

# THE IMMANUEL MESSENGER

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## IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OSMAN

The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod



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People know what you are by what they see, not what they hear.

### **I Gladly Say It!**

**Vicar Aaron Fenker**

Luther said that the Christian life is nothing else than a daily Baptism, once begun and ever continued. He also said, "Baptism remains forever. Even though we fall from it and sin, nevertheless we always have access to it so that we may again subdue the old man." In Baptism we truly have enough to study and practice our entire lives. This is true because the benefits offered in our Baptism are no small matter. Baptism works forgiveness of sins, rescues from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe this, as the words and promises of God declare (Mark 16:16). What joy the comfort and consolation of Baptism brings! All the gold of the earth pales in comparison to Baptism. What earthly treasure can bring such great benefits? We can truly sing:

God's own child, I gladly say it:

I am baptized into Christ!

He, because I could not pay it,  
Gave my full redemption price.

Do I need earth's treasures many?

I have one worth more than any

That brought me salvation free

Lasting to eternity!

As Lent approaches we begin to take our annual look at Christ's Passion, but also our sin which caused it. In Lent we pray: "O Lord, make me see Your passion, But its cause to me make known And its termination. Ah! I also and my sin Wrought your deep affliction; This indeed the cause has been Of Your crucifixion" (LSB 440:3, *alt*). Lent has a definite baptismal focus. If we are to focus on our sin and Christ's passion, we can't help but talk about Baptism which gives to us the cleansing flood of Jesus' blood.

Sin, disturb my soul no longer:

I am baptized into Christ!

I have comfort even stronger:

Jesus' cleansing sacrifice.

Should a guilty conscience seize me

Since my Baptism did release me

In a dear forgiving flood,

Sprinkling me with Jesus' blood?

Baptism not only washes our sins away but it rescues us from the devil. Baptism is not just plain water, but it is God working in that water. In that water Jesus drowns our ugly foe who would accuse us unceasingly before our heavenly Father (Revelation 12:10). As Pharaoh and his host were drowned, so the devil is drowned, and now Christ is united with us (Galatians 3:27) to conquer this ancient foe.

Satan, hear this proclamation:

I am baptized into Christ!

Drop your ugly accusation,

I am not so soon enticed.

Now that to the font I've traveled,

All your might has come unraveled,

And, against your tyranny,

God, my Lord, unites with me!

Through Baptism Jesus not only delivers us from the devil, but He delivers us from the curse which sin brought into the world: death. We shall all surely die. We are dust and to dust we shall return as we confess on Ash Wednesday, but we've already been united to a death - Jesus'. Jesus promised paradise to the thief on the cross, and we receive it too because as surely as we've been united to Christ's death, we've been united to His resurrection. Not even death can take away our baptismal joy!

Death you cannot end my gladness:

I am baptized into Christ!

When I die, I leave all sadness

To inherit paradise!

Though I lie in dust and ashes

Faith's assurance brightly flashes:

Baptism has the strength divine

To make life immortal mine.

In Baptism we truly have enough to study our whole life. All the benefits of baptism are true. It

truly brings and promises victory over death and the devil, forgiveness of sins, God's grace, the entire Christ, and the Holy Spirit with His gifts. The gifts are so bountiful we may doubt that it's all true. But it is true. There is no reason to doubt, but every reason to rejoice! How glorious are the gifts given to us when we were washed with water and word at the Holy Font. And those gifts last forever because Baptism remains forever!

There is nothing worth comparing  
To this life-long comfort sure!  
Open-eyed my grave is staring:  
Even there I'll sleep secure.  
Though my flesh awaits its raising,  
Still my soul continues praising:  
I am baptized into Christ;  
I'm a child of paradise!

*(Hymn stanzas taken from LSB 594 which will be sung on  
Sunday's continually throughout Lent.)*

### **Personal Note from Pastor McPike**

Greetings! I just wanted to share with you what is going on in my "other life," so that you have an understanding of how busy things have been.

In November, the "General Medical Unit" chaplain resigned and left. Carle Pastoral Care Department has four full-time chaplains, so naturally if one leaves that is twenty-five percent of our work-force. We have been searching for another chaplain since. Someone is hired and will be starting in orientation at Carle on March 7, 2011.

In early February, our Pediatric chaplain gave her notice that she was taking a job at a hospital in southwest Michigan. Her last day was February 28. That is now 50% of our department. The search is on to find her replacement.

