



# Good News

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**Empowered by the Holy Spirit, Emanuel's mission is to witness  
to the good news of salvation through Christ to individuals, the community  
and the world through discipleship and service.**

## Holy Week Schedule



### Maundy Thursday

Thursday, March 28

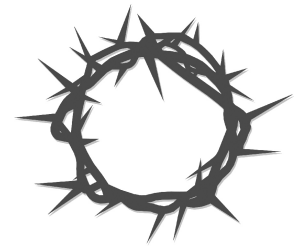
Worship 7:30 p.m.

Stripping of the altar and Holy Communion

### Good Friday

Friday, March 29

Worship 7:30 p.m.



### Easter

Sunday, March 31

Sunrise Service 7:00 a.m.

Festival Worship 10:30 a.m.

Holy Communion at both services





- ❑ We would like to say “Thank You” to all who helped us through Roger’s death and final service. Pastor Castello, Angela, Marv, the ladies who served our luncheon, Pat, and all our friends in church. Also, so many thoughtful cards and memorials. Thank you so much.  
-Patsy McGinnis & family
  
- ❑ Then Henry County Historical Society would like to thank you for helping make our first-ever open house and walking tour a success. What a wonderful event it turned out to be! We’re already looking forward to the next Christmas tour, December 14, 2013.  
-Sincerely, Henry County Historical Society
  
- ❑ (clarification) The last newsletter included a thank you note from the Lutheran Home Society for a gift of \$85 in honor of Ted Titgemeyer. This gift was given by the Naomi Circle, not by the congregation.
  
- ❑ We would like to thank the congregation for all the food that you donated to the Caring Cupboard. It was much appreciated, and the families we serve will be so thankful. Many blessings to all of you!  
- Cindy Overmier, Liberty Center

*Thursday night worship services will begin on  
Thursday, April 11, at 7:30 p.m. and  
will continue until Thanksgiving.*

*Remember in your prayers our members in nursing homes and assisted living facilities:*

**Lutheran Home** (1036 S. Perry St., Napoleon)

**Alfred “Petey” Ruetz      Paul Panning      Ted Titgemeyer      Herman Campbell**  
**Norma Strayer**

**Glenn Park Assisted Living**      (2429 William Diehl Ct, Defiance, OH 43512)

**Burnice Agler**

**Van Crest Health Center**      (600 E Joe E Brown Ave, Holgate, OH 43527)

**Charlotte Wangrin**

## Statistics

### Sunday, January 27

attendance 89 + 112 (201)

Offerings \$ 4,240.91

\$ 290 Building Fund

7 World Hunger

20 mem to Endowment Fd-Roger McGinnis

### Sunday, February 10

attendance 104 + 117 (221) communed 106

Offerings \$ 4,609.85

\$ 271 Building Fund

10 World Hunger

20 mem to Bldg Fd-Harry Yaney

100 honor to Bldg Fd-Denelda Rohrs' 90<sup>th</sup> brthdy

### Sunday, February 3

attendance 116 + 82 (198) communed 109

Offerings \$ 6,099.02

\$ 880 Building Fund

5 World Hunger

396 Catechism Retreat

10 mem to Bldg Fd-Harry Yaney

35 mem to Endowment Fd-Roger McGinnis

### Ash Wednesday, February 13

attendance 128

Offerings \$ 1,144

### Sunday, February 17

attendance 75 + 95 (170)

Offerings \$ 3,647.76

\$ 240 Building Fund

50 mem to Endow Fd-Roger McGinnis

### Simply Giving:

January 27 - February 18

\$ 1,140.00 General Fund

260.00 Building Fund

25.00 Good Samaritan Fund

25.00 World Hunger



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## Worship participants in March

