

Divine Service at 8:00



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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Found in the gathering space we call Ebenezer Hall.

BUILDING FAITH IN THE CITY

“The God of the Living”

AS WE GATHER

Today, Jesus lifts our eyes from our earthly lives, and He shows us eternal things. Today, the God who is “I AM” proclaims once again the historical truth that on the cross our sin has been dealt with, and that by God’s promise we have been redeemed in the present, and accepted for eternity. Today, the Gospel of Jesus shows us a God who loves us, has forgiven us, and has given us a future that the distractions of this life cannot touch.

+ 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 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 PRELUDE

THE RINGING OF THE BELLS

THE WORDS OF WELCOME

THE OPENING HYMN: “The God of Abraham Praise” (Verses 1-2) Hymn 798

THE PRESENTATION OF PRAYER REQUESTS

(Please stand as you are able)

THE INVOCATION (Based on Exodus 3:6-8, 14-15)

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

People: the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob,

Leader: who has surely seen the affliction of His people,

People: who has come down to deliver them,

Leader: whose name is I AM WHO I AM,

People: who is to be remembered throughout all generations. Amen.

THE CONFESSION OF SINS & ABSOLUTION

Leader: When God called out to Moses from the burning bush, Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

People: We, having sinned against God in our thoughts, words, and deeds,

cannot come into God's presence as we are, helpless in our fallen sinful condition. Forgive us, almighty Creator.

Leader: When God promised Moses that he would serve Him on Mount Horeb, Moses asked to know the name of God.

People: And we, who bear the name of God from our Baptism, have failed to reflect His grace, love, and mercy in our daily living. Forgive us, gracious Savior.

Leader: When God told him to go Pharaoh, Moses could only say, "Who am I that I should go?"

People: We have put our personal desires ahead of God and the people around us. Forgive us, strengthening Spirit.

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination)

Leader: God promised Moses that he and the Israelites, freed from slavery in Egypt, would worship on that mountain. Because of Jesus' sacrifice, we have been freed from our sins. God now graciously invites us to worship Him here in time and hereafter in eternity. 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.

(Please be seated)

THE RESPONSE: "The God of Abraham Praise" (Verses 3-4)

Hymn 798

THE KYRIE

Leader: For the peace that comes from knowing the grace of God, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, the great I AM, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For the peace in realizing that we have been freed from slavery in sin to look toward the promised land of heaven, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Christ, have mercy.

Leader: For the peace and assurance that God calls us to work for Him and promises to accompany us to accomplish His will, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

THE RESPONSE: "The God of Abraham Praise" (Verses 5-7)

Hymn 798

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Leader: Let us pray.

People: Living God, Your almighty power is made known chiefly in showing mercy and pity. Grant us the fullness of Your grace to lay hold of Your promises and live forever in Your presence;

Leader: 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 RESPONSIVE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Leader: God called Moses to tell Pharaoh that He would free the Israelites from slavery in Egypt, and He has called us to spread the news that in Christ He has freed us from our sins. Our place between our gracious God and the people around us parallels that of Moses; therefore, we shall all speak the words of Moses in the Reading.

Reader: Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. And the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed. And Moses said,

People: I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned.

Reader: When the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush,

Leader: Moses, Moses!

People: Here I am.

Leader: Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground. I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.

Reader: And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. Then the LORD said,

Leader: I have surely seen the affliction of My people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to Me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring My people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt.

Reader: But Moses said to God,

People: Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?

Leader: But I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you, that I have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain.

People: If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, "The God of your fathers has sent me to you," and they ask me, "What is His name?" what shall I say to them?

