This is a very abbreviated Reminder as we are unsure what the next couple of weeks will bring.

As we get back to a little normalcy in our lives we will be keeping you up to date on a weekly basis.
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**BUILDING USAGE REMINDERS**  
all events should be put on the  
MASTER CALENDAR on the wall in the  
secretary’s office, or by leaving  
an email message at  
secretary@immanuelcedarburg.org  
as soon as you schedule them.

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**PLEASE make certain all doors**  
are locked AND all lights are off.  
If you are one of the last ones out of the building, at any time, please make sure the door locks behind you by pulling on it.  
Thank You!

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**Our Newsletter Deadline**  
is the 22nd of every month.

**PLEASE** make certain that all schedules, articles, items of interest for our newsletter and Calendar Dates for events and meetings are turned into the Church Office or emailed, on or before the 22nd for them to be included!

Your timely cooperation in making our newsletter complete helps us keep our members informed and involved!!

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Please check our website for updates to the calendar.

Since our calendar is continuously updated you can check it out at any time for new event times, etc.  
Immanuel’s website is:  
www.immanuelcedarburg.org

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Stay in touch with email  
If you have not been receiving the newsletters by email, please call or email the office.

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PEOPLE OF GOD’S GRACE. BUILDING ON THE PAST. GROWING IN THE PRESENT.  
PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE — IN JESUS CHRIST
Dear Friends,

As I sit down to write my April newsletter article, I kind of feel like we are living the storybook, “The Grinch that Stole Christmas,” with a new heading - “The Covid-19 Corona Virus that stole Easter.” While as a church, we had hoped to be back together on Palm Sunday, current requirements are stringent, and for the health of us all, we must acknowledge them. This is a big grief for all of us, as we love our church all the time, but perhaps most at Easter. It is when the flowers smell so sweet and fresh and welcome us warmly as we enter the sanctuary. It is when the Alleluias ring from our bells and sing from our rafters, resounding through our whole church, right out the doors onto the downtown streets!

I can almost taste the delicious breakfast the softball team prepares for us and hear all the buzz of joyful conversation going on around me as we celebrate and feast and celebrate again, for some of us, three times that morning! After forty days of Lent, our hearts yearn so dearly to hear the good news proclaimed again: Christ is Risen, he is Risen Indeed, Alleluia! I have tears coming to my eyes even as I recall the great Easters of past years spent together as a faith family.

This year will be very different.

And yet.

While Easter day chosen by the church to celebrate, following a formula of after the first full moon following the spring equinox, will indeed be canceled or streamed from home this year, can Christ’s resurrection ever be canceled? I think our time in quarantine is teaching us, absolutely not. It is during this time, that we cling to the promises of God more than ever!

Friends, there may still be tradition yet to be had. For as the Grinch himself learned about Christmas, that it came without ribbons, it came without tags, it came without packages, boxes or bags, so we can also claim about Easter. It comes without baskets. It comes without eggs. It comes without rabbits or breakfasts or bells. Easter it seems, doesn’t come from a day. Easter, is the promise Christ for now, and always!

As soon as we are able to get back together again, we will have the biggest resurrection celebration you can imagine, so friends keep imagining that day, and until then, keep your social spaciousness, but extend the warmth of your hearts to one another in love. Cleave to the promises that we are saved by God’s grace through our faith for now and for always!

Love and Easter hope in Christ,
Pastor Vicki
FINANCIAL SECRETARY’S REPORT

February 2020 EXPENSES:
$21,573.44

February 2020 Contributions:
$10,991.00

In Memory of:
Dennis Haeuser $ 10 Decorating Team
Bill Brandt $125 Window Fund

Our giving in February 2020 was as follows:

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NOTE: Numbers in brackets behind year indicates the number of Sundays or deposits in that month. These figures include only contributions to the General & Benevolence Funds.

We’ve asked people to share some of their “What we are grateful for” “at home” time with us. Our first submission is from the Stoffel’s who are enjoying new recipes and game time.

What’s your family doing to pass your time at home??

Please email us your pictures and we’ll share them with our Friday reminders each week – considering there isn’t too much we have to remind people of right now.
Once again this year we will be supplying 12 complete ham meals to Incarnation’s Food Pantry. All donations need to be at church by Sunday, April 5th, for delivery to Milwaukee on the 6th.

