

Immanuel News

June, July, August 2021



Our Mission: Immanuel Lutheran Church is a fellowship of believers committed to live and share God's love by serving our community and the world.

Our Vision: We gather as believers who seek to grow in faith through worship, education and welcoming fellowship. We seek to share God's love with the community through word and deed. We extend Christ's love in service to our community and our world.

From the Pastor's Desk

“Therefore, since through God’s mercy we have this ministry, we do not lose heart” (2 Corinthians 4:1 NIV).

As of December 31, 2020, "there were 3.3 million baptized members in the ELCA. There were 8,900 congregations organized in 65 synods in nine geographic regions."¹ According to the East-Central Synod of Wisconsin Data of 2019, our synod has "baptized members 70,440, confirmed members 53,933."² According to the information I received from our synod, we currently have 122 congregations, 118 pastors (active), and 6 deacons (active). Not all are in congregations. Some may be on leave from the call but are part of our synod. We have 18 congregations that are looking to fill an opening. They are being served by retired or interim pastors/deacons or supply pastors.

¹ <https://www.elca.org/News-and-Events/ELCA-Facts>.

² http://download.elca.org/ELCA%20Resource%20Repository/51_East-Central_Synod_Wisconsin_data_kit.pdf

ELCA Research and Evaluation Report of 2016 indicates the gap between available pastors and vacant churches.³ Since 2009, the number of assignments has dropped below the number available for assignment.

Figure 2. Vacancies and assignments from 2006 to 2015 (not including 2009)

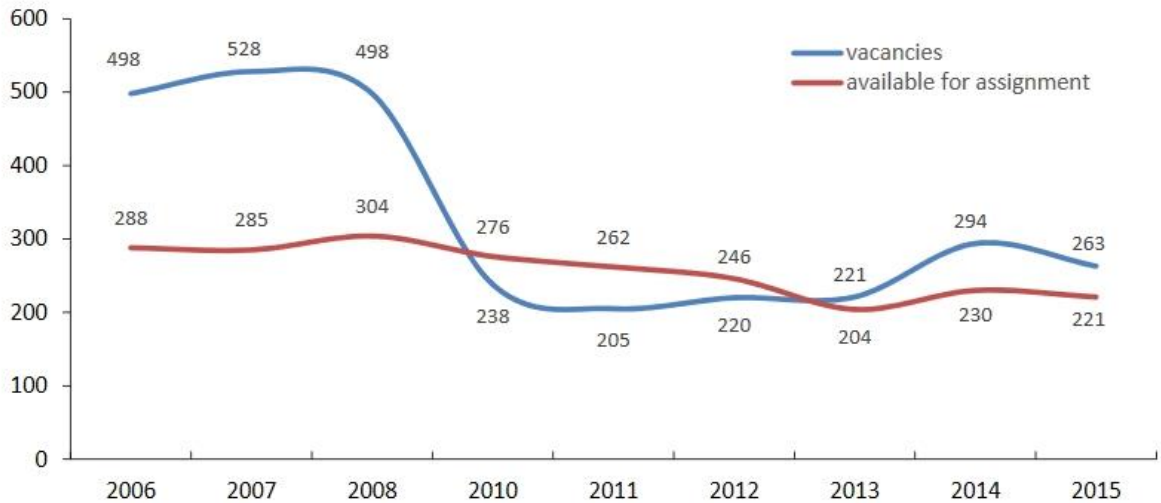


Table1: Retirements, ordinations, and the number of congregations that can afford a full-time, first-call pastor with the number of congregational clergy available to serve those congregations (actual figures through 2015, with projections for 2016 through 2019)

³ <https://terrielton.files.wordpress.com/2013/04/2016-march-the-supply-of-and-demand-for-clergy-in-the-elca-3-28-16-1.pdf>

	Retirements	Ordinations	Difference	Congregations	Can Afford a Pastor	Number of Pastors Serving Congregations
2010	315	300	15	10,008	7,638	7,625
2011	335	297	38	9,638	7,411	7,408
2012	388	278	110	9,533	7,385	7,255
2013	447	225	222	9,464	7,365	7,062
2014	432	257	175	9,392	7,383	6,868
2015	455	249	206	9,326	7,278	6,713
2016	449	213	236	9,260	7,173	6,477
2017	436	212	224	9,194	7,069	6,253
2018	422	210	212	9,128	6,966	6,041
2019	404	207	197	9,062	6,864	5,844