We currently have three "PRN" chaplains (PRN in the medical world means "as needed") who cover call for us, especially on the weekends. One of those three is not able to cover call because his father is dying in Texas. Another has other obligations that are causing her to need to scale back. The short story there is, right now we have only three of us covering 24/7 call at Carle. I did ten nights of call last month, and am scheduled for ten nights this coming month. Sadly, I won't be available for too many of the Wednesday midweek services this year because of having to stay in C-U to cover call.

I am hopeful this situation will resolve by May! The vacant position has been approved and interviews are forthcoming, and we had a fourth "PRN" position approved and are now searching for someone for that. When things are all settled, I will be back to four

nights a month on call at Carle, less tired and more available at Osman!

### **Divine Drama Bible Study**

**Pastor Jeff McPike**

Come join the adult study on Sunday mornings as we journey through the Old Testament toward the time of Christ, always highlighting how the events in the Old Testament lead up to the time of Christ. "The Divine Drama" is so named because the entire Old Testament "sets the stage" in a rather dramatic form for the coming and work of Christ. Each week presents colorful illustrations that are reminders and illustrations of the major points of each lesson.

### **Lenten Season**

**Pastor Jeff McPike**

The Lenten season, a 40 day period that precedes Easter, is a time that church has traditionally set aside to focus on the passion of Christ and what it means for our forgiveness. It is a time of reflection. It is a time of repentance. It is a time of self-examination. And it is a time when Lutherans traditionally have held Wednesday evening services starting with Ash Wednesday.

This year, Vicar will be presenting a sermon series that will highlight the Passion of Christ by using the "passions," or those things that the first president of both Concordia Seminary and the LCMS, Dr. C. F. W. Walther, was passionate about. Walther was a key figure in the early history of the LCMS, and much of the way in which our congregational structure continues to be a part of our synod was formulated directly from early struggles within the group of Saxons who immigrated from Germany to around St. Louis in 1839. Dr. Walther was chosen as a sort of "theme" for this year not only because he is influential, but also because he was born 200 years ago in 1811 in Germany.

This year at Immanuel, we will again observe Lent with midweek services, starting with Ash Wednesday that will feature special paraments that will dress the chancel in "sack cloth," a reminder of the ancient symbol of repentance and sorrow, where one would sit in "sack cloth" and put ashes on one's head. A meal will precede the Ash Wednesday service in the Hall. The paraments were made by our Altar Guild ladies. On Maundy Thursday, we will celebrate communion using only the Common Cup, which has been a tradition observed in Lutheranism and here at Immanuel sometimes in the past.

Come join us in remembrance of our Lord's passion and the wonderful gifts God has given us in Christ, the forgiveness He won on the cross,

culminating in His victory over sin and death on Easter.

### **Church Council Minutes**

The following items were discussed at the Church Council Meeting held on Tuesday, February 8, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.:

Members attending: Lee Whitehouse, Mike Hendricks, Darwin Warsaw, Aaron Warsaw, Jill Hardesty, Vicar Aaron Fenker, and Pastor Jeff McPike.

The meeting was held in the Annex with Pastor McPike opening the meeting with prayer.

Secretary Jill Hardesty read the minutes from the January meeting with one amended correction in the Pastor Report from January regarding the Altar Guild. Mike Hendricks made a motion to amend the correction. Second by Darwin Warsaw. Motion carried.

Treasurer Mike Hendricks gave the Treasurer's Report with a balance of \$51,768.72 as of January 31, 2011. A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by Darwin Warsaw. Second by Aaron Warsaw. Motion carried.

Treasurer Mike Hendricks also discussed the following:

We have about \$300.00 to put towards discretionary causes. Discussion was held on what organization to donate the money to for January/February. Darwin Warsaw made a motion to give \$150.00 for January to the Orphan Grain Train and \$150.00 for the same organization. Second by Aaron Warsaw. Motion carried.

Also, the Church Extension Fund was discussed by Mike Hendricks with a floating CD in St. Louis, where we also have the Herman Meyer Fund. This fund pays 2% interest and would take \$20,000.00 from the current general checking account to draw more interest. If we need the money before the CD is up, we can leave \$5,000.00 in the account and draw the money out to use. A motion was made by Darwin Warsaw to remove \$20,000.00 from the general checking account and send it to the Church Extension Fund in St. Louis, MO. Second by Aaron Warsaw. Motion carried.

The Pastor's Report by Pastor McPike mentioned that prayers were needed for Pastor Don Ehlers from Champaign St. John's Lutheran Church who has been diagnosed with cancer.

