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# We need your help Saturday, May 10!

Volunteers are Needed!! Drivers, Runners & Sorters.

Call the church office if you can help!



Put your NON-PERISHABLE healthy and nutritious food donation in a bag by your mailbox, and it will be donated to local food pantries.





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**Emmanuel's Night Out** 

Westowne Avenue (by Menards)

MONDAY, MAY 19<sup>TH</sup> 5:00pm – 7:00pm

> 10% OF YOUR ORDER WILL GO TO EMMANUEL

Volunteers are needed to help with this event. If you are interested, please contact the church office. Thank you!





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### Pastor Andi's Message

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Early in the book of Acts, after the disciples had received the gift of the Holy Spirit, they went out healing and teaching the people, proclaiming that in Jesus Christ there is the resurrection of the dead. The religious leaders arrested Peter and John for speaking and teaching in Jesus' name. Confronted with the reality of a crippled beggar now healed, the leaders had to make some calculated decisions about what to do with these disciples turned apostles. It was obvious to the people of Jerusalem that some amazing signs were being done, and not even with all their influence could the leaders deny what the people had seen and heard and ultimately knew within their hearts. So, they tried to stifle the message. They ordered Peter and John not to speak or teach in the name of Jesus. Peter and John responded, "It's up to you to determine whether it's right before God to obey you rather than God. As for us, we can't stop speaking about what we have seen and heard." (Acts 4:19-20).

This boldness of belief is still very much a part of us. For the disciples turned apostles then, and for disciples turned apostles today, this boldness of faith is dangerous. The powers that tried to drown out Jesus' message of love and grace and mercy continue to be at work today. The leaders of Jesus' time used the cover of night and hidden ways to avoid the people knowing the evil that they were about doing. Times certainly don't change all that much! Still today evil is at work and amassing power. But never underestimate the immense power of good. The good we do and the good we follow calls us to a boldness of faith.

Consumed with jealousy, the high priest arrested the apostles and put them in the public jail. But they kept preaching. They kept teaching. They kept being the people God created them to be. They kept doing the work Jesus called them to undertake. Shaking heads (and shaking fingers) the high priest confronted them, "In no uncertain terms, we demanded that you not teach in this name. And look at you! You have filled Jerusalem with your teaching. And you are determined to hold us responsible for this man's death." (Acts 5:28). Peter and the apostles replied in the same way we must reply when human power calls us to turn our backs on God's ways and conform to man's ways— "We must obey God rather than any human authority." (Acts 5:29).

Jesus came and died and showed us how to love and be gracious so that we would be preachers and teachers of that good news. We are called to be ambassadors for Christ; standing against human authority when it is in violation of the gracious will of God shown in Christ. Prayer of boldness as we continue to stand firm in our faith. God is making a new thing—in us, through us and around us. Amen.

Pastor Audi pastor.andi@emmanueloshkosh.org





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Sunday,	May 4, 2025	9:00am	Ron & Sandy Golliher
Sunday,	May 11, 2025	9:00am	Dan & Rene Rogers
Sunday,	May 18, 2025	9:00am	Brad & Liz Schultz
Sunday,	May 25, 2025	9:00am	Mike & Alice Peppler

We are still looking for people to help with ushering. We have a good core group of people already helping out in this capacity. However, due to other obligations, they aren't always available. We would love to have a few more people sign up to help with the rotation. The most difficult times to find coverage are during the holidays when we add extra services to the schedule. Please prayerfully consider helping out as an usher. Contact the church office if this works for you! Thank you!





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### **Treasurer's Nook**

As the winter months start winding down March cash flow ended with a deficit (6,873) even though the year to date cash flow is a positive of 3,030.

Thank you to all that participated in the Raise Right program which will also have carwash cards for sale to help get the salt off. If you have any questions regarding the scrip program stop at the desk before the service on Sunday morning or give our office a call.

Another way for someone to support us is through your regular giving. In May we will have our second dining out at Culvers. Hope to see you there.

