



The Open Door

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52 Great Verses of the Bible

March's weekly verses ó

March 6 – **Genesis 12:1-3**

March 13 – **Joshua 24:15**

March 20 – **Exodus 15:2**

March 27 – **Exodus 3:11-12**

The March Monthly bonus passage is
Luke 1:46-55.



LYO Winter Weekend

LYO Winter Weekend 2011 is
March 4-6 Please keep **Kendall**

Baller, Mitchell Baller, Jacob Baller, Weston Enterline, Jared Russell, Jessica Riggi, Joshua Riggi, Lindsay Mancini, Sarah Rowland, Amanda McDowell, Joshua Baranello, Joey Rieger, Patrick Miller, Jenna Sacco, Caitlyn Wicks, Samantha Wilson, Allison Barnes, Lauren Bovenzi, Kate Nesbitt, Sarah Nesbitt, Sarah Geckle, Natalli Bogart, Corrin Bogart, Nan Nesbitt, Bernie Russell and Linda Belmont in your prayers as they grow in their faith.

ASH WEDNESDAY

March 9th – 7:00 PM

Ash Wednesday Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes is March 9th at 7:00 PM.

Ash Wednesday begins the 40 days of Lent, a season leading us to Holy Week and Easter. During this season Christians reflect on Christ's death for us, faith and trust in God, and acts of love and kindness for others. The Ash Wednesday Service encourages us to contemplate our faith and life in light of Jesus' giving himself for our salvation. Ashes are a sign, reminding us of our mortality, our frailty and our own undoing.

Plan to attend the Ash Wednesday Service and the other Lenten Services.



MID-WEEK LENTEN SERVICES

Plan to attend the Mid-Week Lenten Services each Wednesday evening during Lent.

“Nails that Pierce; Nails that Build”

Mid-week Lenten Experiences

March 16 ó **THE APOSTLE PAUL** ó the cross is center

March 23 ó **PILATE** ó victim of circumstances or a catalysis?

March 30 ó **THE CENTURION** ó true faith revealed or divine revelation?

April 6 ó **MARTHA & MARY** ó choices faced

April 13 ó **PETER** ó certainty of faith in the midst of uncertainty

During the mid-week services Pastor Paul and the deacons will lead us as we look at people who stand under or around the cross. What holds us there - at the cross?

Soup and Bread suppers starts March 16th at 6:00 PM before the Mid-Week Lenten Services and will be provided by:

March 16th: Social Ministry

March 23rd: Council

March 30th: Worship and Music

April 6th: Communications and Stewardship

April 13th: Property and Christian Education



God's Global Barnyard - offering boxes for use during Lent - are available on the table in the lower hallway, along with suggestions for sacrificial giving during Lent (March 9 - April 23). The boxes may be returned to church either in the offering plate or to the church office during Holy Week (April 17-24). If you wish to have your contribution recorded, please put your envelope number clearly on the box. All gifts will be sent to the ELCA World Hunger Appeal, which sponsors God's Global Barnyard.



Dear Members of Immanuel,

The Stewardship Committee would like to express their heartfelt gratitude for your extreme generosity this past year. We are very grateful for your TIME, TALENTS, and GIFTS. Your generosity helps Immanuel offer programs to share the saving grace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, within our congregation, into the community, and the world beyond.

This year our congregation will participate in a stewardship program entitled "MAKE IT SIMPLE." The MAKE IT SIMPLE theme will be the focus for our worship services Sunday March 6th through Sunday March 27th. The concluding worship will include an opportunity for each household to bring forward to the altar their Commitment Card indicating their financial support intent to the ministry of our congregation for the coming year.

We will focus on the MAKE IT SIMPLE theme in four weekly services beginning Sunday March 6, 2011. The four weekly themes are:

MAKE IT SIMPLE: Following Jesus
 MAKE IT SIMPLE: Facing the Truth
 MAKE IT SIMPLE: Acting Together
 MAKE IT SIMPLE: Sharing Enough

The theme for MAKE IT SIMPLE provides opportunities for reflection and discussion about the choices we make in our daily lives. It is biblically centered to help us grow in faith and our daily living as a disciple of Jesus. We encourage you and your family to participate in the MAKE IT SIMPLE program.

