

Divine Service at 5:00



Emmanuel Lutheran Church

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

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



CHILDREN IN WORSHIP



We are so happy you are here!

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

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

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

PRAYER REQUESTS



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

CONNECTIONS COUNTER



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

SPECIAL NEEDS



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

GATHERING TIME



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

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Found in the gathering space we call Ebenezer Hall.

BUILDING FAITH IN THE CITY

"A Story of Faith"

AS WE GATHER

This weekend, we observe the great Reformation that uncovered the eternal Gospel that we are saved by grace alone, through faith alone, as Scripture alone declares. It is through this message of forgiveness in Christ Jesus alone, that the Holy Spirit creates faith and frees us to live, love, and give. In this freedom of the Gospel, God uses us and all that we are, have, and hold for His Kingdom purposes. Soli Deo Gloria! To God alone be the glory.

THE GATHERING TIME

We encourage our members to greet each other with God's peace and to warmly welcome visitors into our fellowship. Kindly turn off all cellphones and please sit toward the center of the pew so there is room for all who worship.

THE RINGING OF THE BELLS

THE WORDS OF WELCOME

THE GATHERING SONG: "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

A mighty fortress is our God, A trusty shield and weapon;
He helps us free from ev'ry need That has us now o'ertaken.
The old evil foe Now means deadly woe;
Deep guile and great might Are his dread arms in fight;
On earth is not his equal.

With might of ours can naught be done; Soon were our loss effected.
But for us fights the valiant one Whom God himself elected.
You ask, "Who is this?" Jesus Christ it is,
Of Sabaoth Lord. And there's no other God;
He holds the field forever.

Though devils all the world should fill, All eager to devour us,
We tremble not, we fear no ill; They shall not overpow'r us.
This world's prince may still Scowl fierce as he will,
He can harm us none. He's judged; the deed is done!
One little word can fell him.

The Word they still shall let remain, Nor any thanks have for it;
He's by our side upon the plain With his good gifts and Spirit.
And take they our life, Goods, fame, child, and wife,
Though these all be gone, Our victory has been won;
The kingdom's ours remaineth!

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(Please stand as able)

THE INVOCATION

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

People: Amen.

THE OPENING SENTENCES (Psalm 46:1, 8-11)

Leader: God is our refuge and strength,

People: a very present help in trouble.

Leader: Come, behold the works of the Lord.

People: He makes wars cease to the end of the earth.

Leader: He will be exalted among the nations.

People: He will be exalted in the earth.

Leader: The Lord of hosts is with us;

People: the God of Jacob is our fortress.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Leader: God indeed is our refuge and strength, our help and our fortress. Yet we often choose to flee from the refuge of the Lord. We abandon the strength and safety of God, trusting in our own strength and power. The apostle Paul writes that all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. And Jesus says that everyone who practices sin is a slave to sin. As we enter the house of the Lord and call upon Him for His good and gracious gifts, let us consider our enslavement to sin and our continued shortcomings as God's people.

(Silence for personal prayer and reflection)

Leader: Heavenly Father,

People: we have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. We have sinned as individuals and as a community. We have ignored neighbors in need. We have caused divisions among Your people. We have sought refuge in the things of this world and not in You. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us back to You, our refuge and strength.

Leader: While we have indeed all fallen short of the glory of God, we are all also justified by God's grace as a gift. Though we have been slaves to sin, God has set us free in the death and resurrection of His Son, Jesus Christ. As a called and ordained servant of the risen Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen. The Son has set us free, and we are free indeed. Amen.

THE SHARING OF PEACE

THE MUSICAL RESPONSE: "How Rich a Treasure we Possess"
How rich a treasure we possess, In Jesus Christ our Lord.
His blood, our ransom and defense; His glory, our reward.
The sum of all created things Are worthless in compare,
For our inheritance is Him Whose praise angels declare.

