

Birthdays...

8 Kali Anderson
9 Jill Loomis
Brian Rasmussen
Kent Klootwyk
10 Ted Strohmman
Makenna Burns
11 Elias Meyer
14 Blake Ver Mulm
15 Angie Strohmman
Jemma Elman

Anniversaries...

*No Anniversaries this week

Attendance ...

3/1/2020 131

Empowering

EFUMC Ministry...

3/1/2020

General Fund	\$ 3,457.65
Sunday Brunch	\$ 265.00
Trustees	\$ 440.00
Total	\$ 4,162.65

thank
you

Nursery Available...

Nursery care is available during the worship service for children (Newborns up to the second grade). The nursery is located on the second floor.

Although nursery care is provided during the worship service, children are welcome and encouraged to participate in our worship services.

This Week...

Sunday, March 9

9:00 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Worship Service
11:30 AM Confirmation
11:30 AM Scholarship & Endowment Grant Meetings
@Family Life Center
4:30 PM Financial Peace University @Family Life Center

Monday, March 9

4:00 PM Intercessory Prayer @Emerald Oaks

Tuesday, March 10

4:30 PM Praise Team Practice
5:30 PM SPRC Meeting
6:00 PM Intensified Prayer Meeting @War Room

Wednesday, March 11

1:30 PM Upper Room Bible Study @Emerald Oaks
3:30 PM 345 ALIVE in the basement
5:30 PM Jr UMYF in the basement
6:00 PM Bell Choir Practice resumes
6:30 PM Sr UMYF @Family Life Center
6:30 PM Finance Committee Meeting
7:30 PM Admin Council Meeting

Friday, March 13

**Office Closed*

9:30 AM Men's Prayer Group in the Library

Saturday, March 14

11:00 AM Potato Palooza @Family Life Center

Sunday, March 15

9:00 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Worship Service
11:30 AM Confirmation
1:00 pm Worship Service @PARC Hall
1:45 pm Worship Service @Kathleen's
2:30 pm Worship Service @Emmetsburg Care Center
4:30 PM Financial Peace University @Family Life Center



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Call to Worship,
Opening Prayer,
& Scripture Readings

Genesis 12:1-4a

Psalms 121

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

John 3:1-17

If Thou But Suffer God to
Guide Thee

The writer is Georg Neumark (1621-1681). As a young man Georg was enroute to the university at Konigsberg, Germany, when he was stopped and robbed midway in his journey. The thieves were kind enough not to take his prayer book—and they missed

Second Sunday in Lent

March 8, 2020, 10:00AM

Welcome! We're glad you're here.

When you see the [], people are invited to arise as able.*

Hymns No. 57-734 are in the red hymnal (The United Methodist Hymnal), 2000's are in the black hymnal (The Faith We Sing).

PRELUDE

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Come, all who need help!

**Our help comes from God,
the one who made heaven and earth.**

Come, all who desire blessing!

**Our blessing comes from God,
the God of Abraham, the God of the ages.**

Come, all who long for salvation!

**Our salvation comes from Jesus Christ,
the one sent by God to save the world.**

***OPENING HYMN**

142 If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee

***OPENING PRAYER**

God of the ages,

**we come into this holy space asking for your blessing,
only to find that the abundance of your love
is already around us.**

**Open our eyes to see the blessing of your creation
in the beauty all around us.**

**Open our ears to hear the blessing of your word
as it is proclaimed in story and song this day.**

**Open our hearts to experience the blessing of faith
through the gentle touch of a friend
or the supportive smile of a stranger.**

**And open our doors,
that we may become vessels of your blessing
to a world still in need of salvation.**

All this we pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

a small packet of emergency money sewn into Neumark's clothing.

But without funds to pursue his education, Neumark was forced to look for a job. He went from town to town, but at each place was unable to find work. When he arrived in Kiel, on the Baltic Sea in northern Germany, a pastor befriended him—and was finally able to help Neumark gain employment as a tutor. He worked in Kiel until he had saved enough money to go to Konigsberg to begin his studies.

It was this experience that led Neumark to write this hymn, originally entitled “Wer nur den lieben Gott lastt walten.” The hymn quickly found its way into hymnals across Germany.

But the hymn would have passed into obscurity long ago but for the work of Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)—a British translator who took a special interest in German hymnody. Winkworth translated hundreds of German hymns into English—“If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee” among them.

The hymn reminds us to walk in faith, through even the most difficult of times, knowing that God has the power and will to transform every Good Friday into a new Easter.

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PRAISE & WORSHIP

“Light of the World” by Musical Godspell
“Way Maker” by Sinach

CHILDREN’S SERMON

JOYS CONCERNS PRAYERS

CHANCEL CHOIR

***SCRIPTURE READINGS** Psalm 121 A song of ascents.

*¹I lift up my eyes to the mountains—
where does my help come from?*

*²My help comes from the Lord,
the Maker of heaven and earth.*

*³He will not let your foot slip—
he who watches over you will not slumber;*

*⁴indeed, he who watches over Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep.*

*⁵The Lord watches over you—
the Lord is your shade at your right hand;*

*⁶the sun will not harm you by day,
nor the moon by night.*

*⁷The Lord will keep you from all harm—
he will watch over your life;*

*⁸the Lord will watch over your coming and going
both now and forevermore.*

MESSAGE OF LIFE Hojin Shin

“Selah - Life in a Minor Key”

OFFERING

***DOXOLOGY**

95 Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

***OFFERTORY**

***CLOSING HYMN**

474 Precious Lord, Take My Hand

***BLESSING**

***SONG OF SENDING FORTH**

2203 In His Time

POSTLUDE

God is Good!

Liturgist

Betty Zeigler

Organist

Rosemary Matthews

Pianist

Kelley Fog

Choir Director

Dave Fog

Bell Choir Director

Melanie Flynn

Computer Operator

Anderson Family

John 3:16

*For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son,
that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.*

Potato-Bar-A-Palooza



Saturday, March 14

11:00 AM-1:00 PM

Family Life Center

Bereavement

Support Group

5:30PM-7:30PM

Wednesdays in April

Health Education Room

(inside Hospital Main Entrance)

RSVP to Kristy Simington

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Lutheran Lakeside

seeking volunteers

to serve on our

Foundation Board.

Contact Jaime Dodd

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In Our Prayers ...

Louise Sackett
Janice Kassel
Mary King
Betty Hiatt
Dean Newlon
Noah Kollasch
(Nancy Hunsaker's great grandson)
Bill DePue
Elyssa Flannigan
Brandi Fehr
Steve & Lynne Farnsworth
Sharon Hobart
Jane Stevens
Devin Morey
Abby Burns
Deb Weir
Irene Goff
Florence Malm
Richard Henrichs
Will Farlow
Carol Ensley
Joyce Muller
Lincoln Coakley
(grandson of Joann Coakley)
Scott Sanne
(Grandson of Pearl Whitmore)
Philip Christenson
(brother of Marge Solberg)
Kort Freeman
Lois Lowman
Ted Strohmman
Deb Nissen
(sister-in-law of Deb Wickman)
Marjorie Solberg
Vi Sampson

**The families & loved ones of
members who passed away,
this past year including:*

Mardell Truog
Rick Jones
Daryl Underwood
Wayne Truog
Keith Bare

**Those who have been
hospitalized & our military
members.*