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✓ "There is no more lovely, friendly and charming relationship, communion or company than a good marriage."



- ✓ "Beautiful music is the art of the prophets that can calm the agitations of the soul; it is one of the most magnificent and delightful presents God has given us."
- ✓ "God writes the Gospel not in the Bible alone, but also on trees, and in the flowers and clouds and stars."
- ✓ "I cannot choose but adhere to the word of God, which has possession of my conscience; nor can I possibly, nor will I even make any recantation, since it is neither safe nor honest to act contrary to conscience! Here I stand; I cannot do otherwise, so help me God! Amen."
- ✓ "Christ is the Master; the Scriptures are only
 the servant. The true way to test all the Books
 is to see whether they work the will of Christ
 or not. No Book which does not preach Christ
 can be apostolic, though Peter or Paul were its
 author. And no Book which does preach Christ
 can fail to be apostolic, although Judas,
 Ananias, Pilate, or Herod were its author."
- ✓ "I have so much to do that I shall spend the first three hours in prayer."

FROM THE PASTOR

Dr. Luther Speaks for Himself!

After months of giving you my take on concerns and joys surrounding the Reformation, now, in this month in which we actually get to commemorate and celebrate the beginning of this great movement, I thought I would let Martin Luther speak in his own words.

Below are some of his famous quotes.

I hope you enjoy them. PZ+

✓ "The first thing I ask is that people should not make use of my name, and should not call themselves Lutherans but Christians. What is Luther? The teaching is not mine. Nor was I crucified for anyone. How did I, poor stinking bag of maggots that I am, come to the point where people call the children of Christ by my evil name?"



- ✓ "Faith cannot be inherited or gained by being baptized into a Church. Faith is a matter between the individual and God."
- ✓ "All who call on God in true faith, earnestly from the heart, will certainly be heard, and will receive what they have asked and desired."

- "No one can believe how powerful prayer is and what it can effect, except those who have learned it by experience. Whenever I have prayed earnestly, I have been heard and have obtained more than I prayed for. God sometimes delays, but He always comes."
- ✓ "War is the greatest plague that can afflict humanity; it destroys religion, it destroys states, it destroys families. Any scourge is preferable to it."



- ✓ "Earth has nothing more tender than a woman's heart when it is the abode of piety."
- ✓ "The defects of a preacher are soon spied. Let him be endued with ten virtues, and have but one fault, and that one fault will eclipse and darken all his virtues and gifts, so evil is the world in these times."
- ✓ "The recognition of sin is the beginning of salvation."
- ✓ "I have held many things in my hands, and have lost them all; but whatever I have placed in God's hands, that I still possess."
- "The idea that the service to God should have only to do with a church altar, singing, reading, sacrifice, and the like is without doubt but the worst trick of the devil. How could the devil have led us more effectively astray than by the narrow conception that service to God takes place only in a church and by the works done therein. The whole world could abound with the services to the Lord, not only in churches but also in the home, kitchen, workshop, field."

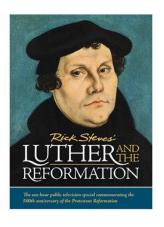


- ✓ "I never work better than when I am inspired by anger; for when I am angry, I can write, pray, and preach well, for then my whole temperament is quickened, my understanding sharpened, and all mundane vexations and temptations depart."
- ✓ "Be a sinner and sin strongly, but more strongly have faith and rejoice in Christ."
- ✓ "If you are a manual laborer, you find that the Bible has been put into your workshop, into your hand, into your heart. It teaches and preaches how you should treat your neighbor. Just look at your tools—at your needle or thimble, your beer barrel, your goods, your scales or vardstick or measure—and you will read this statement inscribed on them. Everywhere you look, it stares at you. Nothing that you handle every day is so tiny that it does not continually tell you this, if you will only listen.... All this is continually crying out to you: "Friend, use me in your relations with your neighbor just as you would want your neighbor to use his property in his relations with you."
- ✓ "There is no true, basic difference between laymen and priests, princes and bishops, between religious and secular, except for the sake of office and work, but not for the sake of status. They are all of the spiritual estate, all are truly priests, bishops, and popes. But they do not all have the same work to do. ... A cobbler, a smith, a peasant—each has the work and office of his trade, and yet they are all alike consecrated priests and bishops. Further, everyone must benefit and serve every other by means of his own work or office so that in this way many kinds of work may be done for the bodily and spiritual welfare of the community,

just as all the members of the body serve one another.

