



Immanuel United Methodist Church

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Ripon, WI 54971

open hearts... open minds... open doors...

the people of the United Methodist Church

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The mission of Immanuel United Methodist Church is making and being disciples for Jesus Christ.

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Traditional Worship Service at 8:00 am

Sunday School for all ages at 9:15 am

More Contemporary Worship Service at 10:30 am

WEDNESDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Soup and Sandwich Supper 5:45 p.m.

Lenten Service 6:30 pm

February 2008 newsletter

This newsletter is for the family and friends of the IUM Church of Ripon, WI. Everyone is welcome to worship and/or join this church. If this is your first time here, we hope that you enjoyed your time worshipping with us and will come back again soon.



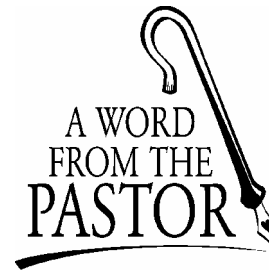
The deadline for the March newsletter is
February 20

LENT

Begins February 6

Up Front

So All Can Enter



A paralyzed man was brought to Jesus but couldn't get in because of the crowds of the people. So his friends took him to the roof, removed tiles from the ceiling of the room and let him and his mat down by ropes to get to Jesus. They made an elevator of ropes to overcome the barrier, so he could get to Jesus. His sins were forgiven and Jesus said, "get up, take up your bed and walk" and he did. All who saw it were filled with wonder and awe and gave thanks to God saying "we have seen amazing things today." (Luke 5: 18-26)

A successful fund drive will bring us an entry and elevator so that people can come to Jesus Christ and another barrier will be removed. This lent season, we remember how we were touched by Christ. We will also come together to make our elevator project happen and we will be sure to say "we have seen amazing things today."

Rev. Nulton

Immanuel Church Votes to Get Bids to Add Elevator and Entry

A special all member meeting on January 6 discussed and then voted for this motion:

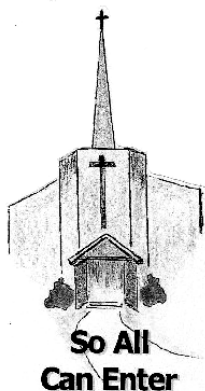
“Immanuel Church will obtain construction costs and proceed with the bidding process for an elevator and addition project according to the plan presented. It will be financed with money on hand, money given and pledged in a fund drive, and a loan.”

Paper ballots were passed out to members. The vote passed with 79 voting yes and 19 voting no.

The building and finance committee is now proceeding with our architect Bill Hoch to finalize plans, shop for a loan, and obtain construction costs.

We are working to keep the project under \$600,000. Funds on hand total between 200,000 and \$225,000. In order to be financially successful, we'll need to raise at least another \$200,000 from members and friends of Immanuel Church in a fund drive, and borrow the rest.

Elevator/Entry Funds Campaign



A Christian stewardship program builds faith and commitment to Christ's ministry as well as raising money. Therefore we have organized a campaign committee with the help and leadership of Lenore Geisthardt of the Wisconsin United Methodist Foundation.

CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE:

Don Jorgensen	General Co-Chair
Connie Kautzer, Barb Steele	Auditors
Russ and Sherry Skurr	Calling
Krista Sperger	Children and Youth
Jeff and Jody Amend	Fellowship
Pat and Nancy Himebaugh	Front Porch Delivery
Louis Bock	Leadership Gifts
Carol Schwark, Connie Kautzer	Production
Jeff and Julie Kahn	Publicity
Tom and Chris Worrall	Spiritual Emphasis
Paul Nulton	Pastor

Here's what we will do **“So All Can Enter”**...

THE MAIN EVENT February 17

An all church gathering for worship, program and meal on Sunday, February 17 at CJ's at the Wayside.