How free and costly was the love displayed upon the cross!
While we were dead in untold sin, The Sov'reign purchased us.
The will of God, the Father demonstrated through the Son.
The Spirit seals the greatest work – the work which Christ has done.

For Yours is the Kingdom and the power and the glory.
Yours is the Kingdom and the power and the glory. Amen.

How vast and measureless the flood of mercy unrestrained!
The penalty was paid in full; The spotless Lamb was slain.
Salvation, what a priceless gift, received by grace through faith.
We stand in robes of righteousness; We stand in Jesus' Name.

For Yours is the Kingdom and the power and the glory.
Yours is the Kingdom and the power and the glory.
Yours is the Kingdom and the power and the glory. Amen.

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(Please be seated)

THE FIRST READING: Revelation 14:6-7

Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. ⁷And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE SECOND READING: Romans 3:19-28

Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin. ²¹But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. ²⁶It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. ²⁷Then what becomes of our

boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as you are able)

THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 8:31-36

Leader: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 8th chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord!

So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." ³³They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?" ³⁴Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. ³⁶So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

THE NICENE CREED (Spoken together)

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE MUSICAL RESPONSE: "In Christ Alone"

In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This cornerstone, this solid ground,

Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in all,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! Who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save;
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied.
For every sin on Him was laid;
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious Day,
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me.
For I am His and He is mine!
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home—
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

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THE SERMON

Pastor Thomas A. Eggold

THE GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Please take the black binder at the end of each pew, and fill out the appropriate info. We encourage our members to greet our visitors after the service.

THE MUSICAL OFFERING: "I Love to Tell the Story"

I love to tell the story Of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and His glory, Of Jesus and His love.
I love to tell the story, Because I know it's true;
It satisfies my longings As nothing else would do.

(Chorus)

I love to tell the story; 'Twill be my theme in glory
To tell the old, old story Of Jesus and His love.

I love to tell the story. 'Tis pleasant to repeat
What seems, each time I tell it, More wonderfully sweet.
I love to tell the story, For some have never heard
The message of salvation From God's own holy Word. (Chorus)

I love to tell the story, For those who know it best
Seem hungering and thirsting To hear it like the rest.
And when in scenes of glory I sing the new, new song,
'Twill be the old, old story That I have loved so long (Chorus)

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THE MINISTRY MINUTE

2026 Stewardship Commitment

(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. Gracious God, You have renewed Your Church in every age with the voices of those who recall Your people to the Gospel and who speak Your Word in all circumstances. Make us bold, that we would also contend for the faith against those who would silence our voices or distract Your people from the one true Gospel of the crucified and risen Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: Lord, make us truly Your disciples. Keep us in Your Word, free us from all errors, and make our homes and families peaceful. Preserve all mothers and fathers and encourage them for their godly task, that children would be brought up in the fear and instruction of the Lord. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: Have mercy on our nation. Give us good and faithful rulers who will govern after Your good pleasure. Give us comfort and a right understanding of Your rule in this world, that we would not be deceived to think earthly powers will last forever, but have confidence in You alone. Your kingdom come! Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: God of grace, do not let Your people fear though the earth gives way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea. Rescue all people in need, and comfort them with the promise that You are with them. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: Blessed Father, You have granted us the privilege of a place at Christ's table. Give us faithful and repentant hearts by Your Spirit, that we would receive worthily Your Son's body and blood and depart to bear His fruit in lives of holiness and humble service. Bless Your Church

through the forgiveness of sins, that we would have a clear conscience before You and live at peace with one another. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank You that You have brought us by Your Word out of the darkness of error and into the light of Your grace. Mercifully help us to walk in that light. Guard us from error and false doctrine, and grant that we would not become ungrateful and despise Your Word, but receive it with all our heart, conduct our lives according to it and put our trust in Your grace; through the merits of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

THE PREFACE (Spoken responsively by the Congregation)

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

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, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

“SANCTUS (HOLY, HOLY, HOLY)”

Holy, Holy, Lord God of Heavenly Hosts,

Holy, Holy, Lord God of Heavenly Hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

Hosanna, Hosanna, Blessed is he who comes,

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

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THE LORD’S PRAYER (spoken together)

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE PEACE OF THE LORD

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

People: Amen.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION (Served by stations)

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

THE DISTRIBUTION SONGS

"Communion"

(Chorus)

This is the body and this is the blood
Broken and poured out for all of us.
And in this communion, we share in His love.
This is the body and this is the blood.

