



EMMANUEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

WE WELCOME! WE WORSHIP! WE WITNESS!

APRIL 2019 NEWSLETTER

As I write this we are about halfway through Lent and our Renegade Gospel Worship Series. Some weeks we have been surprised, maybe even challenged by the lifestyle that Jesus calls us into.

Each week of the series has shed light for us about the identity of Jesus Christ and what it means to follow him. We have heard about a Jesus who was tempted and refuted the powers of this earth. He came to serve and preach good news to the poor. All of these things lay the path of discipleship before us.

I think the most consistent message that the Holy Spirit has been putting before me is the Lordship of Jesus Christ over our lives. Is following Jesus my primary focus? If not, what is getting in the way? Jesus demonstrated sacrificial living for us, to better live out the commands of loving God and people. Is there something in our lives we need to give up in order to follow Him?

We have three weeks left in our sermon series and Bible Study. Still plenty of time to join us

for the great discussion and fellowship we have been having! Video in the sanctuary starts at 8:45. Adults Class will follow in the Library. Confirmation Class will watch video and the go upstairs. We hope to see you there!

*Blessings,
Pastor Ben*



EASTER SUNDAY IS APRIL 21ST!

Easter Sunday is April 21st! Our celebration of the Risen Christ will begin with a Son-Rise service at 7:00 a.m. led by the Youth Group. A pancake breakfast will be served immediately following the SonRise service.

We will not have our regular education/Sunday School hour on Easter Sunday. During this time prior to the 10:00am

worship service, games will be offered in the Fireside Room. We received a wonderful response from the community last year, so the Youth will be offering more eggs at our Egg Hunt. The Egg Hunt will have a **start time of 9:15.**

Please invite your friends and families to join us for a morning of fun and Easter worship at Emmanuel!



OUR WINTER

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

- 8:45 Sunday School
- 10:00 Worship
- Fellowship

OUR LENTEN

WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

- 5:30 Dinner
- 6:15 Nursery Opens
- 6:30 Youth Group
- 6:30 Evening Prayer
- 7:00 Choir Rehearsal

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ELECTION BAKE SALE— TUESDAY, APRIL 2ND

There is a primary election in Appleton on Tuesday, April 2nd. This means another opportunity for another Election Bake Sale. All proceeds from the April bake sale will also go to missions.

Bakers are needed to help make delicious goodies to sell throughout the day.

Help is also needed to run the Bake Sale table from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Signups are already in the hallway for the April 2nd sale. If you are able to help bake, please bring your baked goods to the church by 5 p.m. on Monday, April 1st. Thank you to all those who have signed up already!



HOLY WEEK

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE AT EMMANUEL

Emmanuel will offer worship services for Holy Week and Easter. We will also participate in an Ecumenical Good Friday Service with neighboring churches.

Palm Sunday

Sunday, April 9th
10 a.m.

Maundy Thursday

Thursday, April 13th
6:30 p.m.

Ecumenical Good Friday

Friday, April 14th

Noon

First UCC

724 E South River St,
Appleton

Good Friday- Emmanuel

Friday, April 14th
6:30 p.m.

Easter SonRise Worship

Sunday, April 16th
7:00 a.m.

Pancake breakfast follow-
ing SonRise Service.

Egghunt 9:15

Easter Worship

Sunday, April 16th
10 a.m.

UMW NEWS

April News

With the profits from our Cookies, Fudge, Soup sale, we sent \$200.00 to Northcott Neighborhood House in Milwaukee, \$200.00 to 5 Stones for Human Trafficking, and \$200.00 to Harbor House for Domestic Violence Victims. 5 Stones and Harbor House are located in Appleton.

United Methodist Women are no longer collecting Campbell's Soup labels and Milk Moola lids and tabs.

For our district meeting, we will be assembling 100 layette kits which will be distributed in Wisconsin.

We are in need of knitters/crocheters to make baby sweaters, any pattern of your choice. Also, booties and or bonnets if you wish. Please see Gwen or Hazel for additional information. We received a grant from the Wisconsin United Methodist Foundation to help fund this. Another grant that was approved has been withdrawn because the company is in litigation.

Last year, at our district meeting, we assembled personal hygiene kits. Gwen and Hazel delivered two boxes of these to Harbor House in Appleton.

We will be having a unit meeting May 19 in the Fireside Room after church. All women are invited, young and older. This was a suggestion that came out of the unit meeting we had last year.



United
Methodist
Women

MARCH PHOTOS!



Alyssa Rukamp participated in worship as part of Girl Scout Sunday on March 10th.



We had a beautiful worship space in Fellowship Hall for Ash Wednesday on March 6th. Thank you Janet McKee for sharing your gifts!



Everett Rodney Rady was baptized at Emmanuel on March 10th.



Our Youth Group attended the Mystical Arts of Tibet exhibit at the Paine Museum in Oshkosh on March 17th. We made Prayer Flags and witnessed the opening ceremonies, welcoming the monks during their visit to Wisconsin. Thank you to Mary Pleiss for hosting us and making the day possible!

CHECK OUT CHURCH CAMP THIS SUMMER!