We meet for a special service all together at 10:00 am with a short program to follow at 11:00 am. All ages will participate there. There will be no planned worship or Sunday School at our church building that day. The program helps us understand the project. We'll receive materials to take home and look over as we think about what we might give. Gifts and pledges will not be collected at this event. At 11:30 am, the Sunday brunch will include an egg dish and rolls, ham, chicken, potatoes, salads, beverages and desserts. The meal is no cost to us, as it is paid in full by two members of our congregation.

The Main Event is to bring us together in a different place to build enthusiasm and commitment for our entry/elevator fund campaign. CJ's has no steps, no physical barrier for those who come for worship, fellowship and food. CJ's is at the north end of Douglas St., just northwest of Ripon.

SPIRITUAL EMPHASIS

Table tents and prayer calendar will get us to pray for the success of the fund drive and the building access project. The reason we are doing this is to provide a way for all to enter a relationship with Christ and to remove physical barriers to their Christian Walk.

LEADERSHIP GIFTS February 24

Some of us who are the most active supporters and leaders of Immanuel Church in time and money, are invited to a dessert gathering at the home of Helga and Rik Ridders on Feb. 24 at 6:30 p.m. More information on ways to give for a successful campaign will be shared. All are welcome.

COMMITMENT SUNDAY March 9

Worship services March 9 are the places to bring what we have decided to give and/or pledge over three years. Some may be able to give a large amount, some a little, some none at all. This is our church, whether we can give or not. We are asked to give to the elevator/entry above and beyond what we give to the annual ministry of Immanuel Church. Our ministry comes first. If we give to the elevator instead of the church's ministry, we won't have a church.

After March 9, we will total the gifts and pledges and see if we met our goal. When we see a successful move forward, we will be able to say "we have seen amazing things today."

So All Can Enter

LENT BEGINS February 6

The Season of Lent is the forty-day period which begins on Ash Wednesday and concludes at the day before Easter. Sundays are not included in this count because every Sunday is a joyful celebration of Jesus' resurrection.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

Wednesday, February 6th, 6:30 pm

On this day, Christians focus on their sinfulness and the necessity of Christ's suffering and death to insure their salvation.

Holy Communion will be distributed at the altar. The choir will sing. We will offer the **imposition of ashes** at this service.

Ashes remind people of their mortality -- that "you are dust, and to dust you shall return" (Genesis 3:19).

LENTEN SERVICES

Wednesday Evenings, 6:30 pm

Soup and Sandwich supper at 5:45 pm

No communion; No child care

Theme: People Jesus Touched

Pastors of 4 circuit churches will alternate services.

February 13 Pastor Laura Yates (Brandon): John the Baptist

February 20 Rev. Paul Nulton: Peter

February 27 will be a joint service with the four churches' parishes participating at Immanuel Church. A healing service will be led by Rev. Paul Feider

March 5 Rev. Bob Blackburn (Berlin/Neshkoro): The Children

March 12 Rev. George Groves (PoySippi/Borth) : The Woman at the Well

HOLY WEEK

Maundy Thursday, March 20 6:30 p.m. worship with communion

Good Friday, March 21 Five Ripon Churches join together for a Union Service at Our Savior's United Church of Christ 1 p.m.

Easter Sunday

Sunrise Service 6:30 a.m.

Breakfast 7:00 a.m.

Worship 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.

Immanuel UMC staff

Senior Pastor	Rev. Paul Nulton
Administrative Assistant	Carol Schwark
Equipping Ministries Director	Roger Kindschi
Senior High Youth Director	Shannon Rogers
Middle School Youth Director	Krista Sperger
College Ministry Coordinator	Ryan Gustafson
Organist	Gen Stellmacher
Choir Director	Shelley Nulton
Custodian	Stan Brink

THANK YOU CHURCH FRIENDS

Has the ministry of someone in this church blessed you? Has their teaching or organized program or word of encouragement added to your faith? Say it on a valentine. Valentine hearts will be available on a table in the entry area. Write "thank you (name) for (their good deed)" on the valentine and tape it to the long paper sheet on the window. You can add your name if you like, or let it be an anonymous thanks. These "thank you" valentines will be up through February. We thank Greta Aberg for this way of thanking each other.