Leader: I AM WHO I AM. Say this to the people of Israel: "I AM has sent me to you." Say this to the people of Israel: "The LORD, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you." This is My name forever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE SECOND READING: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-8, 13-17

Now concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we ask you, brothers, ²not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by a spirit or a spoken word, or a letter seeming to be from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come. ³Let no one deceive you in any way. For that day will not come, unless the rebellion comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction, ⁴who opposes and exalts himself against every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, proclaiming himself to be God. ⁵Do you not remember that when I was still with you I told you these things? ⁶And you know what is restraining him now so that he may be revealed in his time. ⁷For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work. Only he who now restrains it will do so until he is out of the way. ⁸And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will kill with the breath of his mouth and bring to nothing by the appearance of his coming. . . . ¹³But we ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the firstfruits to be saved, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth. ¹⁴To this he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵So then, brothers, stand firm and hold to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by our spoken word or by our letter. ¹⁶Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, ¹⁷comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as you are able)

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 20:27-40

There came to [Jesus] some Sadducees, those who deny that there is a resurrection, ²⁸and they asked him a question, saying, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, having a wife but no children, the man must take the widow and raise up offspring for his brother. ²⁹Now there were seven brothers. The first took a wife, and died without children. ³⁰And the second ³¹and the third took her, and likewise all seven left no children and died. ³²Afterward the woman also died. ³³In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had her as wife." ³⁴And Jesus said to them, "The sons of this age marry and are given in marriage, ³⁵but those who are considered worthy to attain to that age and to the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are

given in marriage, ³⁶for they cannot die anymore, because they are equal to angels and are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection. ³⁷But that the dead are raised, even Moses showed, in the passage about the bush, where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham and the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. ³⁸Now he is not God of the dead, but of the living, for all live to him." ³⁹Then some of the scribes answered, "Teacher, you have spoken well." ⁴⁰For they no longer dared to ask him any question.

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

THE NICENE CREED (Spoken together)

Inside back cover of hymnal

(Please be seated)

THE SERMON HYMN: "When Israel Was in Egypt's Land"

(Choir) *When Israel was in Egypt's land, Let My people go;
Oppressed so hard they could not stand, Let My people go.
Go down, Moses, way down in Egypt's land,
Tell old Pharaoh: Let My people go.*

*The Lord told Moses what to do, Let My people go;
To lead the children of Israel through, Let My people go.
Go down, Moses, way down in Egypt's land,
Tell old Pharaoh: Let My people go.*

(Congregation joins)

The pillar of cloud shall clear the way, Let My people go;
A fire by night, a shade by day, Let My people go.

(Chorus)

Go down, Moses, way down in Egypt's land,
Tell old Pharaoh: Let My people go.

As Israel stood by the waterside, Let My people go.
At God's command it did divide, Let My people go. (Chorus)

When they had reached the other shore, Let My people go.
They sang the song of triumph o'er, Let My people go. (Chorus)

Oh, let us all from bondage flee, Let My people go;
And let us all in Christ be free, Let My people go. (Chorus)

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THE SERMON

Pastor Thomas A. Eggold

THE GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

During the offering, please take the binder located at the end of each pew, and fill out the appropriate info. We encourage members to greet our visitors at the end of the service.

THE MUSICAL OFFERING: "Rivers of Living Water"

Choir

(Please stand, as you are able)

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Leader: Great I AM, who spoke from the burning bush on Sinai's height, make Your people to know Your voice. Help us to hear Your clear and consistent Word, that we might love what You love and go where You lead. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Leader: Great I AM, who heard the cries of Egypt's slaves, shower Your mercy on the downtrodden, especially victims of oppression and violence. Be their strength and support and bring them comfort and deliverance through the Gospel. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Leader: Great I AM, who mobilized Moses to bear Your name as a witness to Your ancient people, provide such servants for Your people today. Call pastors, missionaries, deaconesses, teachers, and ministers of Your Word, provide for their training and care, and preserve them in their callings from failure, fear, and burnout. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Leader: Great I AM, who faced the Sadducees' interrogation about marriage, strengthen and support all Christian marriages. Supply them Your holy wisdom, defend them from evil attacks, and hold them in Your faithful hand, that they might trust they never walk alone. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Leader: Great I AM, who declared Yourself to be the God of the living, battle for our sakes the enemies of death, disease, and disability that threaten our earthly life. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Leader: Great I AM, who revealed Your glory to the world through the Gospel, preserve us in the one true faith, established for every good work and word, that all who believe and belong to You would have the eternal comfort and good hope of grace that comes through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with Father and Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

