



TODAY'S GOSPEL:
Mark 1:9-15

A FAITHFUL STEWARD'S RESPONSE:

♥ "Repent and believe in the good news." (Mark 1:15) Today we hear the echo of Ash Wednesday. "Repent and believe..." Just like Jesus, we are called, by virtue of our baptism, to go forth in prayer and self-sacrifice to bring the good news of God to those around us. How will my Lenten sacrifices help others recognize that the kingdom of God is near? How will I, as a faithful steward, be Good News to those around me?



A Measure of Our Love



A total of **\$3,269.00** per week is needed to maintain the day-to-day ministry of our parish.

Date Rec'd	Attendance	Envelope Offerings	Year-to-Date
01/29	94	\$2,898	-\$1,491
02/05	125	\$5,042	\$ 282 ☺
02/12	80	\$2,642	-\$ 345
02/19	137	\$1,699	-\$1,915

We rely almost entirely on the generosity of members and friends to support the programs, ministries, building and staff, of our parish here at Emanuel, and the greater work of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. We appreciate your contributions of time, talent, and financial support. Together, we share the Good News of Jesus.

PARISH STAFF

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The Parish Office is open Monday-Thursday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.

PUZZLE

FOLLOW GOD'S EXAMPLE

In a letter to the church in Colossae, the apostle Paul wrote about the importance of forgiveness.

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To complete Colossians 3:13 (NIV), use the smaller words to fill in the larger words.

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Answers: "Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you." Colossians 3:13, NIV



LENT doesn't have to be about "giving up" things. It can be about "doing" something more to help make God's Kingdom real in our world. What can I do to make this Lent a time of spiritual growth—a time to be more like Jesus?

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February 26, 2012



"Celebrating and faithfully sharing God's love within and beyond the walls of our church."

At Emanuel This Week

Sunday 10:00 AM 10:00 AM 11:00 AM 5:00 PM 8:00 PM	February 26—First Sunday in Lent Sunday School Word and Sacrament Grace Notes Rehearsal Confirmation Class AA Meeting Downstairs
Monday 9:30 AM 8:00 PM	February 27 Staff Meeting AA Meeting Downstairs
Tuesday 8:00 PM	February 28—Election Day AA Meeting Downstairs
Wednesday 9:00 AM 11:00 AM 5:30 PM 6:15 PM 7:15 PM	February 29 Men's Coffee & Conversation Prayer Group Mid-Week Lenten Service at Emanuel Lenten Meal & Sharing Choir Rehearsal (after Lenten program)
Thursday 8:00 PM	March 1 AA Meeting Downstairs

Upcoming Events

Sunday 10:00 AM 10:00 AM 11:00 AM 5:00 PM 8:00 PM	March 4—Second Sunday in Lent Sunday School Word and Sacrament Grace Notes Rehearsal Confirmation Class AA Meeting Downstairs
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Please join us for fellowship & hospitality each week in Luther Hall immediately following the Sunday service.

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THE SANCTUARY LIGHT is offered to the glory of God in loving memory of William H. Marrison and in thanksgiving for Doris Hartman's 92nd birthday on February 21st.



Parish members in need: Mary Gwen Barrington, Priscilla Burns, Lorraine Keson, Bruce & Helen Nelson, Tambrea Sumner, Bob Taylor, Vernice Walker, Kay Williams.

Friends in need: Dietrich Bidwell, Alex Branch, Randy Cox, Arden French, Janet Glinsky, Ashton & Kim Grimm, Rosemary Hansen, John Hemmer, Patricia Hoag, Jacob Hoffman, John Hunt, Sue Jay, John Killabrew, Karen Klegon, Karl & Lee Landgrebe, Karen Lock, Norma Pross, Jim & Patty Scatera, Carrie Smith Roe, Heather Smedley, Julie Snyder, David Stich, Dale Swanson, Jack Thomas.

