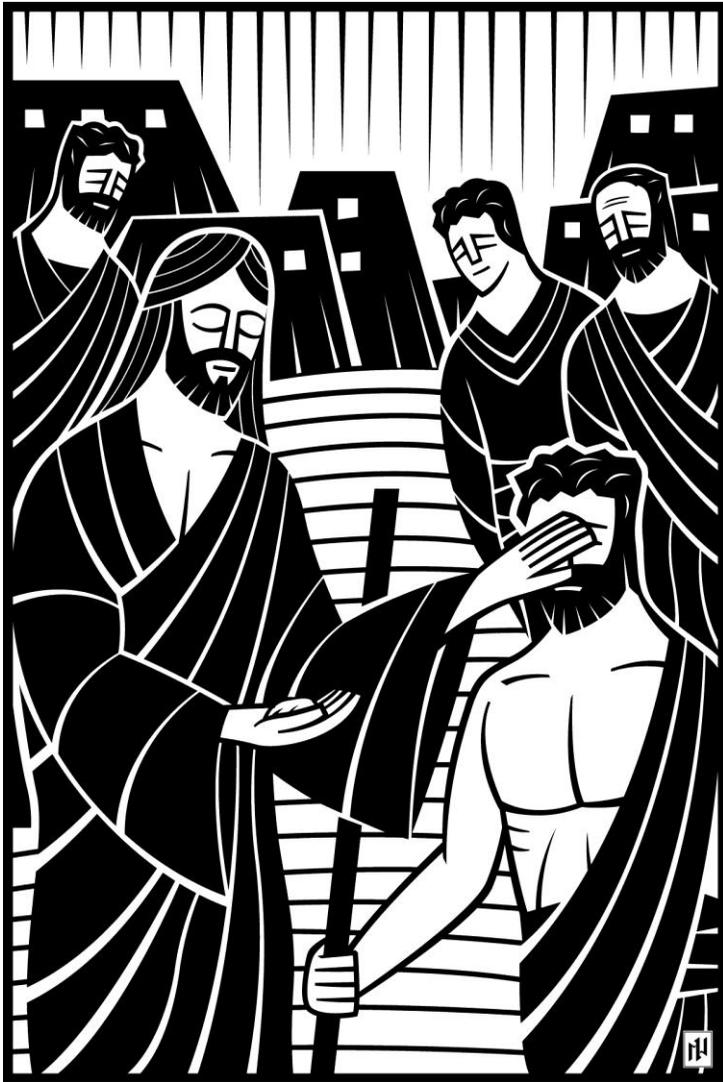


Divine Worship at 10:30



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

“God’s Works on Display”

AS WE GATHER

Throughout the Bible, God’s works are on display. Sometimes, they’re designed to protect His people. Sometimes, they’re intended to redirect His people. Other times, like this weekend’s Gospel reading, they’re designed to reveal God’s glory even in the middle of suffering and struggle. Jesus’ powerful and challenging answer to His disciples’ question changes our perspective on suffering. Suffering isn’t always a consequence of personal sin, but it is always where God’s works can be displayed. May God display His works in us now and always!

+THE ORDER OF DIVINE SERVICE III AT 10:30 A.M. +

THE GATHERING TIME

During this time, we encourage our members to greet each other with God’s peace and to warmly welcome visitors. Kindly turn off all cell phones and please sit toward the center of the pew so there is room for all who worship.

THE PRELUDE: “O Sacred Head”

Pachelbel

THE RINGING OF THE BELLS

THE WORDS OF WELCOME

THE OPENING HYMN: “Come Unto Me, Ye Weary”

Hymn 684

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 OF SINS AND ABSOLUTION

Leader: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: who made heaven and earth.

Leader: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

People: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

THE COLLECT

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People:

C And with thy spir - it.

Leader: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People:

C A - men.

