

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...

**Guests in Worship**—Each week, we have the opportunity to welcome new people to our fellowship. While ushers have the important job of helping guests find seats and sharing information, we all play a role in embracing and welcoming guests to Emmanuel. Please look for new faces, extend a helping hand whenever possible, and encourage guests to visit the **Connections Counter** in Ebenezer Hall.

**Children in Worship**—The presence of children at Emmanuel is a great blessing and the worship service can be a wonderful opportunity to teach them about God's love. Please bring children forward during the distribution of Holy Communion for a personal blessing, and help them to participate in the responses and prayers throughout the service. Age appropriate **Children's Bulletins** are available on the tables located at the back of the church. **Tot Bags** are located in the east and west rear entrances of the church. If a child becomes restless or disruptive during the service, a **Church Nursery** for children three years of age and younger is located in the lower level hall just down the stairs near the northwest entrance to the church. If you need help finding the Church Nursery, please ask one of our ushers who will gladly guide you.

**Prayer Requests**—If you have a prayer concern that you would like included in the worship service, please ask an usher for a prayer request card. You may drop the completed card into one of the boxes located at the back of the sanctuary or hand it to an usher.

**Special Needs**—We offer a number of aids designed to enhance your worship experience including a **Hearing Loop**, **Large Print Bulletins** and **Printed Copies of Today's Sermon**. If any of these items would be helpful to you, please ask one of our ushers who would be delighted to assist you.

**The Gathering Time**—Each Sunday, after the early service and before Sunday School and Bible Classes begin, we congregate in Ebenezer Hall for The Gathering Time. During this time, members and guests have the opportunity for fellowship together, while enjoying a beverage and donut.

**Emmanuel App**—The Emmanuel App is a wonderful tool for ministry and will put access to worship resources, devotional helps, congregational information, video announcements, as well as our church calendar at your fingertips. The Emmanuel App can be accessed by going to your app store and searching for "Emmanuel Fort Wayne." Search results will show you the app which features our logo.

The mission of Emmanuel is the mission Christ gave His Church when He said, "go and make disciples of all nations baptizing them in the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you" (Matthew 28:19-20). If you are interested in finding out more about Emmanuel, you can contact Pastor Eggold at [taeggold@hotmail.com](mailto:taeggold@hotmail.com), or Pastor Sheafer at [pastordan@emmanuelutheran.org](mailto:pastordan@emmanuelutheran.org), or call either of us at (260) 423-1369. We would love to talk with you.

# “Now We Know”

## AS WE GATHER

Now we know the end of the story. In John’s vision in the Epistle, heaven will be like an eternal wedding feast. All of us in the Church have been made presentable by Christ, the Bridegroom. Unlike the disciples, who in today’s Gospel still had to experience their Lord’s absence from Good Friday through Easter morning, we can be confident that no one can take our joy from us. Now we know that because He has paid the price on the cross, the Bridegroom will freely make all things new. In place of torrents of tears will be the spring of the water of life. When we receive His body and blood in the Sacrament, it is a foretaste of the feast to come, and we cannot wait to enjoy the rest of the eternal celebration!

## THE GATHERING TIME

During the Gathering Time, we encourage our members to greet each other 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: “Even So Come (Come Lord Jesus)”

All of creation, all of the earth,  
Make straight a highway, a path for the Lord. Jesus is coming soon.

Call back the sinner, wake up the saint.  
Let ev’ry nation shout of Your fame. Jesus is coming soon.

## (Chorus)

Like a bride waiting for her groom, We’ll be a church ready for You.  
Ev’ry heart longing for our King, we sing.  
“Even so, come. Lord, Jesus, come. Even so, come. Lord, Jesus, come.”

There will be justice. All will be new.  
Your Name forever, faithful and true. Jesus is coming soon. (Chorus)

So we wait. We wait for You. God, we wait; You’re coming soon!  
So we wait . We wait for You. God, we wait; You’re coming soon.

Like a bride waiting for her groom, we’ll be a church ready for You.  
Ev’ry heart longing for our King, we sing.