#### March 2025 Results

The Numbers	Monthly Budget	Monthly Actual	YTD Budget	YTD Actual
Direct Giving	18,316	16,467	52,023	60,850
Other Income	4,027	3,427	12,721	8,817
Total Income	22,343	19,894	64,744	69,667
Total Expenses	22,195	26,767	66,027	66,637
Cashflow/(Deficit)	148	(6,873)	(1,283)	3,030

*Rene Rogers* Rene Rogers

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### **RaiseRight – Gift Cards**

You can participate in our gift card program, formerly know as 'SCRIP', by placing your order for gift cards on Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup>.

Pick up an order blank at the RaiseRight table in the lower narthex and pick out the cards you would like to purchase. Turn it in by May 4<sup>th</sup> and we will call or email you when your cards arrive later in the week. Please remember we have a limited supply of gift cards available on hand. There is a gift card for just about anything you might need. It's graduation time! Purchase a gift card for that special graduate in your life!

Thank you so much to **Leanne Monroe & Lisa Smith** for their work making the RaiseRight program available to us. Thank you to **Margaret Yoder, Lisa Smith and Sandy Golliher** for their helping selling the cards on Sunday morning. Thank you to **Everyone** who continues to support this program. Each card brings in a percentage back to Emmanuel.







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### **Food Pantry**

Food Pantry Update...

During the month of March we served 82 families in our food pantry. 166 adults and 112 children were served. 18 families were new to our pantry.

Thank you to everyone who has brought in paper bags, soup, jelly, cereal and pasta during the month of April. **During May we are once again asking for SOUP.** 

Thank you to our dedicated volunteers, without them we wouldn't be able to have a food pantry. Thank you to **Henry Caron, Jody Schaick, Ray Hitz, Cheryl Peppler, Sandy Folske, Gail Hable, Carol Wiechman, Deb Kraemer, Lisa Smith, Meg Hable, Mary Dinkins, Peter Smith,** 



**Rick Peppler, Dan Monroe & Mike Winter.** We are always looking for more volunteers. If you are interested, please come and check it out. You can find out if there is a day and time that works best for you. The pantry is open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday mornings, with an additional Wednesday afternoon shift in the works. We would love to have you join the food pantry team!

Our continued thanks to Jay Koepke and Festival Foods, Red's Piggly Wiggly and Craig Geiger and 4Imprint for your continued support of our pantry.

Call or email the church office if you would like to help with the Letter Carrier Food Drive held on Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup>.

We have decided on the times for our additional shift in the pantry. We will be open on Wednesday afternoon from 3:00pm-4:30pm. If you would be interested in answering phones during this shift, please let us know. If you would be interested in any of the morning shifts on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 8:00am-10:00am let us know as well. We can always use more help!



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### Thank you

- Thank you to TOM STARK for repairing the walls in the lower narthex.
- Thank you Ray! 😊
- Thank you to ANN STARK for providing the children's activity bags.
- Thank you to QUINN BURSACK, JULIE BARTHELS, LINDA STOWE & DEB KRAEMER for reading scriptures during worship.
- Thank you to JODY SCHAICK, LISA SMITH, KIM WINTER, CORY SCHULTZ, PAIGE GEIGER, CRAIG GEIGER, NOAH WILSON AND ZACH WOLF for your help with the projection system and live streaming our worship services.
- Thank you to CORY SCHULTZ for keeping the coffee hour tv updated with what's happening at Emmanuel.
- Thank you to CORY SCHULTZ & LISA SMITH for keeping the website up to date.
- Thank you to KIM WINTER, LEANNE MONROE, LISA SMITH & CONNIE WHITTAKER for your help cleaning around the building.
- Thank you to **DENNIS & KAREN CHAPIN, MARY DINKINS, VAL BASLER & MARILYN MORRISON** for setting up and cleaning up after coffee hour.
- Thank you to **EVERYONE** who sees something that needs to be taken care of and does it! We appreciate you!
- Thank you to **DENNIS CHAPIN** for refinishing the plant stand by the office.
- Thank you to **CAROLYN RUKAS** for knitting the adorable bunnies for the Sunday school children.

