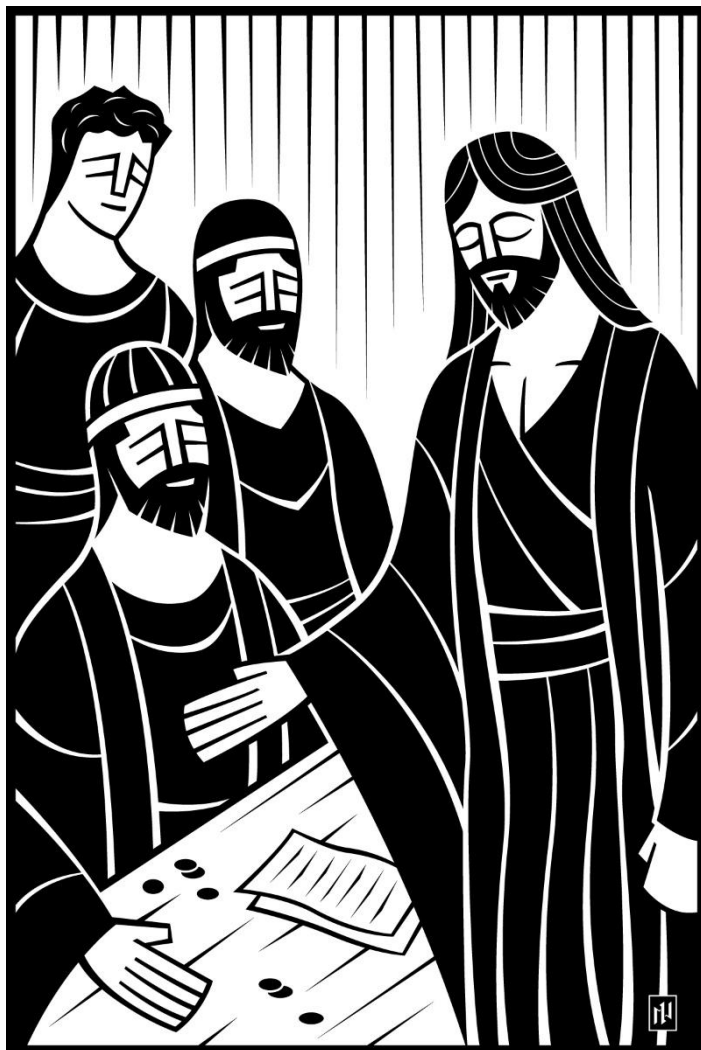


Divine Worship at 8:00



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

“Mercy, Not Sacrifice”

AS WE GATHER

Today, we are given the heart-changing, life-giving, and incredible assurance that God doesn't give us what we deserve. Instead, God deals with us by His mercy. You see, Christ Jesus came because we were sick. He came because we were dead in our sin. Christ came to this earth in our own flesh as the ultimate sacrifice, so that God could deal with us by mercy, not because we earned it, not because we deserved it. No! He came for us, and He died for us, because He loves us.

+ THE ORDER OF DIVINE SERVICE AT 8:00 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: “Come, You Faithful”

Bender

THE RINGING OF THE BELLS

THE WORDS OF WELCOME

THE OPENING HYMN: “Today Your Mercy Calls Us”

Hymn 915

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 CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION (Ephesians 3:12; Psalm 72:11)

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.

People: **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

Leader: In repentant faith, we come before our Lord in confession.

(Silence for personal prayer and reflection)

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 ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray. Almighty and most merciful God, You sent Your Son, Jesus Christ, to seek and to save the lost.

