

Our Mission Statement

Greenvine Emmanuel Lutheran Church shows our loyalty to Jesus Christ through:

- **devotion in WORSHIP**
- **excellence in EDUCATION**
- **and SERVICE that is faithful to the needs of our members, families, neighbors, and community.**

Dear Friends,

I think Fall has finally arrived. We give thanks for the rain we received last week. We continue to pray for more rain because it is still so dry. October will be a very busy month for us as a congregation. The first Sunday we will have our blessing of the pets and we will be dedicating the new path that was installed earlier in the year by John Brode and his team as his Eagle Scout project. We are grateful for the new path that is lined with the Ten Commandments. This service will be held outdoors, so bring your lawn chairs and your animals. On the 15th of October we will have our Polka Service, followed by Brats, Sauerkraut and Beer. Finally, I have been working hard for over a year now teaching confirmation to our Five Confirmands. On October 29th as we celebrate the Reformation, we will also celebrate with Jacob Brode, Sophia Bartels, Ronson Muegge, Cody Kroll and Addison Diehl as they affirm their Baptism (Confirmation) during the worship service. Please come and help celebrate with them as they become our newest members of the church. They have really worked hard over the past year, and we are very proud of them.

Last month we asked for people to pray about how they might be willing to serve the church on the several ministry teams that we have created. It is our hope that when our next congregational meeting comes up in November that we will have names for all the teams to begin their work. This ministry teams are so important to the life of the church so that you all can have input in the special areas they will address. It is also an opportunity to use your gifts to benefit the work that God has for us in this place. Please let someone know on the council if you are interested in serving on one or more of these teams. Here is the list... Youth and Family Ministry, Outreach, Worship, Fellowship, Stewardship, Cemetary and Memorial.

I hope you are all enjoying our new lectionary that we are following. It has been a great way of opening up the scriptures that we do not normally get to hear in our Revised Common Lectionary. I have been trying to begin with some teaching before my sermon to provide more historical background and an overarching theme for the scriptures we are diving into. I will be including the readings for the following week in the bulletin from now on. If you would like to read ahead before hearing it in worship for the first time you can do so. It might be interesting to think about what it might mean to you before hearing what I have to say on Sunday. You could even do this with your family each week if you like. This leads me to my next invitation. If you would be interested in hosting a bible study in your home during Advent this year, please let me know. I will have one that follows the theme I will be presenting during the season. The theme will be "How does a weary world Rejoice?". You can choose who you would like to invite to your study and who you would like to lead it. I will provide the training for the lessons you will follow. You can choose when and where you would like to have the study, but preferably you would do it in your home.

Blessings,

Pastor Cindy

Please keep in prayers.....

OCTOBER BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

Oct. 01-Karen Sloan
04-Marc Chapman
Lance Matthies
07-Bobby Faye Kroll
Paisley Chapman
08-Rachel Warner
10-Rick Eckert
11-Linda Gaskamp
Dale Kroll
13-David Warner
16-Rosalie Moehring

Oct. 20-Harper Shay
22-Daulene Hopmann
John Brode
24-Kathy Carroll
Bradley Fritz
25-Vernell Mertz
29-Luke Eckert
Bonnie Schulte

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Oct 01-Kelly Henk
06-Jordan Chapman
07-Connor Cloud
08-Jessie Fritz
13-Jimmy Shuford

Oct.14-Karla Antkowiak
16-Connie Higgs
21-Debra Eckert
22-Dennis Newton

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

Oct. 05- Joe & Karla Antkowiak
Oct. 17-Travis & Cori Kmiec



PRAYER LIST

Please keep in your prayers: Vernell Mertz, Rosalie Moehring, Lois Jurries, Evelyn Fuchs, Cathy Ganske, Diane Boehnemann, Grace Boehnemann, Carrie Busch, Dusty Morgan, Billie Eckert, Jeanette Schwartz, Glenn Linke, Charlie Droddy, Ralf Thiemer, Cindy Lyles, Mollie Grote, Pat Joswiak, Josh Guelker and the families of Sam Wostal and Roy White who passed away recently.

