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Sunday, February 5, 2023, 9:30 am/Monday, February 6, 2023, 6 pm

5th Sunday after
Epiphany

Welcome to
worship! Please
complete a
Connection Card
and place the card
in the offering
plate.
Thank you!

Light shines in the
darkness for the
upright, the psalm-
ist sings. Isaiah
declares that when
we loose the bonds
of injustice and
share our bread
with the hungry,
the light breaks
forth like the dawn.
In another passage
from the Sermon on
the Mount, Jesus,
the light of the
world, calls his fol-
lowers to let the
light of their good
works shine before
others. Through
baptism we are
sent into the world
to shine with the
light of Christ.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS *(please stand as you are able.)*

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who makes all things new, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy One, source of our renewal, **we confess that we are wrapped up in sin, and cannot free ourselves. We have not practiced your righteousness. Our hearts have turned away from you. For the sake of the world you so love, forgive us, that we may be reconciled to one another for the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

Thus says our God: "The former things have come to pass and new things I now declare." God's mercy makes us new. We are forgiven in the name of ☩ Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

OPENING HYMN

Rise, Shine, You People!

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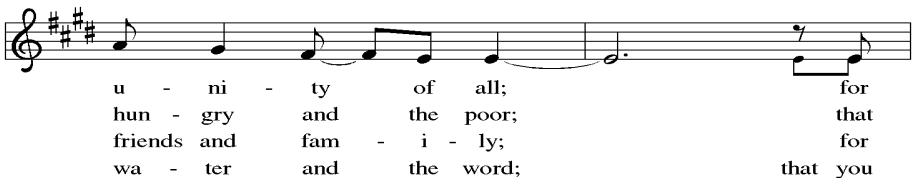
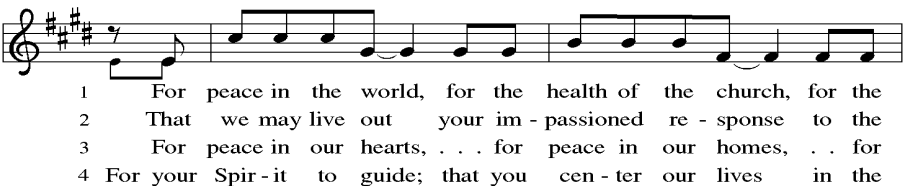
GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

KYRIE

pp. 184-185



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
 we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
 life and for love, for our work and our play,
 nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,
 let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord God, **with endless mercy you receive the prayers of all who call upon you. By your Spirit show us the things we ought to do, and give us the grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 58:1-12 *(please be seated.)*

¹Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. ²Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God. ³“Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?” ⁴Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. ⁵Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. ⁶Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the LORD? ⁷Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? ⁸Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? ⁹Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. ¹⁰Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am. ¹¹If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, ¹²if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. ¹³The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. ¹⁴Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

Word of God. **Word of Life. Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 112:1-10

¹Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the LORD and have great delight in God’s commandments!
²**Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.**
³Wealth and riches will be in their house, and their righteousness will last forever.
⁴**Light shines in the darkness for the upright; the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.**

Shortly after the return of Israel from exile in Babylon, the people were troubled by the ineffectiveness of their fasts. God reminds them that outward observance is no substitute for genuine fasting that results in acts of justice, such as feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, and clothing the naked.

⁵It is good for them to be generous in lending and to manage their affairs with justice.

⁶**For they will never be shaken; the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.**

⁷They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; their heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD.

⁸**Their heart is established and will not shrink, until they see their desire upon their enemies.**

⁹They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands fast forever; they will hold up their head with honor.

¹⁰**The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away; the desires of the wicked will perish.**

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 2:1-16

¹When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. ²For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. ³And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. ⁴My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, ⁵so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God. ⁶Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. ⁷But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. ⁸None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ⁹But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him" —¹⁰these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. ¹¹For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. ¹²Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. ¹³And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual. ¹⁴Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. ¹⁵Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny. ¹⁶"For who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?" But we have the mind of Christ.

Word of God. **Word of Life. Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

(please stand as you are able.)

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Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Light shines in the darkness for the upright. (Ps. 112:4)

Though people such as the Corinthians are enamored with human philosophy and wisdom, Paul continuously presents God's hidden wisdom which is Jesus Christ crucified. True spiritual maturity involves judging ourselves and others in light of God's revelation in the cross.

