



**It's time to Update the
CHURCH DIRECTORY!**

**We have had a lot of changes since our
last directory was published.**

During the month of February we are going to have the information we have on file for you available in the upper narthex to make any necessary changes. We are in need of updated addresses, phone numbers and email addresses. If there is any of this information that you do not want published in the directory, please let us know. Thanks! This will NOT be a pictorial directory.

We are one body, called to serve one God. Paul reminds us that we are gifted in very diverse ways. He tells us we are given a great variety of different gifts, but they are all given by the same Spirit. These spiritual gifts are meant to be used in conjunction with one another for a common good. When believers use their gifts together, we become the body of Christ. While one gift may be better for a particular circumstance, that does not mean it is better overall than other gifts.

We are reminded of this all the way back in the Old Testament when we hear the words of Ecclesiastes 3—for everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven. This passage of scripture reminds us that it isn't just about accepting God's timing in regards to death, but also in the living of our lives. The simple reality is that life throws at us a myriad of scenarios and no single gift is going to be useful in every situation—except our faith in one God.

As we look to the year ahead of us, I hope to issue a challenge to view each day through the lens of your faith. This is a challenge because it calls us to look deeply at ourselves and at how we affect the world around us. Are, in fact, the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart acceptable to the Lord, as Psalm 19 says? Do my actions and interactions with others bring praise, honor and glory to God? Are my blessings used to be a blessing to others?

These are weighty questions. I know, as I ask those questions of myself, that I am thankful for the gift of grace. And I hope to extend to others the grace given to me. And that is the central message. In 2019 may we spend real energy on seeing the blessings of this world. Let's resolve together to identify the gifts we have been given and vow to use them. Stewardship calls us to recognize the riches of our lives and use them wisely and well.

What gift have you to give? What time, talent, skill, learning or material possession is yours to share. One of my favorite Christmas Carols is "In the Bleak Midwinter" which is based on a poem by Christina Rossetti and set to Holst's 'Cranham' tune. The last verse reminds us that we can spend all our time lamenting about the gifts we don't have to share, or we can simply give the best we have. 'What can I give him, poor as I am? If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb. If I were a wise man, I would do my part. Yet what I can I give him—give my heart.' So often we get stuck in the first part—the lamentation—and we can't make it to the place where we see our own unique gifts and talents and offer them boldly and reverently and with great thanksgiving.

Pastor Andi

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FEBRUARY USHER, GREETER & ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

DATE	USHER	GREETER	ACOLYTE
Feb. 3 (9:00am)	*Ray Hitz, Mike & Kim Winter, Meg Hable	Gerry & Lisa Keuler	Grace Guzman
Feb. 10 (9:00am)	*Ron & Sandra Gollither, Dan & Rene Rogers	Glen & Julie Barthels	Gwen Koepke
Feb. 17 (9:00am)	*Norm Luft, Kay Lund, Dennis & Karen Chapin	Dan & Rene Rogers	Hannah Wolf
Feb. 24 (9:00am)	*Jim & Jody Schaick, Earl & Laurie Dorst	Karen Chapin & Bev Fretchel	Zach Bartels

Thank you Ushers, Greeters & Acolytes for your help during worship!



ANNUAL "SUPER" PIZZA SALE SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2019

**If you would like to help make pizzas, please be at church by
8:00am on Saturday, February 2nd.**

We will be assembling pizzas between 8:00 and 9:30am

**Pizzas can be picked up on Saturday the 2nd
from 9:00am until 11:00am**

Treasurer's Nook

As the saying goes from Heraclitus, the pre-Socratic Greek philosopher, **“Change is the only constant in life”**. With change comes fear and apprehension, so as I prayerfully considered the opportunity to take over the role as treasurer, I considered how I may use the time and talents that I have been blessed with and how I may personally grow from this change and new responsibility. So, beginning in 2019, I will take the reins from Gerry Keuler. Gerry has done a tremendous job in this role over the past 8 years and I certainly have some big shoes to fill (figuratively and literally). I would like to thank him for his past service and future guidance. As we move forward into 2019, I welcome questions and suggestions from all. There will certainly be a lot for me to learn and I am blessed to have such a great council, Pastor, church secretary and congregation to help me along the way.

While we had a positive cash flow in December, we ended the 2018 year with a deficit of \$7,783. Our focus for 2019 will be on our operating cash flow along with building up the needed funds for carpet replacement.

December Results

The Numbers	Monthly Budget	Monthly Actual	YTD Budget	YTD Actual
Direct Giving	17,268	30,726	207,600	200,867
Other Income	4,304	3,892	37,428	30,741
Total Income	21,572	34,618	245,028	231,608
Total Expenses	18,083	25,140	242,028	239,391
Cashflow/(Deficit)	3,489	9,478	3,000	(7,783)

Kim Winter Treasurer

**SCRIP ORDERS ARE DUE
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2019**



***Orders can be dropped off any weekday morning prior to the 3rd.
Orders will be available for pick up Sunday, February 10th.***

We have a limited supply of SCRIP cards available on Sunday mornings or any weekday morning in the church office.