Like a bride waiting for her groom, we'll be a church ready for You.  
 Ev'ry heart longing for our King, we sing.  
 "Even so, come. Lord, Jesus, come. Even so, come. Lord, Jesus, come."  
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**THE INVOCATION**

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

**THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION (John 16:20; Revelation 21:6)**

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
 People: who made heaven and earth.

Leader: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?  
 People: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore, You are feared.

Leader: God's grace knows no bounds! Through the sacrifice of His Son, the Bridegroom of the Church, He makes us His holy bride. Anticipating the heavenly wedding feast, let us seek God's grace now and call on Him for forgiveness and mercy.

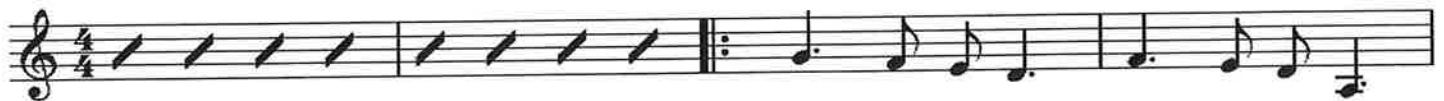
People: Almighty God, have mercy on us, for we cannot help ourselves. Forgive us all that we have done in the past, give us grace in this present time, and lead us to serve You and love one another in the future and on into the eternity You have promised.

Leader: Jesus promised the disciples, "Your sorrow will turn into joy," and He promises "the spring of the water of life without payment." As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

**THE SHARING OF PEACE**

**THE MUSICAL RESPONSE: "Living Waters"**



1. Are	you thirst -y?	Are	you emp -ty?
2. Christ	is call -ing,	find	re -fresh -ing
3. Spir -	it mov -ing,	mer -	cy wash -ing;
4. Are	you thirst -y?	Are	you emp -ty?



Come	and drink these liv - ing	wat - ers. ____	Tired	and bro - ken,	peace	un - spo - ken,
at	the cross of liv - ing	wat - ers. ____	Lay	your life down,	all	the old gone,
Heal -	ing in these liv - ing	wat - ers. ____	Lead	your chil - dren	to	the shore - line,
Come	and drink these liv - ing	wat - ers. ____	Love,	for - give - ness,	vast	and bound - less,

1. | 2. 3. 4.

rest be - side these liv - ing wat - ers. \_\_\_\_\_ wat - ers. There's a  
 rise up in these liv - ing wat - ers.  
 life is in these liv - ing wat - ers.  
 Christ, He is our liv - ing

riv - er \_\_\_\_\_ that flows with mer - cy \_\_\_\_\_ and love, bring - ing joy to the cit - y of our

Last time to Coda  $\oplus$

God; \_\_\_\_\_ There our hope is se - cure, do not fear an - y - more,

1. | TURNAROUND | 2.

praise the Lord of liv - ing wat - ers. \_\_\_\_\_ praise the Lord of liv - ing

wat - ers. \_\_\_\_\_ Ooh. \_\_\_\_\_ Ooh. \_\_\_\_\_ Ooh. \_\_\_\_\_

D.S. al Coda

Ooh. \_\_\_\_\_ Ooh. \_\_\_\_\_ Ooh. \_\_\_\_\_

fear an - y - more, praise the Lord of liv - ing wat - ers. \_\_\_\_\_

$\oplus$  Coda

praise the Lord of liv - ing wat - ers. \_\_\_\_\_ There our hope is se - cure, do not

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**THE FIRST READING: Acts 11:1-18**

