

# Connections

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## The Kingdom, the Power, and the Glory



Grace to you and peace from God our Father, and our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Triumph at the Cross, a Lenten devotional for Repentance and Renewal*, by Rev. Harold Senkbeil, is a wonderful devotional book available for checkout from the church library. One of the devotions for Holy Week is titled "The Kingdom, the Power, and the Glory" and is based on Luke 23:42-43:

*And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise." (Luke 23:42-43, ESV)*

*One of the central truths of Christian living is that you can see more by faith than you can by sight. The dying thief on Calvary saw one thing with his eyes but quite another by faith. What was visible to his eyes that day at Calvary was a painful execution. Nevertheless, he turned to Jesus, already in the grip of death, and said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' Jesus certainly did not look like a king. He looked like a bleeding man, a dying victim. But the thief addressed him like a victorious hero.*

*Now, that's faith. And that's precisely what you and I need most of all in this world. We certainly thank our gracious God for our eyes and ears, our reason, and all our senses. But, important as these are, faith is still the greater gift. For faith alone sees the hidden realities. Faith alone looks ahead to all eternity. And faith alone is able to confess that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing to the glories that will be revealed in us. Faith alone sees that there will be peace at the last.*

*Unfortunately, however, we rarely have the faith of the dying thief. We keep thinking that the power and glory of God are like the power and glory of this world. We keep looking for God to bowl us over with his presence, to show us his power by abolishing the problems in our lives, to reveal his glory to us by making us glorious. We learn in this text, though, that God's power*

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## Ash Wednesday Blessings

As I changed the calendar from February to March, Wednesday the 6<sup>th</sup>, caught my eye: Ash Wednesday! I wondered how I would be able to impose ashes on so many ECE children alone? Usually, there are two Pastors on campus during the day, but not this year. I didn't think I could do 100 plus children and staff all alone.

Ray Thomas suggested that I ask Henry Dietrich if he could assist me. I visited Henry and Val on Monday of that week. We talked about her doctor visits, and how the doctors and office staff sang "Happy Birthday" to her. Before I left, I asked Henry if he could help on the morning of Ash Wednesday with the ECE chapel. Henry was excited, and wanted more details on what he would have to do. My prayers were answered! I also thank other members for all their help with this day.

God is involved in our everyday lives. When God's people work together, everything falls into place. Wednesday morning came, Henry and I were ready. Mrs. Swanstrom opened the chapel service with the children singing. I was blessed to share God's word and the meaning of the day with the children. The children then came forward to receive their ashes. As the children continued to come forward, the joyful look on Henry's face was uplifting. What a morning we had, everyone renewing their faith in a humble way. Henry said, "it was beautiful to see those children standing for their cross." The ECE staff have done a great job. Henry

Dietrich, now retired, was an Elder at Immanuel for many, many years. But, he is still always ready to serve.

~Pastor Claudio Perez



## Midweek Lent Services and Dinners

The remaining Midweek Services (Wednesdays at 7:00 pm) will be based on the following themes and readings:

4/3/19 – The Wound of Mockery

- Matthew 26:57-68

4/10/19 – The Wound of Abandonment

- Matthew 27:45-50

A meal will be provided before the services, 5:30-6:30 pm.

April 3 • Trustees

*Menu TBD*

April 10 • Evangelism

Pizza and Salad

If you can assist with the April 10 meal, please contact Winnie McNamara.



# The Kingdom . . .

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*is made perfect in weakness and his glory is revealed in the midst of shame. The dying thief looked at the naked, bleeding man hanging beside him and called him king.*

*That day on the cross, heaven intersected with earth. That day eternity broke into time. That day in the very midst of death, there was life. The thief saw beyond the pain and death and looked clearly into the reality of the kingdom of God. And that thief has nothing over us. The kingdom of God is here too in our very midst. The kingdom, the power, and the glory are hidden under the washing, Word, and meal Jesus gave us.*

*It's the same for us as it was at Calvary, you see. It's no different for those of us who have the Word and the Sacrament of Christ than it was for the thief who hung next to the cross of Christ. Here the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, takes away our sin and brings life and immortality to light. Here, in the name of Jesus Christ and by his authority, sins are forgiven and life is restored. Here broken hearts are mended. Here, in the presence of the King, we find healing and peace once more. Christ, our King, guards and keeps us always in his presence. The kingdom is here, you see – and with the kingdom of God comes the power of God and glory of God, both now and forevermore.*

*My faith looks up to Thee,  
Thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine.  
Now hear me while I pray.  
Take all my guilt away.  
Oh, let me, from this day, be wholly Thine!  
Amen.*

God bless you during this precious time of year as we hear and remember the events of our Lord's Passion for us, His death for us, and His Glorious resurrection for us!

*Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen. (Hebrews 13:20-21, ESV)*

*~Ever in Christ,  
+Pastor Gaub+*



## Holy Week / Easter Services & Events

**Holy (Maundy) Thursday**  
**April 18, 7:00 pm**  
**Divine Service w/Communion**

**Good Friday, April 19, 7:00 pm**  
**Divine Service w/Communion**

**Saturday, April 20, 10:00 am**  
**9<sup>th</sup> Annual Easter Celebration**  
**Easter Egg Hunt, Crafts, Games,**  
**Refreshments, Easter Bunny**

**Easter Sunday, April 21**  
**8:00 am Divine Service w/Communion**  
**Light Breakfast following the Service**

# Call Committee

**Wondering exactly what the call process entails, and why it takes so long?**

The call process begins with notifying District of our vacancy, identifying a call committee and meeting with our Mission and Ministry Facilitator and Circuit Visitor to begin the call process. All steps which Immanuel has already taken.

Next, we will work to complete our Congregational Self-Study materials, area demographic report, and Pastoral Profile Survey. These items are currently the focus of our Call & Call Advisory Committees.

After those items are completed and shared with the congregation, we will call for any pastoral nominations you may have. Once all of that information is compiled, we will share it with President Newman's office and await their response, which will include a call list.

The Call & Advisory Committees will then be responsible for reviewing the candidates, conducting interviews as needed, and bringing the candidates to a Voters Meeting for discussion and vote. Once we have elected to call a Pastor, we will notify the candidate. Upon acceptance of the call, we will begin to prepare for his installation.

Please continue to keep the call process in your prayers.

*Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord! Psalm 27:14*

*~Lauren Neu  
Call Advisory Committee*

# LCMS Announces Leadership Candidates



The nominees for Synod president are, from left, Rev. Dr. Matthew C. Harrison, incumbent; Rev. Dr. David P.E. Maier, president of the LCMS Michigan District; and Rev. Timothy Klinkenberg, senior pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church, Orange, Calif.

For more information, see the LCMS website <https://blogs.lcms.org/2019/candidates-announced-for-lcms-president-vice-presidents/>

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**Baseball games** (all 6:30 pm)

Fri. Apr. 5    Fri. Apr. 12    Tues. Apr. 16

**Gala Fundraiser**



Mix and mingle, bid on great auction items, enjoy some yummy food, and enjoy presentations given by current students, alumni, and more!

You may donate items, purchase tickets, or be a sponsor by calling (713) 880-3131 or going to <https://one.bidpal.net/lhngala19/welcome>.

The "Back a Lion" fund provides tuition assistance to students.



