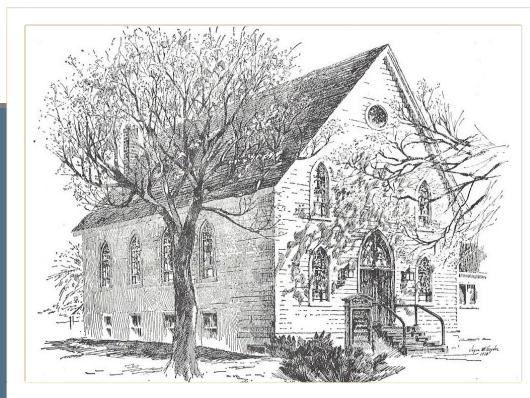


Emanuel's Word

monthly newsletter of
Emanuel Lutheran Church

February 2024



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Organist: Lugene Mitchell Hamilton

Secretary: Brenda Passmore

Secretary's Office Hours:

Thursday - 12:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Emanuel Lutheran Church

149 West William Street
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*We live to know Christ
and make Christ known
in our church,
our community,
and the world.*

Pastor Jennifer's Message:

*Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
 Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
 Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,
 Will you let my life be grown in you, and you in me?*
 ~~The Summons, ELW 798

No sooner are the Christmas decorations put away then we are moving headlong into Lent, which comes early this year! It is a season I love dearly for the opportunity it gives to reflect on what it means to be a follower of Jesus. It also means there is a lot going on. Here are some things for your calendar:

February 11, Ecumenical Jazz Sunday @ Christ Episcopal Church, 10 am
 Sharing this service has become a tradition and we join many other congregations at Christ Episcopal; dancing in the aisles encouraged! Followed by a fantastic spread and lovely fellowship in their hall following the service.

February 13, Ecumenical Shrove Tuesday @ First UCC
 Enjoy fellowship and pancake supper at First UCC... and extra hands make light work, so join in the kitchen as well as at the tables for this last yummy hurrah before Lent begins.

**February 14, Ecumenical Ash Wednesday Service
 @ Emanuel Lutheran Church, 5pm**
 Held right here at Emanuel, and hosting our ecumenical brothers and sisters from other churches.

**Thursdays, February 15-March 21, Ecumenical Lenten Study
 @ Community Mennonite Fellowship**
 "The Cup of Our Life," 6:00p Soup Supper, 6:30p Program

This year's Lenten study will follow Joyce Rupp's book, *The Cup of Our Life*. The cup is a rich symbol of life, with its emptiness and fullness, its brokenness and flaws, and its many blessings. Along with the fellowship and soup, participants are invited to read the preface for the week and bring a cup of your own to the dinner with you. The study will invite spiritual growth by exploring how the ordinary cups used each day can become sacred vessels that connect us with life and the Divine.

So many great opportunities this year... I'll see you there!

Peace, Pastor Jennifer

From the Vice President:

We have just barely gone through Advent, Christmas and Epiphany; but Lent is just around the corner. This is a year that Lent comes early. Advent is considered the time of anticipation and looking forward, but I am looking forward to all that is happening at Emanuel and the area churches. What a busy time we have in store for us.

Beyond all the Lenten activities, there's a yarn swap planned for Feb 3 starting at 9:00. This is a chance to find yarn to finish a project, start a new one or get rid of all that leftover yarn you have just sitting around. The ladies of WELCA are going to be making soup starting on Feb 6. Pick up days are Feb 9 and 10.

I look forward to attending many of these special events and hope to see many of you as well.

This is the culmination of our Christian faith. Jesus Christ came to us on Christmas, He died for our sake on Good Friday, and triumphantly defeated death and rose to save us from sin. We continue to look forward to His coming again.

Peace be with you,
Annette, VP

*The deadline to submit newsletter articles is the **25th** of **each** month. Please email your articles to office@emanuelconring.org.

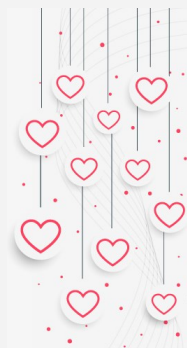


Happy February
Birthday!

February 1 Laura Link
7 Phyllis Brandes

Happy Anniversary!
February 1
Julie and Duane Miller

February 14
Joan and Tim Gates



Is your contact information current?

We'd like to stay in touch with you.

Please notify the office if your email, phone number or address have changed.



