Hernando.

The other members of the Executive committee are Chris Lamberton, Presidente/President; Noemi Ortiz and Art Smith, co-Tesorero / Treasurer; and Juan Carlos Cabrera and Missy Porcaro, Secretario / Secretary.

Also elected to the church council: Ricardo Flores and Loren

Larsen, Propiedad / Property; Soledad Beltran and Carolyn Wooster, Mayordomia / Stewardship; Cheryl Dexter and Trinidad Hernando, Convivencia / Fellowship; Ilse Merlin and Érica Villegas, Educación / Education; Cathy Meyer and Gina Tiburcio, Cuidado Especial / Member Care; Pablo Enriquez, Ministerio Juvenil / Youth; Kathy

Christensen and Alex Galicia, Misa y Adoración / Worship; Imelda Ruiz and Brenda Trumbauer, Música / Music; Rich Benson, Justicia Social / Social Concerns; and Angélica Martinez and Carol Yust, Alcance a la comunidad / Outreach.



CONGREGATION COUNCIL

Council Names Call Committee

At our last church council meeting, a call committee was established with the purpose of calling a full-time bilingual pastor. The members of the Call Committee are Ramiro Flores, Antelmo Hernando, Angelica Martinez, Ilse Merlin, Cathy Meyer and Art Smith.

Pastor Gabriel will serve as an advisor to the committee.

As soon as the committee has organized itself, Pastor Kristin Nielsen from the Greater Milwaukee Synod staff will meet with them and lay out the next steps for calling a pastor.

The position has been posted on the ELCA website.

A God Full of Surprises and Possibilities!

Sometimes I think the Holy Spirit has to be at work overtime to get my attention. *Ruah* (that's the Hebrew name for the Spirit) has nudged and prodded me on a regular basis, and it's so often in the middle of the night. I remember thinking in 1991, when I was invited to Emmaus for an interview, "Why a Danish congregation? Why Racine? Why won't I be able to use my earlier



experience with Spanish?"

I also remember the tug within me that said, "Go. Trust." I thought, "I can do this for three years or so and then move on to a call that's a better match."

And, now here I am—twenty-five years later—marveling at how only God sees the full picture and how Emmaus and Racine have

become my home for a quarter of a century. During that time *Ruah* has pushed all of us, challenging us to ask, "Who is my neighbor? How do I love and walk with my neighbor? How is God calling and leading us in this time and place?"

I am grateful to the people of Emmaus for the willingness to be stretched and to risk something new—everything from calling your first female pastor 25 years ago to heeding the work done by the Mission Exploration Team at the turn of the century to supporting neighborhood and Latino ministry and, most recently, the vote to become Emmaus ELCA, a bilingual congregation. I am grateful for the tireless dedication of members and staff alike to assure that ALL are welcomed and fed — physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually. I am grateful to the children who bring life and curiosity and joy. I am grateful for those with years of experience who bring wisdom and counsel. I am especially grateful to all who have supported me and prayed for me and have challenged me and have loved me.

Granted, this road to Emmaus has had some bumps and detours and disappointments along the way. However, we can never

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Community Meal Director: 'Cool It!'

St. Patrick's has decided to avoid using its ovens to cook food for Community Meals during the summer. Emmaus and other contributing congregations are asked not to bring the usual casseroles.

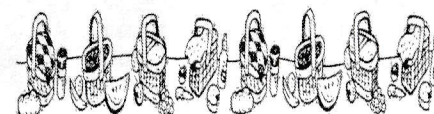
Instead, please substitute food that can be heated in a Nesco or served cold. Community Meal Director Margaret Clickner suggests hot dogs, beans, chips, tacos, hamburgers, brats, sloppy joes, sub sandwiches, cold pasta salads (tuna, chicken, and shrimp), leaf salad, pickles, olives, and fresh fruit.

"These are some examples, but if you can come up with some

personal favorites that you make during hot days, they would be greatly appreciated," Clickner said. "We know how we feel in the heat; this solution will also help those who make the dishes to pass out. You won't have to heat up your kitchen, either!"

"Ovens will not be used from June 1 until September 26. Also, please use a spray in pans; this will help our dish washers a lot."

The next meal that we will serve at St. Pat's is on Thursday, August 4. Watch for the new sign-up sheet and the pans to reappear in the narthex in early July.



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English language services are held at Emmaus every Saturday evening at 4:30, and Sunday mornings at 9:00. Spanish language worship services are offered at Emmaus Sundays at 11:00 a.m. We will have one joint Sunday worship service on July 26 at 10:00.

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

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

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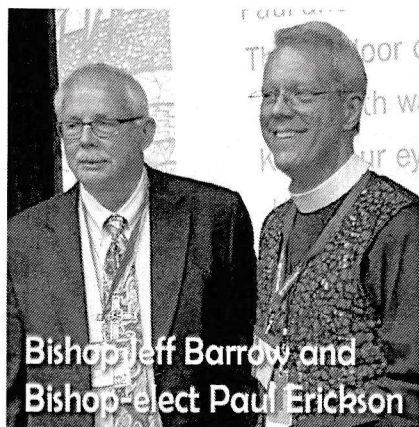
Synod Elects New Bishop, Votes BLM Support

The Rev. Dr. Paul Erickson, Director of Agora of St. Paul, Minnesota, was elected Bishop-Elect of the Greater Milwaukee Synod during the 2-4, 2016 Synod Assembly at Carthage College.

A *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel* profile of Bishop-elect Erickson noted that he was born in Milwaukee and is fluent in Spanish.

In remarks to the assembly, Rev. Erickson began by explaining his work with lay leaders for immigrant and multi-cultural communities in Minnesota and South Dakota in the context of the Walk to Emmaus. The Walk explains how God's plan is unfolding, with eyes opening and people filled with hope.

This is, he said, the promise and the challenge that lies with us. "How do we proclaim the power of love in a community filled with fear? How do we walk the Easter road together?" The answers lie, Rev. Erickson said, in getting to know our neighbors, building relationships, listening to new voices, praying and loving. We need to walk together and apply what we know to our own communities. "Lift up new leaders for communities of radical inclusion and hope. Make God's love real. This is an Easter road that we walk." We cannot hold on to what we have, but must let it go.



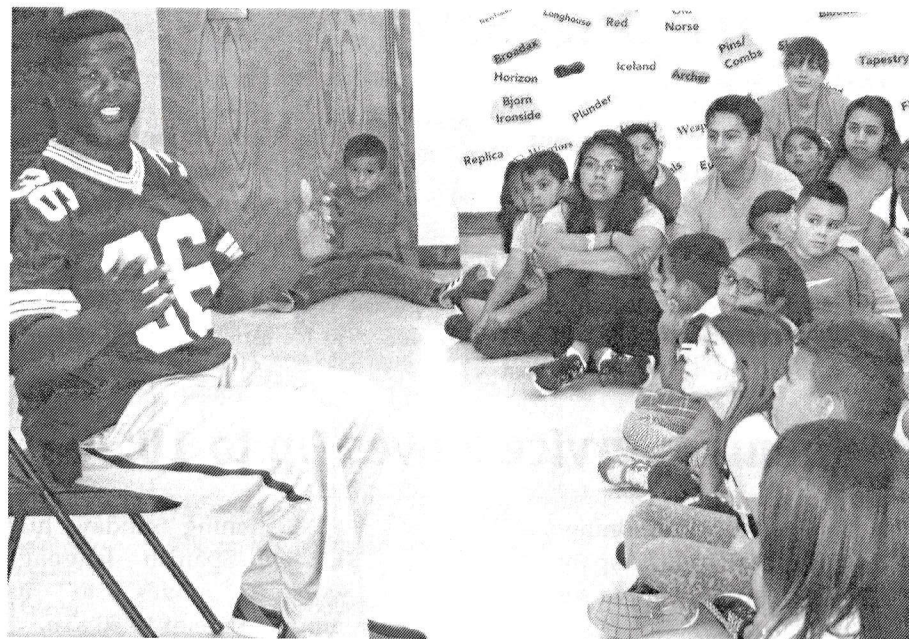
Bring about God's reign of justice. "Walk the road together, with Christ in our midst."

Friday's Assembly included recognition of pastors marking their 25th anniversary of ordination this year, including Rev. Mary L. Janz, and a presentation by Daisy the Clown and the students of Emaus After School for Youth.

The Assembly voted to approve synodical budget for the fiscal year ending January 31, 2018 with total contributions and support of \$2,102,780 and total ministries (expenses) of \$2,160,095.

The Assembly approved a motion stating opposition to rules instituted by the State of Wisconsin requiring that food ministries monitor "identification or documentation for each household member in order to participate in the Emergency Food Assistance

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Butler Speaks to Neighborhood Camp

Neighborhood Campers welcomed a very special guest in June: Green Bay Packer LeRoy Butler came to speak to the kids about bullying, leadership, and pursuit of one's dreams.

"Be a leader," he told the kids, "But if you choose to be a follower, choose the right person to follow."

Butler told the kids how he grew up in Florida wearing braces on his legs, bullied by other kids at his school. But he was determined to learn, and dedicated himself to becoming a football player when he grew up.

He was drafted by the Packers in 1990 and played for the team for ten seasons. His "Lambeau Leap"

has become a team tradition after every touchdown.

Closing Program

Campers, families, friends and members of Emaus are invited to Neighborhood Camp's closing picnic Thursday, July 28. Hot dogs, water, soda and ice cream will be provided. Salads and desserts are welcomed by those attending.

At 7:00 p.m., campers will present an original program in the sanctuary of the church and receive eading rewards and other recognitions. The campers will share an original presentation with those attending the final program.

Qué Desea Hablar Español?

By Cathy Meyer

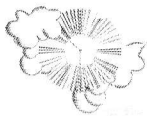
Want to improve your Spanish language skills? Delia Gonzalez is teaching a Spanish class beginning this summer. At this point, we have not established a weekly schedule, but that will be arranged once we know who is interested. The cost



will also depend on how many want to participate. If this sounds like something you would like to be a part of, please contact Cathy Meyer (262) 498-4931 for more information.

Spanish Service Moves Up to 10:30

Comenzando el domingo, 3 de julio, la misa en español tiene nuevo horario; ahora será a las 10:30 a.m.



Beginning Sunday, July 3, the Spanish language worship moves to its summer time of 10:30 a.m.

Summer Birthdays: 70 Years and Better

July 9	Helen Mickelson	1737 Shoop Street	53404
July 18	Joy Lambertson	1027 Berkeley Drive	53402
July 25	Nancy Smith	1530 S. Main Street	53403
July 31	Edna Mathieus	1716 Warwick Way	53406
August 2	Larry Nielsen	1206 Fairway Drive	53405
August 6	Rev. Mary Janz	1530 S. Main Street	53403
August 12	Joyce Kaiser	14220 56 th Road, Sturtevant	53177
August 15	Rich Christensen	1019 Hwy. V, Sturtevant	53177
August 27	Richard Larsen	4202 Erie Street	53402

Bring Scrip When Shopping for School Supplies

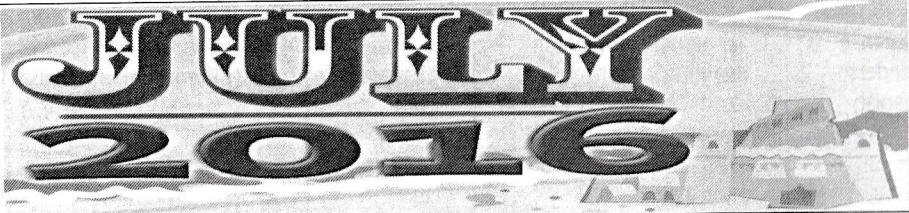

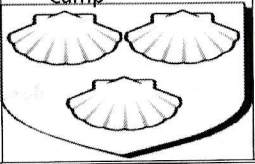

School supplies go on sale in the summer. Pick up whatever is needed using a Scrip card. We have a variety of gift cards on

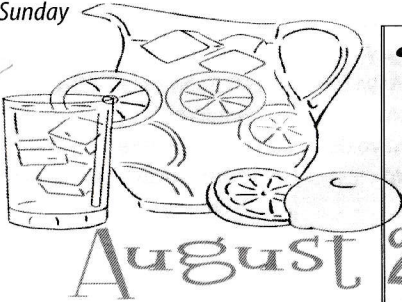





hand, including department and discount stores. Check out the Scrip table after worship services.