Well, I will remember ev'rything Lord,
That You've done for me.
I won't take for granted the sacrifice that set me free.
I hunger and thirst for You, Lord.
Come fill me today. (Chorus)

We hunger and thirst for Your love.
And Your righteousness.
We long for Your presence here, Lord.
Be with us again. (Chorus)

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"Firm Foundation"

Jesus, You're my firm foundation, I know I can stand secure;
Jesus, You're my firm foundation,
I put my hope in Your holy Word!
I put my hope in Your holy Word!

(Repeat after leader)
(I have a living hope) I have a living hope
(I have a future) I have a future
(God has a plan for me) God has a plan for me
(of this I'm sure!) of this I'm sure!

**Your Word is faithful; mighty in power;
God will deliver me; of this I'm sure.**

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THE DISMISSAL

THE BLESSING

THE CLOSING SONG: "I Stand Amazed"

I stand amazed in the presence of Jesus the Nazarene
And wonder how He could love me a sinner condemned unclean

(Chorus)

How marvelous, How wonderful and my song shall ever be.
How marvelous, How wonderful is my Savior's love for me.

For me He was in the garden; He said, "not my will but Thine."
He had no tears for His own griefs, But He sweat drops of blood for mine.

Indeed, the angels beheld Him and came from the world of light
To comfort Him in the sorrow He bore for my soul that night. (Chorus)

He took my sins and my sorrows, He made them His very own
He bore the burden to Cal'vry and suffered and died alone. (Chorus)

When with the ransomed in glory His face I at last shall see
'Twill be my joy thru the ages to sing of His love for me. (Chorus twice)

Arr. George Ogg/Craig Dahlkamp

THE POSTLUDE

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Rev. 7:9-17; Ps. 149; 1 John 3:1-3; Matt. 5:1-12

THE FLOWERS adorning His altar were given to the glory of God in loving memory of Steven Fisher from his family; in loving memory of Steve Sappenfield on his 82nd birthday from his family; and in loving memory of Eddie and Marilyn Krueckeberg from Rex and Cathi Counterman.

USHERS: Jan Hoffman and Laura Miller

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, Devon Jewel and Niko L. Christlib (friends of Ilona Clenny), Deb Percy, Ed Braun, Norv McClure, Janine (friend of Lauryn Longworth), Graclynn Anderson (granddaughter of Tim and Cindy Anderson), Marilyn Scheumann, Lynn Williams (mother of Steve Williams), Kathy Schweyer, Randi Gramling (cousin of Deb Percy)

- 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
- 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
- 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 Kavon and Brandon
- Join our staff in praying for the following members:
 - Daniel Wunderlich
 - Holly Wyrick, Preston, Parker and Olivia
 - Jenna Wyrick
 - Mike Wyrick
 - David and Karen Wyss
 - Andrew Yeiter, Kellie
 - Kevin and Gina Yeiter
 - Pat Yeiter
 - Meadow Yoquelet
 - Ryan and Kellie Yoquelet

- 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
Adults: I Love to Tell the Story	Sanctuary

I Love to Tell the Story: Join us at 9:15 a.m. in the sanctuary for “A Story of Stewardship”!

Weekday Bible Classes...

CLASS	LOCATION	DAY	TIME
Monday Morning Moms	Loft	Monday (every other)	8:30 a.m.
LifeLight: Luke	Ebenezer Hall	Mondays	3:30 p.m.
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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.