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus encourages his followers to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, doing good works and keeping God's commandments.

GOSPEL: Matthew 5:13-20

The holy gospel according to...

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ¹³"You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. ¹⁴"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. ¹⁵No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. ¹⁷"Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. ¹⁸For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

(please be seated.)

SERMON

Pastor Tom Skrenes

HYMN OF THE DAY

God, Whose Almighty Word

#673

APOSTLES' CREED

(please stand as you are able)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Called together to follow Jesus, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Call your people to seek your wisdom in difficult conversations and action. Give the church everywhere courage to repent for the ways we have tolerated and practiced injustice. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Inspire our wonder at creation, from the light of dawn to the beauty of the dark night. Sustain the unseen depths of the ocean to the plants and animals we know well. Bring healing to lands and communities experiencing natural disasters. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Instruct the powerful in your ways. Provide upright leadership in business and industry, that workers are not oppressed. Throughout the world, inspire voters and raise up politicians to heed your call for nations to practice righteousness. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Loosen the bonds of injustice in our midst. Grant peace to endless quarrels, put an end to hunger, and break every yoke of oppression. Shelter all who flee abuse in their homes or violence in their communities. Satisfy those afflicted in any way. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Renew our lives that we may welcome and care for one another and that we may live and serve within the greater community of Negaunee and the world, witnessing to others your abundant love, grace, and welcome.

Shape our congregation to be salt for the earth. Give us delight in your commandments, that we are generous with those in need. Make us steadfast in our trust in you, ready with tangible mercy and compassion for our neighbors. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

The cross and resurrection bring redemption from sin and death. We praise you for the Martyrs of Japan and all whose unshaken faith in Christ shines forth in their witness. Keep them in our remembrance and bring us with them into the kingdom of heaven.

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

We bring to you our needs and hopes, O God, trusting your wisdom and power revealed in Christ crucified.

Amen.

SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

MEAL

OFFERING *(please be seated.)*

OFFERING SONG *Come and See*

W&P 29

- 1.) **Come and see the glory of the Lord. Come, behold the Lamb.**
Come and know the mercy of the King, bowing down before Him.
 - 2.) **Come and give thanks unto the Lord. Come, behold the Lamb.**
Come and sing the praises of the King, bowing down before Him.
- Chorus: *For he is Lord above the heavens, Lord in all the earth,
Lord of all the angels, worthy to be served . Alleluia, Alleluia, Lord.***

OFFERING PRAYER *(please stand as you are able.)*

Liberating God, **you break the bonds of injustice and let the oppressed go free. Receive these offerings in thanksgiving for all your works of merciful power, and shape us as people of your justice and freedom. You we magnify and adore, through Jesus our Savior.**
Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -



We believe that the true body and blood of Jesus Christ is in/with/under the bread

All
baptized
Christians
who
believe
this true
presence
are
welcome
and
encour-
aged to
receive
Holy
Commun-
ion today.
Parents,
please
assist your
child(ren)
if you wish
them
com-
muned.

est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.
Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The risen Christ dwells with us here: All who are hungry, all who are thirsty, come.

COMMUNION *(please be seated.)*

LAMB OF GOD

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Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

COMMUNION HYMNS

***This Little Light of Mine* #677**

***Drawn to the Light* #593**

(please stand as you are able.)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Holy One, we thank you for the healing that springs forth abundantly from this table.

Renew our strength to do justice, love kindness, and journey humbly with you.

Amen.

SENDING

Blessing of the Lay Eucharistic Ministry

Gracious God, whose mercy endures from generation to generation: As Mary set out to visit Elizabeth before she gave birth to her son, bless those who go forth to share your word and sacrament with our sisters and brothers who are homebound. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those to whom we bring this communion, that through the body and blood of your Son we may all know the hope of your promised coming in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

BLESSING

The God who faithfully brings forth justice and breaks the oppressor's rod ✠ bless, strengthen, and uphold you, today and always. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF February 5 - February 12, 2023

*SYMPATHY & GOD'S PEACE TO:

- Troy (Sarah) Henderson on the loss of his grandmother, **Laila J. Maze**, on Sunday, January 22nd. Also, condolences to her great-grandchildren, Cate, Charlie, Anne, and Teddy Henderson, and all of the Maze Family.
- Ann Neiswander on the loss of her husband, **John Paul Neiswander**, on Wednesday, January 25th, in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Also, condolences to all of the Neiswander Family.



