

# 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...

**Guests in Worship**—Each week, we have the opportunity to welcome new people to our fellowship. While ushers have the important job of helping guests find seats and sharing information, we all play a role in embracing and welcoming guests to Emmanuel. Please look for new faces, extend a helping hand whenever possible, and encourage guests to visit the **Connections Counter** in Ebenezer Hall.

**Children in Worship**—The presence of children at Emmanuel is a great blessing and the worship service can be a wonderful opportunity to teach them about God's love. Please bring children forward during the distribution of Holy Communion for a personal blessing, and help them to participate in the responses and prayers throughout the service. Age appropriate **Children's Bulletins** are available on the tables located at the back of the church. **Tot Bags** are located in the east and west rear entrances of the church. If a child becomes restless or disruptive during the service, a **Church Nursery** for children three years of age and younger is located in the lower level hall just down the stairs near the northwest entrance to the church. If you need help finding the Church Nursery, please ask one of our ushers who will gladly guide you.

**Prayer Requests**—If you have a prayer concern that you would like included in the worship service, please ask an usher for a prayer request card. You may drop the completed card into one of the boxes located at the back of the sanctuary or hand it to an usher.

**Special Needs**—We offer a number of aids designed to enhance your worship experience including a **Hearing Loop**, **Large Print Bulletins** and **Printed Copies of Today's Sermon**. If any of these items would be helpful to you, please ask one of our ushers who would be delighted to assist you.

**The Gathering Time**—Each Sunday, after the early service and before Sunday School and Bible Classes begin, we congregate in Ebenezer Hall for The Gathering Time. During this time, members and guests have the opportunity for fellowship together, while enjoying a beverage and donut.

**Emmanuel App**—The Emmanuel App is a wonderful tool for ministry and will put access to worship resources, devotional helps, congregational information, video announcements, as well as our church calendar at your fingertips. The Emmanuel App can be accessed by going to your app store and searching for "Emmanuel Fort Wayne." Search results will show you the app which features our logo.

The mission of Emmanuel is the mission Christ gave His Church when He said, "go and make disciples of all nations baptizing them in the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you" (Matthew 28:19-20). If you are interested in finding out more about Emmanuel, you can contact Pastor Eggold at [taeggold@hotmail.com](mailto:taeggold@hotmail.com), or Pastor Sheafer at [pastordan@emmanuelutheran.org](mailto:pastordan@emmanuelutheran.org), or call either of us at (260) 423-1369. We would love to talk with you.

# “Jesus Wept”

## AS WE GATHER

The two words that make up this weekend’s service theme come from what people know as the shortest verse in the English Bible, John 11:35. While it might be a simple verse to memorize or use for a confirmation verse, these two words reveal a beautiful thing about our God. Our God knows our emotions personally. Especially in the face of the separation that death brings, our God intimately knows the grief death brings. While personally knowing and experiencing grief like us, our God also remains the hope in the midst of our weeping. By His death and resurrection, our God defeated sin and death assuring us that a day is coming when our weeping will end when He will wipe away every tear from our eyes.

## 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: “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.  
Lift your voice, it’s the year of jubilee,  
And out of Zion’s hill, salvation comes.

These are the days of Ezekiel, The dry bones becoming as flesh;  
And these are the days of your servant David, Building a temple of praise.  
And these are the days of the harvest,

The fields are as white in Your world;  
And we are the laborers in Your vineyard,  
Declaring the Word of the Lord. (Chorus)

There's no God like Jehovah, there's no God like Jehovah,  
There's no God like Jehovah, there's no God like Jehovah.  
There's no God like Jehovah, there's no God like Jehovah,  
There's no God like Jehovah, there's no God like Jehovah. (Chorus)

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#### THE INVOCATION

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

#### THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION (Psalm 36:5, 7-9)

Leader: Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens,  
People: Your faithfulness to the clouds.

Leader: How precious is Your steadfast love, O God!  
People: The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of Your wings.

Leader: They feast on the abundance of Your house,  
People: and You give them drink from the river of Your delights.

Leader: For with You is the fountain of life;  
People: in Your light do we see light.

