

# THE IMMANUEL MESSENGER

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## IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OSMAN The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod



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"I am the resurrection and the life.  
Whoever believes in Me, though he  
die, yet shall he live."

John 11:25

## Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!

### Easter Sunday

A new day and a new week dawned with an earthquake, as an angel rolled back the stone sealing Jesus' tomb. Several women among the disciples, coming with spices to complete the burial preparations, found the tomb empty, and angels announced Jesus' resurrection. The women hurried back to report to the apostles, and Peter and John raced to the tomb, where they confirmed that Jesus was not there. Jesus appeared that day to Mary Magdalene, the women, Simon, Cleopas and another disciple on the road to Emmaus, and ten of the apostles in the Upper Room. Jesus had risen just as He said, winning forgiveness, life, and salvation for us all.

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**Stay after Easter morning service for a delicious breakfast in support of our youth!**

### With Heartfelt Sympathy

Jim Poppe's brother, Norman G. Poppe, 79, of LeRoy, passed away peacefully at 10:53am Monday, March 19, 2018 surrounded by family at LeRoy Manor Nursing Home. Inurnment will be at Oak Grove Cemetery in LeRoy at a date to be determined. May God grant the family His peace!

### Ladies Aid News

The Ladies Aid will meet on Wednesday, April 4, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Dorothy Miller will present the topic. Roll call will be answered with a verse on discipline. Debbie Lammle will have devotions and prayer and serve as hostess. All ladies of the church are invited to attend!

### Benefit Soup Supper

Thank you to all the members who volunteered in a variety of ways for the Benefit Soup Supper on Saturday, March 10. Approximately 270 hungry attendees enjoyed the soups, sandwiches, and desserts that were donated by our church members and community members. It was indeed a great outreach project for our congregation. We collected \$9301 from the freewill offering for our recipient, Tammy Warren. The money will help with her expenses for her treatment and care for bladder cancer. \$1500 was added to the collected amount from our Thrivent Choice Dollars that our congregation has received from Thrivent members. This makes the total \$10,801. The groceries were purchased with a \$250 Thrivent Action Team Card which was applied for by Dwight Hooker. It was a great evening of food and fellowship as we worked together to help someone in need in our community.

### Thank You!

Thanks to the following members for donating a lily to adorn the altar on Easter morning: Sara & David Kunde, Susan & Steve Martin, Jeri Bidner, Brenda Hendricks, Sue & Jim VanWakeman, Dorothy & Gene Welborn, Connie & Don Warsaw, Moneta & Bill McCleary, Harry Henriksen, and Debbie & John Lammle.

Thanks to Brenda Hendricks and Connie Warsaw for visiting the shut-ins this month.

Thanks to all the committees for providing refreshments after/before Lenten services and the youth and their parents for providing the delicious Easter breakfast.

### Mowing List

It's almost time to think about mowing again. Anyone who wishes to be added or removed from this year's mowing list, please contact Steve Warsaw or Steve Martin as soon as possible.

## LWML Meeting

President Debbie Lammle opened the quarterly LWML meeting on March 8, 2018 with eleven members present. After singing the new LWML song and reciting the pledge, Barb W. Gercken gave devotion, followed by Barb Gaines with topic. Wilma Grussing took roll and read the minutes in Shirley Sprau's absence. Sue VanWakeman gave the Treasurer's report with a balance of \$706.29. Mites were collected, followed by correspondence from our seminary student, Chris Walters, Pastor Henry's son-in-law. Thank yous were also read from Pastor McPike and Sharon, Pastor and Mrs. Ehlers, and our adopted family, Tina Braaten and family. Cards were sent to Sara Kunde, Jim Poppe, Esther Lutz, Lee Bidner, Jodi Burgess, Jeri Bidner, Don Warsaw, the shut-ins, Mr. & Mrs. Chris Duncan and family, and Mr. & Mrs. Kenny Nelson. Thanks were given to the committees taking food to Esther & Larry Lutz and Sara and Dave Kunde; thanks were also given to those making quilt tops and pillowcase dresses. Additional thanks were given to Debbie Martin and all those who gave gifts, gift cards, or money to our adopted family and to all LWML women who brought refreshments to the Ash Wednesday social hour.

**Old Business:** 59 quilts and 59 pillowcase dresses have been made so far since the beginning of the year. Upcoming dates for quilting include April 3 and 5, May 1 and 3, and June 5 and 7. CID-LWML paid their first four mission grants for a total of \$51,850. The grant for Student Aid for Church Workers, Ft. Wayne & St. Louis Seminary Food Banks, Human Trafficking Education, and Immanuel Lutheran Church, Charleston Comfort Dog Ministry were all funded in full. The next Clarion Deadline is April 25<sup>th</sup> and the Danville Zone is urged to add articles.

The owner of the Mahomet Quilting Bee is machine quilting the quilt made by past and present LWML members of Osman. It was suggested that our LWML begin a new tradition and give one of our quilts to our benefit recipient and to our adopted family. A new adopted family was suggested but not contacted yet. The chairman for our Military Biblestick project is Barb Gaines. She suggested showing a CD describing this project between Sunday School and Church on an upcoming Sunday. The Baby Bottle project for Crisis Nursery will be postponed till January.

Debbie Lammle and Marlene Schultz, Zone LWML President, presented the principal of Danville Lutheran School with a check for \$945.81, funds collected for last year's zone project. The same amount was also given to Christ Lutheran HS, Buckley, St. John's Lutheran Church, Buckley, and St. Paul's Lutheran School of Woodworth.