According to the table above, approximately 404 ordained pastors would retire, and only 207 newly ordained pastors would be available to replace them. According to this statistic, we are experiencing a shortage of pastors in the ELCA. The problem is more significant in rural areas. It is hard to convince a married and newly graduated seminarian to move to a rural church where it is hard to find a job for one's spouse. Usually, schools and businesses shut down in rural communities; often, the last local institution remains the church. Rural communities do not sound appealing to the newly graduated seminarian. Churches are closing not only because of a lack of funds to pay a full-time rostered minister but also due to the lack of available pastors. I asked myself what the solution for this challenge might be. One of the solutions is for lay leaders to step in and continue the ministry.

At our church, we have Bob Henning and Sally Reinertson as the only lay ministers who step in to lead worship service. In addition, the East Central Synod of Wisconsin lay school ministry has been providing adult Christian educations in the areas of the Old and New Testament, Lutheran confessions, pastoral care, worship and liturgy, and church history. Sally and Bob graduated from this lay school. I encourage you to attend the lay school. We need lay leaders to continue the ministry of our Lord Jesus through ILC.

The ministry does not fall on the pastor or the church council but each member of ILC. Our church member has been gradually returning to worship in person. The average attendance is between 15-20 worshipers. Each of us is responsible for calling our church members to encourage them to come back to church. Evangelism can take many forms, and one of these forms is to give your church family member a call to check on them and encourage them to come back home to ILC, particularly since most of our church family is fully vaccinated.

Christianity is originated in community. Each Christian needs her/his fellow Christian to support them in their spiritual journey and grow in faith and their relationship with Jesus Christ. We need each other. This is a fact. Immanuel Lutheran Church needs your presence, not only your offering. You are the church, not the building. You are the body of Christ. The piece of the bread that we receive in the Holy Communion is not only the body of Christ. For the ILC to thrive, laypeople must be involved in the ministry.

Yours in Christ,



Rev. Dr. Niveen Ibrahim Sarras, Ph.D

ILC Worship In-Person Services:

Effective Sunday, June 6, 2021. The church council met on May 25, 2021 and the following decisions were approved by them.

- **We will no longer prepare a pre-recorded service each Sunday and share it before the service on Sunday. Instead, we will live stream service on YouTube each Sunday at 9am. You may find our services here:**

Our YouTube Channel: Search “Immanuel Lutheran Church of Wausau Wisconsin, Inc.” or type this in the browser address bar:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCtGIA3X4ZB0nLGjeXSbG0J>

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Please note: because of this change, there will NOT be a new video at 11:00am on TV Public Access.

Important: The only way to view the service on Sunday will be for you to tune in to YouTube on Sunday at 9am (for live) or any time after 10:30 am on that day on YouTube. Pastor Niveen will send the congregation a link to that video.

- **Bulletin Information: The weekly bulletin will continue to be mailed only to our homebound members and those who can't come to church for health reasons. Those who have health challenges may call the church office at (715) 842-3644 to request to be added to the weekly bulletin mailing list. The weekly bulletin is always available on our website on Thursday. We will also resume distribution of the paper bulletin at church each week.**
- **We will resume Holy Communion, both elements, on the 1st and 3rd Sunday and for occasional festivals. We will provide the blood of Christ in small glass cups according to the guidelines provided to us.**
- **The hymnal books will return to the pews.**
- **We will return to live music and singing.**
- **The newsletter will be distributed to the homebound and to those who request it – those with health challenges.**
- **The offering plate will be placed in the Narthex. Please feel free to leave your envelope there. The counters will resume their ministry, as well as the ushers. The schedule will be added to the newsletter and mailed.**

Pastor Niveen and Jackie appreciate ALL of you during the challenge of serving you in a pandemic. May the Lord protect us and guide us.



Your pastor has good news for you. I have volunteered all of you ☺ to serve community dinner on Sunday, June 27, 2021, at First Presbyterian Church. If you have any questions, please check with our leader Judy Nickolai.