Leader: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

People: Amen.

Leader: Humble yourselves before God, confess your sins to Him, and implore His forgiveness.

(Silence for reflection and confession)

Leader: Almighty God, merciful Father,  
People: we acknowledge our sinful nature and repent of our sins—those of which we are not aware and those we know full well. We do not love You and other people as we ought. We are often careless with Your creation and heedless in choosing the proper priorities of our lives. Yet it is our intent to say and do that which honors You. For the sake of Jesus grant us Your forgiveness so that, as Your

redeemed people, we may be fit places for the indwelling of the Holy Spirit and may serve You in time and in eternity.

Leader: God be gracious to you and strengthen your faith. In the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; He will surely do it. Go in ☩ peace.

People: Amen.

## THE SHARING OF PEACE

### THE MUSICAL RESPONSE: "Great Are You, Lord"

You give life, You are love, You bring light to the darkness.  
You give hope; You restore ev'ry heart that is broken.  
And great are You, Lord

(Chorus)

It's Your breath in our lungs, so we pour our our praise,  
We pour out our praise.  
It's Your breath in our lungs,  
So we pour out our praise to You only.

(Repeat from beginning)

All the earth will shout Your praise.  
Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing, "Great are You, Lord!"  
All the earth will shout Your praise.  
Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing, "Great are You, Lord!" (Chorus)

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(Please be seated)

THE FIRST READING: Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the Lord was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. <sup>2</sup>And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. <sup>3</sup>And he said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord God, you know." <sup>4</sup>Then he said to me, "Prophecy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. <sup>5</sup>Thus says the Lord God to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. <sup>6</sup>And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in

you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the Lord.”<sup>7</sup> So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone.<sup>8</sup> And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them.<sup>9</sup> Then he said to me, “Prophecy to the breath; prophecy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live.”<sup>10</sup> So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army.<sup>11</sup> Then he said to me, “Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are clean cut off.’<sup>12</sup> Therefore prophecy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel.<sup>13</sup> And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people.<sup>14</sup> And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the Lord; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the Lord.”

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE SECOND READING: Romans 8:1-11

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.<sup>2</sup> For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.<sup>3</sup> For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh,<sup>4</sup> in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.<sup>5</sup> For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit.<sup>6</sup> To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace.<sup>7</sup> For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God’s law; indeed, it cannot.<sup>8</sup> Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.<sup>9</sup> You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him.<sup>10</sup> But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness.<sup>11</sup> If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as you are able)

THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 11:17-27, 38-53

When Jesus came, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. <sup>18</sup>Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off, <sup>19</sup>and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother. <sup>20</sup>So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, but Mary remained seated in the house. <sup>21</sup>Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. <sup>22</sup>But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you." <sup>23</sup>Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." <sup>24</sup>Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." <sup>25</sup>Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, <sup>26</sup>and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?" <sup>27</sup>She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world." <sup>38</sup>Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it. <sup>39</sup>Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, by this time there will be an odor, for he has been dead four days." <sup>40</sup>Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" <sup>41</sup>So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. <sup>42</sup>I knew that you always hear me, but I said this on account of the people standing around, that they may believe that you sent me." <sup>43</sup>When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out." <sup>44</sup>The man who had died came out, his hands and feet bound with linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go." <sup>45</sup>Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what he did, believed in him, <sup>46</sup>but some of them went to the Pharisees and told them what Jesus had done. <sup>47</sup>So the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered the Council and said, "What are we to do? For this man performs many signs. <sup>48</sup>If we let him go on like this, everyone will believe in him, and the Romans will come and take away both our place and our nation." <sup>49</sup>But one of them, Caiaphas, who was high priest that year, said to them, "You know nothing at all. <sup>50</sup>Nor do you understand that it is better for you that one man should die for the people, not that the whole nation should perish." <sup>51</sup>He did not say this of his own accord, but being high priest that year he prophesied that Jesus would die for the nation, <sup>52</sup>and not for the nation only, but also to gather into one the children of God who are scattered abroad. <sup>53</sup>So from that day on they made plans to put him to death.

