NEWS FROM EMMANUEL: MARCH 5, 2022

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,



Worship and Bible Class this Weekend

This weekend Holy Communion will be offered in 5:00 p.m. service on Saturday and the 10:30 a.m. service on Sunday. We will be offering Bible class for adults and high school youth, confirmation for grades 6-8, and a Sunday school program for children from birth through grade 5. For a complete listing

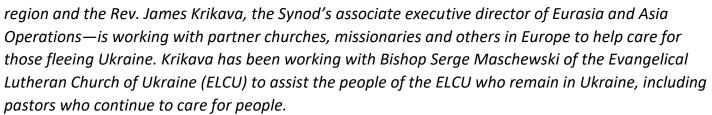
of all current classes and locations, click here.

Prayers & Support for Ukrainians

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The violence in Ukraine continues. Those in Ukraine and those fleeing to neighboring countries face great need.

Our Office of International Mission—especially through our Eurasia



Please encourage your congregations to pray for Ukraine. You can also share with them **this story**, which includes opportunities for giving to this necessary work.

As we repent and join together in meditation about our Savior's precious death and resurrection, we also pray for and care for all those for whom Christ died and rose.

Blessings on your Lent,

Rev. Dr. Matthew C. Harrison

President

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

Prayers for PALS

On February 9, we began a second session of our PALS program in which we partner with Washington School students to build relationships and strengthen reading skills in a Christian environment. Each week we will be praying for some of our Washington School PALS by name and we encourage you to join us in the ministry. **This week, we will pray for Sage and Evalina**.





Study the History of the LCMS with President Rast

This year, 2022 is the 175th anniversary of the LCMS. To commemorate this anniversary, we invite you to join pastor, historian, and Seminary President Larry Rast for a six-week course that looks at the story of our

church body and how it has experienced joys and sorrows as it has proclaimed the Gospel in different settings and situations. This won't be just a recitation of names and dates and facts to be memorized for a test. Rather, this study looks at the powerful ways God has been at work through many frail human beings.

The class will meet in the sanctuary between services from 9:15-10:15 a.m. Plan to join us on the following dates:

•March 6: Mission to America: Friedrich Wyneken and the Sendlinge

•March 13: The First Rosa

•March 20: The Stephanite Emigration

•March 27: C. F. W. Walther and the Founding of the Missouri Synod

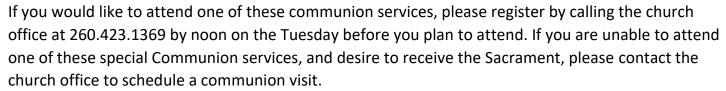
•April 3: From German to English

•April 10: Fragmentation, Numerical Decline, and a Challenging Future (All sessions will be available to view here.)

Wednesday Lenten Services

This year, our midweek Lenten services will feature a series entitled, "Lamb of God Pure and Holy." Based on the hymn by the same title, "Lamb of God Pure and Holy" will focus our mediation on Jesus as the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Join us as we reflect on the complete sacrifice and gift, Jesus, the very Lamb of God, is for us.

-11:30 a.m.: We continue to offer a special service of Holy Communion on Wednesday mornings. For these services, social distancing recommendations will be followed, face coverings will be required, and there will be no singing.



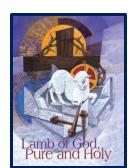
-7:00 p.m.: Service with singing, no social distancing or masks required.



Order Your Easter Flowers

Orders for Easter flowers to help beautify our altar on Easter Sunday, April 17, are now being accepted. Please print and fill out the form here, and return it to the church office with your payment. Checks are to be made payable to Emmanuel Lutheran Church. **Deadline date for ordering is**

Tuesday, March 15. Your flower(s) will be available for pick-up after the 11:00 a.m. service on Easter Sunday.