**37th Annual Spring Musical**

**Grade School & Senior Citizen Matinees**

*Reservations Required*

Thursday, April 25, at 9:00 am & 12:30 pm

*Reserved Seats Available*

Friday and Saturday, April 26 & 27, at 7:00 pm

**Reserve seats:**

Online at <http://www.lutheranhighnorth.net/>

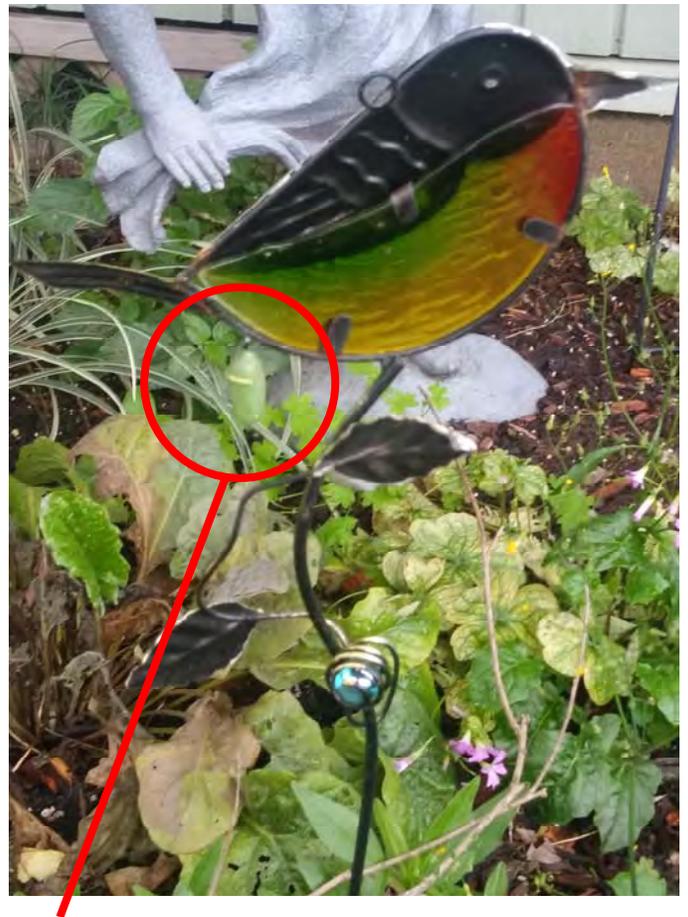
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By phone (713) 880-3131

*~Lynn Eickemeyer*

**New Butterfly Life**



See the chrysalis? This is Ms. Winnie's Butterfly Garden near the Two's Building. This Monarch Butterfly survived the recent cold weather and hatched inside the church office on March 13. The children named him Chase.

*~Winnie McNamara*

# Centennial Moment #3

## Immanuel's First Junior Confirmation Class – 1919



*(pictured from left to right)*

**Pastor William Dietze**

**Marie Therese Auguste Mueller** Ludwick Marino (1907-1992) was born in Hockley, Texas. Maria was the daughter of Louise Sitte and William Mueller. The Mueller's lived at 1530 Waverly. She married Ivey Lee Ludwick, Sr.; then Antonio Joseph Marino. Pastor Elmo Miertschin married Marie and Tony Marino in 1956 at the parsonage.

**Henrietta Elizabeth Oberpriller**, (1906-1922), at age 14. She was the daughter of Bertha Sauber and Joseph Oberprillar. Her eldest brothe, John, was a charter member of Immanuel. The family lived at 420 W. 9<sup>th</sup> St. Henrietta died from typhoid fever a little over a year after this photo was taken.

**Henry Emil Albert Dietrich, Jr.**, age 13, the son of Bernice Nicholson and Henry Dietrich, Sr. The Dietrich's lived at 501 E. 12<sup>th</sup> St. Henry married Valeria Marie Middlestaedt at Immanuel in 1950; Pastor Miertschin performed the ceremony in the old church. Val and Henry are still members of Immanuel.

**Erna Marie Cude** Reifel (1907-1974) was the eldest daughter of Louise Proetzel and George Cude. The family lived at 1437 Waverly St. Erna married Edwin Fredrick Riefel. Their descendants are also members of Immanuel.

**Elsie Selma Cude** Osborn Schilling (1908-1947) was the second daughter of Louise Proetzel and George Cude. Elsie married Joseph D. Osborn and then Moore Trautman Schilling. Elsie and Joseph's descendants are still members of Immanuel.

## Confirmation Class of 1922



*(back)*  
**Pastor William Dietze**

**Dorothy Christine Kleinhans**, age 14, (1908-1982) was the daughter of Emilie Hein and Bernhard Kleinhans. Her father was a charter member of Immanuel and the family lived in the historic home that still stands at 803 Yale St.

**Harry Hugh Smith, Sr.**, age 13, (1908-1982) son of Louise Nussbeck and Albert Smith spent his life in service as a Lutheran pastor. He was the first Immanuel confirmand to become a pastor.

*~Winnie McNamara*



# Go Texan Day



# Sunday School



In March we began our journey in Lent. Now in April as the journey continues, we prepare our hearts as we approach Holy Week and the joyous Easter morning.

Our Sunday School door is always open. We would love to have more little children join us each and every Sunday morning at 10:15 am. Under the age of 3 are welcome we just ask that you please bring an adult friend with you.



