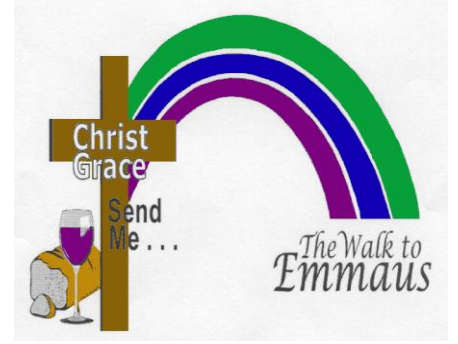


Lansing Emmaus Community

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Eric Iversen

It is hard to believe that 2015 is 1/3 over; it seems as if time flies by faster and faster. May we each make time to meet with Christ a priority each day and then to follow His instructions to us.

It was amazing to see the lives of 30 men and 28 women changed forever by the unconditional grace and love of our Lord Jesus Christ. We pray that each of you new community members have been encouraged to be the leader in your local church that God is calling you to be. If you are led, we would also encourage your involvement in the Lansing Area Emmaus Community. Please ask your sponsor or contact any of the Board members listed at the end of this newsletter how to become involved.

Thank you to each community member who prayed, sponsored, worked behind the scenes or in the conference room, and came to candlelight or closing. The walks could not have happened without each of these activities being performed. Each part is so very important and couldn't be done without you.

As a reminder our fall walks are scheduled and it is imperative that we as a community each pray and ask God who He would have us sponsor. It is not too early to start so that the walks can be full. The walks have the potential to permanently change the lives of another 72 people. Will you be open to God's leading?

Even though time is flying by faster, my prayer is that each of us would slow down to meet with God daily and allow Him to renew us and as we are renewed would we go into the world, where God calls us, and spread the good news of Jesus Christ.
God bless,

Eric Iversen
LAEC Community Lay Director



Community Spiritual Director:

Pastor Ted Orwig

As we reflect our Easter season, let us know that we must go beyond the cross. Yes we are on this side of the cross. As we reflect on what Jesus went through on the cross, let us remember that He did it for a purpose. He shed His blood so that we can live for eternity, and that's a long, long time. He also covered our sicknesses and pain on the cross of Calvary. We have much to be thankful for, and much to look forward to. Jesus said I am the way, the truth and the life. In this world we need to be the way that those about us look at us and find there way back to Him. We need always stand in the truth, there never should be any lies in our walk with Him. We need to die daily to ourselves, so that we can live for Him and Him alone. I believe that Jesus is soon to return for His Bride, the Church. Let us live so that when He will come back, He will find a glorious Bride without spot or wrinkle or any such thing. May God richly bless you and keep you as you walk for Him.

Pastor Ted Orwig

Spiritual Director for the Lansing Emmaus Community

Greetings from the Lansing Area Emmaus
Community Registrar.

What a blessing it was to witness lives being changed and hearts being drawn closer to Christ through the experience of Walks #92 and #93. Praise God!

I have been blessed to serve this Community for nearly two and a half years and I am continuing to learn and grow from the opportunities to extend God's grace in the duties of Registrar. The past 4 months, in preparation for Walks #92 and #93 have brought to light some ongoing challenges that I would like to bring to the Community's attention.

Sponsorship requirements: The Upper Room requires that individuals wishing to sponsor Pilgrims on a Walk to Emmaus must have completed sponsorship training. It is expected that this training will be "current." The LAEC Board has established that sponsorship training must be updated every two years. The purpose for this policy is so that "wise" sponsorship occurs. Wise sponsorship includes many things which are covered in detail during the training. A few of the areas include:

1. The purpose of the Walk to Emmaus.
2. Understanding the purpose of prayer and discernment in sponsoring Pilgrims.
3. Understanding the responsibilities/duties of a Sponsor.

As a reminder: Sponsorship training is available after each Gathering (twice a month-1st Saturday of the month at the Greenville Gathering and 2nd Friday of the month at the St. Johns Gathering) as well as prior to Candlelight at each walk.

