

Divine Worship at 10:30



Emmanuel Lutheran Church

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

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



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.

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!

GATHERING TIME



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

EMMANUEL APP



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Found in the gathering space we call Ebenezer Hall.

BUILDING FAITH IN THE CITY

“Come to Jesus”

AS WE GATHER

Though it is our nature to try and solve paradoxes and resolve contrasts, the path of faith is to appreciate what each reveals to us and to trust in the Lord for all things. This weekend our readings present paradoxes and contrasts that we receive in faith in the middle of things of this world that seem to challenge them. We might find it frustrating to chafe under the tension of what is and what should be, yet even in these moments coming to Jesus leads us to discern the gracious will of God in Him and rejoice of His easy yoke. Thanks be to God.

+ THE ORDER OF DIVINE SERVICE AT 10:30 A.M. +

THE GATHERING TIME

During the Gathering Time, we encourage our members to greet each other with God's peace and to welcome visitors. Kindly turn off all cellphones and please sit toward the center of the pew so there is room for all who worship.

THE PRELUDE: “Battle Hymn of the Republic”

Hustad

THE PRESERVICE SINGING

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature,
O thou of God and man the Son,
Thee will I cherish, thee will I honor,
Thou my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight,
And all the twinkling, starry host;
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer,
Than all the angels heaven can boast.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of all nations!
Son of God and Son of man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration,
Now and forevermore be Thine.

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth over and around us lies:

(Chorus)

Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light: (Chorus)

For the joy of human love, Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth and friends above; For all gentle thoughts and mild (Chorus)

For Thy Church that ever more Lifteth holy hands above,
Offering up on every shore Her pure sacrifice of love: (Chorus)

For Thyself, best gift divine, To our race so freely given;
For that great, great love of Thine, Peace on earth and joy in heaven: (Chorus)

“This Is My Song”

This is my song, O God of all the nations,
A song of peace for lands afar and mine.
This is my home, the country where my heart is;
Here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;
But other hearts in other lands are beating
With hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.

My country's skies are bluer than the ocean,
And sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine;
But other lands have sunlight too, and clover,
And skies are everywhere as blue as mine.
O hear my song, thou God of all the nations,
A song of peace for their land and for mine.

This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth's kingdoms:
Thy kingdom come; on earth thy will be done.
Let Christ be lifted up till all shall serve him,
And hearts united learn to live as one.
O hear my prayer, thou God of all the nations;
Myself I give thee; let thy will be done.

“Before You, Lord, We Bow”

Before You, Lord, we bow, Our God who reigns above
And rules the world below, Boundless in pow'r and love.
Our thanks we bring in joy and praise,
Our hearts we raise To You, our King!

The nation You have blest May well Your love declare,
From foes and fears at rest, Protected by Your care.
For this bright day, For this fair land-
Gifts of Your hand- Our thanks we pay.

May ev'ry mountain height, Each vale and forest green,
Shine in Your Word's pure light, And its rich fruits be seen!
May ev'ry tongue Be tuned to praise

And join to raise A grateful song.
Earth, hear your Maker's voice; Your great Redeemer own;
Believe, obey, rejoice, And worship Him alone.
Cast down your pride, Your sin deplore,
And bow before the Crucified.

And when in pow'r He comes, Oh, may our native land
From all its rending tombs Send forth a glorious band,
A countless throng, With joy to sing
To heav'n's high King Salvation's song!

“Brass Selections”

THE RINGING OF THE BELLS

THE WORDS OF WELCOME

THE OPENING HYMN: “Christ, By Highest Heavenly Hosts Adored” (LW 499)
Christ, by heav'nly hosts adored, Gracious, mighty, sov'reign Lord,
God of nations, King of kings, Head of all created things,
By the Church with joy confessed, God the Son forever blessed,
Pleading at your throne we stand, Save your people, bless our land.

On our fields of grass and grain Send, O Lord, the kindly rain,
And throughout this spacious land Crown the labors of each hand.
Let your kind protection be Over commerce on the sea.
Open, Lord, your bounteous hand; Bless your people, bless our land.

Give us rulers faithful, true, Such as love and honor you;
Let the powers you ordained Be in righteousness maintained.
In the people's hearts increase Love of piety and peace.
Thus united, we shall stand One wide, free, and happy land.

THE PRESENTATION OF PRAYER REQUESTS

(Please stand as you are able)

THE INVOCATION

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

People: Amen.

