

Divine Service at 8:00



Emmanuel Lutheran Church

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# Welcome to Worship

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

**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.

# “Inevitable Conflict, Eternal Joy”

## AS WE GATHER

Today’s Epistle continues the list of heroes of faith begun last week. But the other Readings provide the context. At the time of the Old Testament Reading, false prophets were telling people that nothing was wrong, although God had not commanded them to teach about anything. In the Gospel, Jesus points out that acting on one’s faith inevitably leads to conflict, even within families. Only by faith are we able to look beyond the current, inevitable conflict to the joy that awaits all who follow Jesus. For the eternal joy before Him, He endured the pain. Through Christ’s action on the cross, our lives are framed by faith assured of eternal life and primed for action in the trials of this present life.

## + THE ORDER OF DIVINE SERVICE AT 8:00 A.M. +

### THE GATHERING TIME

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

THE PRELUDE: “Thy Strong Word”  
“Gavotte”

Weber, Hildebrand  
Bach

### THE RINGING OF THE BELLS

### THE WORDS OF WELCOME

THE OPENING HYMN: “Thy Strong Word”  
(Please stand, as you are able for verse 6)

Hymn 578

### THE PRESENTATION OF PRAYER REQUESTS

### THE INVOCATION

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

People: Amen.

### THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Leader: Let us confess our sins, recognizing the forgiveness we receive because of our Lord’s sacrifice in our place.

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

Leader: Gracious heavenly Father,

People: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Leader: People of God, "we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses," all of whom struggled in their day, none of them perfect, but all of whom looked forward in hope. Because our Lord Jesus, "for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, . . . is seated at the right hand of the throne of God," we can be confident that He fulfilled all God's promises and has made His total, gracious forgiveness available to us. 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. Thanks be to God!

#### THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray. Merciful Lord, cleanse and defend Your Church by the sacrifice of Christ. United with Him in Holy Baptism, give us grace to receive with thanksgiving the fruits of His redeeming work and daily follow in His way; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

Please be seated)

THE FIRST READING: Jeremiah 23:16-29

Thus says the Lord of hosts: "Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you, filling you with vain hopes. They speak visions of their own minds, not from the mouth of the Lord. <sup>17</sup>They say continually to those who despise the word of the Lord, 'It shall be well with you'; and to everyone who stubbornly follows his own heart, they say, 'No disaster shall come upon you.' <sup>18</sup>For who among them has stood in the council of the Lord to see and to hear his word, or who has paid attention to his word and listened? <sup>19</sup>Behold, the storm of the Lord! Wrath has gone forth, a whirling tempest; it will burst upon the head of the wicked. <sup>20</sup>The anger of the Lord will not turn back until he has executed and accomplished the intents of his heart. In the latter days you will

understand it clearly. <sup>21</sup>I did not send the prophets, yet they ran; I did not speak to them, yet they prophesied. <sup>22</sup>But if they had stood in my council, then they would have proclaimed my words to my people, and they would have turned them from their evil way, and from the evil of their deeds. <sup>23</sup>Am I a God at hand, declares the Lord, and not a God afar off? <sup>24</sup>Can a man hide himself in secret places so that I cannot see him? declares the Lord. Do I not fill heaven and earth? declares the Lord. <sup>25</sup>I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, 'I have dreamed, I have dreamed!' <sup>26</sup>How long shall there be lies in the heart of the prophets who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart, <sup>27</sup>who think to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, even as their fathers forgot my name for Baal? <sup>28</sup>Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let him who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? declares the Lord. <sup>29</sup>Is not my word like fire, declares the Lord, and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?"

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE SECOND READING: Hebrews 11:17-31; 12:1-3

By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was in the act of offering up his only son, <sup>18</sup>of whom it was said, "Through Isaac shall your offspring be named." <sup>19</sup>He considered that God was able even to raise him from the dead, from which, figuratively speaking, he did receive him back. <sup>20</sup>By faith Isaac invoked future blessings on Jacob and Esau. <sup>21</sup>By faith Jacob, when dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, bowing in worship over the head of his staff. <sup>22</sup>By faith Joseph, at the end of his life, made mention of the exodus of the Israelites and gave directions concerning his bones. <sup>23</sup>By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden for three months by his parents, because they saw that the child was beautiful, and they were not afraid of the king's edict. <sup>24</sup>By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, <sup>25</sup>choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. <sup>26</sup>He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward. <sup>27</sup>By faith he left Egypt, not being afraid of the anger of the king, for he endured as seeing him who is invisible. <sup>28</sup>By faith he kept the Passover and sprinkled the blood, so that the Destroyer of the firstborn might not touch them. <sup>29</sup>By faith the people crossed the Red Sea as if on dry land, but the Egyptians, when they attempted to do the same, were drowned. <sup>30</sup>By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they had been encircled for seven days. <sup>31</sup>By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had given a friendly welcome to the spies. <sup>1</sup>Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, <sup>2</sup>looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross,

despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.  
<sup>3</sup>Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand, as you are able)