Now the apostles and the brothers who were throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God.<sup>2</sup> So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcision party criticized him, saying,<sup>3</sup> “You went to uncircumcised men and ate with them.”<sup>4</sup> But Peter began and explained it to them in order:<sup>5</sup> “I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision, something like a great sheet descending, being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to me.<sup>6</sup> Looking at it closely, I observed animals and beasts of prey and reptiles and birds of the air.<sup>7</sup> And I heard a voice saying to me, ‘Rise, Peter; kill and eat.’<sup>8</sup> But I said, ‘By no means, Lord; for nothing common or unclean has ever entered my mouth.’<sup>9</sup> But the voice answered a second time from heaven, ‘What God has made clean, do not call common.’<sup>10</sup> This happened three times, and all was drawn up again into heaven.<sup>11</sup> And behold, at that very moment three men arrived at the house in which we were, sent to me from Caesarea.<sup>12</sup> And the Spirit told me to go with them, making no distinction. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man’s house.<sup>13</sup> And he told us how he had seen the angel stand in his house and say, ‘Send to Joppa and bring Simon who is called Peter; <sup>14</sup>he will declare to you a message by which you will be saved, you and all your household.’<sup>15</sup> As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell on them just as on us at the beginning.<sup>16</sup> And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he said, ‘John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.’<sup>17</sup> If then God gave the same gift to them as he gave to us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could stand in God’s way?”<sup>18</sup> When they heard these things they fell silent. And they glorified God, saying, “Then to the Gentiles also God has granted repentance that leads to life.”

**Leader:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**THE SECOND READING: Revelation 21:1-7**

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more.<sup>2</sup> And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.<sup>3</sup> And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God.<sup>4</sup> He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”<sup>5</sup> And he who was seated on the throne said, “Behold, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.”<sup>6</sup> And he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment.<sup>7</sup> The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son.”

**Leader:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

(Please stand, as you are able)

THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 16:12-22

[Jesus said:] "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup>When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup>All that the Father has is mine; therefore, I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>16</sup>"A little while, and you will see me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see me." <sup>17</sup>So some of his disciples said to one another, "What is this that he says to us, 'A little while, and you will not see me, and again a little while, and you will see me'; and, 'because I am going to the Father'?" <sup>18</sup>So they were saying, "What does he mean by 'a little while'? We do not know what he is talking about." <sup>19</sup>Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him, so he said to them, "Is this what you are asking yourselves, what I meant by saying, 'A little while and you will not see me, and again a little while and you will see me'?" <sup>20</sup>Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. <sup>21</sup>When a woman is giving birth, she has sorrow because her hour has come, but when she has delivered the baby, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world. <sup>22</sup>So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you."

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: "Amen (Because He Lives)"

I believe in the Son. I believe in the Risen One.  
I believe I overcome by the power of His blood.

Amen, Amen, I'm alive, I'm alive because He lives!  
Amen, Amen, let my song join the one that never ends,  
because He lives!

I was dead in the grave. I was covered in sin and shame.  
I heard mercy call my name. He rolled the stone away!

Amen, Amen, I'm alive, I'm alive because He lives!  
Amen, Amen, let my song join the one that never ends.

Because He lives I can face tomorrow.  
Because He lives ev'ry fear is gone.  
I know He holds my life, my future in His hands.

Amen, Amen, I'm alive, I'm alive because He lives!  
Amen, Amen, let my song join the one that never ends.  
Amen, Amen, I'm alive, I'm alive because He lives!  
Amen, Amen, let my song join the one that never ends,  
Because He lives; Because He lives.

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## THE SERMON

Pastor Dan Sheaffer

## 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.

## THE MUSICAL OFFERING: "New Wine"

In the crushing, in the pressing You are making new wine.  
In the soil I now surrender, You are breaking new ground.

So I yield to You and to Your careful hand.  
When I trust You I don't need to understand.

Make me Your vessel, make me an offering.  
Make me whatever You want me to be.  
I came here with nothing, but all You have given me,  
Jesus, bring new wine out of me.

In the crushing, in the pressing You are making new wine.  
In the soil I now surrender, You are breaking new ground.  
You are breaking new ground.



So, make me Your vessel, make me an offering.  
Make me whatever You want me to be.  
I came here with nothing, but all You have given me,  
Jesus, bring new wine out of me.  
Jesus, bring new wine out of me.  
Jesus, bring new wine out of me.

'Cause where there is new wine there is new power.  
There is new freedom and the kingdom is here.  
I lay down my old flames to carry Your new fire today.  
'Cause where there is new wine there is new power.  
There is new freedom and the kingdom is here.  
I lay down my old flames to carry Your new fire today.