## Sunday School Easter Party

Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:15 am

An hour filled with games and activities about the Joys of Jesus at Easter

*“Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it.”*  
Proverbs 22:6

*~Cathleen Chevallier*  
Sunday School Superintendent

# Naomi Paper Drive



Thank you to everyone who helped to make the Naomi Paper Drive, a big success. The Bethesda Lutheran Communities were very appreciative of the donations. (See photo to left)

**Thank you for your Support!**

**Total Numbers Donated**

**402** Rolls of Toilet Paper

**95** Rolls of Paper Towels

**42** Boxes of Kleenex

Showing support to the communities around us, Naomi obtained Thrivent assistance thru the Live Generously program. With the help of Thrivent's \$250, we were able to purchase additional toilet paper and paper towels.

(See photo to right)



~Cathleen Chevallier  
(photos and text)

# Mission Report

## The Fritsche Family: A La Republica Dominicana

*[Excerpt, January-February 2019 newsletter]*

### Make Disciples of All Nations!

It is always a joy to report about baptisms here in the field. On Sunday, January 6, the Epiphany of our Lord, Ayla Sofia was brought by her parents to the waters of Holy Baptism.

Ayla's parents, Carlos and Giselle, were invited to church a little over a year ago by missionaries Pastor Jonathan and Deaconess Cheryl Naumann. Carlos is a driver for Uber. Not long after the Naumanns arrived on the field, they met Carlos, who had responded to their call for a ride with Uber. A relationship was forged that day, and Carlos became a regular driver for them, as well as a friend and helper for getting things done. It's always a blessing to have a local friend to help with getting things done around town, especially when you are first learning the language.

Along with Carlos, the Naumanns met his girlfriend, Giselle. Through the encouragement of the Naumanns, Carlos and Giselle began coming to church in Pueblo Nuevo. Pastor Sergio Maita began catechesis, as well as premarital instruction. Carlos and Giselle were married in the church. Not long after, they were confirmed in their Christian faith and began partaking of the Lord's Supper.

I had the privilege of visiting this couple the few months leading up to the birth of their child. God blessed Carlos and Giselle with the

birth of Ayla, and soon after, her new birth through the water and Word of Holy Baptism.

Make disciples of all nations! What a joy: sharing Jesus, Baptism, Catechesis, Confirmation, Holy Communion! To God be the glory, great things HE has done and continues to do in Christ!

### A Full Team in Pueblo Nuevo

One of the aspects of work in the mission field that I have enjoyed the most is teamwork. Teamwork can sometimes be challenging, but it is a particular blessing as we plant churches.

As I have mentioned many times before, I work closely with seminary students. I am with them in the classroom, in the church and in the community around our mission plant. The work in Pueblo Nuevo would not be the same without them.

Recently, Deaconess Caitlin Worden de Ramirez became part of our team. Her Peruvian husband, Jeancarlos, is a first year student at our seminary. With the addition of Deaconess Caitlin, we now have a Vicar, two seminary field workers and a deaconess. Add to that my wonderful wife and sons who all serve at the mission in their unique ways, the Naumann family, as well as numerous other members of the congregation who go on visits with us and connect us with friends and family, we are well equipped and ready!

Deaconess Caitlin is focusing on working with women and children in our congregation and community.

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## Dominica Mission . . .

That gives us some new opportunities to focus efforts to do more outreach and work with the men in the congregation and community. Please pray that the Lord will open doors to the Gospel in Pueblo Nuevo. I look forward to sharing more with you all in the months ahead. Thank you for your prayers and steadfast support!

~Pastor Joel Fritsche

### Updates from the Missionary Wife

What a great beginning it has been to this year. We are truly blessed! One of the most exciting things for our family is that our youngest has finally started his growth hormone therapy. He takes an injection every night and we are so excited to see this little firecracker grow!



It seems growth is ongoing with these boys and it is a joy to watch and participate in. My heart swells with pride as I see them playing music for church on Sundays, speaking Spanish, or sharing the Gospel with others. The mission field offers joys and challenges and they seem to accept both with a wonderful amount of enthusiasm.

We continue to enjoy the stability of living in one home in Santiago and look forward to sharing our life and work with you this summer. God bless!

~Clarion Fritsche

### Prayer Requests

- Our congregation in Pueblo Nuevo as we move the church to a larger space in the community.
- Missionary friends Pastor James and Deaconess Christel Neuendorf, who began their service in Puerto Rico at the end of February.
- Our family as we make plans for home service in June and July of this year.