Daily Bread

✓ "When you pray this petition ["give us this day our daily bread"] turn your eyes to everything that can prevent our bread from coming and the crops from prospering. Therefore, extend your thoughts to all the fields and do not see only the baker's oven. You pray, therefore, against the devil and the world, who can hinder the grain by tempest and war. We pray also for temporal peace against war, because in times of war we cannot have bread. Likewise, you pray for government, for sustenance and peace, without which you cannot eat..."



On October 22nd at 6:00 pm we will gather in the Fellowship Hall to view the movie "Luther and the Reformation". The DVD, presented by famed travel guide, Rick Steves, explores the roots of the Reformation, its chaos, and the larger political, economic and theological context of the movement. The DVD is almost exactly one hour long and we will plan on 15 minutes of discussion. Thereafter, we will officially close out our gathering BUT, those who wish to remain and ask more questions or reflect additionally, are welcome to engage in further conversation. This presentation is appropriate for all age levels, except those younger than sixth grade. As all of Mr. Steves' travelogues, this one as well is fastpaced, colorful and 'entertaining'. Please come and join us for another look at Luther and his time and trouble.



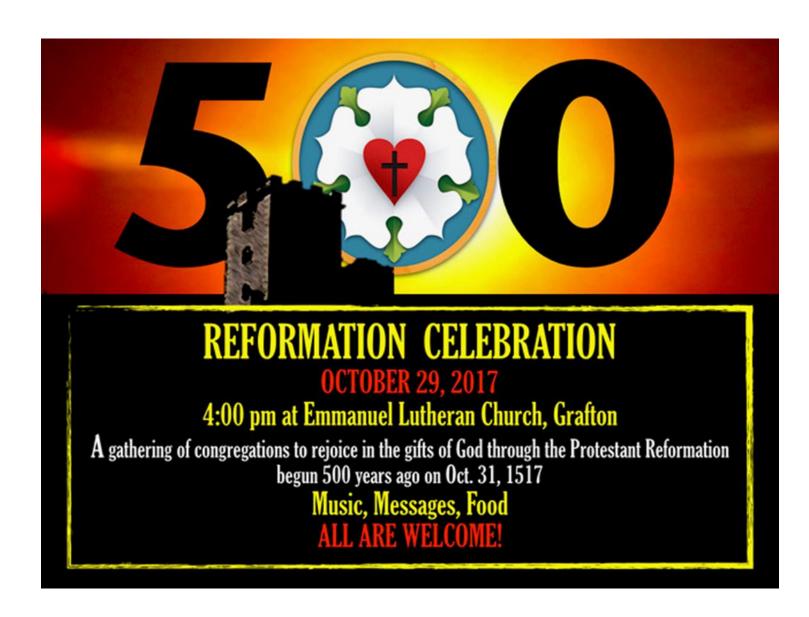
THANK YOU FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART!

Dear members of Emmanuel,

With deepest appreciation in my heart I thank you for the wonderful day of celebration as I observed the 25th Anniversary of my Ordination. Where do I begin? Thank you to Sue Walk for the idea and the Church Council for your agreement to observe the day. Thank you to all the many, many helpers (I shall not attempt to name you as I surely would forget some) who prepared the delicious food (Cory Hicken- the sandwiches were perfect) and set up, served and cleaned up after a huge crowd enjoyed the spread. Thank you to Donna Schilling, Charlotte Cole, all choir participants, Merlin Bartz, and my son, Jeremias, for contributing truly wonderful music to our worship. My thanks to Christa Larson who did many small but important things behind the scenes.

I was delighted to see the entire Sunday School in the Fellowship Hall — what a sight it was to all who visited! I thank you for your cards, gifts and kind words. With our Fall program in full swing, it will take me a few weeks to write personal notes but please be assured that your kindness warmed my heart more than you ever will know. And last, but absolutely not least, a tremendous 'Bless your heart' to Linda Koschmeder who spent countless hours to create the lovely video of my life and ministry and organized most of what you experienced!!! The video brought tears to my eyes and the eyes of my family and friends as we were reminded of days gone by.

