

**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK**  
**Easter Sunday—Resurrection of Our Lord**  
 April 4, 2021– April 11, 2021

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- Sunday**    **EASTER SUNDAY - RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD**  
 - 8:30 am - Worship Service (also live streamed)  
 - 10:30 am -Worship Service (also live streamed)  
 - *Sunday School online any time (ALL VIRTUAL)*  
 - 7:30 pm - AA Group Meets (men & women)
- Monday**    **OFFICE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF EASTER**  
 - 6:00 pm - NO Worship Service  
 (A recording of Sunday's worship will be available online by Monday)  
 - 7:00 pm - NO Confirmation
- Tuesday**   - 1:00 pm - WELCA Executive Committee Meets
- Wednesday** - 10:00 am - Bible Study discussing this coming Sunday's Scripture online via ZOOM - - - go to: [www.immanuelnegaunee.org](http://www.immanuelnegaunee.org) and click on button: "**WED 10AM BIBLE STUDY ON ZOOM**"  
 - 6:00 pm - Bell Choir Practice
- Thursday**   - 10:00 am - Quilting  
 - 6:00 pm - Bible Study begins (in Fellowship Hall)
- Friday**      - OFFICE CLOSED  
 - 10:00 am - Women's AA Group Meets
- Sunday**     - 9:30 am - Worship Service (also live streamed)  
 - *Sunday School is Virtual*  
 - 7:30 pm - AA Group Meets (men & women)

**†THE WARMING CENTER (ROOM AT THE INN)** Needs of Room at the Inn are: paper products, coffee, FRESH vegetables & fruit, or monitory donations. Room at the Inn is the "home" for those in need and their supplies are low. Thank you for your help.

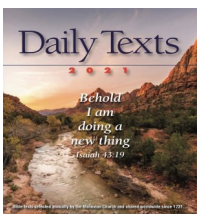
**†SUPERIOR CENTRAL CLUSTER 8 WOMEN OF THE ELCA** The Spring Cluster Meeting for 2021 that was scheduled for April 25th, has been cancelled. A letter or email will be forthcoming to all associated churches of the ELCA, with information of its news and intentions.

**†SUNDAY SCHOOL 2020-21** Sunday School IS ALL VIRTUAL. Sunday School is for Age 3 through 5th Grade. Packets include activities for ALL ages. **The packets are posted EACH SUNDAY.** Call the church if you do not know how to participate.



**†THURSDAY, 6 PM BIBLE STUDY** On April 8th, our Thursday, 6 PM Bible Study returns in-person (Fellow-ship Hall) with a study of Holy Communion. Not only a review of this sacrament's incredible gifts, this will also explore the challenges of faithful administration and use. Everyone is welcome & encouraged to come.

**†IMMANUEL'S FUEL FOR THE JOURNEY** Is a new Facebook Group (under the church Facebook page) set up for reflection on the Daily Texts with Pastor Steve & other group members. Daily Texts (available in hardcopy & digitally online) take us through the Scripture in two years. Join, read, and add your reflections, or just listen to others.



\* \* \* NOTICE \* \* \* \*  
**IN-PERSON WORSHIP is also LIVE STREAMED**  
**Sundays @ 9:30 am/Mondays @ 6:30 pm**  
 The recordings will be on our website by Mon & Thurs Church Council will continue to evaluate in-person worship monthly. Please check with appropriate contacts for small group meetings whether they will be in-person or by Zoom.

**FORTUNE LAKE SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE!!** Scholarships are available to campers of all ages. Register by **APRIL 1** and receive a **\$25 discount**. The scholarship will cover **about 50%** of the cost. For the regular full week, instead of paying \$395, your cost would be \$200. For LEADERS IN TRAINING (LIT) a FULL scholarship is offered. This 2-week program is a great opportunity for 10-12th grade persons who would like to experience life behind the scenes at Fortune Lake Camp as a leader. The scholarship form is found outside the sanctuary OR on Fortune Lake's website. Once ALL scholarship requests are in, the exact scholarship amount for you can be determined. For more info, or to get on the scholarship list, call or text **ASAP -> Stacy McEachern, 361-9123.** <-----

**†GIVING YOUR OFFERINGS** – Thank you for continuing to financially support our ongoing congregational mission. Electronic giving is available on our website. (Note: Immanuel absorbs the following processing fees on electronic gifts: giving via debit/credit card 2.75% + \$0.45 per transaction and giving via ACH 1.00% + \$0.45 per transaction.)



**†BABY SHOWER!** So who doesn't love baby showers? The 26th Marquette County Community Baby Shower hosted by CAAM (Community Action Alger Marquette) is scheduled for May 7. It assists families with obtaining necessary supplies for their infants who may otherwise go without. The shower is free of charge and open to all expectant county mothers or ones with an infant under 6 months of age. Baby shower items such as diapers, wipes, new clothing, receiving blankets, etc., are wanted. Monetary donations are also welcome. A table is set up in the fellowship hall for donations. The last day to drop off items is May 2. Thank you for helping the little ones!