Home service consists of six weeks of travel, visiting and reconnecting with partner congregations, as well as two weeks of rest, spending time with family in the states.

*Note: Mark your calendars! On June 3, in place of our usual Monday evening Bible study, Pastor Fritsche and his family will visit with members of Immanuel to report on their mission in the Dominican Republic. Dinner will be provided. Time and details will be forthcoming.*

You can read the full January-February 2019 newsletter issue at <https://mailchi.mp/8978e57287d4/3bek9lzl0w-2858413> and also access it and other news and photographs on their Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/lcmsfritsche/>

# Support Our Sponsored Missionaries

## Dominican Republic Ministry Rev. Joel Fritsche & Family

### Seminary Support

You can donate online through the following link: <https://www.lcms.org/givenow/seminary-support>.

By mail, make a check payable to Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and specify “Dominican Republic Seminary” in the memo line. Mail to:

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod  
Mission Advancement  
PO Box 66861  
St. Louis, MO 63166-6861

### General Support

Support/prayer card:  
[http://prayercards.lcms.org/Fritsche\\_DR\\_April%202017.pdf](http://prayercards.lcms.org/Fritsche_DR_April%202017.pdf)

To support the Fritsche's ministry, you may send a tax- deductible gift to either of the following:

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod  
P.O. Box 66861, St. Louis, MO 63166-6861

### OR

Mission Central  
40718 Highway E16, Mapleton, IA 51034

Make checks payable to The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Mark checks “Support of Joel & Clarion Fritsche.”

Gifts can also be given securely online through the LCMS website, on our online giving page at <http://www.lcms.org/fritsche> or call (888) 930-4438.

## Puerto Rico Ministry

Send a tax deductible gift to:  
The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, PO Box 66861, St. Louis MO 63166-6861

### OR

Mission Central-LCMS World, 40718 Highway E16, Mapleton, Iowa 51034-7105

Make checks payable to The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and include Neuendorf, Puerto Rico in the memo line.

Gifts can also be given securely online through their website <http://www.lcms.org/neuendorf>

## Alaska Ministry

Donate online at:  
<http://www.alaskamissionforchrist.org>

Mail donations to:  
Alaska Mission for Christ, 8100 Arctic Blvd., Anchorage AK 99518

Donate via Thrivent Choice Dollars:  
<https://www.thrivent.com/making-a-difference/living-generously/thrivent-choice/>

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## Devotion on “At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing” (LSB #633)

*This devotion, by Rev. Larry A. Peters, Clarksville TN, was prepared for the Center for Church Music, Concordia University, Chicago website. Used with permission.*

The old is often new again. Here is a hymn written between the 6<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> centuries, but one which did not become well known among Lutherans until forty years ago. It has taken its place as one of the premier Easter hymns of faith. The images within the text draw upon the familiar Easter Vigil. Baptismal candidates were received into the Kingdom and catechumens received their first communion as the Easter sunrise lit up the day.

The foretaste of the Marriage Feast of the Lamb is the Easter Holy Communion in which the faithful gather in the joy of our Lord’s triumph over sin and death. From His side blood and water flow — images of both baptism and the Eucharist. His “blood for wine” and his “body for the feast” remind us that this Sacrament not only looks back to Passover and the Upper Room but forward to the heavenly banquet. Christ is the priest offering and the victim or the offering itself.

“The blood of Christ cleanses us from all sin” says St. John (1 John 1:7). Here the paschal blood causes death to retreat and delivers victory to the people of God. The passing through the Red Sea by our forefathers prefigures the baptismal water that kills and gives life.

“Pascha” is Greek for “pesach” which is Hebrew for “Passover”. One small word has so much meaning and power compacted into it! With this the manna of the Israelites is tied to the new manna of Christ’s body in the Sacrament.

Christ the Mighty Victim is also the conqueror who vanquishes hell’s power and delivers the Kingdom of life and light to God’s people. Death can no more make God’s people cower in fear, nor can the grave claim the victory. This Easter day Christ has opened Paradise and the saints of God emerge from their tombs to acknowledge what He has done and will do.

On Easter we sing as those newborn by grace and set free from sin’s power to love and serve the Lord with gladness. In the culmination of our song, we sing to the Father who gives the crown, the Son whose death gives us life, and the Spirit who leads us through all the days to present us holy and blameless before the Triune God forevermore.