In His Service,

Kathy Perkins, LAEC Registrar

Upcoming 2015 Fall Walks

Men's Spring Walk #94

October 8-11, 2015

Deadline for Minimum of 15
June 1, 2015

Location: First Presbyterian
510 W Ottawa St
Lansing, MI 48933

Application Deadline: Sept 10

October 10, 2015 – Men's Candlelight Service

Gathering 7:30 PM – Candlelight Service 9:00 PM.

Please continue to send in your applications!

Women's Spring Walk #95

October 22-25, 2015

Deadline for Minimum of 20:
September 22, 2015

First Presbyterian
510 W Ottawa St
Lansing, MI 48933

Application Deadline: Sept 24

October 24, 2015 – Women's Candlelight Service
Gathering 7:30 PM – Candlelight Service 9:00 PM.

Applications for the walk can be downloaded from
www.lansingemmaus.truepath.com

If you have any questions, please contact
Kathy Perkins at (989) 330-9680 or by e-mail at
kperkins@gccmha.org

My name is *Bruce Davenport*. I took my "Walk to Emmaus" in the **Lansing Area Emmaus Community** in March of 2010 at Carson City UMC, walk #75, and I sat at the Table of Mathew. I am honored to serve the LAEC as the board member responsible for the Supply Trailer and serve as Facilities Coordinator Chair.

So you have just completed your "Walk to Emmaus", or maybe you took your walk sometime in the last couple of years. Now you want to really get involved "Behind the Scenes" (i.e. BTS) but you don't know how to make that happen or you just haven't received a call yet. Maybe it has been several years since you have had the chance to serve BTS. You want some practical way to get involved with **Christian Action**. You ask: what do I do? Who do I talk to, or write, or Email? You may start by attending one of the two monthly Gatherings, either at Greenville UMC (1st Saturday @ 4:30 pm) or St. Johns Pilgrim UMC (2nd Friday evening @ 6:00 pm).

As Facilities Coordinator Chair, I want to know who you are. As Kitchen Chair, Patty Lankton would love to know who you are. You may want to contact Peggy Pirhonen (989-307-5816) about serving within "Chrysalis" with the young people, or Tom Blanken and the "Keryx" ministry within the prison system.

Do you have a particular interest or skill? There are many different needs within the Lansing Area Emmaus Community where you can fit in already. There are also many ways that you can be challenged to stretch and grow, outside of your comfort zone, where GOD can use you to assist or even ultimately take a lead position. You don't have to sit on the board or wait to be asked. Seek out either a board member or someone who has been active in the community for some time and let us know. A primary contact on the board would be Paul Clouse (989-289-5070).

I am looking for someone who, like me, just loves to "arrange things" or improve and simplify procedures that already exist. In a very real way I have had fun with the challenge of caring for the trailer in which the community stores the items necessary to do walks in different locations. I have been blessed to have worked in a number of other different areas and the greatest blessings come from serving with, and getting to know so many of GOD's people both within the conference room and behind the scenes, and don't miss out on those Gatherings. You may need to make it a **Priority**, whereby you can be involved in **Changing Your World** along with some of the rest of the **Body of Christ**. Does any of this sound familiar?

De Colores

Upcoming Events

May 2, 2015 – Greenville Gathering 4:30pm

May 8, 2015 – **St. Johns Gathering 6pm @ Salem UMC, 2307 W Maple Rapids Road, St Johns (across from the Emerald Golf Course).**

May 12, 2015 – Lansing Area Emmaus Community Board Meeting 7pm, Pilgrim UMC – St. Johns MI

June 6, 2015 – Greenville Gathering 4:30pm

June 9, 2015 – Lansing Area Emmaus Community Board Meeting 7pm, Pilgrim UMC – St. Johns MI

June 12, 2015 – St. Johns Gathering 6pm @ Pilgrim UMC St. Johns

June 19-21, 2015 – Flight of Hope Chrysalis Girls

July 10, 2015 – St. Johns Gathering 6pm @ Pilgrim UMC St. Johns

July 14, 2015 – Lansing Area Emmaus Community Board Meeting 7pm, Pilgrim UMC – St. Johns, MI