+ 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 would give thanks to You in every time and place, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who committed Himself both to Your fatherly will and to helpless humanity by offering Himself as a substitute and sacrifice for the sins of man. His glorious death and triumphant resurrection testify to His victory over sin and death, setting forth the Gospel that brings life to all who believe. Therefore, as those who bear witness to His triumph until He comes again, we join our voices with the saints and angels, eternally praising You and singing:

THE SANCTUS: (Sung by the congregation)

LSB, 161

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (spoken together)

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

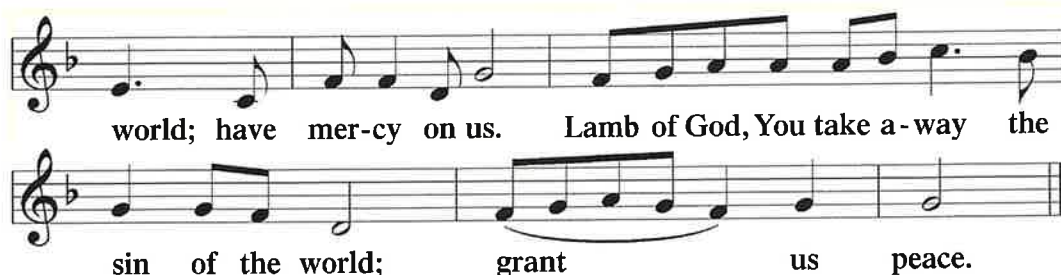
THE PEACE OF THE LORD

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

THE AGNUS DEI: (Sung by the congregation)

LSB, 163

Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world.



(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

"Who Trusts in God a Strong Abode"

Hymn 714

"Creator of the Stars of Night"

Choir

"Rejoice, My Heart, Be Glad and Sing"

Hymn 737

"Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared"

Hymn 622

(Please stand, as you are able)

THE DISMISSAL

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: "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

Hymn 793

THE POSTLUDE

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Mal. 4:1-6; Ps. 98; 2 Thess. 3:6-13; Luke 21:5-28

THE FLOWERS adorning His altar today were given in loving memory of Roger and Doris Pflughaupt, from their children and grandchildren; in celebration of the birthday of Ashlee (Davis) Middendorf, from her mom and dad; and in loving memory of Rosalie Miller Howe, from her family.

SERVING

Acolyte	Liam Anderson
Organ	Noah Vancina
Flute	Anna Snodgrass
Violin	Carolyn Meyer
Altar Guild	Sandy Ely, Jodi Harwood, Bill and Jewel LaBrash, Aly Wedeven
Comm. Assistants	Kevin McGuigan, Tom Matson, Dave Smith, Doug Perry
Opener	Don and Maureen Gentry
Usher Crew 2	Jim Braun, Mike Huesner, Jason Kaiser, Fred Peterson, Dave Scheppele, Nick Terrell, Joshua, Simeon, and Isaiah Vandercar, John Wright, Daniel Wunderlich
Audio Engineer	Mike Harvey

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 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, Deb Percy, Ed Braun, Norv McClure, Janine (friend of Lauryn Longworth), Gracelynn Anderson (granddaughter of Tim and Cindy Anderson), Lynn Williams (mother of Steve Williams), Randi Gramling (cousin of Deb Percy), Stan Thompson
 - Pray for the following people recovering from surgery: Jenny Scheiderer, Dave Bieberich, Cathy Paff, Jan Reche, Justin Arkkelin, Elizabeth Johnston, Kathy Lash, Jan Werth, Jan Rathge, Steve Mueller, Myra Schmidt, Sandy Behling, Marsha Sappenfield
 - 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 Krantz (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, Rob Roehm, Ann Schwartz, Hazel Krenzke (Brian and Anna Snodgrass's niece), Robert Burmeister (Hannah Swor's dad), Roxanne Moore, Marsha Sappenfield, Jenny Nehrenz (niece of Charlene Hess)