2024 Church Council

President:	Sharon Trova
Vice President:	Annette Gardner
Secretary:	Caren Listopadzki
Financial Secretary:	Mike Hamilton
Treasurer:	Phyllis Brandes
Council:	
Marcia Ashworth	Brenda Passmore
Josephine Sauer	Janette Smith
Theresa Welfling	

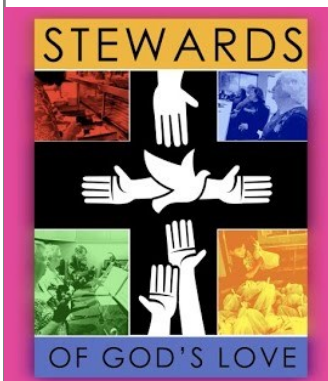
Church Council Update

Church Council Update - January 10th Meeting

- December Budget Income was \$581.19 more than Budget Expense, whereas YTD Budget Income was \$4,421.80 less than YTD Budget Expense. The unexpected payments for the air purifier filters and the sidewalk replacement contributed to the deficits. - The roof replacement was a major expense in 2023.
- Budget: Sharon reports that expected income is now more than in the last few years. Expenses also have increased. Garbage and cleaning expenses have been decreased with some interventions. Council voted to adopt the budget.
- Sharon reports that Pastor Jennifer would appreciate having Sunday off due to her dad's passing on 01/08. Council voted to worship at UCC. The memorial service will be on 1/27.
- Ballot: Theresa, Josephine and the 3 officers are willing to serve another term.
- Annual Meeting and Potluck. Members are encouraged to bring their own place settings.
- Cyber Suite coverage insurance: Sharon presented information: this insurance will protect against hacking. Council voted that this insurance is not needed.

Caren Listopadzki, Council Secretary

Stewardship News



It's hard to believe we are beginning our second year of our year-round stewardship guide "*Stewards of God's Love!*" We hope that our introductory year laid the foundation and mindset to think of stewardship as something going all year long.

The guide consists of four components: down, in, out and the annual financial appeal. **Down:** states that stewardship begins at creation, where God first comes down to us. From the beginning, humanity is not an owner, but a steward of what God has created. **In:** asks us to look at the abundance of gifts God has entrusted to us and to graciously give to others. **Out:** explains that in accordance with biblical teaching

to 'love our neighbors as ourselves' with not just our words but with our actions. When we practice stewardship in this way, we are making the sign of the cross with our lives and through our faith.

The stewardship team met Jan. 14th to discuss moving forward. We are excited to plan for liturgical reflection, mission moments and activities to involve all members of Emanuel. Our first presentation is scheduled for **March 17th** and will address the "down" of *Stewards of God's Love*-Creation. We look forward to sharing our ideas and invite you to share your thoughts to the congregation!

God bless, The Stewardship Team



Corning Community
Food Pantry
February Collection:

Baby food and baby cereal,
but no baby formula.

Please place your items in the basket
in the church.

BOOK CLUB



BOOK CLUB: We will meet on Zoom
Thursday, February 29th, at 12:30.

We will review the book -
Clara and Mr. Tiffany,
by Susan Vreeland.

All are welcome to join us
for the book discussion.

Please contact the church office
to receive the Zoom link.

Reconciling in Christ Vote

Our members overwhelmingly voted to
support the Reconciling in Christ Church
designation at our annual meeting.

Reconciling Works has been contacted to
find out what our next step is to
receive their official designation and
have our church added to their registry.

Thank you to all who helped,
offered feedback, and took the time to
vote on this important designation.

We'll keep you informed!

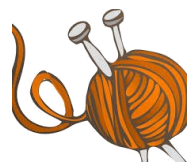
Brenda Passmore,
RIC Team Leader



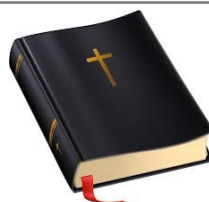
Yarn Swap!

Saturday, February 3th, 9 am - ?
Emanuel Lutheran Church
Fellowship Hall

Do you have yarn/notions you'd like to
swap or share with other crafters?
Bring them and a project to work on.
We'll enjoy coffee, tea, snacks,
and chatting and take turns
drawing for a chance to choose one of the
goodies. This is a free event.
We'll donate what's left. All are welcome.



**JOIN
US!**



Bill's Bible Study
will be postponed
until at least March.

The Mailbag.....



Many thanks and much gratitude for my
generous Christmas cash-gift! I appreciate
all of you at Emanuel!

Lugene Mitchell-Hamilton

Mark Your Calendars - there's a lot happening in February!!!

WINTER SOUP SALE

by the Women of Emanuel Lutheran Church
149 West William Street
Corning, New York 14830

Order ahead and pick up on:

Friday, February 9, 2024 – 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.
Saturday, February 10, 2024 – 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

We're making Our wonderful
Tomato Swiss Soup and Vegetarian Chili



\$8.50 PER QT **3 OR MORE FOR \$8.00 PER QT**

Proceeds will benefit:
Emanuel Kitchen Fund

(To order, Call the church at (607) 936-4268 and leave a message)



Ecumenical Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
Tuesday, February 13, 2024, 4:30 - 7:00pm
First Congregational UCC
171 West Pulteney Street, Corning



Steuben County
Habitat
for Humanity

Proceeds benefit:
Steuben County Habitat for Humanity

Suggested donation: \$7/person, \$20/family, under 6 free!

