

EMMANUEL'S EPISTLE

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FEBRUARY 2022

SPONSORED BY:

Clarice Bartz

A Word from your Interim Pastor, Reverend Dr. David E. Schafer ...



As I begin to write to you in this newsletter, let me first say how thankful and how glad I am to serve you as your interim pastor. To date, if my math is correct, Emmanuel is the 6th congregation that I have had the pleasure to serve as a transitional minister of the Gospel. I welcome your prayers and encouragement as we move forward in our common mission and ministry together.

As I read a copy of your Annual Report, I found the closing words of Mark to be inspirational. Mark wrote about the work that lies ahead of us. In closing, Mark wrote "...to keep the Gospel moving on... dedicated to serve as Christ the Lord taught us..."

It is my hope and prayer that Mark's words are more than an aspiration. I would like to join you in the understanding that Mark's words are our common goal as we move forward with our calling to advance of Gospel of Word and Sacraments within families, Emmanuel, the Church, and the world.

-Pr. Schafer

"Show & Tell"

As we begin the month of February, we continue in the season of Epiphany. As you might know, the word Epiphany comes from the Greek, meaning to show and to tell. Just over a month ago, we celebrated Emmanuel - God with us. At Christmas, we joined with angels and archangels, shepherds and wise men, the Church throughout the world, and the host of the communion of saints celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ, our Lord and our Savior.



During the season of Epiphany we are challenged to show and tell everyone who this Son of Mary really is. The Bible readings for this season proclaims the fact that Christ is, fully God himself in human form. As such, Jesus was born to suffer, die, and be raised as the One who is able to save us from our sins and to guarantee us life eternal.

How are you doing in terms of showing and telling the identity of Jesus Christ? I know for me, I have a lot of work yet to do. It is my sense that we could all do more to advance the cause of Jesus Christ.

A contemporary Christian song that I find helpful in showing and telling the identity of Jesus is called "A little less like me" by Zach Williams. I encourage you to Google this song on YouTube and to be sure to include the word "lyrics"

The refrain goes like this:

*"O Lord help me be:
A little more like mercy, a
little more like grace;
A little more like kindness,
goodness, love and faith;*

*A little more like patience, a little more like peace;
A little more like Jesus, a little less like me."*



When we take these words to heart, then we are truly able to show and tell the wonders and the love of Jesus Christ. As I join you in the challenge of Mark, to keep the Gospel moving on...dedicated to serve as Christ the Lord taught us, let us show and tell everyone that Jesus Christ is the Lord of all.

"Who Is This New Guy?"



Each and every time I begin a new ministry, the question is always "Who is David Schafer?"

I am the oldest of four siblings. I was born in Olivia, MN and grew up in Willmar, MN. I graduated from high school and then I became a student at Gustavus Adolphus College in Saint Peter, MN. In college, I majored in history and education. In addition, I minored in religion.

After graduation, I studied for the ministry at Luther Seminary at St. Paul, MN. I was ordained in my home congregation, Bethel Lutheran Church, Willmar, MN. After ordination, I served a three-point parish in Nebraska. Every Sunday, I had services at 8:00, 10:00 and 11:30.

While in Nebraska, I fell in love with the love of my life, Loretta Schroeder. After a couple of years of marriage, our son, Paul David was born. Just before Paul turned 4, we relocated to Waukon, IA, where I served as the associate pastor at St. John's Lutheran Church. After St. John's, I took early retirement from full time ministry. I began serving congregations as an interim pastor.

During my years in the ministry, I have served on a number of committees, boards, and commissions of the church on local, regional, and national levels. Recently, I have concluded my term as a jurist on the Court of Adjudication for the North American Lutheran Church in the United States and Canada.

I enjoy my family and my serving as a pastor and teacher in the Church. My hobbies include golf, fishing, and a Sunday afternoon nap.

My wife Loretta is a full-time 4th grade teacher at St. Patrick School in Waukon. Our son Paul lives in Woodbury, MN. Paul graduated from Luther College with a chemistry degree. He is employed by 3M as an Advanced Informational Analyst.