**New Business:** An invitation was read for the LWML Spring Gathering to be held at Immanuel Loda on April 7<sup>th</sup>, beginning with registration at 8:15. After all churches respond on the number attending, President Lammle will contact those who need to make breads for this event. Another invitation was read for the CID-LWML Convention on April 27-28<sup>th</sup> in Bloomington. Connie Warsaw and Barb Gaines will be the delegates for this event. Copies of Mission Grant Proposals were passed out, and will need to be returned to Debbie Lammle by April 22<sup>nd</sup> after selecting

four of the 21 grants.

**FYI:** The 2019 CID-LWML Convention will be planned by the Danville Zone, and held at the Trinity and Immanuel Lutheran Churches.

It was suggested that we ask Mahlah, the Comfort Dog from Milford, to come to Immanuel Osman. It was suggested that we might ask Mahlah during the annual Church Picnic in August. President Lammle will contact the handler about availability.

It was suggested that next year the LWML serve the meal before Maundy Thursday service of Holy Week. Thanks were given to Barb Gaines for the topic and Wilma Grussing and Brenda Edwards for serving refreshments. Our next meeting will be June 14<sup>th</sup> with Brenda Hendricks giving topic and Terri Hooker and Debbie Lammle serving refreshments. The group said the Lord's Prayer and common table prayer before adjourning.

**LWML Zone Spring Gathering:** "Recipe for a Courageous Woman" is the theme for the LWML Zone Spring Gathering hosted by Immanuel Osman, Peace Lutheran in Thomasboro, and Immanuel Loda. The event will be held Saturday, April 7<sup>th</sup> beginning with registration at 8:15 at Immanuel Loda, 215 N. Poplar. Five dollars will be collected at the door. The program will include Lisa Lewey Shields, food demonstrator on CI-Living. The ingathering will be monetary gifts to "Hands of Christ" food pantry. This will be a wonderful day of Christian fellowship and sharing our faith in the Lord!

**To LWML Members, Pastors, & Church workers:** You are invited to the CID 73<sup>rd</sup> Annual LWML Convention hosted by the Bloomington Zone. It will be held at Trinity Lutheran Church, 801 S. Madison, Bloomington. The convention will begin at 8:45am on Saturday, April 28, in the church sanctuary. Registration and morning refreshments will begin at 8am. Lunch will be a catered meal. The "Gifts from the Heart" offering will be for Orphan Grain Train and LCMS Disaster Relief. The flyer of items to be collected is posted on the Immanuel Osman bulletin board.

Servant Events will take place on Friday April 27<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 1:30pm at Christ Lutheran Church, 311 Hershey Rd., Normal. On Friday evening, at Christ Lutheran Church, there will be a meal at 5pm (free will offering) with a church service at 6pm. A time of fellowship will follow after the service.

The theme for this year's convention is "Look Up! Look In! Look Out!" based on Acts 1:8. We are honored to have Gary Thies from LCMS Mission Central in Iowa as our featured speaker. Immanuel Osman will send two delegates, Barb Gaines and Connie Warsaw. A list of Mission grant proposals were passed out to all LWML members; they were asked to choose four proposals, and then return the flyer to Debbie Lammle by April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Each person attending the convention must complete a registration form and return it along with registration fee payment. Registration fee for the convention is \$25 per person sent no later than April 9<sup>th</sup>. An additional \$10 will be applied to all late registrations. All checks should be made payable to LWML CID Bloomington Zone. Mail to Kristine Boerger, 3713 Wine Way, Bloomington IL 61704. Don't miss this exceptional opportunity to share with other LWML women the love of Christ!

## 2018 Elder Schedule

Jan Butch	Feb Marvin	Mar Don
<b>Apr Roy</b>	May Marvin	Jun Butch
Jul Don	Aug Roy	Sep Butch
Oct Marvin	Nov Roy	Dec Don

# April

### Birthdays

Chase Zimmerman.....	04-03
Courtney Delaney.....	04-03
Erik Henriksen.....	04-08
Timothy Brandt.....	04-10
Dorothy Miller.....	04-12
Connie Warsaw.....	04-12
Benjamin Burgess.....	04-13
Barb Gaines.....	04-16
Kathy Brendel.....	04-17
Leonard Delaney.....	04-17
Steven Sprau.....	04-18
Gina Masko.....	04-19
Hallie Payne.....	04-23
Bob Zimmerman.....	04-23
Linda Warsaw.....	04-25
Kristan Hansen.....	04-25
Deb Lammle.....	04-26

### Anniversaries

Alicia and Nicholas Haggin.....04-28-2007

## Statistics

Date	Worship	Sunday School	Adult Class
2/25	54	1	12
2/28	33	-	-
3/4	58	4	8
3/7	26	-	-
3/11	42	0	12
3/14	33	-	-
3/18	52	2	11
3/21	28	-	-
3/25	church cancelled		
3/29	n/a		
3/30	n/a		

## Important Events this Month

- April 1 - Easter Morning Service at 7am with Breakfast following
- April 3 - Quilting at 8am
- April 4 - Ladies Aid at 1:30pm
- April 5 - Quilting at 8am
- April 7 - LWML Zone Spring Gathering at 9am at Immanuel, Loda
- April 8 - Choir singing to the shut-ins
- April 18 - Church Council at 7pm  
Voter's Meeting - TBA
- April 27 - CID LWML Servant Events at 1:30pm at Christ Lutheran, Normal
- April 28 - CID LWML Convention at 8:45am at Trinity Lutheran, Bloomington