July 17- 19, 2015 - Flight of Hope Chrysalis Boys Flight

August 1, 2015 – Greenville Gathering 4:30pm

August 8, 2015 – Chrysalis RUSH 4-7pm Salem UMC

August 11, 2015 – Lansing Area Emmaus Community Board Meeting 7pm, Pilgrim UMC – St. Johns, MI

August 14, 2015 – St. Johns Gathering 6pm @ Pilgrim UMC St. Johns

September 8, 2015 – Lansing Area Emmaus Community Board Meeting 7pm, Pilgrim UMC – St. Johns, MI

September 11, 2015 – St. Johns Gathering 6pm @ Pilgrim UMC

October 10, 2015 – Chrysalis RUSH 4-7pm Salem UMC

October 13, 2015 – Lansing Area Emmaus Community Board Meeting 7pm, Pilgrim UMC – St. Johns, MI

November 10, 2015 – Lansing Area Emmaus Community Board Meeting 7pm, Pilgrim UMC – St. Johns, MI

December 8, 2015 Lansing Area Emmaus Community Board Meeting 7pm, Pilgrim UMC – St. Johns MI

Gathering Info

Hello, my name is Doug Elzerman; I took my Walk to Emmaus in March of 2010 in Carson City, Michigan where I sat the table of Mark. . I started serving on the Board this January, and I am currently serving as the Gathering Board Chair. Some of you may notice that this basically the same article which Eric submitted to the newsletter (no sense reinventing the wheel.)

We would welcome individuals interested in volunteering to help at the Gatherings in either St. Johns or Greenville. It would be great to have you serve on the Gathering Committee. As in all service to our Lord, the more volunteers who are available the easier the work becomes. The various responsibilities which can be distributed among us include: helping to contact a clergy member to give the message, making sure one or two musicians are available to lead sing , find a Fourth Day speaker, arriving early for setup, the communion elements, calling people to the worship service, making announcements, helping afterwards with cleanup team

If you are interested in further information about the St. Johns or Greenville Gathering Committee, please contact Doug Elzerman 517-202-2037 or delzerman@wowway.com. Alternately for the Greenville gathering please contact Nikki Phillips at 616-302-1293 or nkphillips@outlook.com. The St. Johns Gatherings are held the 2nd Friday of each month except for March and October and are held at Pilgrim United Methodist Church, 2965 W. Parks Road. St Johns, MI 48879 unless otherwise indicated. Fellowship starts at 6:00 PM, Potluck dinner at 6:30 PM, worship at 7:00 PM, with Sponsorship training following worship. The Greenville Gatherings are held on the 1st Saturday of every month at the First United Methodist Church, 204 W. Cass in Greenville, MI 4838. Arrive for fellowship at 4:30 PM. Dinner will follow at 5:0 PM and Worship at 5:30 – 6:30 PM, with Sponsor hip training following worship. Remember to sponsor a pilgrim you need sponsorship training every two years. This training needs to take place prior to inviting an individual to go on a Walk as there is valuable information in the training to prepare you to be a sponsor.

Thank you, and God bless you

Doug Elzerman

EMMAUS STORE

Welcome Spring and New Beginnings

It's so exciting to welcome all the new men and women to the Emmaus Community! You are joining wonderful faithful servants of God in this community. I'd like to take a minute to introduce myself- my name is Connie Schroeder and I took Walk #68 in 2007 in Charlotte at Lawrence Ave Church and sat at the strong table of Ruth. My husband and I live in Barryton and attend Mt. Pleasant First Church. We enjoy teaching Sunday school and attending yard sales and auctions.

I am serving the LAE Community for a second year as your board Secretary. I have the newly acquired position of the Emmaus Store Chair. I am seeking servants of God as committee members who wish to assist with the Emmaus Store (set up, sales, tear down) during Walk weekends and at the gatherings in St. Johns and Greenville. Our Store is stocked with clothes and other items that bear the Emmaus Logo. These are material reminders of the agape love we have given and received through the Emmaus Community.

Come share the love through the Emmaus Store.

