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FROM
PASTOR LEANNE



Resurrection

Easter is rarely seen with the same excitement as Christmas. Rarely do we spend much time planning for work and family events with those we haven't seen in a year at Easter. What Christmas and Easter give us is hope. Hope that God is present with us in Christmas and in Easter, hope in the resurrection

Here's the thing about Resurrection. It really was a one-time event to be present at the Resurrection of Jesus and it gives us the hope that even in death, it is not the end. We trust that when Jesus said, you'll be with me in Paradise, that it was for us, too, that we will return to God. But it's more than that.

Resurrection is a way of life, a way of looking at the world, a way of living in hope today. There are all kinds of deaths or endings, all kinds of things in our lives that cause us grief and pain. Jobs discontinue, relationships end, loved ones move away, dreams don't become realities, and a 100 other ways that we experience deaths every day. It might have been a year of losses or a lifetime. But resurrection was not a moment, it's who we are. It's hope that even in the darkest moments, even in times when it seems all hope is lost, even when we are full of grief, even as struggles go on and on, even in the midst of loss there is hope. It's not the end. Trees bud again, flowers bloom, the earth reminds us every year that death is not the end, that this moment shall pass into the next, that hope is not lost.

Resurrection is a way of seeing the world, a way of living, a way of hope in the midst of everything that is happening. Resurrection is knowing that things won't always be like this, that there is new life and there is new hope. Resurrection is not a moment but a process, learning to see God, learning to trust that God is renewing the face of the earth and each of our lives.

May you see resurrection around you this time of year, may you be renewed by the God of love who makes all things new.

Pastor Leanne

The Messenger

APRIL 2021



VIRTUAL SUNDAY WORSHIP
9:30 AM
FACEBOOK LIVE
(and later on) **YOUTUBE**

April 1

Maundy Thursday online Worship on
Facebook & YouTube
Luke 22:1-27

April 2

Good Friday online Worship on
Facebook & YouTube
Luke 23:32-47

April 4

10 AM Worship in the Parking Lot
followed by the Egg Hunt
Online Worship also available
Luke 24:1-12

Holy Communion

prayers for Kris & Dick Davidson and the
Doering family

Wed. Apr. 7 FINAL Lenten Book Study
7-8 PM on Zoom

April 11

prayers for Mary Edwards and Nancy
Edwards
Luke 24:13-35

April 18

prayers for Evelyn Faircloth and Dianne
Frances & Loey Erickson

Online Worship Service from Lakeland
University "Doubting Thomas/Faithful
Questioning"
John 20:19-31

10:45 AM Council meeting on Zoom

April 25

9:30 AM Parking Lot Worship
(weather permitting)

prayers for Wendy & Jeff Geier and
Frieda Goetsch

Jeannie Phelan will be our guest
preacher



BIRTHDAYS

Dianne Frances	1
Sarah Erickson-Bhatt	3
Bob Hazelberg	8
Dick Gryske	9
Nancie Gryske	10
Kristen Voskuil	11
Linda Berlin	12
Jeff Geier	15
Ari Kinney	18
Julie Ball	19
John Quaden, Jr.	20
Don Boychuk	26
Gary Phelps	30

ANNIVERSARIES

Sandy & Gregg Jarrett	8
Shirlene & Bob Hazelberg	10

MEMBERSHIP ANNIVERSARIES

Nancy Edwards	April 7, 1955	66 years
John Quaden, Jr.	April 9, 1972	49 years
Ken Pike	April 10, 1960	61 years
Frieda Goetsch	April 19, 1962	59 years
Kristen Kramer	April 27, 2003	18 years



**10 AM in the parking lot
(weather permitting)**

**The Easter Egg Hunt for our kids
will follow worship!!**

**For those who wish to remain at
home, an online service will be
prerecorded for Easter Sunday,
available on the church's
Facebook Page & on YouTube**



USHER (if needed)	SCRIPTURE READER
1	Jeannie Phelan
2	Sarah Erickson-Bhatt
4	Ann Carpenter
11	Student
18	Robert Zondag
25	Ashley Berman Kinney



**There will be NO Coffee
Hour in April due to Easter
being the 1st Sunday in
the month...
SEE you on May 2nd!**

An Update on Family Promise...