Either Pastor or Vicar Aaron will fill in for Pastor Allen at the Loda church on February 27, 2011 and not be at Osman that Sunday. They will work it out between them.

Fellowship Club will meet on February 20, 2011. In the future, it's being determined if we should meet on Saturday evenings instead of Sunday evenings.

The Divine Drama materials have been ordered for the Lenten timeframe for Bible Study.

Altar Guild Chairman Debbie Lammle approached Pastor McPike about needing additional communion cards for the church. Jill Hardesty will advise Debbie where to have them made, as in the past.

Pastor McPike also reported that the Altar Guild will be using brown burlap for the paraments for Ash Wednesday with black symbols and is making those preparations for that now. The Altar Guild has also asked to purchase new white paraments for the Easter season and to approve a new Easter banner also with memorial monies. A motion was made by Mike Hendricks to purchase the new white paraments and banner with memorial monies. Second by Jill Hardesty. Motion carried.

Pastor McPike also thanked the Trustees that assisted in shoring up the flooring in the Annex and office area: Mark Barrack, Don Warsaw, Steve Martin, Shane Zimmerman, Wade Warsaw, and Darwin Warsaw.

Vicar Aaron reported that he truly appreciated all of the gifts from the Council and congregation during the holidays and feels blessed to be here.

Vicar Aaron attended the Pastor's Circuit Meeting in Danville.

The choir has been introduced to a new hymn for the lent season and the congregation will be hearing it very soon in some portion of the Sunday services.

The Lenten lessons from the pulpit will be taught during the Lenten season.

Bible Study continues on Wednesdays.

Darwin Warsaw reported on the Trustees Report. He told about the floors in the Annex and the walls that were going to need caring for due to rotting of the wall plate at the bottom of the wall and the footing of the building. The floors are now shored up, but the walls will be done at a later time, after winter. Thank you to Mark Barrack, Don Warsaw, Steve Martin, Shane Zimmerman, Wade Warsaw, and Darwin Warsaw for their expert carpenter skills.

The door closer to the front church door project has not been completed.

Darwin Warsaw handed out a tentative 2011 Mowing Schedule. If you do not want to be on the Mowing Schedule, please let Darwin know.

The offering plates have been taken to get replated. They will be gone for about four weeks.

In Old Business, discussion took place as to the Constitution and By-Law's proposed changes. The changes will need to be voted on in two separate voters meetings. Both of those votes will take place in April and July 2011. Please refer to the November and December newsletters on the website for reference. As discussed at the Annual Voters Meeting in January,

the congregation voted to look for an accounting firm for payroll and tax assistance.

Treasurer Mike Hendricks prefers to keep the payroll in-house for now. He noted that he will check with some local accounting firms for prices of monthly services and yearly auditing of the Treasurer's books. The results will be discussed at the next Quarterly Voters Meeting in April.

There was no New Business to report.

The next Church Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 8, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Annex.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Darwin Warsaw. Second by Aaron Warsaw. Motion carried with adjournment at 8:25 p.m. with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Jill Hardesty, Church Council Secretary

### **Fellowship Club**

Fellowship Club this year started off with a "cross." Yes! A competition to build the tallest cross. After Vicar read a devotion and prayer, those members present divided up for a team-building activity. The team making the tallest free standing cross won the chance to go to the brownie sundae bar first. P.S. The competition was close, but Pastor McPike's team won by an inch.

Those having birthdays in January, February, and March were recognized and given a special card. Delicious refreshments were served by John and Deb Lammler, Wilma Grussing, and Butch and Shirley Sprau. Afterwards the ladies chose to play a competitive game of dominoes, and Bill McCleary's team taught Vicar's team how to play Euchre.

Nineteen members of the congregation had a great evening of fellowship and fun. Look for the sign-up again in May for another group of volunteers to host this event!

### **Altar Guild Meeting**

The Altar Guild met on February 22, 2011 in the Annex with Pastor McPike and Vicar Fenker to discuss the changes to the Altar Guild guidelines. Thanks were given to Susie Martin for making burlap paraments for the Ash Wednesday service, and to Debbie Martin for making the new black acolyte skirts. The group approved the selection of new white paraments for Christmas and Easter.

Discussion was held concerning no flowers, banners, or flower stands to be used during Lent. If members want to donate fresh flower arrangements during the season of Lent, they may be used during the Sunday morning service only. Geraniums will be used to decorate the altar during Pentecost Sunday. It

was suggested that Karen Bryan inform the congregation on the church calendar included in the newsletter as to when communion will be celebrated during the year.