### Acolytes

8:00 Charlee Glick & Keegan Schroeder

10:30 Alex Andrews & Seth Tonjes

3/6 Keegan Schroeder & Seth Tonjes

3/13 Abby Allison & Tessa Rhodes

3/20 Caleb Hernandez & Bryant Dachenhaus

3/28 Alie Hernandez & Kenli Dachenhaus

3/29 Ryan Kohout & Alex Andrews

### Lay Assistant

8:00 Andrea Rohrs

10:30 Ron Meyers

### Altar Guild

Lauren Helberg & Andrea Hoffman

### Sound Board

8:00 Eric & Nick Rohrs

10:30 Kevin Good

### Ushers

8:00 Lee Weirauch, Dave Schwab

Leo Clausen, Kevin Gerken

10:30 Alan Storch, Norm Bostelman

Terry Walther, Tom Jenny



March 3 - Mohring family

March 10 - Kloos family in loving memory of Mary DeCrow

March 17 - Ed & Donna Peper in loving memory of Sarah

March 24 - Herb & Ramona Koppenhofer in honor of their 65<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary

March 31 - In honor of Taryn Conklin ... "just because"... by Grandma & Grandpa Davis

### Open dates:

July 28

September 15, 29

November 10

August 4

October 6, 13, 27

December 8, 22

To reserve altar flowers... Sign up on the flower chart in the narthex or call the church office. Our flowers are done by Ivy League Floral & Design Studio on West Washington Street. The cost is \$20. If you have *special* orders for your flowers (certain colors, a larger arrangement, etc.), please contact Cori Ratliff at Ivy League. If your order is beyond the \$20, please pay the shop directly.

\*\*\* We are recycling the used plastic containers that the altar flowers come in. They can be put in Angela's office. \*\*\*

## Notes from Angela

- Angela Tonjes

### *Adult Choir*

Choir practices continue on Wednesdays from 6:30 - 7:15 p.m. in the basement. The schedule for March is as follows:

Sunday, March 3, 8:00 a.m. Worship and Sunday, March 10, 10:30 a.m. Worship

“Did You Think to Pray?”

“Bread of the world”

“Prayer of Dedication”

Wednesday, March 20, 7:00 p.m. Lenten service

“Shine Down on Me”

“Shadow of the Cross”

“Anthem for Lent”

Thursday, March 28, 7:30 p.m. Worship

“Written in Red”

“I Rest My Soul in His Love”

Sunday, March 31, 7:00 a.m.

“I Will Rise”

“Easter Song”

“The Lamb”

“The Hallelujah Chorus”

Tentatively, no rehearsal on Wednesday, March 27, due to Seder meal.

### *Living Spirit*

Rehearsals will be held on Wednesdays in March after Lenten services, approximately 8:30 p.m. Tentatively, no rehearsal on Wednesday, March 27.

Living Spirit is scheduled to sing on Sunday, March 24 during offering at 8:00 a.m. service and prayer at 10:30 a.m. service. This is a CHANGE from the normal schedule! The song selection is “How Deep the Father’s Love for Us.”

### *Emanubells*

Emanubells continues to practice for 30 minutes on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. This is NOT a change. No rehearsal on Wednesday, March 27, due to Seder meal. We are rehearsing the music for Lenten service on March 13.

### *After School Club*

The children will be singing at the Lenten service at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 27. Please meet in the chapel at 7:20. Their music includes:

“Here I Am to Worship”

“The Love of Jesus”

“Blind Man” (always a favorite, and they request it every year)

Along with all the Sunday School children, we are excited to be presenting a mini-musical on Easter Sunday, March 31 at the 10:30 a.m. service. They are working hard to learn all the songs, and many have familiar tunes with terrific Easter words. Junior high youth will be reading the scripture that goes with the musical.

### *Lenten Services*

Lenten services continue on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. on March 6, 13, and 20. The hymns and bible lessons are based on “Beneath the Cross of Jesus.” The different musical groups of Emanuel will be presenting special songs each Wednesday.