Update Your Online Church Directory Photo

As Emmanuel continues to grow, we ask you, Emmanuel members, to help us keep your picture in the online church directory updated. There are two ways you can do this:

- 1) log into your profile in Emmanuel's online directory (click here) and update your photo, or
- 2) following one of the services this March, go out to the Connections Counter and get your picture taken and we'll make sure to update your profile for you.

Thank you in advance for your help! This will continue to help us all stay better connected! If you have questions, please reach out to the church office.

The Over-60 Lunch Bunch March Meeting

Lunch Bunch will take place on **Tuesday, March 15**, and will feature Emmanuel member Matt Konow, who serves as Executive Director of Cross Connections. He will be sharing his thoughts on: "Remember When..." As we continue through this pandemic he finds it healthy to look back on certain times in his life when he was going through a prolonged season of hurt, feeling alone, or just overwhelmed, and reminds himself of the many ways God showed up to comfort him.



Our fellowship hour will begin at 11:00 a.m. with lunch served at noon, followed by our featured speaker at 12:45 p.m. **Please make reservations by Friday, March 11**, by signing up at the Connections Counter or by calling the church office at 260.423.1369. The meal cost is \$9.00 per person, payable on March 15.

Seniors 60 and Older Euchre Card Party

Come and join the fun on **Saturday, March 12**, at 6:15 p.m. in Ebenezer. We are limited to 24 participants, so register now by contacting Diane Campbell at 260.466.1079 and leave a message, or you can email her at <u>newmoon312@gmail.com</u>. If you want to participate, but don't know how to play, no worries, we will teach you.



Join Us for Trivia Night

Emmanuel's Youth Group will host a Trivia Night on **Saturday, March 26**, 6:00-9:00 p.m., in the gym. People of all ages are welcome to take part in a fun-filled evening of trivia, food, and fellowship! Doors open at 5:45 p.m. with pizza, snacks, and beverages. Game play will begin at 6:15 p.m. Prizes will be up for grabs throughout the evening. Gather a team of 6 to 8 people and demonstrate your general knowledge skills or laugh trying. Cost is \$10

per participant.

Contact Sarah Pennekamp at <u>pennekamp6@yahoo.com</u> if your business would like be a round sponsor. Profits raised support the high school youth's summer servant event to Charleston, South Carolina. Reserve a table <u>here!</u>

Lutheran Laymen's League (LLL) Convention

Are you a blessing to your neighbors? Join us at the Indiana LLL Convention on Saturday, March 26, at St. James Lutheran Church, 1206 N Miller Ave., Marion, Indiana.

The Convention will include:

- Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, Speaker of The Lutheran Hour® as Guest Speaker
- Learning about Better Together: Discovering the Gifts of Your Neighborhood
- Breakout Sessions: Listening to Our Community; Engaging the Online Community;
 Understanding the Contemporary Community

Doors open at 9:30 a.m. with the convention beginning at 10:00 a.m., concluding with a worship service at 5:00 p.m. There will be a banquet after the worship service at 6:00 p.m. to close out the day.

Registration is \$40 per person which includes both a lunch and the banquet dinner. If you want to participate in the banquet only, cost is \$25 per person. Registration forms are available in Emmanuel's church office. Mail the completed form, with the registration fee, to: Roger Vandrey, IN LLL Treasurer, 2414 Manita Dr., Indianapolis, IN 46234. Registration deadline is March 18. For more information contact Dan Johnson, IN LLL District President at 260.452.4727 or at dcjsing@yahoo.com.

Cross Connections Spring Thing

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

Where: Parkview Mirro Center, 10622 Parkview Plaza Dr., Fort Wayne Join us in celebrating the Biblical ministry of Cross Connections as we welcome our featured guest, New York Times best-selling author, Mr. Lee Strobel! There will be a live auction, a beautiful meal, raffles, and live music. The cost is

\$100 per person. There are sponsorship opportunities still available. Call today to register at 260.373.0213, ext. 101, or visit our website: *crossconnectionscounseling.com* and see our Events page.

We hope you will join us!

Together in Christ,
Pastor Eggold and Pastor Sheafer