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As this is being written, the time is growing close when my partner in crime (aka Pastor Nansi) will no longer be with us. I'm filled with a multitude of feelings... mostly sadness and anxiety. What will this mean for me...for the church I have loved for the past 32 years?? There are a lot of unanswered questions and change on the horizon, none of which is comfortable to think about. Council is working on hiring an Interim Pastor, but we are fortunate that both of our ministers-in-training, Jeanne Phelan and Jim Langreder can carry us through until a suitable candidate is hired.

In some ways, this situation likens itself to a family whose matriarch or patriarch is gone...that person who held the family together, who brought meaning to everything the family did...the glue at all family events. If you've experienced this in your personal family, you know that others have to step it up, take over responsibilities, maybe step out of their comfort zones to enable the family to keep a healthy existence. Emmanuel will be no different in the coming months. We will need our family members to be present, to see a need and fill it, to ask, 'what can I do to help,' to be tender and patient with each other, knowing anxiety is running high.

Our church leadership is doing everything possible to move Emmanuel into this transition time in the best possible way. Your patience, cooperation and presence will be vital to the future health of our church family.

May God be with us,
Donna Newland

The Messenger

February 2020

Jeanne Phelan and Jim Langreder will share worship leadership and sermons each Sunday until we have an Interim Pastor. Thank you!

February 2

Prayers for the Hazelberg families

- Church School Wake Up With God!
- Souper Bowl Sunday! Remember to bring non-perishables for the Kettle Moraine Food Pantry.
- Worship Leader: Jeanne Phelan
- Place SCRIP orders with Mary Branson.

February 9

Prayers for Sandie Horne and Sandy & Gregg Jarrett

- Worship Leader: Jim Langreder

February 16

Prayers for the Jondle and Kerr families

- 8:30 AM Yoga class in fellowship hall.
- Council meeting after worship.

February 23

Prayers for the Kinney family and Kristen & Jared Kramer

- Coffee Hour in fellowship hall after worship.
- Wednesday, Feb. 26 is Ash Wednesday marking the start of the season of Lent.



F FEBRUARY COMMITTEES



Coffee Hour Committee for Feb. 23: Jeannie Phelan, Sharon Logemann, Riveras, Julie & Mike Ball, Sue Pakula

Church Cleaning Team: Carol Pfalz, Fran & Ken Pike and our friends from the Easter Seals Adult Day Center.

	Greeters	Ushers	Scripture Readers
2	Sherri Krantz	Laurie Buckett/Connie Motelet	Robert Zondag
9	Linda Berlin	Linda Berlin/Deb Morgan	Julie Ball
16	Laurie Buckett	Donna Newland/Carol Pfalz	Sarah Erickson-Bhatt
23	Shirlene Hazelberg	Sue & Tom Stelling	Jeannie Phelan

KIDS

Feb. 2 WAKE UP WITH GOD/Souper Bowl Sunday

Filming of "The Good Samaritan" movie will take place in February and March...be sure to attend if you want to see yourself on the BIG SCREEN!



BIRTHDAYS

Rick Rivera	2	John Lui	16
Sharon Logemann	6	Josh Kerr	19
Melissa Rivera	7	Miles Kerr	23
Stacy Szymanski	10	Masyn Rivera	23
Kelvin Hazelberg	11	Mary Edwards	24
Aurynn Stack-Vaughn	12	Donna Newland	25
Kierwynn Stack-Vaughn	12	Sue Pakula	25
Peggy Hazelberg	14	Jeannie Phelan	26

ANNIVERSARIES

None

MEMBERSHIP ANNIVERSARIES:

None

SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY February 2!!

It's an annual tradition at Emmanuel. On Super Bowl Sunday, we have a special collection of Food Pantry donations and place our gifts in the receptacles decorated for the team you're supporting....the Chiefs or 49ers.

Suggested items include hot cereals, peanut butter, tuna, paper products, soups, stews (no fresh products please).

The winner is....(drum roll)....The Kettle Moraine Food Pantry! Please be generous!