To My Church Family: Thank you for all your prayers, cards, and conversations. You have no idea how this helped my recovery. Thank you again, Sandy Golliher







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Sunday, May 11, 2025 Last day of Sunday School – 10:00am

**Tuesday, May 13, 2025** Church Council Meeting – 6:30pm

Monday, May 19, 2025 Emmanuel Night Out at Culver's of Oshkosh – Westowne 5:00pm – 7:00pm 10% of your order will go back to Emmanuel

Wednesday, May 21, 2025 Last day of Confirmation Class – 6:00pm









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The beautiful Easter Lilies and Tulips have been given by: In loving memory of DON & DOROTHY SIMONS by Mia & Melanie Reyes. In loving memory of RON & MICHAEL GORCHELS by Joan Gorchels. In loving memory of OUR PARENTS by Karen & Dennis Chapin. In loving memory of OUR PARENTS by Karen & Dennis Chapin. In loving memory of DAN SR. & JANET MONROE by Dan & Leanne Monroe. In loving memory of OUR LOVED ONES by Bruce & Quinn Bursack. In loving memory of OUR LOVED ONES by Bruce & Quinn Bursack. In loving memory of BILL & LOIS KOEPKE by Jay & Gwen Koepke. In loving memory of BOB BLOEDOW by Leanne Bloedow, Amanda Sobojinski, Sarah Proctor & Families. In loving memory of ERVIN & IRMINA KEULER by Gerry & Lisa Keuler. In loving memory of JOHN & VERA WEPNER by Gerry & Lisa Keuler. In loving memory of ELEANOR WEPNER by Gerry & Lisa Keuler. In loving memory of ELEANOR WEPNER by Gerry & Lisa Keuler. In honor of ALL THE GREATS, CHARLOTTE, KEIRA, VESPER, ELIZA, ZACHARY, GRANTHAM, LIAM, ADAIR, GENEVIEVE, VERA, HAZEL, VIVIAN, SIMON, LOUIS, SYLVIA, BONNIE, RUBEN, PIPPA, HARLEN & SYLVIA by Gerry & Lisa Keuler.

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Donations to the General Fund have been given by:
In loving memory of NANCY WOLF by Her Forever Friend.
In loving memory of BETTY SCHAICK by James & Jody Schaick.
In loving memory of SYLVIA BERWALD by James & Jody Schaick.
In loving memory of FORREST & AUDREY REINKE by Joan Peterson & Rick Behnke.
In honor of MY CHILDREN, MATTHEW, RACHEL, JANELL, EMILY, DAVID & MY GRANDSON DUSTIN by Joan Peterson.
In loving memory of VIC & JOYCE BARTEL by The Jim Bartel Family.
In loving memory of JACK & JEFF STEINERT by The Jim Bartel Family.
In honor of AUDREY STEINERT by The Jim Bartel Family.
In loving memory of BERNICE & OLIVER WEGNER by Their Children.
In loving memory of MY DAUGHTERS, KARA DOMASKY & LORI HITZ by Ray Hitz.