On the five Sundays of Lent, our focus will be on five different people who were present in the story of Jesus’ Passion. Each week, a banner will represent each of these people who were “beneath the cross” of Jesus.

### *What is Lent?*

Lent is the Old English word for spring. It is a 40 day season of the church year that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Easter.

Sundays are not included in the 40 day count. Lent is a tradition in the Christian church and is thought to recall the 40 days Jesus spent in the wilderness, fasting and being tempted by Satan.

Worship is more solemn, and purple is the color. Alleluias are removed from the service. Extra prayer and acts of kindness are encouraged.

### *Maundy Thursday*

Maundy Thursday worship will be on March 28 at 7:30 p.m. There will be communion, stripping of the altar and special music.

### *Good Friday*

Good Friday worship will be held on March 29 at 7:30 p.m. This unique service will feature a message, hymns, harp music, meditation and art by the youth.

### *Easter*

Services will be held on Easter Sunday, March 31, at 7:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. with communion at both. Early church will have music by the choir, bell choir, trumpets and soloists. We would like you to enter the church in silence and remain quiet until the start of worship. Late church will have music by the children, trumpets, and soloists.

### *St. Patrick’s Day*

This holiday honors the patron saint of Ireland who brought Christianity to the island in the fifth century. On this day people wear shamrocks and green clothing to remind them of the Emerald Isle. To many, Saint Patrick’s Day is a sign that winter is nearly over!

### *DVDs/YouTube*

Just a reminder, there are DVDs available of the Sunday morning worship service if you were gone that day. Our services are also on YouTube which is a very convenient way to check out the service!

### *Clocks Ahead*

Remember to turn your clocks AHEAD one hour on Sunday, March 10 so you won’t be late for church!!

*“Lent is a spring housecleaning of the soul.”*

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## News from the Community

- ✓ Ridgeville Township Fire Department is hosting its annual **Pancake and Sausage Breakfast** on Sunday, March 3, beginning at 7:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at the Ridgeville American Legion on County Road 19, one mile east of Ridgeville Corners. Carry-outs are available. The proceeds will go towards equipment.
  
- ✓ Alpine Village Assisted Living is hosting a **Card Party** on Thursday, March 14 at Alpine Village. Card party will begin at 6:30 p.m. and will play until 8:30 p.m. Snack and drinks will be provided. Please call Shelly Boehm at 419-592-1015 to reserve your table.
  
- ✓ **Need home repairs?** Funds are available to assist low and moderate income homeowners with necessary home repairs. Contact Maumee Valley Planning Organization at 419-784-3882 for more information about the City of Napoleon's Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP).
  
- ✓ Henry County Solid Waste is hosting two events this spring:
  - Be Part of the Solution – Help clean the roads in Henry County by volunteering for the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual **Henry County Litter Round-up** April, 2013. For more information concerning this litter prevention program please call the Henry County Solid Waste Office at 419-256-7343. Please register by March 31.
  
  - The second event is a **Battle of the Henry County School Electronic Fundraiser Event**. Support your favorite Henry County School by supporting the Electronic Recycling Fundraiser event on April 6. The schools will be recycling old computers and other outdated/obsolete electronic equipment. Bring anything with a power cord EXCEPT TVs and LARGE APPLIANCES to your local school between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. Schools participating include Patrick Henry, Holgate, Napoleon and Liberty Center. Questions: call the Henry County Solid Waste Office at 419-592-7343.
  
- ✓ Come Join the **Coffee Club** sponsored by Lutheran Home at Napoleon. Get a free mug by touring their campus. Then fill your mug FREE each week at these locations:
  - March 7 7:30 - 9:00 a.m. at Spengler's, Napoleon
  - March 14 7:30 - 9:00 a.m. at Liberty Cafe, Liberty Center
  - March 21 7:30 - 9:00 a.m. at Hamler Diner, Hamler
  - March 28 7:30 - 9:00 a.m. at Ron's Sandwiches & Such, Deshler

*New locations each month.*

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