Ladies' Fellowship

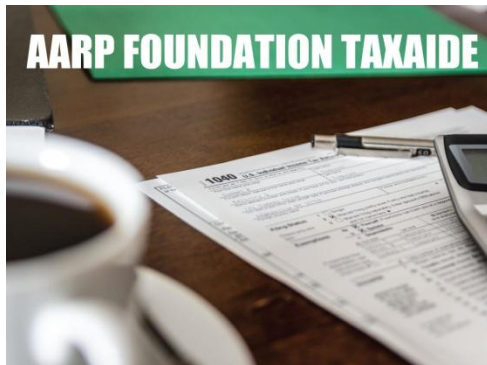
Ladies Fellowship will meet on Tuesday, February 11 from 1-3 PM in fellowship hall. Donna Newland will be the hostess.

Order SCRIP February 2nd



Using the SCRIP/Gift Card system is a GREAT way to help Emmanuel raise revenue...and it costs you no extra \$\$\$. Orders are taken the first Sunday of the month and delivered to you the next. A wide variety of gift cards are available for most anything you need!

Reminder that our Congregational Care Fund is always in need of \$25 grocery and gas cards. Grocery cards may also be purchased at Aldi Stores (not part of the SCRIP Program). Thank you to Laurie Buckett who facilitated the program since its start. Mary Branson has taken over this job and we THANK her for saving the program. Even though it has not proven to be a large money-maker for the church, without it, our ability to help people who are down on their luck with gas and groceries would be severely limited.



FREE TAX HELP for 2019 taxes

LOCATION:

Oconomowoc Area Senior Center (210 S. Main St.)

APPOINTMENTS NECESSARY. Call John (262-567-3483) AFTER January 15 (Monday-Saturday, 5-9 PM). Please do not call to get answers to tax questions.

TUESDAYS: FEBRUARY 4 TO APRIL 14 **9:00-3:00**

FRIDAYS: FEBRUARY 14, FEBRUARY 28, MARCH 13, MARCH 27, APRIL 10 **9:00-12:00**

There is no cost for this tax service!

(Please make sure you bring last year's taxes, all tax documents and picture ID. Married couples are required to come together.)

Contact Mark Thompson with questions (612-616-8752).



In the event of an ice or snow storm that we deem severe enough to cancel Sunday Worship, that information will be available on Milwaukee channels 4 and 6 websites/TV broadcasts. We will also publish it on the Emmanuel UCC Facebook page.



THANK YOU to all who regularly leave bags of aluminum cans and other precious metals outside the garage door. A reminder to everyone, our recycling of these Precious

Metals helps Emmanuel's bottom line, so please save them, bag them up and leave them to the left of the garage so that the snow plow doesn't take them away. Thank you to Ron Blaschuk and Tom Stelling for taking them to the recycling center throughout the year.





Singing Bowl for FEBRUARY Medical Debt Release

This past Dec. 3, almost 6,000 families on the South Side of Chicago had their medical debts forgiven through a collaborative effort of the UCC and other partners. Those church donations wiped out \$5.3 million in medical debts, by buying up the debt at pennies to the dollar. When medical debt piles up, families are faced with hard decisions: buying their food and shelter and allowing their debts to balloon, or cut back on necessities, even to the point of homelessness. In a 2008 Commonwealth Fund survey, "Seeing Red: The Growing Burden of Medical Bills and Debts Faced By U.S. Families," it was found that among millions of families ages 19-64 in the study, 39% reported using up all their savings because of medical bills. Families are forced to decide between their physical health and their financial health.

February's Singing Bowl will combine with the offerings of many other churches to release more people drowning in medical debt through this buy-back program.

MISSIONS OF EMMANUEL



In January we hosted our first Family Promise rotation of the year. Emmanuel had three families, four adults and seven children, staying overnight the second week in January.

There will be three other weeks in 2020 that we volunteer for this wonderful mission of Emmanuel. Our church, along with volunteers from St. Mary's and St. Bruno's of Dousman provide meals and shelter for some of the homeless of Waukesha County but we are not the only church that has Family Promise as one of their missions. There are 12 other churches in our county that do the same. We only see a small percentage of the families that Family Promise serves.

Here are some statistics from 2019, from the 13 churches that make up Family Promise of Waukesha County:

- 18 families were served
- there were 77 individuals of which 68% were children
- 2809 nights and 2809 hot meals were provided
- 61% of these families found suitable housing and 73% found income success

Sometimes we might question if our service is needed and effective. Just know that every night when our church hosts or supports a family, it is a success. It is a night a child is not sleeping in a car. It is a night that mom and dad can take a breath and know their child is safe. It is a night that families know someone cares for them in the moment. We become part of their success story. Thank you!