Family Promise National has established an exciting new partnership with Ikea who will be providing support of \$150,000 to help at least 30 Family Promise local Affiliates establish or expand their homelessness

prevention and stabilization services. An additional \$150,000 in-kind product donation is to be distributed throughout February and March 2021 to support upgrades to their day centers and permanent shelter sites at 10 local Affiliates. Family Promise of Waukesha County is blessed to be one of the Affiliates who will be receiving an in-kind donation to help remodel the new day center and residence in Waukesha. THANK YOU Ikea!



This n That...



♥ our March Scripture Readers: members of the Confirmation Class, Robert Zondag, Ashley Berman-Kinney and Steve Thompson.

♥ our Dousman Meals drivers for March: Kristen Kramer, Heather Brisk, Jo Quaden, Kathy Zebrowski, Sue Stelling, Sherri Krantz, Shirlene Hazelberg and Barb Wood.

♥ our shoveling team for March: Tom Stelling, Gary Phelps and Pete Hazelberg.

♥ Tom Stelling for monitoring the precious metals receptacles at the entrance and taking cans to the garage this winter.

♥ Ken Pike for his time in contacting the necessary contractors to take care of the furnace and septic issues we had recently.



♥ Fran Pike who continues to be treated for pancreatic cancer.

♥ Jere Marheine, who is healing from his March 15th hip

replacement.

♥ Carol Pfalz, who had a malignant breast tumor removed on March 10th.

♥ Connie Motelet, as she continues to heal from hip surgery.

♥ Rick Rivera, who is taking medication to alleviate artery blockages.

♥ John Quaden, Sr. who is undergoing immune therapy treatments for the return of melanoma in his neck.

♥ Shirlene Hazelberg's mother, Marie, who has entered hospice care.

♥ Vera Ortmann, who continues to experience problems with her arm resulting from her fall in early 2020.

♥ Those affected by the Covid-19 virus, physically, mentally, monetarily.

♥ Our shut-ins: Jeanette Collins, Jan Wilson, Judy Stanek.



Connie Motelet thanks you for your kindness shown through sending cards and prayers following her recent hip replacement surgery. She is taking physical therapy but is back to work and doing well.

Carol Pfalz would like to thank everyone for their cards, prayers, calls for her recent diagnosis of breast cancer. It is so thoughtful and very much appreciated. Doing well and staying positive.

Gail & Sal Tamez's son, Andrew for whom we've been praying while he was stationed in Afghanistan, has returned home. They thank everyone for the prayers and well wishes.



Council Notes

Council met on Zoom on Sunday, March 21 with 12 participants.

- Kathy Zebrowski reported that our financial picture is remaining strong and she and Jeannie Phelan appreciate it very much since it makes their job of paying bills much easier.
- Our RBC investments increased by \$2,579.51 in February.
- Kristen Voskuil is continuing to make a Sunday School video each week which is emailed out to the congregation on Fridays. Thank you Kristen!
- Plans for Sunday School are on hold until we can resume meeting on a regular basis in the parking lot for outdoor worship.
- As it stands now, we are hoping to have a Rummage Sale in August (28th). We will; however, hold off on having people bring in donations until August.
- We have experienced a couple of issues with building/grounds concerns. One furnace recently malfunctioned and the septic alarm started acting up. No major repairs were required, but we are monitoring both.
- The online viewership of our worship services remains strong.
- Pastor Leanne is hoping to increase our visibility in the community by reinstating the coffeehouse conversations and starting a water and wine discussion group as well at a wine bar in Oconomowoc. Both would be a once a month event.
- Plans for small-group gatherings: Bible Study will resume after Easter and once we are able to meet in the parking lot for worship, Confirmation will move to in-person on Sundays, once a month after worship.
- Council approved the Church Profile which was created by the Transition Team as part of the pastoral search process. It now goes to the Conference for their stamp of approval. Once that is done, Council determines if Pastor Leanne is a viable candidate and she determines her level of interest. Before the Profile would be made public to other pastoral candidates, a Search Committee would have to be formed by Council.
- Council's next meeting will be Sunday, April 18 at 10:45 AM on Zoom



Where do we stand in the search for a new settled pastor?

Step 1 was to put together a team of people whose job it would be to create Emmanuel's Church Profile. This is a document that describes Emmanuel and includes data about our finances, history, vision, hopes and dreams. It is basically our church's resume. This team (Transition Team) was created by the Church Council last year. Through much research and a number of congregational surveys, the Team completed the Profile this month. Council reviewed it and approved it at their March 21st monthly meeting.

Step 2: The Profile will be sent to our WI Conference Minister for approval.