Summer Worship Assistants

	Asst. Minister	Altar guild	HC Assts.	Readers	Ushers
Sat. 7/2 4:30 pm	—	C. Dexter C. Wooster	—	—	—
Sun. 7/3 9:00 am	Carol Yust	Audrey Villalobos	Joy Lippmann	Carol Yust	Team 2 Christnsn.
Sat. 7/9 4:30 pm	—	M&A Zielke M. Porcaro	—	—	—
Sun. 7/10 9:00 am	Rich Benson	Barb Larsen	Rich Benson Nancy Smith	John Knuteson	Team 3
Sat. 7/16 4:30 pm	—	C. Meyer L. Clinton	—	—	—
Sun. 7/17 9:00 am	—	Caren Lamberton	Carol Eschmann	Chris Lamberton	Team 4 Meteyard
Sat. 7/23 4:30 pm	—	Barb & Jamie Toslek	—	—	—
Sun. 7/24 9:00 am	Carol Yust	Kathy Christensen	C. Yust, C. Lamberton	Carol Yust	Team 1 Porcaro
Sat. 7/30	No Saturday worship service				
Sun. 7/31 10:00 am	Karen Sedgwick	Joy Lippmann	K Christnsn C Larsen	Karen Sedgwick	Team 2 Christnsn
Sat. 8/6 4:30 pm	—	—	—	—	—
Sun. 8/7 9:00 am	Kathy Christensen	tbd	Shirley Velzka	Amy Haman	Team 3
Sat. 8/13 4:30 pm	—	—	—	—	—
Sun. 8/14 9:00 am	Cindi Larsen	tbd	K Sedgwick D Melander	Cindi Larsen	Team 4 Meteyard
Sat. 8/20 4:30 pm	—	—	—	—	—
Sun. 8/21 9:00 am	—	tbd	Chris Lamberton	Melissa Lemke	tbd
Sat. 8/27 4:30 pm	—	—	—	—	—
Sun. 8/28 9:00 am	Carol Yust	tbd	R Benson N Smith	Carol Eschmann	tbd
Sun. 9/4 9:00 am	Jim Larrabee	tbd	Carol Eschmann	Lee Woodward	tbd

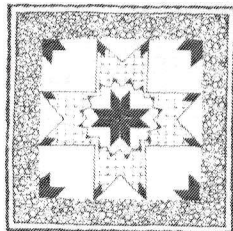
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			EMAUS ELCA 1925 Summit Avenue Racine, WI 53404 262 634 5515 www.emauselca.org	JUNE 30 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp 6:00 pm Living Faith food pantry	July 1 CANADA DAY tbd pm Ensayo de coro	2 12:00 noon Zavala-Moya wedding 2:00 pm A. delReal 15añera 4:30 pm Worship service with Holy Communion (English)
3 LECTIONARY 14 9:00 am Worship service w/Holy Communion (English) 10:10 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Santa Misa (español) 11:00 am God Time	4 INDEPENDENCE DAY <i>Offices closed</i> 	5 VENEZUELAN INDEPENDENCE DAY 1:00 pm Living Faith food pantry 1:00 pm Staff meeting 5:00 pm TOPS 5:15 pm Charla de bautizo	6 10:00 am Green Team weeders	7 11:00 am Sun. bulletin deadline 6:00 pm Living Faith food pantry	8 Tbd pm Ensayo de coro	9 1:00 pm B. Herrera 15añera 2:30 pm K. Martinez 15añera 4:30 pm Worship service with Holy Communion (English)
10 LECTIONARY 15 9:00 am Chicago Folk Service w/Holy Communion (English) 10:10 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Santa Misa (español) 11:00 am God Time	11 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp	12 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp 1:00 pm Living Faith food pantry 5:00 pm TOPS	13 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp 10:00 am Green Team weeders 6:30 pm Spanish class	14 BASTILLE DAY 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp 11:00 am Sun. bulletin deadline 6:00 pm Living Faith food pantry	15 Tbd pm Ensayo de coro	16 10:00 am B. Yvett 15añera 4:30 pm Worship service with Holy Communion (English) 6:00 pm Installation of Pastor Gabriel (bilingual)
17 LECTIONARY 16 9:00 am Worship service w/Holy Communion (English) 10:10 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Santa Misa (español) 11:00 am God Time	18 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp	19 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp 1:00 pm Living Faith food pantry 5:00 pm TOPS	20 COLUMBIAN INDEPENDENCE DAY 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp 10:00 am Green Team weeders 6:30 pm Spanish class	21 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp 11:00 am Sun. bulletin deadline 6:00 pm Living Faith food pantry	22 ST. MARY MAGDALENE Tbd pm Ensayo de coro	23 4:30 pm Worship service with Holy Communion (English)
24 LECTIONARY 17 9:00 am Worship service w/Holy Communion (English) 10:10 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Santa Misa (español) 11:00 am God Time	25 ST. JAMES THE ELDER 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp 	26 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp 1:00 pm Living Faith food pantry 5:00 pm TOPS 5:45 pm Charla de quinceañeras	27 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp 10:00 am Green Team weeders 6:30 pm Spanish class	28 9:00 am Neighborhood Camp 11:00 am Bulletin deadline 1:30 pm N. Side food pantry 5:00 pm Neighborhood Camp picnic and closing program 6:00 pm LF food pantry	29 ST. OLAF Tbd pm Ensayo de coro 	30 1:00 pm Garcia-Villalobos wedding 3:00 pm E. _ 15añera No pm worship service
37 LECTIONARY 18 <i>No 9:00 service</i> 10:00 am Mass on the Grass (bilingüe) 11:30 am Celebration for Pastor Mary	AUGUST 1	2 1:00 pm Living Faith food pantry 5:00 pm TOPS 5:15 pm Charla de bautizos	3 10:00 am Green Team weeders 6:30 pm Spanish class	4 11:00 am Sun. bulletin deadline 5:00 pm Community Meal at St. Patrick's 6:00 pm Living Faith food pantry	5 Tbd pm Ensayo de coro	6 4:30 pm Worship service with Holy Communion (English)

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14 LECTIONARY 20; V-J DAY 9:00 am Worship service w/Holy Communion (English) 10:10 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Santa Misa (español) 11:00 am God Time	15 MARY, MOTHER OF OUR LORD <i>September newsletter articles due in office</i> 1:00 pm Staff mtg.	16 1:00 pm Living Faith food pantry 5:00 pm TOPS	17 10:00 am Green Team weeders 6:30 pm Spanish class	18 11:00 am Sun. bulletin deadline 6:00 pm Living Faith food pantry	19 Tbd pm Ensayo de coro	20 12:00 noon E. Martinez 15añera 4:30 pm Worship service with Holy Communion (English)
21 LECTIONARY 21 9:00 am Worship service w/Holy Communion (English) 10:10 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Santa Misa (español) 11:00 am God Time	22 EMMAUS FOUNDED, 1851 1:00 pm Staff mtg. 	23 ST. BARTHOLOMEW 1:00 pm Living Faith food pantry 5:00 pm TOPS 5:45 pm Charla de quinceañeras	26 10:00 am Green Team weeders 6:30 pm Spanish class	27 11:00 am Sun. bulletin deadline 1:30 pm NorthSide food pantry 6:00 pm Living Faith food pantry	28 Tbd pm Ensayo de coro	27 10:00 am Confirmation class (Español) 4:30 pm Worship service with Holy Communion (English)
28 LECTIONARY 22 9:00 am Worship service w/Holy Communion (English) 10:10 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Santa Misa (español) 11:00 am God Time	29 MARTYRDOM OF JOHN THE BAPTIST 1:00 pm Staff mtg.	30 1:00 pm Living Faith food pantry 5:00 pm TOPS 5:15 pm Charla de bautizos	31 10:00 am Green Team weeders 6:30 pm Spanish class	Sept. 1 11:00 am Sun. bulletin deadline 6:00 pm Living Faith food pantry 	2 Tbd pm Ensayo de coro	3 12:00 noon _ _ wedding 4:30 pm Worship service (English) with Holy Communion

Message Board

Joy Lamberton Thanks Stitchers

Thank you to the Emaus Stitchers for the light-weight quilt you made for me. It is a wonderful gift and I am so grateful to all of you for thinking of me. I



appreciate knowing my Emaus family continues to care for me. You are in my thoughts every time I use it.

Your friend in Christ,
Joy Lamberton

WELCA Convenes in West Bend

Early bird registration is open for the WELCA Annual Convention Saturday, October 15 at Trinity Lutheran Church in West Bend. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m.; opening devotion at 8:30.

This year's theme is "Bold Women Love," from 1 Peter 4:8. Full Convention information can

be found in the June 2016 *Gleanings*. Go to www.greatermilwaukee.org for all of the information

Early bird registration by August 18 is \$50.00. Questions may be directed to Convention Chair Debra Burns at 262-305-0829 or Romans12serve@gmail.com.

Summer Bible Readings

July 2-3: Isaiah 66:10-14; Psalm 66:1-9; Gal. 6:1- or 7-16; Luke 10:1-11, 16-20.
July 9-10: Deuteronomy 30:9-14; Psalm 25:1-10; Colossians 1:1-14; Luke 10:25-37.

July 16-17: Genesis 18:1-10a; Psalm 15; Colossians 1:15-28; Luke 10:38-42.

July 23-24: Genesis 18:20-32; Psalm 138; Colossians 2:6-15 or -19; Luke 11:1-13.

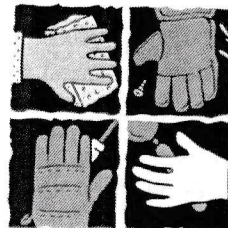
July 30-31: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23; Psalm 49:1-12; Colossians 3:1-11; Luke 12:13-21

Aug. 6-7: Genesis 15:1-6; Psalm 33:12-22; Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16; Luke 12:32-40

Aug. 13-14: Jer. 23:23-29; Psalm 82; Hebrews 11:29-12:2; Luke 12:49-56.

Aug. 20-21: Isaiah 58:9b-14; Psalm 103:1-8; Heb. 12:18-29; Luke 13:10-17.

Sept. 27-28: Proverbs 25:6-7; Psalm 112; Heb. 13:1-8, 15-16; Luke 14:1, 7-14.



God's Work, Our Hands Sunday September 11, 2016

We're hitting the streets of Racine to do God's Work, and we want to be seen! Get your ELCA t-shirt and join in the fun!

Name/s: _____

Congregation: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Size	Cost per shirt	# ordered	Total cost
Youth small	\$6.50		\$
Youth medium	\$6.50		\$
Youth large	\$6.50		\$
Adult small	\$6.50		\$
Adult medium	\$6.50		\$
Adult large	\$6.50		\$
Adult XL	\$6.50		\$
Adult 2X	\$6.50		\$
Adult 3X	\$6.50		\$
Adult 4X	\$6.50		\$
Adult 5X	\$6.50		\$
Donate a shirt	\$6.50		\$

Order total: \$

Please put your completed order form in the offering plate or drop it off in the church office. Checks should be made out to Emaus.

* Indicate how many shirts you'd like to buy for our volunteers.

Souper Bowl Reports Over \$10M Raised

Souper Bowl of Caring's 2016 campaign has come to a close, and it was another amazing year! With your help, more than \$10.4 million in cash and food items was collected and donated to over 5,000 charities.

Since Souper Bowl of Caring was founded in 1990, over 125 million in cash and food items has

been raised for hunger and poverty relief causes across the country. Souper Bowl organizers are so appreciative of all our participants, donors and friends who have helped us along the way. Without your help, Souper Bowl of Caring would not be celebrating this incredible milestone.

Synod Assembly Resolutions

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Program"; and that "the person taking possession of the food at the pantry is required to provide identification at each visit."

There was lengthy, passionate debate over a resolution proposing that the Greater Milwaukee Synod memorialize this summer's Churchwide Assembly to request

that the ELCA "affirm unequivocally that Black Lives Matter" and urge all congregations to support a ten-point program to address police training and policy. After several proposed amendments were voted down, the resolution was eventually passed as submitted.

Crunching the Numbers

Weekly worship attendance averages (figures available as of June 19, 2016)

	2014 FaithWorks North			2015 Emmaus-Emaus			2016 Emaus		
	Sat	Sun	Dom	Sat	Sun	Dom	Sat	Sun	Dom
May	16	61	139	12	34	133	12	38	134
June	20	74	165	12	39	131	14	35	135
July	18	83	154	10	32	142			
Aug.	15	59	128	15	35	134			

Financial Figures

Total for month 2016 to date
General Fund offerings received in May 2016 \$ 11,906.64 } \$ 55,861.85

Mortgage retirement offerings received in May, 2016	\$80.00	
Mortgage payments due in July:		
Principal	\$ 481.78	Principal balance as of
Interest.....	482.22	June 6, 2016:
Total.....	\$ 967.00	\$ 110,907.86

Pastor Mary's Column

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forget who has walked this walk with us and has opened up for us a new understanding of the Word. With the resurrected Christ as our traveling companion, our eyes have been opened as bread is broken and shared. We have truly experienced the meaning of hope and new life!

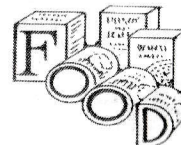
I have been asked many times, "Are you leaving Racine?" No, I am not leaving. This has become home. You have become family. Pastor Gabriel has personally asked me for my support as he begins his new role as your pastor.

I pray that he and Pastor Steve and the entire staff will also be able to count on your prayers, your support and your encouragement as the next steps are taken on the road to Emaus. We are called forward to be messengers of life and hope and compassion in a world so hungry for the life-giving bread we have to share! The journey isn't over. It has just begun!

