

Garden of Readin'



Emanuel Lutheran Church Newsletter

October 2019

Happenings!

Sunday, October 6—Mental Health Awareness & Support

Thursday, October 10—North Broadway Neighborhood Association Meeting

Sunday, October 13—Confirmation, Fire Pit Night

Friday, October 18—Help at Our Savior's Food & Pet Food Pantry

Sunday, October 20—Mental Health Awareness & Support

Sunday, October 27—Trunk-or-Treat

Mission Statement:
Forgiven
by Grace,
Serving by
Faith

Vision Statement:
To Grow in
Faith, Love,
and Spirit



Emanuel had its first family campout on Friday, September 20th. There were 17 people who attend total and 14 that stayed the night. The campout went so well we hope to be able to have this event next year as well.

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**KIDZ
KAMP**

**New
Time!**

**Sundays
10:45 a.m. to
11:30 a.m.**

**Designed for
students up
to 5th grade!**

Christmas Bags for Lutheran Family Services

BY JAN HUSMANN

Again in December we will be giving bags to 50 children ages 0-5 years of age.

Sales of crayons, scissors, pads of paper, paint kits etc. are happening now.

We also put a lotion, baby shampoo, bar of gentle soap, washcloth or mitt in each bag. Not on sale, but available at the Dollar Tree.

Pacifiers, sippy cups, outfits go in the younger ones while socks and underwear are needed for the older children.

Monetary gifts are always welcome. Make check out to Emanuel Lutheran marked for Wider Ministries Christmas Bags.

A complete list will follow. Container in Fellowship Hall or give to Linda Steensland, Connie Solon or Jan Husmann.

You can bring the items to church any time. We pack the bags in early December. Might put this on your calendar as it is a rewarding project while working with others.



Haley Snell enjoys the bounce house at the carnival. There were approximately 40 children and their families who joined us for a fun evening with activities and food.

Kidz Kamp

BY STEPHEN LEWIS

On September 15th we kicked off a new year of Kidz Kamp with our annual Carnival. We had a wonderful attendance, with over 30 kids and twice as many adults. We also had a great volunteer staff that made everything run smoothly. I want to thank all of you that helped, we could not have done it without you.

This year we have moved Kidz Kamp to Sunday mornings. We will be having class every Sunday from 10:45 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.. We have moved from the upstairs classroom to the old Sunday school room. We are running a program this year that is called Manna and Mercy. This program is built for children of all ages. We will have classroom discussions as well as videos and crafts. As always, parents and adults are more than welcome to attend.

I am excited for this year of Kidz Kamp and hope the kids are as well. Please feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions or would like to help with class. My email is: youth@emanuelcb.org or feel free to stop by the classroom.

Emanuel Carnival

BY DEANN OVER

Special thanks to Steve and Michaela Lewis for organizing Emanuel's carnival. With the Thrivent Action Team's seed money grant, they purchased and organized an assortment of prizes, games and activities. Kids enjoyed the bounce house (larger than last year's!), outside games, face painting and food.

And, of course, thanks to our great volunteer crew: Ruth Sullivan, Darlene Jeppesen, Marjorie MacIntosh, Sharon Hansen, Judy Borwick, Carla & Mike Hipnar, Joel Hauschild, Carly, Kyle, Megan & Chris Sorensen, Mason (plus friend Ian), Amy & Mike Garreans, Kylie, Lauren, Jamie & Tyler Hansen, Sherri Stinson, Alyssa Snell and Mike Loos!



Holiday Packing for Cookie Crumbs

BY DEANN OVER

SUPPORT
OUR TROOPS

The Iowa Cookie Crumbs are again preparing for our annual November Operation Holiday Cheer sending boxes of comfort items and cookies to our deployed military men and women. On November 4th we plan to pack over 200 boxes of comfort items and on November 12th over 250 boxes of cookies. A list of suggested items and collection box will be in the community room.

Reminder: Save your 2020 calendars and blank holiday cards – we put them in the boxes!

We again thank Emanuel for the use of the church, a place to store supplies and on-going support. If you have any questions, please contact Deann Over, 712 322-5075.

