

Divine Service at 5:00



Emmanuel Lutheran Church

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

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



CHILDREN IN WORSHIP



We are so happy you are here!

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

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

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

PRAYER REQUESTS



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

CONNECTIONS COUNTER



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

SPECIAL NEEDS



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

GATHERING TIME



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

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RESTROOM

Found in the gathering space we call Ebenezer Hall.

BUILDING FAITH IN THE CITY

“A Story of Mercy”

AS WE GATHER

Though we try to justify ourselves “before men,” God knows our sinful hearts and calls us to repentance (Luke 16:15). Though we are “not strong enough to dig,” and we are “ashamed to beg” (Luke 16:3), He justifies us by His grace and welcomes us into His “eternal dwellings” (Luke 16:9). In His radical mercy, He calls His people to bestow forgiveness freely as we have been forgiven.

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: “Open Up the Heavens”

We’ve waited for this day. We’re gathered in your name,
Calling out to You.

Your glory like a fire, awakening desire, will burn our hearts with truth.
You’re the reason we’re here. You’re the reason we’re singing.

(Chorus)

Open up the heavens, we want to see You.

Open up the floodgates, a mighty river flowing from your heart,
Filling ev’ry part of our praise.

Your presence in this place, Your glory on our face,
We’re looking to the sky.

Descending like a cloud, You’re standing with us now.
Lord, unveil our eyes.

You’re the reason we’re here. You’re the reason we’re singing. (Chorus)

Show us, show us Your glory. Show us, show us Your power.

Show us, show us Your glory, Lord.

Show us, show us Your glory. Show us, show us Your power.

Show us, show us Your glory, Lord. (Chorus)

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(Please stand as able)

THE INVOCATION

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

People: Amen.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Leader: Let us confess our sins in the light of God's holy Commandments.

(Silence for personal prayer and reflection)

Leader: Thus says the Lord: "Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy."

People: Lord God, we confess to You that we often forget Your Word by allowing other concerns of daily living and our own desires take priority over Your ways of mercy and love. Forgive us, O Lord.

Leader: Thus says the Lord: "You shall not murder."

People: Lord God, we confess to You that we have hurt and harmed our neighbors, especially by our neglect of the needs of others. Forgive us, O Lord.

Leader: Thus says the Lord: "You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor."

People: Lord God, we confess to You our rash words, harsh judgments, and false accusations against our neighbor, but even more our failure to defend and help those who have been wrongfully shamed, abused, or accused. Forgive us, O Lord.

Leader: God, our Savior, desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For the sake of the one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave Himself as a ransom for all, and by His command, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

THE SHARING OF PEACE

THE MUSICAL RESPONSE: "What an Awesome God"

God is great, give Him all the praise, Hallelujah, Name above all Names.

Fire in His eyes, healing in His veins, everywhere His glory on display.

Take a look at those stars, He can name them all.

Before His throne every knee falls.

The demons have to run, the angels have to praise,

Even the wind and waves obey.

(Chorus)

Our God is an awesome God. He reigns from heaven above

With wisdom, pow'r and love. Our God is an awesome God.

Our God is an awesome God. He reigns from heaven above

With wisdom, pow'r and love. Our God is an awesome God.

And even when I ran He didn't run away.

He came and put death back in its place.

Friday on a cross, broken for my shame,

Sunday morning rose up from that grave.

Take a look at those scars on His hands and feet.

He saved our souls for eternity.
Worthy is the Lamb, glory to the King.
Oh let all the saints and the angels sing. (Chorus)

Eyes on the sky. There will be a day, He will come and wipe our tears away.
No more fear, no more pain, No more sorrow sin or shame.
The King is coming back again, a reign of love that will never end
For everything You've done and everything You do
And everything You are, I'll sing to You.

My God, You're an awesome God. You're great in all You do.
I'm made to worship You. My God, You're an awesome God. (Chorus)

Our God is an awesome God. Our God, what an awesome God..