So, make me Your vessel, make me an offering.  
Make me whatever You want me to be.  
God, I came here with nothing, but all You have given me.  
Jesus, bring new wine out of me.  
Jesus, bring new wine out of me.  
Jesus, bring new wine out of me.

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#### THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

**Leader:** Let us pray to God on behalf of the Church and all people in their various needs. You told Peter, “What God has made clean, do not call common.” Remember those people on the margins of society, O Lord; provide caring people and institutions, open doors of opportunity, and free them from the results of their past poor decisions. Bridegroom of the Church, in Your mercy,

**People:** hear our prayer.

**Leader:** Peter and the others recognized that they could not “stand in God’s way.” Guide the Church’s clergy and lay leaders here and around the world to seek Your will, Lord Jesus, working together creatively to find new ways to spread the Gospel in accord with Your will. Bridegroom of the Church, in Your mercy,

**People:** hear our prayer.

**Leader:** Holy Lord, in John’s vision You proclaimed, “Behold, I am making all things new.” Graciously work through the talents and knowledge of meteorologists, naturalists, engineers, and visionaries as they seek to find ways to renew the health of this planet. Grant that seedtime and harvest, sun and rain produce bountiful harvests that we all rejoice in Your many blessings. Bridegroom of the Church, in Your mercy,

**People:** hear our prayer.

**Leader:** Lord over all, as You foretold, often we “will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice,” so we see injustice, oppression, constant warfare, and unrest in many nations. Raise up wise leaders intent on serving

their citizens, police and first responders focused on maintaining the peace, and armed forces determined to reestablish peace. Bridegroom of the Church, in Your mercy,

**People:** hear our prayer.

**Leader:** Gracious Savior, by the faith given us by the Holy Spirit, we look forward to the wedding feast of the Lamb, who will end mourning, crying, and pain. Before we enter that time of rejoicing, we bring the petitions of people near and dear to us as they call out in sorrow, through tears and enduring pain. As fits Your gracious plans, give them peace, joy, and relief. Bridegroom of the Church, in Your mercy.

**People:** hear our prayer.

**Leader:** Into Your hands, heavenly Father, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting that You have heard us for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**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.

#### THE PROPER PREFACE

**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. Most especially, we praise You this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore, with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

#### “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

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

## THE 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

#### "At the Cross (Love Ran Red)"

There's a place where mercy reigns and never dies.  
There's a place where streams of grace, flow deep and wide;  
Where all the love I've ever found comes like a flood,  
Comes flowing down.

At the cross, at the cross I surrender my life.  
I'm in awe of You. I'm in awe of You.  
Where Your love ran red and my sin washed white,  
I owe all to You; I owe all to You, Jesus.

There's a place where sin and shame are powerless,  
Where my heart has peace with God and forgiveness;  
Where all the love I've ever found comes like a flood,  
Comes flowing down.

At the cross, at the cross I surrender my life.  
I'm in awe of You. I'm in awe of You.  
Where Your love ran red and my sin washed white,  
I owe all to You; I owe all to You.

Here my hope is found; here, on holy ground, here I bow down.  
Here I bow down.  
Here, arms open wide, here You save my life.  
Here I bow down, here I bow.

At the cross, at the cross I surrender my life.  
I'm in awe of You. I'm in awe of You.  
Where Your love ran red and my sin washed white,  
I owe all to You; I owe all to You.  
At the cross, at the cross I surrender my life.  
I'm in awe of You. I'm in awe of You.  
Where Your love ran red and my sin washed white,  
I owe all to You; I owe all to You.  
I owe all to You; I owe all to You, Jesus.

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### “We Will Dance”

Sing a song of celebration, Lift up a shout of praise,  
For the Bridegroom will come, the glorious one.  
And oh, we will look on His face; We'll go to a much better place.

Dance with all your might, lift up your hands and clap for joy.  
The time's drawing near when He will appear.  
And oh, we will stand by His side, A strong, pure, spotless Bride.

We will dance on the streets that are golden,  
The glorious Bride and the great Son of Man.  
From ev'ry tongue and tribe and nation,  
Will join in the song of the Lamb.  
Oh, we will dance on the streets that are golden.  
The glorious Bride and the great Son of Man.  
From ev'ry tongue and tribe and nation,  
Will join in the song of the Lamb.

