# "The Good Shepherd Provides"

AS WE GATHER

The feeding of the 5,000 is a remarkable miracle. It is remarkable in that it is one of the only things mentioned in all four Gospels. It is remarkable that Jesus fed so many with so little, and there was even more left over! There is even more than that to this quick telling of the miracle in Mark's Gospel. Jesus looks out on the crowd and sees them for what they are, a flock that will need tending. Sheep who will need a shepherd. So He does as the Good Shepherd ought, he makes them recline in the green pasture, and He spreads the table before them. Before He does that, though, He says to His disciples, "You give them something to eat." What could he possibly have wanted them to do? How were they to do that? As it turns out, the Good Shepherd always provides.

## THE GATHERING TIME

During the Gathering Time, we encourage our members to greet each other 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: "I Will Follow"

All Your ways are good, all Your ways are sure, I will trust in You alone. Higher than my sight, high above my life, I will trust in You alone.

(Chorus)

Where You go I'll go, Where You stay I'll stay; When You move I'll move, I will follow You. Whom You love I'll love, How You serve I'll serve; If this life I lose, I will follow You, yeah. I will follow You, yeah.

Light into the world, Light into my life, I will live for You alone. You're the One I seek, knowing I will find, all I need in You alone. In You alone. (Chorus)

In You, there's life everlasting; in You, there's freedom for my soul. In You, there's joy, unending joy; and I will follow. (Chorus)

I will follow You, yeah. I will follow You, yeah. ©1995 Curious? Music UK; All Rights Reserved. Used by Permission. CCLI# 646308

THE INVOCATION

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

People: Amen.

THE CONFESSION OF SINS AND ABSOLUTION

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: who made heaven and earth (Psalm 124:8).

Leader: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

People: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore, You are feared (Psalm

130:3-4).

Leader: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer

and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of

Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner (Luke 18:13).

(Silence for reflection and confession)

People: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us

to everlasting life.

Leader: Almighty God in His mercy has given His son to die for you and for His

sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the

name of the Father and of the A Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

THE SHARING OF PEACE

THE MUSICAL RESPONSE: "Jesus, Firm Foundation"

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord, Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word. What more can He say than to you He has said, To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Fear not, He is with us! O be not dismayed, For He is our God, our Sustainer and Strength. He'll be our Defender and cause us to stand, Upheld by His merciful, Almighty hand.

(Chorus)

How firm our foundation! How sure our salvation! And we will not be shaken! Jesus, firm foundation! The soul that is trusting in Jesus as Lord Will press on enduring the darkest of storms. And though even hell should endeavor to shake, He'll never, no never, no never forsake. He'll never, no never, no never forsake. (Chorus)

Age to age He stands, faithful to the end.
All may fade away, but He will remain. He will remain. (Chorus)

Jesus, firm foundation! Jesus, firm foundation! ©2012 worshiptogether.com; All Rights Reserved. Used by Permission. CCLI# 646308

THE FIRST READING: Jeremiah 23:1-6

"Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!" declares the LORD. <sup>2</sup>Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who care for my people: "You have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for your evil deeds, declares the LORD. <sup>3</sup>Then I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. <sup>4</sup>I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing, declares the LORD. <sup>5</sup>"Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. <sup>6</sup>In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'"

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE SECOND READING: Ephesians 2:11-22

Remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called "the uncircumcision" by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands-<sup>12</sup>remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. 13 But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. 14For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility 15 by abolishing the law of commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, <sup>16</sup>and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. <sup>17</sup>And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. <sup>18</sup>For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. 19So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, <sup>20</sup>built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, 21 in whom the whole structure, being joined together,

grows into a holy temple in the Lord. <sup>22</sup>In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as you are able)

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 6:30-44

Leader: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 6<sup>th</sup> chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord!

The apostles returned to Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. 31And he said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a desolate place and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. <sup>32</sup>And they went away in the boat to a desolate place by themselves. <sup>33</sup>Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they ran there on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. 34When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. And he began to teach them many things. 35 And when it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, "This is a desolate place, and the hour is now late. <sup>36</sup>Send them away to go into the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat." 37But he answered them, "You give them something to eat." And they said to him, "Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give it to them to eat?" 38 And he said to them, "How many loaves do you have? Go and see." And when they had found out, they said, "Five, and two fish." 39 Then he commanded them all to sit down in groups on the green grass. 40So they sat down in groups, by hundreds and by fifties. 41And taking the five loaves and the two fish he looked up to heaven and said a blessing and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples to set before the people. And he divided the two fish among them all. 42 And they all ate and were satisfied. <sup>43</sup>And they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. 44And those who ate the loaves were five thousand men.

