

**Immanuel Lutheran Church**      **June 2023**  
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Almelund, MN 55012-7511  
Change Service Requested

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*Our Mission Statement:*  
**A welcoming community rooted in Christ,  
growing in faith and serving with joy!**

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Center City, MN  
55012



Pastor Justin Fenger was on a military drill in South Carolina, from May 5th to the 20th.

Pastor Justin was also the speaker at the Memorial day services. He will be leading the graduation recognition at the June 4th service.

Mark Weslander

Administrative Assistant

**NEW ADDRESS:**

Mark & Cindy Weslander  
10826 Austin St NE #105  
Blaine, MN 55449

**Tune in our Daily Texts**, Monday through Saturday on our Facebook Page [@immanuelchurchofalmelund](https://www.facebook.com/@immanuelchurchofalmelund)  
A daily devotional time based on an Old and New Testament bible verse based on a Moravian Church tradition and Ground Up Grace Publications Daily Texts 2023 books

**The Zoom Bible Study.** The Chosen Season 2 Bible Study, Mondays 7:30pm on Zoom. If interested please contact Pastor Justin

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**COFFEE SERVERS NEEDED FOR**

July 2nd, 9th, 23rd & 30th; please sign up next to kitchen, Thank you

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:**

By end of day Monday, June 19th.

Please have all reports, announcements, thank yous and corrections in by this time.

**PROOFREADING:**

Of newsletter @ 1:00 Wednesday, June 21st, in room B. Your help will be greatly appreciated. All are welcome.

**NEWSLETTER ASSEMBLY:**

Will be Thursday, June 22nd @ 1:00 in the Fireside Room.

Volunteers can fill newsletters with offering envelopes and label for mailing. On Sunday morning service; June 25th, members can pickup their own newsletter in the gathering area.

Thank you for your help,  
Mark Weslander

**NOISY OFFERINGS ARE THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH**

We express our thanks to all those who provide special music with a Special Thank You to Momoh's friends who travel a distance to share their talents. We would like to show our appreciation by gifting these musicians with a gas card through, the "Noisy Offerings". So - SAVE YOUR CHANGE and let's make a Joyful Noise Unto The Lord!!!!

**Parish Care Team** meets on Wednesday, June 21st at 10:00 am.

**The ILC Connection** Meets at 11:00 on Saturday, June 17th. Watch for location in the bulletin.

**Naomi unit** meets at church on June 20 at 9:30. We will be having our devotion at the labyrinth. Linda Peterson is serving.

**The Immanuel quilting group** will meet June 13th from 10am-2pm. Come for coffee or join us for a noon potluck. We're working on quilts for our graduates & quilts for the women's shelter. Everyone welcome!

**COMING SOON!! "Patty Melts" at the Almelund Lion's Ball**

**Field** beginning it's 8th season, Wednesday, June 7th and running through July 26th. Serving starts at 5:30. The "crew" will be cooking Patty Melts, Cheese Burgers, Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, French Fries, Cheese Curds with chips, candy & beverages available. What a Great Way to support the Almelund Lion's Club! Don't miss these fun, summer nights to meet up with friends and neighbors - See You There!!

**Almelund Farmers Market Began its 16th Season on Friday, May 26th at Rod's Country Corner!**

Come Friday afternoons from 3-6pm and check out the local items... annuals, perennials and garden plants, asparagus, rhubarb, eggs, maple syrup, honey, breads, jams/jellies, craft items and other goodies! Products change with the season. New vendors are encouraged and welcomed to join this fun community get-together. If interested, contact Pat @ 651-583-2100.

PLEASE JOIN US; SALAD LUNCHEON

DATE: Wed., June 14, 1023 TIME: 11:00 to 1:00

First Lutheran Church, 1000 S. Jay Ave, Rush City, MN

(Free will Offering) Take-out Available

**The American Cancer Society's Relay for Life** luminary event is going to take place on Wed August 2nd outside the Chisago Lakes Lutheran Church from 6-9 pm. This event raises money for cancer research and supports those going through cancer treatments. I have been involved since 2006 when Dory Johnson invited me to my first Relay.

We will be selling luminaries after church on July 16, 23 and 30th. We will also be serving coffee on July 16th. A donation of \$10 is suggested for each luminary on which is written the name of the person you want to remember or honor.

Thank you for supporting our Team for 17 years. Our Team is Illuminated Immanuel and we hope to see you there.

