

JUNE

Messenger

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Grace and Peace,

What do I own? What do I possess? A clipping I saved several years ago offered a wonderful reflection. I offer the following:

Look around right now;
See all that you possess,
All that is yours.
Now remind yourself
That it all belongs to God;
It is in your hands
For just a moment.
Live your life today
Grateful
For the abundance
Of grace that is yours
To give away.

What do I own? Absolutely nothing! All belongs to God. This very moment in time belongs to God. We are called to be good stewards of God's gifts. This means offering our time, talents, and resources to serve the mission of Christ. The resources we offer make a difference in the world. Our mission dollars support:

230 Missionaries serving in more than 40 countries
62 Countries around the world with ELCA hunger-supported programs
521 Seminary students with ELCA scholarships
518 Projects supporting sustainable solutions at the causes of hunger & poverty
26 Renewing congregations
18 Additional new-start ministries
11 New global ministry evangelism projects
Others

I wish to say thank you for your stewardship of time, talents, and resources. Prayerfully ask Christ to help you grow in your stewardship of God's gifts. Remember, all belongs to God. God can use your gifts to make a difference in the world. Every stewardship gift is of great value. In Ephesians 3, St. Paul writes: "Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen." Remember, in our hands only 2 fish and 5 loaves; in Christ's hands, enough to feed a crowd of thousands. All belongs to God!

In Christ's Service, Pastor Greg

Emmanuel Lutheran Church
Unapproved Council Minutes May 16, 2018

Council members present: Kate Andal, Amanda Hyronimus, Diane Hofer, Marilyn Carlson-Aronson, Carolyn DeRaad. Linda Farley, Valerie Anderson. Pastor Greg Myrmoe was also present.

President, Kate Andal, called the meeting to order and Pastor led in devotions.

April Secretary minutes were reviewed. Motion was made to approve, motion second and carried.

April Treasurer's report was reviewed. Motion was made to approve, motion second and carried.

Old Business- 125th Anniversary planning was discussed. A worship folder will be created to include church history. Following the 9/16/18 service, Central Catering will provide a buffet style meal. WELCA has volunteered to gather photos to be displayed. Invitations will be sent to previous Emmanuel pastors. A 1.25 mile fun run/walk will be planned for Saturday 9/15/18. Canvas painting will be available at Emmanuel on 9/16/18 in the afternoon.

New Business – Security of the church was discussed. It is being considered to have a sign up sheet for volunteers to do a walk-through of the church in the evenings. WELCA requests to purchase new chairs for the church basement. Motion was made to use capitol campaign funds to purchase new chairs at this time. Motion was seconded and carried. Church members will also be given the opportunity to “adopt chairs”.

Committee Reports

Christian Education - The 2017-2018 Sunday school year and FROG is complete. Seniors were recognized at the May 6 worship service. The Quarter Craze fundraiser for the youth Houston Gathering is rescheduled to June 2.

WELCA - WELCA is interested in giving \$900 to assist with purchasing new chairs for the basement. WELCA members have volunteered to put together photos for the 125th Anniversary celebration. WELCA will be organizing a schedule of volunteers to do improvements in the basement, such as washing walls and painting. WELCA's next meeting will be 6/12/18 at 2pm at Bethesda Inn.

Music and Worship – The summer worship schedule will begin May 20 with service at 9:30 am. The piano and organ will be tuned before the 125th Anniversary Celebration. The senior choir, bell choir and Sunday school youth will all be performing at the 125th Anniversary Celebration. The next meeting will be June 3 at 8:30 am.

Properties Committee- A letter was sent to cancel the service contract with Kone Elevator as of 4/2019; Otis Elevator will then service the elevator. Carpets in the basement will be cleaned within the next few months. Flowerpots will be set out in May and a sign up sheet will be available for volunteers to water the flowers. The church roof will be inspected soon.

Pastor's Report – Pastor will attend the Synod meeting June 1-2.

The next council meeting will be June 20 at 7:30 pm.

Meeting adjourned and closed with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Valerie Anderson

NEWS:

June Partnership Ministry Mission Support:

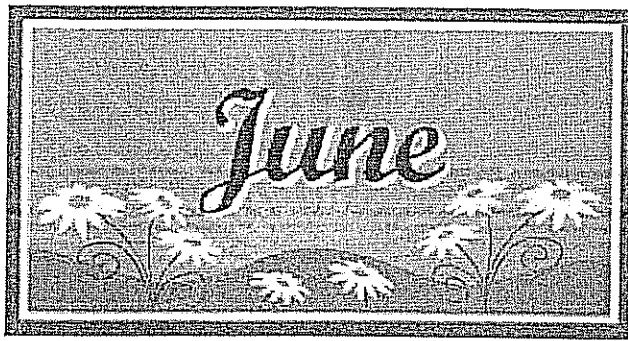
Our June Partnership ministry is our local food pantry. Special offering envelopes are available on the narthex information table.

YOUTH NEWS:

Mark your calendars for VBS, August 6-10 at the City Park. More details to come!

The youth have designed t-shirts for Emmanuel's celebration of our 125th anniversary! They are hanging in the office window. We will be getting a sign up sheet for anyone who would like to order. If you are able to get online, you may order at the following link: www.intensetee.com/emmanuel. If you have any questions, you can talk to Rachelle or Alisa Knudson.

YOUTH FOR HIRE! If you have any odds and ends of things around the yard/house that you would like some help with, please contact Rachelle @ 605-940-4496. The youth would be willing to lend a hand!



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Synod Assembly	2 Quarter Craze Synod Assembly
3 9:30 Worship/ Communion 10:30 Fellowship	4	5	6	7 7:30 A.M. Men's Breakfast	8	9
10 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship	11	12 2:00 WELCA @ Bethesda	13	14 FLAGDAY! 7:30 A.M. Men's Breakfast	15	16
17 HAPPY FATHER'S DAY! 9:30 Worship/ Communion	18	19 Quilters 9:30 Naomi Circle	20 7:00 Council Mtg	21 SUMMER BEGINS! 7:30 A.M. Men's Breakfast	22	23
24 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship	25 2:00 Bethesda Coffee	26	27	28 7:30 A.M. Men's Breakfast	29	30