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

THE NICENE CREED (Spoken together)

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will

come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE MUSICAL RESPONSE: "Living Waters"

Are you thirsty? Are you empty? Come and drink these living waters. Tired and broken, peace unspoken, rest beside these living waters.

Christ is calling, find refreshing at the cross of living waters. Lay your life down, all the old gone, rise up in these living waters.

(Chorus)

There's a river that flows with mercy and love, Bringing joy to the city of our God: There our hope is secure, do not fear anymore, Praise the Lord of living waters.

Spirit moving, mercy washing; healing in these living waters. Lead your children to the shoreline, life is in these living waters. (Chorus)

(Musical interlude)

Are you thirsty? Are you empty? Come and drink these living waters. Love, forgiveness, vast and boundless. Christ, He is our living waters. (Chorus)

There our hope is secure, do not fear anymore,
Praise the Lord of living waters.
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THE SERMON

Pastor Jonathan 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 OFFERING: "Goodness of God"

I love You, Lord. Oh, Your mercy never fails me. All my days I've been held in Your hands. From the moment that I wake up until I lay my head, I will sing of the goodness of God. (Chorus)

All my life You have been faithful. All my life You have been so, so good. With ev'ry breath that I am able I will sing of the goodness of God.

I love Your voice. You have led me through the fire. In darkest night, You are close like no other. I've known You as a father, I've known You as a friend. I have lived in the goodness of God. (Chorus)

Your goodness is running after, it's running after me. Your goodness is running after, it's running after me. With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now; I give You ev'rything. (Repeat)

Your goodness is running after, it's running after me. (Chorus)

I will sing of the goodness of God.
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THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. We give thanks to You, heavenly Father, for Your compassion shown in Christ Jesus, the great Shepherd of the sheep and the righteous Son of David. Keep us trusting at all times in Your right hand, in whom true satisfaction is found. Lord, in

Your mercy. People: hear our prayer.

Lord God of Israel, You promise to set caring shepherds over the Leader:

sheep of Your pasture. Drive away deceitful shepherds who scatter Your flock, and gather Your sheep into Your heavenly kingdom by the hands of pious and faithful pastors whom You send in Your name.

Lord, in Your mercy,

hear our prayer. People:

Heavenly Father, in Jesus' compassion for the crowd, He provided Leader:

bread and fish until all had eaten their fill and were satisfied. Give us our daily bread, according to Your will. Help us to use the gifts that You have given us to care for those who are hungry and in need. Lord,

in Your mercy,

hear our prayer. People:

Heavenly King, You provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant Leader:

us good government and faithful rulers, while reminding us always that

all provision comes from You. Lord, in Your mercy,

hear our prayer. People:

We give thanks to You, heavenly Father, for Your constant care and all Leader:

we need to support this body and life. Attend to those in need among

us. Free them from dismay and fear by the certainty that Christ is their

righteousness. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: Almighty God, Your Son once set a feast in a desolate place,

miraculously multiplying loaves and fish to feed a multitude. Through the miracle of the Holy Supper, He continues to bless and give us a heavenly feast: His very body and blood for our forgiveness. Give us faith as we meet Him at His table, that we may greet Him always as the

Lord, our righteousness. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: We give thanks to You, O Lord, that You have made us fellow citizens

with the saints in light. Keep us in the true faith for as long as You preserve us in this world, that we would hopefully and eagerly await the day when we stand in Your presence with them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, 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 should at all times and in all

places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud 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 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

During the Lord's Prayer, the church bell toll's three times to encourage those outside the sanctuary to join with the church in corporate prayer.

### 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

# "At the Cross (Love Ran Red)"

There's a place where mercy reigns and never dies. There's a place where streams of grace, flow deep and wide; Where all the love I've ever found comes like a flood, comes flowing down.

## (Chorus)

At the cross, at the cross I surrender my life. I'm in awe of You. I'm in awe of You. Where Your love ran red and my sin washed white, I owe all to You, Jesus.

There's a place where sin and shame are powerless, Where my heart has peace with God and forgiveness; Where all the love I've ever found comes like a flood, comes flowing down. (Chorus)

Here my hope is found; here, on holy ground, here I bow down.
Here I bow down.