The News of the Church

Friendsgiving Dinner - Ladies, gather for Friendsgiving Dinner in gratitude and celebration of the blessing of friendship on Wednesday, November 5, at 6:00 p.m. in Ebenezer Hall. A variety of soups will be served, and you're invited to bring a side or dessert to share.

Visual Faith Ministries – Advent Preparation Workshop: Join us Tuesday, November 4, from 6:00–8:00 p.m., as we prepare our hearts for the season of Advent. Visual Faith invites you to pause and center your heart on Christ. We'll be creating Advent Devotional Journals that connect with Emmanuel's Advent devotions, “Coming Home for Christmas,” from 1517. No experience is needed—all supplies and guidance are provided. Sign up at the Connections Counter or by using the QR Code.



Emmanuel's LWM/LWML - Our next meeting will be on Thursday, November 6 1:00-3:00 p.m. in Lower Level Ebenezer. Our Bible Study will be “Hold on to His Promises When Overloaded” and our service projects will be the “Towel Project” (building hygiene packs for Cross Borders) and signing Thanksgiving cards for the homebound of Emmanuel. We hope to see you there!

Veterans Appreciation Reception - Let's gather in gratitude of our veterans! On Tuesday November 11 at 11:30 a.m., LL Ebenezer will be filled with good food,

warm fellowship, and heartfelt appreciation for those who have served our nation. Veterans are welcome to bring a guest. To help us prepare, please reserve your spot by November 4. As a special treat, we'll enjoy music by Bev Williams on her dulcimer. Call Carolyn Beitz at 260.433.7188 for reservations.

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.



CLHS: A Bold Step - You're invited! Leadership from Concordia Lutheran High School will be at various local churches, and will share exciting news about the high school's capital campaign, A Bold Step. Learn how you can be part of this God-sized journey by RSVPing to an impact event in our area. Visit cadetsboldstep.org or scan the QR code. We're looking forward to your participation! Here are the upcoming events: October 26 - St. Paul's Lutheran Church; October 28 - Holy Cross Lutheran Church; October 29 - Concordia Lutheran Church; and November 2 -Concordia Lutheran High School, Auditorium



Bridge 20/30 is a space for post-high school young adults (single or married) to connect, grow, and have fun in community with others who share similar values. This week, on Tuesday, October 28 at 7:00 p.m., will be our Costume and Pumpkin Carving Party at the Garden (3308 N. Anthony Blvd.)! Come in costume and bring a pumpkin to carve.

The Stewardship of the Church

EMMANUEL’S MINISTRIES

Supports the ongoing mission and ministry efforts of Emmanuel congregation.

Year to Date: \$1,800,797	Anticipated Need Thru October, 2025: \$1,807,764
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DISTRICT AND SYNOD

Used for local, national and world mission efforts.

Last Week: \$205	Year to Date: \$11,766
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CUP OF KINDNESS

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

Last Week: \$22	Year to Date: \$3,702
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IN ALL GENERATIONS

Supports the renovations of the Emmanuel campus school building.

"IAG" Total Received: \$6,094,563	Mortgage Balance: \$1,342,790	Total Cost* \$7,424,176
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*Total Cost = Mortgage Interest Paid to Date + Construction Cost

The Calendar of the Church

Monday, October 27

- 3:30 p.m. LifeLight Bible Study
- 5:30 p.m. LifeLight Bible Study
- 6:00 p.m. Handbell Practice
- 7:00 p.m. Church Council

Tuesday, October 28

- 6:00 p.m. Stephen Training/Stephen Ministry
- 6:00 p.m. Study the Psalms at Chapman's Brewery

Wednesday, October 29

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 8:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study
- 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, October 30