Kris Koran and Jeske Noordergraaf

**Luther Point Bible Camp Summer 2023**

**It's time to get excited for Summer 2023!** Scholarships pay 2/3 of camp registration and are paid for all our campers! Camp brochures are available on the table in the Gathering Area.

The theme this summer is Walking with Jesus - Leviticus 26:12. Join a Walk with Jesus to the places of his life through Bible study, crafts, games, and summer fun! Registration is now open. Contact information is as follows: [www.lutherpoint.org](http://www.lutherpoint.org) or 715-689-2347 or [info@lutherpoint.org](mailto:info@lutherpoint.org).

The B.U.D.D.I.E.S Program (Building Up Dedicated Disciples Into Experienced Servants) is a great opportunity for 9th-12th graders to not only come to camp for 2 weeks FREE but to share and grow in their faith! Apply online at [www.LutherPoint.org](http://www.LutherPoint.org).

Camp Connect is an opportunity for K-6th grade kids to come and spend the day learning, singing, and playing games all in the beauty of Luther Point's campus. Full and half day options every week of the summer programming. Breakfast and lunch will be provided for all full day programs, Breakfast will be provided for morning half day programs. A snack will be served every afternoon. \$75/week for half day programs & \$100/week for full day programs. Dates: June 5-9, June 12-16, June 19-23, June 26-30, July 10-14, July 17-21, July 24-28. Find daily schedules online.

Volunteers are needed. Join in sharing kindness to others by volunteering to help in many areas around camp for kitchen help to arts and crafts, swim time, boat beach, rec room and more! Sign up online or call the camp office.

Quilt & Craft donations are needed for the annual Summer Celebration and Auction August 5 & 6. Free lodging will be available on a first come first served basis by filling out the request form. Families with young children will be given preference for the family cabins and retreat center. This is the largest fundraiser of the year to support the many ministries of Luther Point Bible Camp. More information and turn-in cards can be found on our website [www.LutherPoint.org](http://www.LutherPoint.org).

Plan your Retreat or Family Gathering at Luther Point Bible Camp! The Retreat Center boasts 12 rooms with private bathrooms, showers, 2 fireside rooms, and large meeting space complete with a kitchen. There are 48 beds and sleeps 60 people.

The Pine Cove Family Cabins are nestled down along Akermark Bay of Big Wood Lake and are an excellent place for you, your family, and your friends to get away and renew and reconnect. Each of these cabins have been newly remodeled and are fully winterized for year-round use. Each cabin has a small kitchen where you can cook your own meals. The 5 cabins situated along Akermark Bay, steps from an excellent ice fishing location. Finally, each cabin has a fire ring for use.

## THE BASEBALL GAME

Bob and the Lord stood by to observe a baseball game. The Lord's team was playing Satan's team.

The Lord's team was at bat and the score was tied zero to zero; it was the bottom of the 9th inning with two outs.

They continued to watch as a batter, whose name was Love, stepped up to the plate. Love swung at the first pitch and hit a single, because "love never fails."

The next batter was named Faith, who also got a single, because Faith works with Love. The next batter up was Godly Wisdom. Satan wound up and threw the first pitch. Godly Wisdom looked it over and let it pass: Ball One. Three more pitches and Godly Wisdom walked, because Godly wisdom never swings at what Satan throws.

The bases were loaded. The Lord then turned to Bob and told him He was going to bring in His star player. Up to the plate stepped Grace. Bob said, "He sure doesn't look like much!" Satan's whole team relaxed when they saw Grace.

Thinking he had won the game, Satan wound up and fired his first pitch. To the shock of everyone, Grace hit the ball harder than anyone had ever seen. However, Satan

was not worried; his center fielder let very few get by him. The fielder went up for the ball, but it went right through his glove, hit him on the head and sent him crashing to the ground; then, the ball continued over the fence for a Home Run!

The Lord's team won the game!

The Lord then asked Bob if he knew why Love, Faith and Godly Wisdom could get on base, but could not win the game. Bob answered that he did not know why.

The Lord explained, "If your love, faith and wisdom would have won the game, you would think you had done it by yourself. Love, Faith and Wisdom will get you on base...but only My Grace can get you Home. My Grace is the one thing Satan cannot steal." — Author Unknown



Come and support the many ministries of  
Luther Point Bible Camp!