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

THE APOSTLES' CREED (Spoken together)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was

crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### THE MUSICAL RESPONSE: "In Christ Alone"

In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song.  
This cornerstone, this solid ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.  
My Comforter, my All in All, Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe.  
This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save.  
'Til on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied.  
For every sin on Him was laid, here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground, His body lay. Light of the world by darkness slain.  
Then bursting forth in glorious Day, Up from the grave He rose again.  
And as He stands in victory sin's curse has lost its grip on me.  
For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the power of Christ in me.  
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.  
No power of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from His hand.  
'til He returns or calls me home. Here in the power of Christ I'll stand  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

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#### THE SERMON

Pastor Dan Sheaffer

#### 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: "Come Alive (Dry Bones)"

Through the eyes of men, it seems there's so much we have lost  
As we look down the road where all the prodigals have walked.  
One by one, the enemy has whispered lies and led them off as slaves.



But we know that You are God; Yours is the victory.  
We know there is more to come that we may not yet see.  
So with the faith You've given us, we'll step into the valley unafraid, yeah.

(Chorus)

As we call out to dry bones, "Come alive, come alive."  
We call out to dead hearts, "Come alive, come alive."  
Up out of the ashes, let us see an army rise.  
We call out to dry bones, "Come alive."

God of endless mercy, God of unrelenting love,  
Rescue ev'ry daughter, bring us back the wayward sons.  
And by Your Spirit, breathe upon them,  
Show the world that You alone can save, You alone can save. (Chorus)

So breathe, O breath of God, now breathe, O breath of God.  
Breathe, O breath of God, now breathe.  
Breathe, O breath of God, now breathe, O breath of God.  
Breathe, O breath of God, now breathe. (Chorus)

Yeah, we call out to dry bones, "Come alive. Oh, come alive."

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#### THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For faith in Jesus, the resurrection and the life, as we await His attention in our time of need; and that through His Spirit, He would give strength to our prayers, heal our weaknesses and restore all our losses, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For the downtrodden, the faithless, the fearful and the outcast; and that the Lord would lay His hand on pastors of every era to proclaim His Word, that all might live, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For our homes and all who reside therein, that husbands and wives, brothers and sisters would rejoice to hear the promises of Christ, steadfastly believing them and ever living in their light, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For those in authority over the lives of our people, that they would exercise this God-given duty humbly and in accord with His will, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For those loved of the Lord who are ill and in need of His holy care, that He would make haste to help them, spare their lives and call them out of their graves on the Last Day, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For all the baptized, that they would live according to the Spirit they have received, shunning the works of the flesh and living in the hope of the resurrection, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Hear us, heavenly Father, for the sake of Christ Jesus, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Spoken together)

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THE BLESSING

THE CLOSING SONG: "I Am Free"

Through You the blind will see, Through You the mute will sing  
Through You the dead will rise, Through You all hearts will praise.  
Through You the darkness flees,  
Through You my heart screams, "I Am Free."

(Chorus)

I am free to run  
I am free to dance  
I am free to live for You  
I am free

(Congregation echoes)

(I am free to run)  
(I am free to dance)  
(I am free to live for You)  
(I am free)

Through You the blind will see, Through You the mute will sing  
Through You the dead will rise, Through You all hearts will praise.  
Through You the darkness flees,  
Through You my heart screams, "I Am Free." (Chorus)

I am free  
I am free

(I am free)  
(I am free)

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## THE POSTLUDE

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK: Is. 50:4-9a; Ps. 118:19-29; Phil. 2:5-11; John 12:12-19

THE FLOWERS adorning His altar were given to the glory of God in loving memory of Vern Urbine, Bob Rommel, and Dixie Lee from Phyllis Urbine and family; and in loving memory of Kenneth Hegerfiel and Dennis Sower from Karin (Heferfeld) Brock and family.