**PRAYER CONCERNS OR OTHER NEEDS?** Call Pastor Steve at (906) 458-2145 or click on "Share My Needs & Hopes" (under the Connect menu) on [www.ImmanuelNegaunee.org](http://www.ImmanuelNegaunee.org). Or use the Connection Card at church or online.

**"Gospel Message"**  
**April 4, 2021—Easter Sunday**  
**"On the Other Side of Fear"**

The very last verse of this morning's gospel comprises what scholars believe to be the original ending of Mark. Somewhat alarmingly, the final words are "they were afraid" (Mark 16:8). If you crack open your Bible today, you'll see a few other paragraphs and endings beyond this verse; however, Mark 16:8 is thought to have been the original end to the book.

As people who are used to greeting Easter morning with flowers, banners, trumpets, and boisterous hymns, this original ending to Mark, filled with fear and silence, isn't quite what we expect to find at the empty tomb! The end of Mark's Easter story can feel disquieting; maybe that's why a faithful person added another ending or two.

Fear and silence are hallmarks of human life. Anyone who says they have never been afraid is either living under a rock or probably not sharing the full truth of their experience of things. As vulnerable human creatures, we are susceptible to fear, which can cascade into silence at our worst when we are most frightened. That is exactly where we meet the disciples today.

Yet someone, sometime, somewhere, had to have said something, or else we would not be here worshipping at Easter. At some point joy crept up and leapt over the disciples' terror and paralysis. At some point the words were blurted out and released into the air with gladness: "Christ is risen, alleluia!"

Today, we enter the story on the other side of fear and silence. Someone among those disciples did indeed proclaim the truth: Christ is risen! We can rest assured knowing that despair and death don't have the last word. Drawn into the resurrection life of Jesus, we are invited to take part in this movement of God, shouting with loud praise, "Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!"

**Next Week's** First Reading: Acts 4:32-35;  
 Psalm: Psalm 133; Second Reading: 1 John 1:1—2:2; Gospel: John 20:19-31



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**Pray For:** Kaelyn Amis, Kari Borchert, Bryon Butterfield, Wayne Connors, Elizabeth, Carrie Harvala, Audrey Heater, Danny Hill, Christopher Johnson, Betty Kinnunen, Michael Kjellman, Rodney Laituri, Anna Laurila, Connie Lindblom, Billy Jo Kaufman, Yvonne Marcom, Wendy Niemi, Yvonne Niemi, Ray, Jessica Roberts, Marty Saari, and all COVID patients.

**Our Shut-ins:** Bettie Ahola, Rudy Gagnon (no visits yet), Charlene Kivisto, Timothy Kjellman, Betty Lukkarinen, Butch Pynnonen, Lillian Rivers, Lynne Tossava.

**Members in the Armed Service:** Luke DeWitt, Dennis Koski, Adrianna Gustafson, Michael Gustafson, Hunter (Jessica) Hetrick, Jacque Kurian, Mark (Samantha) Makela, Tanner Romback, Trevor Romback, Michael (Lauren) Sedlock, Ethan Wallner, Jason Wallner, and all Armed Services Families.

# APRIL'S MONTHLY MISSION

**In April, ELCA World Hunger** will be our Monthly Mission Emphases. The world provides enough food for all, but more than 800 million people around the world face chronic hunger. We believe in a God of abundance, so as a church, we live out our call in baptism to strive for a just world where all are fed.



ELCA World Hunger is the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, at work. We walk alongside our partners and companions in the United States and more than 60 other countries. Generating unique solutions to local challenges starts by listening to our neighbors and communities. Then, together, we work and serve to help break the cycle of hunger and poverty – for good.

If you wish to give to ELCA World Hunger, use the April Monthly Mission envelope from your offering envelope box or in some other way designate your gift. *Thank you for your generosity!*

**Thank you for giving \$1,160.00 in March to the Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp Administrative Operations. The recipients will be richly blessed with your generosity! Thank you!**

**Serving in Worship: Pastor Steve Solberg  
Organist/Pianist/Musician: Connie Scanlon  
Worship Services: Sunday @ 8:30 am & 10:30 am  
Office Hours: 8 am-2 pm, Mon.-Thurs. (or by appt.)**

**ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE:**

<b>8:30 am USHERS/GREETERS</b>	- Dean Patron
	- Bob Sylvester
<b>10:30 am USHERS/GREETERS</b>	- Noreen Collins
	- Need Volunteer
<b>8:30 am LECTOR</b>	- Walter Scanlon
<b>10:30 am LECTOR</b>	- Dan Lindblom
<b>8:30 am COMM. ASST.S</b>	- Alice & Bill Zinsser
	- Walter & Cody Scanlon
<b>10:30 am COMM. ASST.S</b>	- Noreen & Helen Collins
	- Terry & Sara Garceau
<b>8:30 am Tech Team</b>	- Tyler Moore/Mary Schlicht
<b>10:30 am Tech Team</b>	- Tyler Moore
<b>NO MONDAY SERVICES</b>	