Confirmation Class Camp

Our beloved children, Grace and Emily Kallio, and Alex Munson, will attend the conformation class camp at Waypost from Sunday afternoon, July 11 until Friday, July 16, 2021. Pastor Sarras will be away from office to join them.

General Meeting of the Congregation

A general meeting of the congregation will be held on Sunday, July 25, 2021. This meeting will focus on the immediate business of the church. Elections of new officers will be conducted at this time. If you are unable to attend, please contact the Church office to request an absentee ballot. You will receive a ballot with two envelopes: one will secure your ballot and the other you will use to mail your secret ballot back to the church. You must request this ballot by July 15, 2021. The ballot must be received back to the church office by 3pm on Thursday, July 22, 2021.

Committee chairs: reports are due to Jackie by Thursday, July 8, 2021. Jackie has maintained a folder in the church office with all the minutes since 2019.

A Note from the Stewardship Committee

Thank you Immanuel Members!!!! Immanuel's financial position has a net surplus. The treasurer's report for this year shows a net loss for this year of \$30,372.65 because we paid much of our pastor's last year's salary this year in

January. We had prepared for that cost by saving a surplus last year. Our financial position is sound. During this time of COVID-19, we have been **thankful** for our member's offerings, and pray for your continued support.

Your thankful stewardship committee: *Tom McDonell, Wayne Kallio, Jim Stolen, Ben Haring, and Rick Lohr*

ILC Annual Picnic: Watch for details in the weekly bulletins on our Annual Picnic in August!

“God’s work. Our hands.” Sunday is Sunday, September 12, 2021. This day is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America – one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor.

Service activities offer an opportunity for us to explore one of our most basic convictions as Lutherans: that all of life in Jesus Christ – every act of service, in every daily calling, in every corner of life – flows freely from a living, daring confidence in God’s grace.

You will receive information about the activities that ILC will participate in to serve our neighbors.

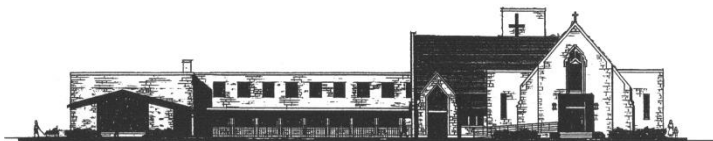
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Lutheran **Do you Know?**

You can listen to Living Lutheran magazine

Issues online at <https://www.livinglutheran.org/issues/>

ILC History Hub

**IMMANUEL
HISTORY –**



IMMANUEL'S ASSOCIATE PASTORS

Immanuel has had 30 called pastors in its 138-year history, five of whom were intended to help the senior pastor. Pastor Hjalmar “Spike” Hanson was called out of retirement in 1966 to help Pastor Duane Hoven with pastoral duties, mainly visitation of elderly members. It was on a part time basis. Pastor Hanson was noted for his role as the director of the Blue Jacket Choir at the Great Lakes Naval Station during World War II. The Hansons knew the Hovens well from previous experiences, so he and Hoven worked well as a team. When Pastor Hoven resigned to be the head pastor at First English in Faribault, MN, Hanson followed him there to take a similar position. From that time on, it was determined that the pastors at Immanuel needed assistance with their duties and four more assistant pastors were called in the next few decades.

Paul Hauenstein was called to be a full-time associate pastor in 1973 to work with Pastor Lynn Broughton. When Broughton resigned, Hauenstein stayed on into the next year to help Pastor Melby. Pastor Hauenstein left in 1974 to do mission work in Brazil. He was followed by Mark Lund who served from 1975 to 1977. He was also a full time pastor. Lund approached sermon preparation seriously, insisting that the lesson for the day should be read in the original Greek first.

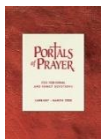
Norman Winterhoff was called in 1978 as a part time associate pastor with emphasis on visitation of elderly and hospitalized members. He was a former chaplain in the navy. Pastor Norm, as he was called, was extremely well liked by the members. Youth ministry was not his assignment, but teen-age members enjoyed his company. He was an avid golfer, and few in the congregation could beat him. An added benefit to Immanuel was the work of his wife, Joan, who became the first parish nurse in the congregation. She was one of the first parish nurses in the area and was a leader in encouraging other congregations to adopt the position. The benefits of having a parish nurse soon became obvious. There were many in the congregation who depended on her for help in meeting their medical needs. Pastor Norm retired in 1985 and chose to remain in the

congregation as a member. The congregation was happy about that. He and Pastor Melby became close friends and remained so even after Melby accepted a call to Baldwin, WI in 1988.