Mental Health Awareness

BY STEPHEN LEWIS

I wanted to update everyone on the status of our Mental Health group. We are still going strong, even though attendance has been down. Summer takes its toll on all groups and ours was no exception. As fall creeps back in, so will our attendance. We have adjusted our time this season to allow people to enjoy fellowship. We will now meet 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. the first and third Sunday of every month. We will still meet in the upstairs conference room.

I feel reenergized as we go into this season. One thing we will be discussing is how to do more outreach to the community. As we reach the holiday season, depression becomes more prevalent. Our goal is get the word out that you are not alone and that you can come to our meetings to learn and feel safe to speak.

As always, please feel free to reach out to myself or Mike Garreans for any and all questions.

My email is youth@emanuelcb.org or you can stop me at any time. Thanks.

Trunk-or-Treat

BY MICHAELA LEWIS

Emanuel will be hosting Trunk-or-Treat on Sunday, October 27th from 2 p.m.—4 p.m. So as you see sales for Halloween candy and treats, consider picking some up and joining us that day, or donating a bag or two to help others who will be here. Monetary donations towards the purchase of treats would be great as well.

Last year we 15 cars with people handing out treats and had over 1,000 visitors (about 500 of them kids) in a two-hour time span! Based on Facebook responses in the first week it has been up, it looks like we could have more than that this year.

We will need some people to help direct traffic that day as well. This is coordinated with Midlands Living Center's Trick-or-Treating as well.

Bethany is also collecting Halloween candy for their residents to hand out for trick-or-treaters. Donations for Bethany may be dropped off at their front desk by October 15th.



Emanuel NEEDS YOUR HELP with Parish Assistant duties

Are you interested in helping out while Michaela Lewis is on maternity leave? There are SO many tasks that she is responsible for here at Emanuel. Whether you enjoy technology, or writing, or helping to prepare things for worship on Sundays. WE NEED YOU! Now is the time to sign up for a task or two which allows enough time to get you all trained up before Baby Lewis makes his debut!



Please contact Amy Garreans at agarreans@gmail.com or (402) 660-4548 for more information.



David Appel
Paul Heath
Jim Fowler

Glen Fahrenkrug
Deloris Christensen
Phyllis Fowler

Daralene Smith
Esther Bender

Robert Hesseltine
Kaye Bird



Oct. 01 Jessica Gearhart
Ron Smith

Oct. 09 Lacey Fischer
Nicole Fischer

Oct. 25 Hannah Goldapp
John Spilde

Oct. 02 Tyler Hansen

Oct. 10 Jesse Hansen

Oct. 28 Darlene Reed

Oct. 04 Nick Rickard
Jeanine Schademann
Norma Stairs

Oct. 15 Alyssa Snell

Oct. 31 Judith Loos
Danielle Schaal

Oct. 06 Kyle Sorensen

Oct. 23 Emma Wilson



Oct. 6 Andrea & Larry Britton

Oct. 7 Autumn & Adam Tanner

Oct. 14 Shirley & Duane Schuchard

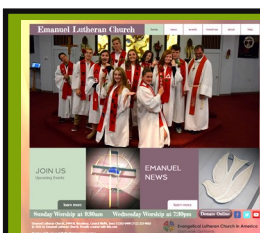
Oct. 16 Beth & Tom Lewis

Oct. 17 Deb & Jerry Ebsen

Oct. 20 Rachel & Ian Spangenberg

Oct. 27 Debbie & Keven Ferguson

***If we've missed a birthday or anniversary, we apologize. Please let the church office know!
Contact Michaela at (712) 323-9665 or office@emanuelcb.org***



Have you visited our website?

You can view events, the newsletter, past newsletters,
announcements, sermon videos, make a gift online and more!

You can even sign up to help with worship!

www.emanuelcb.org

Worship Assistant Schedule

(if unable to serve as scheduled, please arrange a substitute and notify the church office of the change)



