

THE LAMPLIGHTER

Immanuel
United Church of Christ
111 Fremont St.
Walworth, WI 53184

Worship services 9 a. m.

**“Immanuel’s vision is to Love, Forgive, and
Worship in service to all generations.”**

March 2012

Roger’s Ramblings

A Brief history of Pastor Roger

Pastor Roger was born on August 21, 1951 in southwest Arkansas. He graduated from De Queen High School in 1969. He attended the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, with degrees in English and Physical Education. He played on the college baseball team.

He moved back to Arkansas, and attended Harding University, in Sercy, Arkansas, with degrees in Psychology and certified in marriage counseling, crisis intervention, grief recovery, and behavioral modification.

Roger was ordained by churches of Christ in April 1984. He preached for 19 years for 3 churches in Arkansas. He directed summer church camp for senior high students for 9 years. He coached high school baseball for 13 years and worked for the state of Arkansas as a counselor at a Juvenile Holding Facility for 5 years.

He was married for 31 years till widowed. They had two daughters, Lena and Amanda, and Amanda just passed away last year and he has two grandchildren from his daughter Lena and they live in Tennessee.

Roger’s hobbies include, cooking, writing, butchering the game of golf, and is an avid sports fan, especially of the Chicago Cubs.

Important Dates to Remember

Feb 26—Ad Board—after church
Feb 26—Youth Night—4:30-6pm
Mar 2—St. Ben’s Fish fry—work & dessert
Mar 4—Communion
Mar 6—District Clergy—Plymouth UCC
Burlington
Mar 11—Deacons—after church
Mar 14—Lenten service
7pm—Immanuel—Soup & Bread supper 6pm
Mar 20—Trustees—6:30pm
Mar 21—Lenten Service—Wms. Bay
Mar 25—Ad Board—after church
Mar 28—Lenten Service—Lake Geneva
Apr 5—Maundy Thursday—here
Apr 6—Good Friday Service—Fontana 7pm

Moderator’s Moment

March is just around the corner and so is Spring. With that in mind, we are looking forward to our Lenten Season and the fresh new hopes that this Season brings to our lives.

It is exciting that our weekly attendance is increasing and that we have some wonderful new families who are considering becoming members.

My best to you and your families

Lucy Abell

If you or a family member is hospitalized and you’d like a pastoral visit, please let either the hospital or our church know. With privacy laws, this information is not shared without consent.



Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Thank you so much for the time of farewell we shared together on my last Sunday at Immanuel UCC. It was a pleasure to serve you for the last year and a half. Also, I would like to especially thank Lydia's Helpers for the wonderful quilted wall hanging. I went home and immediately hung it on the wall in my home office and it will always remind me of all you do for those in need. And lastly, thank you for the Christmas bonus, I will be using the money for resources in my next church setting. My prayers are with you at Immanuel UCC as you travel the road ahead. Thank you again for the wonderful send-off.

Shalom,

Rev. Jeannie

Dear Immanuel Friends,

Thank you so much for your contribution to Twin Oaks Shelter for the Homeless. Your contribution helps us to provide access and opportunity for those we serve and those who support our efforts. We truly appreciate your generosity.

Lisa Furseth
Executive Director

Dear Friends,

I want to thank you for your generous contribution. Thanks to caring donors like you, Church World Service can provide food, water and other necessities to families displaced by natural disasters. And with

your help, we can also assist impoverished communities as they work to improve their farming techniques, develop reliable water sources, and build a more sustainable future. May God bless you for your compassionate support.

Yours in service,
Rev. John L. McCullough
Executive Director & CEO

Dear Immanuel Friends,

I want to thank everyone who called or sent well wishes at the time of my recent surgery. I'm doing great and appreciate your concern.

Melany Christenson



*Don't forget to set your clocks
ahead before you go to bed
Saturday, March 10th*

Administrative Board Minutes December 4, 2011

Moderator Becky Merwin called the meeting to order at 10:25am, on Sunday, Dec. 4th. Present in addition to Becky: Lucy Abell—Assistant Moderator/ CE, Joyce Pagel—Financial Sec., Diana Bromeland—Trustees, Gary Ruskell—Treasurer, Richard Rasmussen—Stewardship, Gloria Ruskell—Deacons, Judy Gildemeister—Music, Pastor Jeannie, Cathy Boldger and Madeline Zindrick—Clerk. Becky opened with a prayer.

Minutes: The minutes of the last meeting were approved on a Pagel/Abell motion.

Moderator's Minute: We need to select a nominating committee. Mike Bromeland is the Deacon, Joe Abell the Trustee, and Lucy Abell for CE and Moderator. We need two at large. If we don't get any get anyone by the 11th, we'll ask for volunteers in church.

Treasurer: We ended October with \$1739.88. We had to borrow \$1800 from Memorial to make payroll. We've used all of our property reserve funds to pay bills. We still need \$1400 for taxes at the end of January. None of our benevolences have been paid which total \$8,854.43.

Financial: We've received \$65,332.43 so far this year and we need \$88,533.33 to make our budget.

Trustees: Ken's going to get a bee trap. We've been having quite of few of them still flying around in the sanctuary. The web-page is up to date. Peter Gordon has been working on it. Diana's son David will help Peter. Ryan Walstra was hired to do snow removal. Kelly is going to look into our sound system in the sanctuary, we've been having some problems with it.

Diaconate: Christmas Eve service is at 7:30pm. We will have no Christmas Day service. Our budget is the same for next year. We will have church and communion on New Year's Day.

Christian Ed: No report.

Music: We've cut as much as we could from our budget. We've gotten a new license for us to copy music for worship. There will be special music during Advent. Jan. 1st will be a congregation hymn sing. And we told everyone on the committee they have to stay on.

Stewardship: We are down \$20,000 in pledges. Our Mission 1 drive was successful with 836 items donated on the 11th of Nov. and it was updated for a total of 10,036 reported to national office. The Endowment Fund interest will be divided up evenly between Twin Oaks Shelter and Church World Service.

Pastor: The Thanksgiving service went well, with Faith Lutheran and Fontana Community participating. Confirmation is going well. Hanging of the Greens was very nice and well attended. There will be a carols and hymns on Jan. 1st. Jeannie's last Sunday will be January 15th.

New Business: Annual meeting is January 15th. Diana Bromeland made a suggestion for the church to be open on day a week in the evening for prayer, maybe from 5-7pm, just an idea to kick around. We have to focus on our purpose and not on our problems, we have to have faith. December 11th a presentation from the Trustees and Search committee. Dec. 18th is caroling. The Ad Board will meet January 29th to give all the new boards a chance to meet before the Ad Board meeting. We will also have installation of officers that Sunday. With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:15am.

Respectfully submitted,

Madeline Zindrick—Clerk

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March Anniversaries

15—Mike & Kathy Karcher
27—Andy & LuAnne Pearce

Servants of Immanuel



March Birthdays

2—Nancy Lehman
3—Jan Meredith
 Mary Nash
7—Lucy Abell
9—Kirsten Palma
13—Diana Bromeland
 Jonathan Jeters
16—Daniel Pearce
18—Natalie Boldger
21—Brenda Utesch
23—Kim Pobursky
28—Joyce Kennedy
31—Betty Recob

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