In gratitude and love,

Pastor Mary
Pastor Mary

NorthSide Food Pantry Volunteer Schedule



July 28: Cindi and Loren Larsen, Cheryl Dexter, Boots LeRoux, Art Smith, Carolyn Wooster
August 25: Kathy & Rich Christensen, Cheryl Dexter, Pat Jensen, Cindi & Loren Larsen

Elsewhere in Our Area

LSS Hosts Ice Cream Benefit

Stop Child Abuse and Neglect of Lutheran Social Services will hold its fifth annual fundraiser, called SCAN's Cones for Kids, at the Racine Masonic Center, 1012 Main Street, Racine. The event will be held from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 13. SCAN's Cones for Kids will include an ice



cream tasting competition, family activities, book giveaway, and a silent auction for family-friendly prizes. This fundraiser allows kids to help other kids. All funds will support child abuse education in Racine.

Tickets are limited. Phone 262-619-6133 or email karen.fetherston@lsswis.org.

El Servicio en Amor

"¿Qué me está llamando Dios a hacer?" Si bien, esta pregunta viene a menudo ya a mediados de la edad adulta muy poco son los que durante la juventud se detienen a pensar en esa pregunta. Es una pregunta que no tiene un termino en específico. Quizas parece que es muy amplia y no tenemos la menor idea por donde debo de comenzar para poder responder.

Esto es lo que quiero decir. Cada vez que se hace uno se hace esta pregunta, "¿qué estoy llamado a hacer?" O "¿cuál es la voluntad de Dios para mi vida?" A menudo nos preguntamos, "¿cuál es llamado específico de Dios para mí?" Eso no es una mala cosa! Sin embargo, es muy importante darse cuenta de que Dios te ha declarado, oh hombre, lo que es bueno (Miqueas 6: 8). No es necesario estar lleno de ansiedad o miedo sobre lo que está llamado a hacer. Dios ha dejado muy claro: "Para hacer justicia, y amar misericordia, y humillarte ante tu Dios" (Miqueas 6: 8).

En resumidas palabras nosotros los cristianos creemos y aqui en Emaus afirmados que

Jesús nos llama a servir a nuestros hermanos y hermanas, a cuidar de los demás, independientemente de su proveniencia y de las circunstancias, cultura, idioma, raza o sexo. Todavía, esto no es sólo un distintivo de los cristianos, sino es una llamada universal, que radica en nuestra común humanidad, que brota den seno de la iglesia.

Por ultimo hermanos y hermanas, La radicalidad del

Evangelio, la llamada de Jesucristo: servir, estar al servicio de, no detenerse, ir más allá, olvidándose de sí mismos. Y la comodidad del estatus: he logrado un estatus y vivo cómodamente sin honestidad, como esos fariseos, de los que habla Jesús, que se paseaban en las plazas, haciéndose ver por los demás. Que el Señor nos de la gracia que dio a Pablo, ese punto de honor de ir adelante siempre, renunciando a las comodidades tantas veces, y que nos salve de las tentaciones de creernos superiores.


Pastor Gabriel



Service in Love

"What is God calling me to do?" While this question comes often in the middle of adulthood, the young seldom stop to think about that question. Maybe it seems that it is very broad and we have no idea where we should begin to answer.

Here's what I mean. Whenever the question is asked, "what am I called to do?" or "what is God's will for my life?" we are often asking, "what is God's specific calling for me?" That's not a bad thing! However, it's very important to realize that "God has shown you, O human one, what is good" (Micah 6:8). You don't need to be filled with anxiety or fear over what you are called to do. God has made that very clear: "To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God" (Micah 6:8).

Inotherwords, we Christians believe and here in Emaus affirm that Jesus calls us to serve our brothers and sisters, to care for

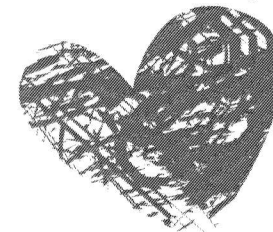
others, regardless of their origin and the circumstances, culture, language, race or sex. Still, this is not just a badge of Christians but is a universal call, which lies in our common humanity that springs from deep within the church.

Finally brothers and sisters, the radicality of the Gospel, the call of Jesus Christ is not just to serve, to serve without ceasing; but to go even further, forgetting ourselves. Forgetting also the comfort of having achieved status and living comfortably without honesty — like those Pharisees of whom Jesus spoke, who walked in the streets, making themselves seen by others.

May the Lord give us the grace that he gave Paul, that point

of honor to go on forever, giving up the comforts that so often keep us from the temptation of believing ourselves superior.


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JOSHUA 24:24, NIV

In the July-August Visitor:

Installation of Pastor Gabriel
Appreciation of Pastor Mary
Congregational Meeting
Call Committee Named
'A God Full of Surprises'
Community Meal August 4
Synod Elects New Bishop
LeRoy Butler Visits Campers
Spanish Language Class
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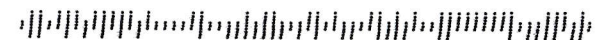
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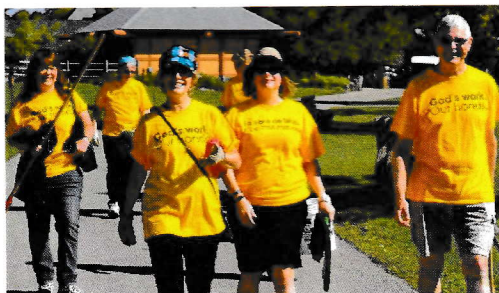
Es un privilegio servir-Is a privilege to serve

By Rev. Gabriel Marcano

Estamos llamados a ser servidores y transmisores del amor de Dios. Nuestro Señor Jesús nos enseñó y nos dio el ejemplo de servir con humildad.

Servir por amor, es servir con un corazón en paz con Dios y con los hermanos, es servir sin ningún interés de reconocimiento, de dinero ni de nada parecido. Por esta razón, La Iglesia Evangélica Luterana en América (ELCA) ha decidido dedicar un domingo al año donde podremos compartir ese amor y

ejemplo de Jesús con los demás. Este domingo 11 de septiembre tendremos varias actividades comunitarias donde haremos sentir a nuestros vecinos lo importante que son para nosotros y cuanto Dios les ama.



We are called to be servants and transmitters of God's love. Our Lord Jesus taught us and gave us the example of humble service.

Serving out of love is to serve with one's heart in peace with God and one's neighbors. It is to serve without any interest in recognition, money or anything like that. For this reason, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) has decided to dedicate one Sunday a year where we share that love and example of Jesus with others. Sunday September 11 we

will have several community activities where we show our neighbors how important they are to us and how much God loves them.



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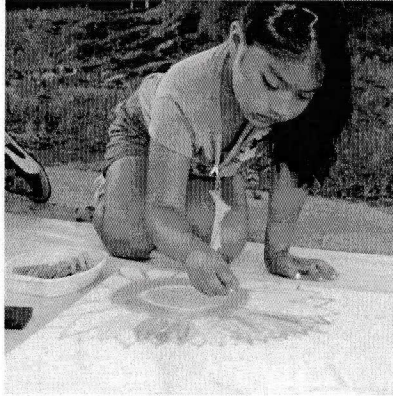
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Neighborhood Camp Enjoyed
by All/ El Campamento fue
disfrutado por todos. Por
Nancy Smith

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EASY DOES IT! EASY LO HACE



Grants and Your Stewardship Support EASY and Neighborhood Camp

As reported in the June Visitor, Emaus ELCA anticipates receiving approximately \$156,000 in grant monies fueling our amazing outreach programs. Our mission here at Emaus ELCA to serve our neighbors through outreach programs such as EASY and Neighborhood Camp are a reality because of much more than these grants (although they are necessary). Without the generous support of the many who give of their time and talent, as well as financial support, here at Emaus these programs would not be a reality. So a huge Thank you to all who continue to be great stewards of our mission to serve our neighbors.

Las donaciones y nuestra mayordomía mantienen EASY y el Campamento

Como se informó en la revista de junio de Emaus ELCA, se recibieron aproximadamente \$156,000 de donaciones que alimentan sorprendentemente nuestros programas de extensión. Nuestra misión aquí en Emaus ELCA es servir a nuestros prójimos a través de programas de extensión, tales como EASY y el campamento que son una realidad debido a mucho más que estas ayudas (a pesar de que son necesarios). Sin el apoyo generoso de los muchos que dan de su tiempo y talento, así como el apoyo financiero, aquí, en Emaus estos programas no serían una realidad. Por lo que un enorme gracias a todos los que siguen siendo grandes administradores de nuestra misión y la atención de nuestros prójimos.

EASY Does It!

Preparations are being readied for the start of EASY on Monday, September 19. Staff is intact with Katie Syslack, Lisbeth Reynoso, Chris Escobar, and Paul Velasquez returning from last year to support and guide our kids. Nancy Smith will continue to have an active part in the program, training Ilse Merlin-Tiburcio throughout the year as Ilse prepares to assume the leadership role of Neighborhood Camp and EASY.

Mentors Are Awesome!

Ask any EASY kid about their mentor and a spontaneous smile will appear on their face. Weekly time together working on homework, reading, playing games, enjoying conversation; that's what it's about. Mentors build positive relationships.

Thanks to all who helped make camp a fun and challenging time for our kids.

¡EASY lo hace!

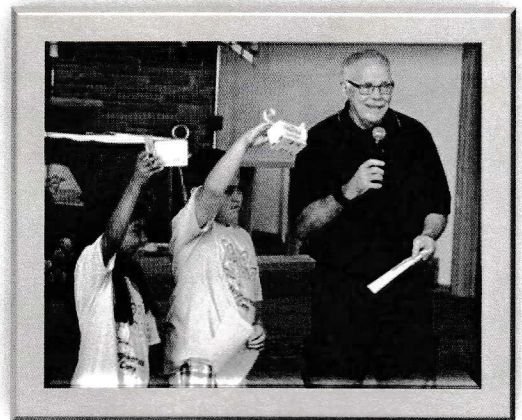
Se iniciaron los preparativos para el inicio de EASY el lunes, 19 de septiembre. El personal está compuesto por Katie Syslack, Lisbeth Reynoso, Chris Escobar, y Pablo Velásquez que regresa del año pasado para apoyar y guiar a nuestros hijos. Nancy Smith seguirá teniendo un papel activo en el programa con la formación de Ilse Merlin-Tiburcio a lo largo del año, ya que Ilse se prepara para asumir el papel de líder del Campamento de Barrio y EASY.



¡Los mentores son impresionantes!

Pregunte a cualquier niño de EASY acerca de su mentor y una sonrisa espontánea va a aparecer en su rostro. El tiempo a la semana que pasan juntos trabajando en la tarea, leyendo, jugando juegos, disfrutando de la conversación; eso es lo que se trata. Los mentores construyen relaciones positivas.

Gracias a todos los que ayudaron a que el campamento fuese un espacio de diversión y tiempo de retos para nuestros hijos.



Baptisms • Bautizos:

Azul Lius Mendoza
Jul. 9, 2016.

Aaron Abraham de la Paz
Jul. 16, 2016.

Clarita Belen Antonio
Jul. 30, 2016.

Weddings • Bodas:

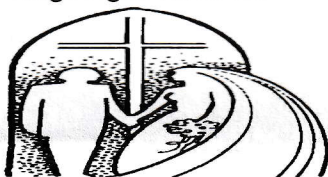
Soledad Beltran &
Maria de la Luz Zetina
Jun. 25, 2016.

Sandra Zavala &
Luis A. Moya
Jul. 2, 2016.

Melissa Lemke &
Stacy Steinike
Jul. 30, 2016.

Teresa Garcia &
Jose Villalobos
Jul. 30, 2016.

Maria Guadalupe Flores
& Carlos Gonzalez
Aug./Ago. 13, 2016.



The Emaus Stitchers will pick up their needles again on Wednesday, September 14. We welcome anyone with an interest in sewing, quilting, knitting and good fellowship to join our group. We need people to cut fabric and lay out quilt tops as well as sewers. We meet at 10:00 and bring a lunch if you're able to stay for a while in the afternoon to continue sewing or attend Pastor Steve's Bible study. If you have questions, call Kathy Christensen 262-909-4799 or Carol Eschmann 262-989-0926.



Las Cosedoras de Emaus a recoger sus agujas otra vez el miércoles 14 de septiembre. Le invitamos a cualquier persona con un interés en coser, acolchar, tejer y buen compañerismo a unirse a nuestro grupo. Necesitamos gente para cortar a tela y colocar tapas de tejido así como personas que cosen. Se reúnen en 10:00; y traer un almuerzo si eres capaz de permanecer un rato en la tarde para continuar la costura o asistir a estudio de la Biblia del Pastor Steve. Si usted tiene preguntas, llame a Kathy Christensen 262-909-47-99 o Carol Eschmann 262-989-09-26.

Readings in September • Lecturas en Septiembre

Sept. 3-4: Deut. 30:15-20; Salmo/Psalm 1; Filemón/Philemon 1-21; Lucas/Luke 14:25-33.

Sept. 11: Ex. 32:7-14; Salmo/Psalm 51:1-10; 1 Tim. 1:12-17; Lucas/Luke 15:1-10
Sept. 18: Job 38.1-18, Salmo/Psalm 104.24-26, Efesos/Ephesians 1.3-10, Lucas/Luke 5.1-11.

Sept. 25: Job 28.20-27, Salmo/Psalm 29, 1 Cor. 1.21-31, Lucas/Luke 8.22-25.