Sunday, October 6	9:30 a.m. Service
Assisting Minister	Rosie Spangenberg
Ushers	Joel & Christi Hauschild
Acolytes	Amari Johnson & Reegan Haats
Lector	Deann Over
Children's Message	Judy Heithoff
Communion Assistants	Judy Heithff, Alan Ellis
Communion Set-Up	Carol Fahrenkrug
Visual Tech	Cheryl Rowe
Sunday, October 13	9:30 a.m. Service
Assisting Minister	Alex Skovgaard
Ushers	Joel & Christi Hauschild
Acolytes	Mason Garreans & Kyle Sorensen
Lector	Elaine Sasso
Communion Assistants	Rosie Spangenberg, Amy Garreans, Megan Sorensen, Alan Ellis
Communion Set-Up	Char Les Kemmish
Visual Tech	Darlene Jeppesen
Sunday, October 20	9:30 a.m. Service
Assisting Minister	
Ushers	Joel & Christi Hauschild
Acolytes	Nikki Rickard & Hailey Holcombe
Lector	Rosie Spangenberg
Children's Message	Elaine Sasso
Communion Assistants	Elaine Sasso, Judy Heithoff
Communion Set-Up	Char Les Kemmish
Visual Tech	Mason Lewis
Sunday, October 27	9:30 a.m. Service
Assisting Minister	
Ushers	Joel & Christi Hauschild
Acolytes	Hanna Ferguson & Angelina Maxwell
Lector	Linda Steensland
Children's Message	Rosie Spangenberg
Communion Assistants	Kevin Epperson, Rosie Spangenberg, Alan Ellis
Communion Set-Up	Pat Hiller
Visual Tech	Elaine Sasso

October 6
Angel McGee,
Judith Please,
John Spilde

October 13
Church Council

October 20

October 27

The coffee hour sign-up chart is in the kitchen. Duties include picking up donuts, starting coffee, pouring juice and clean-up.



October 6

October 13






October 20

October 27

The flower sign-up is on the bulletin board above the usher stand.

If you are interested in helping with worship, please contact the church office, (712) 323-9665, emanuellutherancbia@msn.com or sign-up on our website at: www.emanuelcb.org

October 2019 – Emanuel Lutheran Church

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29 9:30 am Worship & Holy Communion 10:30 am Fellowship & Coffee Hour 10:45 am Choir Practice 1 pm—5 pm Fellowship Hall in-Use	30 11 am Tai Chi 6:30 pm NBNA Meeting	1 5:30 pm Girl Scouts in Community Room	2 9:30 am Mission Action (Quilters) 7:15 pm Band Practice	3 11 am Tai Chi 1 pm Game Day 	4 Office Closed	5
6 9:30am Worship & Holy Communion 10:30am Fellowship & Coffee Hour 10:45 am Harmonica Practice 11:30 am Mental Health Awareness & Support	7 9 am Cookie Crumbs Sorting 11 am Tai Chi	8 8:30 am R.O.M.E.O.S. @ Village Inn East 9 am Cookie Crumbs Packing 5:30 pm Girl Scouts in Community Room 6:30 pm Children & Youth Committee Meeting	9 9:30 am Mission Action (Quilters) 11:30 am Adult Fellowship at Pizza Ranch 7:15 pm Band Practice	10 11 am Tai Chi 6:30 pm North Broadway Neighborhood Association Meeting 	11 Office Closed	12
13 Joyful Noise 9:30am Worship & Holy Communion 10:30 am Fellowship & Coffee Hour 10:45 am Kidz Kamp 10:45 am Choir Practice 10:45 am Wider Ministries Meeting 11 am Confirmation 4 pm Fire Pit Night 	14 11 am Tai Chi 6:30 pm FAITH Team	15 5:30 pm Girl Scouts in Community Room	16 9:30 am Mission Action (Quilters) 7:15 pm Band Practice	17 11 am Tai Chi	18 Office Closed 4:30 pm Volunteers for Food Pantry meet at Our Savior's 	19
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Emanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church

Council Minutes for 09/16/2019

RECORDED BY STEPHEN LEWIS

Present: Rosie Spangenberg, Elaine Sasso, Stephen Lewis, Peggy Jarrell, John Spilde, Joel Hauschild, Alan Ellis, Nick Rickard, Megan Sorensen, Connie Solon, Amy Garreans

Absent: Judi Malloy

The meeting was called to order at by President Rosie Spangenberg at 7p.m.