Here, arms open wide, here You save my life. Here I bow down, here I bow. (Chorus twice)

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### "Death Was Arrested"

Alone in my sorrow and dead in my sin,
Lost without hope with no place to begin,
Your love made a way to let Mercy come in
When death was arrested and my life began.
Ash was redeemed, only beauty remains.
My orphan heart was given a name.
My mourning grew quiet, my feet rose to dance
When death was arrested and my life began.

Oh, Your grace, so free, washes over me. You have made me new, now life begins with You.

Released from my chains, I'm a pris'ner no more. My shame was a ransom He faithfully bore. He cancelled my debt and He called me His friend, When death was arrested and my life began.

### (Chorus)

Oh, Your grace, so free, washes over me. You have made me new, now life begins with You. It's Your endless love pouring down on us You have made us new now life begins with You.

Our Savior displayed on a criminal's cross.

Darkness rejoiced as though Heaven had lost.

But then Jesus arose with our freedom in hand;

That's when death was arrested and my life began.

That's when death was arrested and my life began. (Chorus)

Oh we're free, free, forever we're free.
Come, join the song of all the redeemed.
Yes, we're free, free forever, Amen.
When death was arrested and my life began.
When death was arrested and my life began.
Yes, when death was arrested and my life began.
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#### THE DISMISSAL

#### THE BLESSING

THE CLOSING SONG: "Forever"

Give thanks to the Lord, our God and King; His love endures forever. For He is good, He is above all things; His love endures forever. Sing praise, sing praise.

With a mighty hand and outstretched arm, His love endures forever.

For the life that's been reborn, His love endures forever. Sing praise, sing praise. Sing praise, sing praise.

(Chorus)

Forever God is faithful; forever God is strong.

Forever God is with us, forever.

Forever God is faithful; forever God is strong.

Forever God is with us, forever, forever.

From the rising to the setting sun, His love endures forever. And by the grace of God we will carry on, His love endures forever. Sing praise, sing praise. Sing praise, sing praise. (Chorus)
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NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Gen. 9:8-17; Ps. 136:1-9; Eph. 3:14-21; Mark 6:45-56

THE FLOWERS adorning His altar were given to the glory of God in loving memory of the birthday of Joann Voelker from her family; and in honor of the 48th Wedding Anniversary of Don and Maureen Gentry; and in loving memory of their son, Damon, from Ron and Jackie Springer; and in loving memory of their daughter, Amy, from Dan and Luann Vachon.

**COMMUNION: Pastor Cotter** 

USHERS AND ALTAR GUILD: Kathy Lash and Catherine Peterson

# 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 Norma Martin, Harlen Miller (father of Noni Hoham), Pam Carmichael (sister of Deb Percy), Marlin Culy, Georgia Rieck, Lois Berry, Vickie Kidwell (mother of Sandy Behling), Susan (aunt of Deb Percy), Caleb Clapper, Marie Kanning, Larry Linnemeier, Janet Yost, Steve Herman, River Garcia (grandson of Raquel Klug), Jodie Karrick, Cheryl Parker, Parker Vachon, Carlton Grotrian (father of Karla Neeld), Colsen Gage (nephew of Annalissa Smith), Ricky Carmickle (brother-in-law of Deb Percy), Alycia Merkler, Deb Bryan (sister-in-law of Steve and Pam Bryan), Julie Harper, Dewey Senger, Dick Reinking, Ed Braun, Dottie Coppolino (sister of Sherry Baker), Maury Springer, Curt Rees (brother-in-law of Sandra Nahrwold), David Merkler, Marcia Hines