Thank you one and all. May God bless the continuation of our faith journey with one another. Most fondly — Pastor Z+





At 4 pm in the afternoon we will gather for a pan-Lutheran commemoration of the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation. The event will take place here at Emmanuel with a total of seven area congregations participating. The worship service will be followed by a dinner in our Fellowship Hall. Please check with Mark Borchardt if you want to sing in the mass choir. Our Sunday School kids are already practicing songs for this event! Parents, please watch your text messages with info for your children regarding the children's choir.

Be sure to keep October 29th open on your calendar!



STEWARDSHIP MUSINGS



As I am getting closer and closer to retirement (don't rejoice yet, though!) I am trying to be smart about a number of things. One of the matters I am contemplating is this: how and where will I spent my 'extra time'? Should I keep a strict schedule or just float through the day? One of the things I really want to avoid is the following sentiment: "Let the young people do it!" Of course, there are automatically some things we do not and should not have to do when getting older. I used to carry tables and chairs up and down stairs and across church hallways - not anymore, as you noticed! Plus, one could make a pretty strong case for the fact that those who have borne the tasks of life's labors for a long time are entitled to step back a bit. Eventually there will come the day for all of us when we have no choice - and there is no shame in that whatsoever!

Still, for centuries there was no such thing as 'Retirement'. People worked until they died. With the beginning of Social Security, retirement became a new phenomenon. By the 1970's, society talked about the golden years with an emphasis on "you retire to play." By the 1990's, the mood changed. You retired not just to play, but to learn, volunteer, travel or work part-time. Today there are more older adults than teenagers. In the next 10 years, there will be a 74 percent increase of people over the age of 50 and only a 1 percent

increase of people under 50. We now have multi-generation, older adult families, i.e. seniors caring for their parents. We will be seeing Baby Boomers spending one-third of their lives in retirement. As a result of these things, we are facing what some call a "longevity revolution."

Here are some things to keep in mind as we approach the topic of stewardship for retirees:

- Retirees can serve as models of mature stewardship for the next generation to emulate. These "seasoned citizens" have been blessed to be a blessing but their involvement in all aspects of stewardship needs to match their personal situations.
- Retirees have spent their lifetime developing skills and learning trades that can benefit others but especially their own congregations.
- Retirees are on "fixed incomes." That can be good news in terms of stewardship of treasure. Financial challenges mark all of our days. Seniors living on a fixed amount may be some of the few that sleep soundly as the market rises and falls.
- Retirees are to be stewards of their own bodies and minds as the years take their toll. These years can be a blessing as seniors work at staying active and enjoy the extended years that come through God's blessing and the benefits of living in our nation.
- Retirees have the opportunity and the unique privilege of "picking and choosing" activities and types of involvement. They can adjust their "work load" since they are normally volunteers.
- Retirees deal with a decreasing amount of time. Each moment is precious and

- needs to be used under the loving view of our God.
- Retirees, as Scripture points out, need to be prized by their families, their congregations and their communities, especially in our "throw-away" culture that worships youth and frenetic levels of activity as opposed to the often slow but steady pace of the aging.
- Retirees with families and especially those who are married need to practice good stewardship of their family and marital relationships. They should take time to smell the roses with those they love and those who love them.
- Retirees may need to be invited by their congregations to serve according to their gifts. Many retirees will quietly sit on the sidelines until invited to serve. Even those who deal with declining abilities can still serve the Lord and need to be encouraged to do so and many continue to rejoice in being able to serve the Lord as valuable parts of the body of Christ.

At Emmanuel we are blessed with many members who are retired but able and willing to actively engage in ministry to God and their community. What a special gift that is to all of us. By the same token, we thank God for those who are now sitting back after many years of faithful labor. Those of us who are getting ready to join the ranks of retirees within the next years have a wonderful opportunity to study carefully the examples set before us as we discern our own path for the future.

May God bless us in all that we do or not do. - PZ+



Below please see the "report" from JC Dawald who recently returned from his trip to Texas where he worked southwest of Houston in the community of Rosenberg.

Thanks to everyone for prayers and supporting the mission trip to the Houston area. I'm so thankful I was able to be part of this effort.

The flood buckets and other materials were inventoried and left at Peace Lutheran in Rosenberg. They were distributed to those in need and so much appreciated. The church had converted the parsonage to a bunk house for the volunteers. The NALC brought in a shower trailer for the volunteers. It was a great place to recharge for the next day.