- 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. This week we ask for continued prayers for our volunteers and Washington students.
- Join our staff in praying for the following members:
 - Matt Adair, Amelia
 - Frank and Carol Adams
 - Danie and Chuck Adams, Evan, Sam and John
 - Ron and Elaine Ahrens
 - Wilbur and Connie Ake
 - Gerry and Pam Albert
 - Sharon Alfeld
 - Mike and Cindy Allison, Will
 - Nathan and Lauren Altheide, Luke, James and Lois
 - Amber Amaro, Sophia, Ethan and Alex
- 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 Brimmer	Parker Hall	Kirstin Lobozzo
Jordyn Christlieb	Devon Jewell	Izaiah Christlieb	Iyla Christlieb
Elyjun Christlieb	Amira Christlieb	Nevaeh Christlieb	Atreus Layman
Theodora Kendrick			

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
"The Kingdom of God is Coming"	Cafeteria
"I Believe"	Brandt Hall

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.
LifeLight: Luke	Ebenezer Hall	Mondays	5:30 p.m.
Study the Psalms	Chapman's	Tuesday	6:00 p.m.
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.

Adult Sunday Bible Classes (November 2 - December 14; 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.)

"The Kingdom of God is Coming: Vivid Messages of Hope in the Prophets" - The Old Testament prophets proclaim Christ's coming in powerful yet often strange ways. In this time of Advent, we will explore and revel in some of these images from Isaiah, Zephaniah, Daniel, Ezekiel, and Zechariah as we look forward to celebrating Christ coming both as the baby in Bethlehem and also at the end of the age." (Pastor Tietz, Cafeteria)

"I Believe: History and Theology of the Ecumenical Creeds" - Going back to the days of Moses and the Israelites, God's people have had summaries of faith. Another name for these summaries of faith is a creed. Still today, the Church proclaims its beliefs through creeds. In our worship services at Emmanuel, we make use of three creeds: the Apostles', Nicene, and the Athanasian Creeds. Join us as we take a deeper look into these creeds. (Pastor Mark Sheafer, Brandt Hall)

The News of the Church

Congregational Meeting on November 16 - On Sunday, November 16, we will hold our annual Congregational Meeting. In this meeting, we will receive updates on our ministry, approve a budget, and elect new leaders. We will also vote on an important recommendation to support Concordia Lutheran High School's "A Bold Step" capital campaign. The meeting will start shortly after the conclusion of the 10:30 a.m. worship service and will be held in the sanctuary. If you need childcare for the meeting, please scan the QR code to register.



2026 Stewardship Commitment - On October 25 and 26, Stewardship Commitment cards were distributed in our worship services with the instructions to return the commitment cards during November. If you didn't receive a 2026 commitment card on October 25-26, you can pick one up from the Connections Counter.

Grandparents' Day at ESM - ESM is hosting its annual Grandparents' Day celebration on November 21, during the school day. This is a wonderful way to celebrate the connections that ESM students have across generations. They are looking for volunteers to "adopt" a student who does not have a grandparent or special guest to attend the event. There are both morning and midday slots available. If you would like to help in this way, please contact Joy Kreider at the school office 260.422.6712 or email at office@esmeagles.com.

The Lutheran Witness - If you would like to subscribe to The Lutheran Witness, please fill out the form below, enclose it in an envelope along with your payment of \$25, and return it to the church office by Sunday, November 23. Please make your check payable to Emmanuel Church.

LUTHERAN WITNESS SUBSCRIPTION

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____

Hospital Visits - Did you know that due to HIPAA laws, hospitals no longer contact churches to inform them that a congregant is hospitalized? If you or a loved one is hospitalized and would like a visit from an Emmanuel pastor, please contact the church office to let us know the name of the hospital and a room number. It is also helpful if you give the hospital permission to share your room number with the public, so that we can stay up-to-date on when you or your loved one is discharged. It is Emmanuel's practice to visit our hospitalized members faithfully. Thank you for helping us provide this spiritual care!