During the time that I will be serving you, I will be at Emmanuel on Thursday afternoons through Sunday mornings. The exception to my schedule will be during Lent. I will be with you on Wednesdays instead of Thursdays. During the rest of the week, I am available to serve you by calling me at my home 1-563-568-6199. I'm also available by email. My address is schaferdavide@gmail.com.

During the time that I am in Grafton, you can reach me at the church by calling 641-748-2736 or at the parsonage calling 641-748-2050. If there is no answer, please leave a message. As I am your pastor, I will be visiting many of you. Sharon will arrange appointments to visit you either at your home or at the parsonage. I am on a strict diet. DO NOT FEED ME! I do, however, love to drink gallons and gallons of coffee. Please call me whenever you need me. I am here to serve you.

- Pr. David E. Schafer



We are happy to welcome Pastor Schafer into our midst and thank him for his willingness to respond to our call to serve as Interim Pastor for six months (or longer, depending on when Emmanuel calls a new pastor). Since the Call Committee has not had any response, Pastor Staley recommended contacting Pastor Schafer. Council visited with Pastor Schafer during a zoom meeting on January 25th and offered him the position. He will begin on February 20th. Continue to pray for Emmanuel's new path and also for the response of a new pastor.

-Sharon

The next recorded service will be **Sunday, February 6th**. Pastor Paul Weeg will lead our worship and there will be Holy Communion that day. This

will be Pastor Weeg's last Sunday with us as he is scheduled to have shoulder replacement surgery on the 14th. We thank Pastor Weeg for being a blessing to

our congregation in our time of need. He began his time with us last summer, conducting a funeral right after Pastor Z left and then provided Emergency Pastoral Care, began Confirmation class in the fall, and took on the role of Part-time Interim, providing Pulpit Supply as able. We are so grateful to have had the chance to get to know him better and wish him the best with his surgery, recovery, and the joys of retirement. (Of course, we will be happy to welcome him back anytime!!)



Attention Counters, Ushers, and PA assistants... If you no longer wish to serve for the coming year, please contact the church office. We appreciate all those who have served in the past and those who are willing to continue doing so.

Connection Groups are continuing to meet for fellowship and Bible Study. Check with Abbie & Josh Steinberg or Charlotte Cole and Sharon Hulshizer for more information. We are excited to begin Season 2 of "The Chosen" and learn more about the disciples.



"Noisy Offering" will be collected on **February 20th**. Please bring your coins/special

offering to church for the children to collect during offertory. The money will be used to help offset the cost of Bible Camp for our young people.



Since Pastor Schafer will be coming to Grafton and staying from Thursday-Sunday (Wednesdays during Lent) in the parsonage during his time here, we are in need of items to help furnish it for his stay. (His wife and son may join him occasionally) There is a kitchen table/chairs, a twin bed, and bathroom towels. A queen size bed and lift chair are also being provided, Pastor Schafer has suggested the following items of need: For the living room: a couch, 3 chairs, 3-5 end tables, lamps, a coffee table, and a television. For the bedroom: 1 end table and a lamp, a dresser, and clothes hangers. For the kitchen: 4 extra chairs. For the guest room: an end table and lamp. For the office: a desk lamp, several folding chairs, and a side table.

A gift certificate for Jmart or Gobbler's Roost would be a nice gesture also. If you have extra items available, please contact the church office and let Sharon know before any items are brought. Thank you!

Attention: Vanco Mobile App users...

A reminder that Vanco, our e-Giving provider, has launched an updated mobile app called Vanco Mobile to replace GivePlus Mobile. Members will not be able to make gifts using the GivePlus Mobile app after January 31, 2022. Vanco Mobile is free and includes many significant upgrades for users. Members' log-in credentials in Vanco Mobile are the same as they are in GivePlus Mobile. You can download the Vanco Mobile app for free from the App Store or Google Play. If you have questions, please call the church office.