The February **Sing-alongs** will Take place on February 5th at Ripon area care centers. We will sing at:

- 1:30 pm at Michalene's
- 2:15 pm at Maplecrest
- 3:00 pm at Fountainview Care Center
- 3:45 pm at Sheltered Village

Everyone is welcome to take part in this ministry. Oldies, ethnic, patriotic and sacred songs are included in the booklet we use. The residents enjoy sing with us too!

The **Wednesday Morning Bible Study** will meet weekly at 9:00 am. We will meet in the church lounge. Our continuing study of Kalas' book, "Longing to Pray" will be discussed.

Sunday School

MISSION PROJECTS

Food Pantry The Sunday School classes will collect non perishable items for the local Food Pantry during the months of January through April. Please send these items along with your child to Sunday School during these months. We need to remember that food is needed throughout the year.

Sunday School Material Over the past month, the Sunday School teachers have been cleaning out their cabinets to gather left over materials. These materials will be taken to Taycheedah Correctional Facility and not only used by the inmates, but also those visiting the inmates. Thanks to everyone who gathered the material!

Valentine Cards Cards for the shut ins continues to be made by Sue Wetzel and Mindy Gelling's first and second grade class. Cards were also made by the Nursery and Kindergarten classes. These cards will be included with blankets and given to homeless people.

TEACHERS MEETING Our next teacher's meeting will be held on March 13th at 7 PM in the church lounge.

PART TIME TEACHER NEEDED A part time/backup teacher is needed for the 3-4 grade class. I have had the opportunity to work this group of kids over the past few weeks and they are great to work with. Please let me know if you are interested in assisting.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Have you always wondered how much fun it would be to coordinate or be a helper at Vacation Bible School? Your opportunity is here! We may be having a joint VBS with other churches this summer in order to join the forces of volunteers as well as students. More information will follow within the next month. If you are interested in coordinating or co-coordinating VBS this summer, please let me know.

KICK OFF PLEDGE DRIVE On Sunday, February 17th, combined church services and Sunday School will be held at CJ's. A joint Sunday School class will be held for the children during the church service. This will allow all teachers to be a part of the service and program to discuss the funding for the elevator and other additions to the building. More information will be provided to the teachers as well as students within the next couple of weeks.

Deb Kaiser
Sunday School Superintendent

LOOKING FOR A GOOD MOVIE?

Veggie Tales Movie

The Pirates Who Don't Do Anything

Garrrrr! Working at the Pieces of Ate Dinner Theater is less than exciting when you're a busboy. For three moping misfits--Elliot, Sedgewick and George (Larry the Cucumber, Mr. Lunt and Pa Grape)--all they dream of is the day when they can ditch their dishrags and take stage to star in the big pirate show. But with Elliot's timidity, Sedgewick's laziness and George's lack of self-confidence, it seems as if the day to prove who they really are will never come. Things are about to change when a mysterious ball drops from the sky and lands at the unlikely seafarers' feet. A "Helpseeker" sent from the past in search of heroes, the artifact sets in motion a series of events that drags the friends back to the 17th century--and into the belly of certain danger. "The Pirates Who Don't Do Anything" must each face their fears--becoming unlikely heroes in a battle to rescue a royal family from an evil tyrant and themselves from living the life of common couch potatoes.

This movie will be playing at the Ripon Campus Theatre at the following times:

- Friday, January 25 at 7:00 pm and 8:40 pm
- Saturday, January 26 at 10:00 am, 1:00 pm, 2:40 pm, 7:00 pm and 8:40 pm
- Sunday, January 27 at 1:00 pm, 2:40 pm and 7:00 pm
- Monday, January 28, Tuesday, January 29, Wednesday, January 30 and Thursday, January 31 at 7:00 pm

**Good Movies
to Watch**

"The Great Debaters" is Denzel Washington leading a debate team from Wiley College, up against Harvard University debate team. Wiley College in Texas is one of our United Methodist Black Colleges.