We know times are challenging. We ask you to PRAYERFULLY consider the gifts you share and to find it in your heart to give just a little bit more. God loves a cheerful giver, whether it be in giving of yourself or financially. When it comes from the heart it feels good. Everything we have comes from God. We are thanking him by giving back.

Sunday March 27, 2011, is COMMITMENT SUNDAY. Please prayerfully consider your commitment to Immanuel and spreading the Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Yours in Christ,
 Stewardship Committee



Thank you for your support on Souper Bowl Sunday! We collected 73 cans of soup and \$229, which was donated to the Webster Food Cupboard.



COMMITMENT SUNDAY – MARCH 27th

Make It Simple

Circle Sunday, March 27th on your calendar! This is our Commitment Sunday when we conclude our Annual Stewardship Appeal *ó Make It Simple ó* in a big celebration at worship. This is our opportunity to respond faithfully and renew our commitment to live out our Christian faith and the principles of Christian stewardship.

We encourage all members of the congregation to be present for worship (8:15 or 11:00 AM) on this Sunday. Members who are unable to be present will be contacted during the following week so they too can be part of this great effort as we continue to support and grow the ministry of Immanuel.



Music at Immanuel presents:
The Schola Cantorum of Christ Church,
Rochester
Friday, March 25, 2011 at 7:00PM

In a special Lenten Friday evening concert, the *Schola Cantorum* of Christ Church, Rochester, will sing selections from their repertoire of Medieval, Renaissance, and 20th century music. Every Sunday at 9:00pm from October to April, the *Schola* sings the office of Compline, the final monastic office of the day, which interweaves chant, prayer, and polyphony. Led by Director of Music Stephen Kennedy, the *Schola* has been praised by parishioners and musicians from around the world for its perfection of sound and intensity of expression.



Friday Fun For the LYO - Returns Friday, April 1st
 We will join the Senior High LYO and participate in the 30 Hour Famine.

30 Hour Famine begins Friday, April 1st, at 12 noon. We will meet at Immanuel at 6:00 pm to continue the fast and have a lock-in. The fasting will end on Saturday, April 2nd at 6 pm with a dinner at church. This event is open to youth in 6th grade and up. If you are interested, please contact Linda Belmont at cbelmon1@rochester.rr.com or 585-748-1663.



Dear Brothers and Sisters:

March 13th is the first Sunday in Lent ó the 40 days prior to Easter. Lent cannot be separated from Easter. It is a journey toward Easter that we make every year.

Easter celebrates the resurrection of Jesus. Easter is the reason we gather every Sunday ó to celebrate the resurrection and new life we are give by God through Jesus. We are made part of Jesusø life, death and resurrection through the waters of baptism. Lent is part of the churchø way to keep us focused on the life we have in Jesus.

Lent is a time to look at our lives and how we live. So often we ògive something upö for Lent. But the òdisciplines of Lentö are more than this. It is a time to focus on the love that God gives and how our lives reflect that love. The òdisciplines of Lentö ó repentance, fasting, prayer, and works of love ó serve as a way to help us in the focus. Our lives can and should focus on God throughout the year, but here is a time to provide a special focus and a time for renewing.

Whatever you do during this Lenten season, give time for God to work in you and through you so that the resurrection of Jesus fills each and every day.

In Christ,

Pastor Paul

Pastor Paul

WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDIES

òGreat Stories of the Old Testamentö continues during Monday and Thursday Bible Studies. We read and discuss some of the wonderful stories of the Old Testament. We talk about how God has come to Godø people - sometimes in blessing; other times to correct and call to repentance.

The Bible stories for March ó

March 3 & 7 ó David (1 Samuel 16:1-13, 17; 2 Samuel 2:1-11, 5:1-12; 11; 12)

March 17 & 21 ó Solomonø Wisdom (1 Kings 3-7)

The Monday Evening Bible Study meets on the first and third Mondays of the month at 7:00 PM. The Thursday Morning Bible Study meets at 10:30 AM on the first and third Thursdays. Both Bible Studies meet at Immanuel ó and they are ñuser-friendlyø!

Youth Ministry Certification School

I attended another session of the Youth Ministry Certification School at the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg from February 10th through 12th.