There is no place like Wisconsin in the summer. God has blessed us with beautiful trees, sunshine, and lakes. And there is no better place to enjoy these gifts from God than at one of our great United Methodist Church camps!

Camp is available for all ages; there are even Adult Camps and Family Camps! We have some information about these camps in the church office. More information about Camp Ministries is available online at wiumcamps.org. Emmanuel has funding available for

camp scholarships. If you are interested in camp but would like information about funding possibilities, please speak with Barb Steele or Pastor Ben.



WISCONSIN ANNUAL CONFERENCE IS JUNE 14-17



The 2019 Annual Conference is scheduled for Friday, June 14- Monday, June 17 at the KI Convention Center in Green Bay. The theme is "One in Ministry to All the World." Registration is now open online at www.wisconsinumc.org.

Peter Miano from Society of Biblical Studies will serve

as Bible Study leader throughout the conference.

On Monday a "Learning Day" will again be offered, featuring sessions on the Accountable Leadership board model, Volunteer in Mission, and Safe Sanctuary policies.

Register by May 17th for the early bird rate of \$175.

THANKS TO THOSE WHO SHARE THEIR TIME AND TALENTS AT EMMANUEL!

As we head into the fourth month of the year, I noticed that we have new and different people stepping up to handle different volunteer chores for our church.

We had 3 openings on our Board due to people taking some time off or volunteering for other jobs. The newcomers are Bill Gibson and Laura Sagers for SPRC and Paul Sagers for Finance. Barb Steele has a new job as Treasurer and Paul is taking her old job as head of SCRIP.

New to our revolving team of Wor-

ship Leaders is Connor Pitterle. He is part of our confirmation class that will finish this May.

Adding to our leaders for Children's sermon is Nicole Hernandez. She has volunteered for many things since helping with VBS last summer.

New Greeters include Stan & Carolyn Sinanan. They are friendly and have been a welcoming presence when they serve. Greeting and ushering can lead to more serving opportunities at church! :) But it is also a great way to better meet those

in our church family we don't know well. Thank you for serving!

New acolytes are Anastasia Biggs, and Julian Morris. Alyssa Rukamp has been doing it for a while but has never been recognized, and of course Brayden Hill jumped in last week and helped out.

Thanks to all of the above for giving of your time and talents to volunteer for our church, many hands make shorter work.

Now if I could get some more people to help count on Sunday after church, Cyndi, the Felton's, and myself would have more time to pursue other tasks. :)

Mike Pfahler

MISSIONARY VISIT TO EMMANUEL SUNDAY APRIL 14TH



Pastor Jean Pierre Ndour with Bill Gibson in Senegal when our mission team visited.

Our mission team to Senegal had an incredible experience. We saw how God is working

We recently received word that we one of the pastors, Jean Pierre Ndour, will be visiting the United States in April. We will receive a visit from him at Emmanuel the second week of April, around Palm Sunday.

Jean Pierre currently serves as pastor at the church in

Mbour. Within the last few years they have completed a new church building. They recently began construction on a new building near the church that will serve as new space for the Women’s skill center in Mbour.

Pastor Ndour will be with us during worship on Sunday, April 14th. Emmanuel’s UMW are also in conversation to host an event the morning of Friday, April 12th. Details are still being finalized as our newsletter goes to print.

Stay tuned for the details of when our special guest will be visiting through bulletin, email and Facebook. Come and hear how God is working through the Senegal Church!

FRIENDS, FOOD, AND FELLOWSHIP!

Join us every Wednesday at 5:30 for the best meal and best deal in town! Because of increase in food prices, meals this year will cost \$4 per person or \$10 per family! Meal will be followed by fellowship and discipleship each week.

Breakfast for Dinner is always a favorite at Emmanuel! Try out this delicious **Cocoa French Toast** recipe with your family!

Ingredients

- 1 cup milk
- 4 eggs
- 2/3 cup white sugar
- 1/3 cup unsweetened cocoa powder
- 1/8 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 8 Slices of Bread

Directions

Beat together milk, eggs, sugar, cocoa powder, baking powder, and salt.

Heat a lightly buttered skillet or griddle over medium heat.

Dip each slice of bread into egg mixture until well soaked, about 20 seconds per side. Place in pan, and cook on both sides until they are no longer gooey or shiny in the middle when cut in half, about 3 to 4 minutes per side. (Allrecipies.com)



Chocolate French Toast

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COMING UP AT EMMANUEL!!!!

- April 1st Fools Day!
- April 2nd Election and Election Bake Sale
- April 3rd Pastor Ben Senegal Trip Presentation after Wednesday Meal
- April 7th Communion Sunday
- April 10th No Wednesday Night Meal or Activities (Holy Week)
- April 14th Palm Sunday 10 a.m. Worship
- April 18th Maundy Thursday 6:30 p.m. at Emmanuel
- April 19th Good Friday; Noon Worship at First UCC, 6:30 p.m. Worship at Emmanuel
- April 21st Easter Sunday! 7 a.m. and 10 a.m. Worship
- April 22 Earth Day