New business added-

property committee request

latest update on child care center

Boy Scout troop update

Devotions: Alan Ellis

Getting Acquainted Exercise: NA

Council Agenda:

- Joel Smith from Boy Scout Troop 512 gave us an update on their troops need for a new place to meet. They have 14 active scouts and their own equipment.
- Amy Garreans made a motion to allow Troop 512 to join our current Troop 550. John Spilde will remain the representative. 2nd by John Spilde. Motion: Approved
- Call Committee update: Finance Committee members Rick Stone and Richard Reed were in attendance. They were there to present the council with the proposed compensation package for the upcoming pastor.
- Thank you to the Finance Committee for you hard work on this. It is greatly appreciated.
- Alan Ellis made a motion to present the compensation package provided to the synod for review. 2nd by John Spilde. Motion: Approved- 9-2
- Joel Hauschild made a motion to approve the Secretary minutes. 2nd by Amy Garreans. Motion: Approved
- John Spilde made a motion to approve the Consolidated Funds report. 2nd by Joel Hauschild. Motion: Approved
- Elaine Sasso made a motion to approve the Treasurers report. 2nd by Nick Rickard. Motion:

Approved

- Connie Solon made a motion to approve the Capital Fund report. 2nd by Elaine Sasso. Motion: Approved.
- Alan Ellis made a motion to approve the Memorial Fund report. 2nd by Peggy Jarrell. Motion: Approved.
- Stephen Lewis presented the Children and Youth report.
- Rosie Spangenberg presented the Worship and Music report
- Wednesday night services still on hold
- New banners have been purchased
- It was noted that the property committee does not need to have council approval for items that will come out of their budget.
- Special Needs fund had a distribution of \$250
- Amy Garreans gave an update on the Child Care loan repayment. Everything has been repaid and the chapter is officially closed on the Child Care Center.
- Note that the Synod Assembly will take place in May of 2020 in Spencer IA
- Personnel policies are in need of updating.
- Megan Sorensen made a motion to subscribe to Smart Church software for the annual fee of \$68, to be taken from Office Supplies, for the purpose of evaluating Emanuel's personnel policies. 2nd by Joel Hauschild. Motion: Approved
- Megan Sorensen will give an update at October council meeting.
- Stephen Lewis to report on possible upgrades in WiFi at October council meeting.
- Peggy Jarrell made a motion to adjourn the meeting. 2nd by Nick Rickard. Motion: Approved.
- Meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Next Council Meeting is October 21, 2019.

Devotions- Stephen Lewis

Lawn Mowing Team

Oct. 6 Mike Winter

Oct. 13 Chris Sorensen

Oct. 20 Alan Ellis

Oct. 27 Mark Ellis



Thanks for volunteering to mow the church lawn. With ten mowers, we have a nice rotation where we are not mowing all the time. We ask that you mow the lawn sometime during your scheduled week, preferably by Thursday. If you have a conflict, just trade dates with someone on the list. Mowing consists of the church lawn and the parsonage lawn. **If you use all the gas in the container, please fill up the container and turn the bill into the church. Keys for the mower and the garage are in the secretary's office which is open from 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m. on Mondays and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, closed Friday. Any questions, problems, or suggestions, call Larry at 323-7379.**

Warming Hearts with God's Love and a Good Pair of Mittens



Far too often, children arrive at LSI's Beloit and Bremwood Residential Treatment Centers with very little in their possession.

We give thanks for Iowa congregations who faithfully respond to these needs, year after year! As winter approaches, LSI relies on your loving support to meet the demands for winter apparel for children and youth at Beloit and Bremwood. Children in residential treatment have little control over their lives, so it's important for us to give children the opportunity, when possible, to shop for their new coat or mittens. Because of this, we ask that you please not donate articles of clothing. With your generous financial donation, many children will have the simple joy of choosing their new coat, knowing that they are loved and cherished.

If you would like more information, please contact Deb Whitford, LSI director of philanthropy and church relations, at Deborah.Whitford@LSIowa.org or 563.676.2065.

Our Mission: Lutheran Services in Iowa responds to the love of Jesus Christ through compassionate service. LSI is an affiliated social ministry partner of the Iowa congregations of the ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church in America) and a member of LSA (Lutheran Services in America). We proudly serve people of all ages, abilities, religions, sexes, gender identities, national origins, ethnicities, races, and sexual orientations. Learn more at LSIowa.org and [Facebook.com/LSI.iowa](https://www.facebook.com/LSI.iowa).