Joys & Sorrows

Congratulations to Will & Brittany Bartz, on the birth of a son, Luther Alfred Israel Bartz, born on January 12th. God's richest blessings on their growing family!



STEWARDSHIP MUSINGS

How are you coming with those New Year's resolutions? Have you given up after weeks, days, hours? Have you not made any because you, more than likely, aren't going to stick with them anyway? Last month, I challenged you to try something new- a daily commitment of time to prayer, Bible reading, a daily devotion and to put others before yourselves. We are creatures of habit and sometimes it's easier to keep the ones we have rather than create new ones that require time and mindfulness.



As I was preparing for our Annual Meeting on the 23rd, I was reading reports of last year's activities and looking at figures regarding revenues and expenses. As Treasurer, I always want to be mindful of putting the right figures in the right columns, of reporting the correct numbers when it comes to expenditures and planning for the coming year. I think one thing most of us can relate to is concern over money. There never seems to be enough or it's a constant struggle to make and keep a budget. The world tells us to buy, to spend on ourselves, we need this or that-now! Then we try to balance that with deciding how much to put aside for a rainy day or to build a reserve in case of emergency.

How does this relate to us as Christians? What is our financial responsibility to God and his work? Evangelist Lowell Lundstrom, in the 1980s, wrote a song titled,



"Send it on Ahead" (the U-haul Song), whose lyrics I got a kick out of. The chorus went something like this, "Well, you never seen a hearse with a U-haul trailer, truckin' on down the

road and you never seen a coffin with a vault inside it, it'd be a heavy load..." As funny as the image it conjures seems, there are many that simply have a hard time parting with their money.

How does this relate to us at Emmanuel? We have a history of being generous with our giving. We are able to cover our expenses and still send money to those in need. That is a good thing. However, after a closer look at the "Giving by Confirmed Members" page in the Annual report, there are many who do not contribute

financially. The church is our future. We want to continue to maintain our beautiful building and its furnishings. We want to pass on our legacy to the next generation. It takes all of us working together to accomplish this goal. People make up the body of the church and are so very important and vital to it's future and well-being. And we need to show that not only in service, but in our financial giving. Some tithe and others are not sure where to begin.

This year, I offer another challenge to all of us: take a moment to exam your giving... if you haven't given before, begin now. If you don't have much, start with a small amount. If you have more or can increase your giving, then give more. Everyone is important to the work of God. Every contribution, small or large, makes a difference. It's an investment in our future, in the next generation's future. We can't take it with us when we're gone, but we can make the future brighter for those left behind when we are!

-Sharon

Thank You Stewards

...to our organists, Charlotte Cole, Marena Henkle, and Donna Schilling for their faithful service and beautiful music.

...to our January counters: Laurie-Nack Bublitz, Michael Cole, and Duaine & Myra Dierks

...to our Lay Ministry steward, Duane Rustad.

...to Val Bork, our Altar Guild steward.

...to our PA operators: Michael Cole and Corrie Kuntz.

...to our January Ushers: Keven Bruesewitz, Val Bork, Phil Hackbart, Jason & Ryan Hackbart, and Neil Hackbart.

...to Renae Kroneman, our website manager.

...to the January Hospitality Team VII: Merlin & Lisa Bartz, Ryan & Ashley Trousdale, Marcy Hyde, Betty & Gene Rosenberg, Laurie-Nack Bublitz, Dick & Ruth Neeley, Donna Schilling, Brett & Alex Trenhaile, and Ardis Hanson.

...to our Share shoppe volunteer, Nicole Cole, and a huge "shout out" to Nicole for her many years of service in organizing the volunteers from Emmanuel to work at the Share Shoppe.

...to Pastor Paul Weeg, Linda Griffith and Rusty Rustad for serving as Pulpit Supply/Lay Ministry for Emmanuel during the month of January.

...to Emmanuel's choir for the special music that blesses our worship services.

...to all those who go "above and beyond" to see what needs to be done and take care of it.

