

Divine Service at 5:00



Emmanuel Lutheran Church

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Here are a few things we'd like you to know...



CHILDREN IN WORSHIP



We are so happy you are here!

We've got tot bags and children's bulletins that are located in the east and west rear entrances of the church. Also, check out our Visual Faith page in the back of the bulletin.

Please feel free to bring your kids up during the distribution of Holy Communion for a personal blessing.

The unstaffed Church Nursery is available for children three years of age and younger and is located in the lower level. If you need help finding it, please ask one of our ushers who will gladly guide you.

PRAYER REQUESTS



If you have a prayer request that you would like announced to the congregation, you will find a prayer request card on the tables located near each entrance into the sanctuary. Drop the completed card into one of the boxes located at each entrance, or simply hand it to an usher.

CONNECTIONS COUNTER



Visit the Connections Counter located in Ebenezer Hall. We've been expecting you and have a gift for our visitors. You can also pick up information on all we have to offer and sign up for events too!

SPECIAL NEEDS



We offer a hearing loop, large print bulletins and printed copies of today's sermon. If these would be helpful, please ask one of our ushers who would be delighted to assist you.

GATHERING TIME



Join us for coffee, donuts and fellowship on Sunday mornings, after the early service and before Sunday school and Bible classes begin.

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Found in the gathering space we call Ebenezer Hall.

BUILDING FAITH IN THE CITY

“It’s All Dust”

AS WE GATHER

All Saints Day marks a shift in the church’s focus. We remember those who have gone before, and then, for the next few Sundays, we look ahead at our hope. In the reading from Luke today, everyone sees the grandiosity of the Temple, and by all accounts, it’s a building that would have left anyone in awe. As they marvel over it, Jesus tells them about what will happen, and it isn’t a pleasant picture. Sure enough, the day would come and it brought desolation, death, and destruction. That’s the fate of dust, and that’s all the temple was: a glorified pile of dust. Our lives are filled with so many things that occupy our attention, but they are all like the temple: dust. One day, they will all be gone. The amazing thing, though, is what God can do with dust.

THE GATHERING TIME

We encourage our members to greet each other with God’s peace and to warmly welcome visitors into our fellowship. Kindly turn off all cellphones and please sit toward the center of the pew so there is room for all who worship.

THE RINGING OF THE BELLS

THE WORDS OF WELCOME

THE GATHERING SONG: “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God, my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with Thee.
Thou changest not; Thy compassions, they fail not.
As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be.

(Chorus)

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided.
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above,
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. (Chorus)

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide.
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow--
blessings all mine with ten thousand beside! (Chorus)

(Please stand as able)

THE INVOCATION

Leader: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

THE OPENING SENTENCES (Job 19:25a; Ps. 107:2a; Exodus 15:13; Ps. 118:24)

Leader: For I know that my Redeemer lives.

People: Let the redeemed of the LORD say so.

Leader: You have led in Your steadfast love, the people whom You have redeemed;

People: You have guided them by Your strength to Your holy abode.

Leader: This is the day that the LORD has made;

People: let us rejoice and be glad in it.

THE CONFESSION OF SINS AND ABSOLUTION (Colossians 1:13-14)

Leader: The Lord has delivered us from the domain of darkness

People: and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination)

Leader: Almighty God and Father,

People: we confess, as Your people, our sinful human nature and the thoughts, words, and actions that are evil in Your sight. We need Your rescue. We need Your righteousness. We need a Redeemer. Mercifully draw near to us, O Lord. For the sake of Jesus Christ and His cross, rescue us from our troubles and cover our sin with true righteousness. Redeem our lives, that our days and deeds would be directed in Your peace. Amen.

Leader: Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son, Jesus, to die for you, and for His sake forgives You all Your sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word made flesh and by His authority, I therefore forgive You all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

THE SHARING OF PEACE

THE MUSICAL RESPONSE: "Days Of Elijah"

These are the days of Elijah, Declaring the Word of the Lord
And these are the days Of Your servant Moses
Righteousness being restored And though these are days
Of great trials, Of famine and darkness and sword
Still we are the voice, In the desert crying
Prepare ye the way of the Lord

(Chorus)

Behold He comes, Riding on the clouds
Shining like the sun, At the trumpet call
So lift your voice, It's the year of Jubilee
And out of Zion's hill, Salvation comes