Kiosk Collections

The kiosk in the church foyer has drawers labeled for different things we collect on an ongoing basis. It's a great way to get rid of unneeded items and help out at the same time:

- Grocery receipts from Albrecht's Sentry store in Delafield. We receive a rebate of the total receipts we submit. Those rebates help our bottom line!
- First Aid items/new toothbrushes/OTC pain meds (unopened) are given to the Free Clinic in Oconomowoc.
- Used eye glasses are given to the Dousman Lions Club: throughout the year, Lions, Leos and other volunteers collect used eyeglasses and deliver them to regional Lions Eyeglass Recycling Centers (LERCs). LERC volunteers clean, sort by prescription strength and package the glasses. Recycled glasses are distributed to people in need in low and middle income communities where they will have the greatest impact.

Those who deny freedom to others deserve it not for themselves; and under the rule of a just God, cannot long retain it. —Abraham Lincoln

While I know myself as a creation of God, I am also obligated to realize and remember that everyone else and everything else are also God's creation. —Maya Angelou

A man can no more diminish God's glory by refusing to worship Him than a lunatic can put out the sun by scribbling the word, 'darkness' on the walls of his cell. —C. S. Lewis

Annual Meeting Notes



At the January 19th Annual Meeting of the Congregation, the following people were elected to positions for 2020. Thank you for serving!

Moderator: Gary Phelps

Clerk: Donna Newland

Treasurer: Kathy Zebrowski

Assistant Treasurer: Jeanne Phelan

Financial Secretary: Laurie Bucket

Assistant Financial Secretaries: Connie Motelet, Carol Pfalz, Sherri Krantz

Financial Reviewers: Gary Phelps and Melanie Laur

Publicity: Leanne Harmann

Historian: Pat Doering

(note: a question arose on the legality of Gary Phelps serving as both Moderator and Financial Reviewer. Kristen Voskuil is checking into WI law pertaining to this and will report back. A different Reviewer may be needed depending on the outcome.)

Board of Christian Education: Peggy Hazelberg, Kristen Voskuil, Sue Pakula

Board of Deacons: Kristen Voskuil with helpers Kathy Zebrowski and Sandie Horne.

Board of Social Concerns: Shirlene Hazelberg, Jim Langreder, Sarah Erickson-Bhatt and Melissa Rivera

Board of Stewards: Sue Stelling, Charlotte Voigt, Steve Thompson

Open positions....please consider volunteering for one of these. Speak to Gary Phelps if the "Spirit moves you!"

Assistant Moderator: attends monthly Council meetings and advances to Moderator in 2021.

Board of Stewards: 2 or 3 additional people are needed. Stewards' responsibilities include sharing information about the 4 special UCC offerings throughout the year by writing newsletter articles and presenting mission moments during worship. The 4 offerings are One Great Hour of Sharing, Strengthen the Church, Neighbors in Need and The Christmas Fund. Additionally they plan the fall Stewardship/Pledge Drive each year and develop the next year's operating budget with Trustees.

Trustees: 1 additional person is needed. Trustees meets as needed and is responsible for the building, grounds and developing the next year's operating budget in cooperation with the Board of Stewards. They take care of contracting for building improvements and repairs, scheduling our twice a year Blue Jean Sundays when we clean up the highway and church grounds, contracting for winter snow plowing and putting together the snow shoveling team each year.

This n That...



- ♥ All the people who have stepped down from the positions they have served over the past year or more: Kristen Voskuil, Moderator; Shirlene Hazelberg, Asst. Treasurer; Pastor Nansi, Ashley Berman-Kinney on Social Concerns; Sherri Krantz and Frieda Goetsch on Stewards; Jere Marheine on Trustees.
- ♥ our Dousman Meals drivers for January 20-24: Sue Stelling, Jo Quaden, Kathy Zebrowski, Sharon Logemann, Lorna & Jere Marheine, Corine Mayer, Nicole Kerr and her father, John Perdue.
- ♥ Jan & Jim McGraw, Corine Mayer and our friends from the Easter Seals Adult Day Center for cleaning the church in January.
- ♥ our shoveling team for January: John Lui, Pete Hazelberg and Mark Thompson.
- ♥ our January coffee hour committee and Jim Langreder for planning the potluck celebration for January 26.