"Many hands make light work"

THANK YOU, EMMANUEL

A big Thank You...to the church council on behalf of the people of Emmanuel, for the generous Christmas gift. It has been a joy to be your "Part-time interim for your future full-time interim for your future full-time pastor." That's a "mouthful"! Just call me *Pastor Paul*. May God Bless all in 2022 with his promise from Romans 8:28. "We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose."

To all the members of Emmanuel Lutheran Church...

I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation for the beautiful and gorgeous plant, 30 years of service certificate, and the CD, "He Leadeth Me". The CD certainly will be a reminder of the 30 years of service in this position. All I can say again is my thanks and may God bless every one of you. REMEMBER: GOD IS GOOD!
-Clarice Bartz

...for the very generous gift at Christmas. It has been my privilege to serve as your Secretary and Treasurer for this past year and continuing into the future.
-Sharon Hulshizer

...for your kind and generous gift at Christmas time, it was much appreciated!
-Sincerely, Charlotte

...for your generous gift of money. It is greatly appreciated.
-Manna of Worth County

...so much for your generous gift to Caring Pregnancy Center. Your gift ensures our clients the programs they have come to count on, will continue. Your help in furthering our mission is so appreciated by all of us. Have a Happy and blessed New Year.
-Yours in Christ, Shelly

...your support to our Mission is improving and changing lives daily. We appreciate the support. Let me know if you ever want me to come speak about the impact you make.
-Jennifer, CDO/One Vision

...so much for your generous donation to the Share Shoppe and for your continued support to our mission.
-the Share Shoppe Board

...we are truly moved by the outpouring of support we have received from donors like you. Your generous gift in memory of Becky Dalluge will help provide much needed comfort to children receiving Four Oaks services in Mason City. Thank you for remembering Becky in this way. *-Mary Beth O'Neill and Debbie Craig*

...we are so grateful for your prayers and generous support of the Lord's continued work through His Camp. God's blessings to you,
-Chris Dahl, Dir. RLBC

...for your recent donation to Food Bank of Iowa. You're helping connect families and individuals with the nutritious food they need to thrive. Many thanks to all.
-Bergetta Beardsley, VP of Philanthropy

...because of your support, safe water is flowing in communities worldwide. Your generosity is transforming lives with access to safe water and the hope of the Living Water, Jesus Christ.
-George C Greene IV, P/CEO Water Mission

...We'll keep you updated on our Kinship Radio happenings, and what a comfort to know that we're walking in to the New Year together! With Gratitude,
-Jennifer Hayden, Executive Director Kinship Radio

...Keep the prayers and uplifting support coming-your help is needed. God bless you and yours in 2022.
-Mary Bates, Coordinator, NALC Disaster Response.

...your contribution allows us to continue to be there for the people that would otherwise not have a place to spend their Holidays. Single men/women, families, Veterans, and individuals in recovery from drugs and alcohol are the people we serve. And without your help we wouldn't be able to do so. Have an amazing 2022.
-Jesse Germundson, Executive Director, Northern Lights Alliance for the Homeless

...for your donation to the Mitchell County Food Bank. We are grateful to have the community support to "make a difference" in the lives of so many, especially at this time of need and demand on our food bank and services
-Yvonne Tourtellott, Treasurer

...for your generous support of LSI. Your support is helping Iowa children and families thrive. Thank you for responding to the love of Jesus Christ through compassionate service. Wishing you a blessed new year!
-Sarah Green, VP of Phil. and Church Relations

...we are deeply grateful for your support of Orchard Place and your gift in memory of Becky Dalluge. Our need for charitable support has never been greater. The concern for the children we serve is deeply appreciated. Thank you for partnering with us in this important work.
-Wendy Ingham

...you have blessed our hearts with your support of our ministry {Sola Publishing} to provide solid, biblical resources for use in preaching and teaching God's Word. We are deeply thankful for your gracious gift.
-Pastor Steve King, Managing Editor