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 12:49-56

[Jesus said:] "I came to cast fire on the earth, and would that it were already kindled! <sup>50</sup>I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how great is my distress until it is accomplished! <sup>51</sup>Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. <sup>52</sup>For from now on in one house there will be five divided, three against two and two against three. <sup>53</sup>They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law." <sup>54</sup>He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you say at once, 'A shower is coming.' And so it happens. <sup>55</sup>And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat,' and it happens. <sup>56</sup>You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

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.

(Please be seated)

THE SERMON HYMN: "Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word"

Hymn 655

THE SERMON

Pastor Dan Sheafer

THE GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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

THE MUSICAL OFFERING: "Fairest Lord Jesus"

Volkslieder

(Please stand, as you are able)

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Leader: In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For the spirit of Jeremiah, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph and Moses, that in days of division our hearts would be strengthened to confess in word and deed the glory of God's name, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For the power of the Holy Spirit to overshadow the servants of God, that they may build up the Church of God on the eternal foundation of His Holy Word, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For parents, that they may bring up their children to resist temptation and endure all for the sake of Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For our nation and all those in authority, that our Lord God Almighty would behold them in His mercy and replenish them by His grace; that all who receive the sword would bear it according to His Word, always inclining to His will and walking in His way; and that we might lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For the sick, that God would grant healing to their bodies, strength to the weak, endurance to bear up under trial, patience to await His deliverance and peace at the last, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For hearts that prize our Baptism and the communion of the saints above all other relations in this world, even as we pray and strive for the salvation of those we know and love, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: In thanksgiving for the saints who have gone before us, that we who share with them the feast of heaven would also follow their way through death to eternal life, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Hear us, most merciful Father, in these our humble requests, which we offer unto You in the name and for the sake 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 SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION +

THE PREFACE: (Spoken responsively by the Congregation)

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

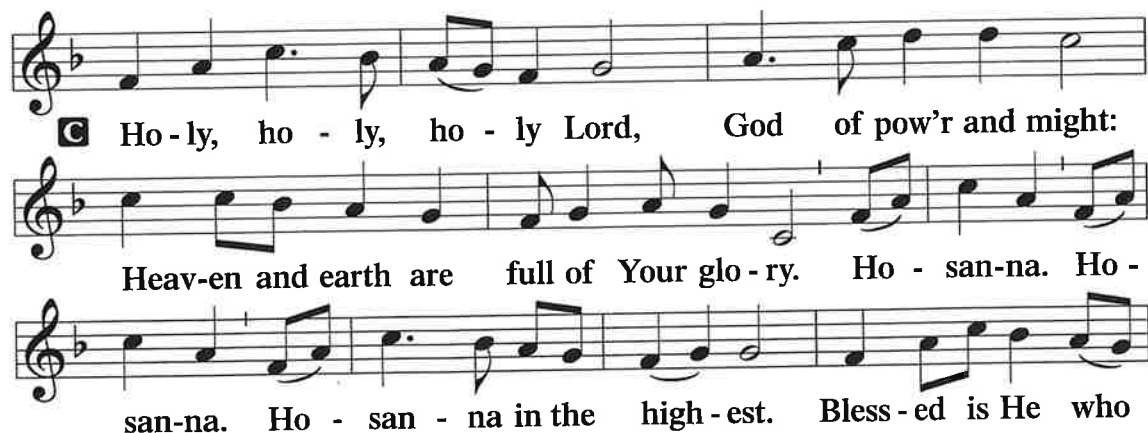
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

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

Leader: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, in whom people of faith before us believed in spite of persecution, and who has now fulfilled all Your gracious promises. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the host of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

THE SANCTUS: (Sung by the congregation)

LSB, 161



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





comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE PEACE OF THE LORD

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

People: Amen.

THE AGNUS DEI: (Sung by the congregation)

LSB, 163



**C** Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have



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



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



sin of the world; grant us peace.