(Please be seated)

THE FIRST READING: Isaiah 42:14-21

For a long time I have held my peace; I have kept still and restrained myself; now I will cry out like a woman in labor; I will gasp and pant. ¹⁵I will lay waste mountains and hills, and dry up all their vegetation; I will turn the rivers into islands, and dry up the pools. ¹⁶And I will lead the blind in a way that they do not know, in paths that they have not known I will guide them. I will turn the darkness before them into light, the rough places into level ground. These are the things I do, and I do not forsake them. ¹⁷They are turned back and utterly put to shame, who trust in carved idols, who say to metal images, "You are our gods." ¹⁸Hear, you deaf, and look, you blind, that you may see! ¹⁹Who is blind but my servant, or deaf as my messenger whom I send? Who is blind as my dedicated one, or blind as the servant of the LORD? ²⁰He sees many things, but does not observe them; his ears are open, but he does not hear. ²¹The LORD was pleased, for his righteousness' sake, to magnify his law and make it glorious.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE SECOND READING: Ephesians 5:8-14

For at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light ⁹(for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true),

¹⁰and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. ¹¹Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. ¹²For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. ¹³But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, ¹⁴for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

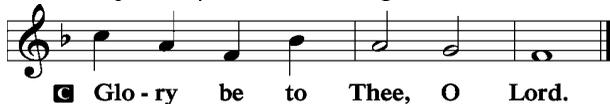
People: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as you are able)

THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 9:1-7, 13-17, 34-39

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

People:



As [Jesus] passed by, he saw a man blind from birth. ²And his disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" ³Jesus answered, "It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be displayed in him. ⁴We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work. ⁵As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." ⁶Having said these things, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva. Then he anointed the man's eyes with the mud ⁷and said to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing. ¹³They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. ¹⁴Now it was a Sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. ¹⁵So the Pharisees again asked him how he had received his sight. And he said to them, "He put mud on my eyes, and I washed, and I see." ¹⁶Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not keep the Sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?" And there was a division among them. ¹⁷So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him, since he has opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet." ³⁴They answered him, "You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?" And they cast him out. ³⁵Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" ³⁶He answered, "And who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?" ³⁷Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and it is he who is speaking to you." ³⁸He said, "Lord, I believe," and he worshiped him. ³⁹Jesus said, "For judgment I came into this world, that those who do not see may see, and those who see may become blind."

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People:



THE NICENE CREED (Spoken together)

Inside back cover of hymnal

(Please be seated)

THE SERMON HYMN: "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

Hymn 849

THE SERMON

Pastor Dan Sheaffer

THE OFFERTORY



C Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

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: "What Wondrous Love"

Handbells

(Please stand as you are able)

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Leader: Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Great Physician, enlighten our eyes by Your blessed Gospel, and hide us in Your shelter in the day of trouble. Provide a home in Your Church for those cast out by this world, and unite them with us in the pure confession of Your name. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: Father, through Holy Baptism You have brought us into the light of Christ. Guide us always in Your ways and teach us to know Your will, that we would do what is good and right and true. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: Lord God, those who wait for Your salvation have the promise that You will not forsake them. Lead those who wander in darkness, that they would find the way of righteousness and not be put to shame. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: Gracious Father, You have promised that what we suffer does not condemn us, but instead displays Your glory. Sustain the afflicted in body or soul, that they would take heart, trust You for healing, and find You even in the midst of their trials. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Leader: O Lord, everyone who believes in Jesus as Lord will not be put to shame. Unite Your people in a right confession of Your Word, and free them from disagreement over Your truth. Bring us with penitent hearts to receive the great riches of Your Son's body and blood. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Leader: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

+ THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION +

THE PREFACE: (Spoken responsively by the Congregation)

LSB, 194

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 should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

THE SANCTUS: (Sung by the congregation)

LSB, 195



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,

bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.
 Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, 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:

A - men.

THE AGNUS DEI: (Sung by the congregation)

LSB, 198

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the
 world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that
 tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.
 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the
 world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

(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

- “Theme and Variations on ‘Jesus Loves Me’”
- “Chief of Sinners Though I Be”
- “Holy Jesus, Think On Me”
- “O Holy Spirit, Grant Us Grace”
- “Jesus Comes Today with Healing”

arr. Phillips
Hymn 611
Handbells
Hymn 693
Hymn 620

(Please stand, as you are able)

THE DISMISSAL

THE POST COMMUNION CANTICLE (Sung by the congregation)

LSB, 199

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-
cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

THE POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

LSB, 200

Leader: O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

People:



☐ And with thy spir - it.

Leader: Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People:



☐ A - men.

THE SALUTATION, BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

LSB, 201

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People:



☐ and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

Leader: Bless we the Lord.

People:



☐ Thanks be to God.