Clay and Iron: Men's Ministry at Emmanuel - Hebrews 10:24-25 says, "And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another." Therefore, men of Emmanuel, please take this opportunity to share your interests and give us some feedback on our men's ministry "Clay & Iron" where we seek to find ways to help connect, build, and sharpen ourselves for service to Christ and the world. You can take the survey here:



Santa Shop for Washington Elementary School - Santa Shop offers students at Washington School the opportunity to "shop" for items that they can gift to family members for Christmas. The shop is seeking donations of \$1 to \$5 gift items, as well as all wrapping supplies. Please bring your donation(s) to the church by Friday, December 5. To sign up to help wrap gifts, please contact Diane Witzenman at 260.249.1307. Thank you for your support, kindness and generosity for Washington Elementary School!

Feeding the Hungry with King's Global Outreach - Each December, Pastor Lewis King of King's Global Outreach leads a food drive to help underserved families on the southeast side of Fort Wayne. This year, the food distribution event will take place on Saturday, December 20, and Emmanuel will join several

area congregations to provide a Christmas meal through King's Global Outreach. Our contribution to the meal is green beans, and in order to fill the anticipated need, **we have committed to providing 1,200 cans of green beans for the food baskets.** Throughout November, we will be gathering green beans in Ebenezer Hall so that they can be delivered to King's Global Outreach for preparation in early December. Thanks for considering this opportunity to provide food for Christmas.

The Piecemakers were able to deliver 60 quilts to the Lutheran World Relief this year. Thank you to those who sewed the tops of the quilts. We are now looking for those who are willing to sew together squares for this years' quilts. The squares are provided. If you are willing, call Jan Werth at 260.452.4769.

Veterans Appreciation Reception – This Veterans Day, Emmanuel's Life Team wish to honor our veterans with a luncheon November 11th, 11:30 a.m. in LL Ebenezer. The event will feature an unforgettable video interview with a Marine who survived seven years as a POW in Vietnam, plus live dulcimer music by Beverly Williams. Guests of the veteran are welcome! Please RSVP by November 9 to Carolyn Beitz at 260.433.7188.

Lutherans for Life will meet on November 14th at Emmanuel. Becca Graf will speak on Cass Housing. It was established in 2015 as a solution to the questions and concerns of families, individuals, and those who care deeply for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities regarding housing and support.

Chili Cook-Off and Bingo Night will be on Saturday, November 15, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the gym! The evening begins with an hour of chili sampling, plus hot dogs, sides, and desserts, followed by Bingo for gift card prizes. This family-friendly event is sponsored by the Emmanuel Youth Group, with proceeds supporting the Servant Event to Pikeville, KY. Get involved by entering a chili in the competition (details provided on the registration form) or by donating a \$10 gift card for Bingo prizes. Gift cards may be dropped off in the church office or at the Connections Counter on Sunday mornings.



Lunch Bunch (60+) will be on Tuesday, November 18, 2025. Our special guest speaker will be Joel Sauer representing the West Central Neighborhood Association who will give us an update on what's happening in the neighborhood. Fellowship begins at 11:00 a.m. and lunch at 12:00 p.m. The cost is \$10.00, payable that day. Please stop by the Connections Counter in to sign up for this event or call the church office at 260.423.1369 no later than Friday, November 14. We hope to see you there!

The Christ Child Festival is collecting Christmas cards for a large craft (used cards work well too!). Please bring them to either of ESM's school offices by

November 21. We also ask for your prayers for this event. If you'd like to learn more, please visit christchildfest.org. Thank you!

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, Tuesday, November 11 at 7:00 p.m., is Porch Night: Series on Vanity (a study on the book of Ecclesiastes) at Holy Cross Youth Center (3420 N. Anthony Blvd). Bring a blank t-shirt and get a free 20/30 Bridge screen print by Annie!

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.



The Stewardship of the Church

EMMANUEL’S MINISTRIES

Supports the ongoing mission and ministry efforts of Emmanuel congregation.

Year to Date: \$1,868,012	Anticipated Need Thru November, 2025: \$1,967,648
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DISTRICT AND SYNOD

Used for local, national and world mission efforts.

Last Week: \$425	Year to Date: \$12,536
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CUP OF KINDNESS

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

Last Week: \$140	Year to Date: \$3,872
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IN ALL GENERATIONS

Supports the renovations of the Emmanuel campus school building.

