## April 2022 **NEWSLETTER**

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## Milnor Lutheran and Immanuel Lutheran Churches Rick Bryant

## **Rick's Column**

I hope this newsletter finds everyone well! As I write this letter, the robins and the geese have returned in full force, assuring us that spring is not far away. Also, our farmers are looking at favorable planting conditions with improved moisture to get their crops growing after planting. Thanks be to God.

As I write this newsletter, we are almost to Holy Week and Easter Sunday. It is my hope and prayer that all of you had a fulfilling and rewarding Lenten season. As always, I have truly enjoyed walking the Lenten journey with you, and without a doubt we have all grown closer to God and, like the warmth of spring, find ourselves renewed. I would like to thank the ILC Ladies, Youth Group and the supervisors for putting out delicious food each and every Wednesday.

We have a very exciting, but very busy schedule coming up. We will wrap up Wednesday Lenten services on Wednesday, April 6<sup>th</sup> at ILC. Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup> is Palm Sunday. Our Maundy Thursday service will be held at ILC on April 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Our Good Friday service will be held on April 15<sup>th</sup> at MLC at 7:00 p.m. On Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup> we will hold our Easter Sunrise at 6:30 a.m. at MLC. There will be a service at ILC at 8:00 a.m., and then we will wrap up Easter with a 10:00 a.m. service at MLC. Whew! But wait, we're not done....On Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, we will be have our First Communion for nine 5<sup>th</sup> graders. On May 8<sup>th</sup> we will be recognizing nine graduating seniors. On

May 15<sup>th</sup>, we will be confirming ten confirmation students. It has been an honor and a privilege learning and growing with these amazing kids. I wish each and every one of them best wishes in their future endeavors. I will continue holding confirmation classes until May 15<sup>th</sup>. I will plan on meeting with the First Communion kids and their parents before May 1<sup>st</sup> to go over the meaning and significance of communion. I am excited for these nine kids to begin their spiritual walk with Jesus Christ. That is truly exciting.

This summer, thanks to our wonderful ladies of the WELCA, our youth are able to attend one of several Christian camps at Red Willow Bible Camp free of charge. It is my hope that our kids take advantage of this generous act of generosity and have lots of fun.

In other news of note, Immanuel Lutheran Church will hold their annual pancake breakfast on Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please come out and enjoy good food and fellowship.

In closing, I wish to leave you with this verse from Psalm 16. Although short in words, they speak volumes. "You reveal the path of life to me; in Your presence is abundant joy; in Your right hand are eternal pleasures."

May our gracious God be will you all.

Rick

#### **PARISH PRAYER LIST**

People currently on our prayer lists are *Steve Ellefson, Tanner Martinson, Mary Moxness, Anne Ringdahl, Marlene Snellman, Mary Engst, Patty Cross, and Lorie Skarpness.* Please keep them in your prayers. If you or your loved one would like to be on our prayer list, please contact the church office.



- 2 Camryn Hogness
- 3 Taylor Olson
- 4 Pat Kuehn
- 5 Brandon Yagow
- 7 Layton Berndt
- 8 Cole Fyre
- 10 Lori Yagow
- 14 Hanna Deyle
- 15 Steve Hogness

- 16 Guy Christiansen
- 17 Sara Martinson
- 18 Dan Krause
- 19 Andrea Hogness
- 20 Dustin Heitkamp Micah Johnson
- 21 Joy Christiansen Arlin Mund
- 24 Lyla Peterson

- 25 Charley Hogness
- 26 Kathy Stockstad
- 27 Carol Peterson
- 28 Sophie Fuhrman Jeanne McCauley Eli Rotenberger
- 30 Monty Haugen

#### Palm Sunday/Holy Week Schedule

#### Palm Sunday, April 10th

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Milnor Lutheran

Worship Service with Songs by Sunday School

10:30 a.m.

Milnor Lutheran

Breakfast served by Sunday School

11:00 a.m.

Immanuel Lutheran

Worship Service

#### Maundy Thursday, April 14th

7:00 p.m.

Immanuel Lutheran

Worship Service with Communion

#### Good Friday, April 15th

7:00 p.m.

Milnor Lutheran

**Worship Service** 

#### Easter Sunday, April 17th

6:30 a.m.

Milnor Lutheran

Sunrise Service

8:00 a.m.

Immanuel Lutheran

**Worship Service** 

10:00 a.m.