(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

“The Ash Grove”

Solomons

“Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord”

Hymn 637

“Blest Are They”

Hymn 982



1 Blest are they, the poor in spir - it;      Theirs is the  
 2 Blest are they, the low - ly ones;      They shall in -  
 3 Blest are they who show mer - cy;      Mer - cy  
 4 Blest are they who seek peace;      They are the  
 5 Blest are you who suf - fer hate,      All be -



king - dom of God.      Blest are they, full of  
 her - it the earth.      Blest are they who hun - ger and  
 shall be theirs.      Blest are they, the pure of  
 chil - dren of God.      Blest are they who suf - fer in  
 cause of Me.      Re - joice and be glad, yours is the



sor - row;      They shall be con - soled.  
 thirst;      They shall have their fill.  
 heart;      They shall see God!  
 faith;      The glo - ry of God is theirs.  
 king - dom;      Shine for all to see.

*Refrain*



Re - joice and be glad!      Bless - ed are you,



ho - ly are you.      Re - joice and be glad!      Yours is the



king - dom of God.

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"There Is a Redeemer"

Hymn 971



1 There is a Re - deem - er— Je - sus, God's own Son;  
2 Je - sus, my Re - deem - er, Name a - bove all names;  
3 When I stand in glo - ry, I will see His face;



Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes-si - ah, Ho - ly One.  
Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes-si - ah, Hope for sin - ners slain.  
There I'll serve my King for-ev - er In that ho - ly place.

*Refrain*



Thank You, O my Fa - ther, For giv-ing us Your Son,



And leav - ing Your Spir-it Till the work on earth is done.

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(Please stand, as you are able)

THE DISMISSAL

THE BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

Leader: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

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

People: Amen.

THE CLOSING HYMN: "Forth in the Peace of Christ We Go"

Hymn 920

THE POSTLUDE: "Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word"

Machemer

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Is. 66:18-23; Psalm 50:1-15; Heb. 12:4-29; Luke 13:22-30

THE FLOWERS adorning His altar were given to the glory of God in honor of the Emmanuel staff from the Steve Bryan family; and in loving memory of Beverly Payne, Willis, Evangeline and Edna Rump and Paul and Vera Payne from Stan Payne and family; and in loving memory of Craig Waikel from his Emmanuel

family; and in loving memory of the August 15<sup>th</sup> birthday of Beverly Linnemeier from David.

## SERVING

Liturgist	Pastor Thomas A. Eggold
Acolyte	Becca Kiefer
Organ / Piano	Myra Schmidt
Flute	Karen Buuck
Harp	Bev Williams
Altar Guild	Beth Igney, Cathy Elkins, Faith Harless, Liz Hincks, Diane Witzenman
Comm. Assistants	Greg Wasson, Wesly Williams, Jon Adair, Denny Buesching
Opener	Kim Perez
Usher Crew 3	Ed Davis, Chuck Karrick, Kevin Sark, Dave Bieberich, David Bell, Sharon Bell, Matt Benne, Barry Gynn
Audio Engineer	Tom Anderson

# 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 the family of David Bell, 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, wisdom, endurance, peace and comfort for Sharon Bell, Alycia Merkler, Carol Salge, Maury Springer, Phyllis Urbine, Patrick Agerton, Harry Brown (father-in-law of Kristina Brown), Lori Richey, Ron Bear, Dick Reinking, Taylor Hogan (son of Arlan Hogan), Audrey (niece of Gary Curtis), Curt Reese (brother-in-law of Sandra Nahrwold), David Merkler, Jennifer Bergman, Sue Maxson, Kristy Fitzgerald, Mary English (friend of Sharon Bell), Rich Roy (friend of Ron and Elaine Ahrens), Kelly Richards.
  - Pray for the following people recovering from surgery: Mitch Platt, Kathy Schweyer, Steve Mueller, Ethan Perkins, Bruce Novak.

- Pray for healing, comfort and peace for the following people with cancer: Lois Howe (aunt of Bob Frye), Peg Davis, 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), and Judy Baumgartner (mother of Kristin Smith).
- Join our staff in praying for the following members this week:
  - Lindasue Landis
  - Dawn Languell
  - Gene and Susan Languell
  - Larry and Valerie Lankenau
  - Tim and Darlene Lankenau
  - Adam and Cori Lash, Teagan and Nixon
  - Michael Lash, Reagan
  - Rob Lash, Hunter
  - Steve and Kathy Lash
  - Karl and Sarah Lash, Winnie and Joel
- Please pray for the missions and missionaries currently supported by Emmanuel's congregation:
  - Rev. James and Deaconess Christel Neuendorf - 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](mailto:taeggold@hotmail.com). If you would like to join the Emmanuel Prayer Chain, please email Marsha Sappenfield at [marshasappenfield@comcast.net](mailto:marshasappenfield@comcast.net).