Thanx to a generous donation from Paul and Donna Cooke and help from Thrivent we have money to help purchase regular food stuffs and perishable food items.

All other “holiday” non-perishable food can be left in the bins in the south hallway. **THE CHURCH IS OPEN DAILY FROM 9 A.M. TO 1 P.M. AND DONATIONS CAN JUST BE DROPPED OFF IN THE BINS IN THE SOUTH HALLWAY. OR JUST LEAVE ITEMS BETWEEN THE DOORS IF YOU ARE IN CEDARBURG OUTSIDE OF OFFICE HOURS.**

Thanx to everyone for your help. It is very much appreciated by the people who partake of the Incarnation Food Pantry and very much needed during this critical times. And a special Thanx to Mike Wendorf and his sister-in-law, Amy Shesto, for supplying the hams!

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“To our Church Family”. . .Your generosity is overwhelming! Thank you so much. A special Thanks to all. . .Diane Brandt & Rob & Lisa Teske

The actual Thank You card with their longer message can be found in the “Positively Immanuel” area in Memorial Hall.

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**MISSION QUILTERS UPDATE**

The Mission Quilters’ next sewing days are tentatively scheduled for Monday and Tuesday, April 20 & 21, 2020. We’ll plan to meet upstairs in Fromm Hall at 9:00 a.m. both days and work until approximately 2:30 p.m. Just bring your scissors, a sandwich for our lunch break, and a smile. We’ll supply the chips, relishes, coffee and dessert. We’d love to see anyone interested in joining us one or both days!

In these uncertain times, however, our plans to meet are subject to change. Please watch for email and other communications from church to keep you informed of any possible changes to our quilting schedule.

While we are staying home to reduce the chances of contacting or spreading COVID-19, several members of our group will continue to work at home cutting and sewing quilt tops, backs and fillers. We can always use new or used cotton or flannel sheets of all sizes, leftover cotton fabric, sewing thread, and cotton crochet thread as well. If you have any supplies you’d like to donate, just leave them in the room behind the kitchen upstairs and mark “For Mission Quilters”. We’d be so grateful to receive all donations.
**TO MEMBERS WHO ARE CELEBRATING IN APRIL**

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**Please remember these brothers and sisters in Christ in your prayers, along with others that you name in our heart. And all those being affected one way or another by COVID-19.**

Madeline
Shirley Burmeister
Tom Anderson
Wally Grube
Carol Kletzien
Dave Tucholka

Judy
Alice Dickman
Nancy Tucholka
Randy Kannenberg
Margaret Radke
Maddie

Russ
Kaitlyn
Kelly
Viola
Jerry
Surya

Eleanor
Don
Gary
Erwin
Abbey
Kirk

And the family and friends of Nicole Owens on the passing of her brother. Nicole is our contact person at Incarnation’s Food Pantry.
SUNDAY VOLUNTEERS

Volunteering is a work of heart

April

With the uncertainty of what we will be or can be doing right now, once we restart regular services we will be looking for people to return to their volunteer jobs as lectors, communion assistants, altar guild and power point people.

When we reach out to you, please consider signing up at that time for the various services. Lectors and communion assistants sign up on a monthly basis, while we’d like the altar guild people to sign up for a 3-month period — being April/May/June. Keep in mind that as of Sunday, May 24th, we’ll be going to our 9 a.m. one-service Sunday schedule.

And if you have never been involved in any of these service areas, please possibly consider joining one of our teams.

Listed below are descriptions of these various ministry opportunities:

Lectors: read the lessons each Sunday during the services. One lector is scheduled for each service, with Traditional services having all three lessons read and the Praise service having only one lesson read. The lessons are sent out prior to the service as some additional time may be needed to review the readings prior to Sunday’s services (especially if they include biblical names). All adults and youth are welcome to be lectors.

Communion Assistants: are scheduled to assist the Pastor with communion at each service. Usually, there are two assistants, one for the drinking cup of wine and one for the intinction or dipping cup. Adults and youth in confirmation class or older may volunteer to assist with communion. Pastor will provide instruction as needed for volunteers.