Milnor Lutheran

**Worship Service** 

#### **Milnor Lutheran Council Meeting Minutes**

March 7, 2022 at 7 p.m.

Present: Bill Pribula, Deb Wagner, Rick Bryant, Randy Syrstad, Diane Wallin, Kelly Arth, Alisha Olson & DeNae Mahler

Absent: Travers Storhaug, Jason Kottke

Approval of Meeting Minutes and Treasurer's report from January: Motion to approve made from Diane Wallin and seconded by DeNae Mahler; motion carried.

#### **Committee Business**

- Worship nothing to report
- Stewardship nothing to report
- o Education
  - Discussion was held regarding Sunday School attendance & participation per request of our Volunteer Sunday School Superintendents.
     We will be seeking input from the synod regarding policy recommendations.
  - Rick will be working on dates for first communion and confirmation.
- Properties/Grounds & Parsonage
  - Parsonage Committee will be meeting
     Thursday with our previous Contractor, Chris
     Ferderer to look at next parsonage project.
  - o Altar Windows- remains tabled until Spring
  - Exterior wood on bottom of the stained-glass windows at the back of church is showing signs of rotting. This will have to wait until spring due to weather but will include this in meeting with contractor to see if he has any suggestions.
  - Landscaping timbers on the northeastern corner flower bed in parking lot is rotting and needs replacing. Options were discussed – plan is to replace with stone blocks instead of Timbers.
  - Furnace filter replacement. Bill will contact Crossroads regarding recommended frequency of change.

#### Pastor's Report

- Confirmation class suspended during lent.
   Confirmation kids are helping with soup and sandwiches and are encouraged to attend services.
- Family in need: Church received a call from a family with some needs. Rick will be following up with them for more specifics.
- Lenten program was purchased for this year.

 Officiated Funeral at funeral home this past Saturday.

#### **Old Business**

- Large TV for fellowship hall update: Bill had initial talks with Dickey Rural regarding possibility of a camera set up for the church that would allow for overflow viewing via large TV screen in fellowship hall for funerals/weddings etc. They would be able to assist us with getting this all set up. Bill and Deb will meet with them to find out more details and cost of project.
- O Church door locking The automatic lock door is controlled by box in Heidi's office. We are currently looking for the key. At present only the door closest to the office is automatically locking. The rest of the doors are manual. Bill requested on Sundays that the east door, be unlocked when Pastor Rick arrives as it sometimes gets forgotten.
- o Built in cabinets for Day of Doing: There is still discussion ongoing as to what is needed regarding this. Suggestions have included cabinets in fellowship hall or Library/Cry Room. Bill met with Janice Larson and Gail McCleery to discuss specifics. They are unsure at this point, so for now this item will be tabled until we have more specifics on the request.

#### **New Business**

- Freezer in storage room hasn't been used since we stopped doing Lefse. Milnor Park Board will be purchasing this.
- Offering there has been a congregational request to go back to leaving it on the piano as there have been few that are putting it in plate that is passed, most are declining. We will go back to leaving it on the piano for now. Will also put a reminder in the bulletin for next few weeks regarding "How to give online" as another option for offering. Reminder was also given to council to have someone remove offering plate from the altar and put it in the office after each service.

Motion was made by Randy to adjourn meeting, seconded by Alisha. Motion carried. Next Meeting: April 20th @ 7pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Deb Wagner, Secretary

MLC Financial Report:	
February Income	\$ 5,026.55
February Expenses	9,992.78
Net Loss	-\$ 4,966.23

# April Altar Guild Deb Schutt and Jasmine Smith

## WELCA

Day of Doing Quilters will meet April 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. Yarn Angels will meet April 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.

### **Day of Doing Quilters**

Day of Doing Quilters <u>are no longer taking donations of clothing</u> for either Reservation. Thanks to all who have donated in the past.