Leader: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

People:



☐ A-men, a-men, a - men.

THE CLOSING HYMN: "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

Hymn 427

THE POSTLUDE: "Lenten Prelude"

Foschini

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Ezek. 37:1-14; Ps. 130; Rom. 8:1-11; John 11:17-27, 38-53

THE FLOWERS adorning His altar were given to the glory of God in loving memory of Bob and Lucile Beery, Tom Beery and David Beery from Beverly and loving memory of Stan Williams from Beverly Williams and family.

SERVING

Liturgist

Seminarian Brad Larson

Organ	Myra Schmidt
Violin	Anton Evans
Handbell	Cassie Didier
Director	
Acolyte	Bryson Lackland
Communion	Jon Meyer, Phil Miller, Dan Smith, Andrew Vachon
Altar Guild	Becki Elonzae, Sandy Behling, John and Donna Hofrichter, Judy Kalb
Usher Crew 4	Thim Reed, Mike Shively, Ron Ahrens, Thomas Bay, Dave Behling, Christian Behling, Troy Hockemeyer, Hudson Kraft, Dick Shively, Steve Williams, David Wyss
Closer	Brett and Kirsten Moravec
Audio	Ryan Springer

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), River Garcia (grandson of Raquel Klug), Carlton Grotrian (father of Karla Neeld), Ricky Carmickle (brother-in-law of Deb Percy), 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), Randi Gramling (cousin of Deb Percy), Stan Thompson, Deb Epperson, Salem Lee Hilty, Faith Behling, William Rush, Wayne McClure, LuAnn Reichhart (mom of Brent Reichhart), Cohen (grandson of Matt and Kim Benne), Lynn Auman (father of Kim Faley), Michaela Procise, Melissa Henry (sister of Judy Huesner)
 - Pray for the following people recovering from surgery: Wes Harless, Larry Von Gunten, Catherine Peterson, Kathy Lash, Becki Elonzae, Ruth Ann Hernandez, George Elonzae, Judy Huesner, Mary Smith, Kelsey Westrick, Nancy Wilkins (mother of Kristen Saurer)
 - 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, 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), 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 Aprel Cornyn), Linda Raatz, Dave Schlie

- 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 Hendrix.
- Join our staff in praying for the following members:
 - Josh and Bethany Clapper, Summerlyn and Caleb
 - Andrew Clark
 - Brittney Clark
 - Greg and Erin Clark, Hannah and Emily
 - Cody and Morgan Clarke, Scarlett and Forrest
 - Ashley Clem, Ashton, Aiyvah, and Adelynn
 - Ilona Clenny
 - Jim and Linda Coe
 - Carolyn Cole
 - Diana Cole
- 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

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 D2
8 th Grade	School Room D3 (Art/Science)
High School	Loft
Lutheran Christianity	Brandt Hall
Galatians	LL Ebenezer
Genesis	Sanctuary

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.

Monday Morning Moms - Hey, mama! We hope you'll join us every other Monday morning as we journey through the salvation story of the Old Testament using Chad Bird's book "Hitchhiking with the Prophets". Drop your kids off in LL Ebenezer with our amazing caregivers. Then, head upstairs to the Loft to enjoy fellowship, a cup of coffee, and study with other moms. The dates are: March 23, April 13 & 27, and May

11 from 8:30 - 10:00 a.m. Questions? Contact Liz Bejot - LBejot@emmanuelutheran.org.

Friends in the Word meet every other Thursday morning, 8:30 - 10:00 a.m., in the Loft. Here are the scheduled dates: March 26, April 16 and 30, and May 14. We hope to see you there!

The News of the Church

Easter Egg Hunt - Join us on Saturday, April 4, from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. in Emmanuel's Gym. Kids of all ages are invited to search for eggs, enjoy treats & crafts, and experience the Easter story. Bring your basket and a friend. No registration required. If you have any questions, contact Liz Bejot, Director of Children's Ministry. How You Can Help: Pick up a bag of empty eggs from Ebenezer Hall, fill them with treats, stickers, or small toys, and return them by Sunday, March 29. (Please make sure all candy is pre-packaged.) Prefer to purchase pre-filled eggs or have extra eggs at home to donate? That works too! Thank you for your support!