**Sunday, August 6, 2023**

**11:00 a.m.** Auction Preview Open  
**11:30 a.m.** Worship  
**12:00 p.m.** Lunch  
**1:00 p.m.** Live Auction

If you have a donation for the auction please contact the  
camp office: 715-689-2347, info@LutherPoint.org

**August 6, 2023**

## THANK YOUS

Dear Marty,

Thank you so much for the beautiful prayer shawl! What a kind, thoughtful gesture. I will use it daily in my devotions. You are a true blessing to know.

Love, Mary

Thank You so much for all the support after the heart attack - So Greatly Appreciated! The caring thoughts & prayers, phone calls/texts, visits, food, plants/flowers, gifts and the beautiful Prayer Shawl were amazing! A special thank you to Pastor Justin for the hospital visit. How can the heart not get better with all that LOVE!!

What a blessing to be part of this Church Family and Community

♥ ~Pat

## CALENDAR OBSERVANCES

### Monday, June 5

**Boniface, Bishop of Mainz, missionary to Germany, martyr, died 754**  
Boniface was a native of England who became a Benedictine monk and was called to missionary work among the Vandal tribes of Germany. With fellow workers, he established churches and schools, and he also worked to reform the church.

### Wednesday, June 7

#### Seattle, chief of the Duwamish Confederacy, died 1866

Noah Seattle led a coalition of tribes, and convinced them to live peacefully with encroaching white settlers. When he became a Roman Catholic, he held morning and evening prayer with his tribe. The city of Seattle is named for him.

### **Friday, June 9**

#### **Columba, died 597; Aidan, died 651; Bede, died 735; renewers of the church**

These three monks from the British Isles helped keep the light of learning alive during the Middle Ages. Columba founded three monasteries off the coast of Scotland. Aidan was a pastor who led people to works of charity. The Venerable Bede was a Bible translator, historian, and hymnwriter.

### **Sunday, June 11**

#### **Barnabas, Apostle**

Though he was not among the Twelve mentioned in the gospels, the book of Acts gives Barnabas the title of apostle. After Paul was converted to Christianity, Barnabas welcomed him to Jerusalem, and later the two traveled together on missionary journeys.

### **Wednesday, June 14**

#### **Basil the Great, Bishop of Caesarea, died 379; Gregory, Bishop of Nyssa, died around 385; Gregory of Nazianzus, Bishop of Constantinople, died around 389; Macrina, teacher, died around 379**

The Cappadocian fathers, as the three men in this group are known, explored the mystery of the Holy Trinity. Basil's monastic rule forms the basis for Eastern monastic life. Gregory of Nazianzus defended orthodox Christianity in Constantinople.

Gregory of Nyssa, Basil's younger brother, wrote on the spiritual life. Macrina, older sister of Basil and Gregory of Nyssa, was the leader of a community dedicated to asceticism, meditation, and prayer.

### **Saturday, June 17**

#### **Emanuel Nine, martyrs, died 2015**

On June 17, 2015, nine people gathered for Bible study and prayer at the Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Charleston, South Carolina were murdered by a self-professed white supremacist. A resolution to commemorate June 17 as a day of repentance for the martyrdom of the Emanuel Nine was adopted by the Churchwide Assembly of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America on August 8, 2019.

### **Wednesday, June 21**

#### **Onesimos Nesib, translator, evangelist, died 1931**

Onesimos was born in Ethiopia. Captured, enslaved, and taken to Eritrea, he was there freed by Swedish missionaries. He translated the Bible into his native Oromo and returned to preach there.

### **Saturday, June 24**

#### **John the Baptist**

John said, "[Jesus] must increase, but I must decrease." And so his birth is celebrated half a year before Jesus', just as the daylight in the northern hemisphere begins to wane. Jesus honored John as being the greatest prophet.

### **Sunday, June 25**

#### **Presentation of the Augsburg Confession, 1530**

On this day in 1530 the German and Latin editions of the Augsburg Confession were presented to the Emperor Charles of the Holy Roman Empire. The Augsburg Confession, written by Philipp Melanchthon and endorsed by Martin Luther, consists of a brief summary of points in which the reformers saw their teaching as either agreeing with or differing from that of the Roman Catholic Church of the time.

### **Sunday, June 25**

#### **Philipp Melanchthon, renewer of the church, died 1560**

Though he died on April 19, Philipp Melanchthon is commemorated today because of his connection with the Augsburg Confession. Colleague and co-reformer with Martin Luther, Melanchthon was a brilliant scholar, known as "the teacher of Germany."