AUGUST ATTENDANCE:

06-47 13-76 20-47 27-50

NEW MEMBERS to GELC

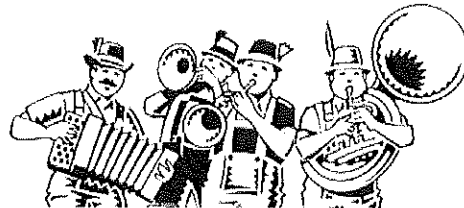


On Sunday, September 24th, we welcomed new members to our church. They are Chris and Emily Siemsglusz and Children Lincoln and Frances; and Raylene McCubrey.



BLESSING of the PETS, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1st (Outdoor Service)

Please bring your pet to church on October 1st to receive a blessing. Since this is an outdoor service, **please bring your lawn chairs.**



POLKA SERVICE, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15TH

Allison and her gang will be here on October 15TH for polka service. We will be serving brats & kraut following worship. **(Free will donation)** Tell a friend or bring your neighbor to this service. Please sign up to bring a dessert.



BURTON TRICK or TREAT TRAIL, OCTOBER 28TH

The Trick or Treat Trail will be held in downtown Burton from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. There will be members of our church passing out candy and goodies. If you would like to donate candy, please let Donna know.



REFORMATION & CONFIRMATION SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29TH

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WASHINGTON COUNTY FAIR RESULTS



AG MECHANICS

1ST Place: John Brode; Livestock Handling Division with Double Chute



COUNTRY CREATIONS (YOUTH DIVISION)

Superior 3rd Place Overall: Claire Schulte; homemade cream cheese roll that was made with lots of love by her and her grandma, Bonnie Schulte



CARCASS HOG

7th Place: Colt Kmiec

11th Place: Hank Majewski

20th Place: Callen Schulte



STEER

European Medium Class Winner: Paige Fritsch

European Grand Champion: Paige Fritsch

Overall Grand Champion: Paige Fritsch

1st Place Senior Division Showmanship: Paige Fritsch



BARROW

Class 3 Winner: Charli Majewski

Class 2 4th Place: Hank Majewski

Overall Champion: Charli Majewski

3rd Place Intermediate Showmanship: Charli Majewski

3rd Place Junior Showmanship: Hank Majewski



Halter Heifer

Spring Class 5th Place: Callen Schulte

Pen of 3 Heifers

Reserve Champion AOB: Charli Majewski

Blacks 5th Place: Hank Majewski

Brahmas 11th Place: Colt Kmiec

Congrats to our GELC Youth and their hard work!

Greenvine Emmanuel Lutheran Church

Monthly Council Meeting

August 23, 2023

Attendees: Cindy, Sharon, Donna, Troy, Mark, Luke, Marlyn, Carolyn

6:03 pm Troy calls the meeting to order. Mark leads the group in prayer.

Council minutes from the July meeting are read alone. Sharon motions to accept the minutes as presented. Carolyn seconds the motion. The motion passes.

Marlyn begins to discuss the Treasure's Report. Monthly Income was around \$9,300. Expenditures are higher, which is expected this time of year. We are also still operating under a deficit. Again, this was budgeted for and expected. Congregational giving this year compared to last year in the same time is up nearly \$3,000.00. We are still in great shape financially. Luke motions to accept the report as presented. Sharon seconds the motion. The motion passes.

Cindy starts by saying both Ford and Courtney and Karlie and Kolton have completed their pre-marriage sessions. As of today, August 23, the new electronic piano and baby changing stations have been purchased. Starting on September 10, our worship will be changing to the Narrative Lectionary This will lead to some readings we may not have covered in some years. We will begin with Genesis. Cindy would like to get with the Worship Team soon to begin planning services for our Advent Services. All confirmation classes have been completed. Confirmation Sunday will be October 29. This month she led worship at Kindred in Houston. Which is a dinner church typed worship with anyone who needs it. November 12th is the date for "Hymns and Beerfest". September 24th will be our New Member's Sunday.