- Pray for the following people recovering from surgery: Randy Barron, Rex Counterman, Maureen Gentry, Michaela Procise, Lauri Bennett, Charlie Chapman, Sharon Alfeld, Angie Dean, Cindy Sakowicz, Sharon Springer
- o Pray for healing, comfort and peace for the following people with cancer: Art Klausmeier, Albert Bloom (brother of Wanda Rogers), Rosie (friend of Sandy Behling), Amy Krontz (daughter-in-law of David and Karen Wyss), Mary Grosjean, Gretchen Schilb, Jolene Rider, Gavin Wedeven, Peg Davis, Ashley Edge (niece of Barb and Gary Lesh), Barb Hambrock, Jeannine Felabom and Julie McMichael (niece of Deb Percy), Rod Teeple (cousin of Ruth Anne Teeple), Bob and Jenny Hobby (brother-in-law and sister of Chris Murphy), Jamie McConnell, Shelly Koenig (friend of Matt & Amy Konow), Rob Howe, Judi Brunow, Angela Osborn, Beth Woodward, Josh Walters (friend of Patty Rouse), and Judy Baumgartner (mother of Kristin Smith), Tina Bennett
- Join our staff in praying for the following members this week:
  - o Sattar and Marlene Jaboori, Ramzi and Rania
  - Ashley Jackson, Adelynn, Aiyvah and Ashton
  - o Danny and Robin Jackson, Alyssa
  - o Phil and Laura Jackson
  - Amy Jacobowitz
  - Matt and Melissa Johnson, Eden, Ella and River
  - o Ryan and Rachael Johnson, Cameron and Carter
  - o Benjamin Jones, Kaitlyn
  - o Dawn Jones
  - o Kayla Jones, Parker
- Please pray for the missions supported by Emmanuel's congregation:
  - o Rev. James and Deaconess Christel Neuendorf Ponce, Puerto Rico
  - Lutheran Agency for Missions to Burmese (LAMB)
  - o Rev. Michael Paul Taiwan
  - o The Lutheran Heritage Foundation
  - o 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.

# The Teaching of the Church

Want Help Growing in the Word? Regularly visit Pastor Brunow's website <a href="http://www.genesbrunotes.com">http://www.genesbrunotes.com</a>. 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.

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

CLASS	LOCATION	DATES	INSTRUCTOR	
Study of Colossians	Ebenezer, LL	6/2-8/11	Pastor McFadden	
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# Weekday Bible Classes...

LOCATION	DAY	TIME	
Various		7:00 pm	
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The Loft		7:30 pm	
Ebenezer Hall	Wednesdays	6:30 am	
Ebenezer Hall	Wednesdays	10:00 am	
		7:00 pm	
Brandt Hall	Fridays	6:30 am	
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# The News of the Church

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN for Emmanuel's 39th Annual GOLF OUTING set for Saturday, August 24, at the Eel River Golf Course in Churubusco, IN. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. with a Shotgun Start at 8:00. Cost is \$80 per golfer, which includes 18 holes of golf, cart, coffee/donuts, snacks and beverages, a delicious lunch and prizes. To participate, contribute or to sponsor the outing, you can do so by going to Emmanuel's website at <a href="https://www.emmanuellutheran.org">www.emmanuellutheran.org</a> or by



scanning this QR code. You can pay when you register by credit card, or the day of the outing. Deadline to participate is Friday, August 16. For questions, please email Becki at becki@emmanuellutheran.org or Pastor Sheafer at pastordan@emmanuellutheran.org. Emmanuel's Golf Outing serves as the sole source to The Heidbrink Scholarship fund which offers 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 \$10,700 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. Thank you for your prayers and support.

Sunday Playground Playdates - Join us for some summer fun at Krueckeberg Corner playground on two more Sunday mornings, <u>July 28</u>, and <u>August 11</u> from 9:15-10:15 a.m.! All kids and their families are invited for a special time of fellowship, play, and snacks. These low-key gatherings are a great way to enjoy the outdoors and connect with other families. We can't wait to see you there!

Summer Bible Study for Moms – Join fellow moms this summer for an enriching experience! Every other Monday evening, we'll come together to discuss a podcast, delve into God's Word, and enjoy each other's company. It's easy to participate—before each gathering, simply download any podcast app, tune in to the two episodes we'll be discussing, and spend some time reflecting in the provided reflection and prayer journal. Then, meet us at either Emmanuel or Chapmans, prepared to share your insights. Feel free to bring a friend and be part of this uplifting journey with us! Classes will be held from 7:00-8:30 p.m. per the following schedule:

July 29 at Emmanuel - Episodes 9 & 10

You can find a link to the podcast episodes in the weekly email from the pastors, and you can grab a copy of the reflections and prayer journal from Liz Bejot or at the connections counter at church. Questions? Reach out to Liz Bejot at 260.615.6493 (talk or text) or at <a href="mailto:LBejot@emmanuellutheran.org">LBejot@emmanuellutheran.org</a>

Visual Faith Announcement – Join us for a refresher Visual Faith Workshop covering "Around the Word" and "Worship into the Week" on August 6, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. in Ebenezer Hall. "Around the Word" invites us to listen to God through His Word, setting aside our voice and daily distractions. We focus on seeking His face and noting the lessons we learn. "Worship into the Week" helps you bring your Sunday worship into the rest of your week. This practice allows you to reflect on and respond to the message and scripture from our services, enhancing your focus during worship and keeping the Word in your heart throughout the week. Make it your devotional plan! Sign up at the Connections Counter. We hope to see you there!