Attention Parents and Kids...some of you have been inquiring about Bible Camp and that is great! We collect *Noisy Offering* the third Sunday of each

month, just for the purpose of helping to offset the cost of going to camp. If you are interested in attending Riverside Lutheran Bible Camp in Story City, you can look online for more information as to what camp is right for your age, which weeks are available, and how to register online, which is the preferred way to register. www.RiversideLBC.org is



the website you'll need. For church members, Emmanuel will pay 50% of the regular

camp fee or, for Confirmation kids, a one- time, 100% of the fee. If you choose to go to a special camp such as Ranch camp or Adventure Camp, you would pay the extra cost. We also do not pay for any extra activity or canteen fees, just the base registration. We have a church discount code set up through Riverside for church members, so when you enroll your child for camp, please contact the church office for our code that you can enter in your registration. That will help to secure your date and apply what Emmanuel will pay to your bill. There is an early registration discount, if you register by February 15th. There are also other discounts, such as a sibling discount, member church discount, etc. If you have any questions, please call the church office. It's a great experience for kids to meet others and learn more about Jesus. This year's theme is ***"Anchored in Hope"*** based on 1 Peter 3:15. There is a booklet and flyers in the kiosk in the entrance and posters of events on the bulletin boards by the office if you'd like to look at those for more information as well.



Did You Know

...that Clarice Bartz has been our financial recording secretary since 1991? Clarice has decided to retire from her position and we thank her for her many years of service.

The Council recognized Clarice with a beautiful plant, a CD of hymns, and a certificate of appreciation.



Belinda

Borchardt will be taking over the position and we thank her for her willingness to do so.

...That 19 congregations have joined the NALC in 2021?

... Representatives of the North American Lutheran Church and Anglican Church of North America (ACNA) met Nov. 29- 30 for a consultation at the Church of the Holy Communion Anglican Cathedral in Dallas, Texas? This meeting focused on a draft document aimed at further defining the relationship between the two church bodies. Participants have been describing the relationship as "sister church bodies" engaged in "missional ecumenism," a new term coined by the consultation. The ecumenical relationship between the two bodies is focused on mission — on furthering mission within both denominations and cooperation between them.

... The Mekane Yesus Seminary, located in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, is the largest seminary of the largest Lutheran body in the world, the Ethiopian Evangelical Lutheran Church Mekane Yesus (EECMY)? The EECMY has more than 10 million members. The NALC is in a full communion relationship with the EECMY. There is still great need at the seminary. The seminary was devastated by an unprecedented flash flood in August. Although the new building was untouched, damage on campus is in the millions of dollars. Eight people lost their lives. This is also a difficult time for all of the people of Ethiopia. The country is caught up in a horrible civil war. Please pray also for peace and safety and healing for the land. The fighting is in the northern parts of the country and has not come to Addis Ababa. The worries, concerns and risks are high. By the grace of God, the Lutheran-Christian movement continues to grow and spread, even in the context of the war.

(Information taken from the NALC December Newsletter)
<https://thenalc.org>



**Congregational Council Minutes
Emmanuel Lutheran Church
December 9th, 2021**

Meeting called to order by: Mark Fredrickson - President

Attended: JC Dawald- V President, Marena Henkle - Stewardship, Belinda Borchardt-Evangelism, Emi Kuntz-Lay Ministry, Abbie Steinberg-Christian Education, Will Bartz-Youth, Michael Cole-Property, and Sharon Hulshizer, Secretary/Treasurer.

Absent: none

Devotions: Emi Kuntz

Agenda review: M/S/C to accept agenda as amended: 1) add 2b Clarice Bartz and 2) add 9b Shruti.

Clarice Bartz announced that she is retiring as financial recording secretary and has found a replacement. She has done it since 1991 and Council thanked her for her service. M/S/C to accept Belinda Borchardt to take over as financial recording secretary.

Review Printed Minutes: M/S/C to accept minutes as presented.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's report accepted.

Board Highlights:

Stewardship- has met and finished their end of year distributions. The Becky Dalluge memorial money will be sent to four programs working with children for a total of \$3,500, leaving \$6,500 for future disbursements.