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

Friday, October 31

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 9:15 a.m. ESM Joint Chapel

Saturday, November 1

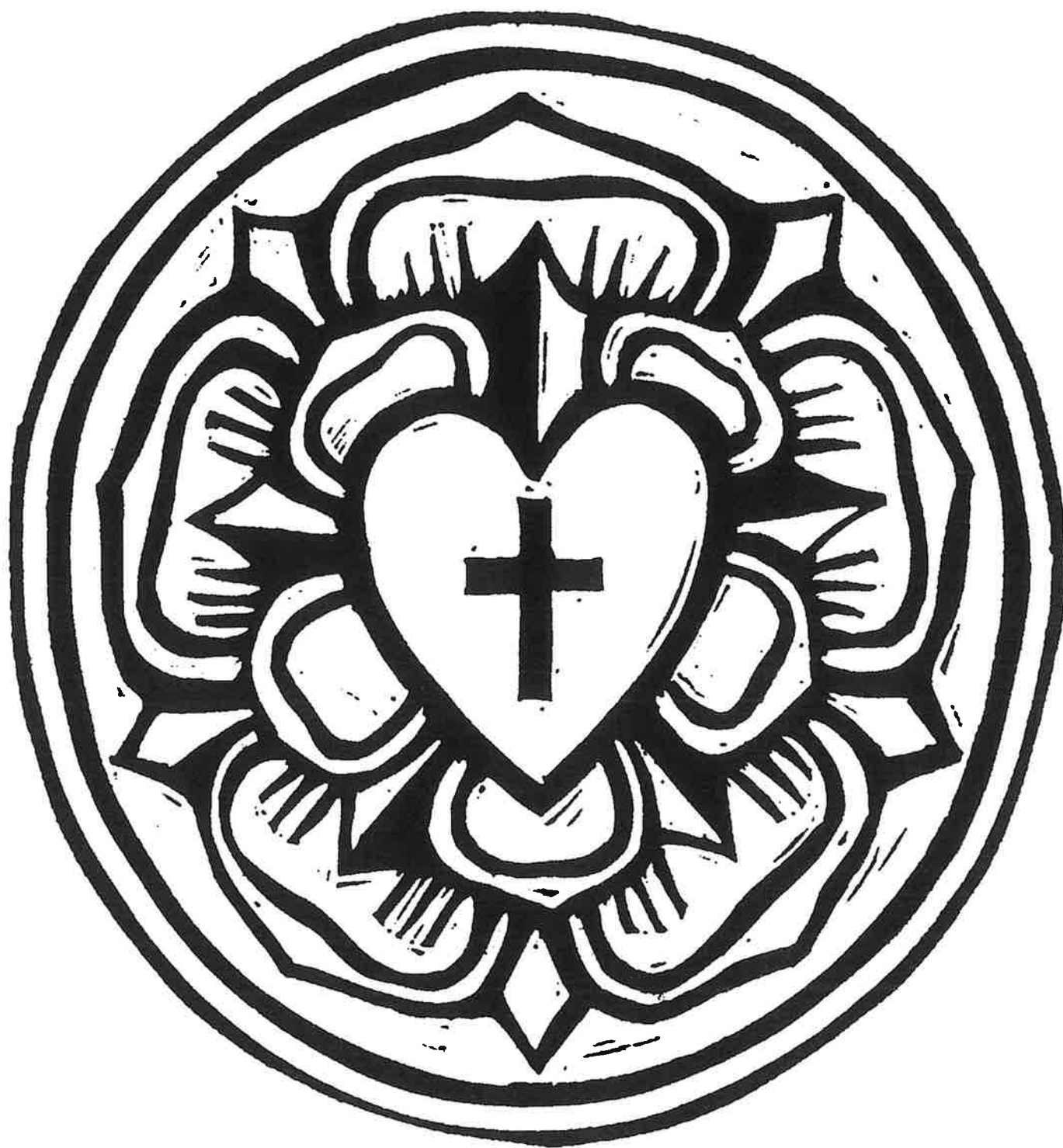
5:00 p.m. Divine Service w/ Communion

Sunday, November 2

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

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

10:30 a.m. Divine Service w/ Communion



This Visual Faith resource is designed to help visual and tactile learners take worship into the week. You can find more Visual Faith resources at <https://www.visualfaithmin.org>.



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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