### **Tuesday, June 27**

#### **Cyril, Bishop of Alexandria, died 444**

Cyril defended the orthodox teachings about the person of Christ. After a conflict involving all of the major Christian leaders of the time, it was decided that Cyril's interpretation, that Christ's person included both divine and human natures, was correct.

### **Wednesday, June 28**

#### **Irenaeus, Bishop of Lyons, died around 202**

This important early church leader tried very hard to hold to the faith handed down by the apostles. An opponent of the movement known as gnosticism, Irenaeus was one of the first to speak of the church as catholic, or linked together.

### **Thursday, June 29**

#### **Peter and Paul, Apostles**

These two strong-willed apostles are the pillars of the church in the first generation after Christ. Peter was one of the Twelve, one who both offered a glorious confession of faith and later denied knowing Jesus. Paul once led the persecution of Christians, then was converted and helped bring the faith to non-Jewish people.

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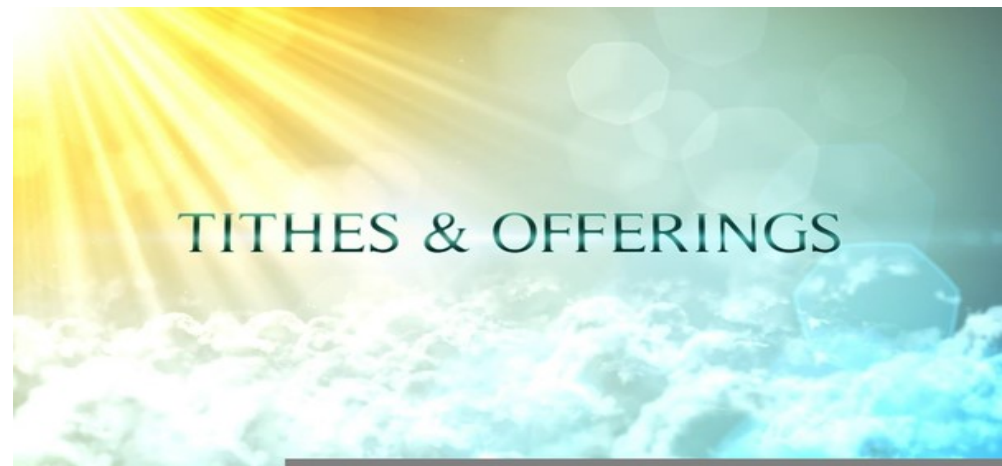
## Financial Summary as of May 14, 2023

Financial Recorder, Mark Weslander

Fund	Description	Total 2023	Past Year
#3	General	\$62,926.10	\$57,902.73
6	Benevolence	\$2,503.30	\$2,027.00
4	Building Fund	\$2,427.50	\$1,165.50
#8	Loose	\$1,084.79	\$514.30
#7	Initial	\$0.00	
	Memorials	\$170.00	\$1,237.93
#10	Fellowship Dinners	\$487.80	\$1,954.29
12	Special Donations	\$3,062.70	\$389.00
#22	Lent	\$1,379.00	\$1,380.00
#20	Maund. Thr./Good Friday	\$226.00	\$145.00
#23	Easter	\$650.00	\$2,493.66
21	Easter Memorial Garden	\$1,120.00	\$2,385.00
#13	Thanksgiving	\$0.00	\$0.00
#25	Christmas	\$100.00	\$0.00
#15	Office Reimbursement	\$0.00	\$0.00
#16	Use of Church	\$407.00	\$504.50
#27	Sampler	\$0.00	\$0.00
#38	Pastor's Elec. Reimb.	\$0.00	\$0.00
#18	Wedding Fees	\$0.00	\$0.00
#	Online Service Fee	\$97.10	\$124.20
	Actual Totals	\$76,641.29	\$72,223.11

TOTAL GENERAL GOAL = FUNDS MARKED #

	Total 2023	Goal	Plus/Minus	%
Gen. Budget	\$67,357.79	\$70,267.92	-\$2,910.13	95.9%
Bene. Budget	\$2,503.30	\$4,366.42	-\$1,863.12	57.3%
<b>IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH</b> <b>BENEVOLENCES</b> <b>FINANCIAL RECORDER</b> <b>MARK WESLANDER</b>				
Benevolence (Undesignated)				\$740.00
Synod				\$1,525.00
Lutheran Social Service				\$85.00
Luther Point Bible Camp				\$33.25
Itonya Comp. Cong. in Tanz.				\$25.00
World Hunger				\$95.05
<b>TOTAL</b>				\$2,503.30



### Three Ways to Give!

Thank you so much for your financial gifts which support Immanuel's ministry. We ask you to prayerfully do what you can to support Immanuel's mission.