"The Bucket List" is a fun movie where Morgan Freeman and Jack Nicholson bring up some deep questions about morality.

Both of these movies will be playing in our area in the near future.

Welcome...

Do you see less people at worship?
Are you missing someone you haven't seen there for a while?

There are lots of reasons people don't come. One reason is they don't feel that anyone cares. They may come and no one speaks to them. You don't have to let that happen. Greet someone you don't know. Introduce yourself. They may be a visitor, they may have attended for years. Either way, they will probably appreciate being noticed. If we only talk to people we know, no wonder others don't come.

Youth News

**THANK YOU, THANK YOU,
THANK YOU** to all of the

kind and generous people
who gave of their time and
money to support the annual Youth

Pizza Fundraiser! It was an amazing success

because of all of those of you that helped out! There is
no way we could have done it without you! We made nearly 1000
pizzas and ended up with a profit of about \$1,950! This will be a
huge help with Mission trips this summer!

Six Middle School Youth had an incredible time at the Winter
Retreat at Camp Zion in Door County Friday January 18th-
Sunday January 20. What an amazing time of fellowship with
other youth groups and an opportunity to grow in their faith!

On Saturday, January 26th, the Middle School and High School
Youth from our church and our Circuit churches had an event filled
trip to SunBurst Ski Hill in Kewauskum for Snow Tubing!

The High School Youth will meet at Shannon Rogers' house (645
Emerson Ave) Sunday February 3rd at 6:30PM for Super Bowl
Sundae Sunday! They will be treated to ice cream and every
topping you can imagine! Feel free to also bring your favorite
topping along to share!

**PARENTS....MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 16TH!!!**

TAKE SOME TIME FOR YOURSELF...

TAKE SOME TIME TO CELEBRATE VALENTINES DAY!

The Middle School and High School Youth are hosting a Parents
Night out Event from 5:00 pm-9:00 pm. Parents are welcome to
DROP THEIR KIDS OFF for an evening of FREE dinner, games,
movies, devotion, crafts and fun with our youth and youth
leadership team!!

The Middle School Continue to meet for "Edge" on Wednesdays
at 6:30pm at the Church. The Senior High meet Sunday mornings
for "Breakfast Club" at 9:15am at the church and Wednesday's at
6:30pm for "Supper Club" at Shannon Rogers' home.

Krista Sperger and Shannon Rogers
Middle School and Sr. High Youth Coordinators

CAMPING IS FOR EVERYONE!

Even though it's still winter, now is the time to be thinking about
registering to go to a summer camp that is offered by the Wisconsin
Conference of the United Methodist Church. This summer families,
children, youth, and adults can choose from over 80 camps that are
offered. There are family camps for parents and children to attend
together. There are mother/daughter, father/son, and
grandparent/grandchild camps!

Individual camps begin with camps for children entering grade 2 next
Fall. There is a wide variety of younger elementary, older elementary,
younger teen, and older teen camps available. Also offered are several
camps for adults, including the Prime Timer's Retreat Camp that is for
people 50 or over, that are married or single. As you can see, there are
camps available for everyone!

Camp scholarships are available to Immanuel UMC children, youth and
adults. These scholarships will finance 50% of the cost of the camp they
attend. We are very fortunate to have scholarship money available that
is made possible through a memorial that was left for this purpose.

Camp catalogs have been mailed to everyone that attended a camp last
summer. Camp catalogs will be located on the literature table in the
church lounge and will be handed out in Sunday School classes soon.
See the memo that is attached to the inside of the front cover of the
camp catalog for registration and scholarship details. We ask that you
bring your registration forms and your part of the camp fee payment to
the church office. We will send them in to the camping office for you,
along with the scholarship check, as full payment is required with
registration. New this year...Secure online registration is now available
for INDIVIDUAL CAMPS (Family Camps still require that you send in a
paper form.) when you choose to make full payment by credit card at
www.wisconsinumc.org/camps/reg. If you choose to register online, the
full registration fee will be charged to your Mastercard, Visa or Discover
card. If using this option, you will need to bring your registration
confirmation letter to the church office to receive reimbursement for your
scholarship. For questions about camps, for assistance in registering
for camps, or in obtaining camp scholarships, contact Carol Schwark at
the church office at 748-6695.