And these are the days of Ezekiel, The dry bones becoming as flesh
And these are the days Of Your servant David Rebuilding a temple of praise,
And these are the days of the harvest, The fields are as white in the world,
And we are the laborers, In Your vineyard
Declaring the Word of the Lord (Chorus)

There is no god like Jehovah
There is no god like Jehovah
There is no god like Jehovah
There is no god like Jehovah (Chorus)

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(Please be seated)

THE FIRST READING: Malachi 4:1-6

"For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ²But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. ³And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the LORD of hosts. ⁴"Remember the law of my servant Moses, the statutes and just decrees that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel. ⁵"Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes. ⁶And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE SECOND READING: 2 Thessalonians 3:1-13

Finally, brothers, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may speed ahead and be honored, as happened among you, ²and that we may be delivered from wicked and evil men. For not all have faith. ³But the Lord is faithful. He will establish you and guard you against the evil one. ⁴And we have confidence in the Lord about you, that you are doing and will do the things that we command. ⁵May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ. ⁶Now we command you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you keep away from any brother who is walking in idleness and not in accord with the tradition that you received from us. ⁷For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us, because we were not idle when we were with you, ⁸nor did we eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you. ⁹It was not because we

do not have that right, but to give you in ourselves an example to imitate. ¹⁰For even when we were with you, we would give you this command: If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat. ¹¹For we hear that some among you walk in idleness, not busy at work, but busybodies. ¹²Now such persons we command and encourage in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. ¹³As for you, brothers, do not grow weary in doing good.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand, as you are able)

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 21:5-36

While some were speaking of the temple, how it was adorned with noble stones and offerings, [Jesus] said, ⁶“As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.” ⁷And they asked him, “Teacher, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when these things are about to take place?” ⁸And he said, “See that you are not led astray. For many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am he!’ and, ‘The time is at hand!’ Do not go after them. ⁹And when you hear of wars and tumults, do not be terrified, for these things must first take place, but the end will not be at once.” ¹⁰Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. ¹¹There will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and pestilences. And there will be terrors and great signs from heaven. ¹²But before all this they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors for my name’s sake. ¹³This will be your opportunity to bear witness. ¹⁴Settle it therefore in your minds not to meditate beforehand how to answer, ¹⁵for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which none of your adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶You will be delivered up even by parents and brothers and relatives and friends, and some of you they will put to death. ¹⁷You will be hated by all for my name’s sake. ¹⁸But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹By your endurance you will gain your lives. ²⁰“But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation has come near. ²¹Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, and let those who are inside the city depart, and let not those who are out in the country enter it, ²²for these are days of vengeance, to fulfill all that is written. ²³Alas for women who are pregnant and for those who are nursing infants in those days! For there will be great distress upon the earth and wrath against this people. ²⁴They will fall by the edge of the sword and be led captive among all nations, and Jerusalem will be trampled underfoot by the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled. ²⁵“And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, ²⁶people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. ²⁸Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.” ²⁹And he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree, and all the trees. ³⁰As soon as they come out in leaf, you see for yourselves and

know that the summer is already near. ³¹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³²Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all has taken place. ³³Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. ³⁴“But watch yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a trap. ³⁵For it will come upon all who dwell on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶But stay awake at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are going to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

THE NICENE CREED (Spoken together)

Inside back cover of hymnal

THE MUSICAL RESPONSE: “When Peace Like a River”

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way;
When sorrows, like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,
It is well, it is well with my soul.

(Chorus)

It is well with my soul, It is well, it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control,
That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate
And hath shed His own blood for my soul. (Chorus)

He lives oh, the bliss of this glorious thought;
My sin, not in part, but the whole,
Is nailed to His cross, and I bear it no more.
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! (Chorus)

And, Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight,
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
The trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend;
Even so it is well with my soul. (Chorus)

Lutheran Service Book. Arrangement by Craig Dahlkamp

THE SERMON

Pastor Jon Meyer

THE GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Please take the black binder at the end of each pew, and fill out the appropriate info. We encourage our members to greet our visitors after the service.

THE MUSICAL RESPONSE: “Jesus Loves Me”

Jesus loves me! This I know, For the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to Him belong; They are weak, but He is strong.

(Chorus)

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!

Yes, Jesus loves me! For the Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me! He who died, Heaven's gates to open wide.

He has washed away my sin, Let's His little child come in. (Chorus)

Jesus loves me! He will stay Close beside me all the way.