The New Testament and Faith Formation were the classroom topics that we covered. Dr Rick Carlson who is a professor of biblical studies at the Gettysburg Seminary was our instructor for the New Testament section. We covered the Gospels, Paulø epistles and Revelation. The review of the Gospels and the epistles provided an overview and context to understand the significance and perspective of each authorø writing. The Revelation study was aimed at properly interpreting this book in light of the recent success of The Left Behind series. The discussion of Faith Formation was led by Dr. Jessicah Krey Duckworth of the Wesley Theological Seminary who is an assistant professor of Christian Formation and Teaching. Her presentation provided an overview of the what faith formation is and the role of community and education in promoting faith formation.

The class also spent time working on our one-to-three year ministry plan. The weekend was an excellent learning experience even though it will take a few weeks to go back over all the material that was presented.

Dave Ekimoff



Confirmation Camp

Youth in grades 7 and 8 are encouraged to attend Lake Chautauqua Lutheran Camp July 17-22, 2011. If you are planning on attending, please contact Dave Ekimoff (872-5180). Space is limited at the camp and they accept registrations on a first-come, first-reserved basis. Applications are available the beginning of March and a non-refundable deposit of \$75 is due by March 27th.

Women of the ELCA

Upcoming Event: 2011 Communion Brunch
Date: Saturday, March 26, 2011
Time: Registration begins at 9:30am
Program: Pastor Imani Dodley

òMy Visit to Zimbabwe and Zambiaö
Place: Christ the Good Shepherd
1000 Winton Road North
Rochester, NY



BRUNCH





CONFIRMATION PROJECT
Students and Mentors
Working Together

The nine youth of the Second Year Confirmation Class are at work with their mentors on the annual Confirmation Project. The youth will present their projects at the *Saturday Celebration* on May 21st, at 11:00 AM

The Confirmation Project is an opportunity for each of the Confirmation youth to express his/her faith and how he/she is growing in faith. The youth will use a variety of ways to express themselves in their Confirmation Projects (words, pictures, sounds, etc.). It is also an occasion for the youth to share an important (for him/her) aspect of what he/she has learned during the two year Confirmation program. An adult mentor from the congregation is assigned to each youth as a guide and support person as the project develops.

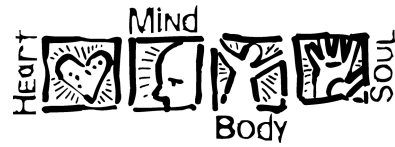
A thank you to those serving as mentors this year: Toni Baller, Judy Brederson, Mike Herrman, Chris Kulp, Dave Reville, Lori Russell, Leslie Schwartz, Bonnie Slack, Barb Stam



Webster Support Group

The Multiple Sclerosis Society is a nonprofit organization that provides information, education, referrals, and support for people living with MS. The Upstate New York Chapter covers a 50 county region across the state and our chapter headquarters is here in Monroe County. We offer several support groups in Monroe County, one of which is in Webster. For 25+ years the Women's Club of Webster has volunteered to provide this group with lunch twice per month when we meet. Group members enjoy a meal along with socialization, support and friendship with others who can truly relate to what it is like to live with MS.

Our next meetings are March 10th and 24th from noon-2:00 at Immanuel Lutheran Church. For more information, please call either Debbie or Dee at 585-271-0801, option #2.



WELLNESS ON WEDNESDAYS – WOW!

Join us for Wellness on Wednesdays at 10:00 AM! Come and enjoy fun, food and friendship, with a program, chair exercise, blood pressure check and a delicious lunch.

The program schedule ó

- March 2 -Don't Be a Victim of Fraud Scams
ó Jim Lynd from Lifespan
- March 9 -Dotty and Friends will lead us in a Sing Along which will include some good old Irish tunes!
- March 16 -The Truth of the Matter isí ø- Join us in this fun game of truth/fiction! Be prepared to laugh a lot!
- March 23 -Discover Irelandø - Joyce Roeder's color slide travelogue
- March 30 -Strategies for Memory Enhancementøó Suzanne Feather (MVP) will present a fun guide to memory and aging!
- April 6 -Topics and Talesøó Choose a topic and hear the tales, as we get to know each other just a little bit better.
- April 13 -All About Lollipop Farm / Pet Assisted Therapy - Joet Hartman, presenter; (this time we promise some animals.)
- April 20 NO WOW (HOLY WEEK)
- April 27 Cobblestone Society Museum ó Curator, Deborah Brundage will give a powerpoint presentation on this amazing little museum, not too far from Webster.

