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THE HERALD

Emmanuel Lutheran Church will be a place filled with the Holy Spirit where people are coming in to be sent out: Focused on changing hearts and changing lives for a better world.

July 2019

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Time can really fly and sometimes it's good to take a moment and recognize all the gifts that God has blessed us with that we wouldn't normally notice on any given day. One area that I would like us to focus on this month is the gift that God gave us when he sent Vicar Tony to be a part of our internship program. If you weren't aware, Tony will be continuing to serve our congregation throughout the month of July with his final Sunday being July 28th (There will be ONE special service that day at 10:00 followed by a potluck to celebrate this occasion). After that, Tony will be seeking out a call as a pas- 2018. tor at a church and, once he has received that call, he will be able to be ordained. I pray that you will take some time this month, if you haven't already, to tell him thanks for serving here and sharing his life and his gifts with our community both inside and outside of the church.

When you begin to look back, this process has taken years to accomplish. Two and a half years ago, at the beginning of 2017, I felt God inspiring me to talk to you all about a Vision for our Giving as a church. Both in giving to support our Property improvements as well as giving to support our Missions outside of the church. There were many possibilities that filled my heart and mind and I wanted to help our congregation imagine what God might do with our time, talents and treasures. One of those ideas was to support a pastoral intern.

After some time passed, we formed a Stewardship ministry team that would be able think through the many possibilities together and bring forward a plan to the Council for approval. That was when the idea of hosting a pastoral intern rose to the top. After the Council agreed that we should look into this possibility, we began searching for possible people to serve here and had many conversations with seminaries and other

pastors in the area about finding the right person. A little over a year ago, I still wasn't sure if it was going to happen because we hadn't found the right person and, usually, internships start in the Fall, but then Tony responded to the call and everything just seemed to start coming together. After talking with him over the phone through a couple of interviews, he seemed to have a heart for ministry and outreach, a desire to serve and a willingness to experience both a Traditional and Contemporary service. Tony began serving here at Emmanuel August 1st of 2018.

But even though we found the right person, none of this would have been possible without the generosity of our whole congregation. We needed to support Tony throughout the year which meant paying for his housing, a monthly stipend and extra things like moving expenses and mileage reimbursement. That was all over and above what we had budgeted for the year. Your support of the Vision for Giving both with Undesignated Vision funds and specifically for Vision funds for Mission helped make Tony's ministry possible. In addition, we used some of our Quarterly Benevolence giving to make it possible for him to come as well. Not only did your giving help support him throughout the year but you allowed him to be able to serve our church and the community around us.

Finally, you did not simply give of your money, but you supported this ministry through your time and talents. We had a Vicar Support Team made up of Brenda Plymesser, Ed Christensen, Steve Scar, Judi Raasch, Judy Nelson and Roleen Chiles who met throughout the year with Tony and gave him good feedback to help him grow in ministry. Their commitment to him on behalf of our congregation was such a blessing! Cont'd on page 2

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E.L.C. COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES-05/12/2019

The regular meeting of the EMC council was held on May 12, 2019 in the Parish Hall. The meeting was called to order at 5:35 PM by President George Feazell. Members present were Pastor Steven Broers, George Feazell, Judi Raasch, Raedeen Bigelow, Iris Westphal, and Amy Perkey. Also present was Vicar Tony Scalisi. Absent were Roland Purdy, Leo Weinheimer, Bart Boehm, and Lynn Christensen.

Devotions were given by Pastor Broers.

Secretary's Report was reviewed. Motion by Raedeen B., 2nded by Iris W. to approve the minutes. Carried.

Treasurer's Reports were presented. Motion by Judi R., 2nded by Iris W. to approve. Carried.

Pastor Broers and Vicar Tony gave their monthly reports of activities and mileage for April. Vicar Tony discussed information he gained at the Stephens Ministry conference held in St. Louis, and an activity he has planned for us in the future. He supplied a new book, <u>Cancer, Now What?</u> By Kenneth Haugk, for the church library. Motion by Raedeen B., 2nded by Judi R. to approve the reports. Carried.

Emergency Benevolence:

\$500 given to the Becky Raasch benefit. \$100 given in gas cards to private individual(s).