He's prepared a home for me, And some day His Face I'll see. (Chorus)

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(Please stand, as you are able)

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Leader: In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For steadfastness in the Word of God, which will never pass away, that in these last days we may turn our eyes from the distress of this failing world and lift them to Christ, our Help and Keeper, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For ministers of the Gospel and those who hear it gladly, especially all persecuted Christians, that they may be delivered from wicked and evil men, be given a mouth and wisdom to confess Christ boldly, and endure faithfully to the end, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For the homes and businesses represented within this congregation, that according to the apostolic command, we may remain busy at work and not walk in idleness, see the fruits of our labors, and have hearts directed to the love of God and the steadfastness of Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For the assurance that, though the nations rage and the powers press against the Church, this is our opportunity to give witness to the Word that does not change and to the mercy that is our hope in Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For those in affliction, that they may endure in hope and raise up their heads as they await the coming of their redemption, Christ Jesus, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Lord God, heavenly Father, as the days pass and all things move to their appointed end, keep us from being complacent. Keep us alert and awake so that when the day comes, we may greet You and rejoice in Your eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

THE PREFACE (Spoken responsively by the Congregation)

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

THE PROPER PREFACE

Leader: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we would give thanks to You in every time and place, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who bought our redemption through His sinless obedience and innocent suffering and death. Shedding blood more priceless than gold, Christ won for us pardon and peace, and now lives and rules at Your right hand, that He might intercede for those He has purchased from sin, death, and Satan's power. As we eagerly await His returning, gather our hearts and voices with all the redeemed, that along with angels and archangels we may bless and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

"SANCTUS (HOLY, HOLY, HOLY)"

Holy, Holy, Lord God of Heavenly Hosts,

Holy, Holy, Lord God of Heavenly Hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

Hosanna, Hosanna, Blessed is he who comes,

Blessed is he who comes, Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

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THE LORD'S PRAYER (Spoken together)

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE PEACE OF THE LORD

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION (Served by stations)

When Jesus said, "This is My Body...This is My Blood," He really meant it. As Lutherans, we believe in the real bodily presence of Christ in the Sacrament, not merely in a figurative or symbolic sense. This means that Jesus' body and blood are actually present in the bread and wine received in Holy Communion. In this meal our faith is strengthened and forgiveness is assured. This gift is an act of God's love, which we don't deserve, cannot explain, and don't even fully understand. We humbly believe it. It is a request of our congregation that anyone who wishes to commune with us would share this faith. If you are not receiving the Lord's Supper today but desire a blessing, approach the Pastor with your arms crossed over your heart. The individual cups located in the

center of each tray contain non-alcoholic wine for those having that medical need. Individually packaged gluten-free communion wafers are available. Please ask the Communion Assistant if you have this dietary need.

THE DISTRIBUTION SONGS

"What Is This Bread"

What is this bread? Christ's body risen from the dead:
This bread we break This life we take,
Was crushed to pay for our release.
O taste and see—the Lord is peace.

What is this wine? The blood of Jesus shed for mine;
The cup of grace Brings His embrace
Of life and love until I sing!
O taste and see—the Lord is King.

So who am I, That I should live and He should die
Under the rod? My God, my God,
Why have You not forsaken me?
O taste and see—the Lord is free.

Yet is God here? Oh, yes! By Word and promise clear,
In mouth and soul He makes us whole—
Christ, truly present in this meal.
O taste and see—the Lord is real.

Is this for me? I am forgiven and set free!
I do believe That I receive
His very body and His blood.
O taste and see—the Lord is good.

Lutheran Service Book

"My Savior's Love (What Tongue Could Tell)"

(Solo)

What tongue could tell my Savior's love what song of angels could describe;
Could endless praises be enough to echo full His sacrifice?
How worthy is the Lamb of God beyond all might or skill of pen;
Still we confess and strain towards Such mystery and magnificence.

(Chorus)

My Savior's love, My Savior's love, What could compare,
What tongue could tell my Savior's love?

What tune could carry on its wings
The beauty of that final breath;
What words dare paint the awesome scene
When God stood in the stead of man?
When Jesus Christ the radiant One
Took on the shadows of our hate;
Then rose again just as the sun

With light and power in fullest grace. (Chorus)

And when in death this tongue is stilled,
My song of life has reached the end;
Though as a flower I may wilt
This everlasting truth will stand.
No death or life could separate
Me from the love of Christ my Lord;
This hope is sure from age to age,
My song will be forevermore. (Chorus 3 times)

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THE DISMISSAL

THE BLESSING

THE CLOSING SONG: "I Will Not Be Shaken"

My soul finds rest in You, my fortress and my rock,
My hope for life, my hiding place, my refuge and my God.
In You I've found my home, my shelter from the storm,
And I'll pour out my heart to You, and lean upon Your throne.