THE MUSIC LEADERS: Emmanuel Praise Team

THE USHERS: Jan Hoffman, Laura Miller

# 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:
  - Stephen Ministers - The following individuals will be commissioned as Stephen Ministers at the 10:30 a.m. service: Sharon Bieberich, Peg Buuck, Lynn Frye, Karen Frye, Jeannette McFadden, Ted Tiefel, Kris Tinsley, Jennifer Tweedy, Robin Wagner, Gregory Weaver. Please pray that God would bless each of them as they begin this ministry.
  - We pray for Clarissa Caylee Moravec on the occasion of her Baptism. We ask God to strengthen Clarissa as she grows and to bless her parents, Brett and Kirsten (Hoham) Moravec, and her sponsors, Ted and Elizabeth Hoham, as they raise and nurture Clarissa in her Baptismal faith.
  - Pray for strength, healing, peace and comfort for Dick Reinking, Bertha Jackson (mother of Kris Tinsley), Joy (friend of Emmanuel Lutheran Church), Ellie Dahlkamp, Ed Braun, Alycia Merkler, Allen Herbst, Cheryl Huesner, Marcille Burtch, Ed Braun, Dottie Coppolino (sister of Sherry Baker), Jerry Kanning, Ray Behling (Father of David Behling), Phyllis Tittman, Vickie Tufley (sister of Judy Huesner), Maury Springer, Taylor Hogan (son of Arlan and Robin Hogan), Curt Rees (brother-in-law of Sandra Nahrwold), David Merkler, Kristy Fitzgerald.
  - Pray for the following people recovering from surgery: Kathy Schweyer, Carson Hall, Peg McFadden, Stan Ketzler, Gillian Vachon, Faith Harless, Troy Sargent, Mitch Platt.

- Pray for healing, comfort and peace for the following people with cancer: Rob Howe, Tom Weick, Judi Brunow, Angela Osborn, Jamie McConnell, Beth Woodward, Tom Eggold, Lois Howe (aunt of Bob Frye), Jenny Hobby (sister of Chris Murphy), Josh Walters (friend of Patty Rouse), and Judy Baumgartner (mother of Kristin Smith).
- Join our staff in praying for the following members this week:
  - Jerry and Karen Schoenefeld
  - Rob and Angela Schoenefeld, Justin
  - Ben and Kate Schulteis
  - Bethany Schultz
  - Detlev and Cornelia Schulz, Sophie
  - Debbie Schumm
  - Herb and Joyce Schumm
  - Marshelle Schutte, Ethan and Niko
  - Sarah Schwantz
  - Kathy Schweyer
- Please pray for the missions and missionaries currently supported by Emmanuel's congregation:
  - Rev. James and Deaconess Christel Neuendorf - Ponce, Puerto Rico
  - Rev. Aaron Spratt - Alaska Mission for Christ
  - Lutheran Agency for Missions to Burmese (LAMB)
  - Rev. Michael Paul - Taiwan
  - 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](mailto:taeggold@hotmail.com). If you would like to join the Emmanuel Prayer Chain, please email Marsha Sappenfield at [marshasappenfield@comcast.net](mailto:marshasappenfield@comcast.net) or call 260-616-0679.

# 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 Classes 9:15 - 10:15 A.M.

CLASS	LOCATION
Little Flock (Birth - Age 2)	Room 5 (Lower Level, School)
3-5 Year Olds	Room 6 (Lower Level, School)
K-1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	Room 7 (Lower Level, School)
2 <sup>nd</sup> -3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	Room 4 (Lower Level, School)
4 <sup>th</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Room 3 (Lower Level, School)
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation	D1 (Top Floor, School)
7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation	D2 (Top Floor, School)
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation	Ebenezer, Lower Level
9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	The Loft

## Adult Sunday Bible Classes 9:15 - 10:30 A.M.

CLASS	LOCATION	DATES	INSTRUCTOR
The Word of Truth	Sanctuary	1/8-4/2	Pr. McFadden
Feasts of the Old Testament	Mr. Staub's Rm (Top floor, School)	2/19-3/26	Jan Williams
Lutheran Christianity	Brandt Hall	1/8-3/26	Eggold, Sheaffer, Hille
Sunday School for Grown Ups	Mrs. Frerking's Rm (Top floor, School)	3/26-5/21	Pr. Mark Sheaffer

