

The Messenger

April 2019

The monthly newsletter of Immanuel Lutheran Church

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Look at this picture:



The man doesn't know that there is a snake underneath and the woman doesn't know that there is a stone crushing the man. The woman thinks: "I'm going to fall and I can't climb because the snake is going to bite me! Why can't he use a little more strength and pull me up!" The man thinks: "I am in so much pain! Yet I'm still pulling you as much as I can! Why don't you try to climb a little harder?!"

The moral is: You may think you understand what is happening, but you can't see the pain and pressure the other person is under, just as they can't see the pressure and pain that you're in.

There are times where we think we know what is going on, but too often we jump to conclusions or make a judgement without really knowing all of the facts. Instead of making that assumption, slow down and make sure that you truly understand what is going on. Remember, there are always two sides to every story.

In Christ, Pastor Kent

Palm/Passion Sunday, April 14

8:30am & 11:00am

Maundy Thursday, April 18

12:15pm & 7:00pm

Good Friday, April 19

12:15pm & 7:00pm

Easter Sunday, April 21

8:30am & 11:00am



Welcoming All. Growing Together in Faith. Sharing Christs Love



Summer Camp

Immanuel pays half of the Early Bird cost for our students to attend camp at Tomah Shinga. Register online at

http://tomahshinga.com/summercamp

PLEASE let Mindy know if you:

- register for camp (so the church can pay its share).
- need additional financial assistance.
- are a current 6th & 7th grader attending
 Confirmation Camp July 14-19.

Graduate Blessing

High school and college graduates will be recognized at worship on Sunday, May 5. Please let Mindy know if there are graduates in your family!

April 14 ~ Creation Care

Pastor Noni Strand will join us during Education Hour to introduce us to the mission and ministry of Lutherans Restoring Creation, a grassroots movement in the ELCA to encourage creation care. Possibilities for creation care at Immanuel and in partnership with Redeemer and St. John's will be explored.

Adult Confirmation

An adult confirmation class will be held this spring. This class is open to anyone, especially those who want to: be baptized, learn more about



Lutheran beliefs, and/or re-ignite their faith! If you would like to participate, please contact Pastor Kent.

Women **ELCA**

Welca Group

Thursday, April 11 at 2pm at church

Anna Group

Wednesday, April 17 at 1:30pm at Presbyterian Manor



We are a church that believes God is calling us into the world – together. We don't have to do it alone, and we don't have to do everything. How do you participate? By sharing your time, talents, and resources. This is our report on resources for February 2019. These books are closed and we ended up with \$2,546 in our unassigned checking account. Salaries and benefits in the amount of \$12,750 are in-line with our month's budget. The other major category was building expenses of \$5,167 of which \$3,288 was utilities so our building would be warm in the cold weather. We received donations in the month of February in the amount of \$11,231. The deficit was covered by the excess we received in January. We ask for your prayerful consideration as you look toward your giving in the month of April, 2019.

Palm Sunday Volunteers Needed



There will be a dramatic reading of the Passion Narrative according to the gospel of St. Matthew on Palm Sunday, April 14. A variety of speakers is needed. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Kent.

Baskets of Promise



We are collecting items for LWR Personal Care Kits. These kits give people around the world tools to stay healthy in life's most challenging situations. We need:

- Bath Towels (lightweight, dark colors. between 20"x40" and 52"x27")
- Bars of soap (4-50z, in original wrapping)
- Toothbrushes (adult size)

Kits will be assembled April 28 during GIFT class.

thankyou

Thank you all for the thoughts, prayers, and cards following the loss of Shane's dad.

Shane & Kathy Herron



God's Good Creation VBS May 29-31 from 9:00am-12:00pm

Immanuel & St John's are working together to host VBS this year! Scan the QR code to the right with your smartphone, and you will be taken directly to the online registration.

Questions?? Contact Mindy Tillberg.



Midweek Lenten Worship April 3th, & 10th

"Embracing the Uncertain"

12:15 & 7:00 with Holden Evening Prayer Offering designated for Ashby House.

Individually wrapped candy is needed for the Easter Egg Hunt. Donations are needed by April 14.





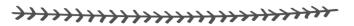
Potted Tulip orders are due April 12. The cost is \$12 each. You may pick up your tulips after the 11am worship on Easter Sunday, April 21. They must be picked up no later than April 28. Please use

the enclosed Order Form to purchase your tulips.

Newsletter Distribution

Thanks to you, we have cut our newsletter mailing in half and are saving on paper and printing costs!

The May Messenger will be emailed on April 19. If you would like to receive your newsletter by email, please let Mindy know! Print copies will be available for pick-up on Sunday, April 21. If you do not pick yours up that day, it will be mailed to you.



Do you have an article for the May Messenger?

Please send information to mindy@immanuelsalina.org
Deadline for the May newsletter is April 15.

CONTACT US:

255 S. 7th St	Salina, KS 67401
Church office	(785) 825-4750
Pastor Kent Happel	pastorkent@immanuelsalina.org
Deacon Mindy Tillberg	mindy@immanuelsalina.org
Office Mgr Gloria Tillberg	gloria@immanuelsalina.org
Preschool~Erica Arb	happyhearts67401@hotmail.com



Youth Group Sunday, April 14 Noon-2pm

6-12th graders are invited for food, fellowship & fun! Please bring \$2 for lunch.

Altar Guild Meeting Wednesday, April 17 at 5:15pm

Easter Sunday April 21

Worship 8:30am & 11:00am

Communion served & children's message shared.



Breakfast 9:30-10:30am

Pancakes, egg casserole, biscuits & gravy, and more! Donations benefit the Youth Group.

Easter Egg Hunt 10:30am

Children need to bring a basket to collect eggs.



Senior Lunch Mon, April 22 at 12:00



Please bring a dish to share. Table service provided.