A local non-profit group called Friends of Rosenberg organized the work for the volunteers. They supplied tools, masks, gloves and materials. They also provided lunch on the job site. We met at 8:30 am to decide if we would "muck & gut" or "sanitize" and the locations for the day.

I met volunteers from many states.... Wisconsin, New Jersey, California, Ohio, and a couple guys flew in from New York. I was most impressed with the people of Texas who dug in to help local disaster victims. The heat was almost unbearable; we were soaked with sweat most of the day. Maybe that's why the bugs didn't bother us!

Lovers of Books and Stories – Listen and Look!



Come Spend a Sunday afternoon with

Anneliese Tisdale for a time of reading and a fascinating conversation about writing and the subject matter of

Anneliese's book: Life Under the Nazi Regime. October 15th, 2017 at 2:00 o'clock

Find out how Anneliese even has a connection to the Grafton area!

All members of Emmanuel and the wider community are most welcome to attend this event!

Coffee and Pastries will sweeten our time together.

-The Women's Council



Anneliese Tisdale was born in Germany. In 1947, she came to the United States as a war bride. She received BA and MA degrees from the University of Iowa. After her retirement from the Cedar

Rapids public schools, and at the urging of her children, she wrote her first book, *Christmas Trees Lit the Sky*, her memoir about growing up in World War II Germany. The book vividly describes her family's struggle to survive the war, as well as the Nazi regime, during some of the most defining times of the twentieth century.

Anneliese has presented numerous readings,

discussions and book signings in libraries, schools, and clubs in lowa, Missouri and Ohio. She is currently writing about her life as a newcomer to the United States.





Parents of Sunday School students: Please note that you will receive news and information regarding Sunday School from Amy Edwards via a text message. At times you also will receive an email from Pastor to remind you and/or add information. Please be sure to read these messages! We are sharing information as early and as often as it appears reasonable. Thanks! ©

"All Christians are but
Gods Stewards.

Everything we
Have is on loan from
The Lord, Entrusted

To us for a
while to use in

Serving Him."

-John MacArthur

THANK YOU STEWARDS

...to the September Hospitality Team: Charlotte Cole, Keven & Sandy Bruesewitz, Mark & Belinda Borchardt, Nicole & Michael Cole, Tyler & Cari Johanns, Ray & Neoma Smidt, Holly Bruesewitz, Chris Paulson, Phil & Gloria Hackbart, Steve & Brenda Trenhaile

...to Doris Ralph and Mavis Stevens for serving on Altar Guild duty in the month of September.

...to the following ladies for volunteering their time at the Share Shoppe in Northwood:
Nicole Cole, Doris Ralph, Clarice Bartz,
Charlotte Cole, Linda Koschmeder and Pastor
Zamzow.

...to the following for providing special music for Pastor's Ordination Anniversary: Jeremias Zamzow, Merlin Bartz, Donna Schilling, Charlotte Cole and all the choir members.

...to our Sunday School teachers: Tammy Borchardt, Lily Walk, Kristy Arzberger, Sally Mayer, Alex Trenhaile, Marsha Pettey, Sara Kuntz, Vanessa Arzberger Hanson, Amy Edwards, Mary Jo Urbatsch and to those who are willing to sub: Abbie Steinberg, Liz Schaub, Jamie Trenhaile and Christa Larson. Jody Hackbart and Nicole Cole are leading our Logos Legos- Thanks!

...to the members of our Church Council and all their work in front and behind the scenes of our life together: JC Dawald, Darren Marsh, Jane Dalluge, Sharon Hulshizer, Nicole Cole, Neil Hackbart, Merlin Bartz and Amy Edwards.

...to our Evangelism Committee for organizing another fun Movie night. Not even a down-pour could persuade us to stop laughing and having a good time. Thanks to Ramie Kuntz, Merlin Bartz, Alan Stevens, Myra Dierks, Sandy Thompson and their spouses who always work hard to make all things come together!!

...to Donna Schilling for accompanying the service Pastor held at Good Sam in St. Ansgar last month.

...to those who gave flowers in the month of September.

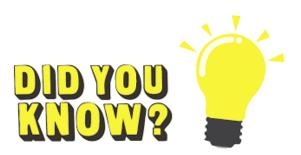


COMMUNITY EVENTS

L.I.F.T (Ladies in Fellowship Together)

Presents the 4th Annual Ladies Night- Redeemer of the Rain- He Lives! Featuring Nicole C. Mullen- Female Gospel Vocalist on Satuday, October 28th, 2017. Meal from 5-7pm with Program at 7pm at the Cedar River Complex in Osage.

