

NEWS FROM EMMANUEL: APRIL 9, 2022

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Worship and Bible Class this Weekend



This weekend Holy Communion will be offered Sunday in the 8:00 a.m. service. We offer Bible class for adults and high school youth, confirmation for grades 6-8, and a Sunday school program for children from birth through grade 5. For a complete listing of all current classes and locations, [click here](#).

Holy Week

This week, the Church turns its focus to the heart of the Church Year as the days leading up to our Easter celebration are set apart for giving special attention to the Passion of Jesus. While Holy Week, like Lent, is a time for fasting, prayer, and self-denial, it is most importantly a time for meditating in faith on the suffering and death of Jesus. One of the best ways to do this is by joining with your church family for worship throughout the week.



At Emmanuel we will begin Holy Week with Palm Sunday services this weekend, followed by:

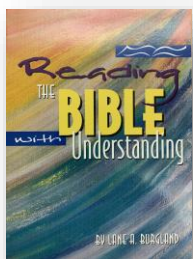
Mauddy Thursday services at 8:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., and 7:00 p.m.

Good Friday worship at 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday celebration services will be held at 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., and 11:00 a.m.

PLEASE NOTE: THERE WILL BE NO WEDNESDAY SERVICES THIS WEEK.

A New Sunday Morning Bible Study: “Keys to Unlocking the Bible”



On **Sunday, April 24**, Pastor Eggold and Pastor Sheaffer will begin a five-week class on interpreting the Bible. Based on Dr. Lane Burgland’s book, *Reading the Bible with Understanding* this Bible class will provide basic principles for interpreting the Bible that everyone can use. “Keys to Unlocking the Bible” will meet in the lower level of Ebenezer Hall on Sundays, 9:15-10:15 a.m., April 24-May 22.

Congregational Meeting on April 24

On **Sunday, April 24**, we will hold a congregational voters' meeting. The agenda will include reports on the In All Generations campaign and Emmanuel—St. Michael School renovation, and a report and/or recommendation from the Youth and Family Call Committee. The meeting will take place in the Sanctuary following the 10:30 service.

April Open Table Dinner

Open Table Dinners are offered every other month on the main level of Ebenezer Hall and promote fellowship between small groups of people. Each gathering offers an opportunity to take part in a meal with others who share an interest, experience, or place in life in hopes of bringing about a new connection!



This month's gathering is themed "Saturday Night Spring Fever." Emmanuel will provide side dishes, beverages, and desserts while guests are asked to contribute a favorite soup. On **April 23**, following Saturday evening worship, "There's an Open Table" for anyone who is ready for spring! If that's you, sign up at the Connections Counter or by [clicking here](#).

LWML Spring Rally



Ladies of all ages are invited to join other local mission minded women at the Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) 3 Zone Spring Rally on **Saturday, April 23**, at Christ Lutheran Church, 4412 Park St., Woodburn. The doors will open at 8:30 a.m. with the program beginning at 9:00 a.m. and ending around 11:30 a.m. Cost is

\$6 which includes a continental breakfast.

The theme is "Using the Hymnal in the Home" based on Colossians 3:16: "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God." The speaker will be Dr. Jon Eifert, Director of Parish Music at St. Michael's Lutheran Church in Richville, Michigan. He led a very popular breakout session on the hymnal at the 2018 Indiana District Convention. He will speak about using the *Lutheran Service Book* in the home as a guide for personal and family devotions and prayers. He will also share his musical gifts with everyone in a short hymn sing.

An ingathering will be collected for Worship Anew and items will be collected for their care package ministry. Through this new ministry, individuals and congregations will be able to send care packages to others and share the love of Christ through their *Hope-Full Living* daily devotional booklets which will be included in each package. Items needed include blankets or quilts, warm socks, crossword puzzles, word search books or adult

coloring books, colored pencils or fine tip markers, mints, gum, and hard candies. Please pre-register to Jan Werth at 260.452.4769 or jerryjanwerth@gmail.com by Sunday, April 17.

Aid to Ukraine



On April 2-3, Emmanuel members were given the opportunity to contribute to a door offering for the benefit of Ukrainian refugees being housed at the Lutheran Seminary in Oberursal, Germany. We are humbled to report that an offering of \$4,254 was received and has been distributed to the 13 refugees currently living at the seminary.

The LCMS continues to receive donations for the victims of the war in Ukraine. If you desire to contribute financially to their needs, there are several ways to donate assistance through the LCMS:

- Text LCMSUKRAINE to 41-444.
- Give online via LCMS Mission Advancement.
- Call the LCMS at 888-930-4438.
- Give online via Mission Central.
- Call Mission Central (Mapleton, Iowa) at 712-882-1029.
- By mail, make your check out to “The LCMS,” and write “Ukraine Relief” in the memo line. Mail to: The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, P.O. Box 66861, St. Louis, MO 63166-6861.

To find out more about the LCMS efforts to support the Church in Ukraine, [click here](#).

Cross Connections Spring Thing



When: Tuesday April 26, 2022, 5:30-9:00 p.m.

Where: Parkview Mirro Center, 10622 Parkview Plaza Dr., Fort Wayne
Join us in celebrating the Biblical ministry of Cross Connections as we welcome our featured guest, New York Times best-selling author, Mr. Lee Strobel!

There will be a live auction, a beautiful meal, raffles, and live music. The cost is \$100 per person. There are sponsorship opportunities still available. Call today to register at 260.373.0213, ext. 101, or visit our website: crossconnectionsounseling.com and see our Events page.

We hope you will join us!

Emmanuel Golf League

There has been growing interest from those connected to Emmanuel to have a golf league. This year we are looking to continue to build on the previous year's momentum. **Emmanuel's 2022 Golf League will begin the first Tuesday in May (May 3) and will run weekly until September or October.** We will be playing at Brookwood Golf Course starting at 5:30 p.m. For a round of 9 holes, the weekly cost to play in the league will be \$24 (riding) and \$16 (walking). This league is open to both men and women and we are seeking to have at least 12 people each week of play. If you are interested or have further questions, please feel free to contact Fred Peterson (260.437.2885) or Mike Huesner (260.416.1380) who are helping to organize this league at Emmanuel.



Register for Summer Camp at Concordia Lutheran High School

Summer Camp and Summer Class registration is now open! Summer Camps are available for K-12 grade students and feature something for all interests, including sports, computers, band, drama, and rocket science! We also offer summer classes for students in grades 8-12 (during the 2021-22 school year). Learn more and register at www.clhscadets.com/summer.

Together in Christ,
Pastor Eggold and Pastor Sheaffer