Pastor Bob Simensen replaced Winterhoff in 1986, but the position was full time once again. Simensen had spent a number of years as a missionary in West Africa. During his first years at Immanuel he had a distant romance with his future wife, Kristen, and they got married a few years after. It was the first marriage of a pastor while serving Immanuel – at least in the modern era. Simensen had a real sense of the needs of the disadvantaged. He and Kristen preferred that their first apartment be located in a rundown area of Wausau. The Simensens left Immanuel in 1992 when Bob took a call as a senior pastor in Manitowoc, WI. Pastor David Larson succeeded Melby in 1988. He preferred to hire a business manager instead of calling a new associate. Pastor Simensen is considered the last associate pastor to serve Immanuel. Pastor Greg and Sherry Billberg who served after Pastor Larson left considered themselves to be a husband and wife team, although Pastor Sherry was technically paid at the part time rate. The congregation could no longer afford a full time associate pastor.

--- Al Solomonson

Noisy Offering. Just a reminder that there is a large silver bowl by the church office entrance for your noisy (coin) offerings. Thank you in advance for doing this.



The devotional books *Portals of Prayer* and *Christ in Our Home* for July-September have arrived. They will be on the pew near the office entrance. If you would like to have one or both mailed to you, please call the church office.

Thank You

Mary McDonnell for counting each week, week after week, month after month. And thank you, Kathy Knox for assisting Mary! We appreciate you both!

Jill Preston for Awesome Cleaning.

Matt Munson for keeping the Church's finances in order.

Thank you, Altar Guild, for ensuring the sanctuary is ready for our in-person services. Thank you, Joanne, for your artistic addition to the Pentecost Service.

ILC Summer Edition Newsletter. The next newsletter will be the September 2021 Edition. The deadline for submissions will be August 23, 2021.

A Canaan Olive Oil Update.

In the last year, the value of the dollar has dropped by 15% against the local currency in Palestine. In addition, farm gate prices increased by 15%, the 2020 olive harvest season was exceptionally low compared to previous years, the Canaan products were significantly undervalued in the market in previous years, and actions to correct the issue by adjusting prices were never taken. Of course, the impact of COVID 19 resulted in restrictions to their business and to the farmers also.

As a result of these factors, Canaan has needed to make necessary financial adjustments. The price of the olive oil has increased. We will now buy a bottle at a cost of **\$25.00**. While the increase is significant, please consider that you are not merely buying olive oil. You are also investing in the welfare of the Palestinian farm families, making their lives less burdensome. You are providing hope.



Our olive oil ministry will continue, God's Work, Our Hands.

ELCA Peace Not Walls Update: The ELCA's Peace Not Walls campaign works for peace and justice in Israel and Palestine. How has COVID-19 impacted the local Lutheran church in the Holy Land? How has Augusta Victoria Hospital dealt with COVID-19? Watch this 5 MINUTE video to learn more: <https://vimeo.com/538797748/1fa1ffe11d>
Additional information is also available here: <https://elca.org/peacenotwalls>

Pastor Niveen's Anise Bread Recipe

INGREDIENTS

- **3 cups all-purpose or bread flour, plus more for dusting**
- **Generous 1/4 teaspoon instant yeast**
- **1 teaspoon kosher salt**
- **3-4 Tablespoon of granulated sugar**
- **1 teaspoon Anise seeds**
- **1 ¼ cup of water**