THE OPENING SENTENCES (Psalm 29:2; 33:12, 22; 115:1; 145:10; 147:5)

Leader: Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; His understanding is beyond measure.

People: All Your works shall give thanks to You, O LORD, and all Your saints shall bless You!

Leader: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.

People: Not to us, O LORD, not to us, but to Your name give glory, for the sake of Your steadfast love and Your faithfulness!

Leader: Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people whom He has chosen as His heritage!

People: Let Your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us, even as we hope in You.

CONFESSIO AND ABSOLUTIO (Psalm 116:1; 124:8; Hebrews 4:16)

Leader: I love the LORD, because He has heard my voice.

People: and my pleas for mercy.

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

People: who made heaven and earth.

Leader: Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

(Silence for personal prayer and reflection)

Leader: Almighty God,

People: Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, mighty Judge of all people, we admit and confess our sinfulness. We have not lived up to our calling as Your faithful people. So often we have done the evil You forbid and too many times have not done the good You demand. We do repent and are truly sorry for our sins in thought, word, and deed. Have mercy on us, merciful Father, for the sake of Jesus Christ, Your Son. Forgive us all that needs Your forgiving grace, and with the power of the Holy Spirit, direct us to serve You faithfully all our days, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Leader: God has promised His merciful forgiveness to those who repent of their sins and turn to Him in confession. In His stead and by His command, therefore, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Leader: May our God keep you in His grace by the Holy Spirit, lead you in ways of faith and obedience, and finally bring you to live with Him forever, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

(Please be seated)

THE LITANY OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: We thank God for the land that is our home—a land of mountains and seashores, of rivers and forests. This is a rich and fruitful land, a land that has supplied generations with its bounty. The psalmist writes: “Let the redeemed of the LORD . . . thank the LORD for His steadfast love, for His wondrous works to the children of men” (Psalm 107:2a, 21).

THE HYMN: “God Bless Our Native Land”

Hymn 965

Leader: We bless God for the peace that our nation has known on its shores for two and a half centuries. And we give our thanks for the generations of men and women who have lived devotedly and even died sacrificially to keep the freedoms that we enjoy and to maintain the peace that we know here in our land. As King David wrote in one of his psalms, we pray: "You, O LORD, are a shield about me, my glory, and the lifter of my head" (Psalm 3:3).

THE HYMN: "Eternal Father, Strong to Save" (verses 1 and 4)

Hymn 717

Leader: We give glory to God for the United States that each of us knows, no matter what location in this vast country we call home. In a heartfelt exclamation centuries ago, King David the psalmist wrote: "May the LORD give strength to His people! May the LORD bless His people with peace!" (Psalm 29:11). Confident of future blessings and with true thankfulness, we can echo the words of Psalm 126, which summed up the sentiment of God's people: "The LORD has done great things for us; we are glad."

THE HYMN: "Now Thank We All Our God" (verse 1)

Hymn 895

THE FIRST READING: Zechariah 9:9-12

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. ¹⁰I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. ¹¹As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. ¹²Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE SECOND READING: Romans 7:14-25a

We know that the law is spiritual, but I am of the flesh, sold under sin. ¹⁵I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶Now if I do what I do not want, I agree with the law, that it is good. ¹⁷So now it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. ¹⁹For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing. ²⁰Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. ²¹So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. ²²For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, ²³but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? ²⁵Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as you are able)

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 11:25-30

Leader: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 11th chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord!**

At that time Jesus declared, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. ²⁸Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

THE NICENE CREED (Spoken together)

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(Please be seated)

THE SERMON HYMN: "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

Hymn 733

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 OFFERING: "Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory"

THE MINISTRY MINUTE

Heidi Wilkinson, Missionary to Ethiopia

(Please stand as you are able)

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Leader: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Let us pray for the whole Christian Church, that through it the will of God may be done among us upon earth and that in it we may rejoice in hearing the Good News of the Gospel, and let us also pray for our nation, where we celebrate the freedom to gather for worship in the name of the Lord.

THE HYMN: "Lord, While for Humankind We Pray"

(LW 502)

Lord, while for humankind we pray

Of ev'ry clime and coast,

Lord, hear us for our native land,

The land we love the most!

Leader: Let us pray for peace and tranquility in our country, asking the Lord's blessing on the agriculture and commerce of these United States, and let us also pray for the armed forces of our nation, that those who serve in them may find satisfaction in their given duties and a sense of accomplishment in the protection of our nation and its people.