Come and join the fun ó and bring a friend to share it with! Transportation is available by calling the church office (872-5180) by Tuesday at 10:00AM. A \$2 donation for lunch is requested. We look forward to seeing you!



Thank You!

Thank you to everyone for donating so many coats! Many people have stayed warm this winter because of you! I collected 80 coats and my Daisy Troop collected over 500 coats, snow pants, hats and mittens! Every donation was taken by an individual from Wayne County in December. It was amazing to see them all and to know that we all helped someone less fortunate!

Thank you again,
Julia Sponable



WORSHIP AND MUSIC MEETING Thursday, March 3

Worship and Music will meet on Thursday, March 3, 7:00 PM.

DEACONS MEETING Tuesday, March 8th at 7:00 PM

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING Thursday, March 10

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING Thursday, March 10th at 7:00PM



In Stitches will meet on March 20th at 1:00pm. The Friday morning quilters meet each Friday at 9:00am. All are welcome and you do not need to know how to quilt.



Handbell Festival!

The American Guild of English Handbell Ringers (AGEHR) Festival is in Kutztown, PA July 7-10 this year. Information and registration forms are available if you are interested in participating in this exciting event. Workshops, concerts, rehearsals, and just plain fun (as well as staying in a college dorm, climbing hills, and eating college food) are part of the experience. A deposit of \$35 is required by mid-March with the balance (\$295) due by mid-May. You do not need to be a polished ringer to attend - there are classes and workshops for all levels of players - and we all learn MUCH!!



Save the Dates!

Vacation Bible School for children 3 years old - 5th grade is July 25-29 from 9:00-12:00. Look for registration forms in the May issue of The Open Door.

Adult Vacation Bible School is August 1-4.

Volunteers are needed for both! Please contact Dave Ekimoff if you would like to help.



Immanuel's annual Music Camp will take place from 9am - Noon, Monday, August 22 to Thursday, August 25. We look forward to closing out the summer months with another great week of singing, dancing, bells, chimes, and percussion! Children entering grades 1 - 5 are welcome to attend. The cost is \$10 per child, maximum \$20 per family.



6 March Worship Assistant Schedule

	March 6, 2011		March 13, 2011		March 20, 2011		March 27, 2011	
	8:15 AM	11:00 AM	8:15 AM	11:00 AM	8:15 AM	11:00 AM	8:15 AM	11:00 AM
Assisting Minister	Tom Lombardo	Bruce Kulp	Cheryl Davies	Bernie Russell	Charlie Klauck	Leslie Schwartz	Deacon Dave Reville	Nancy Witmer
Reader	Doris Baranello	Kathy Bannon	Kendall Baller	Ian Russell	Benjamin Derleth	Karen Holroyd	Sue Herrman	Bob Witmer
Comm. Assistant	Marian Kachmaryk	Jeanne Ludwig	Toni Baller	Lori Russell	Sherry Klauck	Ken Schwartz	Mike Herrman	Janice Durand
Acolyte	Alyssa Wicks	Mac Immesoete	Jessica Hewlett	Patrick Miller	Rebecca Barnes	Sarah Geckle	Lauren Bovenzi	Emily Ruffell
Crucifer	Jacob Kachmaryk	Gary Immesoete	Jacob Baller	Jared Russell	Allison Barnes	Matthew Geckle	Michael Cawley	Aideen Foster
Greeters	Fran Mooney, Don O'Mara	The Boyatzies Family	Bill & Linda Saucke	Kathy Morgan	Jan & Judy Brederson	Jay & Arline Taber	Ed & Nancy Behrens	Wendy Pryor & Gary Cannon
Ushers	Josh Baranello, Nancy & Bob Sponable, Maureen Hubbard	Janice Durand, Heather & Gary Immesoete	Ron Nohe, Don O'Mara, Martha Styles, Carol Dittberner	Tamie & Andrew Miller	Lori & Dave Derleth, Betty Tisa, Linda Belmont	Amy & Raechel Crosby, Mark & Josh Geckle	Jeff & Bonnie Slack, Fran Mooney, Carol Galskoy	Jeff, Katherine, Claire Foster, Helmut Gunkel
Nursery	Sharon Diringer	Heidi Smith	Nan Nesbitt	Lisa Foster	Dena Fedkew	Lisa Riggi	Sandy Colbert	
Altar Guild	Kris & Tom Lombardo	Gail Weaver	Kris & Tom Lombardo	Gail Weaver	Kris & Tom Lombardo	Gail Weaver	Kris & Tom Lombardo	Gail Weaver
Counters								