*FORTUNE LAKE SUMMER CAMP Fortune Lake Registration is open for Summer Camp! Camp offers an early bird discount through April 1st and Immanuel offers scholarships to campers of all ages. Contact Stacy McEachern by April 1st for scholarship details! Call or text: **(906) 361-9123** or stacymc6@gmail.com. *Hurry, Hurry. Get your registrations in!*



*PANCAKE EVENING BREAKFAST DINNER PLANNED FOR FEBRUARY Our local Lutheran churches (the Northern Great Lakes Synod of the ELCA Conference 8) will be hosting a *Shrove Tuesday Pancake Breakfast Dinner* for local congregations & the wider community. 'Shrove' comes from the word 'shrive' meaning to absolve or hear confession. It is the eve of Ash Wednesday & thus Lent. It is a joyful day to celebrate & feast on items that you might be abstaining from in the more penitential season of Lent. It will be on **Tuesday, February 21st, 2023, from 4-7 pm, @ Immanuel Lutheran Church.** The meal is free, but a free-will offering will take place that will benefit Lutheran Campus Ministry at NMU & their upcoming trip to Iona Scotland. So, come, join the community, & feast on some pancakes with a variety of decadent toppings. **NOTE: THE CHURCH COUNCIL WILL NOT BE MEETING THAT NIGHT BUT WILL MOVE THEIR DATE TO TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28th, SAME TIMES.**



*YOUNG ADULT RETREAT, 'FIERCE COMPASSION' This Retreat will be at Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp in Crystal Falls, **February 3 - 5, 2023**. It will feature opportunities for growth, there will be time spent in community, it will have rest, relaxation, and much more! Scholarships are available. See Stacy McEachern or Pastor Bre Kinnunen for more details. There is also a flyer posted on the bulletin board.



*FELLOWSHIP HOUR: Are you willing to help with Fellowship hour? Donations are needed such as bakery, crackers, cheese, fruit, or whatever suits your fancy, & cleanup! Your Fellowship Hour committee for February is FORTUNE LAKE YOUTH. If it fits your schedule to bring items before Sunday morning, there are shelves in the refrigerator tagged for Coffee hour. Or leave on the counter marked "Coffee Hour". Please contact **Stacy McEachern (361-9123)** with your date and any item you wish to bring.



***SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CONVERSATION** A Sunday morning Bible Conversation Group meets after the 9:30 am worship service, at 11:00 am in the Youth Room for 1 hour. **NOTE--> THIS WEEK, FEBRUARY 5th, IT WILL NOT BE MEETING BECAUSE OF THE ANNUAL MEETING.** When it does meet, this is an opportunity for discussing the Bible lessons from the morning's worship service. There is a team of people who have volunteered to share the leadership for this group. The members of the leadership team consists of Pastor Tom Skrenes, Luanne Skrenes, Martha Hayward, Dan Collins, Andrew Crow-Roberts, Walter Scanlon, Mike Frustaglio, Jim Hayward, and Pastor Terry Cathcart. Here is the list of leaders and their dates: **Feb. 5 - NO Bible Conversation due to Annual Meeting; Feb. 12 - Andrew Crow-Roberts; Feb. 19 - Walter Scanlon; Feb. 26 - Mike Frustaglio; Mar. 5 - Dan Collins; Mar. 12 - Jim Hayward; Mar. 19 - Andrew Crow-Roberts, Mar. 16 - Terry Cathcart. Mark your calendars and plan to come.**



***VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS)** The beginning date for Vacation Bible School will be **June 12th, 2023.** Watch for more details. We will be in need of enrollment helpers. For more information, contact Paulette Patron @ (906) 475-4776.



***PROJECT KEEP KIDS WARM (PKKW).** This Project, *Keep Kids Warm*, runs through the winter months. This fall over 300 youth have been given warm winter clothing and the need continues to grow. Desperately needed are warm winter coats sizes 6-12 and water repellent gloves/mittens. Your donations can be placed in the boxes located at the West entrance. If you have questions, please contact Linda Sjolund (242-5020) or Westley United Methodist Church.