"IAG" Total Received:	Mortgage Balance:	Total Cost*
\$6,108,725	\$1,342,790	\$7,424,176

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

The Calendar of the Church

Monday, November 10

- 3:30 p.m. LifeLight Bible Study
- 5:30 p.m. LifeLight Bible Study
- 6:00 p.m. Handbell Practice

Tuesday, November 11

- 5:00 p.m. Stephen Leaders
- 6:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry
- 6:00 p.m. Study the Psalms at Chapman's Brewery
- 7:00 p.m. West Central Board Meeting

Wednesday, November 12

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 7:30 a.m. Finance Committee Meeting
- 8:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study
- 8:30 a.m. ESM Chapel
- 9:00 a.m. Homeschool Religion
- 9:15 a.m. Preschool Chapel
- 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, November 13

ESM 2 HOUR DELAY

- 8:30 a.m. Thursday Guys
- 8:30 a.m. Friends in the Word - Women's Bible Study
- 9:00 a.m. Piece Makers
- 9:00 a.m. TEC21
- 6:00 p.m. Bible Study and Fellowship at Chapman's Brewery
- 7:00 p.m. @917 Bible Class

Friday, November 14

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 9:30 a.m. Lutherans for Life

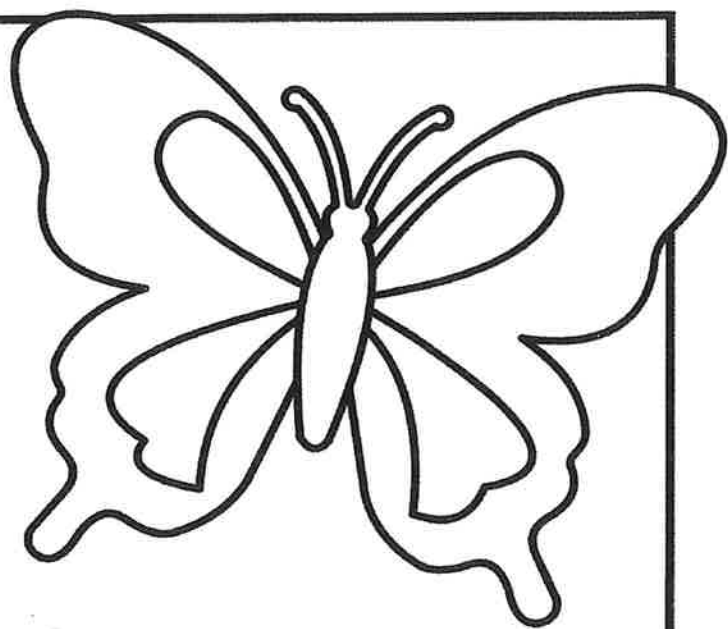
Saturday, November 15

- 9:00 a.m. Clay and Iron Brunch
- 5:00 p.m. Divine Service w/ Communion
- 6:00 p.m. Chili Cook-Off

Sunday, November 16

- 8:00 a.m. Divine Service
- 9:15 a.m. Bible Classes and Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Divine Service w/ Communion
- 3:30 p.m. Junior Youth Game Night
- 6:00 p.m. SNA

Now he
is not



God of the dead,
but of the living,
for all live to him.

Luke 20:27 -40



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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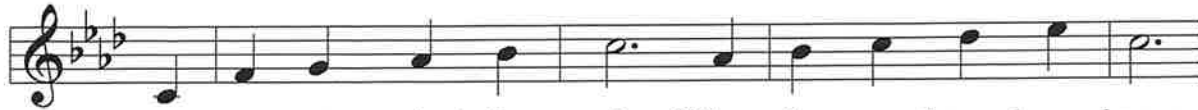
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The God of Abraham Praise

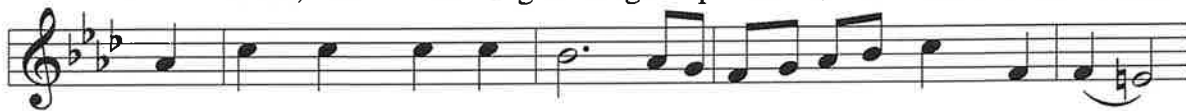
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1 The God of A-br'ham praise, Who reigns en-throned a - bove;
 2 The God of A-br'ham praise, At whose su - preme com-mand
 3 The God of A-br'ham praise, Whose all - suf - fi - cient grace
 4 He by Him - self has sworn; I on His oath de - pend.