#### Give in Person

When you attend worship in person, you are welcome to place your offering in the offering plate as it is passed during the service. Offering envelopes, like the one included in this newsletter, are available in the pews.

#### Give by Mail

You can also mail your offering to the church, using the offering envelope provided in this newsletter at:  
 Immanuel Lutheran Church  
 37515 Park Trail  
 Almelund, MN 55012

#### Give Online

Giving through our website is a quick and easy way for you to give and for the church to receive your gift. Go to [www.ImmanuelAlmelund.org](http://www.ImmanuelAlmelund.org) and click on "Make a Gift." You can designate how you want it used and if you want to make a one-time gift or ongoing contribution. It is recorded just as if you had placed it in the offering plate. Whatever way you give your gifts, thank you for your support of Immanuel's ministry. We couldn't do it without you!

# June 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> 3:00-6:00 Farmers Market	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b> 9:30 Communion Worship Live and Online <b>W/Noisy Offering &amp; Graduation Recognition</b> 10:30 Coffee Served	<b>5</b> 10:00 WOW Practice 7:30 Zoom Bible Study	<b>6</b> 9:00 Worship Team meeting 6:00 Joyful Noise Rehearsal @ ILC	<b>7</b> 12:00 Deadline for bulletin Info 1:30 Prayer Shawl Meets 2:00 Bulletins Printed 5:30 Patty Melts @ Ball Park	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 3:00-6:00 Farmers Market	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b> 9:30 Worship Live and Online W/Joyful Noise & Prayer Shawl Dedication. 10:30 Coffee Served	<b>12</b> 10:00 WOW Practice 5:00 Property Meeting 6:00 Church Council 7:30 Zoom Bible Study	<b>13</b> 9:00 Worship Team meeting 10:00-2:00 Quilters meet W/Potluck @ noon	<b>14 FLAG DAY</b> 12:00 Deadline for bulletin Info 2:00 Bulletins Printed 5:30 Patty Melts @ Ball Park	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 3:00-6:00 Farmers Market	<b>17</b> ILC Connection
<b>18 FATHER'S DAY</b> 9:30 WOW Communion Worship Live and Online, 10:30 Coffee Served	<b>19</b> <b>Newsletter Deadline</b> 5:00 Stewardship Meeting 7:30 Zoom Bible Study	<b>20</b> 9:00 Worship Team meeting 9:30 Naomi Circle meets @ the Labyrinth	<b>21</b> 10:00 Parish Care Meets 12:00 Deadline for bulletin Info 1:00 <b>Newsletter</b> is ready for proofreading in room B 1:30 Prayer Shawl Meets 2:00 Bulletins Printed 5:30 Patty Melts @ Ball Park	<b>22</b> 1:00 <b>Newsletter Assembly</b> in the Fireside room	<b>23</b> 3:00-6:00 Farmers Market	<b>24</b>
<b>25</b> 9:30 Worship Live and Online 10:30 Coffee Served	<b>26</b> 6:00 Worship & Music 7:30 Zoom Bible Study	<b>27</b> 9:00 Worship Team meeting	<b>28</b> 12:00 Deadline for bulletin Info 2:00 Bulletins Printed 5:30 Patty Melts @ Ball Park	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 3:00-6:00 Farmers Market	

## Thank you to those helping with the Worship Services!

	June 4	June 11	June 18	June 25
<b>Scripture Reader</b>	Bob Stirling	Linda Mielke	Julie Johnson	Dianne Wiik
<b>Ushers</b>	Norm Peterson & Bob Stirling	Steve & Laurie Peterson	Steve & Laurie Peterson	Steve & Laurie Peterson
<b>Sound Tech</b>	Dave Rue	Steve Blomquist	Nancy Nadeau	Julie Johnson
<b>Camera Tech</b>	Matt Oknich	Tracy Tolzmann	Jodi Johnson-Waldemar	Vern Johnson
<b>Children's Sermon</b>				
<b>Coffee Servers</b>	Naomi Circle	Dana Johnson & Connie Linder	WOW Group	Tora Carlson
<b>Teachers</b>	No Sunday School for summer	No Sunday School for summer	No Sunday School for summer	No Sunday School for summer