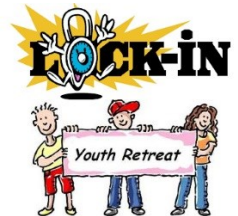


***TIME & TALENT FORMS / ESTIMATE OF GIVING FORMS** Can be found on the table in the hallway on the 2nd floor. They can be filled out at anytime and put in the offering trays or turned into the office. **PLEASE if you want to volunteer to help in any way at the church, fill out your desires on the *Time & Talent* form and turn it into the office. Consider your call to serve our Lord and this congregation by completing the *Estimate of Giving* form for 2023 AND the *Time & Talent* form for 2023. (If you don't fill out a new *Time & Talent* form, your choices from the past will remain.) We are "Together Into God's Future."**



***BAR CHURCH, 'Ruthless Elimination of Hurry', by John Mark Comer** This group will be meeting on the following Thursdays: February 9, 23, March 9, 23, April 13, 27, May 11,25, 2023. There is also a Facebook group at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/841985297052095/>, or scan the QR code. If you have any questions, please call Mrs. Kaitrin Raymond at (540) 435-4915.

SUPERIOR CENTRAL CONFERENCE YOUTH LOCK-IN: Date: Friday, February 10; Time: 7 pm ET; Location: Immanuel Lutheran Church (520 US Highway 41 E, Negaunee, MI); Contact: Pastor Alex LaChapelle lachappy@gmail.com or Stacy McEachern stacymc6@gmail.com - Superior Central Conference Youth between 6th and 12th grade are invited to Immanuel Lutheran Church in Negaunee for a Lock-In on Friday, February 10. We will begin at 7 pm. The night will be filled with pizza, snacks, games and worship! Pick-up will be after breakfast from 8-9 am on Saturday morning. Hope you can come! For more information, contact **Pastor Alex, lachappy@gmail.com or Stacy McEachern, stacymc6@gmail.com. PLEASE RSVP BY FEBRUARY 6.*



***CONFIRMATION UPDATE** During this 'Call Process', Confirmation will look a little different this year. The confirmation classes **will meet on the 3rd Monday of the month** for fellowship and service opportunities **from 6pm - 8pm**, with dinner provided. Classes will be combined with confirmands from

Immanuel, Prince of Peace in Harvey, & Messiah in Marquette. These sessions will allow the youth to learn & connect during this important part of their faith walk. This new program is still being cultivated with the help of new team leaders. If anyone has questions, please email Hayley Smith, Hayley-smith@hotmail.com, or call/text 906-367-4295. **NOTE: There is 1 more Confirmation Retreat. The 3rd Confirmation Retreat will be at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Harvey on Saturday, February 25th, 2023, 10 am - 3 pm.**



KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Pray For: *Betty Carilli, Kevin Carlson, Renae Carlson, Sue Cohan, Joann Connors, Dan Hendrickson, Michael Holman, Peggy Jackson, Betty Kinnunen, Michael Kjellman, Marian Kulju, Anna Laurila, Don & Mary Leece, Diane Nault, Gerald Neldon, Don Palomaki, Stephanie Penhale, Joyce Peterson, Shirley Pizziola (Sue Cohan's mother), Delores Reichel, Jim Ritzenhein, Jessica Roberts, Louise Spickerman, Molly Taseris, Debbie Thornberg, and all COVID patients.*



Our Shut-ins: *Bettie Ahola, Jonelle Collins, Rudy Gagnon, Charlene Kivisto, Timothy Kjellman, Betty Lukkarinen, Leo Nirva, Butch Pynnonen, Lillian Rivers, Paul Alan Smith, Lynne Tossava.*

Members in the Armed Service: *Luke DeWitt, Adrianna Gustafson, Michael Gustafson, Spencer Harvala, Hunter (Jessica) Hetrick, Dennis Koski, Tanner Romback, Trevor Romback, Michael Sedlock, Ethan Wallner, and all Armed Services Families.*

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## **VOLUNTEERS ASSISTING IN SERVICE SERVING IN WORSHIP: *Pastor Tom Skrenes***