#### **MLC MEMORIALS**

#### In memory of Casey Asche

From Lori & Myron Yagow (Sunday School)

#### In memory of Mona Biss

From Monty & Bobbi Haugen (Day of Doing)

Diane & Gary Wallin (LDR)

#### In memory of Fred Martin

From Monty & Bobbi Haugen (Day of Doing)

#### In memory of Shari Nunn

From Phyllis Gelinske (Yarn Angels)

Monty & Bobbi Haugen (Day of Doing)

David & Connie Robbins (ML Cemetery)

Diane & Gary Wallin (LDR)
Mervin & Karen Wohler (MLC)

#### In memory of Millie Dick

From Monty & Bobbi Haugen (Day of Doing)

#### In memory of Todd Goolsbey

From Monty & Bobbi Haugen (Day of Doing)

Ed & Janice Larson (Day of Doing)

#### In memory of Gary Olson

From Monty & Bobbi Haugen (Day of Doing)

Ed & Janice Larson (Day of Doing)
Allen & Joan Peterson (Day of Doing)

#### In memory of Jim Robbins

From Monty & Bobbi Haugen (Day of Doing)

Ed & Janice Larson (Day of Doing)



#### Easter Lilies

If you would like to contribute toward Easter Lilies at MLC this year in memory or in honor of loved ones or friends, please contact Connie (427-5536) or Kristie (427-5259) by April 10th.

## Milnor Lutheran Sunday School

Worship Service - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School - 10:30 - 11:15 a.m.

- -The Sunday School students will sing during worship on Palm Sunday, April 10th, Breakfast will also be served after worship by the Sunday School.
- -No Sunday School on Easter Sunday, April 17th.
- -April 24th will be the last day of Sunday School for this year.
- -Red Willow VBS will be held Sunday-Tuesday, June 5-7.

If you have questions about Sunday School, please contact Greta Buskohl (427-5646) or Mary Yagow (427-5023).

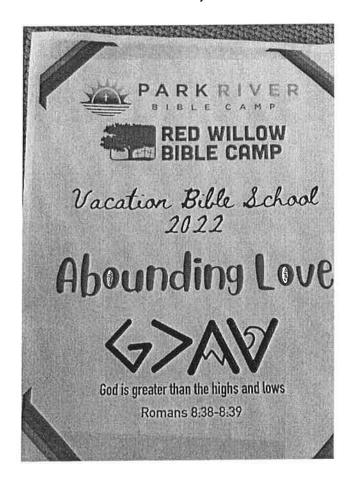
### **Sunday School Lunches**

April 3rd--Miley L, Cole & Easton F, Braylon W, Cannon F

April 10th--Breakfast served by Sunday School



Save the Date! MLC June 5-7, 2022



The Milnor Lutheran
Sunday School students
will sing during the
worship service at
9:30 a.m. on Sunday,
April 10th, and will be
hosting their annual
Palm Sunday Breakfast
following the service.
Freewill donations go
to the Sunday School.
Everyone welcome!





## Immanuel Lutheran Church

## April

## Worship Services:

April Usher: Loran Hudson and Mark Hudson
April Altar Guild: Annette Hudson
Spring Brunch: April 3rd (No Worship)
Lenten Supper & Service: April 6th at 6:00/7:00 p.m.
Maundy Thursday: April 14th at 7:00 p.m.
Easter Worship Service: April 17th at 8:00 a.m.

#### **IMMANUEL COUNCIL MINUTES**

March 16, 2022

The Immanuel Lutheran Council met March 16, 2022 at Immanuel Lutheran Church. Present were Mindy Hogness, Derek Martinson, Brenda Gibbon, and Landon Mund. Derek called the meeting to order.

The Secretary's Report was read and a motion to approve was made by Brenda, seconded by Mindy. The Treasurer's Report was read by Derek. There is currently a balance on hand of \$19,683.03. Mindy made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Landon.

#### Old Business:

The council made an agreement to address the Church Shed for a final time, later this Spring, when a decision will be made on it. Swede's installed new vanities in the Church and will be back to install new toilets. The Church Pancake Brunch will be held April 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Finally, after Easter, Church will be switching to 8:30 am (April 24<sup>th</sup>).

#### **New Business:**

The council discussed the ideas of holding several social events through the year, as well as having special music performed during service from time to time. Different ideas were brainstormed and tabled for the time being. A motion to accept Old and New Business was made by Landon, seconded by Brenda.

The meeting was adjourned and we closed with the Lord's Prayer. The next meeting will take place on April 20th, 2022 at 7pm.

Landon Mund Council Secretary



## IMMANUEL LUTHERAN SUNDAY BRUNCH

Sunday, April 3, 2022 10:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Pancakes, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Coffee & Juice Adults - \$10.00; Children 6-12 - \$5.00 5 years and under - Free