## Weekday Bible Classes...

CLASS	LOCATION	DAY	TIME
FWYA (Ft. Wayne Young Adult) Bible Study	Ebenezer Hall	Sundays	6:00 pm
Women's Book Study	The Loft	Mondays	8:30 am
LifeLight - Gospel of Matthew	Ebenezer Hall	Mondays	5:30 pm
Women's Book Study (Beth Williams 402-803-5303)	Ebenezer Hall	Tuesdays (1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> )	7:30 pm
Men's Lectionary Study	Ebenezer Hall	Wednesdays	6:30 am
Women's Bible Study on Luke	Brandt Hall	Wednesdays	8:45 am
Homeschool Religion Class	Choir Room	Wednesdays	9:00 am
Pastor's Bible Study	Ebenezer Hall	Wednesdays	10:00 am
Men's Lectionary Study	Brandt Hall	Fridays	6:30 am

# The News of the Church

**Palm Sunday "FUN"Day for Little Flock - 5<sup>th</sup>Grade Sunday School** - Join us on Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> (Palm Sunday) for Sunday School for all ages in the gym from 9:15-10:15 a.m. There will be no regular classes on this day for our kiddos (Little Flock through 5<sup>th</sup> grade). Parents are welcome to join us, too! We'll be singing the song we've been learning, have a devotion, and work on some crafts to decorate Ebenezer Hall for Easter. It will be a fun time. ALL kiddos are welcome to join us. You do not have to be enrolled in Sunday School to come.

**Emmanuel's Easter Egg Hunt** to be held Saturday, April 8 from 10:00 a.m.- Noon. If you are interested in helping to plan and run the Easter Egg Hunt, please contact Liz Bejot, Director of Children's Ministry, [LBejot@emmanuelutheran.org](mailto:LBejot@emmanuelutheran.org). We are also accepting donations of plastic eggs filled with candy. You can drop them off at the church office or at the Connections Counter. In addition, we would be happy to have anyone join us who may have special needs. We plan to have a place set aside for you to hunt Easter eggs, and you are invited to join us in any of the activities that you may like to participate in!

**Tour the Holy Land in 2024** - Pastor McFadden is organizing a trip to Israel that would leave on February 28 and return home on March 9. The price will include airfare, 3 nights in Galilee and 5 nights in a quality hotel near the Old City in Jerusalem, breakfast and dinner every day in Israel, our own deluxe air-conditioned coach, admission to all sites and museums, and the services of a top-class government licensed guide. Additionally, Pastor McFadden will have devotions designed to explain the biblical significance of the sites on the tour. Even if you have already been to Israel, this itinerary includes a number of new sites only recently opened to the public. And, with 7 previous journeys to Israel, Pastor McFadden has been fine-tuning this itinerary to bring you the best Israel experience possible in only 11 days. If you are interested, please plan to attend an informational meeting on Sunday, April 2 at 9:15 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

**GAME ON features EUCHRE!** - Please join us for friendly Euchre on Tuesday, April 11 in Ebenezer Hall from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. It's free and you don't need a partner. You really don't even need to know how to play Euchre. We will teach you, and have fun, food and fellowship! You might even meet someone new. Bring a friend. They don't have to belong to Emmanuel. Sign up at the Connections Counter or call Diane (Etzler) Campbell @ 260-466-1079 and leave a message.

**Save the Date for VBS with St. Michael's Lutheran Church** - Due to the continued renovations at Emmanuel, we plan to join St. Michael's for their VBS on June 26 through June 30. Registration and ways to help will be available soon. Stay tuned!

**40 Days for Life, Closing Prayer** - Join Right to Life of Northeast Indiana on Sunday, April 2 at 2:00 p.m. in front of Planned Parenthood for a closing prayer with Mike Spencer of Project LifeVoice and Pastor Chris Dourson of Seminary Church in Roanoke. Planned Parenthood is located at 2930 Lake Ave, Fort Wayne. Parking is available at the Right to Life office on 3106 Lake Ave. For more info please visit [www.ichooselife.org/40days](http://www.ichooselife.org/40days) or call 260-471-1849.