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(Please be seated)

THE FIRST READING: Amos 8:4-7

Hear this, you who trample on the needy and bring the poor of the land to an end, ⁵saying, "When will the new moon be over, that we may sell grain? And the Sabbath, that we may offer wheat for sale, that we may make the ephah small and the shekel great and deal deceitfully with false balances, ⁶that we may buy the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals and sell the chaff of the wheat?" ⁷The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob: "Surely I will never forget any of their deeds."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, ²for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. ³This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, ⁶who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time. ⁷For this I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand, as you are able)

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 16:1-15

[Jesus] also said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions. ²And he called him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager.' ³And the manager said to himself, 'What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from

management, people may receive me into their houses.’ ⁵So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he said to the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ ⁶He said, ‘A hundred measures of oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.’ ⁷Then he said to another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He said, ‘A hundred measures of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and write eighty.’ ⁸The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. ⁹And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings. ¹⁰“One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. ¹¹If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹²And if you have not been faithful in that which is another’s, who will give you that which is your own? ¹³No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.” ¹⁴The Pharisees, who were lovers of money, heard all these things, and they ridiculed him. ¹⁵And he said to them, “You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For what is exalted among men is an abomination in the sight of God.”

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

THE NICENE CREED (Spoken together)

Inside back cover of hymnal

THE MUSICAL RESPONSE: “I Love to Tell the Story”

I love to tell the story of unseen things above,

Of Jesus and His glory, of Jesus and His love.

I love to tell the story because I know ‘tis true

It satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.

(Chorus)

I love to tell the story! ‘Twill be my theme in glory

To tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.

I love to tell the story; more wonderful it seems

Than all the golden fancies of all our golden dreams.

I love to tell the story; it did so much for me,

And that is just the reason I tell it now to thee. (Chorus)

I love to tell the story; ‘tis pleasant to repeat

What seems each time I tell it more wonderfully sweet.

I love to tell the story, for some have never heard

The message of salvation from God’s own holy Word. (Chorus)

I love to tell the story, for those who know it best

Seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest.

And when in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,

‘Twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long. (Chorus)

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THE SERMON

Pastor Thomas A. Eggold

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 MINISTRY MINUTE

Lutheran Women in Mission

THE MUSICAL RESPONSE: "Who You Say I Am"

Who am I that the highest King would welcome me?
I was lost but He brought me in. Oh, His love for me!
Oh, His love for me!

Who the Son sets free, oh, is free indeed.
I'm a child of God, yes, I am.

Free at last, He has ransomed me; His grace runs deep.
While I was a slave to sin, Jesus died for me.
Yes, He died for me.

Who the Son sets free, oh, is free indeed.
I'm a child of God, yes, I am.
In my Father's house there's a place for me.
I'm a child of God, yes, I am.

I am chosen, not forsaken, I am who You say I am.
You are for me, not against me. I am who You say I am.
I am chosen, not forsaken, I am who You say I am.
You are for me, not against me. I am who You say I am.
I am who You say I am.

Who the Son sets free, oh, is free indeed.
I'm a child of God, yes, I am.
In my Father's house there's a place for me.
I'm a child of God, yes, I am.
In my Father's house there's a place for me.
I'm a child of God, yes, I am.

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(Please stand, as you are able)

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Leader: In peace, let us pray to the Lord: For the baptized children of God, that we would be freed from obsession with the goods of this world and set our hearts on the joys of the kingdom and the inheritance that never fades, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For God's Holy Church here and everywhere, for those who have been called to serve as her pastors and church workers, for those preparing for church-work vocations, and for those considering full-time church work, that they may be guarded against the assaults of the evil one,

encouraged in their callings, and prepared to serve faithfully for the sake of the kingdom, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For the sick and those who suffer, for those troubled in mind, for the grieving in their sorrows, and for the dying in their last hours, that the Lord would grant them the comfort of His presence, relief according to His will and peace in their hearts, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For grateful hearts, that the Lord would free us from greed and covetousness so that we might be content and glad to share with those in need, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For our communion this day upon the body and blood of our Lord, for hearts moved to repentance and faith, and for the fruits of this Sacrament to be borne in lives of holiness and righteousness, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy

Leader: O Lord, our God, whose mercies are new every morning, we give You thanks and praise for all Your kindness toward us, and we pray You to grant us the will and desire to worship You joyfully, to serve You faithfully and to proclaim boldly Your mighty acts of deliverance through our Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom we offer to You these prayers, and in whom we trust for all things; to You alone be glory, honor, worship and praise, O Lord, Father, Son and 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, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and

archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify
Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

“SANCTUS (HOLY, HOLY, HOLY)”

Holy, Holy, Lord God of Heavenly Hosts,

Holy, Holy, Lord God of Heavenly Hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

Hosanna, Hosanna, Blessed is he who comes,

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

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THE LORD’S PRAYER (spoken together)

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE PEACE OF THE LORD

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

People: Amen.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION (Served by stations)

When Jesus said, “This is My Body...This is My Blood,” He really meant it. As Lutherans, we believe in the real bodily presence of Christ in the Sacrament, not merely in a figurative or symbolic sense. This means that Jesus’ body and blood are actually present in the bread and wine received in Holy Communion. In this meal our faith is strengthened and forgiveness is assured. This gift is an act of God’s love, which we don’t deserve, cannot explain, and don’t even fully understand. We humbly believe it. It is a request of our congregation that anyone who wishes to commune with us would share this faith. If you are not receiving the Lord’s Supper today but desire a blessing, approach the Pastor with your arms crossed over your heart. The individual cups located in the center of each tray contain non-alcoholic wine for those having that medical need. Individually packaged gluten-free communion wafers are available. Please ask the Communion Assistant if you have this dietary need.

THE DISTRIBUTION SONGS

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

I will sing of the goodness of God.

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"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.
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; 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.
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; I owe all to You.

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.

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; I owe all to You.

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; I owe all to You.

I owe all to You; I owe all to You, Jesus.

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THE DISMISSAL

THE BLESSING

THE CLOSING SONG: "God So Loved"
Come all you weary, come all you thirsty.
Come to the well that never runs dry.
Drink of the water, come and thirst no more.
Come all you sinners, come find His mercy.
Come to the table; He will satisfy.
Taste of His goodness, find what you're looking for.

For God so loved the world that He gave us
His one and only Son to save us.
Whoever believes in Him will live forever.
Bring all your failures, bring your addictions.
Come lay them down at the foot of the cross.
Jesus is waiting here with open arms.

For God so loved the world that He gave us
His one and only Son to save us.
Whoever believes in Him will live forever.
The pow'r of hell forever defeated.
Now it is well, I'm walking in freedom.
For God so loved, God so loved the world.

Praise God, praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, praise Him for the wonders of His love.
Praise God, praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, praise Him for the wonders of His love.

For God so loved the world that He gave us
His one and only Son to save us.
For God so loved the world that He gave us
His one and only Son to save us.
Whoever believes in Him will live forever.
The pow'r of hell forever defeated.
Now it is well, I'm walking in freedom.
For God so loved, God so loved the world.

Bring all your failures, bring your addictions.
Come lay them down at the foot of the cross.
Jesus is waiting, God so loved the world.

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THE POSTLUDE

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Amos 6:1-7; Ps. 146; 1 Timothy 6:6-19; Luke 16:19-31

THE FLOWERS adorning His altar today were given in loving memory of Richard D. Hill, from his family; in loving memory of Bart Bircheff, from Janet and family; and in honor of the 25th Wedding Anniversary of Mike and Judy Huesner.