Send me a text or email if being a salesperson for God is a gift you'd like to share at our traveling store. Connie at [989 382 5378](tel:9893825378) or [schroedersmile @gmail.com](mailto:schroedersmile@gmail.com)

Have a Blessed Day



CHRYSALIS CORNER

Remember how excited you were after taking your Walk to Emmaus and wanted others to enjoy the same experience. Think of the joy you could have helping to spread the word to a young adult. Chrysalis Flights are for young adults ages 15-21.

We also have RUSH's scheduled. You do not have to have taken a flight to attend the RUSH. Games, worship, and fellowship are planned. Supper is provided.

Upcoming RUSH's are; **August 8, 2015;**
October 10, 2015

4 – 7 pm, Salem United Methodist Church,
2307 W Maple Rapids Road, St Johns,
MI (Across from the Emerald Golf
Course).

If you have any questions, please feel free
to contact me at [989-307-5816](tel:989-307-5816).

Peg Pirhonen

Chrysalis Community Lay Director

Applications may be downloaded
from www.lansingemmaus.truepath.com/chrysalis
(Chrysalis application)

FLIGHT DATES

Girls Flight – June 19-21, 2015

Application Deadline May 19, 2015

Flight Lay Director: Lynn Swart

Location: St Louis UMC

116 S. Franklin, St Louis, Mi 48880

Boys Flight – July 17- 19, 2015

Application Deadline June 17, 2015

Flight Lay Director: Andy Sass

Location: St Louis UMC

116 S. Franklin, St Louis, Mi 48880

Newsletter Deadline for Next Issue

If you have an idea for an article or would like to write an article, please let me know by June 20, 2015 and your article will be considered for the newsletter. Contact Denise Epps at eppsd11@gmail.com or call me at 616-902-9764

KITCHEN

Hello, My name is Patty Lankton, and I took walk #80 at Lawrence Avenue UMC in March, 2011 and sat at the table of Priscilla. Thank you for electing me to the LAEC board. During the board retreat I was nominated as your Kitchen Chair. I have served in the kitchen and as the kitchen lead, and helped in the dining room. If you have any interest in serving in the kitchen, dining room or snacks area please let me know.

A little about myself, my home church is Eaton Rapids Community Christian Church; where currently I'm trying to start and keep active our Facebook page. I've been married to a wonderful man for 31 years, and have a fantastic son and daughter, their awesome spouses, and 6 wonderful grandchildren for my family. I'm in my second year at LCC and working on earning my Associate in Business Administration.

I look forward to serving with and for you over the next three years.

De Colores!

Visit our Website:

www.lansingemmaus.truepath.com

IMS Database: Link from our Website using Internet Explorer.
LAE Community Home Page: Select "Community Access" and Log In to update your information or indicate your interest in volunteering to work a walk.

If you have any problems getting into the IMS Database System contact Karen Mclendon 517-648-1221, karenlm06@yahoo.com

Welcome Pilgrims

Walks 92 & 93

Scott Allen
Robert Brigham
Michael Card
Christopher Chapin
Christopher Charkowski
Travis Cressman
Chris Curtis
Gary Fitch
Greg Gall
Ronald Gorman
Charles Green
Elwin Hall
Jeffrey Hansen
Glenn Hedrick
Andrew Hollander
Eric Horner
David Kingsworthy
Gordon Laser
Mikel Lienhart
Jason Mead
Dean Mitchell
Franklin Oles
Alex Parsons
Greg Pridgeon
Alan Rapelje
Larry Salstrom
Nathan Shelton
Gregory Shull
Larry Sinclair
Aaron Wilson

Terra Allen
Alexandria Ball
Denise Bertram
Amber Campbell
Carol Card
Lauren Carden
Christian Chapen
Marti Clark
Morgan Cressman
Patricia Curtiss
Tammy Eldridge
Julia Finchbaugh
Amy Gallagher
Sue Hirshman
Sallie Compson Homer
Ruth Iversen
Beth Leinhart
Peggy Luebs
Joyce McDonald
Jamie Mitchell
Kristian Pierson
Jacueline Pridgeon
Dawn Rausch
Elissa Ryan
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