Step 3: Upon Conference approval, it will be reviewed once again by Council to determine if Pastor Leanne is a viable candidate based on the contents of the Profile. Pastor Leanne will also review it and determine if she is interested in being considered for the position.

Step 4: Council will determine whether they want the Profile to be sent out for public access (allowing other pastoral candidates to apply) or if they want to recommend Pastor Leanne for the position without making it public, assuming both Council and Pastor Leanne are in agreement. If it is decided that the Profile should be made public, Council will form a Pastoral Search Committee and the Profile will be made public for other pastoral candidates, along with Pastor Leanne to apply.

Step 5: When Council or a Search Committee has a candidate they feel qualifies to be called as Emmanuel's settled pastor, a special meeting of the congregation will be held where the candidate will be presented and the congregation will vote. Prior to that meeting, information about the candidate will be shared and likely an opportunity to meet that person and hear them preach would be made available to the congregation. *(note: a quorum for a vote to call a pastor requires participation by 25% of eligible voting members. based on our 12-31-20 membership of 94, this would be 23.5 or 24 members.)*

The Transition Team of Marjore Thompson, Peggy Hazelberg, Christy Lui and Robert Zondag with assistance from Ken Pike did a phenomenal job on the Profile and they are all to be THANKED!

We appreciate your ongoing support. Donations may be sent to our P.O. Box address: Emmanuel UCC, P.O. Box 216, Dousman 53118. THANK YOU!!



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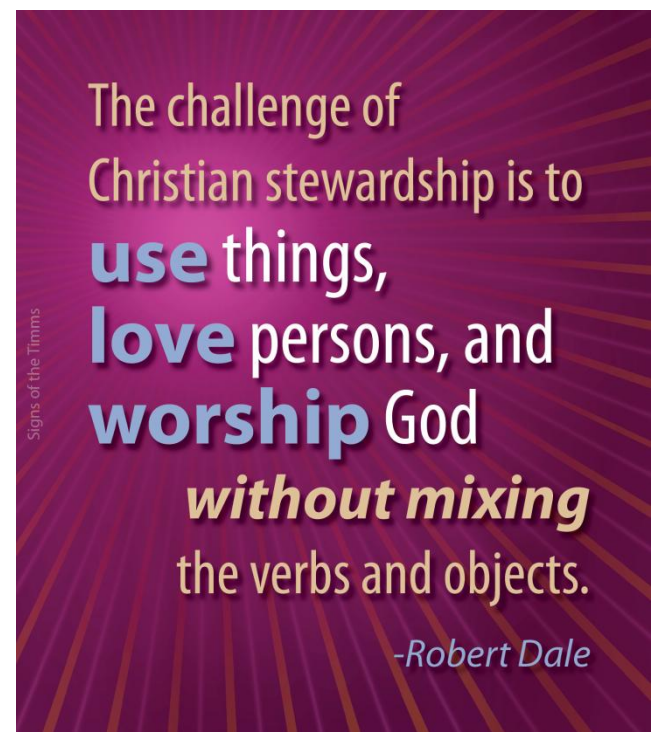
Do you have a talent or passion
for music and song?



Do you have a favorite
church song or hymn?
Contact Jim! Record it!



You, too, could be part of worship.



THANK YOU to all who regularly donate bags of aluminum cans. Hopefully we're done with heavy snow, so the garage is again accessible and you may place your bags of cans in front of it.



AARP FOUNDATION TAXAIDE
(FREE TAX HELP for 2020 taxes)
Oconomowoc Area Senior Center
(210 S. Main Street)
Please call Joni Briski
(262) 470-9198

to make an appointment.

Please call Monday-Friday:

9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Please call only to make an appointment, not to get answers to tax questions.

TUESDAYS: UNTIL APRIL 6
9:00-3:00

- **Please come only 5 minutes before your appointment time.**
- **Bring your tax return from last year.**
- **Bring all tax papers.**
- **Your appointment will be for only 40 minutes.**
- **All tax returns will be done virtually.**
- **You will be required to come back 9 days after your first appointment and get your printed return.**

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 (some exemptions apply).



Sundays	EACH	9:30 AM Worship...in the parking lot or online
Sunday	2	Coffee Hour
Tuesday	EACH	10 AM Bible Study at church
M-F	10-14	Emmanuel delivers the Dousman Area Home Meals
Sunday	16	Mission Moment for Strengthen the Church
		Council meeting, 10:45 AM
Sunday	23	Strengthen the Church offering

WHO DO I TALK TO IF I HAVE A QUESTION??