ECUMENICAL ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE



WORSHIP AND IMPOSITION OF ASHES
Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.
Emanuel Lutheran Church
149 West William Street, Corning, NY

Please join us for Jazz SUNDAY



Featuring:
**Three River City
Jazz Band**

**FEBRUARY 11
at 10a.m.**

**Where All the Saints
Go Marching In!**
**Dancing in the Aisles
Strongly Encouraged!**
ALL ARE WELCOME!

Participating Corning Churches Include: First Congregational United Church of Christ,
Emanuel Lutheran Church, First United Methodist Church, & Christ Episcopal Church

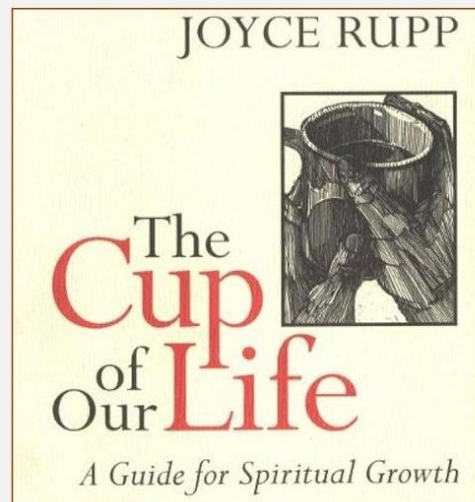


Christ Episcopal Church
33 East First Street, Corning, NY • (607) 937-5449
The mission of Christ Church is to offer hospitality, healing, and hope in the name of Jesus Christ.

ECUMENICAL LENTEN STUDY

**Thursdays
February 15 -
March 21st**

“The Cup of Our Life”
by Joyce Rupp



Soup Supper at 6 p.m., Study & Discussion at 6:30 p.m.
Location: Community Mennonite Fellowship Church
290 Park Avenue, Corning, NY (entrance on Hammond Street)

This year's Lenten study will follow Joyce Rupp's book, *The Cup of Our Life*. The cup is a rich symbol of life, with its emptiness and fullness, its brokenness and flaws, and its many blessings.

Along with the fellowship and soup, participants are invited to read the preface for the week and bring a cup of their own to the dinner with them. The study will explore how the ordinary cups used each day can become sacred vessels that connect us with life and the Divine.

All are welcome to join us!



Salvation Army Shepherd's Table Dinner Dates:

February 25th June 9th August 11th

Looking for YOUR hands to help with God's Work.
Volunteers needed to help make sandwiches (in our kitchen), pack and serve meals at the Salvation Army.
Meal time this year is at 3:30.

Please contact Lugene Mitchell-Hamilton to get on the list:
(lumitcham@hotmail.com) OR ph# 607-566-8487 OR in person at Sunday worship



Steward Schedule

Date	February 4	February 11	February 18	February 25
Worship Leader	Pastor Jennifer	<i>Jazz Sunday Worship at Christ Episcopal Church</i>	Caren Listopadzki	Caren Listopadzki
Worship Assistant	Sue Doyle		Brenda Passmore	Annette Gardner
Reader	Sue Doyle		Brenda Passmore	Annette Gardner
Technology	Josephine Sauer		Ben Hufnagel	Gage Machuga
Usher	John Rector		Jim Passmore	Augie Andrukat
Greeter	Laura Link		Charlotte Estep	Janette Smith
Altar Guild	Phyllis B./Charlotte		Phyllis B./Charlotte	Phyllis B./Charlotte
Counters	Hamilton Team		Hamilton Team	Hamilton Team

If you are scheduled to serve and find you're unable to attend, please call someone to substitute for you. Thank you!

Emanuel's Event Calendar changes often. Please check our website www.emanuelcorning.org under the calendar tab for the most up-to-date version.

Feb 2024 (Eastern Time - New York)						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28 10am - Worship @ 11am - Annual Meeting &	29	30 9am - Bone Builders 6:30pm - Al-Anon	31 8am - Cleaning	1 9am - Bone Builders 12pm - Office Hours @	2	3 Yarn Swap-9am @
4 10am - Worship @	5 10am - Worship @	6 9am - Bone Builders 6:30pm - Al-Anon	7 8am - Cleaning	8 9am - Bone Builders 12pm - Office Hours @	9	10
11 Jazz Sunday-10 a.m. @ 10am - Worship @	12	13 Shrove Tuesday at 9am - Bone Builders 12pm - Bible Study with 6:30pm - Al-Anon	14 Ash Wednesday Service- 8am - Cleaning 6pm - Church Council	15 Lenten Soup Supper -6pm 9am - Bone Builders 12pm - Office Hours @	16	17
18 Lent 1 10am - Worship @	19 9am - American Red	20 9am - Bone Builders 6:30pm - Al-Anon	21 8am - Cleaning	22 Lenten Soup Supper -6pm 9am - Bone Builders 10am - Sewing Group 12pm - Office Hours @	23	24
25 Lent 2 Shepherd's Table-3:30pm 10am - Worship @	26	27 9am - Bone Builders 6:30pm - Al-Anon	28 8am - Cleaning	29 Lenten Soup Supper -6pm 9am - Bone Builders 12pm - Office Hours @	1	2

Brenda Passmore, Church Events, Community Events, Property

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Epecially prepared for:



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