

Dear Members of Immanuel Lutheran Church,

Happy Easter! I hope and pray that you are all finding things to be busy with as you remain safe at home. Like shoveling snow! (YUCK!) Spring cleaning! (More YUCK!) Or, perhaps taking time to get in some good reading from the GOOD BOOK of God's Word, the Bible. (Yeeaaa!!! Nothing yucky!)

As you may remember back at the beginning of Lent, I challenged all the family units of the congregation to set aside \$2 a day for the 40 days of Lent, as a Hunger Offering to be given to a local food bank and the ELCA Hunger program that alleviates hunger at home and abroad. We were supposed to bring our offerings and turn them in on Easter Sunday. Then, Covid-19 interrupted everything and I forgot about this hunger offering. (I'm sorry for forgetting.) Tom Wagner and Pam Johnson brought it to my attention.

So, here is how we will proceed.

1. Write a check out to "Immanuel Lutheran Church" for the amount of your \$2/day Lenten offering (40days x 2).
2. Place in an envelope marked "Lenten Hunger Offering" and mail to the church.
3. The church council will decide how to disburse the funds to local food banks, Feed My People, ELCA Hunger Program, or other helping organizations that care for people suffering because of loss of employment.

Thank you for your willingness to reach out and help as you are able. God bless you today and protect you from coronavirus.

In Jesus Christ Our Savior and Risen Lord,

Pr. Ahles