People: **Graciously open our ears and our hearts to hear His call and to follow Him by faith that we may feast with Him forever in His kingdom;**

Leader: through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

(Please be seated)

THE FIRST READING: Hosea 5:15—6:6

I will return again to my place, until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face, and in their distress earnestly seek me. ¹“Come, let us return to the LORD; for he has torn us, that he may heal us; he has struck us down, and he will bind us up. ²After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. ³Let us know; let us press on to know the LORD; his going out is sure as the dawn; he will come to us as the showers, as the spring rains that water the earth.” ⁴What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes early away. ⁵Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets; I have slain them by the words of my mouth, and my judgment goes forth as the light. ⁶For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Liz Bejot

THE SECOND READING: Romans 4:13-25

The promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression. ¹⁶That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring—not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, ¹⁷as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸In hope he believed against hope, that he should become the father of many nations, as he had been told, “So shall your offspring be.” ¹⁹He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was as good as dead (since he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb. ²⁰No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²²That is why his faith was “counted to him as righteousness.” ²³But the words “it was counted to him” were not written for his sake alone, ²⁴but for ours also. It will be counted to us who believe in him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, ²⁵who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as you are able)
THE ALLELUIA AND VERSE

C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

C These things are writ-ten that you may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 9:9-13

Leader: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 9th chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord!

As Jesus passed on from there, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he rose and followed him. ¹⁰And as Jesus reclined at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were reclining with Jesus and his disciples. ¹¹And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" ¹²But when he heard it, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.' For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners."

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

THE APOSTLES' CREED (Spoken together)

Inside back cover of hymnal

(Please be seated)

THE SERMON HYMN: "Let Me Be Thine Forever"

Hymn 689

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 MUSICAL OFFERING: "Basse et Dessus de Trompette"

Clérambault

(Please stand as you are able)

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Leader: As dear children ask their dear father, let us bring to the Lord our prayers this day, knowing that He will hear us and respond to our petitions. Confidently we come to our Father in heaven; Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: We pray for the world in which we live and for the leaders of every nation as well as of our own, that peace may prevail around the globe and that we may live without fear in our times. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: In this season of growth, we pray for the Church, that it may grow and flourish even in those places where persecution for our Lord's sake is known. Grant that there be unhindered access to the Gospel in every land. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: Gathered in heart and mind, we pray for those in need of our special petitions, including those distanced from this fellowship today, and including those dealing with illness and the homebound. We also remember those who grieve this day and those with special needs.

According to Your good and gracious will, bring strength to the weak, assurance to the fearful, and hope to those in peril. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: With thankfulness, we remember those whose earthly lives have been completed, including relatives, friends, and members of this household of faith and so many others. Grant that we be blessed by the memory of all who have fallen asleep in Jesus as in certain hope we await the resurrection to life eternal and the final invitation to the banquet in God's kingdom. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: Gathered in the forgiving love of Christ and assured that our heavenly Father hears our petitions, we say with hopeful hearts and voices:

People: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Spoken together)

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

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: "Fight the Good Fight"

Hymn 664

THE POSTLUDE: "Toccata"

Valenti

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Ex. 19:2-8; Ps. 100; Rom. 5:6-15; Matt. 9:35-10:8

THE FLOWER adorning the altar were given to the glory of God in honor of the 62nd Wedding Anniversary of Marlin and Shirley Culy; in loving memory of my parents Arnie and Pat Horman from Marilyn Brenner; and in loving memory of Walter and Phyllis Tittman and David Tittman from the Tittman Families.

SERVING

Organ Matt Johnston

Acolyte Torian Davies

Altar Guild JoAnn Wudy, Anne Fortmeyer, Jeanette McFadden, Beth Igney, Michelle Pennell-Madden

Opener Rex Counterman
Usher Crew 3 Ed Davis, Chuck Karrick, Dave Bieberich, Matt Benne,
Barry Gynn, Kurt Kleinrichert, Tom Matson, Bill Pynchon,
Mike Repp
Audio Engineer Chris Fair

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)
 - Pray for the following people recovering from surgery: Kathy Freimuth, Richard Cummins, Lenore Perry, Justin Arkkelin
 - 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), Tina Bennett, Dennis McFadden, Laura Herrick (Caroline Eber's niece), 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), Amanda Cornyn-Bradford (daughter of Mike and April Cornyn), Linda Raatz, Jeff Dunham (brother-in-law of Scott and Christi Everson), Doug Bennett (father of Ty Bennett), Sean Breininger, Herb Schumm
- Join our staff in praying for the following members:
 - Justine and Amber Fey, Max and Lily
 - Bob Fisher

- Jan Fisher
 - Steve and Tammy Fisher, Kayla and Josh
 - Kristy Fitzgerald, Reagen, Reace, and Camden
 - Wes Fitzgerald
 - Michael and Brittney Flanagan, Sean, Morgan, Chloe, and Brooklyn
 - Dianne Flory
 - Steven Flory
 - Jeff and Jennifer Follis
- 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 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

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.