Pick up a SCRIP card for that special Valentine in your life!

Thank you to **Lisa & Peter Smith and Margaret Yoder** for managing the SCRIP program and for having it available to us. Thank you also to **Gerry Keuler, Sandy Gollhofer, Laurie Dorst & Kelly Freiberg** for your help selling the cards. If you have any questions about the SCRIP program, please contact Lisa Smith by phone at 920-379-7732 or by email at pickettsmiths@gmail.com.

FEBRUARY CALENDAR



DAUGHTERS OF SARAH

Tuesday, February 5, 2019 – 6:00pm

Hostess: Bev Edwards

Mission: Bring a meat “helper” (Hamburger Helper, etc.) for Emmanuel’s Food Pantry

Business: Finalize Game Night

YA YA’S & GENTLEMEN

Tuesday, February 12, 2019 – 11:30am

Lunch at Players

CHURCH COUNCIL

Tuesday, February 10, 2019 – 6:30pm

The following is a list of the Church Council, Memorial and Endowment Committee and Pastoral Relations Committee members. If you have any questions or concerns for the appropriate committee, please contact the church office for their numbers:

Church Council:

Jeff Stark	Earl Dorst
Kim Winter	Peter Smith
Leanne Monroe	Jim Schaick
Karen Chapin	Stuart Klauer
Kevin Burlingham	Ron Golliher
Mark Thompson	Lisa Keuler

Memorial/Endowment Committee:

Mike Winters
Gerry Keuler
Peter Smith
Jeff Pommerening
Kathleen Hable
Henry Caron

Pastoral Relations Committee:

Sandra Golliher
Kay Lund
Julie Barthels
Lori Potratz
Faith Lueck
Jeff Pommerening

Would you like to share your time and talents with Emmanuel? Please consider volunteering for any of these committees please contact the church office 235-8340 if you are interested.

We are in need of Ushers & Greeters...

How would you like to be a **Greeter**? Your responsibility would be to arrive at church 20 minutes prior to the start of service and hand out bulletins and greet those who are coming to worship. This is a great way to meet people you might not know.

How would you like to be an **Usher**? We would like to have teams of 4 people as ushers. The more teams we have for rotation, the less you would have to do it. The Ushers duties are as follows:

- 1) Usher schedules are located in the upper narthex closet and in the Lamplighter.
- 2) Please arrive at church 20 minutes prior to worship.
- 3) Check the bulletin to see if there is a baptism, if there is, make sure the baptismal font is full of warm water.
- 4) After collection is taken-push the button labeled org located by the coat racks, to let Mary know you are done. Carry collection plate to altar during doxology.
- 5) Take an accurate count of attendance. Write the number on the slip located in the usher's closet.
- 6) Clean up bulletins in the pews after the service. Also communion cups when communion takes place.
- 7) Turn off lights and fans in the Sanctuary and the sound system after the service.
- 8) Check the Hearing Loop Head Sets and make sure they are turned off. Also, check the batteries to make sure they are working.

If you would like to be an usher or greeter, please call Lori at 235-8340 or email her at lori.holland@emmanueloshkosh.org. Thanks!



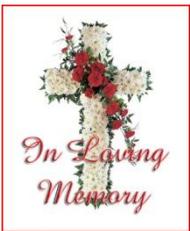
If you love to knit, we have a project for you! Lisa Keuler is looking for people who would like to learn how to make prayer shawls. The shawls are quick and pretty easy to do. If this is something that would interest you, contact Lisa by phone at 410-0605.

Attention High School & College Students...

Do you need some community service hours? We could use your help! There is always a fair amount of shredding that needs to be done in the church office. We can find some time that works with your schedule for this to be done. If this is something that you could help us out with, please contact Lori weekday mornings at 235-8340, or by email at lori.holland@emmanueloshkosh.org. Thank you!

*We Love
because He first loved us.
1John 4:19*

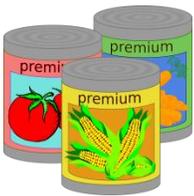
*Happy
Valentine's
Day*



Please keep in your prayers the families of the following members who have recently passed away.

Marie Gartman, Will Schaick, Walter Schmude and Duane Peppler.

Food Pantry Update...



During the month of December we served 138 families. 268 adults and 158 children were served. Approximately 5,820 pounds of food was distributed. Thank you to everyone for your continued support.

Thank you to our volunteers for your continued dedication to the pantry.

Thank you to **Gail Hable, Meg Hable, Jim Harmon, Margaret Yoder,**

Kathy Schoenrock, Karen Chapin, Kathy Hable, Bev Fretchel, Ray Hitz, Jim Felda, Howard Gintner, Pat Fenrich, Kelly Freiberg, Ron Gorchels and Joan Gorchels.

We would also like to thank **Our Sister Church St. Paul, Rick Peppler & Pepsi, Mark & Susie's Piggly Wiggly, Fox Valley Hearing and Jay Koepke & Festival Foods** for your continued support.