Sing aloud, for the time of rejoicing is near.  
The risen King, our Groom, is soon to appear.  
The wedding feast to come is now near at hand.  
Lift up your voice, proclaim the coming Lamb.

Oh, we will dance on the streets that are golden.  
The glorious Bride and the great Son of Man.  
From ev'ry tongue and tribe and nation,  
Will join in the song of the Lamb.  
Oh, we will dance on the streets that are golden.  
The glorious Bride and the great Son of Man.  
From ev'ry tongue and tribe and nation,  
Will join in the song of the Lamb.

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THE DISMISSAL

THE BLESSING

THE CLOSING SONG: "I Will Follow"

All Your ways are good, all Your ways are sure,  
I will trust in You alone.  
Higher than my sight, high above my life, I will trust in You alone.

(Chorus)

Where You go I'll go, Where You stay I'll stay;  
When You move I'll move, I will follow You.  
Whom You love I'll love, How You serve I'll serve;  
If this life I lose, I will follow You, yeah.  
I will follow You, yeah.

Light into the world, Light into my life, I will live for You alone.  
You're the One I seek, knowing I will find, all I need in You alone.  
In You alone. (Chorus)

In You, there's life everlasting; in You, there's freedom for my soul.  
In You, there's joy, unending joy; and I will follow. (Chorus)

I will follow You, yeah. I will follow You, yeah.

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THE READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK: Acts 16:9-15; Psalm 67; Rev. 21: 9-14, 21-27;  
John 16:23-33

THE FLOWERS adorning His altar were given to the glory of God in loving memory of Art and Joann Voelker from their children and grandchildren, and in loving memory of Carl and Wanda Wilcoxson from Marsha Wilcoxson-Renner and Tom Wilcoxson and family.

COMMUNION ASSISTANT: Jim Cotter

USHERS AND ALTAR GUILD: Mike and Cathy Paff

## 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:
  - We give thanks with Austin Osborne and Hayley Grover who were united in marriage. We ask the Lord to bless their relationship with a love for each other that is based on His perfect love.

- We give thanks for the birth of a baby boy, Vincent Christian Vachon, born to Drew and Gillian Vachon. We ask God to strengthen and protect Vincent as he grows, and to be with his family as they welcome him home.
- We pray for Scarlett Evelyn Clarke on the occasion of her Baptism. We ask God to strengthen Scarlett as she grows and to bless her parents, Cody and Morgan (Adair) Clarke, and her sponsor, Matthew Adair, as they raise and nurture Scarlett in her Baptismal faith.
- We pray for Nolan Lyle Kuhmichel on the occasion of his Baptism. We ask God to strengthen Nolan as he grows and to bless his parents, Robert and Alyssa (Everson) Kuhmichel, and his sponsors, Lyle and Tara Kuhmichel, as they raise and nurture Nolan in his Baptismal faith.
- Pray for the family of Rae Paff (brother of Mike Paff), as they mourn the passing of their loved one. Ask God to comfort them in their grief, give them His peace, and assure them of the victory over death that is ours through Christ.
- Pray for strength, healing and comfort for Chris Alfeld (son of Sharon Alfeld), Deb Percy, Audrey (niece of Gary Curtis), Rhonda Irvén, Curt Reese (brother-in-law of Sandra Nahrwold), David Merkle, Mary Louise Spice, Gary Dick (friend of Nadine Polley), Carolyn Hansen (mother-in-law of Danyiel Adams), Pam Matson, Jennifer Bergman, Craig Brigman, Sandy Reavis, Sue Maxson, and Kristy Fitzgerald.
- Pray for the following people recovering from surgery: Kristen Labahn, Patty Rouse, Phyllis Urbine, Faith Harless.
- Pray for healing, comfort and peace for the following people with cancer: Peg Davis, Rich (friend of Ron and Elaine Ahrens), Jenny Hobby (sister of Chris Murphy), Josh Walters (friend of Patty Rouse), Carolyn Robison (sister of Sandy Reavis and Patty Rouse), Richard Vargas (brother-in-law of Kris Tinsley), Judy Baumgartner (mother of Kristin Smith), and Christie Wentland (sister-in-law of Aaron & Cara Wentland).
- Pray for strength and peace for Mary English (friend of Sharon Bell).
- Join our staff in praying for the following members this week:
  - Bill and Marcia Hines
  - Troy and Jill Hockemeyer, Cal, Jake, Brooke, and Mallory
  - Andrea Hockenberry
  - Doris Hoffman
  - Drew and Nancy Hoffman
  - Eric and Michelle Hoffman, Bryce and Ryan
  - Ken and Jan Hoffman, Kevin
  - Logan and Hannah Hoffman, Annika, and Jude
  - Billy and Britney Hofman, Ellie, Gabriela, Gwen, and Juliette
  - John and Donna Hofrichter
- Please pray for the missions and missionaries currently supported by Emmanuel's congregation:
  - Rev. James and Deaconess Christel Nuendorf - Ponce, Puerto Rico
  - Rev. Aaron Spratt - Alaska Mission for Christ