**Emmanuel Golf League** - You're invited to join Emmanuel's Golf League for 2023. This year, it will be a Wednesday weekly league for both men and women. The league begins Wednesday, April 12 at 5:30 p.m. at Brookwood Golf Course (10304 Bluffton Rd, 46809). The cost to ride and play nine holes is \$21. If you plan on playing or would like more details about the league please contact either of our two league coordinators, Fred Peterson (call/text at 260.437.2885) or Mike Huesner (call/text at 260.416.1380).

**ESM Now Enrolling for 2023-24 School Year** - Emmanuel—St. Michael (ESM) Lutheran School, in partnership with our churches and families, is raising up the next generation of students who know the love of Christ and are prepared to serve Him in their families and communities. We are now accepting applications for Preschool–8th grade. Schedule a visit today! Contact Erin Clark, Director of Admissions | 260.422.6712 | [eclark@esmeagles.com](mailto:eclark@esmeagles.com) | [www.esmeagles.com](http://www.esmeagles.com).  
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**Emmanuel GriefShare** - GriefShare is a grief recovery support group where you can find help and healing for the hurt of losing a loved one. Our GriefShare group will begin meeting every week on Wednesdays, April 19-May 17 for five weeks, and then every other week for the next eight sessions, from May 31-September 6. All sessions will meet from 1:00-2:30 p.m. in Emmanuel's Loft. Each GriefShare session has three distinct elements: Video, Discussion, and Study/Reflection. Each session is self-contained so you do not have to attend in sequence. You will have a workbook for personal study to write down things you've learned. There is no cost for the study materials, but we would like to know by April 4 if you are planning to attend so we can order enough materials. We welcome anyone who is grieving the death of a family member or friend. To sign up, visit the Connections Counter, or call the church office at 260-423-1369. If you would like more info, please call Kathy Eggold at 260-615-1189.

**CLHS Sermon Report Forms** - In case your Concordia High School student forgets to bring a "Growth in Worship" sermon report to church, we have extras at the Connections Counter.

**In Recognition of the Lenten Season, Suburban Bethlehem Lutheran Church Presents** "Twelve Seats at the Table", a dramatic presentation inspired by da Vinci's "The Last Supper" painting that journeys to the upper room during the last Passover meal with Jesus and His disciples. This Lenten event takes place

Sunday, March 26 at 4:00 p.m. at Suburban Bethlehem Lutheran Church, located at 6318 West California Road.

Join other men in Christian fellowship on April 13-16 at Lakeview Villages in Seymour, IN as Rev. Jonathan Fisk teaches us how to “Stop the White Noise” in our daily lives. You will come to understand the importance of praying the Psalms and why the Proverbs are a philosophy on which to build our lives. Get away and enjoy God’s great creation, eat like a king at our hog roast, join in good-natured brotherly competition and much more. Visit [www.mensgathering.us](http://www.mensgathering.us) for info and registration. Questions? Contact [joshua@vandercar.net](mailto:joshua@vandercar.net).

## The Stewardship of the Church

### EMMANUEL’S MINISTRIES

Supports the ongoing mission and ministry efforts of Emmanuel congregation.

Year to Date: \$419,558	Anticipated Need Thru March, 2023: \$474,383
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### DISTRICT AND SYNOD

Used for local, national and world mission efforts.

Last Week: \$342	Year to Date: \$3,959
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### CUP OF KINDNESS

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

Last Week: \$245	Year to Date: \$1,767
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### IN ALL GENERATIONS

Supports the renovations of the Emmanuel campus school building.