Palm Sunday Palm Prep - We would love your help getting ready for Palm Sunday! Join us on Saturday, March 28, from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. In Ebenezer Hall as we prepare palm branches and create palm crosses for the weekend's services. Please note, this event is not intended for young children. If you plan to attend, please sign up by scanning the QR code.



Middle School Youth - All 6 - 8 graders are invited to join us for Emmanuel's Middle School Youth event for March. We will be roller skating together at Roller Dome North (444 W. Coliseum Blvd.) from 2:00 - 4:00pm. Your registration includes two hours of skating, skate rental, and all-you-can-eat pizza. Please click here to sign-up. If you have any questions, please contact Liz Bejot at LBejot@emmanuelutheran.org

Food Pantry Thank You - On behalf of both the volunteers and patrons of Emmanuel's Food Bank, thank you for your incredible generosity and support during our February food drive and for your continued support throughout the year. Your donations and resources make a meaningful difference for families in both our congregation and neighborhood. Your willingness to give reminds people that they are not alone and that their community truly cares about them.

GriefShare: 13-Week Grief Support Group - GriefShare is a Christ-centered support group for adults grieving the loss of a family member or friend. We will be meeting Tuesdays, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m., March 31 - June 23 in Ebenezer Hall. To register (so books can be ordered), contact Lana Hille at 260.417.5639 or lanah@emmanuelutheran.org.

EYG Trivia Night! Trivia Night is a week away! Gather a group of 6-8 people, choose a team theme (costumes, props, decorations encouraged), and join us Saturday, March 21, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m., in the gym. Pizza, beverages, and snacks available. Cost is \$10 per participant. All proceeds support our high school youth group's summer servant event to Pikeville, Kentucky.



Lunch Bunch - We welcome all of our members around 60 or over to join us for our next Emmanuel Lunch Bunch activity on Tuesday, March 17. Our special guest speaker and member Bill Warner will join us to share his most memorable experiences as an FBI agent and how that came to influence his early book writing. Fellowship begins at 11:00 a.m. in LL Ebenezer Hall and lunch will be served at 12:00 p.m. Lunch reservations are required by calling the church office at 260.423.1369 or by signing up at the Connections Counter. The lunch cost is \$10.00 per person payable that day.

Save the Date for Emmanuel's VBS - Join us June 22-26, as we walk the streets of Rome! Explore the Underground Church, meet the Apostle Paul, and so much more! Mark your calendars and invite a friend! Interested in being a part of the planning team? It's forming NOW! Reach out to Liz Bejot for more information. LBejot@emmanuelutheran.org

Bridge 20/30 is a young adult ministry for those in their 20s and 30s, offering Christ-centered community and fellowship at rotating locations around Fort Wayne. Our next meetup is Bridge Skate Night, on Tuesday, March 17, at 7:00 p.m. at The Greenhaus (3504 N. Anthony Blvd). Wear green!

The Stewardship of the Church

EMMANUEL'S MINISTRIES

Supports the ongoing mission and ministry efforts of Emmanuel congregation.

Year to Date: \$447,785	Anticipated Need Through March: \$625,714
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DISTRICT AND SYNOD

Used for local, national and world mission efforts.

Last Week: \$475	Year to Date: \$3,096
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CUP OF KINDNESS

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

Last Week: \$185	Year to Date: \$885
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IN ALL GENERATIONS

Supports the renovations of the Emmanuel campus school building.

"IAG" Total Received: \$6,607,836	Mortgage Balance: \$884,311	Total Cost* \$7,450,365
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*Total Cost = Mortgage Interest Paid to Date + Construction Cost

The Calendar of the Church

Monday, March 16

- 6:30 a.m. Iron and Clay Weekly Devotion
- 3:30 p.m. Lifelight
- 5:30 p.m. Lifelight
- 6:00 p.m. Handbell Practice
- 7:00 p.m. WC Neighborhood Association Meeting

Tuesday, March 17

- 11:00 a.m. Lunch Bunch
- 6:00 p.m. Stephen Training
- 6:00 p.m. Psalms at Chapman's

Wednesday, March 18

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 8:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study
- 8:30 a.m. ESM Chapel
- 9:00 a.m. Homeschool Religion
- 10:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study
- 11:30 a.m. Lenten Communion Service
- 1:30 p.m. LLV Communion Service
- 3:30 p.m. PALS
- 6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00 p.m. Lenten Service