The Friends of Wyneken will host an Ice Cream Social at the historic Wyneken House on Sunday, July 28 from 1:00-4:00 p.m.. Enjoy some cold treats, fellowship, and games while visiting the 1859 home of Rev. Friedrich Wyneken. Wyneken was a pioneer circuit rider in northeast Indiana and served as the second president of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. The Wyneken House is located at 11730 NW Winchester Road, Decatur, about 15 miles south of downtown Fort Wayne.

Save the Date for a Men's Retreat - Join with men from Concordia, St. Michael, Emmanuel, and Suburban Bethlehem Lutheran Churches for an insightful, inspiring, and restful weekend retreat at Camp Lutherhaven on September 20-22. More information to come!

Prayer of Thanksgiving for Birthdays - Thank God for the following birthdays, and ask Him to provide peace and fullness of life for those who serve Him. We

thank Him for their faithful example.

Joan Pearson	440 Entrance Dr., Apt. 19, New Haven, 46774	96	7/21
Sylvia Alfeld	2680 Meadow Ridge Dr., Prosper, TX 25078	87	7/22
Linda Knopf	1717 Maplecrest Rd., Apt. 146, 46815	87	7/25
Ed Herman	5515 Indiana Ave., 46807	83	7/26
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If you wish to have your name excluded from the list, please call Becki at 423-1369.

An Evening with Keith and Kristyn Getty: Live in Concert - Listen and sing along with the uplifting hymns from Getty Music during a special concert on Monday, October 28, 7:00 p.m., at Concordia Lutheran High School, 1601 St. Joe River Drive. Hymnwriters, Keith and Kristyn Getty, with special guests, Matt Boswell and Matt Papa. It will be a time to join our voices together in powerful hymns—new and old—and conclude with the memorable singing of *In Christ Alone*. The concert is hosted locally by Concordia Lutheran High School, Foundations of Truth, Holy Cross Lutheran Church & School, and Worship Anew. All proceeds will be used to support the identification and the nurture of current and future leaders of congregational singing. Tickets are on sale now and can be purchased by using the link provided in the weekly email. Tickets range from \$20-\$45 with floor and bleacher seating available.

Emmanuel-St.Michael's Fall Craft Show will be taking place on Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>. All proceeds from table rentals, the bake sale, and raffle tickets will be going towards the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class trip. If you are interested in being a vendor for this event or have any questions, please contact Rachel at (260)222-0082 or email reckert@esmeagles.com.

# The Stewardship of the Church

# EMMANUEL'S MINISTRIES

Supports the ongoing mission and ministry efforts of Emmanuel congregation.

Year to Date: \$1,005,540 | Anticipated Need Thru July, 2024: \$1,179,050

# **DISTRICT AND SYNOD**

Used for local, national and world mission efforts.

Last Week: \$185 Year to Date: \$6,603

#### **CUP OF KINDNESS**

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

Last Week: \$195

Year to Date: \$3,478

## IN ALL GENERATIONS

Supports the renovations of the Emmanuel campus school building.

"IAG" Total Received: \$4.970.375 Mortgage Balance: \$2,447,871 Projected Cost: \$7,269,751

# The Calendar of the Church

## Monday, July 22

5:30 p.m. Bible Study

## Tuesday, July 23

6:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry

6:00 p.m. Fellowship and Bible Study at Chapman's Brewery

## Wednesday, July 24

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

10:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study

11:00 a.m. Grief Support

11:30 a.m. Communion Service

# Thursday, July 25

8:30 a.m. Piece Makers

8:30 a.m. Thursday Guys

7:00 p.m. @917 Bible Class

# Friday, July 26

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

## Saturday, July 27

8:00 a.m. Emmanuel Serves

3:30 p.m. Praise Team

5:00 p.m. Divine Worship

# Sunday, July 28

8:00 a.m. Divine Worship Service with Communion

9:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study

10:30 a.m. Divine Worship Service

# Notes