Troy leads the discussion over our old business. He reiterates that on September 9th (God's Work, Our Hands weekend) we will meet at church to help cleaning around the church and parish hall and throwing away clutter. We will have a day for members to see if they would like to take anything home before it gets thrown out. We will meet in Greenvine at 8 am that Saturday. Troy plans on having an update to the bylaws by our Congregational Meeting to present for everyone. Mark is assisting with this.

New Agenda items include, Church committees or Ministry Teams as they will be called are being developed to help organize events such as Fellowship, Worship/Music, Outreach, Youth and Family, or Executive Council to name a few. We feel that this will be an improvement upon how committees are executed currently and ensure that the same people are not burdened with all the work year after year. Council members will serve as the liaison for each group to help build them and recruit members. Church members are encouraged to pick a committee that they think they'd enjoy and share their talents with to better Greenvine Emmanuel Lutheran Church. This will not be mandatory. More information on these will be coming in the next months.

Next Meeting is Wednesday, September 20th

6:59 meeting is concluded with the Lord's Prayer said in unison.

Submitted by,

Luke Eckert

Greenvine Emmanuel Lutheran Church

Church Council Secretary

Emmanuel Lutheran Monthly Banking Financial Data
As of August, 2023

Total Cash
Balance
Amounts

8/31/2023 General Operating Fund

Year 2023 Total Budget Income Amount	\$9,449.00
Year 2023 Total Checks Written for Budgeted Expense	\$14,736.26
Year 2023 Net profit/deficit	\$5,287.26 deficit

8/31/2023 General Fund Balance

\$21,494.41

8/31/2023 Total SUPER NOW Fund

Year 2023 Total Income/Deposits	\$1,943.40
Year 2023 Total Checks Written for Non-Budgeted Expense	\$2,665.97
Year 2023 Net profit/deficit	\$722.57 deficit

Portion Balances of the SUPER NOW Fund

Memorial Fund Balance	\$7,302.26
Property Fund Balance	\$4,698.82
Cemetery Fund Balance	\$6,082.91
LYO Fund Balance	\$2,843.98
Camp Fund Balance	\$7,558.65
Parish Hall Upgrade Fund Balance	\$2,873.60
8/31/2023 TOTAL Money Market Fund Bank Balance	<u>\$31,360.22</u>

8/31/2023----2nd Mile Giving Fund

\$2,946.34

8/31/2023 Emmanuel Lutheran TOTAL Cash Balance

\$55,800.97

Worship Ministry Schedule-OCTOBER

Date	Altar Flowers	Communion Committee	Assisting Minister	Acolytes	Head Usher – Ralf Thiemer	Tellers
Oct 01	Marilyn Dreyer	Marilyn Dreyer Janie Dreyer	Bonnie Schulte	Claire Schulte	Chet Fritsch Leslie Boehnemann Dale Kroll	Carolyn Thiemer Marilyn Doppellhammer
Oct 08	Ronnie & Bonnie Schulte	Angie Fritsch Donna Putnam	Judy Witte	Paige Fritsch	Ashely Brode Luke Eckert Marilyn Doppellhammer	Tonja Scheer Luke Eckert
Oct 15	Kris & Bridget Bartels	Wendy Warner Daulene Hopmann	Sharon Chapman	Jacob Brode	Troy & Julie Weidemann Barbara Donnelly	Kyllie Antkowiak Troy Weidemann
Oct 22	Carrie Busch & Courtney Schmidt	Tonja Scheer Mary Jane Sikes	Thelma Doppellhammer	John Brode	James & Sharon Chapman Mark Shepherd	Sharon Chapman Melissa Diehl
Oct 29	Confirmation Class	Carolyn Thiemer Carolyn Wickel	Sherry Krinke	Hayden Bartels	Donna Putnam Connie Higgs Carolyn Thiemer	Marilyn Doppellhammer Mark Shepherd

Memorials –

Gifts received this past month were given in memory of **Brian Wostal**. Thank you for honoring our loved ones with a gift to our church's Memorial Fund.

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Sunday Schedule

9:00 am Sunday School
10:00 am Worship
WITH COMMUNION

Church Council

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