An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days And God of love.
 From earth I rise and seek the joys At His right hand.
 Shall guide me all my pil - grim days In all my ways.
 I shall, on ea - gle wings up - borne, To heav'n as - cend.



Je - ho - vah, great I AM! By earth and heav'n con - fessed;
 I all on earth for - sake, Its wis - dom, fame, and pow'r,
 He deigns to call me friend; He calls Him - self my God.
 I shall be - hold His face; I shall His pow'r a - dore



I bow and bless the sa - cred name For - ev - er blest.
 And Him my on - ly por - tion make, My shield and tow'r.
 And He shall save me to the end Through Je - sus' blood.
 And sing the won - ders of His grace For - ev - er - more.

5 Though nature's strength decay,
 And earth and hell withstand,
 To Canaan's bounds I urge my way
 At His command.
 The wat'ry deep I pass,
 With Jesus in my view,
 And through the howling wilderness
 My way pursue.

6 The goodly land I see,
 With peace and plenty blest:
 A land of sacred liberty
 And endless rest.
 There milk and honey flow,
 And oil and wine abound,
 And trees of life forever grow
 With mercy crowned.

7 There dwells the Lord our king,
 The Lord our righteousness,
 Triumphant o'er the world and sin,
 The Prince of Peace.
 On Zion's sacred height

His kingdom He maintains
 And glorious with His saints in light
 Forever reigns.

8 The God who reigns on high
 The great archangels sing,
 And "Holy, holy, holy!" cry,
 "Almighty King!
 Who was and is the same
 And evermore shall be:
 Jehovah, Father, great I AM!
 We worship Thee!"

9 The whole triumphant host
 Give thanks to God on high.
 "Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!"
 They ever cry.
 Hail, Abr'ham's God and mine!
 I join the heav'nly lays:
 All might and majesty are Thine
 And endless praise!

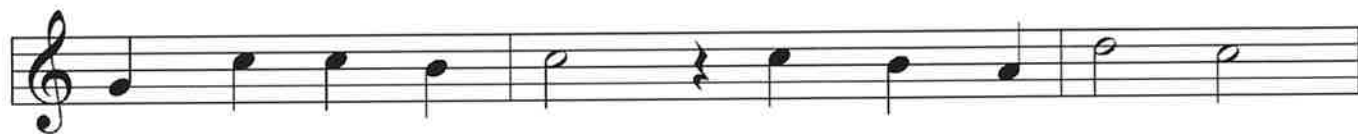
714 Who Trusts in God a Strong Abode



1 Who trusts in God A strong a - bode In heav'n and
 2 Though Sa - tan's wrath Be - set our path And world - ly
 3 In all the strife Of mor - tal life Our feet will



earth pos - sess - es; Who looks in
 scorn as - sail us, While You are
 stand se - cure ly; Temp - ta - tion's



love To Christ a - bove, No fear that heart op -
 near, We shall not fear; Your strength will nev - er
 hour Will lose its pow'r, For You will guard us



press - es. In You a - lone, Dear Lord, we own Sweet
 fail us. Your rod and staff Will keep us safe And
 sure - ly. O God, re - new With heav'n - ly dew Our



hope and con - so - la - tion, Our shield from foes, Our balm for
 guide our steps for - ev - er; Nor shades of death Nor hell be -
 bod - y, soul, and spir - it Un - til we stand At Your right



woes, Our great and sure sal - va - tion.
 neath Our lives from You will sev - er.
 hand Through Je - sus' sav - ing mer - it.