Oct. 1-2: Job 39.1-12, 26-30, Salmo/Psalm 104.14-23, 31, 1 Cor. 1.10-23, Lucas/Luke 12.22-31.

September Worship Leaders

	Asst. Ministers	Altar Guild	Communion Assts.	Readers	Ushers
Sat. Sep. 3 4:30 pm	—	M&A Zielke, Missy Porcaro	—	—	—
Sun. Sep. 4 9:00 am	tbd	Kathy Christensen	Carol Eschmann	Lee Woodward	Team 3
Sat. Sep. 10 4:30 pm	—	Cathy Meyer, Linda Clinton	—	—	—
Sun. Sep. 11 11:30 am	Kathy Christensen	Joy Lippmann	Joy Lippmann, Cindi Larsen	Kathy Christensen	Team 4 Meteyard
Sat. Sep. 17 4:30 pm	—	Barb Toslek, Jamie Toslek	—	—	—
Sun. Sep. 18 9:00 am	tbd	Cheryl Dexter	Shirley Velzka	Sandy Strini	Team 1 Porcaro
Sat. Sep. 24 4:30 pm	—	Cheryl Dexter, Carolyn Wooster	—	—	—
Sun. Sep. 25 9:00 am	Karen Sedgwick	Audrey Villalobos	Karen Sedgwick Diane Melander	Carol Eschmann	Team 2 Christensen
Sat. Oct. 1 4:30 pm	—	Marge & Amy Zielke, Missy Porcaro	—	—	—
Sun. Oct. 2 9:00 am	Rich Benson	Barb Larsen	Chris Lamberton	Chris Lamberton	Team 3



Spanish Class Returns in Fall

Spanish class with Delia Gonzalez will resume meeting on Thursdays starting September 30 at 6:30 p.m.

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Emaus ELCA 1925 Summit Avenue, Racine, Wisconsin 53404-2374 ☎ 262 634-5515 Fax 262 634-0835 September + Septiembre 2016 emmausracine@sbcglobal.net • http://www.emauselca.org				1 11:00 am Bulletin deadline 6:00 pm Living Faith food pantry	2 	3 12:00 día Boda • wedding 3:00 pm Soccer • Fútbol en Island Park 4:30 pm Worship service w/ Holy Communion (English)
4 LECTIONARY 23 9:00 am Worship service w/Holy Communion (English) 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Santa misa (español) 10:30 am Sunday school	5 LABOR DAY <i>Oficinas cerradas • Offices closed</i> 	6 1:00 pm Living Faith food pantry 5:00 pm TOPS 5:15 pm Charla de bautizo (español)	7 1:00 pm Bible study	8 11:00 am Bulletin deadline 6:00 pm Living Faith food pantry	9 6:00 pm Youth group 6:30 pm Clase de discipulado	10 10:00 am Confirmation class 4:30 pm Worship service w/ Holy Communion (English)
11 GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS. PATRIOT DAY 8:00 am Service projects • Proyectos de servicio 11:30 am Santa misa • Worship service (bilingual) 12:30 pm Lunch • El almuerzo 	12 1:00 pm Staff mtg.	13 1:00 pm Living Faith food pantry 5:00 pm TOPS	14 HOLY CROSS • SANTA CRUZ 10:00 am Emaus Stitchers 1:00 pm Bible study	15 <i>October newsletter material due</i> 11:00 am Bulletin deadline 6:00 pm Living Faith food pantry	16 MEXICAN INDEPENDENCE DAY 	17 CITIZENSHIP DAY 4:30 pm Worship service w/ Holy Communion (English)
18 STORM SUNDAY • DOMINGO DE LAS TORMENTAS 9:00 am Worship service w/Holy Communion (English) 10:15 am Coffee & fellowship 10:30 am Santa misa; bautizo (español) 10:30 am Sunday school	19 1:00 pm Staff mtg. 3:00 pm EASY 	20 1:00 pm LF food pantry 3:00 pm EASY 5:00 pm TOPS 6:30 pm Church council meeting • Reunión del consejo parroquial	21 ST. MATTHEW • SAN MATEO 10:00 am Emaus Stitchers 1:00 pm Bible study 3:00 pm EASY	22 11:00 am Bulletin deadline 1:30 pm N. Side Food pantry 3:00 pm EASY 6:00 pm Living Faith food pantry	23 6:00 pm Youth group	24 10:00 am Confirmation class 4:30 pm Worship service with Holy Communion (English)
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Call Committee – Comité de Llamado

To be a Christian without prayer is no more possible than to be alive without breathing. Martin Luther

Faith is a living, daring confidence in God's grace, so sure and certain that a man could stake his life on it a thousand times. Martin Luther

Ser cristiano sin oración es tan imposible como vivir sin respirar. Martín Lutero

La fe es un ser vivo, audaz y con la confianza en la gracia de Dios, de modo seguro y cierto que un hombre podía jugarse su vida en ella mil veces. Martín Lutero

The call committee, including Ramiro Flores, Antelmo Hernando, Angelica Martinez, Ilse Merlin, Cathy Meyer and Art Smith, continues the process of calling a full-time bilingual pastor. They met August 27 with Pastor Kristin Nielsen from the Milwaukee Synod office to develop the call plan. If you have any questions during the process, please contact one of our co-chairs, Ilse or Cathy.

El comité de llamada, está conformado por: Ramiro Flores, Antelmo Hernando, Angélica Martínez, Ilse Merlin, Cathy Meyer y Art Smith, continúan el proceso de llamar a un pastor bilingüe de tiempo completo. Se reunieron el pasado 27 de agosto con la Pastora Kristin Nielsen (asistente del Obispo del Sínodo de Milwaukee) para desarrollar el plan de llamado. Si usted tiene alguna pregunta durante el proceso, por favor, póngase en contacto con uno de nuestros coordinadores, Ilse o Cathy.



Season of Creation - Estación de la Creación

The season of Creation is part the heritage of mainstream Christian worship. There is no break from the gospel as the core of our faith. Nor do the liturgies reflect a New Age orientation. Christ is at the heart of our celebrations. The cosmic Christ is the new life at the core of creation. In the season of Creation we celebrate Christ together with creation, we face the ecological crisis with Christ, and we serve Christ in the healing of creation.

La temporada de la Creación forma parte del patrimonio de la corriente principal de culto cristiano. No hay descanso del Evangelio como el núcleo de nuestra fe. Tampoco las liturgias reflejan una orientación de la Nueva Era. Cristo está en el corazón de nuestras celebraciones. El Cristo cósmico es la vida nueva en el centro de la creación. En la temporada de la Creación celebramos a Cristo, junto con la creación, nos enfrentamos a la crisis ecológica con Cristo, y servir a Cristo en la redención de la creación.

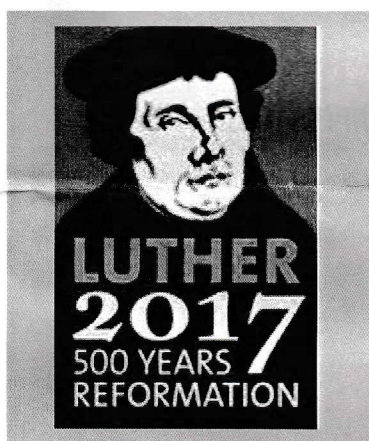


❖ Blessing of the Animals

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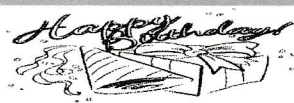
❖ Bendición de los Animales

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Domingo 2 de Oct.



September Birthdays: 70 Years and Better · Cumpleaños en Septiembre: 70 años y más

Sep. 1 Kathy Christensen
Sep. 7 Betty Woodward
Sep. 10 Catherine Miller



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Thank You to Community Meal Helpers



Thank you to all the Emaus members who pitched in to make salads, and desserts for the August 4 Community Meal at St. Patrick's. We are told that the salads were a big hit on a hot day.

The ovens will be back in service when our next turn to serve the Community Meal comes up on October 6, so casseroles will again be welcome. Look for a sign-up sheet in the Emaus narthex in September.

Gracias a todos que acamparon en hacer ensaladas y postres para la comida de comunidad 4 de agosto en

San Patricio. Se nos dice que las ensaladas eran un gran éxito en un día caluroso.

Los hornos estarán en servicio cuando nuestra siguiente a servir la comida de la comunidad el 6 de octubre, para que cazuelas de nuevo será bienvenidas. Busque una hoja de inscripción en el nártex de Emaus en septiembre.

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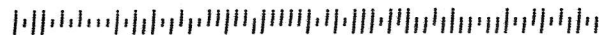
La Obra de Dios, Nuestros Manos
Domingo, el 11 septiembre
8:30 a.m.: Actividades comunitarias
11:30 a.m.: Santa misa bilingüe
12:30 p.m.: Almuerzo

God's Work, Our Hands
Sunday, September 11
8:30 a.m.: Service projects
11:30 a.m.: Bilingual worship service
12:30 p.m.: Lunch



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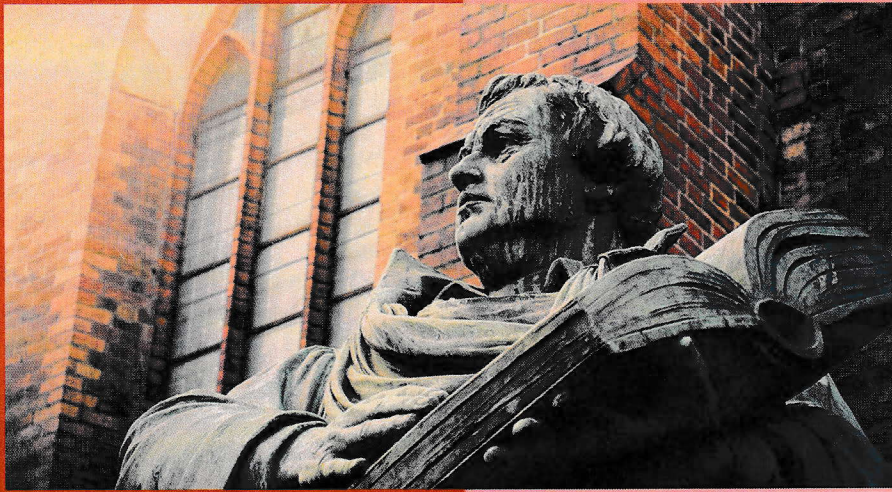
Actividades de Septiembre September Schedule

Activity - Actividad	Date - Fecha
First day of EASY • El 1° día de EASY	September 19
Emaus Youth Group Bi-weekly Gatherings- Reuniones de jóvenes dos veces al mes. 6:00 p.m.	September 9 & 23
Training for Leadership (In Spanish) Formación para el Liderazgo (En español)	September 9
Bible Study led by Pastor Steve - Estudio bíblico por el P. Steve 1:00 p.m.	September 7, 14 and 21
First Communion Class - Clases de Primera Comunión Wednesday and Sunday Miércoles y domingos	28 de Septiembre
Confirmation Class - Clase de confirmación 10:00 to 12:00	September 10 and 24
Stitchers resume Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m. Clase de coser los Miércoles	September 14
First day of Godtime-Sunday School 10:30 a.m. • El 1° día de Sunday School 10:30 a.m.	September 4
Soccer game 3:00 pm Partido de Fútbol	September 3



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Living in Reform

Viviendo en Reforma

By Rev. Gabriel Marcano

The Reformation had great political, cultural and social implications. It radically changed society. Ancient religious values in society were set aside, and class and education barriers were broken through. In this century it would be good to revive those values of reform, not only from a standpoint of faith, but also of culture. For me, Lutheranism which is influenced by Latin American culture is faced with the challenge to be able to share those values in our neighborhoods and rural areas. This is especially important where there seems to be no hope. Latinos are challenged to bring that Lutheran spirit of sharing the Good News to those who may be

In addition, according to (RODRIGUEZ 2010, p. 53) "Building an identity follows a logic of which we are not always aware (...) seeking opportunities and disadvantages abroad gives us, acceptance or we experience rejection from the society in which we live, openness and intolerance from others and how we use the power."

La Reforma tuvo grandes implicaciones políticas, culturales y sociales. Cambió radicalmente la sociedad de la época de Lutero. Los valores religiosos antiguos en la sociedad se dejaron de lado y se rompieron las barreras de clase y de educación. En este siglo XXI sería bueno revivir los valores de la reforma, no solo desde la fe sino de la cultura. Para mí los retos de un luteranismo latinoamericano es el hecho de poder compartir en medio de vecindarios y barrios rurales, especialmente en aquellos donde parece no existir esperanza a causa de la opresión, la pobreza y la violencia. Llevar ese espíritu evangelístico latino-luterano a los invisibles, oprimidos, pobres y marginados, que los llama a compartir las buenas nuevas desde su perspectiva cultural étnica. Como lo presenta Manfred en su obra "Martin Lutero y la mente moderna" no es más que un llamado a la libertad y liberación. Por su otra parte, según (RODRIGUEZ 2010, Pág. 53) "La construcción de una identidad obedece a una lógica de la cual no siempre estamos consiente (...) la búsqueda de oportunidades y desventajas que el extranjero nos aporta, la aceptación o el rechazo que experimentamos de parte de la sociedad donde vivimos, la apertura e intolerancia de parte de otros y la forma que usamos el poder."