Lay Ministry- has met and created their proposed budget for the next year. They are also following a couple more leads for Sunday services.

Evangelism- Has met and discussed budget. They are still looking for ideas and information for the new sign on Highway 9.

Y&E: Education board has met via e-mail and are ready for the children's Christmas Program. Connection Group is going well. Youth will be reading during the SS program.

Property- Plumbing has been disconnected from the kitchen island.

Membership review: none

Unfinished business:

- a) Call Committee: no report
- b) PA system: the sound board may not need replacing. There seems to be a bad cable to the pulpit. Task force will continue looking into the system and the carillon in more depth.
- c) Church sign: Anthony Walk will be taking over for Orland Bartz, creating monthly messages.
- d) Nativity set: committee is still looking and has not made a decision on a new set. Sharon will check with members to see about getting the old nativity set up by the parsonage for this year.
- e) Nominating Committee: e-mails have been sent to members, committee-need sheets and current roster information has been put into their bulletin boxes. Members will need to meet in person.

New Business:

- a) Proposed budget 2022
- b) Shruti: is a student of Wartburg Theological Seminary in Dubuque that is in her last semester and needs housing and internet to finish her schooling. **M/S/C to invite Shruti to stay at the parsonage to finish her schooling.**

Next meeting devotion's preparer: Abbie Steinberg

Next meeting date and time is Tuesday January 11th at 7:00 p.m.

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

-Secretary, Sharon Hulshizer

Treasurer's Report
Financial Balance Information
for December 1-31, 2021



General Fund

Beginning Balance: \$46,341.94

TWC (The Women's Council)
January 18th , 2021

Interest: \$10.73

Offering Revenues: \$ 24,762.25

E-giving Revenues: \$314.53

Total Revenues: \$25,087.51

Total revenues + Beginning balance: \$71,429.45

Expenses: \$ 12,715.64

End of month Balance: \$58,713.81

Encouraged:
Sponsors for future Epistle newsletters.
\$90/month
Thank you!



Flight 2022 Instructions

Good morning and welcome to Flight 2022.
We are prepared to take off into the New Year.
Please make sure your Positive Attitude and Gratitude are secured and locked in the upright position. All self-destruct devices: pity, anger, selfishness, pride, and resentment should be turned off at this time. All negativity, hurt, and discouragement should be put away.

Should you lose your Positive Attitude under pressure during this flight, reach up and pull down a prayer. Prayers will automatically be activated by

Faith. Once your Faith is activated, you can assist passengers who are of little faith. There will be NO BAGGAGE allowed on this flight. God, our Captain, has cleared us for take-off. Destination-GREATNESS!

Wishing you a New Year filled with new HOPE, new JOY, and new BEGINNINGS!

Stay Blessed!
And welcome to 2022.

(shared by Belinda Borchardt at the January TWC Meeting)

Belinda shared, "Flight 2022 Instructions" for our devotions. It reminds us that God is our pilot and encourages us to look for new hope, new joy, and new beginnings for the New Year. TWC was opened with the reading of the purpose statement. Secretary minutes from December were approved as read. Treasurer reports \$1,189.76 in checking and \$8,019.40 in savings. Thank yous were read from KCMR, ELC in Rochester, Food for the Poor, 4 Oaks, One Vision, the Share Shoppe, and the WNALC. **M/S/C to vote yes on the WNALC revisions to 6.02 and 7.07 of the Operational Guidelines.** This is to ratify proposed revisions to the operational guidelines that were approved at the annual WNALC gathering on August 3rd in Corpus Christi, TX.














Old Business: 1) LWR Projects- no sewing days have been scheduled yet. There are quilts that can be taken home to be finished, if individuals would like to do so. 2) Kitchen remodeling- channels have been cut in the kitchen floor for water lines. Floor covering has been chosen for the serving room and kitchen and we are waiting on estimates for that. 3) "The Chosen" Bible Study- we will begin Season 2 and are awaiting new study guides to correlate to that. 4) New carafes: one from Martin Brothers has been purchased. Wilson supply will be contacted to see what they have available before more are purchased.