Altar Guild: Each member signs up for the Sunday(s) and service time (8 or 10:30 a.m.) that works for them. The schedule is made out for three months in advance. The two responsibilities before a church service are placing all items needed for the communion service on the altar and lighting the altar candles. After the church service we extinguish the candles and either prepare the altar for the next service or wash and store all items used.

Time involved is approximately 10 minutes before and after the church service. Everyone is welcome to service with us as families, couples or individuals.
Immanuel Lutheran’s On-Line Giving

Just a reminder that Immanuel offers fast, safe and convenient on-line giving options so you can continue to support our work at Immanuel.

We may not be meeting for weekly worship services right now, but your generous gifts to the church can still easily continue when you use on-line giving.

On-line giving can be done by visiting the church website (https://www.immanuelcedarburg.org) and clicking on the On-Line Giving tab (right next to the “Live Streaming) as shown below. Members can choose to:

“Give via Vanco” which is our secure eGiving provider OR

“Give via Paypal”

If choosing to “Give via Vanco”, first time users will need to create an Online Profile before Designating any giving options.

If choosing to “Give via Paypal”, users will be directed to the Paypal website to complete their gifts to Immanuel.

Thank you for considering on-line giving and supporting our wonderful church! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our Financial Secretary, Christa Hackert.

Click On-Line Giving and choose to “Give via Vanco” or “Give via Paypal”
DAILY DEVOTION


Neither sugar nor salt tastes particularly good by itself. Each is at its best when used to season other things. Love is the same way. Use it to “season” people. —Vera Nazarian

Jesus said, “You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot” (Matthew 5:13, NIV).

If you are like me, perhaps you think that the primary use for salt is in food preparation, or as a seasoning for food.

According to salt experts, however, food preparation and seasoning accounts for only 6 percent of salt usage. In fact, salt can be used in more than 14,000 different ways. These applications can be sorted into five major categories: Water conditioning, food grade salt, agriculture, highway deicing and industrial chemicals. Salt is used in the making of products as varied as plastic, paper, glass, polyester, rubber and fertilizers. It is used in household bleach, soaps, detergents and dyes.

I read recently of another use for salt. In Jordan, a country that borders Israel in the Middle East, salt is sometimes used to help the cooking process. In rural Jordan, the Jordanians put salt on fire to increase the temperature of the rocks for baking bread. When the salt they use for this purpose is no longer effective, it’s taken away and thrown onto the path, just as Jesus said in his Sermon on the Mount.

Jesus said that we are the salt of the earth. What I really like is that this metaphor leaves a lot of space for us to all have different “uses,” functions and purposes. Some salt is used as seasoning. Salt is sometimes used as a preservative. Salt can also be used to thaw ice. Salt can also be used to make water potable.

As Christians, we do not all look alike, nor do we have the same function. We have our own ministries and things we do well, just like salt!

So, let’s be salty Christians this week! Let’s be the salt of the earth! Let’s be the person Jesus wants us to be, and bring glory to God!

—Timothy Merrill

Prayer: Lord Jesus, keep me from getting in the way of the blessing you have for others. Instead, help me to be the seasoning and love to make their blessing even better! In your name. Amen.
Verse to Remember

Those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

—Isaiah 40:31

CROSSWORD: All of the clues and answers are taken from the story of Job, the book in the Bible that comes right before Psalms.

ACROSS
2. Cause trouble
4. Twinkling, heavenly lights
6. The Shuhite, a friend (2:11)
8. Creature of the deep, (41:1)
12. The Temanite, a friend (2:11)
13. Sores

DOWN
1. The One who ever lives (19:25)
2. Affliction
3. Had seven sons
4. Ocean
5. Precipitation
9. The Naamathite, a friend (2:11)
10. Job had 3,000
11. Job’s 4th friend (32:2)

Solution:
Across
2. Satan
4. stars
6. Bildad
8. Leviathan
12. Eliphaz
13. boils
15. sheep

Solution:
Down
1. Redeemer
2. suffering
3. Job
4. sea
5. rain
7. donkeys
9. Zophar
10. camels
11. Eliphaz
14. oxen

Nevertheless, the righteous will hold to their ways, and those with clean hands will grow stronger.

Job 17:9