Camps fill up quickly, so register early!

Immanuel United Methodist Men will meet on Saturday, February 9, 2008 at 8:00 am for breakfast in the fellowship hall. The program will be brought to us by Shannon Rogers, Director of Senior High Youth Ministries and music will be provided by our youth. Rik Ridders will lead our monthly Bible study. Our average attendance is 15 – Let's make it 20 this month! Remember what's missing if you don't attend: CH_ _ CH, UR!

Tom Worrall, U.M.M. chairman

The **Men's Bible Study** led by Rik Ridders on Wednesdays, will meet weekly from noon to 1:00 pm. We are currently doing a study on 1 Corinthians. We meet in the Mihaly Room in the Commons at Ripon College. For more information on this study, contact Rik at 748-6111(work) or 748-3185 (home).



The **Koinonia Circle** is meeting on February 11 at 6:30 at church to go out and visit our church family shut-ins. Afterwards, we'll go to Culvers.

The **Merry Friends Circle** will meet at 1:30 pm on Monday, February 12, 2008 in the church lounge. Marge Burling will be the leader and Lorraine Wetzel will be the hostess.

The **Priscilla Circle** will meet at 9:30 am on Tuesday, February 12, 2008 in the church lounge. Barb Meyer will be the leader and Ardys Fenner will be the hostess.

February Sunday Worship Volunteers

USHERS-Coordinator, *Mike Wuest*

8:00 am

Feb. 3 Iver Leatherberry,
Al Hermes
Dave & Kathy Daye

10:30 am

Sue Thompson,
Deb Kaiser
Phyllis Huggett,
Kathy Hilscher

Feb. 10 Rick & Christina Erdmann Sue Thompson,
Steve & Kim Michaelson Chris Worrall
Phyllis Huggett,
Joan Volbright

Feb. 17 One Service at CJ's by the Wayside at 10:00 am

Feb. 24 Tim Lubinsky, Daryl Bly SENIOR HIGH YOUTH
Dale Stephens, Roger Bly

COFFEE HOUR-Coordinator, *Kathy Hilscher*
at 9:00 am Set Up at 8:15 am

February 3 Bob & pat Henning
February 10 Nancy Himebaugh
February 17 No Coffee Fellowship
Special event at CJ's at
the Wayside at 10:00 am
February 24 Kathy & Dave Daye

The Worship Committee is grateful for your help.

Attention Parents:

At this time, we do not have nursery service during either service. Please feel free to use one of the quiet bags available in the foyer. Or You may also sit in the lounge with your child and listen to the service, as there are toys in the southeast corner of the lounge. ☺

February Sponsors

ALTAR FLOWERS - \$12

Feb. 3 OPEN
Feb. 10 OPEN
Feb. 17 Kevin & Deb Kaiser
Feb. 24 Mary Ellen Grahn

BULLETINS - \$10

OPEN
OPEN
OPEN
Mary Ellen Grahn

RADIO BROADCASTS - \$50

Feb. 3 Fern Zamzow
Feb. 10 OPEN
Feb. 17 OPEN
Feb. 24 Mary Ellen Grahn

The 2008 sign up sheets to sponsor all items above are posted on the bulletin board between the coatroom and restroom on the main floor. Please sign up soon.

Radio Broadcast

Our Sunday 8:00 am service broadcast is on WRPN Radio, 1600 AM, at 9:30 am every Sunday.

ACOLYTES- *Coordinator, Carol Schwark*

	<u>8:00 am</u>	<u>10:30 am</u>
February 3	Trevor Bender Ashley Zahnnow	Amy Lauber Michael Lauber
February 10	Amanda Coehoorn Melissa Smit	Michelle Zimdars Tahlia Callegari
February 17	No Acolytes needed – Special event at CJ's at the Wayside at 10:00 am	
February 24	Krystal Tetzlaff Alexandra Prellwitz	Kimi Kernen Allie Hughes

Thank You

Thank you to the carolers who brought beautiful Christmas songs me at Fountain View Care Center. Also thank you to Rev. Nulton for your visits and prayers as I moved to a new place to live.