- Lutheran Agency for Missions to Burmese (LAMB)
- Rev. Michael Paul - Taiwan
- The Lutheran Heritage Foundation
- Luther Academy
- Lutheran Senior Care Ministry (LSCM)
- Lutherans For Life (LFL)

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.

## The Teaching of the Church

### Adult Sunday Bible Classes 9:15 - 10:30 A.M.

CLASS	LOCATION	DATES	INSTRUCTOR
Unlocking the Bible	Ebenezer, LL	4/24-5/22	Pr. Eggold, Pr. Sheaffer

### Sunday School Classes 9:15 - 10:15 A.M.

CLASS	LOCATION
Me Too (Birth - Age 2)	Room 7 (Lower Level, School)
3-5 Year Olds	Room 6 (Lower Level, School)
K-2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	Room 105 (Middle Level, School)
3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Room 104 (Middle Level, School)
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation	Room 202 (Third Floor, School)
7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation	Room 4 (Lower Level, School)
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation	Activity Center (Upper Level, School)
9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	The Loft

### Weekday Bible Classes...

CLASS	LOCATION	DAY	TIME
Women's Book Study	The Loft	Mondays	9:00 am
LifeLight - Romans (Beg. 4/18)	Ebenezer Hall	Mondays	5:30 pm
Women's Book Study (Beth Williams 402-803-5303)	Ebenezer Hall	Tuesdays (1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> )	8:00 pm
Men's Bible Study	Ebenezer Hall	Wednesdays	6:30 am
Women's Bible Study - Jude	Brandt Hall	Wednesdays	8:30 am
Pastor's Bible Study	Ebenezer Hall	Wednesdays	10:00 am
Men's Bible Study	Brandt Hall	Fridays	6:30 am

# The News of the Church

**Emmanuel Calls Pastor Sam Troemel** - Following the vote of the congregation to approve a full-time, called position for Youth and Family Ministry, the call committee extended a divine call to Rev. Sam Troemel. Rev. Troemel currently serves Calvary Lutheran Church in Indianapolis, in the same specific ministry pastoral role for which Emmanuel is calling. Sam has been at Calvary since 2017. While originally called as the Youth and Family Director, Sam was ordained through his training in the SMP (Specific Ministry Pastor) program and has been serving as the Youth and Family Pastor since 2021. A West Lafayette native, Sam attended Concordia University Chicago where he studied Christian Education and Elementary Education. It was in Chicago where he met his wife, Molly (Peterson), who is a daughter of Emmanuel, and who currently serves as Calvary's junior high social studies teacher. Sam and Molly have been married since 2015 and have a son named Levi. Please pray for Sam and Molly as they seek the Lord's will for their continued service in His Church.

**Church.Greeting Card Ministry** - In the Welcome Center there is a beautiful cabinet that displays a variety of greeting cards and special occasion cards (Easter, Thanksgiving, Christmas, Confirmation, and Graduation). Along with the special occasion cards, there are also birthday, get well, anniversary, marriage, thank you, praying for you cards, and more. These cards are beautiful with scripture included on each one. The best part is each card sells for only \$.50 each. Please consider stopping by the card display and see what is available for you.