THE HYMN: "Lord, While for Humankind We Pray"

Oh, guard our shores from ev'ry foe,
With peace our borders bless,
With prosp'rous times our cities crown,
Our fields with plenteousness!

Leader: Let us pray for our nation, that it may shine as a beacon of hope to the world, and let us pray for our communities, that kindness, goodness, and mercy may be the hallmarks of our lives together.

THE HYMN: "Lord, While for Humankind We Pray"

Unite us in the sacred love
Of all that's good and true;
And let our hills and valleys shout
Their songs, all praising You.

Leader: Let us pray for our congregation, that it may reach out with the love of Christ, and let us also pray for the Gospel, that it may be proclaimed without hindrance throughout our land.

THE HYMN: "Lord, While for Humankind We Pray"

Here may Your Gospel, pure and mild,
Renew our Sabbath hours
And piety and virtue bless
Our fathers' home and ours.

Leader: Let us pray that our nation may continue as "one nation, under God, with liberty and justice for all" for this present time and for generations yet to come. In Jesus' name, we pray.

People: Amen.

THE HYMN: "Lord, While for Humankind We Pray"

Lord of the nations, thus to You
Our country we commend.
Oh, be her refuge and her trust,
Her everlasting friend.

+ THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION +

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.

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, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

THE SANCTUS (Congregation sings)

LSB, 208



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

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.

(Please be seated)

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 HYMNS:

“America, the Beautiful”

O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain!
America! America! God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.

O beautiful for pilgrim feet, whose stern, impassioned stress
A thoroughfare for freedom beat across the wilderness!
America! America! God mend thine every flaw,
Confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law.

O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife,
Who more than self their country loved, and mercy more than life!
America! America! May God the gold refine,
Till all success be nobleness, and every gain divine.

O beautiful for patriot dream that sees, beyond the years,
Thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears!
America! America! God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.

“A Prayer for Our Time”

Our God, to Thee we pray. Heal our nation, Lord, today.
God of mercy, grant us courage. Give us peace.

Choir

When evil draws its angry sword and seeks to sever freedom's cord,
When death and darkness shake our faith in God's unfailing power to save,
Eternal Father, ever be our courage in the time of need.

When war is waged by faceless foes who battle peace with fiery blows,
when storms of hate and fear assail, our Father's mighty arm prevails,
Eternal Father, ever be our refuge in the time of need.

There is no tyrant who can stand against our sure Defender's hand.
No threat or danger can defeat the strong and righteous Prince of Peace.
Eternal Father, ever be our fortress in the time of need. Amen.

“In Memoriam”

Smith

“Lift Every Voice and Sing”

Hymn 964

(Please stand, as you are able)

THE DISMISSAL

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; 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 BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

Leader: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Leader: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

People: Amen.

THE CLOSING HYMN: "God of Our Fathers"

(LW 501)

God of our fathers, whose almighty hand
Leads forth in beauty all the starry band
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,
Our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath lead us in the past.
In this free land by Thee our lot is cast.
Be Thou our Ruler, Guardian, Guide, and Stay,
Thy Word our Law, Thy paths our chosen way.

From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence,
Be Thy strong arm our ever sure defense.
Thy true religion in our hearts increase;
Thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

(Interlude) Thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

Refresh Thy people on their toilsome way.
Lead us from night to never ending day.
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine;
And glory laud, and praise be ever Thine!

(Choir) Amen! Amen! Amen, Amen!

THE POSTLUDE: "Eternal Father, Strong to Save"

Linker

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Is. 55:10-13; Ps. 65; Rom. 8:12-17; Matt. 13:1-9, 19-23

THE FLOWER adorning the altar were given to the glory of God in loving memory of Stanley and Joanne Miller from their children; and in honor of the 38th Wedding Anniversary of Pastor Arnie and Kathy Piering.