The Lois Christie Memorial will be used to purchase blue oil-filled candles for the Advent Wreath and two banners, one for Easter and one for Christmas. A confirmation robe will be ordered for confirmation on Palm Sunday, April 17, 2011.

Discussion was included on how to clean the candle snuffer, and how to store the new banners. The distinction for when to wear the red acolyte robes for special church holidays and festivals was also discussed. Approval by the Church Council to use only the common cup for communion on Maundy Thursday will be on the agenda for the next Church Council Meeting.

The Altar Guild will document the number of individual cups used during a given communion Sunday. Other needed supplies will be ordered by Chairman Debbie Lammler.

Thanks to all those who serve on the Altar Guild. New members are always welcome!

### **Thrivent News**

The Thrivent Choice Voting Event is nearly over. If you've already voted, thank you. If you haven't voted yet, please vote today and help choose where Thrivent Financial for Lutherans distributes \$1 million of its charitable outreach funds. Make your voice heard!

Vote for one of seven Lutheran and non-Lutheran national charitable organizations. They are Bethesda, Feeding America, Lutheran Immigration, Lutheran Services in America, Orphan Grain Train, St. Jude Research Hospital, and Wheat Ridge Ministries. You can vote in three different ways. Return the ballot that was in the winter edition of the Thrivent magazine, online at [Thrivent.com/choicevote](http://Thrivent.com/choicevote), or by calling (800) 847-4836 and saying "Thrivent Choice" at the recording. Each receives a portion of the \$1 million based on the percentage of votes it receives. Voting ends February 28, 2011! The clock is ticking. Vote now!

Thrivent Choice Dollars! Only 25% of all eligible Thrivent members nationwide have responded to this opportunity to direct charitable dollars to thousands of Lutheran nonprofit organizations and congregations enrolled in the program. Our church is listed as one of these options. If you have received a letter notifying you that you have Choice Dollars, PLEASE take advantage of this opportunity. In the past, our church received "Care in Congregations" money each year, but that program was discontinued so this is an opportunity for our congregation to receive funds to sponsor some of our own activities.

In January we received money from the following members: Wilma Forrest, Wilma Grussing, Mike and Brenda Hendricks, Deb Lammler, Carolyn Majercin, Bill and Moneta McCleary, Greg McCleary, and Butch and Shirley Sprau. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

Congratulations McLean County Thrivent Chapter! At the Volunteer Leadership Event in Bloomington last Saturday, the McLean County Chapter received the Chapter of Excellence Award. There were only four given in the St. Louis Heartland Region. It was in recognition of contributions to our members, our communities, and our congregations. The amount of money that was donated to help with different events which required many volunteer hours was commendable. Our volunteer hours for all of the events at our church were a part of that grand total.

Benefit Soup Supper! Come join our members and our communities for a benefit soup supper on March 19, 2011 at the Fellowship Hall. Andy Heckman from Roanoke will be our recipient. He and his wife Jenny (Shelton) have two girls, Lottie and Frannie. He is the son-in-law of Marcia and Merle Shelton of Bellflower. He has several severe medical issues and is presently having dialysis three times a week. He is awaiting a heart/kidney transplant.

The menu for the meal will be chili, oyster soup, potato soup, sandwiches, pies, and drink. It will be served between 4:30-7:00 p.m. The freewill offering will be partially matched by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans. The food donation sheet is posted on the back bulletin board so please sign up for the donation of your choice.

### **Ladies Aid Meeting**

The Ladies Aid will meet at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 2, 2011 in the Fellowship Hall. Wilma Grussing will serve refreshments and Shirley Sprau will give the topic. All ladies are welcome to attend!

### **LWML News**

Thank You Quilters! A special thanks to those who helped put together quilts on February 26, 2011 at the Fellowship Hall. We also appreciated all those who brought their sewing machines to complete this worthwhile project. These quilts will be a treasure to many people who lack the warmth and comfort that these quilts bring, but more importantly we will be spreading the joy of Christ which will keep them eternally safe and secure!

LWML Meeting. LWML will meet on Thursday, March 3, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All ladies of the church are invited. Agnes Martinie will

be the topic leader, and Debbie Lammler will serve refreshments.

Ash Wednesday Soup Supper. The LWML will host the Soup Supper on March 9, 2011 in the Fellowship Hall. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the church to donate soup, sandwiches, or dessert.

The food should be brought to the Hall by 4:30 p.m. on the 9th to be ready for serving at 5:30. We will continue serving until 6:45. A freewill offering will be taken; the money will be used for LWML projects in the coming months.