Pray for those at home: Pat Aden, Marguerite Anderson, Robert & Helen Bahr, Leah Cutler, Loraine Emms, Charles & Betty Hargreaves, Clara Johnson, Wilma Keson, John & Lorraine Quinn, Evelyn Rohrmoser, Jonah Schmidt, Sandy Vielmo, & Arlene Whitenight, Zachery Willis.

Pray for those in care facilities: Marguerite Andersen, Al Bloomer, Mamie Hansen, Ardith Johnson.

Pray for our Armed Forces, especially our members: Navy - Anna Peterson, Army - Tad Reed, Ezra Swan, Dale Wheeler, Christian Boomgaard; *National Guard* - Jeremy Horstman, Jordan Martz; *Air Force* - Scott Mosley

Pray for our Veterans, especially those suffering from the wounds of war.

Pray for our parish family: our area churches and our Synod, as well as churches throughout the United States and the world and especially Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Traverse City, Michigan and Rev. Paul Busekist.

PRAYER REQUESTS: To submit a prayer request, please call the Parish office at 843-3686 or fill out a prayer request card during Sunday worship. Your intention will be held in prayer for 30 days.

For immediate prayers in a crisis situation, you may activate the Emanuel Prayer Chain by calling Stephanie Sundholm at 845-8320.



REMINDER:
With our new Worship Time, Sunday School will begin each week at 10:00 am.

Confirmation Class Meets Tonight
Sunday, February 26, from 5:00-6:30 pm



The Emanuel parish family extends our prayers and sympathy to the family and friends of **William H. Marrison, husband of Marilyn and father of Cathy Marrison, who passed away on Tuesday, February 14, 2012. Funeral services were held at Emanuel Lutheran Church on Saturday, February 18, 2012. Cards of sympathy may be sent to the family at 1386 S Rohrmoser Rd, Ludington, MI 49431.**

May he rest in peace.

THANK YOU TO MY EMANUEL FAMILY for all the cards, delicious meals and desserts following my recent injury. I am recovering nicely, thanks to all your prayers. Mike and I truly appreciate all that you have done for us.

God bless you,
Priscilla Burns



With Gratitude

Congratulations and Welcome!



The Emanuel parish family is proud to announce the birth of **Hudson Andrew Grey and Lincoln Alexander Grey**, sons of Andy & Shannon Grey of Waterford, MI. The twins, grandsons of Jim and Jenny Grey, were born on Monday, February 6, 2012. **Welcome Hudson and Lincoln!**

Baby Bottle Boomerang

Thank you, once again, for your very generous giving to our Baby Bottle Boomerang for WSPCC. It means so much to all the women and babies that you help through this program.

Carolyn Fitch
WSPCC Volunteer



This Sunday: February 26, 2012
First Sunday in Lent
(Contemporary)

Altar Guild:	Terri & Jim Boomgaard
Altar Servers:	*L Rogers, S Nelson, D Samuel
Coffee Hour:	Youth Group
Greeters:	Walt & Laurie Seidelman
Lector:	Laurie Seidelman
Offering Counters:	Cindy Jarvie, Steve Mertz
Offering Teller:	Margaret Hayes
Usher Captains:	Bill Anderson & Dennis Hansen
Taper:	Joan Kudla

Next Sunday: March 4, 2012
Second Sunday in Lent
(Traditional Service)

Acolytes:	Julia Maltbie, Tambrea Sumner
Altar Guild:	Marilyn Cunic, Norma Friesner
Altar Servers:	*B. Dixon, M. Cunic, E. Anderson
Bible Bearer:	William Rivet
Coffee Hour:	Kris Castillo, Cindy Jarvie
Crucifer:	Erin Maltbie
Greeters:	Bob & Stephanie Sundholm
Lector:	Norma Friesner, Lillë Cunic
Offering Counters:	Don Verduin
Offering Teller:	Joyce Usiak
Usher Captains:	K. & C. Iteen, A. & S. Nelson
Taper:	Linda Ochs



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