PREPARATION

1. Put the 1 teaspoon Anise seeds in tea bag and then add water. Let water boil with anise. Let the anise water cool to room temperature.
2. In a large bowl combine flour, yeast, salt, and the boiled anise seeds . Add 1 1/4 cups of anise water and stir until blended; dough will be shaggy and sticky. Cover bowl with plastic wrap. Let dough rest at least 12-18 hours, preferably about 18, at warm room temperature, about 70 degrees.
3. Dough is ready when its surface is dotted with bubbles. Lightly flour a work surface and place dough on it; sprinkle it with a little more flour and fold it over on itself once or twice.
4. Using just enough flour to keep dough from sticking to work surface or to your fingers, gently and quickly shape dough into a ball. Generously coat a cotton towel (not terry cloth) with flour, wheat bran or cornmeal; put dough seam side down on towel and dust with more flour, bran or cornmeal. Cover with another cotton towel and let rise for about 2 hours. When it is ready, dough will be more than double in size and will not readily spring back when poked with a finger.
5. At least a half-hour before dough is ready, heat oven to 450 degrees. Put a 6- to 8-quart heavy covered pot (cast iron, enamel, Pyrex or ceramic) in oven as it heats. (you can use any baking dish) When dough is ready, carefully remove pot from oven. Slide your hand under towel and turn dough over into pot, seam side up; it may look like a mess, but that is OK.

Shake pan once or twice if dough is unevenly distributed; it will straighten out as it bakes. Cover with lid and bake 30 minutes, then remove lid and bake another 15, until loaf is beautifully browned. Cool on a rack.



CROSSWAYS

CAMPING MINISTRIES

We need your help finding a servant-leader who will have the chance to feed campers, families, and exceptional summer staff during the eleven weeks of summer programming at Pine Lake Camp in Waupaca. Pay starts at \$15 an hour and lodging is available. The schedule is Monday through Friday mornings, but partial week or afternoons are also an option. If you have organizational skills and know your way around a whisk, this could be a great way to serve God's community. Kitchen managers are a revered part of our staff and a key to Crossways ministry.

Email Ben@crosswayscamps.org for more information.

COVID-19 relief in India with Lutheran Disaster Response

Over the past two months, a surge of COVID-19 cases has ravaged India. Padhar Hospital, a ministry of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Madhya Pradesh, has a ward dedicated to COVID-19 patients. Unfortunately, the hospital is currently being forced to turn away patients because it lacks the space and oxygen to support them. Lutheran Disaster Response is helping Padhar Hospital purchase an oxygen generator for its COVID-19 ward so it can treat more patients. For the past year, Lutheran Disaster Response has supported companion churches and partners throughout India and around the world as they raise awareness about COVID-19, provide personal protective equipment and distribute sanitation supplies to vulnerable communities. **If you feel God is calling you to donate, please write a check to Immanuel Lutheran Church and in the memo states Asia-Pacific Disaster Response.**

Caring Corner

Psalm 71:9 "Do not cast me off in the time of old"

☞ Here are our church friends who are not able to come to church as often as they would like. They would love to hear from you or receive cards in the mail. Please call the church office if someone should be added to list. ☎

Facility		Home
<p>Bell Tower Residence 1500 O'Day St Merrill, WI 54452 ▶ Carol Hettinga, Rm 307 (715) 359-0197</p>	<p>Primrose Retirement Community 2100 Townline Rd Wausau, WI 54403 ▶ Thelma Bursik, Apt #101 (715)297-1785</p>	<p>Carolyn Viergutz N114 W17117 Cove Ct Germantown, WI 53022</p>
<p>Riverview Terrace 540 E. Thomas St. Wausau, WI 54401 ▶ Joyce Lohrey, #207 (715) 675-4073</p>	<p>▶ Charlotte Traeger, Apt #215 (715) 298-9421 ▶ Judy Blanchfield, Apt #132 (715) 845-3744</p>	<p>Pat Stricker 1403 Stark Street Wausau, WI 54403 (715) 842-1304</p>
<p>Heritage House of Portage 2685 Airport Road Portage, WI 53901 ▶ Esther Osterby, #43</p>	<p>▶ Kathy Groethe, Apt #219 (715) 841-0130</p>	<p>Jeanette Petterson 605 Eagle Nest Blvd. Apt. 208 Rothschild, WI 54474 (715) 359-0449</p>
<p>Stone Crest Residence 805 Parcher St Wausau, WI 54403 ▶ Joanne Cerny, #7</p>	<p>Autumn Lane Family Care 384 Lyons Rd. Birnamwood, WI 54414 ▶ Jeff Groethe (715) 449-3444</p>	<p>Ann Kurth 2806 Polzer Drive Wausau, WI 54401 (715) 298-1942</p>
<p>Our House Memory Care 220 Campus Drive Wausau, WI 54403 ▶ Pat Stolen, #7</p>		



Happy Birthday! Happy Anniversary!