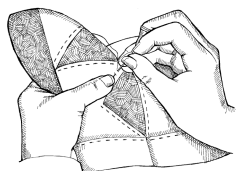
Please note: If you are unable to assist at the time for which you are scheduled, please make the necessary arrangements to switch with someone else on the schedule. After making the change, please inform the church by calling 872-5180 as soon as possible so that the correct information is listed in Sunday's bulletin. If you would like to fill an opening, please contact the church by email (immanev@frontiernet.net) or by phone (872-5180).

Thank you for sharing your time and talents to serve the Lord!



~ March 2011 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 6p-8p 1st Year Confirmation Dinner & Class 6p-8p 2nd Year Confirmation Dinner & Class 6:30p-8p ImmanuBells Rehearsal 7p-8p 7:00 Finance Meeting	2 10a-12:30p Wellness on Wednesdays 7p-8:30p Senior Choir	3 10:30a-11:30a Bible Study 7p-9p Girl Scouts 7p-8p Worship and Music Meeting	4 LYO Winter Weekend 9a-11:30a Quilters 9a-10a Office Help	5
6 Articles for The Open Door are due 7:30a-8:30a Gathering Choir 8:15a & 11:00am Worship with Holy Communion 9:30a-10:45a Sunday School 5p-6p Grace @ 5	7 6:30p-7:30p Property Committee 7p-8p Bible Study 8p-9p AA, Al-Anon, Alateen	8 6p-8p 1st Year Confirmation Dinner & Class 6:30p-8p ImmanuBells Rehearsal 7:00p Deacons Meeting	9 Ash Wednesday 10a-12:30p Wellness on Wednesdays 7p-8p 7p Ash Wednesday Service with Holy Communion 8p Senior Choir	10 11:15a-2:15p MS Group 7p-8p Communications Meeting 7p-8p Stewardship Meeting 7p-8p Toastmaster's	11 9a-11:30a Quilters 9a-10a Office Help	12 8:30a Church Council Retreat at St. John's 9:00a Children's Choir Chime Rehearsal 1p-2p Fellowship Group
13 8:15a & 11:00am Worship with Holy Communion 9:30a-10:45a Sunday School 9:30a-10:30a Fastnacht Kugels for Lent	14 7p-8p Church Council Meeting 8p-9p AA, Al-Anon, Alateen	15 6p-8p 2nd Year Confirmation Dinner & Class 6:30p-8p ImmanuBells Rehearsal	16 10a-12:30p Wellness on Wednesdays 6p-7p Soup Supper 7p-8p Mid Week Lenten Service 7p-8p Outreach Meeting 8p-9p Senior Choir	17 10:30a-11:30a Bible Study 7p-9p Girl Scouts 7p-8p Book Club	18 9a-11:30a Quilters 9a-10a Office Help	19 9:00a Children's Choir Chime Rehearsal
20 7:30a-8:30a Gathering Choir 8:15a & 11:00am Worship with Holy Communion 9:30a-10:45a Sunday School 1p-3p In Stitches	21 7p-8p Bible Study 8p-9p AA, Al-Anon, Alateen	22 6p-8p 1st Year Confirmation Dinner & Class 6:30p-8p ImmanuBells Rehearsal	23 10a-12:30p Wellness on Wednesdays 6p-7p Soup Supper 7p-8p Mid Week Lenten Service 8p-9p Senior Choir	24 11:15a-2:15p MS Group 7p-9:30p Toastmaster's	25 9a-11:30a Quilters 9a-10a Office Help 9a-10a Open Door Folders 7:00p Music at Immanuel presents: <i>The Schola Cantorum of Christ Church</i>	26 9:00a Children's Choir Chime Rehearsal 9:30a WELCA Communion Brunch at Christ the Good Shepherd
27 8:15a & 11:00am Worship with Holy Communion 9:30a-10:45a Sunday School	28 6:30p-7:30p Christian Education Meeting 7p-8p Social Ministry Meeting 8p-9p AA, Al-Anon, Alateen	29 6:30p-8p ImmanuBells Rehearsal	30 10a-12:30p Wellness on Wednesdays 6p-7p Soup Supper 7p-8p Mid Week Lenten Service 8p-9p Senior Choir	31		