- ♥ Recovering from surgery or procedures...Ann Carpenter, Gregg Jarrett, Peggy Hazelberg, Marian Speerless and Sandie Horne.
- ♥ those dealing with cancer: Shirlene Hazelberg's mother, Marie; Leanne Harmann's father, Bob Granzow; Rev. Dick Hawkins' brother-in-law, Arthur; Steve Thompson's brother, Wayne; Pastor Nansi's friend, Bonnie.

Treasurer's Report for December 2019	
PLEDGED Income received	
(December 2019)	\$9,168.00
(December 2018)	\$8,471.00
Difference	\$697.00
NON-PLEDGES & PLATE Income Received	
(December 2019)	\$2,120.00
(December 2018)	\$2,255.46
Difference	-\$135.46
Total INCOME for (December 2019) *	\$16,625.79
Total INCOME for (December 2018)	\$13,863.99
Difference	\$2,761.80
Total EXPENSE for (December 2019)	\$10,570.75
Total EXPENSE for (December 2018)	\$12,306.08
Difference	-\$1,735.33
Checking Account Balance as of December 31, 2019	\$14,630.29
Checking Account Balance as of December 31, 2018	\$2,693.65
Difference	\$11,936.64
*TOTAL INCOME includes funds received that are designated funds for:	
Singing Bowl	\$102.79
WI Conference offering income (OCWM, Christmas Fund, etc)	\$955.00
SCRIP sales	\$1,585.00
Fund Raiser	\$0.00
RBC Investment Account Growth for December 2019	\$4,512.47
Capital Funds Campaign	\$14,340.22
Income	\$1,760.00
Expenses	\$ -
Interest	\$0.67
TOTAL	\$16,100.89

Please direct questions or comments to Kathy Zebrowski (262-646-8882).



Adult Fellowship	Corrine Mayer	431-4046
Christian Education/Church School	Donna Newland	965-4022
	Peggy Hazelberg	470-2181

Council	Gary Phelps	646-3920
Deacons	Kristen Voskuil	608-698-3777
Financial Secretary (counts offering & keeps records)	Laurie Buckett	965-2545
Family Promise	Charlotte Voigt	646-2701
	Sue Stelling	965-3498
Prayer Requests	Donna Newland	965-4022
Programming ideas (at church- check calendar) (\$\$ needed- check w/ Council)	GO FOR IT!	
	Donna Newland	965-4022
	Gary Phelps	646-3920
SCRIP program	Mary Branson	567-1493
Singing Bowl- same info as Social Concerns		
Social Concerns	Jim Langreder	309-5086
Stewards	Sue Stelling	965-3498
Treasurer (issues checks)	Kathy Zebrowski	646-8882
	Jeanne Phelan	414-940-4464
Trustees	Tom Stelling	965-3498
Ushering Team- same info as Deacons		