**ORGANIST/PIANIST/MUSICIAN:** *Connie Scanlon*

**Worship Services:** Sun. @ 9:30 am / Mon. @ 6 pm

**Office Hours:** 8 am-2 pm, Monday-Thursday (or by appt.)

### **ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE:**

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|-------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 9:30 am USHERS/GREETERS | - <i>Linda Derocher</i><br>- <i>Jim Derocher</i>                       |
| 6:00 pm                 | - <i>Reuven Romback</i><br>- <i>Kevin Cruyp</i>                        |
| 9:30 am LECTOR          | - <i>Lori Marta</i>                                                    |
| 6:00 pm                 | - <i>Reuven Romback</i>                                                |
| 9:30 am COMM. ASST.'S   | - <i>Fae Collins</i><br>- <i>Dan Collins</i><br>- <i>Linda Dillman</i> |
| 6:00 pm                 | - <i>Dan LaJoie</i>                                                    |
| 9:30 am Tech Team       | - <i>Luanne Skrenes</i>                                                |

(Communion Set-up for February is *Linda Sjolund.*)



## FEBRUARY'S MONTHLY MISSION

**N FEBRUARY** our Mission Emphasis is Messiah Lutheran Church Asylum Refugee Support.

Messiah Lutheran Church in Marquette is sponsoring a refugee family from Honduras in Central America seeking asylum in this country. The mother and two boys left Honduras over two years ago and spent two years at the Mexican border waiting for permission to enter this country. The family arrived in Marquette in August. The boys are in school and all are Learning English. There are some long term medical issues that being resolved. Asylum has not been granted yet but the process continues slowly and legally.



Thank you to Messiah for their continued financial and emotional support of this family. We are here to help you and the family with this undertaking.

If you wish to give above-and-beyond to this mission, please use February's mission emphasis envelope (when they arrive) from your offering envelope box or in some other way designate your gift.

*Thank you for your generosity!*

**(NOTE: For now, please use a blank white envelope with 'Monthly Mission' written on it. Then, either have your envelope # on it or your name.)**

Thank you for giving \$ 755.00 in January to  
**Our Tanzanian Companion Ministry Relationships.**  
The recipients will be richly blessed with your generosity! Thank you!

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## February 5, 2023 - February 12, 2023



YOU CAN FIND ALL ONLINE INFORMATION REFERENCED BELOW AT..  
[www.ImmanuelNegaunee.org](http://www.ImmanuelNegaunee.org)

- Sunday**                      **Congregational Annual Meeting**  
                                         **5th Sunday after Epiphany**
- 9:30 am    - Worship Service
  - 9:30 am    - **NO** Sunday School
  - 10:30 am   - Coffee and Fellowship
  - 10:45 am   - Annual Meeting in Fellowship Hall  
                                         (**please sign in**)
  - 11:00 am   - **NO** Sunday Morning Bible Conversation
  - 7:30 pm    - AA Group Meets (men & women)
- Monday**                      - 6:00 pm    - Worship Service
- Wednesday**                - 10:00 am   - Bible Study
- 6:00 pm    - Choir
- Thursday**                    - 10:00 am   - Quilting
- 7:30 pm    - 'Bar Church' (if questions, please call  
                                         Mrs. Kaitrin Raymond @ (540) 435-4915.)
- Friday**                      **OFFICE CLOSED**
- 10:00 am   - Women's AA Group Meets
  - 7 pm-10 am - Youth Lock-In  
                                         (Begins at 7 pm Friday, overnight,  
                                         ending Saturday at 8-10 am)
- Saturday**                    - 10 am-12 noon - PEO (Noreen Collins)
- Sunday**                      **6th Sunday after Epiphany**
- 9:30 am    - Worship Service
  - 9:30 am    - Sunday School
  - 10:30 am   - Coffee & Fellowship
  - 11:00 am   - Sunday Morning Bible Conversation  
                                         (Today's leader is Andrew Crow-Roberts)
  - 7:30 pm    - AA Group Meets (men & women)



**NOTICE:** As of today (2/2/2023) the Contribution Envelopes are not ready (per the Envelope Company). They are trying to get them to us as soon as they can. All we can do is be patient.

Please continue to use any envelope (there are envelopes provided in the sanctuary) to put your donation in. Or if you have ANY old 2022 envelopes, you can use them with the dates crossed off.

If cash, be sure to put your envelope # or your name on the plain envelope so you will be credited for your donation. Also, indicated where the funding should go: (for exp. General Fund, Building Fund, Monthly Mission, etc.). (If not indicated, it will go to General Fund.)

When the Contribution Envelopes come, I will certainly get them out to you ASAP.  
*Thank you very much for your patience.*