Quilts for Veterans Outreach Center

QUILTING GROUP You may have seen the beautiful quilts on the church pews in January. Twenty-six quilts, made by women of Immanuel, were delivered to the Veterans Outreach Center in Rochester after they were blessed during worship. Friday Quilters and 3rd Sunday "In Stitches" have worked through the fall to create these quilts, made with fabric purchased through a grant from Thrivent Financials for Lutherans. Each quilt has 48 10 1/2" squares, a batting center, and usually a sheet backing. The layers are tied together and a border is sewn for finishing. Women who have worked on creating these gifts include Carol Dittberner, Martha Styles, Caryl Meyer, Carol Burnett, Ruth Sorenson, Lyn Krauss, Arlene Wackerow, Arelene Gibson, Marion Campbell, Nancy Witmer, Erica Jonas, Marian Kachmaryk, Linda Belmont, and Marguerite Manning.

The Veterans Outreach Center is located on South Avenue at the intersection of Alexander St. 13 buildings make up the campus of the Center, with the Stars and Stripes store open to the public. Veterans can come to the Center for education, job training, counseling, and a variety of other services. The Richards House has housing for 26 men who can stay up to 6 months while they use the services at the Center. We try to provide quilts for each person residing there, which means we are on our way to the next batch of 26!!

You do not need to know how to quilt to join us. Friday Quilters meet from 9 - 11:30 every Friday morning, and "In Stitches" stay for a light lunch after the 11:00 service on the 3rd Sunday of the month, then tie quilts until 3 or so. If you can tie a knot, you can join us!! And for those who sew but cannot come to the quilting bees, pre-cut squares are bundled on the top of the coat rack near the Fellowship Hall door - take a bundle home, create a quilt top, return it to the plastic bin, and see what happens!!

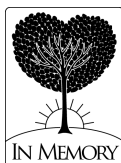
Thank You!

Our congregation has received a number of thank yous from different organizations over the past two months. They are posted on the bulletin board above the water fountain in the lower hallway.



To the Grieving
Family and Friends of:

**Reverend Lee Miller
Judith Wilcox**



**Memorial gifts were received
in loving memory of:**

Edna Krueger

by
Alice Klapp
Mr. & Mrs. Charles Styles
The Herkstroeter Family

Gordon Lewis

by
Carrie and Chris Stamos
Mr. & Mrs. Charles Styles

Gordon Hembrook

by
Jill Hembrook

Judith Wilcox

by
Union Church of Christ Women's Group
Margaret Alduk
Mr. & Mrs. Steve Van Buren
ImmanuBells
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Bodensteiner
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Schmitt
Corrine Pimm
Mr. & Mrs. Harry Werner

Thank You!

Immanuel Friends,
Thank you for the prayer shawl and soup you had sent over to my house after my surgery. The surgery went well and I hope to be back to work soon. The soup and shawl were great to have during the cold weekend.
Thanks,
Joe Rieger



Florence Culligan	3/1
Karen Keymel	3/1
Heather Ashton	3/2
Richard Clark	3/3
Suzanne Clark	3/2
Sharon Diringler	3/2
Sophia Bonacci	3/4
Gary Cannon	3/4
Lisa Charland	3/4
Daniel Volpe	3/4
Madison Slack	3/5
Marie Tuohy	3/5
Jean Schrader	3/6
Lyn Krauss	3/8
Cian Diegert	3/9
Raechel Crosby	3/11
Tracey Miller	3/12
Ava Sproba	3/12
Judy Brederson	3/14
Dale Mastowski	3/14
Jonathan Shoop	3/14
Erin Breen	3/15
Frances Mooney	3/15
Madilyn Rossiter	3/15
Dawn Kachmaryk	3/16
Arnold Krueger	3/16
Joshua Riggi	3/16
Emma Sullivan-Wilcox	3/16
Kyle Elli	3/17
Joslynn Ferreri	3/17
Skylar Corey	3/19
Sunnie Nicholson	3/19
Dale Rowland	3/19
Robert Keppeler	3/20
Florence Keyel	3/20
Becca Lombardo	3/22
David Pettitt	3/22
Richard Prideaux	3/22
Oliver Tobey	3/22
Amelia Tobey	3/23
Jason Webster	3/23
James White	3/23
Bob Witmer Jr.	3/23
Eloise Hultquist	3/24
Delores Swanson	3/25
Tom Thorpe	3/25