Ministry Reports:

Women of ELCA—Reviewed their minutes

Altar Guild—One service on Jun 9th for Pentecost Sunday and confirmation.

Property-

- Another source of sewer gas was found and plumbers have a plan to address it. The problem is a combination of ground water and the wind.
- Jerry Holan will be working on the plaster in the sanctuary when he finishes the project he is working on at the present time.
- Music & Worship—still working on finding another person to play the organ.

Children's Ministry report by Kristy Broers-

- GROW-We had a successful G.R.O.W. Fun Run/ End of the year celebration at the Greenfield Lake. It was a chilly night, but a fun time. We will soon be doing the G.R.O.W. appreciation gifts.
- Confirmation-Three students will be confirmed on Sunday, June 9th—Brandon Raasch, Emma Perkey, and Madison Fry. There will be a combined service.
- High School-Easter Breakfast was a success. Currently have three youth planning on going to Mission Trip with Pastor Broers and Vicar Tony and we are hoping to get a few more.

Children's Ministry-VBS is planned for the week of July 8-11. It is held at the Fontanelle Methodist Church this year. Stewardship Committee: No Report

Old Business: None

New Business:

Pastor Broers continued his review of our church's constitution.

- <u>Chapter 6</u> Church Affiliation. As a member of Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ (LCMC) there is freedom (no hierarchy), we are accountable to one another, and rooted in the Scriptures Chapter 7 Property Ownership.
- <u>Chapter 8</u> Membership. Members are clas-
- sified as baptized members, confirmed members, voting members, and associate members. A confirmed member is one by affirmation of faith.
- There will be a Conflict Resolution Workshop on June 7th and 8th at Peace Lutheran Church in Freemont, NE. If interested in attending contact Peace Lutheran Church.
- Motion by Iris W., 2nded by Amy P. to approve the return of deposit check for the Young-Marckmann wedding. Carried.

Motion by Judi R., 2nded by Iris W. to adjourn. Carried. We adjourned at 6:55 PM with the Lord's Prayer.

Next meeting will be on June 9, 2019.

Minutes taken by Judi Raasch. Submitted by Roland Purdy, secretary.

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In addition, many of you took advantage of Tony's wonderful Bible Studies and the Alpha Course which he organized. I also pray that you enjoyed and were inspired by his messages on Sunday mornings throughout the year or were able to visit with him and learn about his call to ministry. Even outside of the church, Tony has been very busy getting involved with the Lions Club in town and, especially with the Boy Scouts. Who could have imagined that the work God began two and a half years ago would have grown into such a rich and full ministry?

As you take time to appreciate what God has done, please thank God and thank Tony for being a part of the ministry here. God has really helped Tony grow as a pastor and has helped us grow as a congregation. I pray that you continue giving generously from your time, talents and treasures so that you can join God in making a difference in this community through Emmanuel Lutheran Church. God bless you all and thank you for all that you do! – Pastor Broers

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Putting our faith in God by Vicar Tony

Putting our very life into the hands of God is something that is not easy for anyone. I am thinking about this right now because I am facing this situation as I come to an end of my stay with you. This is a bittersweet experience for me. I already miss all of you. Everyone is asking me, "do I know where I am going." As of the writing of this article, I do not, which is not easy for me to say.

My entire life I have planned exactly what I was going to do. I planned everything: what school I was going to attend, my career path. I planned exactly where I was going to live and who I was going to share those experiences with. But then God would laugh, and I would do what God planned for me. Such as, I never planned on going into the ministry.

It is like the story of Jonah. God had a plan for Jonah. But he ran away because he didn't want to do what God wanted him to do. Jonah found himself in the belly of a fish (not a whale) and then on land next to where God wanted him to go in the first place. As always God got His way and Jonah had to obey.

We all can share stories in our lives that resemble Jonah's story. Whether or not we obey or not God gets His way. We know what God wants us to do and wants only the best for us. So why resist? The Bible tells us that He loves us and knows all things. Therefore, for us to try to take control of the situation is senseless. We can only mess things up.

Some of us have been conditioned not to have faith because too often our trust has been betrayed by some of the people in our lives. I have had my fair share of disappointments. This is sad and most unfortunate. But it must not deter us from trusting in God.