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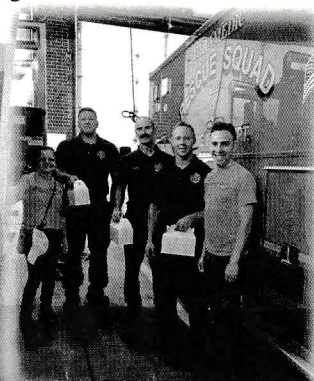
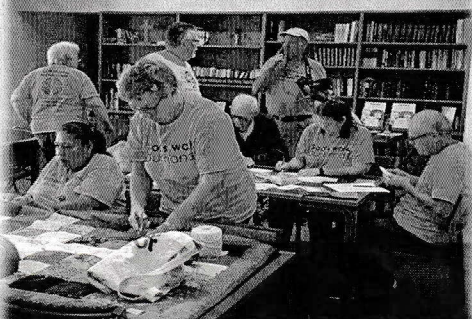


"Stewards of God's Love"
by Carolyn Wooster, Stewardship
Co-chair
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La Obra de Dios. Nuestras Manos

Vestidos con brillantes camisas amarillas los trabajadores de Emaus deseosos salieron a las calles y a los jardines, para mejorar nuestra comunidad y compartir los actos de bondad. Las actividades que se tuvieron fueron las siguientes: una misa bilingüe en la iglesia, seguida por la limpieza de mesas, escritura de cartas de aliento, horneado de galletas, coser, limpieza de áreas verdes y garaje. Después todos se reunieron para compartir los alimentos y sentirse llenos de alegría por las manos que hacen el trabajo gracias a la Obra de Dios. Un agradecimiento especial a quien nos apoyó en la organización del evento, pero sobre todo a aquellos que se unieron y prestaron su tiempo para embellecer aún más nuestra iglesia.



Stewards of God's Love

by Carolyn Wooster, Stewardship Co-chair

A steward is someone who cares for someone else's property. We are a steward of what God has created. God's love comes down to us in Jesus Christ. To quote John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life." God loved us so much that God sent Jesus to die for us to bring us salvation and new life.

Stewardship practices are a response to the boundless love God has shown us. It means that we are grateful for all that God has generously entrusted to us. As a faithful steward and child of God, it is a privilege to share time, talents and finances, to care for God's earth and to help our neighbors. Being a good steward can bring great joy and help one grow spiritually. Motivational speaker Jim Rohm once said, "Only by giving are you able to receive more than you already have."

God's Work, Our Hands

Donning bright goldenrod T shirts, workers of all ages from Emaus participated in "God's Work, Our Hands" on September 11. Garbage pick-up, tree trimming, yard work, baking cookies for First Responders, writing letters of encouragement, power washing tables, cleaning the garage, and other acts of service followed the morning bilingual service. Following the time of service, hungry workers gathered together for a time of sharing food and fellowship. A special thank you goes out to all who planned and supported this event and to all who came together to lend a hand and accomplish so much in such a short time!

AUN NECESITAMOS MENTORES

¡Gracias! A treinta de los niños de EASY se les ha asignado un mentor. El objetivo de EASY es un mentor para cada niño. Tan sólo nos faltan siete mentores más. Por favor, considere pasar una hora a la semana ayudando a un niño o niña de 1º, 2º, 3º, 4º o 5º grado y apoyarles con la tarea, jugar, leer y disfrutar de conversaciones que ellos nos pueden enseñar. Los niños esperan contar con su tiempo. Por favor, llame al 262-672-5859 con Nancy si usted está interesado.

MENTORS READY

Thank you! Thirty of the EASY kids have been assigned a mentor. The goal of EASY is a mentor for every kid. We only need seven more mentors. Please consider spending an hour a week helping a 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th or 5th grade student with homework, playing games, reading, and enjoying conversation. The kids so look forward to their time with you. Please call Nancy at 262-672-5859.

October Worship Leaders

	Asst. Ministers	Altar Guild	Communion Assts.	Readers	Ushers
Sat. Oct. 8 4:30 pm	—	Cathy Meyer Linda Clinton	—	—	—
Sun. Oct. 9 9:00 am	Tbd	Caren Lamberton	Nancy Smith Kathy Christensen	Jim Larrabee	Team 4 Meteyard
Sat. Oct. 15 4:30 pm	—	Barb Toslek Jamie Toslek	—	—	—
Sun. Oct. 16 9:00 am	Tbd	Kathy Christensen	Cindi Larsen	Karen Sedgwick	Team 1 Porcaro
Sat. Oct. 22 4:30 pm	—	Cheryl Dexter Carolyn Wooster	—	—	—
Sun. Oct. 24 9:00 am	Cindi Larsen	Joy Lippmann	Shirley Velzka Carol Eschmann	Amy Haman	Team 2 Christensen
Sat. Oct. 29 4:30 pm	—	Marge, Amy Zielke Missy Porcaro	—	—	—
Sun. Oct. 30 10:00 am	Carol Yust	Cheryl Dexter	Carol Yust Rich Benson	Cindi Larsen	Team 3
Sat. Nov. 5 4:30 pm DST	—	tbd	—	—	—
Sun. Nov. 6 9:00 am CST	Kathy Christensen	tbd	Joy Lippmann	Melissa Lemke	Team 4 Meteyard

Pastoral Acts

Baptisms · Bautizos:

Aiden Guzman, August 27, 2016.

Joel Garcia, August 28, 2016.

Yair Morales Flores, Sept. 10, 2016.

Isabelle Lorraine Ibarra, Sept. 16, 2016.

Oscar Matthew Ibarra, Sept. 16, 2016.

Mallo Yovany Garcia and Emiliano

Augusto Garcia, Sept. 18, 2016.

Weddings · Bodas:

Susana Sanchez y Humberto Anzures,
Sept. 3, 2016.

Funeral · Funeral:

Robert Rubio, September 28, 2016.

All Saints' Sunday Garden

In the November *Visitor* and the All Saints' Day worship service, Emmaus plans to remember the saints from Emmaus who have joined the saints in heaven since All Saints' Sunday, 2015. Our list includes those who were members of Emmaus plus the non-members at whose funerals our pastors officiated.



Corresponsables del Amor de Dios

por Carolyn Wooster

Un mayordomo es alguien que se preocupa por la propiedad de otra persona. Somos un administrador de lo que Dios ha creado. El amor de Dios llega a nosotros en Jesucristo.

Para citar a Juan 3,16: "Porque tanto amó Dios al mundo que dio a su Hijo único, para que todo aquel que en él cree no se pierda, sino que tenga vida eterna."



Dios nos amó tanto que Dios envió a Jesús a morir por nosotros para traer la salvación y vida nueva. Las prácticas de administración son una respuesta al amor sin límites que Dios nos ha mostrado. Esto significa que estamos muy agradecidos por todo lo que Dios ha confiado generosamente a nosotros.

Como administrador fiel e hijo de Dios, es un privilegio compartir tiempo, talentos y las finanzas, para el cuidado de la tierra de Dios y ayudar a nuestros vecinos. Ser un buen administrador puede traer gran alegría y ayudar a uno a crecer espiritualmente.

El orador motivacional Jim Rohm dijo una vez, "Solo dando eres capaz de recibir más de lo que ya tienes."

October Birthdays · Cumpleaños en Octubre

Oct. 4 Marge Jensen, 1935 Jupiter Avenue, 53404

Oct. 6 June Beck, 733 West Lawn Avenue, 53405

Oct. 10 Marlyn Christensen, 4202 Walsh Road, 53405

Oct. 10 Jim Larrabee, 1924 Saturn Avenue, 53404

Oct. 23 Marion Andersen, 12895 W. Ohio Dr., New Berlin, 53151

Oct. 30 Myrna Olesen, 1775 Newman Road, #Villa, 53406

Domingo ☼ Sunday

Lunes ☼ Monday

Martes ☼ Tuesday

Miércoles ☼ Wednesday

Jueves ☼ Thursday

Viernes ☼ Friday

Sábado ☼ Saturday

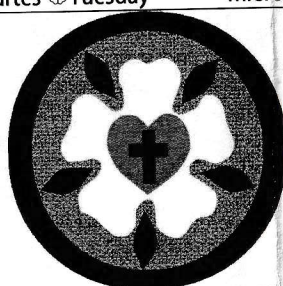
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October, 2016

Octubre, 2016

1
4:00 pm Blessing of pets ·
Bendición de mascotas
4:30 pm **Worship service**
5:30 pm Call Committee
Pastor Gabriel estará
fuera de la oficina · out
of office to Oct. 20

2 ANIMAL SUNDAY · DOMINGO DE FAUNA
9:00 am **Worship service** (English)
10:15 am Coffee & fellowship;
Blood pressure testing
11:00 am **Santa misa** (español)
11:00 am Sunday School

3 ROSH HASHANAH
1:00 pm Staff mtg.
3:00 pm EASY

4 ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI
1:00 pm Living Faith food
pantry
3:00 pm EASY
5:00 pm TOPS
6:00 pm Worship
planning

5
10:00 am Emaus Stitches
1:00 pm Pr. Steve's Bible
study
3:00 pm EASY
5:30 pm 1st communion
class

6
3:00 pm EASY
5:00 pm Community Meal
at St. Pat's
6:00 pm Living Faith food
pantry

7
6:00 pm Coro
6:00 pm Youth
group

8
10:00 am Clase de
confirmación
2:00 pm Bishop's
installation, St.
Matthew's, 'Tosa
4:30 pm **Worship service**
(English)

9 LECTIONARY 28
9:00 am **Worship service** (English)
10:15 am Coffee & fellowship
11:00 am **Santa misa** (español)
11:00 am Sunday School

10 COLUMBUS
DAY. INDIGENOUS
PEOPLES' DAY
1:00 pm Staff mtg.
3:00 pm EASY

11
1:00 pm Living Faith food
pantry
3:00 pm EASY
5:00 pm TOPS

12 YOM KIPPUR
10:00 am Emaus Stitches
1:00 pm Pr. Steve's Bible
study
3:00 pm EASY
5:30 pm 1st communion

13
11:00 am Bulletin deadline
3:00 pm EASY
6:00 pm Living Faith food
pantry

14
6:00 pm Coro

15
9:00 am Wisdom
meeting
4:30 pm **Worship service**
(English)

16 LECCIONARIO 29
9:00 am **Worship/Healing service**
(English)
10:15 am Coffee & conversation
11:00 am **Santa misa** (español)
11:00 am Sunday School

17 SUKKOT
Nov. newsletter
articles due
1:00 pm Staff mtg.
3:00 pm EASY

18 ST. LUKE · SAN LUCAS
1:00 pm Living Faith food
pantry
3:00 pm EASY
5:00 pm TOPS
6:30 pm Church council ·
Consejo parroquial

19
10:00 am Emaus Stitches
1:00 pm Pr. Steve's Bible
study
3:00 pm EASY
5:30 pm 1st communion
class

20
11:00 am Bulletin deadline
3:00 pm EASY
6:00 pm Living Faith food
pantry

21
6:00 pm Coro
6:00 pm Youth
group

22
10:00 am Clase de
confirmación
12:00 día Escobar
15añera
4:30 pm **Worship service**

23 LECTIONARY 30
9:00 am **Worship service** (English)
10:15 am Coffee & conversation
11:00 am **Santa misa** (español)
11:00 am Sunday School

24 UNITED NATIONS
DAY
1:00 pm Staff mtg.
3:00 pm EASY

25
1:00 pm LF food pantry
3:00 pm EASY
5:00 pm TOPS
5:15 pm Charla de
quinceañera
7:00 pm Fireside
Exchange

26
10:00 am Emaus Stitches
3:00 pm EASY
5:30 pm 1st communion
class

27
11:00 am Bulletin deadline
1:30 pm Northside food
pantry
6:00 pm Living Faith food
pantry

28 ST. SIMON &
ST. JUDE
6:00 pm Coro



29
4:30 pm **Worship service**

30 REFORMATION SUNDAY · DOMINGO DE REFORMACIÓN
10:00 am **Worship service · Santa misa** (bilingual)
10:00 am Sunday School
11:00 am Fellowship

31 HALLOWE'EN
1:00 pm Staff mtg.
3:00 pm EASY
6:00 pm Circulos
de oración

November 1 Noviembre ALL
SAINTS' DAY · DÍA DE TODOS
LOS SANTOS
1:00 pm LF food pantry
3:00 pm EASY
5:00 pm TOPS
5:15 pm Charla de bautizo

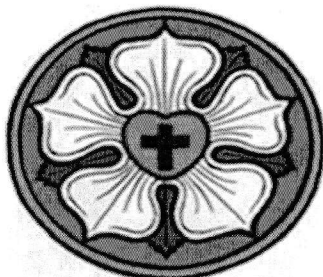
2 DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS
10:00 am Emaus stitches
1:00 pm Bible study
3:00 pm EASY
5:30 pm 1st communion class
6:00 pm Circulos de oración

3
11:00 am Bulletin deadline
3:00 pm EASY
6:00 pm Living Faith food
pantry

4
6:00 pm Coro

5
4:30 pm **Worship service**
(English)
2:00 am Daylight Saving
Time ends

La rosa, un distintivo de la teología luterana.