Gary Nicholson Jr.	3/26
Mike Connor	3/27
Robert Gabriel	3/27
Heidi Smith	3/27
Cameron White	3/27
Connor White	3/27
Dorothy Sawyer	3/28
Jacob Muhleman	3/29
Bob Pigage	3/29
Jamie Showman	3/29
Zachary Shoop	3/30
Clarie Ashton	3/31
Alissa Charland	3/31
Andrew Miller	3/31

Celebrating

An Anniversary This Month

	Date	Years
David & Kym Pettitt	3/2	15
Thomas & Brenda Toal	3/10	49
Richard & Suzanne Clark	3/31	21

Is the Open Door missing your anniversary or birthday? If so, please contact Barb at the office (872-5180). Thanks!



Renee Abrey
Brad and Eric Abrey
152 S. Estate Dr.
Webster, NY 14580

If you have moved, changed your phone number or email address, please contact the office at 872-5180 or email immanev@frontiernet.net. We would also like email address changes. Thanks!



A Sign of Trust





Abraham and Sarah trusted in God. They believed that God would keep them safe when they traveled into the wilderness to make a new home.






Jesus trusted God. He believed that God would always be with him, even when he knew he was going to die on the cross.





God always keeps promises!


Jesus asks us to trust God and to do one thing. Solve the puzzle below to discover what we can do.



CODE: A =  E =  O =  U = 

T  K   P Y   R

CR  SS  ND F  LL  W

M 



You are part of a promise that God kept to Abraham. Look up Genesis 15:5-6 to find out what the promise was.





Immanuel's Sunday morning services are broadcast at 12 Noon each Sunday on Webster Cable Channel 12. This has been an outreach to our community for many, many years.

For homebound members of Immanuel who do not have access to Webster Cable television we can provide you with a video cassette or DVD copy of the service for viewing at home. If you would like a video copy of the Sunday Services, please contact the Church Office (872-5180) and arrangements will be made so you receive them on a regular basis. If you would like to receive the bulletin each week to follow along with the service, please contact the church office.



The Shepherd of the month
for March is:

Kris Lombardo

Please give her a call at 347-4618 if you know of someone in our church family who has had a baby, recently been hospitalized or ill, surgery, death in the family, or could just use a helping hand. The shepherd can provide a simple meal, a warm thought, or locate a volunteer to help.

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS TAKE
COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND**

Homebound members of Immanuel receive Holy Communion normally on a regular basis. This is possible because of a ministry in the congregation as Eucharistic Ministers continue the communion distribution from our Sunday worship to those members who are in nursing homes, the hospital or homebound. This supplements the visitation and Home Communion that Pastor Shoop shares with our members.

Eucharistic Ministers take communion to 2 or 3 homebound members. This is done following worship on a Sunday. It involves a few hours on these Sundays ó this includes travel time to and from the homebound members' place of residence and the time spent with the member. Eucharistic Ministers also should be regular in their own reception of the sacrament and participation in the ministry of the congregation.

If you are interested in learning more about Eucharistic Ministers, please speak with Pastor Paul.



Directory

Pastor Paul E. Shoop
Assoc. for Congregational Ministries. Dave Ekimoff
Pastor Emeritus John F. Beeg
Administrative Associate Barb Rafferty
Director of Music Thatcher Lyman
Handbell Choir Director Marguerite Manning
Grace @ 5 Music. Isobel Davies
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**Articles for the April Open Door
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Celebrate the excitement of God's influence in life by being visible witnesses of Christ; and,
Minister to the spiritual and physical needs of our community and the world, through our God given talents.

The Upstate New York Synod:
We are a resurrection people who Pray First, Walk Together, and Change Lives.
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