(Chorus)

I will put my trust in You, I will put my hope there, too.
I will stand upon Your word, and I will not be shaken.
I will let my praises show, holding on to what I know,
Because I know You're always there.
And I will not be shaken, I will not be shaken.

(Solo)

I will not be moved, I'm leaning on the throne
Because You died for me and called me to Your own
And even when the strongest winds begin to blow
I will stand my ground, I will not be moved,
I will not be shaken.

(All)

My soul finds rest in You, my fortress and my rock,
My hope for life, my hiding place,
My refuge and my God. (Chorus)

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THE POSTLUDE

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Mal. 3:13-18; Ps. 46; Col. 1:13-20; Luke 23:27-43

THE FLOWERS adorning His altar were given to the glory of God in loving memory of Ed and Margaret Tennison and Don Hille, from Lana Hille; in loving

memory of Frank and Millie Vorich and Matt and Beverly Lester from Larry and Becky VonGunten; and in loving memory of Andrew Martin and Tom Martin, from Teresa Martin.

USHERS: Kathy Lash and Catherine Peterson

COMMUNION: Tom McLaughlin

The Prayers of the Church

Prayer Requests

- Our congregation continues to care for one another through a faithful prayer ministry. Please pray for the following people this week:
 - Pray for strength, healing, peace and comfort for Pam Carmichael (sister of Deb Percy), Steve Herman, River Garcia (grandson of Raquel Klug), Carlton Grotrian (father of Karla Neeld), Colsen Gage (nephew of Annalissa Smith), Ricky Carmickle (brother-in-law of Deb Percy), Alycia Williams, Dick Reinking, Gene Franklin (father of Sandy Behling), Vickie Kidwell (mother of Sandy Behling), Phil Arthur, Deb Percy, Ed Braun, Norv McClure, Janine (friend of Lauryn Longworth), Gracelynn Anderson (granddaughter of Tim and Cindy Anderson), Lynn Williams (mother of Steve Williams), Randi Gramling (cousin of Deb Percy), Stan Thompson, Deb Epperson, Salem Lee Hilty
 - Pray for the following people recovering from surgery: Dave Bieberich, Cathy Paff, Jan Reche, Justin Arkkelin, Elizabeth Johnston, Kathy Lash, Jan Werth, Jan Rathge, Steve Mueller, Myra Schmidt, Sandy Behling, Marsha Sappenfield
 - Pray for healing, comfort and peace for the following people with cancer: Bonnie Havener (sister-in-law of George and Becki Elonzae), Karen Burtch (sister-in-law of Lori Richey), Amy Krontz (daughter-in-law of David and Karen Wyss), Mary Grosjean, Peg Davis, Ashley Edge (niece of Barb and Gary Lesh), Barb Hambrock, Julie McMichael (niece of Deb Percy), Bob and Jenny Hobby (brother-in-law and sister of Chris Murphy), Shelly Koenig (friend of Matt & Amy Konow), Rob Howe, Judi Brunow, Josh Walters (friend of Patty Rouse), Judy Baumgartner (mother of Kristin Smith), Tina Bennett, Dennis McFadden, Lisa Toth (Pepple), Laura Herrick (Caroline Eber's niece), Art Klausmeier, Roger Kuehnert, John Jennings (friend of Dave and Tammy Bair), Bruce Williams, Herb Schumm, Rob Roehm, Ann Schwartz, Hazel Krenzke (Brian and Anna Snodgrass's niece), Robert Burmeister (Hannah Swor's dad), Roxanne Moore, Marsha Sappenfield, Jenny Nehrenz (niece of Charlene Hess), Rick Bair (brother of Dave and Tammy Bair)

- Join our staff in praying for the following members:
 - Tina and John Amidon, Karla, Jordan and Brooke
 - Jamie Anderson
 - Jason and Denise Anderson, Liam and Lauren
 - Jonathan and Brittany Anderson, Hannah and Brooklynn
 - Mike and Media Anderson, Manny and Cilicia
 - Nicholas Anderson
 - Nick Anderson
 - Tim and Cindy Anderson
 - Tom and Michele Anderson
 - Nick and Ashly Annis, Riley
- Please pray for the missions supported by Emmanuel's congregation:
 - Rev. James and Deaconess Christel Neuendorf – Ponce, Puerto Rico
 - Lutheran Agency for Missions to Burmese (LAMB)
 - Rev. Michael Paul - Taiwan
 - Heidi Wilkinson – Ethiopia
 - The Lutheran Heritage Foundation
 - Luther Academy
 - Lutheran Senior Care Ministry (LSCM)
 - Lutherans For Life (LFL)
 - Lutheran Bible Translators