**Head Usher:** June: Steve Peterson

### Communion Servers:

**June 4** Julie Weller, Bob Rothe, Steve Peterson

**June 18** Tora Carlson, Richard, Dave Rue

**Communion Wine - Wild Mountain Winery**

**Communion Wafers now used**

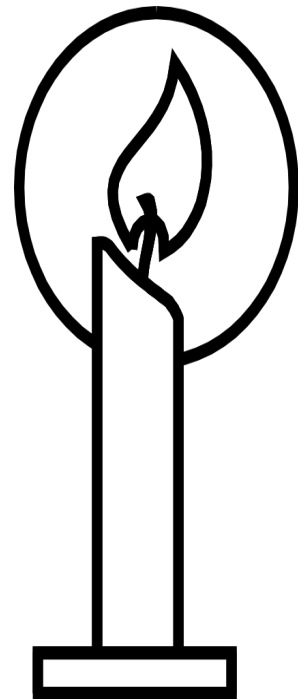
**Reader Coordinator:** June: Linda Mielke

**Altar Guild:** June: Merrie Tolzmann



As you celebrate your Birthday, remember to celebrate your Spiritual Birthday each year. Light a candle to remember your Baptism, too. God Bless you on your special days!

- 1 Goldeann Carlson, Lindsey Thorsen, Adam Oknich, Henry Carlson
- 2 Douglas Peterson, Kylie Lundsted
- 3 Gwendolyn Swenson, Willa Tauer, James Rue
- 5 Philip Larson
- 7 Diane Rothe
- 8 Stacy Burnside, Izabella Yost
- 9 Michael DeVault, Soua Carlson
- 10 Sharon Thiel, James Wiik
- 11 Ellie Lehto, Lavern Johnson
- 15 Harlan Bostrom
- 16 Cindy Weslander, Skip Buck, Julie Schmalz
- 19 James Mielke
- 22 Carl Sandberg, Lillian Tauer
- 25 Gary Peterson, Chad Lindgren, Coralee Muggli, Paige Lutz
- 27 Dave Rue
- 28 Dana Alan Johnson, Dennis Peterson, Kenrick Waldemar
- 30 Jennifer Schmalz





Obituary for  
Doris Evangelyn (Rodmeyer) Johnson  
August 21, 1927-February 2, 2023  
Age 95

Doris "Dory" Evangeline Johnson was born at home in rural Hector, MN on August 21, 1927 to Johanna M. and Harvey E. Rodmyre. She died peacefully surrounded by family and wonderful nursing and Hospice staff at Ecumen North Branch on February 2, 2023.

Dory was baptized on September 11, 1927 at the Palmyra Lutheran church which is located on a section of the Rodmyre farm. She was confirmed and married in the same church. She graduated from Bird Island High School and received her BA degree at Augsburg College. She did post-graduate studies at the University of Wisconsin, River Falls. She taught high school English in Canby in 1949-1950.

On June 16, 1950 Dory married Ray Willard Johnson and moved to Almelund, MN. They lived on the farm with their five children, and were blessed with 60 years of marriage. She taught 4th and 5th grade at North Branch Public Schools for over 25 years. Dory loved being an educator, and was often pleased to see former students in the area after retirement. She loved people, had a happy countenance and a strong faith in God. She was active in the community and in Immanuel Lutheran Church, serving in many capacities, including president of the LCW, Sunday school teacher and American Cancer Society daffodil chairperson. She enjoyed entertaining, cooking and baking and having coffee with friends and family. She traveled extensively with Ray after retirement.