Gail & Meg are retiring in the spring. We are in need of volunteers to take over some of the key positions in running the food pantry. We feel it would be beneficial to have people train with Gail & Meg to help make the transition a smooth one. We would like to thank **Lisa Smith & Margaret Yoder** for volunteering to pack bags and to **Jim Schaick & Dan Monroe** for volunteering to help with hauling food. If you would be interested in volunteering, please contact the church office, or talk to Gail or Meg. Thank you!

January Memorial & Honorarium Report

In loving memory of **LARRY YODER**

A gift to ***Pastor Andi's Desk*** by
Friends of the Family

In loving memory of **MARIE GARTMAN**

A gift to the ***Memorial Fund*** by
Carol Clochesy
Vanis Bettin
Elaine Becker
Will Schaick
Sandra Villalobos

In loving memory of **MARIE GARTMAN**

A gift to the ***Carpet Fund*** by
Bev Fretchel
Mike & Alice Pepler

In loving memory of **MARIE GARTMAN**

A gift to the ***Food Pantry*** by
Jim & Joan Harmon

In loving memory of **MY BROTHER, STUART WERDEN**

A gift to the ***Memorial Fund*** by
Vanis Bettin

In loving memory of **WILL SCHAICK**

A gift to the ***Memorial Fund*** by
Margaret Yoder
Peter & Lisa Smith

In loving memory of **WILL SCHAICK**

A gift to the ***Endowment Fund*** by
Jeff & Ann Stark

In loving memory of **BARBARA STILP**

A gift to the ***Clifford & Dorothy Demler Fund*** by
Robert Sawicki



RONALD MCDONALD
HOUSE CHARITIES

The Daughters of Sarah are partnering with our Sister Church, St. Paul, who has an ongoing project to collect metal tabs from beverage cans. The tabs are collected by the Ronald McDonald Houses in Wisconsin to offset costs for families who need to stay in Milwaukee and Madison while their children are receiving hospital care. Please put your metal tabs in the decorated house located in the upper narthex. Thank you!

Sunday School Mission Project...



We are continuing to collect monetary donations as well as personal hygiene items for Operation Not Alone. It costs \$150-\$200 to send a care package to the military. Currently Operation Not Alone has more product inventory than money to send the items. Any donations given to the Sunday school mission project will go to support Operation Not Alone. Thank you!

Carpet Fund Update...

As discussed in the Annual Meeting, the Church council is continuing to obtain estimates. We have an estimate for the lower narthex, steps to the sanctuary and ramp. We are looking into the additional cost of replacing carpet in the upper narthex as well. We will soon be scheduling some Eating Out for Emmanuel events. Stay tuned for more information and updates. If you would like to help with future fund raising, please let the church office know!



Thank you to **JESSICA ZEMLIKA** for taking the pictures of the Sunday school students. Check them out on the bulletin board outside the church office!

Thank you to **LISA SMITH & CORY SCHULTZ** for keeping our website up to date. You can check it out at www.emmanueloshkosh.org.

Thank you to **CORY SCHULTZ, KIM WINTER, MIKE WINTER, ZACH WOLF, CINDI POMMERENING & JEFF POMMERENING** for running the projection system and videotaping the worship services. You can view our worship services online on our website www.emmanueloshkosh.org.

Thank you Ray!! 😊

Thank you to **GAIL HABLE** for your help picking up the Poinsettias for Christmas.

Thank you to **RAY HITZ & JIM HARMON** for taking down the outdoor Christmas decorations as well as the Nativity Scene.

Thank you to **LISA KEULER, LEANNE MONROE & KAREN CHAPIN** for taking down the Christmas decorations. Thank you to **RON GOLLIHER & GERRY KEULER** for helping take down the Christmas trees.

Thank you to **KYLIE KINTOPF & MARY RAPP** for your help collecting food at the Celebration of Lights.

Coffee Hour Update...



Thank you to **Karen & Dennis Chapin, Dennis & Bev Edwards** for your help with fellowship hour every Sunday. We could always use your help if you would like to volunteer for set up or clean up of coffee hour. The sign-up sheet is by the coffee pot in the fellowship area. Thank you!

 ***Please remember, if you have a prayer request you can enter on our website at www.emmanueloshkosh.org.***

***Christmas Memorials to Emmanuel in loving memory of
LELAND STEVENS & MATILDA CUMMINGS
were given by Virginia Stevens***

PIZZA/GAME NIGHT

SPONSORED BY DAUGHTERS OF SARAH

Ladies 14 and older, join the Daughters of Sarah for a fun evening playing games on **Tuesday, March 5, 2019 from 6:00-8:00pm**. The Daughters of Sarah will pizza and soda. Feel free to bring your favorite game or play one of ours. Please RSVP Laurie Dorst at 920-427-9155.



**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, 2019
WORSHIP WITH COMMUNION
AT
9:00AM & 7:00PM**