

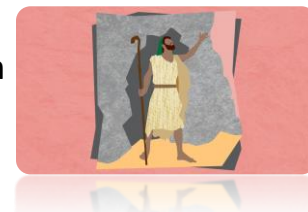
NEWS FROM EMMANUEL: JUNE 25, 2022

June 25, 2022

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Worship and Bible Class this Weekend

This weekend, Holy Communion will be offered on Sunday at 8:00 a.m. On Sunday morning, we also offer a Bible class for adults in the lower level of Ebenezer Hall from 9:15-10:15 a.m. based on Gene Veith's book, *The Spirituality of the Cross*.



Summer Bible Study at Emmanuel: *The Spirituality of the Cross*



This summer during the Bible class hour we will study Dr. Gene Edward Veith's book, [*The Spirituality of the Cross*](#). The class will run through July 24. The instructors for this course include Pastor Thomas Eggold, Pastor Dennis McFadden, Pastor Dan Sheafer, and Pastor Ryan Tietz.

Communion Services on Wednesdays

We offer a special service of Holy Communion on Wednesday mornings at 11:30 a.m. If you would like to attend one of these communion services, please register by calling the church office at 260.423.1369 by noon on the Tuesday before you plan to attend. If you are unable to attend one of these special Communion services, and desire to receive the Sacrament, please contact the church office to schedule a communion visit.

ESM Call Extended

This week the School Board of Emmanuel—St. Michael (ESM) Lutheran School voted to extend a divine call to Miss Emma Brand to serve as teacher at ESM, specifically in the 8th Grade homeroom/ELA position. Please join all in our school community in lifting Emma in prayer:

Lord of the Harvest,

We pray earnestly that you send laborers into the fields that Your kingdom may grow. Be with Emma as she deliberates her calls to serve at ESM and St. John Seward; we give thanks that You have made good use of her and lead Your servant when and where You will. We also rejoice that You have laid out plans for us and plans for good. Grant us all the peace that comes from knowing that in Christ all things hold together.

In Christ Jesus, our Lord, Amen.

Dr. Ben Stellwagen, ESM Principal

ESM School Renovation Begins!

Over the next two weeks, staging will begin for the renovation of our Union Street school building. This exciting project will renovate, update, and prepare our building for generations to come.

This year will be filled with opportunities to be flexible and this will begin with a change in our Jackson Street parking lot. **Starting this**

week, the south side of the Jackson Street parking lot will be closed in order to provide a staging area for contractors who will be working on the school. On **Sunday mornings, additional parking will be available at Washington School or in the public parking lot on the corner of Wilt and Van Buren.**

Thank you for your patience as we move forward with this important project.



Special Christmas Concert at Emmanuel



On Thursday, December 22, at 7:00 p.m., Emmanuel will welcome guitarist Peter Mayer and his band to our very own sanctuary for a special Christmas concert entitled, “Stars and Promises.” This unique performance will be announced to the public on July 3, and tickets will go on sale on July 15, at 10:00 a.m. through Eventbrite.

If you are interested in attending “Stars and Promises,” **please plan to purchase your tickets early as this concert is sure to sell out. You can visit Eventbrite to buy your tickets until July 15** by using this [private link](#).

Mayer has released 25 of his own albums, toured internationally with his own band, and has been lead guitarist for Jimmy Buffett’s Coral Reefer band for three decades.

In 1999, Peter and his brother, Jim Mayer, began work on their first Christmas album, Stars and Promises. They recorded their favorite traditional carols along with their own original Christmas songs that, over the years, have become favorites of their audiences across the country.

Since that first recording and tour in 1999, Mayer has released four additional Christmas albums and this year, celebrates his 23rd year on the road with his world-class seven-piece band. The “Stars and Promises” concerts are an engaging live performance and made memorable with state-of-the-art sound and production. “Stars and Promises” brings its unique yuletide tradition to thousands of fans who have called this production, “a Christmas show like no other!”

[Promotional video](#) for “Stars and Promises.”

Check out Peter’s [biography](#).