USHERS: Kathy Lash and Catherine Peterson

COMMUNION: Gary Meredith

READERS: Raquel Klug and Jan Hoffman

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:
 - We give thanks for the birth of a baby boy, William, born to Matt and Elizabeth Johnston. We ask God to strengthen and protect William as he grows, and to be with his family as they welcome William into their home.
 - Pray for strength, healing, peace and comfort for Pam Carmichael (sister of Deb Percy), Steve Herman, River Garcia (grandson of Raquel Klug), Carlton Grotrian (father of Karla Neeld), Colsen Gage (nephew of Annalissa Smith), Ricky Carmickle (brother-in-law of Deb Percy), Alycia Williams, Dick Reinking, Gene Franklin (father of Sandy Behling), Vickie Kidwell (mother of Sandy Behling), Phil Arthur, Devon Jewel and Niko L. Christlib (friends of Ilona Clenny), Deb Percy, Ed Braun, Norv McClure
 - Pray for the following people recovering from surgery: Jenny Scheiderer, Dave Bieberich, Cathy Paff, Jan Reche, Vernene Miller, Kelsey Westrick, Roxanne Moore, Cheri Maxwell, Jayne Sheaffer, Justin Arkkelin, Elizabeth Johnston, Kathy Lash
 - Pray for healing, comfort and peace for the following people with cancer: Bonnie Havener (sister-in-law of George and Becki Elonzae), Karen Burtch (sister-in-law of Lori Richey), Amy Krontz (daughter-in-law of David and Karen Wyss), Mary Grosjean, Peg Davis, Ashley Edge (niece of Barb and Gary Lesh), Barb Hambrock, Julie McMichael (niece of Deb Percy), Bob and Jenny Hobby (brother-in-law and sister of Chris Murphy), Shelly Koenig (friend of Matt & Amy Konow), Rob Howe, Judi Brunow, Josh Walters (friend of Patty Rouse), Judy Baumgartner (mother of Kristin Smith), Tina Bennett, Dennis McFadden, Lisa Toth (Pepple), Laura Herrick (Caroline Eber's niece), Art Klausmeier, Roger Kuehnert, John Jennings (friend of Dave and Tammy Bair), Bruce Williams, Herb Schumm, Mike Huesner, Rob Roehm, Cheri Maxwell, Ann Schwartz, Hazel Krenzke (Brian and Anna Snodgrass' niece)
 - Prayers for PALS – PALS is a program in which Emmanuel members partner with Washington School students to build relationships and strengthen reading skills in a Christian environment. Each week we will pray for some of our Washington School PALS or helpers, and we encourage you to join us in the ministry. This week, we are praying for all our generous volunteers who help make this program happen.

- Join our staff in praying for the following members:
 - Jan Werth
 - Sarah Werth, Mitchel
 - Jacob and Ariel Wesner
 - Evan and Kelsey Westrick, Grayson and Bailey
 - Jeremy and Meghann Whetstone, Sophia and Grace
 - Pat and Erika Whetstone, Vayda and Atreyu
 - Carol Whonsetler
 - Bill and Cheryl Wiegman
 - Dick and Pat Wiehe
 - Stacey Wietfeldt, Shelby, Mackenzie and Bryson
- Please pray for the missions supported by Emmanuel's congregation:
 - Rev. James and Deaconess Christel Neuendorf – Ponce, Puerto Rico
 - Lutheran Agency for Missions to Burmese (LAMB)
 - Rev. Michael Paul - Taiwan
 - Heidi Wilkinson – Ethiopia
 - The Lutheran Heritage Foundation
 - Luther Academy
 - Lutheran Senior Care Ministry (LSCM)
 - Lutherans For Life (LFL)
 - Lutheran Bible Translators

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

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

Dolores Harper	Parker Schultheis	Mason Gilliom	Atlas Arnold
Renae Smith	Rafael Alberto	Lois Altheide	Lincoln Griffin
Virginia Miller	Amelia Adair	Forrest Clarke	Brandon Cirilo
Charlotte Schmotzer	Lilyth Tittman	Anna Vandercar	William Vogt
Bennett Hoyle	Liam Hill	Rowen Lomont	Owen Light
Kollin Vanderford	Klaire Vanderford	Khloe Vanderford	Walter Vanderford
Wilma Vanderford	Vada Gillum	Valerie Miller	Gary Keller
Terry Buffington	Desirae Rider	Payton Caudill	Benjamin Rider
Alice Gynn	Quinn Sue Brimmer		

The Teaching of the Church

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

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

CLASS	LOCATION
Little Flock (Birth – Age 3)	School Room A5 (Extended Care)
4-5 Year Olds	School Room A3
K-1 st Grade	School Room A1
2 nd -3 rd Grade	School Room B3
4 th -5 th Grade	School Room B5
6 th -7 th Grade	School Room D3
8 th Grade	LL Ebenezer
High School	Loft
Adults: I Love to Tell the Story	Sanctuary

I Love to Tell the Story: Charlie Pratt will lead a presentation on the history of Emmanuel through stories of mission, sacrifice, courage, and grace. Judge Pratt will be joined by former Emmanuel pastors Art Klausmeier and Arnie Piering, and current staff members Lana Hille and Becki Elonza.