But how do we know what God's will is for us? That is not an easy question to answer. My only advice is to pray on it. Resist the temptation of impulsive decisions. Ask God for His guidance. Church services, Scripture readings, Bible studies, and sermons are meant to open God's word to us and guide us as to what is God's will. The one book in the universe that tells us who God is and what He wants for us is the Bible. The Scriptures have the answers as to the meaning of life and what God desires for us.

Do we have to memorize the Bible? No! But daily Scripture reading will reveal the answers to our questions. From Genesis to Revelation God has given us the answers to what is right and what is wrong. He has given us the answers to how we are to behave in various relationships. Such as from the stories of, Adam and Eve, Cane and Abel. Moses defending the faith against persecution. Abraham's display of unconditional faith in the Lord. The mess that David created and eventual repentance. And most of all Jesus' teachings in the Gospels and the interpretation and application in the letters.

The question most pressing my mind right now is where am I to go? So, I look to the Bible and think of the story when Jesus called His disciples.

"As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother

Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people." At once they left their nets and followed him. (Mat 4:18-20 NIV)

The disciples did not question Jesus, they just followed. And we should do the same. I must do the same. As we put our trust in God, although at times it is not easy, we can keep in mind that God is all knowing, and all loving.

My prayers are that we can all learn from God's Word, trust the Lord completely and turn our lives over to God. Amen

PRAYER REQUESTS



HEALING AND Health Concerns

Teresa Schilmoeller (Bernie's daughter), Bill Raasch, Becky Raasch, Patrick Erb (Bernard & Myrna's grandson), Cindy Baldago, Brooke Grangard (cousin of Earlene Purdy), Maurice Zittritsch (Friend of Denise Grandgenett), Lisa Baudler,

GREENFIELD REHAB CENTER RESIDENTS

Pat Lane, Ralph Lane, Linda Hohertz, Larry Hohertz, Barbara Nelson

GOOD SAMARITAN Residents

June Eshelman, Gus Gross, Ray Sorensen, Shirley Jorgenson, Ruth Rohner, Lyle Miller, Ralph Gruber, Donna Grothen, Harold Nelson, Joyce Herr

SERVICE MEN & WOMEN

Lucas Queck, Clint Eshelman, John Sidey and Trent Jameson (grandson of Rex & Karen Hight), Zac Scar, Austin Brown (Grandson of Stan Brown



* All youth need a sack lunch

DATES:

Mon., July 8 -Thurs., July 11th

FREF



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ANNOUNCEMENTS



Adaline Marie Johnson was baptized on June 16, 2019. Her parents are Jarek Johnson and Lauren Griffith. Her sponsors are Judd Martin and Shianne Thompson

Mary Josephine Hall was baptized on June 23, 2019. Her parents are Kelly & Rachel Hall. Her sponsors are Susan Herr and Dillon McDowell



MEN'S BREAKFA

On July 7th the men will be serving breakfast between

services with biscuits and

gravy, fruit cocktail and a

drink.

All information needs to be in the

office <u>by 8:00am on</u>

<u>Thursday mornings</u> for the bulletins.



On July 28th there is a combined service at 10:00 with a going away party for Tony. There will be a potluck right after the service. The men's group will provide the meat. Bring a dessert, covered dish or a salad to share. We want to wish him well in his new endeavor and thank him for everything he has done for us.



We have thirty backpacks that need filled and you can help! \$10 will fill each backpack with school supplies and they will be donated to The Neighborhood Center in Greenfield to be handed out to children who need them in the fall. Just write "backpack supplies" in the memo of a check or turn into office with a note. Thanks!



SAVE THE DATE! VBS is coming to Emmanuel Lutheran **July 8-11**. Though camp counselors from Riverside Bible Camp will be coming to lead our K-6th graders, we are currently looking for someone to teach the preschool class as well as helpers for both the preschool and big kid groups. We are also looking for a family to serve as a host family for some of our camp counselors this year. Please see Kristy for information or if you are able to help.



CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Semi-Annual meeting will be July 14^{th} at 12:30. There will be a potluck held from 11:30 – 12:30. We will be looking at the proposed 2020 budget and ratifying the name change. Hope everyone can come. We need your vote.