SERVING

Organ	Myra Schmidt
Brass Choir	Ryan Bowland, Craig Dahlkamp, Amaya Tietz, Jeanine Tietz, Brian Snodgrass
Timpani	Jeager Wedeven
Piano	Anna Snodgrass
Acolyte	Micah Bowland
Altar Guild	Carolyn Beitz, Judy Huesner, Jan Karrick, Jen Tweedy
Closer	Jim Wudy
Usher Crew 5	Jasper Downie, Arlan Hogan, Richie Cummins, Everett Cummins, Scott Everson, John Hoham, Dave Huffman, Ethan Kuhmichel, Caleb Layman, Brent Ostermeyer
Communion	Phil Jackson, George Lin, Dennis McFadden, Jon Meyer
Audio Engineer	Jim Wudy

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 Carlton Grotrian (father of Karla Neeld), Alycia Williams, 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), Stan Thompson, Deb Epperson, Faith Behling, Wayne McClure, LuAnn Reichhart (mom of Brent Reichhart), Melissa Henry (sister of Judy Huesner), Renee Bleke, Mark Wasson (brother of Cheri Maxwell), Laura Herrick (Caroline Eber's niece), Martin Wagner
 - Pray for the following people recovering from surgery: Kathy Freimuth, Justin Arkkelin, Christian Puls, Ken Schilf
 - Pray for healing, comfort and peace for the following people with cancer: Karen Burtch (sister-in-law of Lori Richey), Amy Krontz (daughter-in-law of David and Karen Wyss), Mary Grosjean, Peg Davis, Sherry (friend of Barb and Gary Lesh), Ed and Barb Hambrock, Julie McMichael (niece of Deb Percy), Bob and Jenny Hobby (brother-in-law and sister of Chris Murphy), Rob Howe, Judi Brunow, Josh Walters (friend of Patty Rouse), Judy Baumgartner (mother of Kristin Smith), Dennis McFadden, Art Klausmeier, Roger Kuehnert, John Jennings (friend of Dave and Tammy Bair), Bruce Williams, Rob Roehm,

Ann Schwartz, Hazel Krenzke (Brian and Anna Snodgrass's niece), Robert Burmeister (Hannah Swor's dad), Roxanne Moore, Jenny Nehrenz (niece of Charlene Hess), Rick Bair (brother of Dave and Tammy Bair), Gary Thompson (father of Carly Bennett), Carol McGuigan (mother of Kevin McGuigan), Linda Raatz, Jeff Dunham (brother-in-law of Scott and Christi Everson), Doug Bennett (father of Ty Bennett), Sean Breininger, Herb Schumm, Karen Bickhart (daughter of Barry Doege), Tara Bustos (sister of Sean Breininger), Debbie Bohr, Jeff Bennett (father of Faith Harless)

- Join our staff in praying for the following members:
 - Matt and Anna Giancola, Leo
 - Laura Giles, Kayden, Halston, and Aaliyah
 - Maureen Gill
 - Alex and Cassondra Gilliom, Thomas, Otto, and Mason
 - Duane and Regina Gillum, Stephanie, Sean, and Sarah
 - Scott and Sophia Gillum, Vada
 - Maddie Gleave
 - Patrick and Jessica Glowaski, Charlotte and Callum
 - Rob and Stephanie Goodman, Lauren and Clayton
 - Nate and Sara Goodman, Olivia and Hudson
- 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: We thank God for the baptisms so far in 2026:

Callaghan Miller	Austin Hayward	Calvin Chess	Michael Flanagan
Sean Flanagan	Morgan Flanagan	Mordecai Austin	Theodore Vachon
Emerson Ross	Esther Burns	Cameron Etzler	Niyanni Berry
Callum Dan	Natalie Sheaffer	Elora Kuker	

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 Morning Bible Class: Abiding in the Vine, Leader: Stephen Bornheimer
Location: Brandt Hall, Time: 9:15 -10:15 a.m.

Weekday Bible Classes...

CLASS	LOCATION	DAY	TIME
Clay & Iron Devotion	Brandt Hall	Monday	6:30 a.m.
Men's Lectionary Study	Ebenezer Hall	Wednesdays	6:30 a.m.
Pastor's Bible Study	Ebenezer Hall	Wednesdays	10:00 a.m.
@917 (Ages 25-45)	Ebenezer Hall	Thursdays	7:00 p.m.
This Is Most Certainly Brew	Brandt Hall	Fridays	6:30 a.m.

The News of the Church

Missionary Heidi Wilkinson to Give Ministry Minute this Weekend - Emmanuel member and missionary to Ethiopia, Heidi Wilkinson, will address the congregation in each service this weekend. She will also be available to talk about her experience in Addis Ababa last year following each service.