1. La cruz negra, al centro del emblema recuerda que en Jesús, Dios viene a nuestro encuentro sacrificando su vida y venciendo el poder de la muerte en nuestro favor.

2. El corazón nos hace recordar que es por la fe que somos justificados. que la cruz no trae muerte sino nos mantiene vivos.

3. Los cinco pétalos blancos señalan que por la fe, que actúa en favor de la justicia y de la paz, tenemos alegría, consuelo y paz de Dios para con nosotros mismos y para con los unos y otros. Eso es lo que el color blanco simboliza.

4. El color azul recuerda el cielo e inspira a la fidelidad a Dios. Cristo reina desde la Ascensión. A partir de Pentecostés el crea, envía y guía a su Iglesia y, yendo delante de ella, le abre el camino. Esa es la base de nuestra esperanza.

5. El anillo dorado recuerda el oro, metal maspreciado. Simboliza todo lo que Dios nos otorga por fe, en forma de señales: perdón, comunión, esperanza, sentido de vida, opción en el día a día.

Call Committee · Comité de Llamado

Angelica Martinez is unable to continue on the call committee, so the council nominated Carlos Gonzalez to be a part of the group that will look for a full-time, bilingual pastor. The committee is currently reviewing the Ministry Site Profile and formulating possible questions to be asked of a candidate during an interview. We ask for your prayers as we continue on this process.

Angélica Martínez no puede seguir en el comité de llamada, por lo que el consejo ha nominado a Carlos González para ser parte del grupo que buscará al pastor bilingüe de tiempo completo. El comité está revisando el perfil del Ministerio y la formulación de posibles preguntas que se le harían a un candidato durante una entrevista. Pedimos sus oraciones a medida que continuamos en este proceso.

Celebrate the Lutheran Church's 499th Anniversary Together

There will be two opportunities for worship on Reformation Sunday, October 30, as we celebrate the 499th anniversary of the Lutheran church.

- 10:00 a.m.: Bilingual Reformation service at Emaus
- 2:00 p.m.: Reformation worship with Racine Lutherans and Bishop Paul Erickson at Holy Communion Lutheran Church in Racine (2000 W. 6th Street).

Celebra con Nosotros el 499 Aniversario de la Iglesia Luterana

Dos oportunidades para asistir a misa el Domingo 30 de octubre día de la Reforma.

Puedes unirte a las iglesias hermanas de Emaus el domingo 30 de octubre, ya que se celebra el 499 aniversario de la iglesia luterana.

- 10 a.m. Celebración bilingüe en Emaus.
- 2:00 p.m. Ceremonia con los luteranos de Racine y el nuevo Obispo Paul Erickson en la Iglesia Luterana Holy Communion en Racine (2000 W. 6th Street).



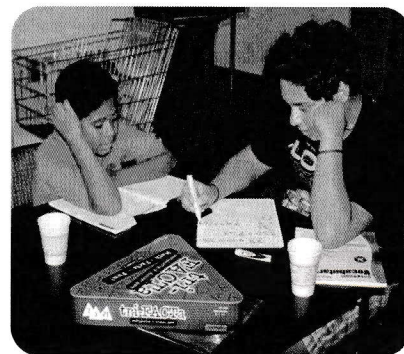
Floral Arrangement Honors Our Saints



ALL SAINTS' DAY

In celebration of All Saints Saturday on November 5 and Sunday, November 6, you are invited to honor the memory of your loved ones by purchasing a floral stem. All of these flowers will be placed together in an arrangement at the front of the church. Each stem will honor the memory of one person, and the names of all those honored will be placed in the bulletin.

These dedications need not be limited to the memory of those who have passed away within this year.



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ACTIVIDAD ACTIVITY	FECHA DATE	LUGAR PLACE
EASY KIDS-JAMES & THE GIANT PEACH 5:00 P.M.	FRIDAY OCT 7	THEATRE GUILD RACINE
R.I.C. (WISDOM) MEETING 9 - 2 P.M.	SATURDAY OCT 15	EMAUS
FAMILY PUMPKIN EVENT 5:00 P.M.	THURSDAY OCT 20	DANNY'S FARM
HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP DANCE 6-10 P.M.	FRIDAY OCT 28	EMAUS
REFORMATION SUNDAY	SUNDAY OCT 30	10:00 A.M. EMAUS (BILINGUAL- BILINGÜE)



EMAUS ELCA VISITOR

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La venida de Jesucristo en el año de la Reforma

por Revdo. Gabriel Marcano

Querido Pueblo de Dios,

Nuestra palabra "Adviento" viene de una palabra latina 'Adventus' "que significa" venida ". El tiempo de Adviento ha tenido históricamente un lugar especial en el calendario porque el propósito de esta temporada festiva es para recordarnos la primera de Cristo.

"Anunciad a todos los pueblos y decidles: Mirad, Dios viene, nuestro Salvador" (...). Detengámonos un momento a reflexionar: no usa el pasado —Dios ha venido— ni el futuro, —Dios vendrá—, sino el presente: "Dios viene". Como podemos comprobar, se trata de un presente continuo, es decir, de una acción que se realiza siempre: está ocurriendo, ocurre ahora y ocurrirá también en el futuro. En todo momento "Dios viene".

El Adviento nos invita y nos estimula a contemplar al Señor presente. La certeza de su presencia, ¿no debería ayudarnos a ver el mundo de otra manera? ¿No debería ayudarnos a considerar toda nuestra existencia como "visita", como un modo en que él puede venir a nosotros y estar cerca de nosotros, en cualquier situación? En Especial en este donde Dios nos llama a reformar a cambiar y vivir en el amor y respeto a los demás.

The Advent of Jesus Christ in the Year of Reformation

By Rev. Gabriel Marcano

Dear People of God,

Our word 'Advent' comes from a Latin word 'Adventus' that means "coming". Advent season has historically had a special place on the calendar because the purpose of this festive season is to remind us of Christ's first coming,

"Announce to all the peoples, saying to them, "Look, God our Savior is coming!" We pause for a moment to reflect. It is not the past—God has come—nor the future—God will come—but the present "God comes. God is coming." As we are able to experience, it is a continuous action, one that keeps on happening. It happens now and it will continue to happen in the future. In every moment, "God comes!"

Advent invites us and urges us to contemplate the God who is always present. Can the certainty of his presence help us see the world from a different perspective? Shouldn't it help us consider our existence as an opportunity for such a "visit" where He can come to us and be near us, no matter what the situation or circumstances may be? This is especially where God calls us to change and reform, living in the love and respect for all of God's children today and always.

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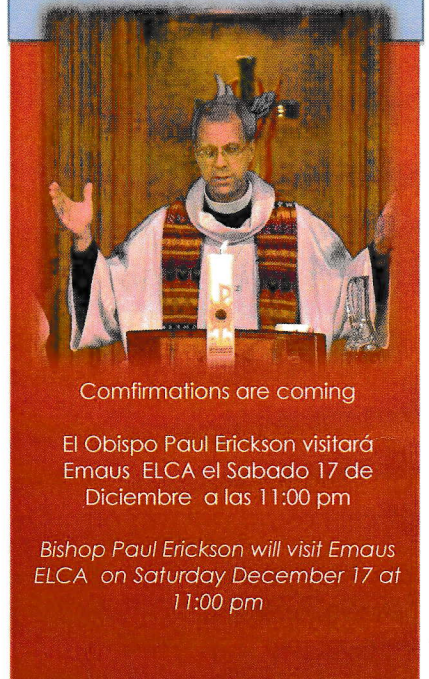
Jueves de 10 a.m. a 2p.m.
(español)

Secretary: Paul
Asistente Administrativo: Juan
Carlos

Outreach Director: Carol Yust
EASY Coordinator: Nancy Smith
Musician: Brenda Trumbauer
Youth: Ilse Merlin

Maintenance: Antelmo Hernandez
and Ricardo Flores.

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Confirmations are coming

El Obispo Paul Erickson visitará
Emaus ELCA el Sabado 17 de
Diciembre a las 11:00 pm

Bishop Paul Erickson will visit Emaus
ELCA on Saturday December 17 at
11:00 pm

Altar of the Dead Honors All Saints' Sunday

November 6 is All Saints' Sunday. In the narthex of the church you will see a very colorful display, whose roots are in Mexican culture, known as "the altar of the dead."

The purpose of the altar is to have a place that honors our loved ones who have passed on to the other side. For this reason, the altar has items on display that remind us of our loved ones, such as personal objects and their favorite food. But



there are also elements from this tradition that are less known. For example, the intention of the altar is to help loved ones to cross the underworld to reach eternal rest.

This All Saints tradition enables us to celebrate our loved ones in a tangible way as we rest in the promise that we will one day be reunited with them.

Conmemorando el día de muertos

Durante los días 4, 5 y 6 de noviembre encontrarás en la entrada del santuario un adorno conocido como "altar de muertos". Esta es una tradición mexicana que viene desde los antepasados.

La idea del altar de muertos es tener un lugar que haga homenaje a los seres queridos que se encue-

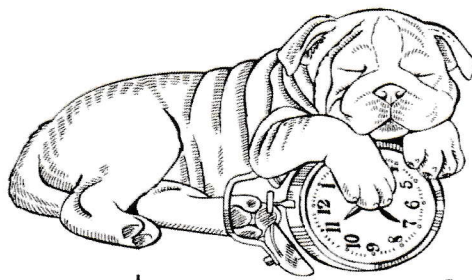
ntran del "otro lado". Por esta razón, en él se agregan cosas de los difuntos a los que se recuerda tales como objetos personales y sus alimentos favoritos. Pero también existen elementos que provienen de antiguas tradiciones cuyo significado son poco conocidos, por ejemplo: la intención del altar es ayudar al ser querido a cruzar el inframundo para llegar al descanso eterno. Es algo muy colorido y sobretodo tradicional en la cultura mexicana.

El festejo es un reencuentro feliz, aunque breve, con la promesa de alcanzarlos en el más allá, y estar juntos de nuevo.

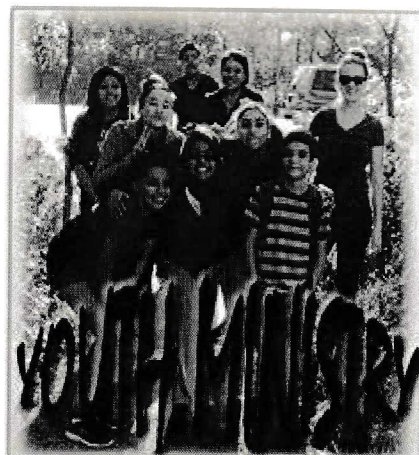
Fall Back • "Daylight Saving Time" termina

When changing your smoke detector batteries on the night of Saturday, November 5, remember to set your clocks back one hour, too. Daylight Saving Time ends Sunday morning.

Cuando cambie las baterías de su detector de humo en la noche del sábado, 5 de noviembre, recuerda a retroceder sus relojes una hora, también. "Daylight Saving Time" termina el domingo por la mañana.



Daylight-Saving Time Ends



Friends Music
Games Food
Trips Fun

Who: Youth age 13 to 18

When: 6:00 p.m.

2nd and 4th Friday
of the month,

September to May

Where: Emaus ELCA

Quien: Jóvenes edades
13 a 18

Cuando: 6:00 p.m.

2o y 4o viernes
de la mes,

Septiembre a Mayo

Adonde: Emaus ELCA

For more information
call or text

Para más información

llama a:

262.504.0736

November Worship Leaders

	Asst. Ministers	Altar Guild	Communion Assts.	Readers	Ushers
Sat. Nov. 5 4:30 pm DST	—	Cathy Meyer Linda Clinton	—	—	—
Sun. Nov. 6 9:00 am CST	Kathy Christensen	Audrey Villalobos	Joy Lippmann	Melissa Lemke	Team 3
Sat. Nov. 12 4:30 pm	—	Barb Toslek Jamie Toslek	—	—	—
Sun. Nov. 13 9:00 am	TBD	Barb Larsen	Kathy Christensen Nancy Smith	Kathy Christensen	Team 1 Porcaro
Sat. Nov. 19 4:30 pm	—	Cheryl Dexter Carolyn Wooster	—	—	—
Sun. Nov. 20 9:00 am	TBD	Caren Lamberton	Carol Yust	Lee Woodward	Team 2 Christensen
Sat. Nov. 26 4:30 pm	—	Marge & Amy Zielke Missy Porcaro	—	—	—
Sun. Nov. 27 9:00 am	Karen Sedgwick	Kathy Christensen	Karen Sedgwick Diane Melander	Kathy Christensen	Team 3
Sat. Dec. 3 4:30 pm	—	Cathy Meyer Linda Clinton	—	—	—
Sun. Dec. 4 9:00 am	Rich Benson	Joy Lippmann	Carol Eschmann	Sandy Strini	Team 4

Generosity Weekend Is Coming

by Carolyn Wooster

Celebrate the generosity of God by giving. "Generosity Weekend" is coming November 19 and 20. This month we will offer you the opportunity to pledge a financial amount.