If you have a prayer request that you would like to make known to our Emmanuel family, please email me at taeggold@hotmail.com. If you would like to join the Emmanuel Prayer Chain, please email Marsha Sappenfield at marshasappenfield@comcast.net or call 260-616-0679.

Prayer of Thanksgiving for Baptism: Thank God for the baptisms so far in 2025.

Dolores Harper	Parker Schultheis	Mason Gilliom	Atlas Arnold
Renae Smith	Rafael Alberto	Lois Altheide	Lincoln Griffin
Virginia Miller	Amelia Adair	Forrest Clarke	Brandon Cirilo
Charlotte Schmotzer	Lilyth Tittman	Anna Vandercar	William Vogt
Bennett Hoyle	Liam Hill	Rowen Lomont	Owen Light
Kollin Vanderford	Klaire Vanderford	Khloe Vanderford	Walter Vanderford
Wilma Vanderford	Vada Gillum	Valerie Miller	Gary Keller
Terry Buffington	Desirae Rider	Payton Caudill	Benjamin Rider
Alice Gynn	Quinn Brimmer	Parker Hall	Kirstin Lobozzo
Jordyn Christlieb	Devon Jewell	Izaiah Christlieb	Iyla Christlieb
Elyjun Christlieb	Amira Christlieb	Nevaeh Christlieb	Atreus Layman
Theodora Kendrick	Salem Lee Hilty		

The Teaching of the Church

Want Help Growing in the Word? Regularly visit Pastor Brunow's website <http://www.genesbrunotes.com>. The website offers notes on each chapter of Scripture, Bible studies, tips for preparing for worship, and a weekly devotion based on the Gospel reading for the coming week. You can find these devotions under the "Sermon Notes Plus" option.

Sunday School and Bible Class 9:15 – 10:15 a.m.

CLASS	LOCATION
Little Flock (Birth – Age 3)	School Room A5 (Extended Care)
4-5 Year Olds	School Room A3
K-1 st Grade	School Room A1
2 nd -3 rd Grade	School Room B3
4 th -5 th Grade	School Room B5
6 th -7 th Grade	School Room D3
8 th Grade	LL Ebenezer
High School	Loft
"The Kingdom of God is Coming"	Sanctuary
"I Believe"	Brandt Hall

Weekday Bible Classes...

CLASS	LOCATION	DAY	TIME
Monday Morning Moms	Loft	Monday (every other)	8:30 a.m.
LifeLight: Luke	Ebenezer Hall	Mondays	3:30 p.m.
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Study the Psalms	Chapman's	Tuesday	6:00 p.m.
Men's Lectionary Study	Ebenezer Hall	Wednesdays	6:30 a.m.
Women's Bible Study	Brandt Hall	Wednesdays	8:30 a.m.
Pastor's Bible Study	Ebenezer Hall	Wednesdays	10:00 a.m.
Friends in the Word	Loft	Thursday (every other)	8:30 a.m.
Bible Study & Fellowship	Chapman's	Thursdays	6:00 p.m.
@917 (Ages 25-45)	Ebenezer Hall	Thursdays	7:00 p.m.
This Is Most Certainly Brew	Brandt Hall	Fridays	6:30 a.m.

Adult Sunday Bible Classes (November 2 - December 14; 9:15 – 10:15 a.m.)

"The Kingdom of God is Coming: Vivid Messages of Hope in the Prophets" – The Old Testament prophets proclaim Christ's coming in powerful yet often strange ways. In this time of Advent, we will explore and revel in some of these images from Isaiah, Zephaniah, Daniel, Ezekiel, and Zechariah as we look forward to celebrating Christ coming both as the baby in Bethlehem and also at the end of the age." (Pastor Tietz, Sanctuary)

"I Believe: History and Theology of the Ecumenical Creeds" - Going back to the days of Moses and the Israelites, God's people have had summaries of faith. Another name for these summaries of faith is a creed. Still today, the Church proclaims its beliefs through creeds. In our worship services at Emmanuel, we make use of three creeds: the Apostles', Nicene, and the Athanasian Creeds. Join us as we take a deeper look into these creeds. (Pastor Mark Sheaffer, Brandt Hall)

The News of the Church

Congregational Meeting on November 16 - On Sunday, November 16, we will hold our annual Congregational Meeting. In this meeting, we will receive updates on our ministry, approve a budget, and elect new leaders. We will also vote on an important recommendation to support Concordia Lutheran High School's "A Bold Step" capital campaign. The meeting will start shortly after the conclusion of the 10:30 a.m. worship service and will be held in the sanctuary.