# 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.

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

CLASS	LOCATION	DATES	INSTRUCTOR
Selected Psalms	Ebenezer Hall	8/7 - 8/28	Pr. Brunow

## Weekday Bible Classes...

CLASS	LOCATION	DAY	TIME
FWYA (Ft. Wayne Young Adult) Bible Study	Ebenezer Hall	Sundays	6:00 pm
Women's Book Study	The Loft	Mondays	9:00 am
FWYA Women's Bible Study	Ebenezer, LL	Tuesdays	6:00 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
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

Consider a Prayer Shawl for Your College Student - Emmanuel's Prayer Shawl Ministry has shawls available year-round for you to take (for free!) for yourself or to give to a loved one who is in extra need of prayers. You can find the shawls outside the sanctuary doors leading into Ebenezer Hall. This is a great gift to send with or to mail to those students who are headed off to college to remind them that they are in your prayers and that they are loved by their Emmanuel family!

Back to School at Emmanuel—St. Michael - ESM welcomed students back to school on Wednesday, August 10, with the theme "Go Make Disciples." We are reminded in this year's theme verse from Matthew 28 that God is always sending His church into the world with a message of love and forgiveness for all people. What a wonderful message to focus on and share with the ESM community in the coming year! As we begin our 61st school year as Interparish ministry, we are thankful for the partnership in ministry with Emmanuel Lutheran Church and St. Michael Lutheran Church to provide excellence in education for the

approximately 400 students enrolled in preschool-8th grade. Together, we are raising up the next generation of students who are prepared for their future callings, confident in who they are in Christ, and how they are called to serve. To God be the glory!



**Stephen Ministry** - On Tuesday, September 20, we will begin 50 hours of training in Stephen Ministry. The purpose of our class is to equip men and women to be more effective caregivers and servants in the kingdom of God. For more information about Stephen Ministry, contact Lana Hille at 417-5639.

**Cookies for Visitors** - 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 sign up using the link provided in the weekly email from the pastors, or by visiting the Connections Counter.

**Resource Library Books** - Several of the books from the “People’s Bible Commentary” series are missing from Emmanuel’s Resource Library. If you borrow books from our third-floor library, please check to see if you have any of the following titles: Genesis, Leviticus, 1 & 2 Samuel, Matthew, Galatians, Ephesians, 1 & 2 Timothy, and Titus. If you are no longer using these for a Bible study, please return them to the church office. Thank you!

**Stars and Promises Christmas Concert at Emmanuel** - On Thursday, December 22, at 7:00 p.m., Emmanuel will welcome guitarist Peter Mayer and his band to our very own sanctuary for a special Christmas concert entitled, “Stars and Promises.” Tickets for this unique performance may be purchased through Eventbrite. You can find the link and a discount code in the weekly email from the pastors, or you can contact the church office if you require additional assistance.

**Emmanuel’s 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Outing is Less than a Month Away!** To register for the outing, go to Emmanuel’s website at [www.emmanuellutheran.org](http://www.emmanuellutheran.org). Once there, scroll down to “Upcoming Events”. Click on the arrow to the right until you come to the golf outing. Click on it and you will be taken to the registration form. You can also register by calling Becki at the church office at 423-1369, or email her at [becki@emmanuellutheran.org](mailto:becki@emmanuellutheran.org). Payment to play can be made online by credit card, or you can pay the day of by cash or check. This year’s outing is being held on **Saturday, August 27**, at the Eel River Golf Course in Churubusco. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. with a Shotgun Start at 8:00 a.m. Cost is \$75 per golfer. Emmanuel’s Golf Outing serves as the sole source to The Heidbrink Scholarship fund which offers financial assistance to our graduating students

who are pursuing careers in church work, and to provide need-based grants to our students wishing to attend Concordia Lutheran High School. If you don't play golf, but would like to support the cause, you can use the "other" line on your contribution envelope and mark it "golf outing", or you can donate through Emmanuel's website at the address above. Thank you for your support.

**ESM School Renovation Begins!** Renovation of our Union Street school building has begun. This exciting project will renovate, update, and prepare our building for generations to come. This year will be filled with opportunities to be flexible and this will begin with a change in our Jackson Street parking lot. The south side of the Jackson Street parking lot will be closed in order to provide a staging area for contractors who will be working on the school. On Sunday mornings, additional parking will be available at Washington School or in the public parking lot on the corner of Wilt and Van Buren. Thank you for your patience as we move forward with this important project.