Vacation Bible School

Due to the work that will be happening with the school renovation project this summer, Emmanuel will not be able to hold VBS on our campus. Instead, Emmanuel will be participating in St. Michael's VBS program. We will resume our VBS program in the future once the school renovations are completed. Emmanuel VBS participants and volunteers are encouraged to join in St. Michael's VBS this year. Here are the details:



Theme: Food Truck Party: On a Roll with God

Dates and Time: July 25-29, 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Culminating Service and Party: July 30 at 5:00 p.m.

Location: St. Michael Lutheran Church

[Register here](#)

[Volunteer here](#)

St. Michael's VBS Contact: Carrie Gould, 937.641.9744/carrie.gould1137@yahoo.com

Emmanuel Needs Help with Altar Guild



Emmanuel's Altar Guild is looking for volunteers to help with the duties of preparing Holy Communion for our weekend services. This one-month commitment consists of setting up communion on Saturday mornings and cleaning up after communion services on Sundays. This ministry requires very little time, yet is vital to our weekend services. We have the greatest need for volunteers during the months of February, March,

April, May, and September. This ministry is open to men and women. To volunteer, call Becki in the church office at 260.423.1369, or email her at becki@emmanuelutheran.org. Thank you for considering this opportunity to serve Emmanuel.

Emmanuel's 37th Annual Golf Outing

Emmanuel congregation considers quality Christian education a tremendous blessing and a major focus of our church mission. **We strive to make Christian secondary education possible for all who desire it.**



Emmanuel's Golf Outing serves as the sole source to The Heidbrink Scholarship Fund. The Fund provides financial assistance to our graduating students who are pursuing careers in church work and to provide need-based grants to our students wishing to attend Concordia Lutheran High School.

Last year we netted over \$11,400 in what was an incredible show of support for this scholarship fund and our students. We are striving to have a great turnout for this year's outing, and possibly match or surpass the amount we raised last year.

The 2022 Golf Outing will be held on Saturday, August 27, at the Eel River Golf Course in

Churubusco. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. with a Shotgun Start at 8:00 a.m. Cost is \$75 per golfer, hole sponsorship is \$200. To register or sponsor the outing, [click here](#). There is a small convenience fee, if paying online.

If you play golf or not, please consider supporting this most worthwhile cause. If you would like to support the outing, you can use the “Other” line on your contribution envelope and mark it “Golf Outing,” or you can make a donation by using the link above.

For the Lord is good and His love endures forever; His faithfulness continues through all generations.—Psalm 100:5

Stephen Ministry



The Stephen Ministry at Emmanuel is a ministry of our congregation in which trained and supervised laypersons, called Stephen Ministers, provide one-to-one Christian care to individuals facing life challenges or difficulties. **A new training class will begin on September 20, 2022.**

Please prayerfully consider your own gifts and interests and how they match with this ministry. For more information, go to the Connections Counter, or call Lana Hille at 260.417.5639.

Stephen Leaders are Stephen Ministers with additional training to oversee and direct our Stephen Ministry. They recruit, select, train, organize, and supervise our Stephen Ministers. They identify people in need of care and match them with a Stephen Minister.

Stephen Ministers are the caregivers. They have been through 50 hours of training in Christian caregiving, including general topics such as listening, feelings, boundaries, assertiveness, and using Christian resources in caregiving. In addition, their training covers specialized topics such as ministering to the divorced, hospitalized, bereaved, and aging.

Employment Opportunity at CLHS

Concordia Lutheran High School seeks a qualified candidate to serve as the Assistant to the Controller. The candidate must possess at least an Associate Degree in Business, or equivalent. An undergraduate major in Accounting or Finance preferred. The candidate must have the ability to handle confidential matters, set priorities, work well under pressure with an attention to detail, and must be a self-motivator. He/she must have proficiency in written and oral communication skills, experience in database applications and office software and hardware, and must have a customer service attitude with an ability to handle people in difficult situations. To view the full position description and responsibilities and to apply, please visit www.clhscadets.com/employment. Only applications with all materials, including the completed application, will be considered.

Together in Christ,
Pastor Eggold and Pastor Sheaffer