Christ the Victor not only basks in the light of His triumph but turns that victory over to those for whom He died and rose again. That is Easter’s joy and glory — His victory has become ours. We sing it in the Queen of Seasons (Easter); we sing it as the baptized whom He has made alive; we sing it as those who feast upon the Crucified and Risen Lord’s body and blood; and we sing it in anticipation of the great and eternal day when He will come again—at the Lamb’s high feast!

*~submitted by Stephen Hernandez*

*(See hymn text on page 14)*



## At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to our victorious King,  
Who has washed us in the tide flowing from His pierced side. Alleluia!

Praise we Him, whose love divine gives His sacred blood for wine,  
Gives His body for the feast — Christ the victim, Christ the priest. Alleluia!

Where the paschal blood is poured, death's dread angel sheathes the sword;  
Israel's hosts triumphant go through the wave that drowns the foe. Alleluia!

Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, paschal victim, paschal bread;  
With sincerity and love, eat we manna from above. Alleluia!

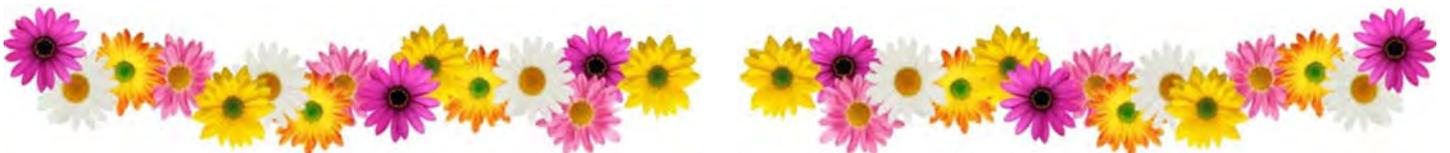
Mighty Victim from the sky, hell's fierce powers beneath You lie;  
You have conquered in the fight, You have brought us life and light. Alleluia!

Now no more can death appall, now no more the grave enthrall;  
You have opened paradise, and Your saints in you shall rise. Alleluia!

Easter triumph, Easter joy! This alone can sin destroy;  
From sin's power, Lord, set us free, newborn souls in You to be. Alleluia!

Father, who the crown shall give, Savior, by whose death we live,  
Spirit, guide through all our days: Three in One, Your name we praise. Alleluia!

*Text: Lutheran Service Book #633. Latin, "Ad regias Agni dapes", c. 5<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> century;  
translated by Robert Campbell (1814-68), altered. The text is in the public domain.*





## Focus on Stewardship

"Blessed shall you be in the city, and blessed shall you be in the field. Blessed shall be the fruit of your womb and the fruit of your ground and the fruit of your cattle, the increase of your herds and the young of your flock. Blessed shall be your basket and your kneading bowl. Blessed shall you be when you come in, and blessed shall you be when you go out" (*Deut 28:3-6*).

This is God's promise to the Israelites as they stood beyond the Jordan outside of the Promised Land. He promises blessing to His people. He will make them prosper, whether they are in the city or the field. He will make their fruit of their work to prosper, whether from the ground or their wombs, their flocks or their herds. He will make them to prosper in all things, whether upon their coming in or their going out.

But there's a catch. He would do this for Israel only "if you obey the voice of the Lord your God" (*Deut 28:2b*). If they did that, He would cause that "all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you" (*Deut 28:2a*).

If they didn't obey the voice of the Lord, if they didn't keep the commandments of the Lord and walk in His ways (*Deut 28:9*), they would be met with curse and woe. The blessings would be replaced with curses. Everything that the Lord promised to prosper and bless would be cursed and fail.

Thanks be to God that our Lord Jesus Christ has come into our flesh, fulfilled the law for us – in our place and for our benefit; died for us – in our place and for our benefit; and is risen from the dead for us – in our place and for our benefit.

By this we have justification before God. We are forgiven, clean, holy, and righteous. The blessing of God is promised to us in Christ Jesus. It depends upon His work and not ours.

All this is ours in Holy Baptism. For in Holy Baptism, God claims us as His own, makes us His children, His heirs, His holy people. And so it is that the work of our hands and its fruit is holy because we are holy in Christ. It is pressed into His service, and thereby it becomes a blessing to us and to our neighbor.