June 2021 Birthdays. The following individuals are celebrating their birthday in June. Happy Birthday to all of you! Joan Bonstead 06/03, Jacob Rajek 06/03, Mary Rolfson 06/03, Joy Karnitz 06/05, Kristin Kallio 06/10, Doug Christopherson 06/11, David Reinhardt 06/14, Neil Munson 06/15, Mike Mayer 06/23, Donna Neiter 06/24, JoAnne Cerny 06/29, Hannah Weir 06/29

June 2021 Anniversaries: Art & Deb Dellenbach (40 years) 06/06, Nancy & Doug Helling (52 years) 06/08, Harlan & Elaine Grinde, (59 years) 06/09, Roger & Donna Neiter (46 years) 06/13, Justin & Ashley Nickolai (13 years) 06/21

July 2021 Birthdays. The following individuals are celebrating their birthday in July. Happy Birthday to all of you! Grace Berg 07/07, Cody Tessmer 07/07, Deb Dellenbach 07/08, Kyle Gilles 07/13, Kathy Groethe 07/16, Kira Spoehr 07/21, Ben Harring 07/24, Paul Reinertson 07/26

July 2021 Anniversaries. Erin & Brandon Lauersdorf (7 years) 07/19, Michael & Susan Schwede (46) 07/19, James & Marilyn Derubis (55) 07/23

August 2021 Birthdays. The following individuals are celebrating their birthday in August. Happy Birthday to all of you! Dan Westaby 08/02, Joseph Schwede 08/03, Marino Taylor 08/04, Jack Fabry 08/05, Stephen Feck 08/05, Judith Blanchfield 08/08, Tom McDonell 08/08, Don Smail 08/12, Pat Stricker 08/12, Mary Munson 08/15, George Klinker 08/16, Pat Stolen 08/16, Pattie Bricko 08/19, Meredith Westaby 08/19, Baylen Hulstrom 08/20, Brett Riehle 08/21, Erin Doede 08/23, Kasen Hulstrom 08/23, Erin Lauersdorf 08/23, Andrea Schafer 08/23, Mitch Scobell 08/24, Janice Reinhardt 08/25, Maria O'Keefe 08/26, Bob Henning 08/27, Mary Anne Klinker 08/30, Al Solomonson 08/31

August 2021 Anniversaries. Rick & Joyce Lohr (57 Years) 08/02, Vern & Joanne Diestelhorst (48 Years) 08/04, Don & Dwala Smail (57 Years) 08/08, Ben & Claudette Haring (57 Years) 08/09, Don & Bonnie Dern (54 Years) 08/12, Jim & Debbie Palmer (49 Years) 08/12, George & Mary Anne Klinker (65 Years) 08/18, Al & Vonnie Solomonson (60 Years) 08/20, David & Janice Reinhardt (64 Years) 08/25, Clarence & Sally Johnson (61 Years) 08/27, Dan & Holly Westaby (39 Years) 08/28



Happy Father's Day (Sunday, June 20, 2021) to all dads, grandpas and those special men in our lives. "There you saw how the Lord your God carried you, as a father carries his son, all the way you went until you reached this place." - **Deuteronomy 1:31**



Happy 4th of July (Sunday, July 4, 2021) is the day that is set aside to commemorate the passage of the Declaration of Independence by the Continental Congress on July 4, 1776. "For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another." - Galatians 5:13

The Church office will be closed on July 5, 2021.

Synod Golf Tournament. The golf tournament will be held on Tuesday, August 10, 2021. It will be held at the Glacier Wood Golf Club in Iola. Shot-Gun starts at 8:30am. This information will be posted on the bulletin board.

Volunteer Needed: Media Assistant. We are no longer producing the videos that we have been producing for upload to YouTube. Our in-service worship services will be live streamed to YouTube from the sanctuary each Sunday. We are looking for someone to volunteer as a media assistant. Jackie will train you on filming the live feed. Please let Pastor Niveen or Jackie know if you are interested and can provide this valuable service for ILC.