**Cookies for the Connections Counter** - Each weekend we plan for guests and visitors at Emmanuel. Our Connections Counter serves as a central location for making conversation, sharing information, and providing a warm welcome. When first-time guests come to the Counter, we provide a small box of cookies. If you enjoy baking and would like to be part of this ministry of hospitality, please visit the Connections Counter or call the church office to sign up to contribute cookies.

**VBS Update & Opportunity** - Due to the school renovation project this summer, Emmanuel will not hold VBS on our campus. Instead, Emmanuel will participate in St. Michael's VBS program. We will resume our VBS program once the school renovations are complete. Emmanuel VBS participants and volunteers are encouraged to join in St. Michael's VBS this year. Here are the details:

**Theme:** *Food Truck Party: On a Roll with God*

**Dates and Time:** July 25-29, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

**Culminating Service and Party:** July 30 at 5:00 p.m.

**Location:** St. Michael Lutheran Church

**VBS Contact:** Carrie Gould, 937.641.9744 / [carrie.gould1137@yahoo.com](mailto:carrie.gould1137@yahoo.com)



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

**Concordia Lutheran High School seeks a qualified candidate** to serve as a Receptionist. The Receptionist is responsible for answering the phone and welcoming visitors into the building. They ensure that the Main Office activity and business are efficiently and effectively organized. The Receptionist is also responsible for the daily newsletter to students and parents, organizing uniform sales, and working with vendors as they come into the building, and other duties as assigned. To view the position description and responsibilities and to apply, please visit [www.clhscadets.com/employment](http://www.clhscadets.com/employment). Only applications with all materials, including the completed application, will be considered.

**Concordia Lutheran High School seeks a qualified candidate** to serve as a Science Teacher. A bachelor's degree in secondary education, or a related field, and a High School Science - Life Science Teacher Certification is required. Seeking candidates that desire a classroom teaching experience. Recent graduates may apply. The candidate would be teaching Biology, AP Environmental Biology (Advanced Placement), and Integrated Chemistry-Physics. To view the position description and responsibilities and to apply, please visit [www.clhscadets.com/employment](http://www.clhscadets.com/employment). Only applications with all materials, including the completed application, will be considered.

## The Stewardship of the Church

### EMMANUEL'S MINISTRIES

Year to Date: \$683,065	Anticipated Need Thru May: \$729,704
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### DISTRICT AND SYNOD

Last Week: \$362	Year to Date: \$6,791
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### CUP OF KINDNESS

Last Week: \$75	Year to Date: \$3,056
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### IN ALL GENERATIONS

Received: \$1,523,093	Goal: \$5,000,000	Pledged: \$2,991,172
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# The Calendar of the Church

## Monday, May 16

- 9:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study
- 5:30 p.m. LifeLight
- 7:00 p.m. ESM School Board Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. West Central Neighborhood Association

## Tuesday, May 17

- 5:00 p.m. Preschool End of School Year Celebration

## Wednesday, May 18

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 8:30 a.m. ESM School Chapel
- 8:45 a.m. Women's Bible Study
- 9:00 a.m. Homeschool Religion Class
- 9:30 a.m. Preschool Closing Chapel
- 10:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study
- 11:30 a.m. Mid-Week Communion Service

## Thursday, May 19

- 8:30 a.m. Thursday Guys
- 9:00 a.m. Piece Makers
- 3:30 p.m. Food Pantry

## Friday, May 20

- Preschool Last Day of School
- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 5:00 p.m. ESM School Carnival @ Getz Road

## Saturday, May 21

- 3:30 p.m. Praise Team
- 5:00 p.m. Divine Worship Service

## Sunday, May 22

- 8:00 a.m. Divine Worship Service with Communion
- 9:00 a.m. Gathering Time in Ebenezer Hall
- 9:15 a.m. Adult Bible Classes & Youth Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Divine Worship Service
- 6:00 p.m. FWYA Bible Study

# Building Faith in the Family

“When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you” (John 16:13-14).