For this great gift, our reception of the blessings of God because of Christ Jesus our Lord, it is our duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him. This is not in order to receive blessings but because in Christ we already have.

It is with this in mind that we sit down on the first day of the week and set aside as He has prospered us to give to His church for His work of blessing in our midst (*1 Cor. 16:2*).

*~submitted by Kathy Angst*

*(Stewardship newsletter insert for April 2019, from the LCMS website <https://files.lcms.org/wl/?id=jNTofBh43qpW7hyGfJ0uVuBMuk8bUnjx>)*



**Be an *Eggcellent* Sponsor!**  
**9<sup>th</sup> Annual Easter Celebration**  
**April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 10:00 am**

**Volunteer Opportunity #1**

**Pre-Easter Prep Party**

Sunday, 3/24<sup>th</sup> @ 11:30 am – 2 pm

Light Lunch will be served

- \_\_\_ Stuff Eggs
- \_\_\_ Stuff Goody Bags
- \_\_\_ Distribute Door Hangers

in the neighborhood

RSVP: \_\_\_ # to attend

**Volunteer  
Opportunity #2**

\_\_\_ Cash Donation

(Envelopes by Basket)

Donations received help to  
better the event.

**Volunteer  
Opportunity #3**

**Donate Homemade  
Cookies**

\_\_\_ Dozen

**(Needed: 12 dozen total)**

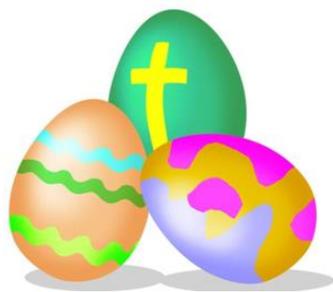
**Volunteer Opportunity #4  
Big Event**

Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>  
9 am – 12 noon

- \_\_\_ Set up/Decorate Booths
- \_\_\_ Work a Booth
- \_\_\_ Mingle with Visitors
- \_\_\_ Take Pictures
- \_\_\_ Clean up

Fill out and Drop in the Easter Basket in Narthex.

Your help is needed to make this event a success.



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Any Questions? Contact Cathleen Chevallier @ 936-499-5531



# Immanuel Lutheran Church - April 2019



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Rental: HIT's Theater Gym &amp; Youth Rm Wed. @ 5:30–9:00 pm Sat. &amp; Sun. @ 1:00–6:00 pm</p>	<p>1</p> <p>Evening Bible Study 6:30–8:00 pm</p>	<p>2</p> <p>FoD's Work Day (MH) @ 10:00–1:30 pm</p> <p><b>NO Formal All Boards Meetings</b></p> <p>RDCDS @ 7:30–9:30 pm</p>	<p>3</p> <p>ECE Chapel @ 9:30 am Ladies Bible Study @ 10:00 am Dinner – Menu TBD (Trustees) @ 5:30 pm Usher Team #3 Worship Service @ 7:00 pm Rental</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Bingo @ 1:00–3:00 pm FoD's Work Day (MH) @ 10:00–12:30 pm Men's Basketball @ 6:00–9:00 pm Choir @ 6:30 pm Bells @ 7:30 pm</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p>
<p>7</p> <p>Usher Team #4 Worship Service w/Communion @ 9:00 am BC &amp; SS @ 10:15 am Rental LWML Rally Luncheon Registration @ 1:30 Starts @ 2:00 pm</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p> <p>FoD's Work Day (MH) @ 10:00 – 1:30 pm Naomi Meeting @ 10:00 am RDCDS @ 7:30 – 9:30 pm</p>	<p>10</p> <p>ECE Chapel @ 9:30 am Pizza &amp; Salad Dinner (Evangelism) @ 5:30 pm Usher Team #5 Worship Service @ 7:00 pm</p>	<p>11</p> <p>FoD's Work Day (MH) @ 10:00–12:30 pm Men's Basketball @ 6:00–9:00 pm Choir @ 6:30 pm Bells @ 7:30 pm</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>
<p>14</p> <p>Palm Sunday Usher Team #1 Worship Service w/Communion @ 9:00 am BC &amp; SS @ 10:15 am Rental</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Newsletter Deadline</p> <p><b>NO Evening Bible Study</b></p>	<p>16</p> <p>FoD's Work Day (MH) @ 10:00–1:30 pm RDCDS @ 7:30–9:30 pm</p>	<p>17</p> <p>ECE Chapel @ 9:30 am</p> <p><b>NO Ladies Bible Study</b></p>	<p>18</p> <p>Maundy Thursday Offices Closed ECE Closed Usher Team #2 Worship Service w/Communion @ 7:00 pm</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Good Friday Offices Closed ECE Closed Usher Team #3 Worship Service w/Communion @ 7:00 pm</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Easter Celebration @ 10:00 am</p> 
<p>21</p> <p>Easter Sunday Usher Team #4 Worship Service w/Communion &gt;&gt;&gt; @ 8:00 am &lt;&lt;&lt; Easter Breakfast following service Rental</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Offices Closed ECE Closed</p>	<p>23</p> <p>FoD's Work Day (MH) @ 10:00–1:30 pm RDCDS @ 7:30–9:30 pm</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p> <p>FoD's Work Day (MH) @ 10:00–12:30 pm Men's Basketball @ 6:00–9:00 pm</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>
<p>28</p> <p>Usher Team #5 Worship Service w/Communion @ 9:00 am Bible Class &amp; Sunday School @ 10:15 am</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p> <p>FoD's Work Day (MH) @ 10:00–1:30 pm RDCDS @ 7:30–9:30 pm</p>				