Fund raisers and contributions given at Emaus events are other options you support. You will receive a Giving Card in the mail. This can be returned at the services November 19 or 20 or turned in to the church office. No amount is too small. This information is confidential.

On-line giving is available at www.emauselca.org. Locate the On-Line Giving button, or complete an application form and return it to the church office.

Why Give? You give as a personal response to what God has already given you in Christ as well as in things. You give to support the many ministries of the church as well as the church itself.

We will celebrate your generosity with a special brunch between Sunday services. Thank you for your generous sharing of time, talents, and financial support that you offer to our ministries and church.

Brass Music Planned Christmas Eve

On Christmas Eve we will once again be blessed with beautiful brass music accompanied by Joyce Kaiser playing the organ. Special donations to help defray the cost would be gratefully appreciated.




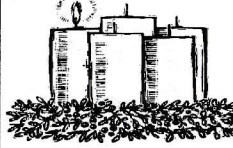

Emaus Names Loved Ones for All Saints' Sunday

During All Saints' Day worship on November 5 and 6, we pause to honor the saints from Emaus who have joined the saints in heaven during the past year. These are our members and others at whose funerals our pastors have presided since last All Saints' Day:

Lorraine Roberts Miller	July 17, 1930 - Nov. 6, 2015
John Demant	Feb. 20, 1924 - Nov. 8, 2015
Robert A. Mathieus	Sept. 25, 1931 - Jan. 12, 2016
Eleanor Gerdhardt Lawrenz	July 21, 1920 - Jan. 20, 2016
Harold M. Miller	Jan. 7, 1922 - Feb. 23, 2016
Dorothy Borchardt Bagley	Sept. 15, 1915 - Mar. 9, 2016
Eugene B. Dexter	Nov. 12, 1930 - Mar. 18, 2016
Robert Rubio	June 17, 1993 - Sept. 25, 2016
Ron Sovelenko	June 14, 1937 - Oct. 14, 2016

November Birthdays: 70 Years and Better

Nov. 4	Kathy Martin	1808 Mt. Pleasant Street	53404
Nov. 11	Boots LeRoux	3418 Saint Clair Street	53404
Nov. 16	Janice Nielsen	5735 Erie Street #313	53402
Nov. 22	Art Smith III	1530 Main Street	53403
Nov. 26	Judy Berndt	1525 Howard Street	53404

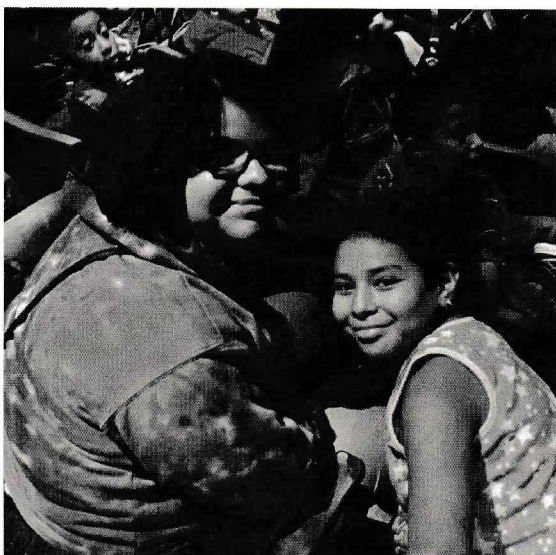
Domingo · Sunday	Lunes · Monday	Martes · Tuesday	Miércoles · Wednesday	Jueves · Thursday	Viernes · Friday	Sábado · Saturday
NOVIEMBRE NOVEMBER  2016 <small>Emaus ELCA 1925 Summit Avenue, Racine, Wisconsin 53404 emauselca.org / 262 634 5515 / emmausracine@sbcglobal.net</small>		1 ALL SAINTS' DAY 1:00 pm FW food pantry 3:00 pm EASY 5:00 pm TOPS 5:15 pm Charla de bautizos	2 DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS 10:00 am Emaus stitchers 1:00 pm Pr. Steve's Bible study 3:00 pm EASY 5:30 pm Clase de 1ª comunión	3 11:00 am Bulletin deadline 3:00 pm EASY 6:00 pm FW food pantry	4 6:00 pm Coro	5 4:30 pm Worship service (English) 2:00 am Daylight Saving Time ends
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Coming Soon: Emaus Family Night • Próximamente: Noche Familiar en Emaus

Have you ever heard the story of *James and the Giant Peach*? Just ask one of our EASY kids who had the opportunity to see it at the Racine theatre Guild last month and now want to bring the story to you. All are welcome!

Please join us for Pasta and salad at 5:15 in Fellowship Hall, followed by *James and the Giant Peach* being shown on the Emaus Big Screen at 6:15. Ice cream treats to follow.

Date: Wednesday
November 16
Dinner: 5:15. Movie 6:15



¿Alguna vez has oído la historia de *James y el melocotón gigante*? Pregúntale a uno de nuestros niños de EASY que tuvieron la oportunidad de verlo en el cine de Racine el mes pasado y ahora quieren llevar la historia a usted. ¡Todos son bienvenidos!

Por favor, venga a disfrutar con nosotros de una pasta y ensaladas a las 5:15 en el Fellowship Hall, seguido de la película *James and the Giant Peach* que se mostrará en la pantalla grande de Emaus a las 6:15. Se ofrecerá helado.

Fecha: miércoles 16 de noviembre
Cena: 5:15. Película 6:15

Wednesday Dinners and Rehearsals • Ensayos y cenas los días miércoles



Starting Wednesday November 30, the EASY & God Time kids will begin rehearsals for the pageant "All About That Baby".

Family style dinner will be served for all who wish to attend at 5:30 in Fellowship Hall. Rehearsal will begin at 6:15 in the sanctuary.

Adults are encouraged to stay and gather as we spent time together getting to know one another. More information to follow.

A partir del miércoles 30 de noviembre, los niños de EASY y los que se encuentren en programa de primera comunión comenzarán los ensayos para la obra "All About That Baby".

Habrán cenar familiar para todos los que deseen asistir a las 5:30 de Fellowship Hall. El ensayo comenzará a las 6:15 en el santuario.

Se pide a los adultos que se queden para pasar un tiempo juntos para conocerse unos a otros. Se dará a conocer más información.

Comité Guadalupano Da la Bienvenida a Voluntarios

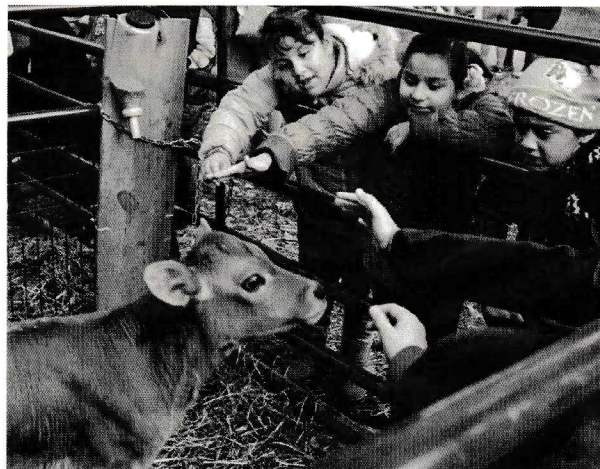
Nuestra misión con la ayuda de Dios es poder transformar a los fieles de buena voluntad en auténticos discípulos y misioneros que den verdadero testimonio de palabra y obra del Ministerio Pascual y del Acontecimiento Guadalupano y puedan así, ser puente para atraer a otros a los pies de Cristo Jesús.

RIC Seeks Election Day Drivers

Will you have an hour or two on election day to provide transportation to the polls? Please call Racine Interfaith Coalition at 262-635-9532.

Ya Están por Terminar las Inscripciones

Comenzaron las clases de primera comunión. Tenemos un gran programa para educar a nuestros niños en la doctrina cristiana, en la fe y tradiciones. Todos los domingos a las 11:00 a.m. y los miércoles a 5:30 p.m.



Stitchers • Cosedoras

The Emaus Stitchers pick up their needles every Wednesday at 10:00. We welcome anyone with an interest in sewing, quilting, knitting and good fellowship to join our group. Bring a lunch if you're able to stay for a while in the afternoon to continue sewing or to attend Pastor Steve's Bible study. Questions? Call Kathy Christensen 262-909-4799 or Carol Eschmann 262-989-0926.

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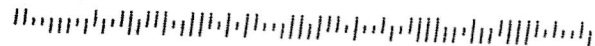
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Las Cosedoras de Emaus a recoger sus agujas otra vez los miércoles a las 10:00. Le invitamos a cualquier persona con un interés en coser, acolchar, tejer y buen compañerismo a unirse a nuestro grupo. Traer un almuerzo si eres capaz de permanecer un rato en la tarde para continuar la costura o asistir a estudio de la Biblia del Pastor Steve. Si usted tiene preguntas, llame a Kathy Christensen 262-909-47-99 o Carol Eschmann 262-989-09-26.

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ACTIVIDAD ACTIVITY	FECHA DATE	LUGAR PLACE
Youth group • Grupo de Jóvenes	2 nd and 4 th Fridays • 2º y 4º Viernes 6:00 p.m.	Emaus
"James and the Giant Peach"	Miércoles • Wednesday 16 Nov. 5:15 p.m. supper, 6:15 movie 5:15 p.m. cena, 6:15 película	Fellowship Hall
Clases de confirmación	Sábado 12 y 26 Nov. a las 10:00 a.m.	Emaus
Programa por los niños; clases por premera comunión	Domingo a las 11:00 a.m. Miércoles a las 5:30 p.m.	Fellowship Hall
English Bible study	1 st , 2 nd and 3 rd Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m.	Sunset Room
Worship services • Las misas	English: Saturday at 4:30 p.m., Sunday at 9:15 a.m. Español: Domingo a las 11:00 a.m.	Saturday: Sunset Room Sunday: Sanctuary Domingo: Santuario



¿Qué Significa las Posadas?

By Rev. Mary L. Janz

What does Posada mean?

The Spanish word "posada" means inn or place of lodging.

When did they originate? Why?

Las Posadas were introduced by Christian missionaries over 500 years ago to help teach the indigenous people of Mexico about the birth narrative of Jesus through acting it out.

¿Qué significa Posada?

La palabra española "posada" significa un lugar de alojamiento.

¿Cuándo se originaron? ¿Y por qué? Las Posadas fueron introducidas por los misioneros cristianos hace más de 500 años para ayudar a enseñar a los indígenas de México acerca de la narración de nacimiento de Jesús a través de su actuación.

When do Las Posadas take place?

The Posadas take place the nine days before Christmas. Generally, they are held in a different home each day, with the final celebration prior to Christmas taking place in the church on Christmas Eve.

¿Cuándo tienen lugar las Posadas? Las Posadas tienen lugar los nueve días antes de Navidad. Por lo general, se celebran en un hogar

diferente cada día, con la celebración final antes de Navidad que tiene lugar en la iglesia en Nochebuena.

How will Emaus re-enact the Posadas this year? Eight families have offered to host this year's celebration of the Posadas. The first evening of the Posadas will be Friday, December 16. All who are interested in participating will meet promptly at 6:00 p.m. at the assigned "inn." They will knock at the door, asking for entry (a "Spanglish" script will be provided). Finally, after entering, there will be time for prayer, Christmas carols and sharing of treats.

¿Cómo reeditará Emaus las Posadas este año? Ocho familias se han ofrecido para acoger la celebración de este año de las Posadas. La primera noche de las Posadas será el viernes 16 de diciembre. Todos los que estén interesados en participar se reunirán puntualmente a las 6:00 p.m. de la "posada" asignada. Llamarán en la puerta, solicitando la entrada (un guión "Spanglish" será proporcionado). Finalmente, después de entrar, habrá tiempo para la oración, villancicos y el intercambio de golosinas.

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God Time: Erica Villegas

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Thank You for Your Generous Support

by Carolyn Wooster

Thank you for your generosity once again this year. Not only for your positive response through your Giving Card, but also the time and talent that so many contribute to Emaus ELCA and our many missions throughout the year. Pledge forms can still be turned in to the church office any time.

Giving on line is another option, available on the Emaus web site, emauselca.org; or turn in the information to the church office.

A special thank you for the following who helped contribute to a successful Generosity Sunday: to Temple Talkers Ilse Merlin, Mary Janz and Cathy Meyer; to Carol Yust and helpers for Sunday brunch; and to Pastor Steve for the letter to the congregation.

Give in response to all God has given you.

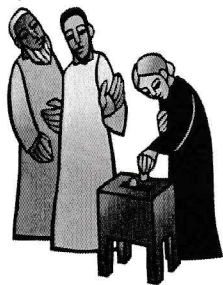


Gracias por su Gran Ayuda

por Carolyn Wooster

De nuevo gracias por su generosidad en este año. No solo por su respuesta positiva a través de su tarjeta; sino también por el tiempo y el talento que tantos aportan a Emaus ELCA y a todas nuestras misiones a lo largo del año. Los formularios de promesa pueden ser entregados en la oficina de la iglesia en cualquier momento.