ELC WOMEN July 3, 2019 1:00p.m.Meeting

Hymn/Devotions/Meditation: Rachel Circle Bible Study: Pastor Business Meeting: Rachel Circle Refreshments: Esther Circle Birthdays Lord's Prayer Table Prayer Kitchen Committee: Naomi Circle





* Electric Work - New Service and Kitchen Circuits

** Intern Pastor - To be funded through cash giving, not debt.

Fund Balance Report As of May 31, 2019

General Fund	\$36,953.77
Children's Ministry Grow Sponsor A Sheep Other Total	\$108.18 \$0.00 (\$2,676.70) (\$2,568.52)
Vision Fund Undesignated Designated Mission Designated Building Total	\$10,410.63 (\$1,300.01) <u>\$10,040.00</u> \$19,150.62
TOTAL	\$56,104.39



I want to thank everyone for all the prayers, calls, visits, cards and flowers that I have received since my surgery and during my recovery. I am improving each day and appreciate the blessings from all of you. A special thank you to the bell choir for the beautiful flower arrangement. It brightened my days. Thank you and God Bless you all. Cindy Lundy

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WORSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES

	July 7, 2019	July 14, 2019	July 21, 2019	July 28, 2019		
Worship Leader	Rhonda	Dave	Brian	Wanda		
Keyboard	Kellie	Kim	Kellie	Kellie		
Drums	Dan	Matt	Dan	Matt		
Rhythm Guitar	Pastor	Pastor	Pastor	Pastor		
Bass Guitar	Bob	Bob	Bob	Bob		
	Brian, Malachi,	Brian, Dave,	Brian, Malachi,	Dave, Malachi,		
Male Vocalists	Matt J	Matt J	Dave	Matt J		
	Kathi, Kendalyn,	Tracy, Sophia,	Kathi, Kendalyn,	Kathi, Kendalyn,		
Female Vocalists	Tracy	Lauren	Tracy	Lauren		
Acolytes	Kylie	Slade	Jayden	Sophia		
Hospitality						
Host/Hostess	Men's Group	Wendy, Sophia	Friends in Faith	Potluck for Tony		
	George & Wendy,	Jane, Kathy,		Craig & Brenda,		
Greeters/Treats	Bart & Sarah	Ed & Kathi	Friends in Faith	Kurt & Rhonda		
1st Reading	Sophia	Alyse	Wanda	Kurt		
2nd Reading	Kurt	Kristy	Vicki	Brian		
Gospel Reading	George	Kendalyn	Denise	Rhonda		
Confession/Forgiveness	Vicki	Bob J	Dave	Vicar Tony		
Prayers	Rhonda	Dave	Brian	Wanda		
Count Offering						
(*Council Member)	George	Lynn	Bart	Amy		
	Vicar Tony, Tammy,		Vicar Tony, Craig,			
Communion	Roger J	J Brenda				
Sound	Rollie	George	Ed	Ed		
Cameras	Earlene	Roger J	John	George		
Pro Presenter	Clella	Tammy	Clella	Tammy		
Worship Coordinator	Bernard	Peggy	Leone			
Organist	Kathy	Shirley	Karen	Jane		
Greeters/Ushers	Pat & Iris	Leo & Leone	Peggy, Nancy P	Bill & Judi R		
Acolytes	Malachi	Sophia	Malachi			
1st Reading	Arlene	Paul	Sandy			
Psalm Reading	Arlene	Paul	Sandy			
2nd Reading	Sophia	Eric G	Peggy			
Offering	Rollie, Iris	Judi, Raedeen	Rollie, Iris	Judi, Raedeen		
	Vicar Tony, Darla,		Vicar Tony, Sherol,			
Communion	Nancy P		Arlene			
Sound/Cameras	Rollie	Matt G	John			
Children's Worship						
Bags	Barb Q, Leone W					

CHURCH CALENDAR

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
		10:00 Pastor to GSC 11:00 Contem- porary Worship Planning	6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study 1:00 ELC Women	A STOLEN		
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
7:30 Praise team warm-up 8:30 Contemporary Worship 9:45 Men's breakfast 10:30 Traditional Worship	VBS 9-3 <u>Council Agenda</u> <u>Deadline</u>	VBS 9-3 10:00 Pastor to GSC	VBS 9-3 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study	VBS 9-3 10:00 Traditional Worship Planning 7:00 VBS Pro- gram 9:00 Prayer Group		
5:30 Council Meet- ing 6:30 Praise Team Practice				6:00 Jonah Bible Study		
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
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21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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28	29	20	31			
10:00 Combined Service 11:00 Tony Scalisi Pot Luck 5:30 Summerset Citizens 4H (Parish Hall) 6:30 Praise Team Practice	29	30 10:00 Pastor to GSC	6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study			