Worship each Sunday at 9:30am

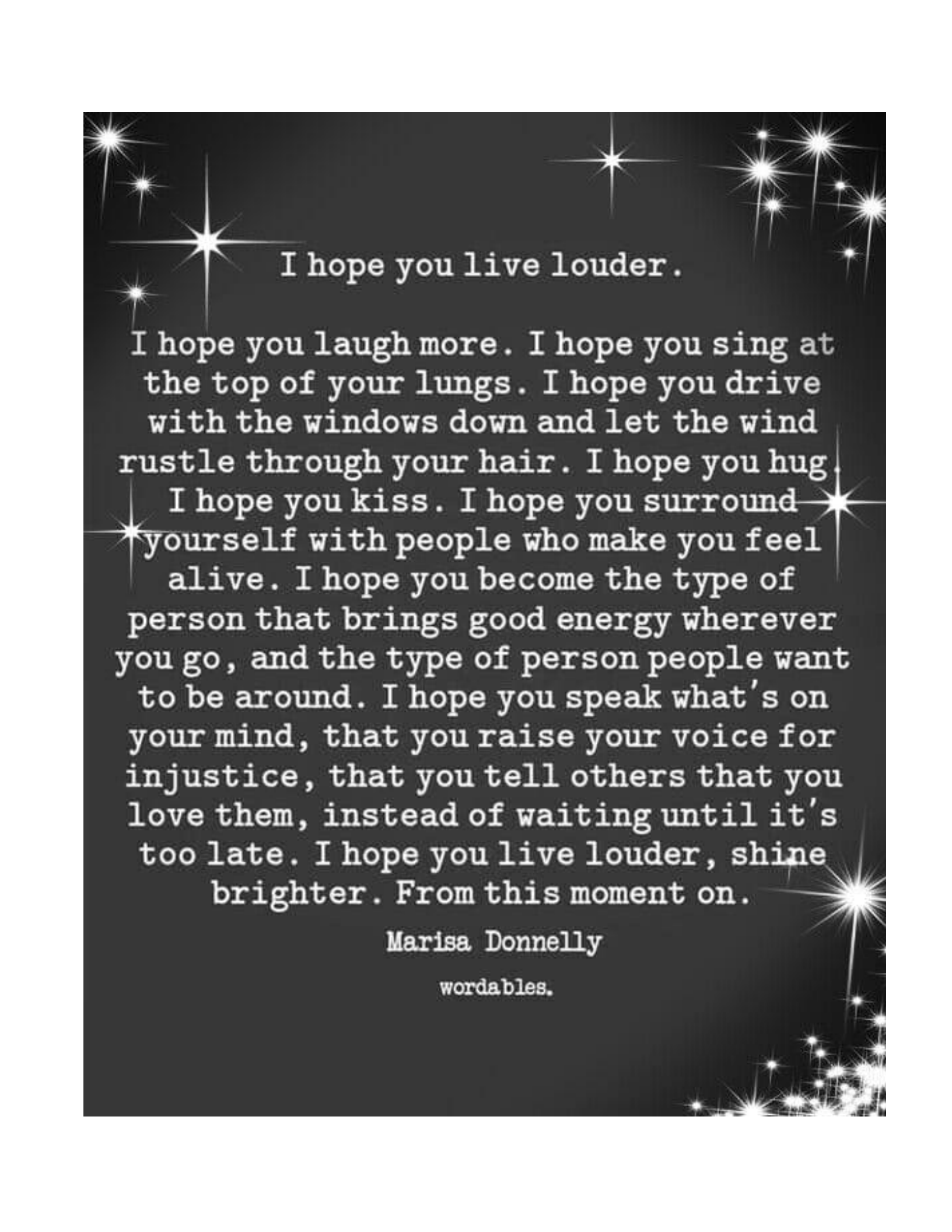
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| Sun. | 1 | Imposition of Ashes marking the first Sunday in Lent
Order SCRIP
Food Pantry Sunday
Set up fellowship hall for the Blood Drive after worship. |
| Mon. | 2 | Blood Drive in fellowship hall, 1:30-5:30 PM |
| Tues. | 10 | Ladies fellowship meeting in fellowship hall, 1-3 PM. |
| Sun | 15 | Council meeting after worship |
| M-F | 16-20 | Emmanuel delivers the Dousman Area Home Meals |
| Sun. | 22 | One Great Hour of Sharing offering |
| Sun. | 29 | Set up for Family Promise after worship (host week March 29 – April 5) |

DOUSMAN MEALS VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION BREAKFAST



THANK YOU to Nicole Kerr and her parents, Becky & John Perdue for hosting the Volunteer Breakfast in fellowship hall on January 23rd. Nicole and her father are the new coordinators for the ministry and were kind enough to host this event to have the opportunity to meet some of the volunteers from Emmanuel and the other churches involved (St. Bruno, Kettle Moraine LDS, Highview Presbyterian and North Prairie UMC). The event was also an opportunity to thank Pastor Nansi for coordinating the meals program for the past 16 years.





I hope you live louder .


I hope you laugh more . I hope you sing at the top of your lungs . I hope you drive with the windows down and let the wind rustle through your hair . I hope you hug . I hope you kiss . I hope you surround yourself with people who make you feel alive . I hope you become the type of person that brings good energy wherever you go , and the type of person people want to be around . I hope you speak what's on your mind , that you raise your voice for injustice , that you tell others that you love them , instead of waiting until it's too late . I hope you live louder , shine brighter . From this moment on .

Marisa Donnelly

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Worship & Nursery Care
 each Sunday at 9:30 AM
 Sunday School meets during worship following
 Time With the Young Disciples

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