## First Things

When have you used a guidebook or been led by a guide? Guides and guidebooks can be very helpful. In today’s lesson, Jesus leaves His disciples and us with a guide.

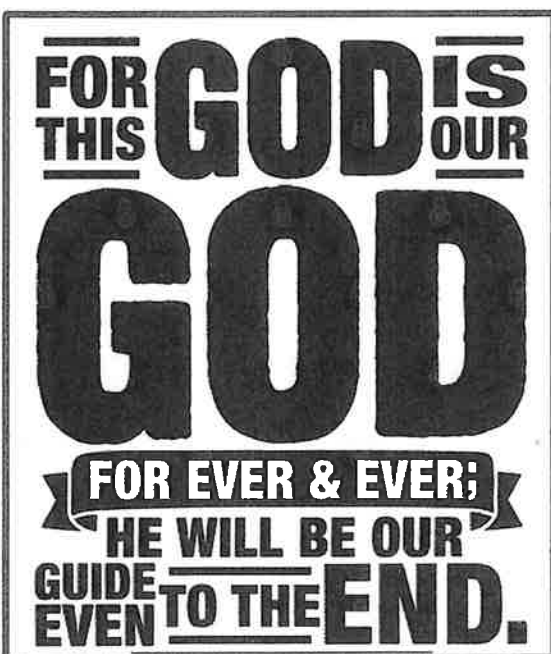
## The Main Thing

In our gospel lesson, Jesus teaches His disciples before He leads them to Jerusalem and then to the cross. As they follow Him, they will see Him crucified for the sins of the world, and they will also see the empty tomb. Jesus will guide them to the reality of His resurrection. Jesus tells His disciples that soon He will leave them, and He will ascend into heaven to return to His Father. The disciples will be left alone.



Jesus then shares that the Holy Spirit will be the disciples’ guide. The Spirit will continue to guide them in the truth of the Word. The Word will continue to teach them of their need for the Savior, and to remind them of the saving work of Jesus. The Word will remind them of the truth of Jesus’ resurrection.

Often, we need a guide. It’s nice to have a guide while going down an unknown path. Sometimes we get lost on our sinful paths. Sometimes we get lost in our sadness or madness. Sometimes we don’t know where to turn with our doubts.



The Holy Spirit came to us in our Baptism, and continues to come to us to guide us in the truth of God’s Word. What a blessing it is to have a guide! We continue to read our guidebook, the Bible, to follow its instructions, and to share this guide with others.

## All Things in Jesus’ Name

Heavenly Father, when we seek to find our own way, we get lost. Thank You for the work of the Spirit and the guide of Your Word, which takes us again to the pathways of Jesus. Bless us as we continue to follow Him to the cross and out of the tomb. May the Spirit guide us to always faithfully follow on Jesus’ path. In Jesus’ name, Amen.

# 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.

This family exists to announce this gift of forgiveness to individuals of all nations and cultures through the preaching of God's Word and the administration of the Sacraments. Emmanuel instructs young and old according to the confessional standard of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and reaches out through forgiving relationships, working to connect all members of the family through caring friendships.

Emmanuel serves as shepherds of the sheep; seekers of the lost; friends of sinners; and caregivers to the poor, lonely and broken-hearted. It is a family that cares for all people and reaches out to witness to the love and forgiveness found in Jesus Christ.

**Emmanuel Worship Services** are designed to share God's love and forgiveness through the ministry of Word and Sacrament. We offer a variety of worship styles and we encourage you to worship in the liturgical style that best meets your needs.

**Saturday Evening Divine Service**—This service offers a contemporary setting and is held on Saturdays at 5:00 p.m.

**Sunday Morning Divine Services**—These services are held on Sundays at 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. and feature worship in a traditional liturgical setting.

## Church Staff

**Thomas A. Eggold**, Senior Pastor  
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**Sarah Pennekamp**, Dir. of Discipleship  
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**Dennis McFadden**, Pastoral Assistant  
**Herb Schumm**, Pastoral Assistant  
**Dan May**, Pastoral Assistant

**Ryan Tietz**, Pastoral Assistant  
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**Dick Shively**, Business Manager  
**Becki Elonzae**, Office Manager  
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