Mona's Annual Fall Bazaar is on Saturday, October 7th, from 9am to 1pm. Come for Coffee and Stay for Lunch!



...that we are having 34 students officially signed up for Sunday School? We begin our weekly lesson at 10:40 am in the Library with all students gathering for prayer, music and an introduction to the lesson of the day. Our curriculum corresponds to the lessons we have in worship.

...that all Sunday School children are invited to sing in a MASS CHILDREN'S CHOIR for our Reformation celebration on Sunday, October 29th at 4 o'clock? The kids are practicing their songs during Sunday School. Parents: please respond to Amy Edwards who will text you regarding the details!

...that due to the significant increase in our Sunday School enrollment, we are planning (for the first time in many years!) to offer a three-night Vacation Bible School next summer that involves all ages – kids, parents and grandparents? We will continue to attend and support the Bolan VBS as we have since 2013; our event will be in addition and at a time that avoids scheduling conflicts.

...that our Mission Fest Sunday will be on November 12th? We will have a guest speaker from Food for the Poor, an organization with which we have been familiar for a few years. Rev. Carola von Wrangel is a retired Episcopal priest and will be traveling to Grafton from Seattle, WA.

...that we will have another LIVE NATIVITY this year? The date is Sunday, December 10th at 3 pm. Watch for more information as the day approaches. We will again need many

hands to make it another successful event, sharing the good news of Christ.

...that you can mark your calendar for the Sunday School Christmas program already? December 17th has been set for that annual and beloved service. We will begin at 6:30 pm.

...that we will have a SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING on SUNDAY, **NOVEMBER 19th?** You will receive appropriate information according to the time-line our Constitution requires. We will have three items on our agenda: a revision of our Bylaws to bring them in conformity with our current practice as it in particular pertains to the work of our boards; a Continuing Resolution with language clarifying our current practice regarding marriage and a vote on a recommendation to repair the east wall of our church building. Please read the information you will receive in the mail, carefully. Likewise, please note that a Special Congregational Meeting allows only for items on the official agenda to be discussed. The meeting will take place following our worship service and we hope all voting members of Emmanuel will be able to join us in this decisionmaking process.

...that over 90 persons from 21 of our 37 Mission District congregations gathered at Old East Paint Creek Lutheran Church, Waterville, Iowa, on Saturday, September 16th, for our annual Convocation? We enjoyed a day of worship, fellowship, learning and conducted

the business of the Mission District.
The Rev. Marshall Hahn was re-elected to serve as Dean; Pastor Mark Lund and Mr. Roger Mohning were elected to the Mission District Council. The keynote speaker was the Rev. Dr. Mark Mattes, Professor of Theology and Philosophy at Grandview University in Des Moines. In his lecture, Professor Mattes noted that Lutherans lack confidence in discussing their faith because the church does not have high expectations of her members



(including our young people) which undermines the importance of our faith and the church in the eyes of others. Quoting the children's song from our Sunday School days, Professor Mattes encouraged the hearers to "let your lights shine".

...that more than 100 Washington-area Jews are observed Yom Kippur at a beer garden this year? Aaron Potek, rabbi of a 20- and 30somethings Jewish group called GatherDC, thought it was a fitting setting for a Yom Kippur service. Surprising as it might sound, a Yom Kippur service in a beer garden actually builds upon rabbinic tradition, according to Potek, an Orthodox rabbi. The Bible refers to the holiday in plural as "Yom Kippurim," which can be read in Hebrew as "like Purim." Purim is the holiday that draws upon the Book of Esther, and some consider it a sort of Jewish Halloween — a time to dress up and get a little silly while listening to the story of the triumph of the Jews over their oppressor.

...that the theological differences that led to the Protestant Reformation 500 years ago have dwindled since then in both the United States and Western Europe? That's the finding of a Pew Research Center survey released in late August. Among U.S. Protestants, many seem unaware of the differences, voicing beliefs today that are more traditionally Catholic than they are Protestant. According to the survey, more Protestants reported they believe salvation comes through a mix of faith and good works (52 percent) — the traditionally Catholic position than through "faith alone" (46 percent). That belief — "sola fide" in Latin — is one of the "solas (alone)" that form the backbone of Protestant Reformers' beliefs. The same shares of Protestants also reported they believe Christians should look to the Bible, church teachings and tradition for guidance — the Catholic position rather than the "Bible alone," or the Protestant belief in "sola Scriptura."

SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY DAY





OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT







Congregational Council Minutes August 15th, 2017

Meeting called to order by: JC Dawald- President Attended: Pastor Zamzow, Merlin Bartz- Evangelism, Neil Hackbart- Property, Amy Edwards- Christian Education, Sharon Hulshizer- Lay Ministry, Jane Dalluge- Stewardship, Christa Larson-Sec. / Treas.

Absent: Nicole Cole- Youth

Devotions: Sharon Hulshizer -Building Community **Education Segment:** Merlin spoke about the NALC Convocation. Discipleship and

Reformation was the focus this year.

Agenda review: M/S/C to approve agenda as

presented.

Minutes: M/S/C to accept Minutes as written.

Treasurer's Report: M/S/C to approve treasurer's report as presented.

Bills to be paid: M/S/C to approve the bills to be paid.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Z reported on: the blessing of the backpacks on Sunday August 20th, Plans for Rally Day, Reformation, Vetting panel-NALC, Y & E Meeting, Very busy weeks coming up before Labor day for a Pastor.

Board Highlights:

Property- The property committee is proposing a more long term plan for fixing the water issues with the East wall by means of cutting off the parapet wall and wrapping the remainder in steel, all work to be done by the Morton Company. 1) Various monetary funds were discussed for possible use in the reapir of the wall. 2) We would be responsible for moving and returning the gas lines, it is NOT included in the Morton Estimate. 5) Temporary fix on the east kitchen wall due to the need to protect ourselves from breaking any OSHA regulations.

M/S/C- To proceed with property committee recommendation to fix the East wall with steel, work to be done by the Morton Company.

6) Plan for a special meeting, with appropriate lead

time and only the east wall on the agenda.

M/S/C- To paint the front wooden doors Ivory Ridge-#0182 and the trim in Fresh Linen-#0180 Youth & Christian Education- There are enough teachers for Sunday School and four substitute teachers.

Lay ministry- Did not meet

Evangelism- Met on July 31st and discussed the Rally day potluck, and are working on a guest music group. Discussed movie and set date for Sept. 16th.

<u>Stewardship</u>- Committee updated it's bylaws, and Mission Sunday to be on Nov. 12th.

Membership review: None

Unfinished business:

- a) Water Mission- Motion Made, Seconded and defeated- for ELC to commit to \$20,000 over a 2-year period for the Water Mission Project.
- b) Hardwiring internet to youth room- No action needed because there was no problem found.
- c) 500th Anniversary of Reformation plans for October 29th at 3pm, First Lutheran in St. Ansgar is joining in as well as, Peace Lutheran in Northwood, Bethlehem in Manly and Deer Creek in Carpenter, St. Peter in Toeterville and Immanuel in St. Ansgar. There will be a free will offering for the meal that will follow the service and proceeds to go to World Hunger.

New Business:

- a) Special Offering from Mary Rohlfson estate-M/S/C- To put \$1,000 in the Organ Fund and \$232.41 to go into the Choir Fund.
- b) Unblocking long distance on the kitchen phone M/S/C- To deny the request to add long of
 - M/S/C- To deny the request to add long distance
- Next meetings devotion's preparer is Amy Edwards
- d) Next month's meeting will be on September 12th at 7:00pm.

M/S/C- Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

-Secretary/Treasurer, Christa Larson





Upcoming Dates:

*Anneliese Tisdale- Sunday, Oct 15th at 2 p.m.;

*Next TWC meeting- Tuesday, October 17 at 9am

*October Bible Study- Tuesday, Oct 24th at 10am and 7pm. Ladies, if you have not had a chance to attend, it's never too late. Last month, we learned how savoring rich chocolate is like savoring God's rich grace. This month will focus on Sharing that grace. Please join us for this tasty and interesting study.

Clarice shared devotions about God's assurance and how where we look for guidance speaks of our character. It was a reminder to keep Jesus as our source. TWC was called to order with the reading of the purpose. Secretary minutes from June were read and approved. Treasurer's report shows \$4,515.81 in checking and \$6,058.79 in savings. There are a few outstanding bills and deposits to record.