Received: \$2,856,155	Goal: \$5,000,000	Pledged: \$3,000,412
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## The Calendar of the Church

### Monday, March 27

5:30 p.m. LifeLight  
7:00 p.m. Church Council

### Tuesday, March 28

6:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry



### Wednesday, March 29

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 8:30 a.m. ESM School Chapel
- 8:45 a.m. Women's Bible Study
- 9:00 a.m. Home School Religion
- 9:00 a.m. Wednesday Playgroup
- 10:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study
- 11:30 a.m. Lenten Worship with Communion
- 3:30 p.m. PALS
- 7:00 p.m. Lenten Worship Service

### Thursday, March 30

- 8:30 a.m. Thursday Guys
- 8:45 a.m. New Construction Meeting
- 9:00 a.m. Piece Makers

### Friday, March 31

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

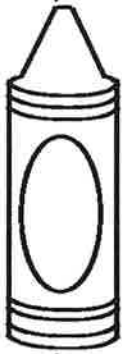
### Saturday, April 1

- 3:30 p.m. Praise Team
- 5:00 p.m. Divine Worship with Communion

### Sunday, April 2

- 8:00 a.m. Divine Worship Service
- 9:15 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Study
- 10:30 a.m. Divine Worship Service with Communion
- 6:00 p.m. FWYA Bible Study

Find Words from the Scripture Readings



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VALLEY	DEATH	LIFE
FRIEND	JESUS	WEEP
SPIRIT	FLESH	LAW

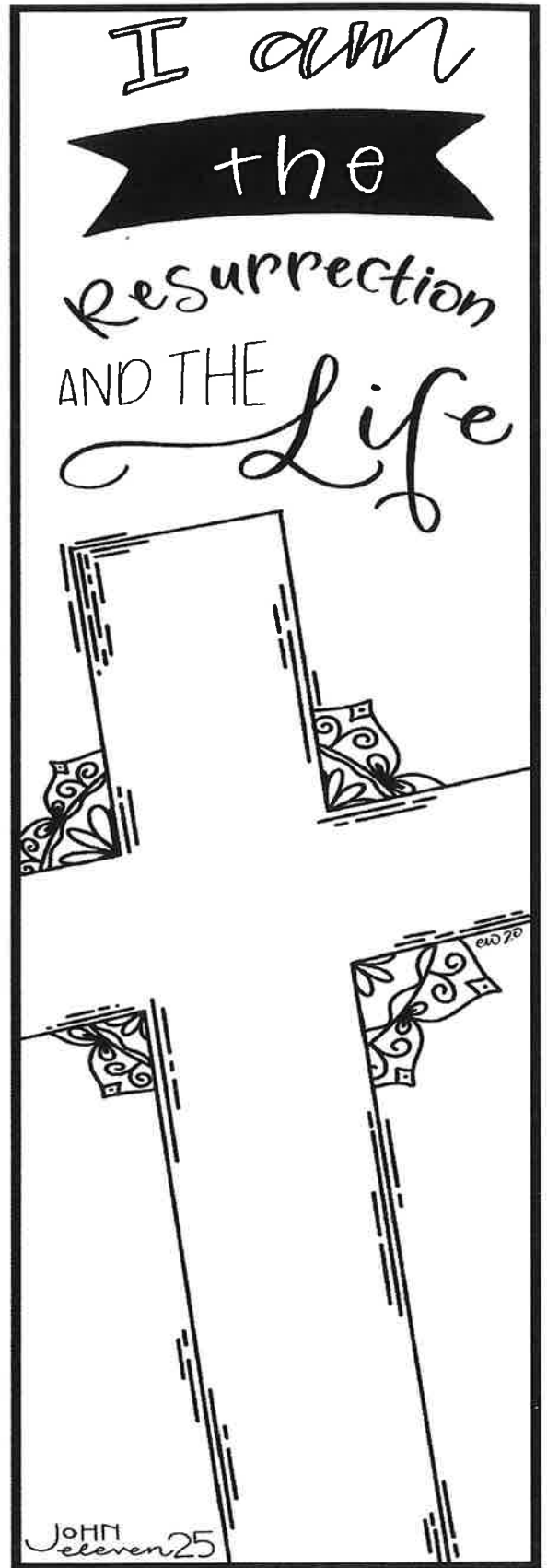
### The Sacraments

Today we celebrated the Lord's Supper ...

Yes  No

Today we had a baptism ...

Yes  No



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.

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.

## Church Staff

**Thomas A. Eggold**, Senior Pastor  
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**Myra Schmidt**, Lead Organist  
**Dick Shively**, Business Manager  
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