National Convention Project. The LWML ladies here at Osman will be completing a project for the National Convention in Peoria in June. Each society is asked to make 56 tissue holders to be given to all the attendees at the convention. On the holder are the words "LWML-2011 Peoria, Being with Jesus-Living on the Edge." Our society will also purchase the 56 packages of tissues to go into the holders.

A work date will be set at our next meeting, but the deadline for the completion of this project is March 30, 2011. May God bless those preparing these gifts as well as those attending the convention in June!

### **New Member Welcome!**

A "New Member Welcome" will be held on Sunday, March 6, 2011 before church beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Sunday School will be cut short that day. Coffee, juice, and donuts will be served by the Church Council to welcome the Schuh family (Bill, Kim, Jonathan, Daniel, and Sarah) of Mahomet and Jerry Edwards of Mansfield. Please come and welcome them all into our church family!

### **Church Council Meeting**

The Church Council will meet on Tuesday, March 8, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Annex.

### **Attention Youth Group**

The Youth Group members will go bowling in Champaign on Sunday, March 20, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. Pizza after that! Please plan to attend.

Also, we will be attending the American Passion Play in Bloomington at the Bloomington Center for the Performing Arts on Sunday, April 3, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. Please mark your calendars! Any questions, please see Rick or Jill Hardesty.

### **Central Illinois District LWML Convention in Peoria!**

As well as the National convention, the Central Illinois District LWML Convention is also being held in Peoria at the Trinity Lutheran Church on April 1-2, 2011. This 66th Annual Convention is held both

Friday and Saturday, with the theme “Prepare, Serve, and Strengthen.” Pastor Bill Engfehr, Senior Pastor of Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Collinsville, Illinois, is the featured speaker. The registration fee is \$20.00 per person, and must be sent by March 15, 2011. All checks should be made payable to “Lincoln Zone LWML” and mailed to: Alice Meeker, 15136 N SR 29, Mason City, Illinois 62664. Each society is allowed two voting delegates. Various breakout sessions will be conducted from 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and offered during the staggered luncheon times.

Friday evening servant events will begin at 6:00 p.m. Please plan on eating before you come. The evening events will include singing, cutting fleece blankets, tying quilts, and much, much more. Evening vespers will be at 7:00 p.m. The “Gifts from the Heart Ingathering” on Saturday will be used in preparation for the servant activities at the National Convention.

The Danville zone (of which we are still a part) is asked to bring the following items: fleece (42 x 58 pieces that include two pieces that are color coordinated or the same), extra soft toothbrushes, regular size toothpaste, travel size toothpaste, non-flavored chap stick, journals with a Christian theme, black and blue beads (solid pony beads from JoAnn Fabrics), reams of white copy paper, and 20 lb. weight Hemp cord (400 foot ball from JoAnn Fabrics). Registration forms will be distributed at the next LWML Meeting on March 3, 2011.

### **LWML National Convention in Peoria!**

Prayers are needed for the upcoming 34th Biennial Lutheran Women’s Missionary League’s Convention to be held in Peoria, Illinois on June 23-26, 2011. The theme this year is “Being with Jesus-Living on the Edge.” The worship Proclaimer is Dr. Ken Klaus, past speaker of *The Lutheran Hour*, and one of the Keynote Speakers is Deb Burma. The Bible Study leader is Dr. Reed Lessing, an Associate Professor and Director of the Graduate School at Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, with Lana Gibbons as Song Leader. Katie Stam, Miss America 2009, will also be addressing the LWML ladies. (Katie is the first Miss America from Indiana in the pageant’s 88-year history.)

A pre-convention golf outing is being planned, as well as many servant events such as making welcome and care kits, marking bibles, rolling bandages, tying quilts, making gospel bracelets, and much, much more.

If you would like to donate needed materials such as new bath towels, hand towels, and wash cloths to be taken to the convention, see one of the following people: Marsha Warsaw, Connie Warsaw, Debbie Lammle, Terri Hooker, Brenda Hendricks, Wilma Grussing, Barb Gaines, or Julia Camp. A list of the complete items that can be donated are on the back

bulletin board in the church. These items will be given to worthwhile agencies in the Peoria area and to Orphan Grain Train. Your participation will be greatly appreciated!

A mission “Pledge Walk” will be held during the convention on June 25, 2011 along the beautiful banks of the Illinois River. Those attending the convention might be obtaining pledges from the congregation to assist in gathering money for the mission program of the LWML.