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	In honor of MY DAUGHTER & GRANDCHILDREN & GREAT GRANDCHILDREN by Ray Hitz.
<u>RaiseRight</u>	In loving memory of LARRY YODER by Margaret Yoder & Family.
Maisonight	In loving memory of <b>HENRY &amp; DOROTHY NOLTE</b> by Ray Hitz & Margaret Yoder.
Food Pantry	In loving memory of <b>PERRY &amp; IVALLE YODER</b> by Margaret Yoder & Family.
<u>roourantiy</u>	In loving memory of <b>KELLY JO YODER</b> by Margaret Yoder & Family.
Thankwoul	In honor of OUR CHILDREN, GRANDCHILDREN & GREAT GRANDCHILDREN by Margaret Yoder.
<u>Thank you!</u>	In loving memory of LUKE SMITH, PHYLLIS HITZ & RICHARD & JACKIE NOLTE by Margaret Yoder.
Comingun	In loving memory of <b>RUTH MATHWIG</b> by Charlie Mathwig.
Coming up	In loving memory of CARL & EDNA MATHWIG by Charlie Mathwig.
Cundou Cohool	In loving memory of MARGARET MATHWIG by Charlie Mathwig.
Sunday School	In honor of DAVID & LINDSAY MATHWIG by Charlie Mathwig.
	In honor of <b>PAUL MATHWIG</b> by Charlie Mathwig.
<u>Memorials &amp; Honorarium</u>	In honor of KEVIN, DEBRA & MEGAN VANDERSLIK by Charlie Mathwig.
	In loving memory of GARY FREIBERG by Bill & Joyce Freiberg.
<u>Church Council</u>	In honor of OUR CHILDREN: DAVID FREIBERG, ELLEN KONRAD & KELLY FREIBERG
	by Bill & Joyce Freiberg.
<u>Miscellaneous</u>	In honor of OUR GRANDCHILDREN: KAELYN, MITCHELL, KENNA, ALLISON & JOHN
	by Bill & Joyce Freiberg.
<u>Calendar</u>	In honor of OUR GREAT GRANDCHILDREN: KINSLEY, RHETT, CASON & CHARLOTTE
	by Bill & Joyce Freiberg.
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	by Joan Gorchels.
	In loving memory of OUR PARENTS: HARVEY & LYDIA MARHEINE & ELDOR
	& ELAINE GORCHELS by Joan Gorchels.



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**Donations to the General Fund have been given by:** In honor of **MARGARET YODER** by Glen & Julie Barthels. In honor of **OUR CHILDREN & OUR GRANDCHILDREN** by Glen & Julie Barthels. In honor of **THE GOLLIHER FAMILY** by Ron & Sandy Golliher.

**Donations to the Food Pantry have been given by:** In honor of **CONNIE WHITTAKER** by David Whittaker.





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**President's Report:** KT Car Wash Cards ordered 20 more. Leanne Bloedow is making a flower arrangement for Mary's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. April 23 is Administrative Professionals' Day. Council is getting a gift for Lori. Leanne Bloedow turned receipts for materials needed for the flower updates. We will be starting a flower sponsor opportunity each week to build up a fund for the future. Qdoba dine and donate no idea for sales as of right now.

Secretary's Report: Last month's minutes were accepted as corrected.

**Treasurer's Report:** Reviewed March financial reports. We had a negative cash flow of \$6,873.72 with a positive YTD of \$3,029.98. Alliant Energy stock was -\$.74 (.3%) this month, with a YTD of +\$6.15. Majority of expenses for the month were Pastor's pension and insurance, OCWM, Payroll Taxes, WPS and Link. Guide One Insurance will be paid in April, we should have one more snow plowing bill, and the alarm set-up should be due next month. Treasurer's Report was accepted.

Pastor's Report: General: Our book study of The Message of Jesus by Adam Hamilton, is drawing to a close. We did extend it one week due to not getting books early enough. April 15 will be our last session. I have been posting meditations from the series, Silent Witnesses by D. Scott Hewes on Facebook and YouTube. These are 'firsthand' accounts by various items that we at the crucifixion of Jesus. The series included accounts from a thorn that was a part of the crown of thorns, the robe put around Jesus as he was being mocked, a nail used in the crucifixion, and the shroud Jesus was wrapped in when he was laid in the tomb. We have one final meditation titled 'The Stone.' I spoke to Kay Lund about the Sunday School Superintendent position. She will be stepping down at the conclusion of this year. This Month: April 3 I officiated at the funerals of Carlos and Barbara Perez. April 13 (this Sunday) is Palm Sunday, we will recognize Mary's 50 years of ministry, and the Sunday School will be having its Easter Egg Hunt. Holy Week services will be Maundy Thursday (April 17) with Communion at 7:00 and Good Friday (April 18) at 1:00. Easter Services are at 7:30am and 9:00am. I am on vacation April 22-26. I am working with Mary on the Thursday evening service but will be home for the Sunday service. Next Month: May 11 is the last session of Sunday School for this 2024-2025 Christian Education year. For the Future: We received a building request for a memorial service and meal. Date is to be determined. It is for Constance Cook. Karen Chapin will be the Emmanuel member responsible for the building and such. I will pass along a date when the plans are finalized. Jeff Pommerening reached out to me about the baptism of Ronan DesJarlais, son of Morgan and Alex DesJarlais (this would be Jeff and Cindi's grandson. When details are finalized I will be officially inviting Jeff to co-officiate.