Old business: 1) LWR projects: 29 school kits have been assembled and packed. Quilts are ongoing. 2) LRH Bingo/Birthday party: Several volunteers have been going on Fridays to help with the Bingo and the Birthday party at the Lutheran Retirement Home in Northwood. Thank you to all those willing to help. 3) Update on past events: 2 quilts and some baked goodies were taken to the Brooke Runde benefit in June; 1 quilt and a gift certificate were given to Pastor Z for her birthday in June; and 2 quilts were sent along to the NALC convocation for the "Stuff the Truck" Project in August.

New business: 1) Bible Study: Our new Bible Study for this year is "Living a Chocolate Life" and will be on Tuesday mornings at 10 a.m. and

evenings at 7 p.m., beginning on September 26th. Chocolate treats will be shared, along with coffee and tea. 2) Guest speaker: Anneliese Tisdale will be coming on Sunday, October 15th at 2 p.m. to share her personal story and book. We will invite other churches and advertise for any interested in attending. 3) New Yearbooks: It is time to look over last year's yearbooks to make changes for the upcoming year.

Upcoming Dates: Bible Study Tues, Sept 26th at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Anneliese Tisdale Sunday, Oct 15th at 2 p.m.; Next TWC meeting on Tuesday, October 17th at 9 a.m.; October Bible Study on Tuesday, Oct 24th at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

-Sharon Hulshizer, Secretary



TREASURY REPORT Financial Balance Information for Aug. 2017

Current Fund

Beginning of month Balance: \$3,853.85

Interest: \$ 4.32 Deposits: \$ 11,171 Expenses: \$ 10,959

Transfer out: \$1,232.41 (Mary Rohlfson Estate)

End of month Balance: \$2,837.76

Benevolence Fund

Beginning of month Balance: \$ 2,855.86

Deposits: \$ 293.94

Expense: \$ 350 (Iowa Mission District)

End of month Balance: \$ 2,799.80

End of month Balance: \$ 2,7
Building Fund

Beginning of month Balance: \$17,074.46

Deposits: \$1,920

End of month Balance: \$ 18,994.46 Gifts and Memorials

Beginning of month Balance: \$25,470.35 Deposits: \$1,232.41 transferred from Current (Mary Rohlfson Estate) + \$208 (Thrivent) Expense: \$208 (Thrivent paid to ENALCW)

End of month Balance: \$26,702.76

Total of all funds in Emmanuel Lutheran Church: \$51,334.78

October 2017

Emmanuel Lutheran Church- Grafton, IA

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 17 th Sunday of Pentecost 9:30- Worship with HC 10:30- Fellowship 10:40- Sunday School	2	3	4:15pm Confirmation 7pm Choir	9:30am Bible Study	6	7
8 18 th Sunday of Pentecost 9:30- Worship 10:30- Fellowship 10:40- Sunday School	6pm- Hospitality Team- Reformation Celebration	10 10am- PZ in Manly 7pm- Council Meeting	11 4:15pm Confirmation 7pm Choir	9:30am Bible Study	13	14
19th Sunday of Pentecost 15 9:30- Worship 10:30- Fellowship 10:40- Sunday School 2pm- Annelise Tisdale - Book Presentation	16	17	4:15pm Confirmation 7pm Choir	9:30am Bible Study	20	21
20th Sunday of Pentecost 22 9:30- Worship 10:30- Fellowship 10:40- Sunday School 3pm- PZ @ LRH 6pm- Luther's Movie	23	10am & 7pm	25 4:15pm Confirmation 7pm Choir	9:30am 9:30am Bible Study 1-4pm- ELC @ Share Shoppe	27	28
Reformation Sunday 29 21st Sunday of Pentecost 9:30- Worship with HC 10:30- Fellowship 10:40- Sunday School 4pm Reformation Celebration	7pm- Evangelism Committee	31 500 th Anniversary of the Reformation				



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Sept	Greeters	Organist	Acolytes	
1		Donna Schilling	Zach Badker	
8	Allen & Mavis Stevens	Marena Henkle	Gabe Walk	
15	Suzanne Walk	Donna Schilling	Ryan Cole	
22	Jaime & Brett Trenhaile	Charlotte Cole	Brooklyn Hackbart	
29	Anthony Walk	Donna Schilling	Emma Hicken	

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