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 Chris Yang to Visit Emmanuel on June 7 - On Sunday, June 7, Emmanuel will welcome Pastor Chris Yang for a special presentation at 9:15 a.m. in the lower level of Ebenezer Hall. Pastor Yang has been called by the LCMS to serve as a missionary in Taiwan, where he will work as a theological educator and church planter. He has also served as the mission pastor for a Lutheran congregation in Beijing, China, which continues to gather online for worship and teaching in Chinese. During his presentation, Pastor Yang will help us learn more about LCMS mission work among Chinese-speaking people, especially in Taiwan and China. His visit will give us an opportunity to hear how the Lord is opening doors for the Gospel, to learn about the need for Chinese-speaking Lutheran pastors, and to pray for the Church in Asia. Please plan to join us for this important mission presentation as we give thanks for the Lord's work through Pastor Yang and the LCMS around the world.

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: June 7, 21; July 5, 19; and August 2, 16, from 9:15-10:15 a.m. We can't wait to see you there!

Congregational Listening Sessions: The Story Continues - Join us for congregational listening sessions on Sunday, June 14 and Sunday, June 21, from 9:15-10:15 a.m. in the gym. These sessions are a key part of our planning process as we listen for how God is leading Emmanuel into the next chapter of ministry. You're welcome to attend one or both sessions—each will stand on its own. Come share what you value about Emmanuel, where you see needs and opportunities, and how we can best steward our resources for discipleship and outreach. We hope you'll take part as The Story Continues.

Lutherans for Life - Our next meeting will on June 12, at 9:30 a.m. at Emmanuel. Our speaker is from Young Mothers of America.

First Impressions - Enjoy fellowship and get to know other women at our First Impressions social gatherings this summer! Here are our planned gatherings: Monday, June 8, 6:00-7:30 p.m. at Oh Five Scoop Shop (1937 E. State Blvd.); Wednesday, July 1, 6:00-7:30 p.m. at Melissa Stout's home (284 W. 100 S., Huntington); and 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: June 16, 30, July 14, 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 June 9, 7:00 p.m. – Porch Night: 1/4 Life Crisis Series, 7:00 p.m. - Holy Cross Youth Center (3420 N. Anthony Blvd).

Vacation Bible School at Emmanuel – June 22-26, 9:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.

VBS Volunteers - Many hands are needed to help make VBS a success - games, crafts, snacks, tribe leaders, song leaders, acting...there is a role for everyone. Please use this QR code to sign-up to volunteer during the week of VBS. You can also check out the display in Ebenezer Hall for more information.



VBS Donations - Many supplies are also needed to help make VBS a success. If you would like to contribute, please check out our Amazon wish list using this QR code.

VBS Registration - Registration for VBS is now open. You can register using this QR code. All kids age 3 (potty-trained) through 5th grade (23-24 school year) can register as participants. If you have any VBS questions, comments, or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out to Liz Bejot - LBejot@emmanuelutheran.org.



Athletic Booster Sponsors Needed - Support ESM Athletics by becoming an Athletic Booster sponsor! Local businesses are invited to partner with us in supporting student-athletes through equipment, uniforms, travel, and facility needs. A \$300 annual sponsorship includes your business logo displayed on gym banners throughout the year. Interested or want more information? Contact Kevin McGuigan at kmcguigan@esmeagles.com by July 31. Thank you for investing in our students and school community!

ESM is Hiring for the 2026-2027 School Year! Emmanuel-St. Michael is searching for qualified candidates to fill **part-time teacher aide positions** in both preschool and kindergarten for the 2026-2027 school year. A degree or certification in education and/or experience working with young children is preferred. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age, a high school graduate, and an active member of their home church. Application forms are available in the school office. Completed forms, along with a resume, should be submitted to the school office to the attention of Mrs. Jennifer Ackmann, Assistant Principal-Preschool.