Weekday Bible Classes

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

The News of the Church

LWML's Fort Wayne Fall Zone Gathering will take place here at Emmanuel on Saturday, October 4. Registration and Breakfast are 8:30-9:00 a.m. and the meeting begins at 9:00 a.m. Our speaker will be Mary Ann Mings, Executive Director of InAsMuch Ministry and we will be collecting non-perishable food

items (please no glass containers) and paper/plastic eating supplies. The registration fee is \$7. Please RSVP by September 29.

"I Love to Tell the Story" Opportunities:

Prayer Walk on October 4 - We are looking for volunteers to join us on Saturday, October 4, for a Prayer Walk in the West Central Neighborhood. The purpose of the Prayer Walk is to be a praying presence in the neighborhood and to distribute invitations to our NeighborFest, which will take place on Saturday, October 18. We will begin at 9:30 in the sanctuary for a brief orientation and opening prayer. We will walk in the neighborhood from 10:00-11:15 and then gather at 11:30 for lunch. Scan the QR code to register!



Service Weekend, October 11-12 - On Saturday, October 11, and Sunday, October 12, Emmanuel members will "Tell the Story" as we serve in our community. We need many volunteers for the projects we will be completing, and we would love your help! Volunteers can expect to serve a three-hour shift. Please register for the service day by scanning the QR code.



Donuts Are Back! - Donuts are once again being served during fellowship time between services. To help cover the cost, donations are welcome. Your generosity is appreciated!

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



LWM Meeting - Our next LWM/LWML meeting is on October 2, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. in Lower Level Ebenezer. Our Bible Study will be "Beauty Marks" and our service project will be Towels for Cross Borders. We hope to see you there!

First Impressions - Ladies of Emmanuel, our next First Impressions gathering is off-campus! Join us at Ruby Moon flower farm (7535 E 400 S, Laotto) for U-Pick flower bouquets, wine and lemonade slushies, and fellowship around the fire pit on Wednesday, October 1 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. The cost is \$25. Please RSVP to Sarah Pennekamp at 260.486.6740 or pennekamp6@yahoo.com by September 29.

Visual Faith Ministries - Join us Tuesday, October 7, 6:00–8:00 p.m., as we prepare our hearts for Advent. Christmas will be here before we know it, and it's easy to get swept up in decorations, shopping, and plans. Visual Faith invites you to pause, refocus, and center your heart on Christ. At our next two workshops—October 7 and November 4—we'll create Advent Devotional Journals that align with Emmanuel's Advent devotions. No prior experience is needed; supplies and guidance are provided. Come for fellowship, fun, and creative prayer practices that help the Word dwell richly in you.



GAME ON is a group designed for those who like to play tables games. We play a different game each month. The game for October is Left Center Right –A fast moving dice game. No experience is needed. Please join us for fellowship, fun, and food. GAME ON will meet Tuesday, October 7 from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. in Ebenezer Hall. Sign-up is located at the Connection's Desk. If you forget to sign-up, come anyway!

Food Bank - Thank you so much for your continued support of Emmanuel's food bank. We are in need of strong volunteers the third Thursday of every month from 3:30 - 5:00 p.m. Please contact Anita at 260.414.2258 if you can help. We also have a need for adult Depends (large size and up), toothbrushes, and toothpaste. If you can donate any of these items over the next few months, it would be greatly appreciated! Please place items in the cabinet labeled "Food Bank" at the bottom of the stairs from the Sanctuary into Ebenezer Hall. Thank you!

Big News from Concordia Lutheran High School: Groundbreaking is set for September 23! The 'A Bold Step' capital campaign, renovating the academic building and auditorium, has reached a major milestone with financing secured, and construction on Project 1 set to begin after Labor Day. But we're not done yet: campaign fundraising continues so that Project 2, the auditorium renovation, can be included in this historic effort. In the coming weeks, Concordia will host public meetings in congregations and community venues to share how this campaign will bless generations to come, and your attendance and participation will make the difference—pray, attend, and spread the word!