A blood drive will also be held during the convention in Peoria. You will receive free blood pressure, temperature, pulse rate, and hemoglobin tests, as well as the opportunity to give to a great cause.

An opportunity to sing praises to the Lord with fellow LWML members will be available as you sing with the Convention Choir. Exhibits, an LWML store, and special interest luncheons will also be available to view and participate in during your four-day stay in Peoria. A special convention T-shirt, that is a white short-sleeved three-button 65-35 poly/cotton pique, may also be ordered.

Entertainment during the convention includes “Sibling Harmony;” the three Buelman siblings who perform together; Kristine Stout, handbell soloist; and Phyllis Wallace, host of the “Woman to Woman” radio talk show produced by Lutheran Hour Ministries.

It was in our state of Illinois where women had the foresight to organize the first LWML in 1942. Let’s make this a year to remember in the history of those attending National Conventions here at Immanuel Osman. It’s not too late to sign up and join in on the fun and fellowship in Peoria this June!

### **Lenten Service Committees**

The committees assigned to each Lenten service for this year are enclosed with this newsletter. There is also a copy posted on the back bulletin board. If you cannot help on the night that you are assigned, please notify the top person on the list. The Committee will also have to provide drinks.

### **Church Website**

You can view the Church Website at <http://OsmanLutheran.org>. Weekly bulletins and monthly newsletters are listed as well as other information about our church. Thank you, Pastor McPike, for your hard work and a job well done!

### **Email Addresses for Pastor/Vicar**

The email addresses for Pastor McPike and Vicar Fenker are: [pastor@osmanlutheran.org](mailto:pastor@osmanlutheran.org) and [vicar@osmanlutheran.org](mailto:vicar@osmanlutheran.org).

**Bulletin/Recording of Worship Service  
for Shut-ins**

If anyone is aware of shut-ins or other people who are unable to physically make it to church every week, let Esther and/or Larry Lutz know so they are included in the "Prayer List," they will receive a copy of the bulletin, and they will be given a recording of the service if they would like.

**Prayer Requests**

If you have any prayer requests, please contact Pastor McPike or call and leave a message at the church. We will try to keep up with prayer requests, and don't want to leave anyone out, but we won't know about them unless you tell us! Also, hospitalizations will not automatically be included by pastor unless you give him specific permission (to satisfy federal privacy rules).

**Electronic News List**

An electronic news list was created to get information to Immanuel members and friends. Please send a note to OsmanNews@n9cqs.com and you will be signed up for the list. Please note, your email address will not be used for any other purpose than for this news list. If you have questions, please ask Pastor McPike

**Bulletin/Newsletter Deadlines**

Bulletin Deadline. To have submissions included in Sunday's bulletin, please forward them to Karen Bryan by 12:00 noon on Thursday.

Newsletter Deadline. To have submissions included in the monthly newsletter, please forward them to Karen Bryan by 12:00 noon on the Wednesday before the last Sunday of the month.

**Statistics**

Date	Worship	Sunday School	Adult Class
01-30	89	9	10
02-06	73	12	12
02-13	75	10	16
02-20	64	4	17
02-27	Statistics Unavailable		

**Elder-on-Duty**

Rob Gallier	Apr	Aug	Dec
Butch Sprau	March	July	Oct
Aaron Warsaw	May	Sept	Jan 2012
Shane Zimmerman	Feb	June	Nov

**Altar Guild**

March .....Barb Gaines and Jill Hardesty

**Lay Readers**

03-06 .....Vicar Aaron Fenker  
 03-13 .....Aaron Warsaw  
 03-20 .....Vicar Aaron Fenker  
 03-27 .....Annette Warsaw

**March Birthdays**

Terri Hooker .....03-02  
 Mike Miller .....03-06  
 Brenda Hendricks .....03-09  
 Shirley Sprau .....03-12  
 Frances Zimmerman .....03-13  
 Melia Warsaw .....03-16  
 Joy Johnson .....03-19  
 Shaun Zimmerman .....03-20  
 Taylor Homann .....03-20  
 Marsha Warsaw .....03-21  
 Byron Christians .....03-25  
 Nikki Gallier .....03-25  
 Matthew Poppe .....03-25  
 Amanda Forrest .....03-30  
 Jerry Reifsteck, Jr. ....03-31

**March Anniversaries**

Shirley and Butch Sprau .....03-03  
 Brenda and Jerry Edwards .....03-27  
 Joy and Skinner Johnson .....03-31