Dory is survived by her brother Rolf (Harriet) Rodmyre of Hector, son Brian (Lois) Johnson of Woodbury, daughter Rachel (Don) Wilcox of Benson, son Loren (Twila) Johnson of Cambridge, son Marty (Jody) Johnson of Almelund, son Brent (Kristen) Johnson of North Branch, 12 Grandchildren: Ben, Sara, Gretchen, Alex, Tyler, Trent, Kelsey, Andrea, Erik, Quinn, Trevor and Chazz, and 22 great-grandchildren: Gwendolyn, Joseph, Charlotte, William, Thomas, Emmett, Paige, Brooks, Irene, Annika, Justin, Ella, Sullivan, Oliver, Vincent, Oskar, Elias, Everett, Cecily, Kyle, Hannah and Brynn, and nephews, nieces and a host of friends. She is preceded in death by her husband Ray, sister, Lila, brother Floyd, grandson Joey and great granddaughter Britta. Memorials preferred to Immanuel Lutheran church in Almelund, where a memorial service is planned take place on April 29, 2023



## Worship & Music Minutes ~ April 24, 2023

Present: Tora Carlson, Laurie Peterson, Pat Remer, Diane Rothe, Dave & Loraine Rue, Sharon Thiel, Mark Weslander

Absent: Pastor Justin, Momoh Freeman

Diane called the meeting to order.

Laurie gave devotions.

### Old Business:

Reviewed March 27<sup>th</sup> minutes. MSP to accept minutes.

### Children's Sermons:

- April 30<sup>th</sup> – Youth Group

- May 7<sup>th</sup> – Jeske

- May 14<sup>th</sup> – Youth Group

- May 21<sup>st</sup> – Teresa

- May 28<sup>th</sup> – NONE

Children's Sermons will not be scheduled during the summer – however, Pastor Justin said he would do something, if needed!

### Recap Worship Services/Events:

- March 29<sup>th</sup> ... 11:00 Lenten Service with Soup & Sandwich --- 5:30 Soup & Sandwich/Gr. E

6:30 Holden Evening Prayer Lenten Service in the sanctuary. Felt Lenten Soup & Sandwich and Worship Services went well this year!

- April 2<sup>nd</sup> ... Palm Sunday/Sunday School Skit with Procession of the Palms/Krystal Bells played with Teresa Carlson & Cami Peltier leading the kids/Noisy Offering (\$155.95)/Communion/Youth served breakfast.

- April 6<sup>th</sup> ... Maundy Thursday/Communion – 2 services, 11:00 --- 6:30/ Stripping of the Altar during Reading of Psalm 22

- April 7<sup>th</sup> ... Good Friday @ 6:30

- April 9<sup>th</sup> ... 6:30 Easter Morning Sunrise/Communion Service started at the cemetery – about 10 minutes at the site and then moved into the sanctuary – Worship & Music served coffee & rolls after that service. 9:30 Festive Easter/Communion Service with ILC Brass & Choir!

- April 16<sup>th</sup> ... WOW Sunday/Installation of Church Council/Communion

- April 23<sup>rd</sup> ... Worship/Baptisms following service

### Upcoming Dates:

- April 30<sup>th</sup> ... Healing Service/Joyful Noise Choir

- May 7<sup>th</sup> ... Worship, NO Communion – Pastor Justin gone, Jason to lead worship

- May 13<sup>th</sup> ... Spring Tea

- May 14<sup>th</sup> ... Worship/Mothers Day – Pastor Justin gone, Pastor Walt Wietzke to lead worship

- May 21<sup>st</sup> ... Worship/Communion/Joyful Noise Choir/Last day of Sunday School – NO WOW Service.

- May 27<sup>th</sup>...Set-up/prep for Memorial Day Dinner
- May 28<sup>th</sup>...Day of Pentecost Worship. Will there be coffee? Could set up on the deck, weather permitting.
- May 29<sup>th</sup>...Memorial Day Cemetery Service @ 11:30 with Pastor Justin giving the message. Dinner to follow.

**Sound Board System:** Council did approve to go ahead with a new sound system from Music Connection.

**New Business:**

**Worship Team:** – All Services are planned through May 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Other:**

- There's been some inquiries about the possibility of a new church directory – went before council and it was decided not to do it at this time.
- No meeting in May

**Closed with the Lord's Prayer**

Next Scheduled Meeting: **Monday, June 26, 2023**

Devotions: Pat

**Stewardship did not meet in May**

**Minutes of Property Committee Meeting**  
**May 8, 2023**

Present: Joanne Johnson, Perry Lindberg, Marlin Ness, Norm Peterson, Bob Rothe, Steve Peterson

Marlin called the meeting to order.

Minutes of the April 10, 2023 meeting were reviewed.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Old kitchen update - Scandia Heating disconnected drain lines and removed heaters.