Adult Fellowship	Corrine Mayer	431-4046
	Donna Newlar	965-3563
Christian Education/ Church School	Pastor Leanne	965-2429
	Peggy	470-2181
	Hazelberg	
Council	Sherri Krantz	968-5504
Deacons	Kristen Voskuil	608-698-3777
Financial Secretary (counts offering & keeps records)	Laurie Buckett	965-2545
Family Promise	Charlotte Voig	646-2701
	Sue Stelling	965-3498
Pastoral Search Transition Team	Marjore	612-240-5796
	Thompson	
Prayer Requests	Pastor Leanne	965-2429
	Donna Newlar	965-4022
Singing Bowl- same info as Social Concerns		
Social Concerns	Shirlene	470-5907
	Hazelberg	
Stewards	Sue Stelling	965-3498
Treasurer (issues checks)	Kathy Zebrows	646-8882
	Jeanne Phelar	414-940-4464
Trustees	Ken Pike	347-6779



Keep an eye open for
 more information on
 Water and Wine
 and
 Coffeehouse
 Conversations
 starting in May.



We are hopeful that we'll be able to resume our August Rummage Sale as conditions with Covid continue to improve. We will schedule it on Dousman's village-wide rummage day which will be Saturday, August 28th. Please hold your treasures until August when we will begin taking donations and stay tuned for further announcements.



We miss you! We hope to resume gathering in the parking lot each Sunday at 9:30 AM for worship beginning **April 25th** (other than Easter Sunday which will be in the parking lot at 10 AM). Of course, outdoor services are always weather-dependent and online alternatives will always be offered if the weather does not cooperate.

We are getting inquiries about when we'll resume inside services and why we're delaying that step, after all, other churches are doing it. We've been aware throughout the past year that other churches have either continued to or resumed inside worship. Emmanuel's Council has chosen to follow the health guidelines that have been and continue to be set forth by the CDC, WI Council of Churches, our local health department and people within the congregation who work in the healthcare field. This chart from the WI Council of Churches website explains the parameters on the safety of gathering inside:

UNSAFE TO GATHER	MAKE IT SAFER	SAFEST
Vaccination rates <50%	Vaccination rates 50-70+%	Vaccination rates 70-85+%
Viral Transmission ♦ Cases >10/100K ♦ Positive Tests >10%	Viral Transmission ♦ Cases 5-10/100K ♦ Positive Tests <10%	Viral Transmission ♦ Cases <1/100K ♦ Positive Tests <5%

As of March 21st, 28.2% of Waukesha County residents have received at least one dose of the vaccine. 16.3% have completed the vaccine series. Using this chart, that makes it very clear that, while things are improving, we're not there yet.

Emmanuel's Council wants you to understand that we ALL miss gathering in the sanctuary and are anxious to be able to do that again. That being said, the safety of all who enter is most important to us. While we will never be able to insure safety with 100% certainty, we want the odds to be better. We SO appreciate the support of our church family over the past year....you're the best!

Treasurer's Report for February 2021

PLEDGED Income received

(February 2021)	\$11,997.00
(February 2020)	\$11,213.50
Difference	\$783.50

NON-PLEDGES & PLATE Income Received

(February 2021)	\$0.00
(February 2020)	\$866.00
Difference	-\$866.00

Total INCOME for (February 2021) *	\$13,661.00
Total INCOME for (February 2020)	\$14,859.92

Difference	-\$1,198.92
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Total EXPENSE for (February 2021)	\$10,405.88
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Total EXPENSE for (February 2020)	\$13,130.57
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Difference	-\$2,724.69
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Checking Account Balance as of February 28, 2021	\$8,118.08
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Checking Account Balance as of February 28, 2020	\$16,431.51
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Difference	-\$8,313.43
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*TOTAL INCOME includes funds received for:

Singing Bowl	\$0.00
WI Conference offering income (OCWM, Christmas Fund, etc)	\$360.00
SCRIP sales	\$0.00
Fund Raiser	\$0.00

RBC Investment Account Growth for February 2021	\$2,579.51
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Capital Funds Campaign	\$ 3,786.23
Income	\$ 1,054.00
Expenses	\$ -
Interest	\$ 0.10
TOTAL	\$4,840.33

Please direct questions or comments to Kathy Zebrowski (262-646-8882) or
Jeannie Phelan (414-940-4464)





**VIRTUAL SUNDAY WORSHIP AT 9:30 AM
ON EMMANUEL'S FACEBOOK LIVE**

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