# Serving Immanuel April 2019

	<b>Wednesday April 3</b>	<b>Sunday April 7</b>	<b>Wednesday April 10</b>	<b>Palm Sunday April 14</b>
<b>Elder</b>	Phil N.	Phil N.	Phil N.	Phil N.
<b>Acolyte</b>	<i>Elder</i>	Emily H.	<i>Elder</i>	Nikki B.
<b>Usher Team</b>	#3 Ralph E.	#4 John C.	#5 Bill O.	#1 Bill E.
<b>Media</b>	<i>No Media</i>	Melissa T.	<i>No Media</i>	<i>No Media</i>
<b>Audio</b>	Gerald O.	Max B.	Ray T.	Gerald O.
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Mary O. & Larry S.	Mary O. & Larry S.	Mary O. & Larry S.	Mary O. & Larry S.
<b>Trustee</b>	Karen E.	Karen E.	Karen E.	Karen E.

	<b>Maundy Thursday April 18</b>	<b>Good Friday April 19</b>	<b>Easter Sunday April 21</b>	<b>Sunday April 28</b>
<b>Elder</b>	Phil N.	Phil N.	Phil N.	Phil N.
<b>Acolyte</b>	<i>Elder</i>	<i>Elder</i>	Molly H.	Emily H.
<b>Usher Team</b>	#2 Larry G.	#3 Ralph E.	#4 John C.	#5 Bill O.
<b>Media</b>	<i>No Media</i>	<i>No Media</i>	<i>No Media</i>	Karen E.
<b>Audio</b>	Ray T.	Max B.	Gerald O.	Max B.
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Mary O. & Larry S.	Mary O. & Larry S.	Mary O. & Larry S.	Mary O. & Larry S.
<b>Trustee</b>	Karen E.	Karen E.	Karen E.	Karen E.

If you would like to fill in, trade, or substitute please contact the church office. Thank you.

# Serving Immanuel in May 2019

	<b>Sunday May 5</b>	<b>Sunday May 12</b>	<b>Sunday May 19</b>	<b>Sunday May 26</b>
<b>Elder</b>	Ray T.	Ray T.	Ray T.	Ray T.
<b>Acolyte</b>	Nikki B.	Molly H.	Emily H.	Nikki B.
<b>Usher Team</b>	#1 Bill E.	#2 Larry G.	#3 Ralph E.	#4 John C.
<b>Media</b>	Jackie A.	Karen E.	Melissa T.	Barbara S.
<b>Audio</b>	Ray T.	Max B.	Gerald O.	Ray T.
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Margaret B. & Melissa T.			
<b>Trustee</b>	Ashlee F.	Ashlee F.	Ashlee F.	Ashlee F.

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To the Family of:

*Love God ~ Care for Others*

Immanuel's 9th Annual

# EASTER CELEBRATION

Saturday, April 20th @ 10:00 a.m.

- Fun Activities
- Games w/Prizes
- Refreshments

## Easter Egg Hunt

-Children Ages 10 and under-

A Visit by the Easter Bunny!

# Community Welcome!

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