**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, and there will be no singing.

## The Stewardship of the Church

### EMMANUEL'S MINISTRIES

Year to Date: \$1,070,292	Anticipated Need Thru August: \$1,167,968
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### DISTRICT AND SYNOD

Last Week: \$492	Year to Date: \$11,397
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### CUP OF KINDNESS

Last Week: \$60	Year to Date: \$4,616
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### IN ALL GENERATIONS

Received: \$1,887,212	Goal: \$5,000,000	Pledged: \$2,992,172
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# The Calendar of the Church

## Monday, August 15

- 7:00 p.m. West Central Neighborhood Association Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. School Board Meeting at St. Michael

## Wednesday, August 17

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 8:30 a.m. ESM Chapel
- 10:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study
- 11:30 a.m. Mid-Week Communion Service

## Thursday, August 18

- 8:30 a.m. Thursday Guys
- 9:00 a.m. Piece Makers
- 3:30 p.m. Food Pantry
- 6:30 p.m. ESM All School Back to School Night at Getz Rd. Campus

## Friday, August 19

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study

## Saturday, August 20

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

## Sunday, August 21

- 8:00 a.m. Divine Worship Service
- 9:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study
- 10:30 a.m. Divine Worship Service with Communion
- 6:00 p.m. FWYA Bible Study

# Building Faith in the Family

## God's Word for This Week

Read Hebrews 11:17-12:3. Faith trusts even without sight of what God has promised in His Word. Faith is a gift to us from God, and is active in love and steadfast under persecution. The Christian life is an endurance race, run with remembrance of the saints who have already finished. In our reading, we are reminded of Abraham, who heard God's call to offer his son [Genesis 22]. Abraham had reason to debate whether God's words should be understood literally or with interpretation, because they conflicted not only with human reason, but also with the chief article of faith about the promised Seed, Christ, who was to be born of Isaac. Nevertheless, Abraham honored God and believed in His promises [Hebrews 11:17-19]. We, too, are simply to believe with all humility and obedience in our Creator and Redeemer's words and command. Most of all, we are to look to Jesus, His cross, and His resurrection. In Him, our race is already won (*adapted from Book of Concord, Formula, Solid Declaration, Article VII, 46 and from TLSB, 2124*).

## Activities for Building Faith

List some of the cloud of witnesses to the faith who surround you.

## Prayer

Lord Jesus, save me from my sin which clings so closely, and give me endurance to do Your will. Amen.

### Unscramble Words from the Scripture Readings

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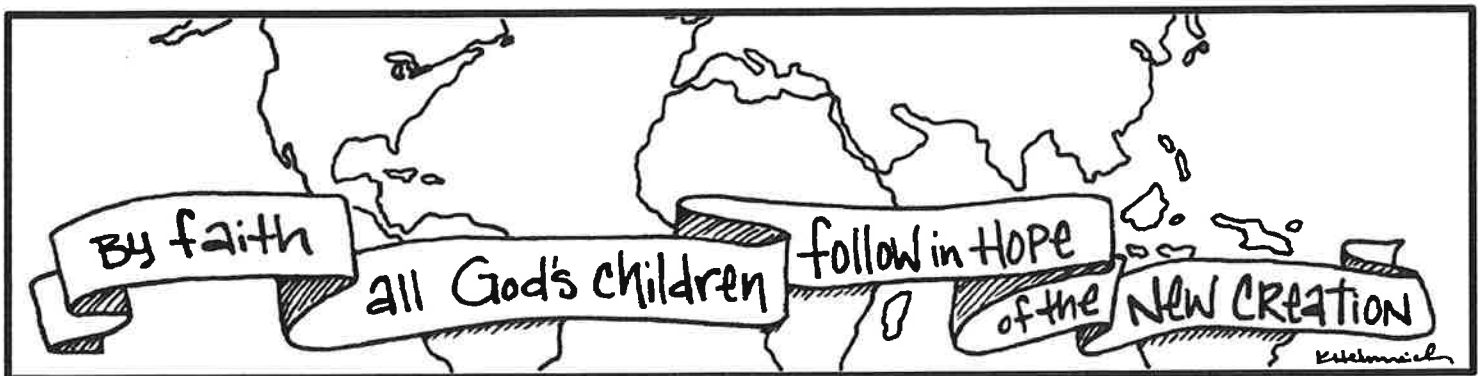
RNOEHT