Thursday, March 19

- 8:30 a.m. Thursday Guys
- 9:00 a.m. Piece Makers
- 9:00 a.m. TEC21
- 3:30 p.m. Food Pantry
- 6:00 p.m. Bible Study at Chapman's
- 7:00 p.m. @917 Bible Class

Friday, March 20

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 7:00 p.m. Clay and Iron Men's Game Night

Saturday, March 21

5:00 p.m. Divine Service

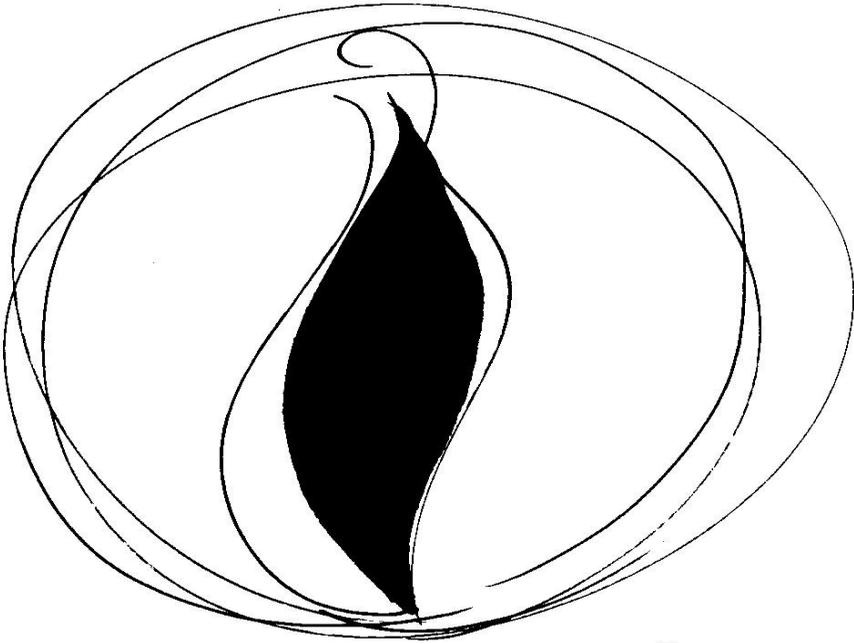
6:00 p.m. Trivia Night

Sunday, March 22

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

9:15 a.m. Sunday School & Bible Classes

10:30 a.m. Divine Service



SO THAT
THOSE
WHO DO
NOT SEE
MAY SEE

JOHN 9:39

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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684 Come unto Me, Ye Weary



- 1 "Come un - to Me, ye wea - ry, And I will give you rest."
- 2 "Come un - to Me, ye wan - d'ers, And I will give you light."
- 3 "Come un - to Me, ye faint - ing, And I will give you life."
- 4 "And who - so - ev - er com - eth, I will not cast him out."



O bless - ed voice of Je - sus, Which comes to hearts op-pressed!
O lov - ing voice of Je - sus, Which comes to cheer the night!
O cheer - ing voice of Je - sus, Which comes to aid our strife!
O pa - tient love of Je - sus, Which drives a - way our doubt,



It tells of ben - e - dic - tion, Of par-don, grace, and peace,
Our hearts were filled with sad - ness, And we had lost our way;
The foe is stern and ea - ger, The fight is fierce and long;
Which, though we be un - wor - thy Of love so great and free,



Of joy that hath no end - ing, Of love that can - not cease.
But Thou hast brought us glad - ness And songs at break of day.
But Thou hast made us might - y And strong - er than the strong.
In - vites us ver - y sin - ners To come, dear Lord, to Thee!

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849 Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness



1 Praise the One who breaks the dark - ness With a lib - er -
2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren With a strong, yet
3 Let us praise the Word In - car - nate, Christ, who suf - fered



at - ing light; Praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners,
gen - tle, word; Praise the One who drove out de - mons
in our place. Je - sus died and rose vic - to - rious



Turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight. Praise the One who preached the
With the pierc - ing, two - edged sword. Praise the One who brings cool
That we may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and



Gos - pel, Heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, Calm - ing
wa - ter To the des - ert's burn - ing sand; From this
glad - ness, See - ing what our God has done; Let us



storms, and feed - ing thou - sands With the ver - y Bread of peace.
Well comes liv - ing wa - ter, Quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.
praise the true Re - deem - er, Praise the One who makes us one.

