Church

Purpose Statement Living Christ centered lives so we may love all, serve our community, and share the Word.

News for Sunday, May 11

Join us for Worship at 9:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship will be served following worship.

Click HERE for the 9:00 a.m. Worship bulletin

Click HERE to watch the Livestream

We Remember in Prayer; those on our Home Visitation list and those on our prayer list: Debbie Dybinski, Bev Julien, Dylan Wescott, Dianne Miller, Ken & Sharon Mager, Phyllis Jacobson, JoAnn Garcia, Barb Lenn, Lori Dewey, Betty Steinke, Larry Wahler, Sandy Julifs, and Lila Edeus.

During this time of transition if you have an emergency, please call Sue in the church office or one of the council members who will contact the pastor that is covering during that time.

Synod Assembly

We are desperate need of two volunteers to attend this year's Synod Assembly, June 13-14, at Augustana College in Rock Island. Your registration and lodging are paid for. Traditionally a male and a female have been sent to Synod Assembly by St. Paul, but that has not always been the case. Contact a council member or Sue if you are interested.

Friendship Pads/Connect Cards/Prayer Request Papers

New green connect cards are now in the pews, where you can share all of your details. These also have a place for prayer requests. <u>As always,</u> if you would like to have Pastor include your prayer request in that Sunday's public prayers, please hand your connect card to an usher during the gathering hymn.

Let's Feed Our Children

Individually packed pasta are being collected for this year's campaign. Kid's favorite choices are: Easy Mac, Chef Boyardee style of pasta, ramen noodles and chicken noodle soup. Donations can be brought in anytime before Mother's Day, May 12. If you like to help in the packing of the lunches, you can sign up by following this link: <u>https://signup.com/go/ZmOzFhB</u>

Special Congregation Meeting

On Sunday, June 1, a Special Congregation Meeting will be held immediately following worship for the purpose of electing the members of the Call Committee.

<u>Geraniums</u>

We will be purchasing geraniums again this year for Pentecost Sunday. They will then be planted outside to beautify our church. If you would like donate towards the purchase, please use a pew envelope and mark it "Geraniums". The cost of each plant is: \$7.00.

Personal Care Kits

During the month of May we will be gathering the items listed below for the **Personal Care Kits**. We will have the towels, please just shop for the other items. We have monies from Thrivent from Janice Hunter and Patty Arians to buy towels. There is a container in the back of the church to place the items. Items needed:

- 2 or 3-Bath size bars of soap (8oz or more total). <u>Please KEEP in original packaging</u>. Any brand welcome.
- 1-Adult size toothbrush .<u>Please KEEP in original packaging or a business size envelope</u>.
- 1-Sturdy comb (no picks or fine toothed combs).
- 1-metal nail clipper with or without a file.

Mark your Calendar!

CommUNITY VBS will be held this year at Immanuel in Rock Falls, July 20-24, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. with a free dinner at 5:30 p.m. Save the dates and plan to attend or volunteer for this amazing opportunity. Watch the announcements and the June newsletter for the registration QR code. We are looking of donations for empty and clean 2-liter bottles. The <u>registration link</u> is live for CommUNITY VBS 2025. You can use the link below to register. At this time, please send this to those who have committed to a specific area so that they can sign up before we share the link on Facebook/Newsletters. Register by **Monday**, **May 19**. <u>https://forms.gle/aEB9eK2Z8i2Z80Wz7</u>

Children's Offering

The children's offering for the month of May will support the United Way's Let's Feed Our Children. The free summer lunch program kicks off the first week of June. Thank you for sharing in the ministry of giving and helping to feed our local children.

THIS WEEK

Tuesday, May 12 Pastor Mark in the office – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Next Sunday, May 18 Worship/Communion service at 9:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship at 10:00 a.m.

Next week's Worship Assistants

Opener/Head Usher/Closer – Chrissy Zollinger Acolytes – Altar Guild Greeters – Jim & Cheryl Gorman Ushers – Ron Ukena, Carolyn Duncan Reader – Tim Zollinger Communion Assistant – Jim Gorman Sound – Greg Zeigler Altar Guild – Judy Bartel, Donna Kendall Coffee Fellowship – Bev Graunke, Carolyn Duncan