REUUTF

HOSIWPR

WRARDE

Answers: blessed, child, throne, future, worship, reward



# 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  
**Dan Sheaffer**, Associate Pastor  
**Lana Hille**, Dir. of Congregational Care  
**Sarah Pennekamp**, Dir. of Discipleship  
& Youth Ministry  
**Arthur Klausmeier**, Pastor Emeritus  
**Gene Brunow**, Pastoral Assistant  
**Dan May**, Pastoral Assistant  
**Dennis McFadden**, Pastoral Assistant  
**Herb Schumm**, Pastoral Assistant

**Mark Sheaffer**, Pastoral Assistant  
**Ryan Tietz**, Pastoral Assistant  
**Craig Dahlkamp**, Worship Director  
**Myra Schmidt**, Lead Organist  
**Dick Shively**, Business Manager  
**Becki Elonzae**, Office Manager  
**Jennifer Tweedy**, Secretary  
**Randy Thompson**, Maintenance Supervisor  
**Jacob Shepard**, Seminary Fieldworker

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# Thy Strong Word

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1 Thy strong word did cleave the dark - ness; At Thy  
 2 Lo, on those who dwelt in dark - ness, Dark as  
 3 Thy strong Word be - speaks us righ - teous; Bright with  
 4 From the cross Thy wis - dom shin - ing Break - eth



speak - ing it was done. For cre - at - ed  
 night and deep as death, Broke the light of  
 Thine own ho - li - ness, Glo - rious now, we  
 forth in con - qu'ring might; From the cross for -



light we thank Thee, While Thine or - dered sea - sons run.  
 Thy sal - va - tion, Breathed Thine own life - breath - ing breath.  
 press toward glo - ry, And our lives our hopes con - fess.  
 ev - er beam - eth All Thy bright re - deem - ing light.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to



Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,  
 Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,  
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 Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!  
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!  
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 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!

5 Give us lips to sing Thy glory,  
 Tongues Thy mercy to proclaim,  
 Throats that shout the hope that fills us,  
 Mouths to speak Thy holy name.  
 Alleluia, alleluia!  
 May the light which Thou dost send  
 Fill our songs with alleluias,  
 Alleluias without end!

6 God the Father, light-creator,  
 To Thee laud and honor be.  
 To Thee, Light of Light begotten,  
 Praise be sung eternally.  
 Holy Spirit, light-revealer,  
 Glory, glory be to Thee.  
 Mortals, angels, now and ever  
 Praise the holy Trinity!

# Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word 655



1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in Your Word; Curb those who  
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, Your pow'r make known, For You are  
3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, Send peace and



by de - ceit or sword Would wrest the king - dom from Your  
Lord of lords a - lone; De - fend Your ho - ly Church that  
u - ni - ty on earth; Sup - port us in our fi - nal



Son And bring to naught all He has done.  
we May sing Your praise e - ter - nal - ly.  
strife And lead us out of death to life.

# Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord 637



1 Draw near and take the bod - y of the Lord,  
2 He who His saints in this world rules and shields,  
3 Come for - ward then with faith - ful hearts sin - cere,



And drink the ho - ly blood for you out - poured;  
To all be - liev - ers life e - ter - nal yields;  
And take the pledg - es of sal - va - tion here.



Of - fered was He for great - est and for least,  
With heav'n - ly bread He makes the hun - gry whole,  
O Lord, our hearts with grate - ful thanks en - dow



Him - self the vic - tim and Him - self the priest.  
Gives liv - ing wa - ters to the thirst - ing soul.  
As in this feast of love You bless us now.

# Forth in the Peace of Christ We Go 920



1 Forth in the peace of Christ we go;  
 2 King of our hearts, Christ makes us kings;  
 3 Priests of the world, Christ sends us forth  
 4 Christ's are our lips, His Word we speak;  
 5 We are the Church; Christ bids us show



Christ to the world with joy we bring;  
 King - ship with Him His ser - vants gain;  
 This world of time to con - se - crate,  
 Proph - ets are we whose deeds pro - claim  
 That in His Church all na - tions find



Christ in our minds, Christ on our lips,  
 With Christ the Ser - vant - Lord of all,  
 This world of sin by grace to heal,  
 Christ's truth in love that we may be  
 Their hearth and home where Christ re - stores



Christ in our hearts, the world's true king.  
 Christ's world we serve to share Christ's reign.  
 Christ's world in Christ to re - cre - ate.  
 Christ in the world, to spread Christ's name.  
 True peace, true love to all man - kind.