Evelyn Wahoske

Thank You for another incredible pizza sale!!! Saturday, January 5, the youth, along with many adults, made 957 pizzas for our annual fundraiser. We made 100 pizzas more than last year. Thank you if you helped in any way! We are blessed to have such a caring family who support our youth!

**Shannon Rogers and Krista Sperger,
Youth Ministry Directors**

I wish to thank all who remembered me these past months with cards, letters, flowers, visits, and most of all with prayers. God has been good! Please keep praying for me.

Glenna Moodie

Baptism

Alexandra Grace Jorgensen, daughter of Mark and Jan Jorgensen, and sister of Emerson Jorgensen was baptized on December 30, 2007 at Immanuel UMC. Alexandra's grandparents are Don and Joyce Jorgensen and Jim and Brenda Greenlee

Our Deepest Sympathy

to the family and friends of Edward Uecker who passed away on December 29. He is the uncle of Linda Penke and the brother-in-law of Alice Uecker.

BELL RINGING FOR SALVATION ARMY KETTLES

We thank all who took a turn ringing bells at the Red Kettles. Between Thanksgiving and Christmas, churches and community clubs found bell ringers on 10 days at three spots in town. With your help, \$14,875 was raised. This compares with \$15,525 last year. The difference is about the amount not collected because of a snow storm on one of the Saturdays.

Thanks to Rich Scamehorn who organized the event and to all who took a turn ringing a bell by a kettle.

As an Outreach Project to our community, we continue to donate items to our local **Food Pantry**. We ask that you bring the following items as these items are in low supply at this time.

In February bring: powdered milk; evaporated milk; laundry detergent; bath and facial soap; detergent; Kleenex, paper toweling, toilet paper; baking powder and baking soda; cooking oil; baking mixes: cake, cookie, pancake. Please place your donations in the shopping cart that is located on the main floor in the west (parking lot entrance) stairwell.

Our **first quarter mission project** (January-March) is giving to the **Heifer Project International**. Offerings to this project provide several kinds of farm animals to families, which will in turn provide income and food for these families. You can give to this project by placing your offering in your offering envelope and marking it "1st Quarter Advance" or "Heifer Project". Money given to this project so far is: \$100.

A STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE FOR YOUR CHURCH

To give means to sacrifice proportionately. "...they gave voluntarily according to their means, and even beyond their means."
(2 Corinthians 8:3 - NRSV)

"What are you called to give up for Lent this year?" Pastor Carolyn asked in her sermon and acknowledged, "I know I just asked you a month ago about your New Year's resolutions. Are the two connected?"

Steve thought about it. His New Year's resolution was to lose weight and almost every year he gave up chocolate for Lent. The two were somewhat connected. Pastor Carolyn went on to say that while giving up something for Lent might seem trivial to some, it is a start. She said, "As followers of Christ, we are each called to give according to our means. Christians of all ages give voluntarily of everything they have for the common good. We may start by giving up something trivial, like chocolate; and later be led to give a portion of our income and, ultimately, our lives to the ministry of Jesus Christ."

You might consider adding something to your life during the six weeks of Lent instead of giving something up. Add something that helps you focus on Christ. Try setting a specific time each day for prayer and Bible Study or adding exercise to your daily routine. If you don't already tithe, you might try tithing or giving a regular percentage of your income during Lent. If you make it to Easter, you can decide whether you're going to continue it for the rest of the year.

How much is God calling you to give this year? Are you starting with chocolate? Are you moving to giving a regular percentage of your income: 2%, 5%, 7%, 10% or more? No matter how much we are called to give, may we do it as a means of loving God first, and our neighbors as ourselves as we grow in faith.