Middle School Youth - All 6th-8th graders are invited to a game night on Sunday, November 16 from 3:30 - 5:00 p.m. in the gym. Please enter through the Jackson St. doors and join us in the gym for a game, snack, and devotion. Questions? Please reach out to Liz Bejot at LBejot@emmanuelutheran.org.

Clay and Iron: Men's Ministry at Emmanuel - Hebrews 10:24-25 says, "And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another . . ." Therefore, men of Emmanuel, please take this opportunity to share your interests and give us some feedback on our men's ministry "Clay & Iron" where we seek to find ways to help connect, build, and sharpen ourselves for service to Christ and the world. You can take the survey by scanning the QR code.



Christmas Giving Tree - A huge thank you for the tremendous response to our Christmas giving project this year. The tags were all taken this first weekend! Enjoy selecting gifts and gift cards for our families these next two weeks and bring them into church, unwrapped, with the tag by December 1. If you are able, we would love to have you join us on Friday, December 5 at 9:00 a.m. in the lower level of Ebenezer for our wrapping party.

Donations Needed - Washington Elementary is in need of clothing for their students. Their most desired items are sweatpants, underwear, socks, and pullover shirts in sizes 4/5 through 10/12. Please bring these items into the church office. Thank you for your consideration!

The Piecemakers were able to deliver 60 quilts to the Lutheran World Relief this year. Thank you to those who sewed the tops of the quilts. We are now looking for those who are willing to sew together squares for this years' quilts. The squares are provided. If you are willing, call Jan Werth at 260.452.4769.

The Lutheran Witness - If you would like to subscribe to The Lutheran Witness, please fill out the form below, enclose it in an envelope along with your payment of \$25, and return it to the church office by Sunday, November 23. Please make your check payable to Emmanuel Church.

LUTHERAN WITNESS SUBSCRIPTION

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____

Santa Shop for Washington Elementary School – Santa Shop offers students at Washington School the opportunity to “shop” for items that they can gift to family members for Christmas. The shop is seeking donations of \$1 to \$5 gift items, as well as all wrapping supplies Please bring your donation(s) to the church by Friday, December 5. To sign up to help wrap gifts, please contact Diane Witzenman at 260.249.1307. Thank you for your support, kindness and generosity for Washington Elementary School!

Celebrating A Successful Capital Campaign with Peter Mayer - The Lord has provided more than \$6 million of the \$7.4 million it cost us to renovate our Union Street school building. On December 15, we will celebrate this remarkable blessing with a special Christmas concert in our sanctuary by recording artist Peter Mayer. We'd like to make this unique experience available to anyone who contributed to the “In All Generations” campaign. If you would like to reserve a free ticket (\$39.50 value) for this special concert at no cost, please scan the QR code.



Lunch Bunch (60+) will be on Tuesday, November 18, 2025. Our special guest speaker will be Joel Sauer representing the West Central Neighborhood Association who will give us an update on what's happening in the neighborhood. Fellowship begins at 11:00 a.m. and lunch at 12:00 p.m. The cost is \$10.00, payable that day. Please stop by the Connections Counter in to sign up for this event or call the church office at 260.423.1369. We hope to see you there!

The Christ Child Festival is collecting Christmas cards for a large craft (used cards work well too!). Please bring them to either of ESM's school offices by November 21. We also ask for your prayers for this event. If you'd like to learn more, please visit christchildfest.org. Thank you!

Bridge 20/30 is a space for post-high school young adults (single or married) to connect, grow, and have fun in community with others who share similar values. On Tuesday, November 18 at 7:00 p.m., we are doing a service project "Thanks & Giving", a food packing event to fight hunger. (3020 Congressional Pkwy)

The Stewardship of the Church

EMMANUEL’S MINISTRIES

Supports the ongoing mission and ministry efforts of Emmanuel congregation.