737 Rejoice, My Heart, Be Glad and Sing



1 Re - joice, my heart, be glad and sing, A
 2 He is your trea - sure, He your joy, Your
 3 Why spend the day in blank de - spair, In
 4 Did not His love and truth and pow'r Guard



cheer - ful trust main - tain; For God, the source of
 life and light and Lord, Your coun - sel - or when
 rest - less thought the night? On your Cre - a - tor
 ev - 'ry child - hood day? And did He not in



ev - 'ry - thing, Your por - tion shall re - main.
 doubts an - noy, Your shield and great re - ward.
 cast your care; He makes your bur - dens light.
 threat - 'ning hour Turn dread - ed ills a - way?

- 5 He only will with patience chide,
His rod falls gently down;
And all your sins He casts aside
In ocean depths to drown.
- 6 His wisdom never plans in vain
Nor falters nor mistakes.
All that His counsels may ordain
A blessed ending makes.
- 7 Upon your lips, then, lay your hand,
And trust His guiding love;
Then like a rock your peace shall stand
Here and in heav'n above.

Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared

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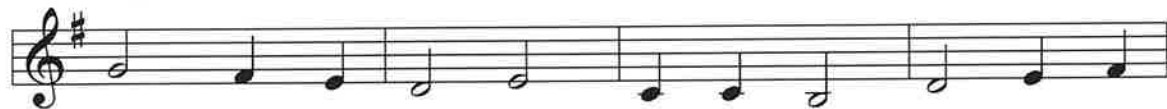
1 Lord Je - sus Christ, You have pre - pared This feast for
2 Al - though You did to heav'n as - cend, Where an - gel
3 Yet, Sav - ior, You are not con - fined To an - y
4 We eat this bread and drink this cup, Your pre - cious



our sal - va - tion; It is Your bod - y
hosts are dwell - ing, And in Your pres - ence
hab - i - ta - tion; But You are pres - ent
Word be - liev - ing That Your true bod - y



and Your blood, And at Your in - vi - ta - tion
they be - hold Your glo - ry, all ex - cel - ling,
e - ven now Here with Your con - gre - ga - tion.
and Your blood Our lips are here re - ceiv - ing.



As wea - ry souls, with sin op - pressed, We come to
And though Your peo - ple shall not see Your glo - ry
Firm as a rock this truth shall stand, Un - moved by
This Word re - mains for - ev - er true, All things are



You for need - ed rest, For com - fort, and for par - don.
and Your maj - es - ty Till dawns the judg - ment morn - ing,
an - y dar - ing hand Or sub - tle craft and cun - ning.
pos - si - ble with You, For You are Lord Al - might - y.

5 Though reason cannot understand,
Yet faith this truth embraces:
Your body, Lord, is even now
At once in many places.
I leave to You how this can be;
Your Word alone suffices me;
I trust its truth unfailing.

6 Lord, I believe what You have said;
Help me when doubts assail me.
Remember that I am but dust,
And let my faith not fail me.
Your supper in this vale of tears
Refreshes me and stills my fears
And is my priceless treasure.

7 Grant that we worthily receive
Your supper, Lord, our Savior,
And, truly grieving for our sins,
May prove by our behavior
That we are thankful for Your grace
And day by day may run our race,
In holiness increasing.

8 For Your consoling supper, Lord,
Be praised throughout all ages!
Preserve it, for in ev'ry place
The world against it rages.
Grant that this sacrament may be
A blessèd comfort unto me
When living and when dying.

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793 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven



1 Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en; To His feet your
 2 Praise Him for His grace and fa - vor To His peo - ple
 3 Fa - ther-like He tends and spares us; Well our fee - ble
 4 An - gels, help us to a - dore Him; You be - hold Him



trib - ute bring; Ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en,
 in dis - tress; Praise Him still the same as ev - er,
 frame He knows; In His hand He gent - ly bears us,
 face to face; Sun and moon, bow down be - fore Him,



Ev - er - more His prais - es sing: Al - le - lu - ia,
 Slow to chide and swift to bless: Al - le - lu - ia,
 Res - cues us from all our foes. Al - le - lu - ia,
 All who dwell in time and space. Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.
 al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in His faith - ful - ness.
 al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly yet His mer - cy flows.
 al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

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