Un agradecimiento especial a los que ayudaron a contribuir el Domingo de la Generosidad: a Ilse Merlin, Mary Janz y Cathy Meyer; a Carol Yust y sus ayudantes por el trabajo en los alimentos del domingo; Y al pastor Steve por la carta a la congregación.



Apoye en respuesta a todo lo que Dios le ha dado.



Los Niños se Preparan para la Pastorela • Youth Present Christmas Pageant December 18

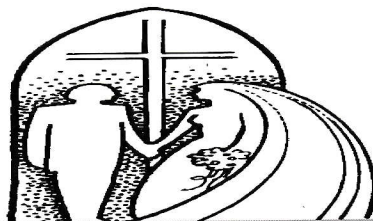
Come and see. Join some shepherds, angels, out-o-townners, and singing, talking sheep on their journey to Bethlehem. Jesus is coming! "All About That Baby" is a sheep-ishly funny story that points us all to the moment when Jesus was born, bringing great joy and light and life to all people.

Rehearsals: Wednesday, November 30, December 7 and 14. Supper, 5:30 p.m., rehearsal 6:15-7:30 p.m. Dress rehearsal: Saturday, December 17 at 1:30 p.m. All About That Baby performance December 18 at 10:00 a.m.

Birthday cake for Jesus will be served in Fellowship Hall after the pageant.



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Pastoral Acts

Wedding • Boda:

Karina Cruz &
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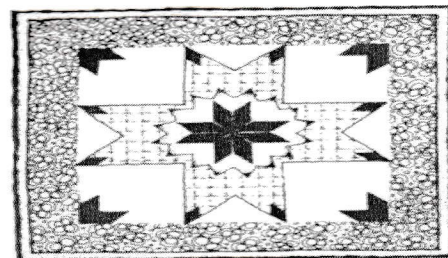
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November 14, 2016

ciudad, y cantando y hablando con ovejas en su viaje a Belén. ¡Jesús viene! "All About That Baby" es una historia divertida de ovejas que nos muestra el momento en que Jesús nació, trayendo gran alegría, luz y vida a todas las personas.

Ensayos: Miércoles, 30 de noviembre, 7 y 14 de diciembre. Cena, 5:30 p.m. Ensayo 6:15-7:30 p.m. Ensayo de vestuario, sábado, 17 de diciembre a la 1:30 p.m. Presentación de la obra "All About That Baby" el domingo 18 de diciembre en 10:00 a.m.

Habrà pastel para celebrar el cumpleaños del niño Jesús después de la representación en el Fellowship Hall.



Quilters Donate to Veterans' Tiny Homes

The Emaus Stitchers have donated five quilts to the Tiny Homes for Veterans and now we are collecting towels (kitchen or bath), washcloths and personal care items for them. If you would like to contribute something we will have a basket in the narthex marked for Veterans' Tiny Homes.

December Worship Leaders

	Asst. Ministers	Altar Guild	Communion Assts.	Readers	Ushers
Sat. Dec. 3 4:30 pm	—	Barb Toslek Jamie Toslek	—	—	—
Sun. Dec. 4 9:00 am	Rich Benson	Kathy Christensen	Carol Eschmann	Sandy Strini	Team 4
Sat. Dec. 10 4:30 pm	—	Cathy Meyer, Linda Clinton	—	—	—
Sun. Dec. 11 9:00 am	Cindi Larsen	Cheryl Dexter	Rich Benson Chris Lamberton	Carol Eschmann	Team 1 Porcaro
Sat. Dec. 17 4:30 pm	—	Carolyn Wooster	—	—	—
Sun. Dec. 18 10:00 am	tbd	Audrey Villalobos	Shirley Velzka	Chris Lamberton	Team 2 Christensen
Sat. Dec. 24 4:30 pm	Kathy Christensen	Cheryl Dexter	Joy Lippmann Kathy Christensen	—	Team 3
Sun. Dec. 25 9:00 am	Jim Larrabee	Barb Larsen	Cindi Larsen Diane Melander	Jim Larrabee	Team 4
Sat. Dec. 31 4:30 pm	—	Marge & Amy Zielke, Missy Porcaro	—	—	—
Sun. Jan. 1 9:00 am	tbd	Caren Lamberton	tbd	tbd	Team 2 Christensen

Readings in December Lecturas en Diciembre

Dec. 3-4: Is. 11:1-10;
Salmo/Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19; Rom. 15:4-13; Mat. 3:1-12.

Dec. 10-11: Is. 35:1-10;
Salmo/Psalm 146:5-10 o Lucas/Luke 1:47-55; Santiago/James 5:7-10; Mat. 11:2-11.

Dec. 17: Is. 7:10-16;
Salmo/Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19; Rom. 1:1-7; Mat. 1:18-25.

Dec. 24: Is. 9:2-7;
Salmo/Psalm 96; Tito/Titus 2:11-14; Lucas/Luke 2:1-14 o 20.

Dec. 25: Is. 52:7-10;
Salmo/Psalm 98; Heb. 1:1-4 o 12; Juan/John 1:1-14.

Dec. 31-Jan. 1: Is. 63:7-9;
Salmo/Psalm 148; Heb. 2:10-18; Mat. 2:13-23.

December Birthdays: 70 Years and Better Cumpleaños en Diciembre: 70 años y más

Dec. 12 Barb Larsen 4202 Erie Street 53402
Dec. 19 Shirley Velzka 6720 Mariner Dr. #104 53406



Obispo Erickson Presidirá Misa de Confirmación

El Obispo Paul Erickson del Sinodo de Milwaukee visitará Emaus ELCA el Sábado 17 de diciembre a las 11:00 a.m. Vamos a celebrar el rito de la

confirmación para unos jóvenes de Emaus ese día.

Bishop Paul Erickson will visit Emaus ELCA on Saturday, December 17 at 11:00 a.m. We will celebrate the rite of Confirmation for Emaus youth that day.

Newsletter Mailing to Be Slashed in 2017

Do you want to receive the monthly newsletter of Emaus via U.S Mail?

In an effort to save unneeded expense in paper, printing and postage and also recognizing that more people are now reading the *Emaus Visitor* online, leaders are asking you your preference.

If you would like to continue to have the newsletter mailed to you monthly, please respond in one of the following ways:

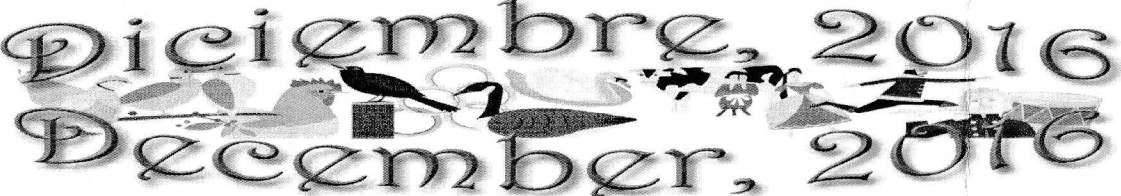




- Call 262-634-5515, Extension 0, and convey that message to the church office. Please leave your name and contact information when you leave a message
- Email the church office (emmausracine@sbcglobal.net or emauselca@gmail.com) and make your wishes known
- Stop by the church office Monday-Friday (9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.) and tell us in person

If we do not hear from you, we will remove your name from the mailing list. In that event, you may

find the newsletter online at emauselca.org or pick up a copy in the church narthex to receive the latest edition of

the newsletter. That will be effective January, 2017.



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Diciembre, 2016  December, 2016				1 WORLD AIDS DAY 11:00 am Bulletin deadline 5:00 pm St. Patrick's community meal 6:00 pm Living Faith food pantry	2 6:00 pm Coro	3 10:00 am Examen de confirmación 4:30 pm Worship service (English)
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Árbol del Dar: una Tradición de Emaus

El miércoles 14 de diciembre, nuestras tejedoras se reunirán y se pondrán sus sombreros de elfos. Cada año envuelven regalos con amor para nuestros niños de EASY. Visítenos en la entrada de la iglesia junto a los árboles del dar. Habrá ornamentos con diferentes denominaciones disponibles. El personal comprará juegos educativos y libros que sean apropiados para cada edad.

Venta Rápida

¿Dónde? En los salones Sunset Room y Fellowship.

¿Cuándo? El día 4 diciembre de 10:00 a 11:00, y el 18 de diciembre de 11:00 a 11:30 a.m.

¿Qué habrá? Una oportunidad especial de comprar los siguientes regalos para esta Navidad: tarjetas de regalo Scrip, artículos de regalo únicos hechos a mano, café Mt. Meru, y productos horneados caseros y golosinas.

¿Para qué? Para ayudar a apoyar el ministerio de Emaus y pagar facturas de fin de año.

Giving Tree Is an Emaus Tradition

On Wednesday, December 14, our quilters and knitters will gather and put on their elf hats. Each year they wrap love gifts for our EASY kids. Check the narthex for the Giving Tree. Ornaments of varying denominations are available. Staff will purchase educational games and books that are age-appropriate.

One-stop Shopping

Where? Emaus Sunset Room and Fellowship Hall.

When? 10:00-11:00 a.m. December 4 and 11, 11:30 a.m. December 18.

What? Special Christmas shopping opportunity: Scrip gift cards, Hand-crafted, unique gift items, Mt. Meru coffee, Homemade baked goods and treats.

Why? To help support the ministry of Emaus and pay year-end bills.

Posadas Schedule · Programa de las Posadas

Dec. 16	Trini & Antelmo Hernando	1806 Arcturus Ave. 262-770-8147
Dec. 17	Carol Yust, Erica Huarota	4200 N. Main St. 414-208-9083
Dec. 18	Carolyn & Dan Wooster	At Emaus. 262-498-4201
Dec. 19	Pablo Enriquez & Ilse Merlin	2327 Carmel Ave. 262-504-0736
Dec. 20	Smith-Janz residence	1530 Main St. 262-893-1317
Dec. 21	Denise Garcia & Veronica Gomez	1539 Phillips Ave. 224-616-8521
Dec. 22	Pr. Steve Wohlfeil	2518 Catherine Dr. 414-339-2343
Dec. 23	Gabriel Ruiz	At Emaus. 262-504-9404
Dec. 24	Pr. Gabriel & familia Gonzalez-Flores	At Emaus. 414-712-1680

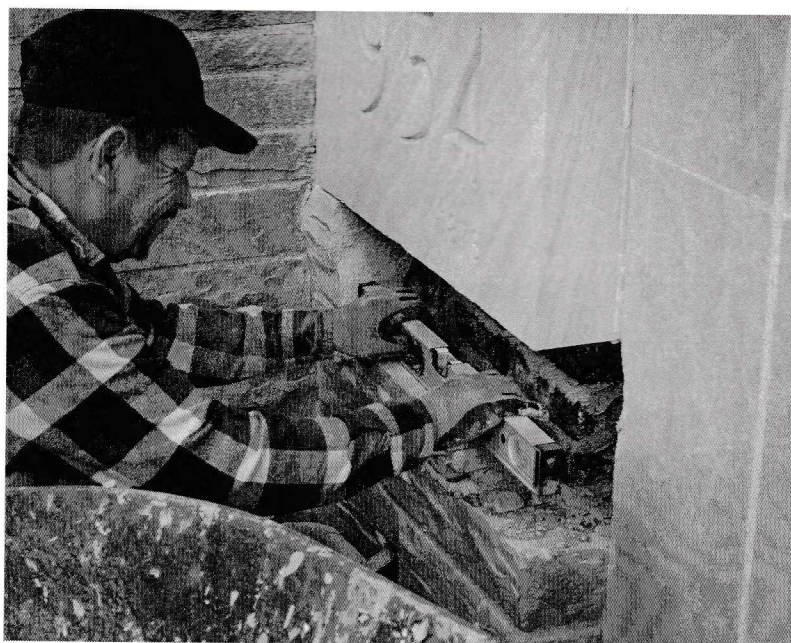


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Time Capsule Returned to Cornerstone

Jose Villegas sealed the Emaus time capsule back into the cornerstone next to the church's front door in November. Thank you, Jose!

Cápsula del Tiempo Es Vuelto a Piedra Angular

Jose Villegas había sellado la cápsula del tiempo de Emaus en la piedra angular junto a la puerta de la iglesia en noviembre. ¡Gracias, Jose!

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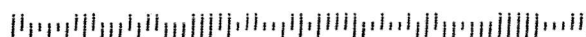
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Activity - Actividad	Date - Fecha	
Christmas craft sale	December 4 · 4 diciembre	10:15 a.m. & 12:15 p.m. Scrip and craft items
Cookie Pack	December 7 · 7 diciembre	1:30 p.m. Sunset Room
Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe	11 diciembre · December 11	5:00 p.m. Kermés 9:00 p.m. Misa 10:00 p.m. Serenata y mañanitas
Misa de confirmación · Confirmation service	17 diciembre · December 17	11:00 a.m. en el templo · in the sanctuary
Children's Christmas pageant; bilingual communion · Pastorela de los niños; eucaristía bilingüe	December 18 · 18 diciembre	10:00 a.m. in sanctuary · en el templo
Las Posadas	16-24 diciembre · December 16-24	6:00 p.m.; see page 5
Christmas Eve services · La misa de la Vispera de Navidad	December 24 · 24 diciembre	4:30 p.m. English 6:30 p.m. Español