"Thank You God"

Every week, when 8-year-old Chase met with LSI's Pastor Dennis Bauer, he would ask to pray for "the same old thing: to find a good, loving forever family."

Chase is in third grade. But in his young life, he has already experienced trauma most of us cannot fathom. When Chase was six, he was removed from his home and his mother's parental rights were terminated. He felt confused, terrified, and shocked. Chase struggled to cope with his anger and emotions. He acted out and became physically aggressive. Chase needed help, and LSI's Beloit Residential Treatment Center in Ames offered that help.

After arriving at Beloit, Chase quickly became involved in LSI's voluntary Spiritual Life program, where he participates in faith-based activities like art and music. Through

regular meetings with Pastor Dennis, Chase says he is focusing on his faith and "trusting in God and saying prayers."

Outside of Spiritual Life, Chase is also learning healthy skills through group therapy to help him cope on the difficult days.

Now, Chase is thriving. His confidence is building every day, and he has big plans for his future. He wants to be a surgeon when he grows up, and he dreams of learning to bake and do wood-working. And the immediate future is looking pretty bright, too: Chase is in the process of being adopted.



During a recent visit with Pastor Dennis, Chase prayed a different prayer: "Thank you, God, for giving me a family."

Ramblings from the Back Corner



BY CINDY RICHARDS

On October 26, 1608, Phillip Nicolai, a Lutheran pastor who served in Westphalia, Germany, died. In 1597-1598, the plague struck that area in Germany. In July of 1597, 300 died and in August, 170. In all 1300 people died in Unna, Westphalia in a 6-month time frame. Two of his most famous hymns, "Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying" (ELW 436) and "O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright!" (ELW 308) were written as meditations for his congregation during this period. Nicolai's house overlooked the cemetery where he did as many as thirty funerals a day. This is another instance of a time in the church's history where intense pain and suffering produced remarkable creations. Here is the last verse of "O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright."

What joy to know, when life is past,
The Lord we love is first and last,
The end and the beginning!
He will one day, oh, glorious grace,
Transport us to that happy place
Beyond all tears and sinning!
Amen! Amen!
Come, Lord Jesus! Crown of gladness!
We are yearning
For the day of your returning.
- Evangelical Lutheran Book of Worship, Hymn #308

Emanuel Fire Pit Night

October 13

4 p.m.—7 p.m.

Games, live music, hot dogs over a fire and smores! Bring friends, family and a dish to share!

Join us for the 2019

Community BABY SHOWER

Open to all expecting mothers or families with newborns!

- Community Resources
- Free Newborn Items
- Raffle Prizes*
- Light Refreshments

WHEN?
October 16th
4pm—6pm

WHERE?
Salvation Army
Charles E. Lakin Human Services
Campus
715 N 16th Street, Council Bluffs

For questions or to pre-register, call Katie at
712-256-2059 ext. 103

*Raffle prizes will be drawn at 5:30pm. Must be present to win.

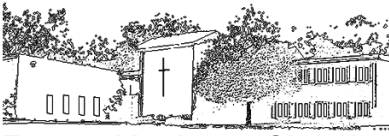
Attendance & Offering

Week of:	Attendance:	Offerings:
September 1	55	\$2,594.33
September 8	67	\$2,223.00
September 15	84	n/a
September 22	63	n/a
September 29	n/a	n/a

Finance Team Update Income & Expenses Monthly and YTD

August Income: \$12,705.00
 August Expense: \$8,238.29
 August Balance \$4,466.71

YTD Income: \$114,917.79
 YTD Expense: \$109,217.09
 YTD Balance \$5,700.70
 Plus Carryover \$9,272.00
 General Budget Fund \$14,972.70



Emanuel Lutheran Church

2444 North Broadway
Council Bluffs, IA 51503-0499

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Game Day

Thursday, October 3rd
1 p.m.
Emanuel Community Room

R.O.M.E.O.'S

(Retired Old Men Eating Out)
Tuesday, October 8th
8:30 am
Village Inn East

Adult Fellowship

Wednesday, October 9th
11:30 am
Pizza Ranch

Mission Action Committee

(Quilters)
Wednesdays
9:30 am
Community Room

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Worship Services:

Sunday at 9:30 am, followed by fellowship and coffee hour in the community room

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