Year to Date: \$1,945,713	Anticipated Need Thru November, 2025: \$1,967,648
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DISTRICT AND SYNOD

Used for local, national and world mission efforts.

Last Week: \$245	Year to Date: \$12,781
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CUP OF KINDNESS

Distributed by Lutheran Social Services to local families who have crisis needs.

Last Week: \$55	Year to Date: \$3,927
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IN ALL GENERATIONS

Supports the renovations of the Emmanuel campus school building.

"IAG" Total Received: \$6,112,355	Mortgage Balance: \$1,342,790	Total Cost* \$7,424,176
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*Total Cost = Mortgage Interest Paid to Date + Construction Cost

The Calendar of the Church

Monday, November 17

- 8:00 a.m. Monday Morning Moms
- 6:00 p.m. Handbell Practice
- 7:00 p.m. WC Neighborhood Association Meeting

Tuesday, November 18

- 11:00 a.m. Lunch Bunch
- 6:00 p.m. Stephen Training
- 6:00 p.m. Study the Psalms at Chapman's Brewery

Wednesday, November 19

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 8:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study
- 8:30 a.m. ESM Chapel
- 9:00 a.m. Homeschool Religion
- 9:15 a.m. Preschool Chapel
- 10:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study
- 11:30 a.m. Communion Service
- 6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, November 20

- 8:30 a.m. Thursday Guys
- 9:00 a.m. Piece Makers
- 3:30 p.m. Food Pantry
- 6:00 p.m. Bible Study and Fellowship at Chapman's Brewery
- 7:00 p.m. @917 Bible Class