Immanuel Lutheran Church 2021 Income vs Expenses

Month	Income Received	Expenses Paid	Notes	Difference	Spec Funds income	Total Deposit
January	\$15,154	\$50,569		(\$35,415)	\$1,435	\$16,589
February	\$10,412	\$6,836		\$3,577	\$1,769	\$12,181
March	\$21,050.25	\$8,461.32		\$12,589	\$1,380.00	\$22,430
April	\$12,822	\$23,946		(\$11,124)	\$1,286.08	\$14,108
May						
June						
July						
August						
September						
October						
November						
December				\$0		
Totals	\$59,438.65	\$89,811.47		(\$30,373)	\$5,870	\$65,309

Immanuel Lutheran Church Council Meeting – May 5, 2021

Meeting via Zoom

Members present: President Bob Henning, Treasurer Matt Munson, financial secretary Patti Busche, worship Judy Kort, social concerns Kathy Knox, properties Sally Scinto Reinertson
The meeting was called to order at 6:08 p.m. by Bob Henning.

No Pastors Report.

Secretary’s report: Reviewed minutes from the 3/16/21 meeting. Motion made to approve by Judy K; 2nd by Sally. Approved without objections.

Treasurer report. Matt provided his report. He received the bill for Pastor’s salary and payment will be reflected on the April statements. Overall, we are still doing good. Motion to approve and hold for audit made by Patti; 2nd by Kathy. Approved without objections.

Financial Secretary report. Patti provided her report. Generous donations made for World Hunger. More received in April. Motion made by Sally to approve and hold for audit report; 2nd by Matt. Approved without objections.

Vice President report – written report provided to Bob. Linda thanks Pastor and Jackie for getting the new technology set up to record the services. Also, thanks to Jill for her special cleaning care during this time. Thanks to Al Solomonson for writing the special memories that are in the newsletter. We are in need of volunteers on most of the committees. This

commitment would only be 1 – 2 hours a week. Are still in need of organizer(s) for the Community Dinners. Usually only 3 – 4 volunteers are needed to put this together/serve, especially during COVID19 restrictions.

Candidates for open positions on council:

President – Adam Doede

Vice President – open

Financial Secretary – Janie Reilly-Smith

Secretary – open

Properties – Sally Scinto Reinertson

Social Concerns – Kathy Knox

Greater Wausau Christian Services – Bob Henning

President's report- Bob assisted with properties help. The motors installed on the boiler were not proper motors. Lights in one of the woman's bathroom were fixed by replacing a switch. He met with DunRite and looked at the condition of the roof and took pictures. The DunRite representative recommended we work with a contractor that specializes in flat roofs such as Traska or Stuart's Contracting Services.

Education: no report

Evangelism – No chair – no report.

Properties: Estimate from Malbrit for \$5100 to do the needed repairs to the boiler. Sally would also like the fan motors in the old boiler room inspected as they keep tripping the circuit breaker which shuts the system down. Sally made motion to use \$4800 from Payroll Protection Plan (PPP) which is in the General fund as well as \$300 from the building budget to cover the circulating pumps. 2nd by Judy K. Approved without objections.

Also discussed getting an estimate on the roof from Stuart's. Sally made a motion to contact Stuart's for estimate. 2nd by Patti. Approved without objections.

Stewardship: no report

Social concerns: nothing to report.

Worship: a request has been made by a member of the congregation to bring back coffee hour on a small-scale basis in the gathering room. Council approved for the member to proceed.

New Business:

- Semi Annual Meeting – suggested the meeting be run virtually but to email and mail out ballots. Would like this in place by the end of June. It was suggested that we first sent out communication on what we would like to accomplish and how this will work. The target to have the new council in place is August 1. The congregation also needs to approve the action of the council on the 2021 budget. There would not be any committee reports included.
- Malbrit work – contact them to get this work scheduled before the next meeting. That way we can approve any additional funds needed for the fan motors work.
- Would like to have an estimate from Stuart’s on the roof before the next meeting so we can vote on it.
- Synod offering – Pastor emailed request that we contribute to the Synod Assembly. Council approved \$200 donation to be taken from General fund (Pastor Hoven).

The scheduled for May 25 at 6:05.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:12 p.m. and closed with the Lord’s Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Patti Busche

Financial Secretary

Summer Word Search

Find and circle each of the words from the list below. Words may appear forwards or backwards, horizontally, vertically, or diagonally in the grid.

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