JULY CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAYS



- 7/1 Lindsey Davis
- 7/2 Nicholas Herr, Tracy Swanson
- Jessica Jones Payden Manning 7/3
- 7/4 Wyatt Low
- 7/6 Kellie Mangels
- 7/7 Nellie Nelson
- 7/8 Josh Crawford, Jon Hohertz
- 7/9 Mark Bohling, Kaylee Scheuermann, Michael Sorensen II
- Mandy Baudler, Taylor Garside, Lindsey Fox 7/10
- Lucas Held, Virginia Herr 7/12
- 7/13 Marilyn Ehrsam
- 7/14 Janene Whicker, Thomas Johnson, Logan Wissner, Levi Gettler, David Sickles
- Kristina Hilpipre, Kylie Nelson 7/15
- 7/16 Makayla Ory, Kathi Christensen
- 7/17 Steve Brown, Joyce Herr, David Huff
- Sean Fox, Colton Garside, Jennifer Lundy, Kristine 7/18 Rilev
- 7/19 Craig Baudler, Gloria Ernst, Robert Queck, Justin Marckmann, Macey Dabb
- Steven Held, Dvlan Skellenger, Emma Perkev 7/20
- Megan Edwards, Diane Subbert, Craig Plymesser 7/21
- 7/22 Itha Carns, Dean Feick, Mark Feick, Karen Dodson
- 7/23 Curtis Darr
- 7/24 Sandra Stewart, Carley Denton
- 7/25 John Weinheimer
- 7/27 Steven Feick, David Jungmann, Stephen Hansen, Kara Hohertz
- Dennis Denton, Linda Held, Alyse 7/29 Dreher, Kay Marckmann, Dana Steckelberg, Deb Tindle, Sam Miller, Tom Chiles
- Jonathan Baudler, Leone Weinheimer, Jessica 7/30 Nelson

CONFIRMATIONS



7/18 **Bruce Westphal**



ANNIVERSARIES



- 7/7 Gale & Clella Buckner
- 7/10 Virgil & Jill Swanson
- 7/14 Mike & Kellie Mangels Lee & Cindy Lundy Ray & Maria Sorensen
- 7/16 Mark & Laura Wiggins Jeremiah & Taycey Martin
- 7/18 Neil & Gloria Ernst
- 7/24 Craig & Charlotte Buhman
- Alan & Julie Derby 7/25
- 7/30 James & Debbie Erbes Scott & Danielle Steele

BAPTISMS



- 7/1 Lindsey Davis, Parker Manning
- 7/2 Genevieve Livingston, Blake Edwards
- 7/3 Pat Lane
- Joe Martin, Jeremy Rohner 7/4
 - Jesi Nelson
- 7/6
- Aaron Bigelow, Benjamin Richards 7/7
- Olivia Johnson, Kinsey Burg 7/9
- Chad Mensing, Sara Funke 7/11
- Persephone Nelson, Prudence Nelson, Provi-7/12 dence Nelson
- 7/14 Verlene Meisenheimer
- Teresa Boston, Madison Fry, Jacob Fry, Des-7/15 tiny Fry, Kobe Ladd
- 7/18 Susan Herr
- 7/19 Krista Mostaert
- 7/22 Kavci Emerson
- Kain Queck, Emeryson Rose Fox 7/23
- 7/24 Sandy Stewart
- 7/25 Macy Burg
- Darry Chiles, Addison Stringer, Aiden String-7/26 er, Jaxson Stringer
- 7/28 Stefan Queck
- 7/29 Lane Johnston, Lisa Anderson
- Judd Martin 7/30

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Sunday Contemporary Service—8:30 a.m. Bible Study—9:45 a.m. Sunday Traditional Service—10:30 a.m. July 28th—10:00 (One Service)