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611 Chief of Sinners Though I Be



1 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Je - sus shed His
2 Oh, the height of Je - sus' love, High - er than the
3 On - ly Je - sus can im - part Balm to heal the
4 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Christ is all in
5 O my Sav - ior, help af - ford By Your Spir - it



blood for me, Died that I might live on high,
heav'ns a - bove, Deep - er than the depths of sea,
wound - ed heart, Peace that flows from sin for - giv'n,
all to me; All my wants to Him are known,
and Your Word! When my way - ward heart would stray,



Lives that I might nev - er die. As the branch is
Last - ing as e - ter - ni - ty! Love that found me—
Joy that lifts the soul to heav'n, Faith and hope to
All my sor - rows are His own. He sus - tains the
Keep me in the nar - row way; Grace in time of



to the vine, I am His, and He is mine.
won - drous thought! Found me when I sought Him not.
walk with God In the way that E - noch trod.
hid - den life Safe with Him from earth - ly strife.
need sup - ply While I live and when I die.

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693 O Holy Spirit, Grant Us Grace



1 O Ho - ly Spir - it, grant us grace That we our Lord and Sav - ior
2 Help us that we Thy sav - ing Word In faith - ful hearts may trea - sure;
3 And when our earth - ly race is run, Death's bit - ter hour im - pend - ing,



In faith and fer - vent love em - brace And tru - ly serve Him ev - er.
Let e'er that Bread of Life af - ford New grace in rich - est mea - sure.
Then may Thy work in us be - gun Con - tin - ue till life's end - ing,



The hour of death can - not bring loss When we are shel - tered
O make us die to ev - 'ry sin, Each day cre - ate new
Un - til we glad - ly may com - mend Our souls in - to our



by the cross That can - celed our trans - gres - sions.
life with - in, That fruits of faith may flour - ish.
Sav - ior's hand, The crown of life ob - tain - ing.

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620 Jesus Comes Today with Healing



1 Je - sus comes to - day with heal - ing, Knock - ing at my
 2 Christ Him - self, the priest pre - sid - ing, Yet in bread and
 3 Un - der bread and wine, though low - ly, I re - ceive the
 4 God de - scends with heav'n - ly pow - er, Gives Him - self to



door, ap - peal - ing, Of - f'ring par - don, grace, and peace.
 wine a - bid - ing In this ho - ly sac - ra - ment,
 Sav - ior ho - ly, Blood and bod - y, giv'n for me,
 me this hour— In this or - di - nar - y sign.



He Him - self makes prep - a - ra - tion, And I hear His
 Gives the bread of life, once bro - ken, And the cup, the
 Ver - y Lamb of God from heav - en, Who to bit - ter
 On my tongue His pledge re - ceiv - ing, I ac - cept His



in - vi - ta - tion: "Come and taste the bless - ed feast."
 pre - cious to - ken Of His sa - cred cov - e - nant.
 death was giv - en, Hung up - on the curs - ed tree.
 grace, be - liev - ing That I taste His love di - vine.

5 Let me praise God's boundless favor,
 Whose own feast of love I savor,
 Bidden by His gracious call.
 Wedding garments He provides me,
 With a robe of white He hides me,
 Fits me for the royal hall.

6 Now have I found consolation,
 Comfort in my tribulation,
 Balm to heal the troubled soul.
 God, my shield from ev'ry terror,
 Cleanses me from sin and error,
 Makes my wounded spirit whole.

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427 In the Cross of Christ I Glory



1 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, Tow'r - ing
2 When the woes of life o'er - take me, Hopes de -
3 When the sun of bliss is beam - ing Light and
4 Bane and bless - ing, pain and plea - sure By the



o'er the wrecks of time. All the light of sa - cred
ceive, and fears an - noy, Nev - er shall the cross for -
love up - on my way, From the cross the ra - diance
cross are sanc - ti - fied; Peace is there that knows no



sto - ry Gath - ers round its head sub - lime.
sake me; Lo, it glows with peace and joy.
stream - ing Adds more lus - ter to the day.
mea - sure, Joys that through all time a - bide.

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