Wisconsin United Methodist Foundation
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Healing Service

6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 27, 2008

Immanuel United Methodist
Church

401 W. Fond du Lac St. Ripon

Soup and Sandwich Supper at 5:45 p.m.

Led by
Rev. Paul Feider
of Center for Inner Peace, New London, WI

Rev. Feider is pastor of St. John's Episcopal Church
in New London

Center for Inner Peace is part of St. John's ministry.

Praise music led by guitars and singers from St. John's Church.
Message: Inner Healing and Physical Healing

Worship and prayer time that includes anointing with oil for those
who wish.

This is a Lenten joint event of six United Methodist Churches in
the Green Lake Circuit.

Rev. Feider will have his book Resting in the Heart for sale along
with other books on inner healing.

Find more about Center for Inner Peace at
centerforinnerpeace.com

NEED A LITTLE TIME TO YOURSELF?
NEED A LITTLE TIME WITH YOUR SPOUSE?
CELEBRATE VALENTINES DAY!

HAVE WE GOT THE ANSWER FOR YOU...
AND...
IT'S FREE!!

DROP YOUR CHILDREN OFF
IN THE CHURCH FELLOWSHIP HALL (LOWER LEVEL)
SATURDAY FEBRUARY 16
5:00 pm-9:00 pm
FOR...

**AN EVENING FILLED WITH GAMES, A DEVOTION AND
CRAFT, FREE DINNER (HOTDOGS, MAC & CHEESE,
AND APPLESAUCE), MOVIES, AND FUN!**

YOUR CHILDREN WILL BE LOVINGLY CARED
FOR BY THE IMMANUEL UNITED METHODIST
MIDDLE SCHOOL AND SENIOR HIGH YOUTH
(AND OUR YOUTH LEADERSHIP TEAM)

Please complete the form below, for each child, and turn it in to
the church office OR e-mail the information below to Shannon
Rogers at s_rogers@charter.net

BY NO LATER THAN SUNDAY FEBRUARY 10th

CHILD'S NAME _____
CHILD'S AGE _____
TIME CHILD WILL BE DROPPED OFF AND PICKED UP _____
SPECIAL NEEDS OR ALLERGIES _____

(If the church does not have a permission/health form on file for your
child, this form will need to be filled out at the time your child is dropped
off. Please bring your health insurance information with you.)

BEREAVEMENT GROUP

A six-week grief group entitled “**A Time to Mourn**” is being offered by Lutheran Homes of Oshkosh, in cooperation with Affinity Health System, Affinity Home Health & Hospice – Ministry Health, and Evergreen Retirement Community.

The group will be co-led by professionals trained in grief support and is designed for those who have lost an adult loved one through death.

There is no charge for these sessions, but pre-registration is required. Sessions will be held on Monday evenings, 6:00 – 8:00 pm, from February 11 through March 17. For more information and pre-registration, please call (920)232-5274.

BECOME AN AGNESIAN HEALTHCARE HOSPICE HOPE VOLUNTEER

The next training session will be held in Fond du Lac on
Saturday, March 29 and Saturday, April 12
from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm.
Application Deadline is March 10.

If you have the desire to be of help to others, develop your ability to relate well to people during crisis times, grow personally, give something back to your community, experience the challenges of new experiences, and have direct personal impact on your world, please consider being a hospice volunteer.

Volunteers are valued team members who play a crucial role in our services by supporting our patients and families in direct patient care, respite care, bereavement care, administrative work, and transport and deliveries. Training is geared for this special type of volunteer service. Volunteers are placed in their own geographic areas.

For more information call Cathy Wolfe, Volunteer Services Liason at (920)924-4662 or 1-800-236-4156. Application and interview must be completed prior to the first class.

IMMANUEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Volunteer and staff ministry 2008

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

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United Methodist Men	Tom Worrall
United Methodist Women	Lorraine Wetzel

STAFF-PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Beth Pugh	Robert Thom	Rik Ridders	Pat Himebaugh	Jeff Kahn
	Tom Worrall	Sandy Scamehorn		

COMMITTEE ON LAY LEADERSHIP

Deb Zeratsky	Connie Kautzer	Pat Himebaugh	Ann Mijatovich
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EVANGELISM & OUTREACH: Deborah Zeratsky, Tom Worrall, Norm Penke, Louie Bock
College Ministry Coordinator: Ryan Gustafson

NURTURE: Chairperson:

Flower Chairperson: Patti Quinn	Special Music Coordinator: Marge Burling, Fay Marchant
Sunshine Chairperson: Alice Uecker	Church Fun Night Coordinator:
Camping Coordinator: Carol Schwark	Nursery Coordinator:
Head Usher: Mike Wuest	Nursery toys at worship: Sandy Page
Attendance Steward: Greta Aberg	Historian: Jeff Pick
Communion Steward: Lois Page	Librarians: Phyllis Huggett, Betty Eichstedt
Senior Organist: Gen Stellmacher	Coffee Fellowship: Kathy Hilscher
Choir Director: Shelley Nulton	Cradle Roll: Rose Wichman

STAFF:

Administrative Assistant: Carol Schwark Financial Secretary: Connie Kautzer
Directors of Youth Ministries: Shannon Rogers, Krista Sperger
Director of Equipping Ministries: Roger Kindschi Custodian: Stan Brink
Organist: Gen Stellmacher

TRUSTEES:

Dick Stellmacher
Barb Stellmacher
Rick Erdman

Alice Uecker
Bob Burling
Dennis Valstad

Howard Goeden (chair)
Bob Henning
Jon Schulz

AUDITOR: Barb Steele

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: Superintendent: Deb Kaiser

Teachers and helpers: Bailey Kaiser, Deb Kaiser, Debra and Eric Jansen, Anita Keplin, Diana Amend, Sue Wetzel, Mindy Gellings, Julie Kahn, Jeff Pick, Jean Woolley, Eric Ratering, Tom Worrall, Russ Skurr, Greta & Hal Aberg, Lorraine Wetzel, Chris Worrall, Terri Arnold, Julie Bock, Kathy Hilscher, Vickie Hughes, Jody Amend, Claudia Thom.

IMMANUEL UNITED METHODIST FOUNDATION Keith Bock chair; Barb Steele, Helga Ridders, Dave Fox, Keith Bartig, Hal Aberg, Steve Michaelson

Others:

Visitors to shut ins: Louie Bock, Stan Brink, Georgia Stellmacher, Bonnie Cabatbat, Pat Himebaugh, Tom Worrall, Cheryl Schulz, Ann Mijatovich.

Building Committee members: Eric Ratering, Rik Ridders, Dick Stellmacher, Rick Erdman, Julie Bock, Chris Worrall, Barb Steele, Mike Wuest, Steve Michaelson

Bulletin and newsletter work: Virginia Lehman. Powerpoint show: Jeff Pick.

Sound technicians: Ashley Himebaugh, Tom Zimdars, Russ Skurr.

Van drivers: Mike Penke, Kathy Hilscher, Pat Himebaugh

Praise service musicians: Patti Quinn, Claudia Thom, Greta Aberg

Snow shoveling: Dick Stellmacher Assisted living homes services: Tom Morgan, Louie Bock.

Youth group helpers: Jeff and Julie Kahn and Stan Brink.

United Methodist Women leaders, small group leaders, musicians, children sermon preachers, acolytes. Choir members, ushers, funeral lunch organizers, Soup and Sandwich servers, Bible School helpers, hospitality servers and more.

Recently Completed:

Caring Ministries: Patti Quinn

Payroll treasurer: Julie Bock

Nurture Chair and Fun Night Coordinator: Ann Mijatovich

Special Music Coordinator: Carol Schulz

Sunday School teacher: Mary Jo Cartier

PowerPoint projection: Ben Arnold

Immanuel Church has worship, spiritual growth, fellowship and outreach because of the faith and sacrifice of these people. You can thank them individually or with a valentine heart on the window of the narthex up to Feb. 10.