Reformation Treasures Return to Emmanuel - Rare Reformation-era books donated by a lifelong Emmanuel family are returning to the city from a major university collection. The donated books and other historically significant books that influenced and reflected the Protestant Reformation will be on exhibit at Emmanuel before returning to the Kessler Collection housed in the Pitts Theology Library at Emory University in Atlanta on July 25 and 26 in Ebenezer Hall. The theme of the exhibit is "From Latin to the People: Reforming Worship in 16th-Century Germany." Dr. Richard "Bo" Manly Adams, Director of the Pitts Library, and Dr. Armin Siedlecki, Head of Rare Book Cataloging, have organized the exhibit and will be giving a multimedia lecture with that title at 2:00 p.m. in Emmanuel's sanctuary. Around that theme, the exhibit will include 16th-century catechisms, period Bibles, a 1526 printing of Luther's Deutsche Messe, and earlier tracts influencing Luther's Order of Service, including the Lord's Supper. Also on display will be historic records of Emmanuel Lutheran Church, and historical photos and artifacts of the Dornseif family, who brought the books to America as German immigrants in the mid-1800s and who eventually settled in Fort Wayne. Members of the extended Dornseif family have attended Emmanuel for four generations. The exhibit will be open to the public on July 25, from 10:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m.

Lutherans for Life will meet on Friday July 10, at 9:30 a.m. Our guest speaker is Toni Lovell Director of Clinical Services. She will speak on senior addiction, highlighting why older adults are uniquely vulnerable to developing substance use disorders. It explores how life transitions such as retirement, grief, social isolation, chronic health conditions and increased medication use can contribute to addiction risk.

Emmanuel's LWM/LWML - Our next meeting will be on Thursday, July 9 from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. in Lower Level Ebenezer. Our special guest speaker will be Heidi Wilkinson. She will give us highlights from her past year's ministry in Ethiopia!

SIGN UP NOW: Pictorial Directory - Sign up is now available for Emmanuel's new Pictorial Directory photo sessions. A letter was mailed to the congregation on Thursday, June 11, containing all the information needed to schedule your appointment. If you have not received your letter or misplaced it, please follow the instructions below:

1. Go to website www.ucdir.com
2. Click on the RED box that is located on the right side of the homepage entitled "Photography Appointment Scheduling Login"
3. Enter your church code: **in2038**
4. Enter your church password: **photos2038**
5. Select your preferred photography date and appointment time

*PLEASE NOTE: If you have more than 6 family members, you must reserve two appointments consecutively (such as 6:00 and 6:10). If you need assistance, please call the church office at 260.423.1369.

Visual Faith - There will be no Visual Faith workshop in July. We will resume on Tuesday, August 4. Visual Faith is a simple and creative way to slow down with God's Word through prayer, Scripture, journaling, and other hands-on practices. No artistic experience is needed—just a desire to reflect, pray, and grow in faith. All are welcome to join us when we gather again in August. Have a wonderful summer!

Playground Playdates - Join us for some summer fun at Krueckeberg Corner playground on Sunday mornings! All kids and their families are invited for a special time of fellowship and play. These low-key gatherings are a great way to enjoy the outdoors and connect with other families. Dates: 19; and August 2, 16, from 9:15-10:15 a.m. We can't wait to see you there!

First Impressions - Enjoy fellowship and get to know other women at our First Impressions social gatherings this summer! Our last summer gathering is Wednesday, August 5, 6:00-7:30 p.m. at Vinland Reserve Winery (4494 Provision Parkway). We hope to see you there!

Summer Bible Study for Women - Looking for an evening women's Bible study this summer? Join us for 'Summer in the Word' - a welcoming space for fellowship, encouragement, and growth in God's Word. We'll gather in LL Ebenezer at

Emmanuel from 7:00-8:30 p.m. on: July 14 and 28, and August 11. Led by Liz Bejot and Sarah Pennekamp, this study will explore 'The Mighty and the Mysterious', a study on the book of Colossians by Heidi Goehmann. The book can be purchased on Amazon. We would love to have you join us! Feel free to reach out to Liz (LBejot@emmanuelutheran.org) or Sarah (pennekamp6@yahoo.com) if you have any questions.

Bridge 20/30 is a Christian group for adults in their 20s and 30s focused on building community, friendships, faith, and fellowship through social events, devotion, and activities throughout the Fort Wayne area. New participants are always welcome! The next event is on July 7, 7:00 p.m. – Pickleball Open Play at Zollner Stadium Tennis Courts (3500 N. Anthony Blvd).