The Stewardship of the Church

EMMANUEL'S MINISTRIES

Supports the ongoing mission and ministry efforts of Emmanuel congregation.

Year to Date: \$993,410	Anticipated Need Through June: \$1,234,882
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DISTRICT AND SYNOD

Used for local, national and world mission efforts.

Last Week: \$165	Year to Date: \$6,446
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CUP OF KINDNESS

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

Last Week: \$262	Year to Date: \$2,037
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IN ALL GENERATIONS

Supports the renovations of the Emmanuel campus school building.

"IAG" Total Received: \$6,656,436	Mortgage Balance: \$835,909	Total Cost* \$7,464,173
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*Total Cost = Mortgage Interest Paid to Date + Construction Cost

The Calendar of the Church

Monday, June 8

6:30 a.m. Clay & Iron Weekly Devotion
12:00 p.m. Property Meeting
5:30 p.m. LifeLight Book Review

Tuesday, June 9

5:00 p.m. GriefShare
5:00 p.m. Stephen Leaders
6:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry
7:00 p.m. West Central Board Meeting

Wednesday, June 10

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, June 11

8:30 a.m. Thursday Guys

9:00 a.m. Piece Makers

7:00 p.m. @917 Bible Class

Friday, June 12

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

9:30 a.m. Lutherans for Life

Saturday, June 13

5:00 p.m. Divine Service

Sunday, June 14

8:00 a.m. Divine Service w/ Communion

9:15 a.m. The Story Continues - Congregational Listening Session

10:30 a.m. Divine Service

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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.

Church Staff

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915 Today Your Mercy Calls Us



1 To - day Your mer - cy calls us To wash a - way our sin.
2 To - day Your gate is o - pen, And all who en - ter in
3 To - day our Fa - ther calls us; His Ho - ly Spir - it waits;
4 O all - em - brac - ing Mer - cy, O ev - er - o - pen Door,



How - ev - er great our tres - pass, What - ev - er we have been,
Shall find a Fa - ther's wel - come And par - don for their sin.
His bless - ed an - gels gath - er A - round the heav'n - ly gates.
What should we do with - out You When heart and eye run o'er?



How - ev - er long from mer - cy Our hearts have turned a - way,
The past shall be for - got - ten, A pres - ent joy be giv'n,
No ques - tion will be asked us How of - ten we have come;
When all things seem a - gainst us, To drive us to de - spair,



Your pre - cious blood can wash us And make us clean to - day.
A fu - ture grace be prom - ised, A glo - rious crown in heav'n.
Al - though we oft have wan - dered, It is our Fa - ther's home.
We know one gate is o - pen, One ear will hear our prayer.

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689 Let Me Be Thine Forever



1 Let me be Thine for - ev - er, My faith - ful God and Lord;
2 Lord Je - sus, my sal - va - tion, My light, my life di - vine,
3 And Thou, O Ho - ly Spir - it, My com - fort - er and guide,



Let me for-sake Thee nev - er Nor wan - der from Thy Word.
My on - ly con - so - la - tion, O make me whol - ly Thine!
Grant that in Je - sus' mer - it I al - ways may con - fide,



Lord, do not let me wa - ver, But give me stead-fast - ness,
For Thou hast dear - ly bought me With blood and bit - ter pain.
Him to the end con-fess - ing Whom I have known by faith.



And for such grace for - ev - er Thy ho - ly name I'll bless.
Let me, since Thou hast sought me, E - ter - nal life ob - tain.
Give me Thy con-stant bless - ing And grant a Chris - tian death.

Text and tune: Public domain

664 Fight the Good Fight



1 Fight the good fight with all your might; Christ is your
2 Run the straight race through God's good grace; Lift up your
3 Cast care a - side, lean on your guide; His bound - less
4 Faint not nor fear, His arms are near; He chang - es



strength, and Christ your right. Lay hold on life, and
eyes, and seek His face. Life with its way be -
mer - cy will pro - vide. Trust, and en - dur - ing
not who holds you dear; On - ly be - lieve, and



it shall be Your joy and crown e - ter - nal - ly.
fore us lies; Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.
faith shall prove Christ is your life and Christ your love.
you will see That Christ is all e - ter - nal - ly.

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