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Deacon's Report: When there is a baptism, anyone can fill the Baptismal font—feel free to check and make sure there is water in it.

**Trustee's Report:** Tom put up a border at the ceiling as you move from the lower narthex to the upper narthex. The material was from the old kneelers. South Park crosses in labyrinth are crooked and need some work.

**Old Business:** Phone/Alarms are having difficulty (NTD for the phones and PerMar for the alarm) Hopefully the glitches are fixed soon. Custodian - Connie Whittaker started on April 1st, 6 hours a week. There's a small list of thing volunteers do (dusting the upper/lower narthex, pew cards) as well as yearly things (cleaning windows, shampooing carpets).

**New Business:** May 19th Culver's. Sunday School, Kay Lund is no longer superintendent. The Sunday School teachers are going to discuss what is needed in the position moving forward. Mary's Anniversary - Sunday June 29th is when she's like her celebration. Biennial audits so we will revisit next year.

**Good & Welfare:** The Constitution was last updated Feb. 2020, do we want to go back and read and update? Leanne offered print and electronic copies of the Constitution. Do we want to consider updating again? Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer. Next meeting is on May 13, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.





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You are invited to a Celebration of Life for Ron Gorchels (May 23, 1935 – August 23, 2024) Saturday, May 24<sup>th</sup> 2:00pm – 5:00pm At the South Park Pavilion (Ron would have celebrated his 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday on May 23<sup>rd</sup>)

#### **GRADUATION RECOGNITION SUNDAY, JUNE 8th AT 9:00AM**



We will be honoring our graduates with pictures and a short bio on our screen during worship and posted on our social media. Please have your pictures and information submitted to the church office (office@emmanueloshkosh.org) by May 25<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!

#### New Custodian....

We are happy to say that Connie Whittaker has agreed to take the Custodian position. Connie will be working six hours a week. There is a small list of things volunteers can help with on our website under the Get Involved section, which will help offset what Connie will be doing on a weekly basis. Welcome aboard Connie!





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As pre-worship time gets increasingly hectic, a reminder that if you have a prayer concern that is very important for you to share, please write it down and give it to Pastor Andi at least 10 minutes before worship begins, or place in on the pulpit. Thank you!

### KWIKTRIP CAR WASH CARDS STILL AVAILABLE!

The price of each car wash card is \$40. This is good for 5 ultimate car washes. Pick up your card today! Your car will be happy!!



You are invited to a Celebration Honoring Mary Dinkins 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as our musician at Emmanuel on Sunday, June 29<sup>th</sup> At 10am in the Fellowship Hall

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Are you having a procedure or surgery in the near future? Please contact the church office at 920.235.8340 and let us know. Pastor Andi would like to make sure she is there for you and your family. If you mention it on a Sunday morning, she might forget. Due to HIPAA the hospital is not allowed ot call and let us know if you are a patient or not. Thank you for your help!

JOIN US FOR EMMANUEL'S NIGHT OUT AT

ON WESTOWNE AVENUE in Oshkosh, by Menards. Monday, May 19, 2025 from

5:00-7:00pm. 10% of your order will go Emmanuel. Volunteers are needed to hep with this event. If you are interested, please contact the church office. Thank you!



Do you have a concern you would like offered up in prayer? You can enter your request on our website at emmanueloshkosh.org. You can also call the church office at 920-235-8340 any weekday morning.





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### 74<sup>th</sup> National Day of Prayer! <u>"The Oshkosh Celebration"</u> "POUR OUT TO THE GOD OF HOPE AND BE FILLED"

<u>What</u>: In Oshkosh and communities across America, millions will unite at noon for the 74th Annual National Day of Prayer, to pray for our local, state & national leaders; public officials; schools & school leaders; military; and our nation.

When: At 12 noon to 12:45 on Thursday, May 1, 2025

Where: At the Oshkosh City Hall, 215 Church Avenue, around the flagpole by the front entrance.