The Stewardship of the Church

EMMANUEL'S MINISTRIES

Supports the ongoing mission and ministry efforts of Emmanuel congregation.

Year to Date: \$1,153,578	Anticipated Need Through July: \$1,405,524
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DISTRICT AND SYNOD

Used for local, national and world mission efforts.

Last Week: \$105	Year to Date: \$7,356
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CUP OF KINDNESS

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

Last Week: \$10	Year to Date: \$2,442
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IN ALL GENERATIONS

Supports the renovations of the Emmanuel campus school building.

"IAG" Total Received: \$6,676,428	Mortgage Balance: \$798,905	Total Cost* \$7,468,761
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*Total Cost = Mortgage Interest Paid to Date + Construction Cost

The Calendar of the Church

Monday, July 6

6:30 a.m. Clay & Iron Weekly Devotion

5:30 p.m. LifeLight Book Review

Tuesday, July 7

4:30 p.m. Mission Meeting

Wednesday, July 8

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

7:30 a.m. Finance Committee Meeting

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

11:30 a.m. Communion Service

Thursday, July 9

8:30 a.m. Thursday Guys

9:00 a.m. Piece Makers

1:00 p.m. LWML Service Project

7:00 p.m. @917 Bible Class

7:00 p.m. Clay & Iron Men's Fellowship

Friday, July 10

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

9:00 a.m. Lutherans for Life

Saturday, July 11

5:00 p.m. Divine Service

Sunday, July 12

8:00 a.m. Divine Service

9:15 a.m. Bible Class - Abiding in the Vine

10:30 a.m. Divine Service w/ Communion

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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965 God Bless Our Native Land



1 God bless our na - tive land; Firm may she ev - er stand
2 So shall our prayers a - rise To God a - bove the skies;



Through storm and night. When the wild tem - pests rave, Rul - er of
On Him we wait. Thou who art ev - er nigh, Guard-ing with



wind and wave, Do Thou our coun - try save By Thy great might.
watch-ful eye, To Thee a - loud we cry: God save the state!

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717 Eternal Father, Strong to Save



1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, Whose arm hath bound the
2 O Christ, the Lord of hill and plain, O'er which our traf - fic
3 O Spir - it, whom the Fa - ther sent To spread a - broad the
4 O Trin - i - ty of love and pow'r, Our peo - ple shield in



rest - less wave, Who bidd'st the might - y o - cean deep Its
runs a - main By moun - tain pass or val - ley low; Wher -
fir - ma - ment; O Wind of heav - en, by Thy might Save
dan - ger's hour; From rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, Pro -



own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: O hear us when we
ev - er, Lord, Thy peo - ple go, Pro - tect them by Thy
all who dare the ea - gle's flight, And keep them by Thy
tect them where - so - e'er they go; Thus ev - er - more shall



cry to Thee For those in per - il on the sea.
guard - ing hand From ev - 'ry per - il on the land.
watch - ful care From ev - 'ry per - il in the air.
rise to Thee Glad praise from air and land and sea.

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895 Now Thank We All Our God



1 Now thank we all our God With hearts and hands and voic - es,
2 Oh, may this boun-teous God Through all our life be near us,
△ 3 All praise and thanks to God The Fa - ther now be giv - en,



Who won-drous things has done, In whom His world re - joic - es;
With ev - er joy - ful hearts And bless - ed peace to cheer us
The Son, and Him who reigns With them in high - est heav - en,



Who from our moth - ers' arms Has blest us on our way
And keep us in His grace And guide us when per - plexed
The one e - ter - nal God, Whom earth and heav'n a - dore;



With count-less gifts of love And still is ours to - day.
And free us from all ills In this world and the next!
For thus it was, is now, And shall be ev - er - more.

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733 O God, Our Help in Ages Past



1 O God, our help in a - ges past, Our hope for years to come,
2 Un - der the shad - ow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt se - cure;
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood Or earth re - ceived her frame,
4 A thou - sand a - ges in Thy sight Are like an eve - ning gone,



Our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, And our e - ter - nal home:
Suf - fi - cient is Thine arm a - lone, And our de - fense is sure.
From ev - er - last - ing Thou art God, To end - less years the same.
Short as the watch that ends the night Be - fore the ris - ing sun.

- 5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
 Soon bears us all away;
We fly forgotten as a dream
 Dies at the op'ning day.
- 6 O God, our help in ages past,
 Our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guard while troubles last
 And our eternal home!

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