Friday, November 21

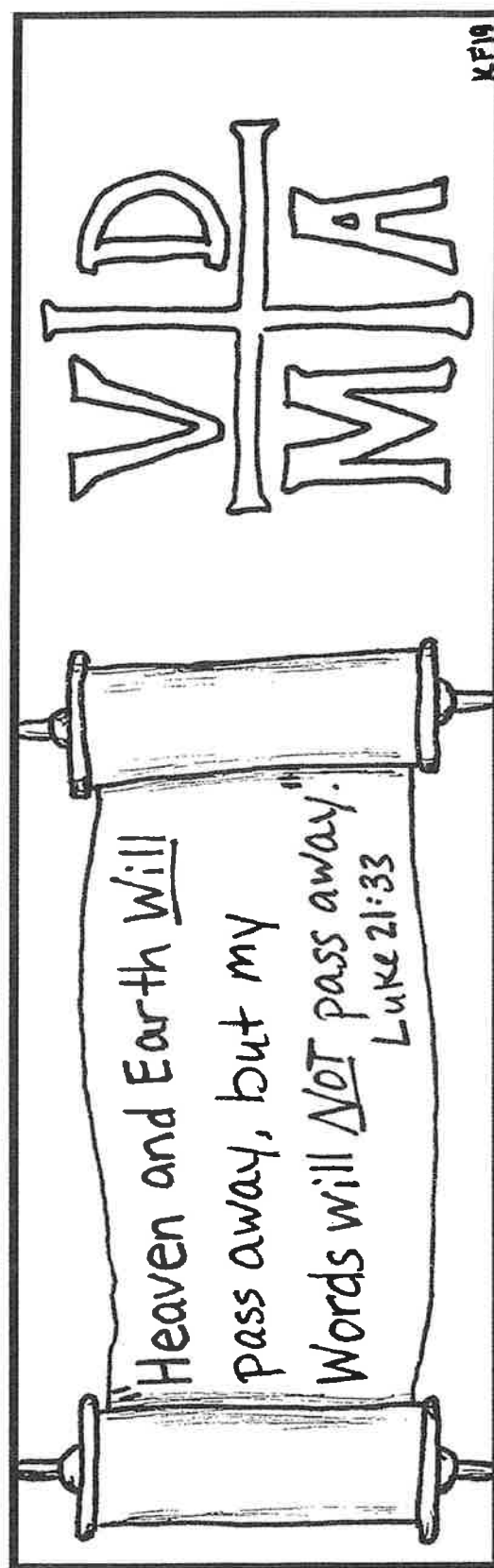
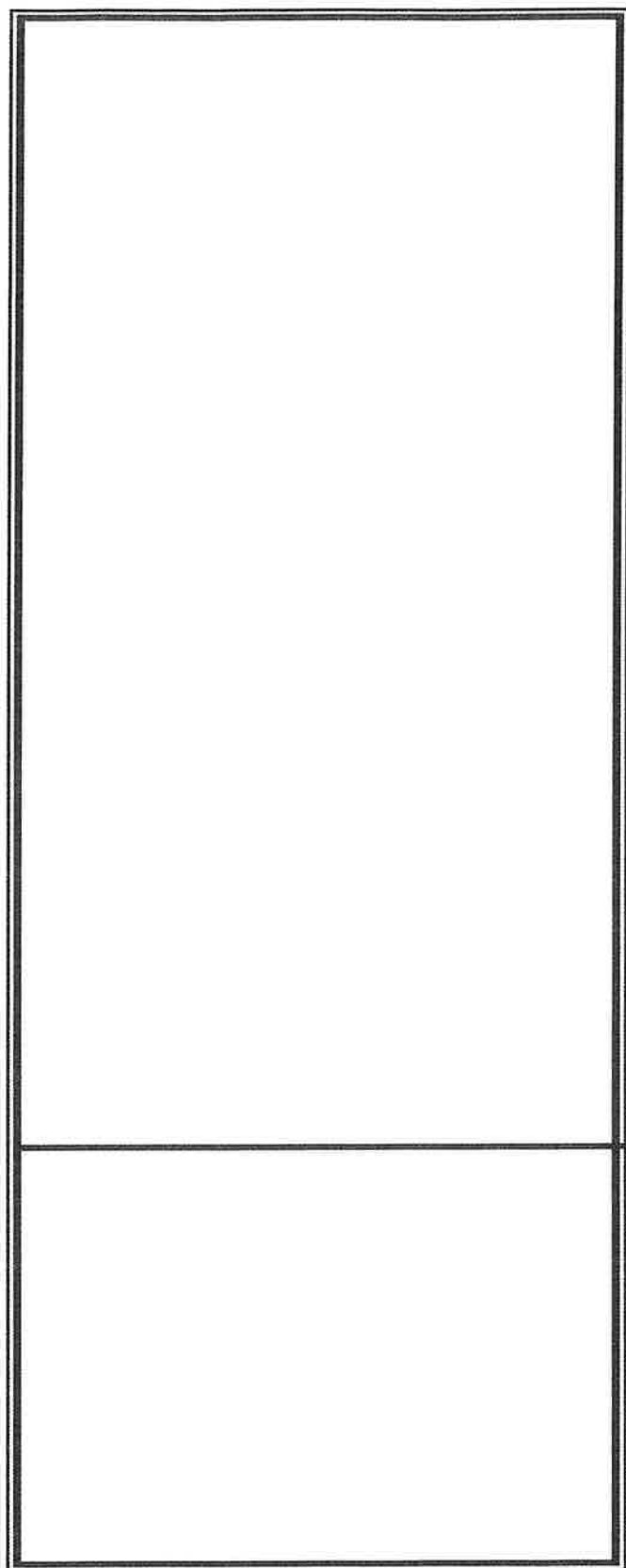
- ESM Grandparent's Day
- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study

Saturday, November 22

- 5:00 p.m. Divine Service

Sunday, November 23

- 8:00 a.m. Divine Service w/ Communion
- 9:15 a.m. Bible Classes and Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Divine Service
- 6:00 p.m. SNA



This Visual Faith resource is designed to help visual and tactile learners take worship into the week. You can find more Visual Faith resources at <https://www.visualfaithmin.org>.

EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Building faith in the city

We are a caring family of baptized Christians bound together in the forgiveness which God has provided all people through His Son, Jesus.

This family exists to announce this gift of forgiveness to individuals of all nations and cultures through the preaching of God's Word and the administration of the Sacraments. Emmanuel instructs young and old according to the confessional standard of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and reaches out through forgiving relationships, working to connect all members of the family through caring friendships.

Emmanuel serves as shepherds of the sheep; seekers of the lost; friends of sinners; and caregivers to the poor, lonely and broken-hearted. It is a family that cares for all people and reaches out to witness to the love and forgiveness found in Jesus Christ.

Emmanuel Worship Services are designed to share God's love and forgiveness through the ministry of Word and Sacrament. We offer a variety of worship styles and we encourage you to worship in the liturgical style that best meets your needs.

Saturday Evening Divine Service—This service offers a contemporary setting and is held on Saturdays at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Morning Divine Services—These services are held on Sundays at 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. and feature worship in a traditional liturgical setting.

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