New business: 1) Soup Supper- with remodeling continuing, the soup supper will be delayed until fall. 2) Audit of Books- will take place in February, when the church books are done. 3) The Hillman family will be added to Team 1 of the Hospitality Teams.

Upcoming dates: February TWC- Tuesday, February 15th at 9 a.m. Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Secretary, Sharon Hulshizer

February 2022 (All events subject to Covid restrictions)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
		1	2 <u>Connection Group</u> 1 p.m. <u>Confirmation</u> 4:30 p.m. <u>Choir</u> 7:00 p.m.	3  (On Feb 2 nd)	4	5 	
6 <u>5th Sunday after Epiphany</u> 9:30 Worship w/HC Pastor Weeg <i>Installation of new board/council</i> 10:30 Fellowship 10:40 Sunday School	7	8 	9 <u>Connection Group</u> 1 p.m. <u>Confirmation</u> 4:30 p.m. <u>Choir</u> 7:00 p.m.	10 Church Council 7 p.m.	11 	12	
13 <u>6th Sunday after Epiphany</u> 9:30 Worship w/Deb Gage <i>Choir Sings</i> 10:30 Fellowship 10:40 Sunday School	14 <u>Valentine's Day</u> 	15 TWC (The Women's Council) 9:00 a.m.	16 <u>Connection Group</u> 1 p.m. <u>No Confirmation</u> <u>Choir</u> 7:00 p.m.	17 	18	19 <i>Pastor David and Loretta Schafer come to Grafton</i>	
20 <u>7th Sunday after Epiphany</u> 9:30 Worship w/Interim Pastor David Schafer <i>Noisy Offering</i> 10:30 Fellowship 10:30 Confirmation 10:40 Sunday School	21 President's Day	22 	23 <i>(Sharon out of the office)</i> <u>No Connection Group</u> <u>No Confirmation</u> <u>Choir</u> 7:00 p.m.	24 <i>Pastor David comes to Grafton</i>	25	26 	
27 <u>Transfiguration of Our Lord</u> 9:30 Worship w/Pastor Schafer <i>Choir sings</i> 10:30 Fellowship 10:30 Confirmation 10:40 Sunday School	28 	1 	2 <u>Connection group</u> 1 p.m. <u>Confirmation</u> 4:30 p.m.  ASH WEDNESDAY <u>Service with Imposition of ashes/ HC</u> 7:00 p.m. <i>Choir Sings</i> Choir rehearsal afterwards	 <h1>Lent</h1> "In View of God's Mercy".			Wednesday Lent Services will be at 7:00 p.m. from March 9 th -April 6 th . Our theme this year is:



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<u>February</u>	<u>Acolytes</u>	<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Organist</u>
Sunday, February 6th <i>5th Sunday after Epiphany</i>	Aundraya Paulson	Nicole Tourtellott	Marena Henkle
Sunday, February 13th <i>6th Sunday after Epiphany</i>	Jaxon Edwards	Troy & Yvonne Tourtellott	Charlotte Cole
Sunday, February 20th <i>7th Sunday after Epiphany</i>	Camden Trenhaile	Brandon & Jamie Trenhaile	Donna Schilling
Sunday, February 27th <i>Transfiguration of Our Lord</i>	Landon Hillman	Earl & Judy Trenhaile	Marena Henkle
Wednesday, March 2nd <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	Aundraya Paulson	***	Donna Schilling

Hospitality Team VIII: Julie & Curt Schaub

Ushers: Michael Cole, JC Dawald, Dave & Candi Feldt, and Corrie Kuntz

Lay Ministry: Emi Kuntz

Counters: Jason Hackbart, Dan Nack, and Marlin Rosenberg

Altar Guild: Emi Kuntz & Linda Schotanus

Share Shoppe Volunteer: Linda Koschmeder

PA Operators: Mark Fredrickson and Gregg Urbatsch