We are in the process of updating the floral arrangements around the church. You may have noticed some new arrangements popping up! Thank you to **Leanne Bloedow** for providing her talents to make this possible. We would like to help offset some of the cost of the new arrangements by offering the chance to anyone wishing to donate any amount in memory or honor of someone on any given Sunday.

You can do this by putting your donation in an envelope, designate it as <u>Flower Fund</u>, pick the Sunday you would like it listed in the bulletin, as well as who you would like it to be in honor or memory of. If the Sunday you have chosen is already taken, Lori will contact you with another available date. Thank you!

A donation has been given toward the altar flowers, flower pots and materials by Leanne Bloedow and Gerry Glatz.





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We will be placing another brick order in June. If you would like to order a brick to be placed in the labyrinth this summer, please use the form below.

The bricks that are available are in the 4x8 size

Three lines, 11 characters per line including spaces

The cost per brick is \$60.00 (this includes engraving and return postage)

If you would like to purchase a brick in honor or memory of a loved one, please fill out the order blank below. If you have any questions, please contact the church office at 920-235-8340 or by email at <u>office@emmanueloshkosh.org</u>.

# of Bricks	Honor, Memory of or	First Name(s)	Last Name

Please include your name:\_\_\_\_

Number of bricks you would like to purchase\_\_\_\_\_

Amount Due\_\_\_\_\_







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Mission Statement...

We will love God, all others and the earth by providing sanctuary practicing hospitality, and performing ministry.

#### All Are Welcome!

United Church Camps Inc (UCCI) invites you to the sacred experience of gathering at Moon Beach, Daycholah Center, and Cedar Valley. In these places set apart, you will be warmly welcomed by a loving community and have the time to recharge and connect deeply with God, nature, and each other.

UCCI offers year-round camps, retreats, and events for all ages at three unique locations in Wisconsin. Moon Beach in the Northwoods, Daycholah Center on Green Lake in central Wisconsin, and Cedar Valley in the rolling countryside of southeast Wisconsin. Camo AweSum provides camp opportunities for children on the autism spectrum and their families.

The outdoor ministry of UCCI welcomes people of faith backgrounds or no faith backgrounds. They provide modern and comfortable accommodations, delicious meals, toasty campfires, and a team eager to serve you. Nature shares the wonder of the sun, stars, water, and trees. The Spirit of God will meet you there.

Unplug & Reconnect Slow down and reconnect with what truly matters. Explore Camps & Events on the website ucci.org

If you or your child(ren) are interested in one of the camping experiences that are available, please let us know. Limited Financial Help is Available







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#### 2025 ANNUAL MEETING JUNE 6-7 AT GREEN LAKE CONFERENCE CENTER IN GREEN LAKE

If you would like to represent Emmanuel at the Annual Meeting Contact the church office or talk to Pastor Andi.

> "I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel." -Maya Angelou



2025 Conference Annual Meeting

into Gig.



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If you have any questions or concerns for the Church Council, Memorial and Endowment Committee and Pastoral Relations Committee, please find the contact information below:

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Treasurer's Nook	Leanne Monroe	Zach Wolf	
	Rene Rogers	Dan Rogers	
<u>RaiseRight</u>	Debra Kraemer	Earl Dorst	
Food Pantry	Linda Stowe	Laurie Dorst	
Thank you!	Craig Geiger	Noah Wilson	
	Tom Stark	Jim Schaick	
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Momorialo 8 Llonororium	Jeff Stark	Ann Stark	
<u>Memorials &amp; Honorarium</u>	Deb Bartel	Sherri Annis	
Church Council	Sandy Golliher	Margaret Yoo	

**Emily Reyes** 

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**Pastoral Relations Committee:** nmittee: ark Sandra Golliher Kay Lund Julie Barthels Lori Potratz Annis ret Yoder Faith Lueck ıশargar

Please consider volunteering for any of these committees, please contact the church office 235-8340 if you are interested.





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### **Additional Resources**

We'd love to hear from you! Click <u>here</u> to give us your feedback.

Visit us on social media.