CLHS Worship Service - Please join us on September 28, 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. for a worship service at the Concordia High School auditorium open to all alumni, family, and friends of CLHS. The Service will be led by 1975 classmates, Pastor Dan Dahling, Pastor Steven Ensley, and Pastor Steven Schlund. Help us commemorate our 50th Class reunion! Following the worship service, take a guided tour to see what's new at CLHS and hear about exciting plans for the future of our campus.

Bridge 20/30: September Events & Connection Opportunities - Are you in your 20s or 30s and looking for real friendships and a deeper faith life? Bridge

20/30 is a space for post-high school young adults (single or married) to connect, grow, and have fun in community with others who share similar values. This week, on Tuesday, September 23 at 7:00 p.m., we'll be meeting at Hop River Brewing Co. (1515 N Harrison St.)!

The Stewardship of the Church

EMMANUEL'S MINISTRIES

Supports the ongoing mission and ministry efforts of Emmanuel congregation.

Year to Date: \$1,595,843	Anticipated Need Thru September, 2025: \$1,620,684
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DISTRICT AND SYNOD

Used for local, national and world mission efforts.

Last Week: \$280	Year to Date: \$8,505
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CUP OF KINDNESS

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

Last Week: \$180	Year to Date: \$3,490
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IN ALL GENERATIONS

Supports the renovations of the Emmanuel campus school building.

"IAG" Total Received:	Mortgage Balance:	Total Cost*
\$6,071,378	\$1,354,590	\$7,408,920

*Total Cost = Mortgage Interest Paid to Date + Construction Cost

The Calendar of the Church

Monday, September 22

8:30 a.m. Monday Morning Moms
 3:30 p.m. LifeLight Bible Study
 5:30 p.m. Lifelight Bible Study
 6:00 p.m. Handbell Practice
 7:00 p.m. Church Council

Tuesday, September 23

6:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry and Training

Wednesday, September 24

6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
 8:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study
 9:00 a.m. Homeschool Religion

10:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study
11:30 a.m. Communion Service
3:30 p.m. PALS
6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 25

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

Friday, September 26

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

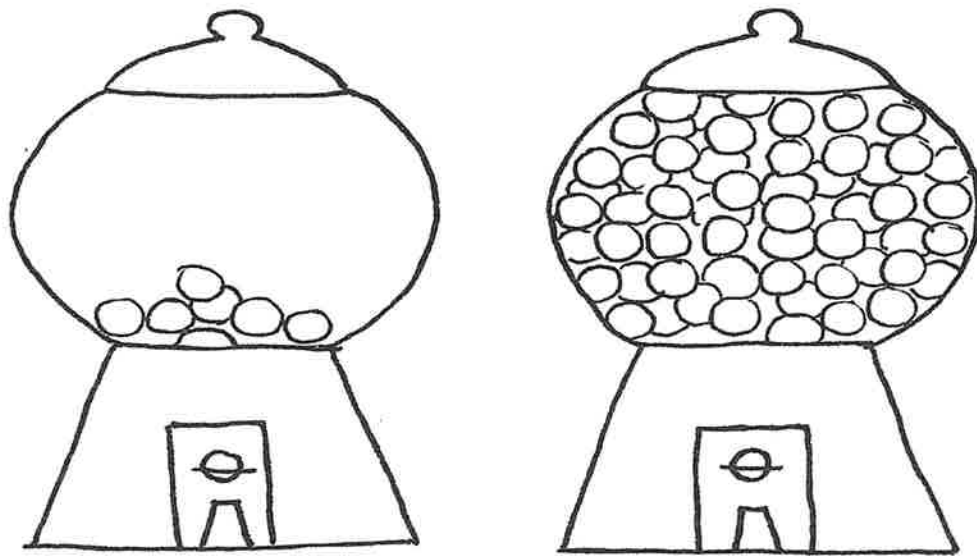
Saturday, September 27

5:00 p.m. Divine Service

Sunday, September 28

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

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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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