Update on Dan's progress - choir area completed & he started the balcony area. Two additional proposals have been received. (1) \$1,750 to refinish balcony floor and refresh trim & railing and (2) \$2,000 to do plaster repair & painting upper areas at pulpit & lectern. MSP we recommend to Council Dan's bids be accepted. MSP Dan be paid \$4,300 for work completed.

Dave checked roof for leaks and none were found.

Sound system update - New sound system soon to be in place.

Bids were received for the cemetery road (\$10,950) & north parking lot (\$13,100) with \$23,000 for both done at the same time. MSP we refer parking lot bid to Council.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Should we contract with TruGreen for treatment on church lawn and cemetery? MSP refer to Council for approval.

Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting: June 12, 2023 at 5:00 PM

**IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**MAY 8, 2023**

The meeting was called to order by President Richard Sellman at 5:55 P.M. Members present: Dave Rue, Steve Peterson, Richard Sellman, Julie Weller, Bob Rothe and Tora Carlson.

Absent: Pastor Justin Fenger, Marty Johnson, and Todd Peltier.

MSP to approve minutes of the April 10, 2023 council meeting.

MSP to approve additional items to agenda

MSP to approve agenda.

Opening Devotions were read by Julie Weller. U-Turn chapter 7 was not discussed as Pastor Justin was absent.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Credit card update - was tabled as Pastor Justin was absent.

Digital soundboard - was approved at the April Council meeting.

Electric oven - was tabled until Bob can get more information.

**NEW BUSINESS**

The Church office will soon have a new lock on door with a digital pad.

Audra Rambow request - Dave Rue read a letter from Audra. She is going on a 3 week mission trip to Florida with a group from her college in Montana, to spread God's word. Has asked the Church to help with cost of this trip in the amount of \$600.00. Pastor Justin also went on this same mission trip while in Seminary. Pastor would like to have her come speak to our Congregation about this trip when she is available.

MSP to approve Audra's request of \$600.00 and funds will come from Tithing outside our walls.

#### PROPERTY

Dan Anderson proposals - Dan submitted a proposal to redo floor in old Balcony - \$1500.00 to refinish floor \$250.00 to fix railings. Total of \$1750.00

MSP - to approve proposal.

Also submitted proposal to repair and paint pulpit and lectern of \$2000.00, includes ceiling and 2 beams and large arch with gold band.

MSP - to approve this work

Dan also submitted a bill for the following:

Foundation building South wall \$3800.00

East wall \$2000.00

Choir loft \$ 500.00

Total of \$6300.00 minus \$2000.00 advance for a total due

Dan of \$4300.00

MSP - to approve this bill and pay for this work.

Steve has been in contact with Preferred Paving for the resurfacing of Church parking lot and cemetery road. This was tabled until June meeting.

Tom Lunzer has removed brick and put flashing back down where there has been a problematic leak. Also, the plaster has fallen in old Secretary's office. Dan will get us a bill to repair. All this was caused by brick and caulking disintegration.

#### REPORTS

Financial and Financial Secretary Reports -

MSP - to accept Financial reports

No Pastor's report.

Worship and Music - no meeting in May.

MSP - to approve all reports.

Communion servers for 6/4 - Julie, Bob and Steve

6/18 - Dave, Tora and Richard

Devotions for June - Richard Sellman

Chapter 7 of U-Turn

Closed with the Lords Prayer

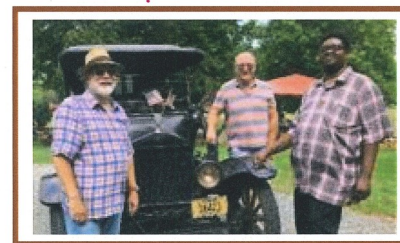
Meeting adjourned at 6:40 P.M.

## The Summer of 2023 Tour



June 10	Wild River Outfitters, Grantsburg	1:00-5:00
June 11	Wild Mountain Winery, Almelund (Second Sunday of each month)	1:30-4:30
June 17	320 Brewing, Pine City	4:00-7:00
July 9	Wild Mountain Winery Almelund	1:30-4:30
July 14	North Folk Winery, Harris	5:15-8:00
Aug 13	Wild Mountain Winery, Almelund	1:30-4:30
Aug 19	Wild River Outfitters, Grantsburg	1:00-5:00
Sept 30	Wild River Outfitters, Grantsburg	1:00-5:00

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