

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.

EMMANUEL APP



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Found in the gathering space we call Ebenezer Hall.

BUILDING FAITH IN THE CITY

“They Shall Be Mine”

AS WE GATHER

“That’s mine!” is a phrase familiar to us often for selfish reasons. But this phrase is also familiar to our God. Where humans are motivated by selfishness, the Lord acts out of love. He claims you as His own because He loves you and He wants you to be with Him for eternity. You are His treasured possession! He will never leave you behind. When the Lord says, “You are Mine,” you have His pledge of enduring faithfulness, today and unto eternity!

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 OPENING SONG: “This Is Amazing Grace”

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness,
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger?
The King of glory, the King above all kings.

Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder
And leaves us breathless in awe and wonder?
The King of glory, the King above all kings.

(Chorus)

This is amazing grace, this is unfailing love,
That you would take my place, that you would bear my cross.
You laid down Your life that I would be set free.
Oh, Jesus, I sing for all that You’ve done for me.

Who brings our chaos back into order,
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter?
The King of glory, the King of glory.

Who rules the nations with truth and justice,
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance?
The King of glory, the King above all kings. (Chorus)

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain!
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave!
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain!
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave!
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain!
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave!

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain!

Worthy, worthy, worthy! (Chorus)

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(Please stand as you are able)

THE INVOCATION

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

People: Amen.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Leader: Though darkness surrounds us,

People: Christ shines His light upon us.

Leader: Though our world is full of war and violence,

People: Christ is our peace.

Leader: Though our relationships are strained and broken,

People: Christ brings reconciliation and redemption.

Leader: Though we fail to remember Jesus,

People: He always remembers us.

Leader: In our lives, we often ask ourselves, "Who am I?" We seek to define ourselves by our jobs, relationships, finances, skills, and most devastatingly of all, our failures. Yet ultimately, who we are resides in none of these things. Our identity is in Jesus and what He has done for us. As we come before our heavenly Father, we confess everything we have elevated above Jesus, and we ask for forgiveness.

(Silence for reflection and confession)

Leader: Heavenly Father,

People: we have sinned against You in thoughts, words, and deeds. Forgive us, renew us, and point us back to Jesus. Amen.

Leader: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die and rise for you. By His cross, Jesus makes peace and delivers you from all your sins to live as His new creation. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen. In Jesus we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

THE SHARING OF PEACE

(Please be seated)

THE MUSICAL RESPONSE: "We Will Remember"

(Chorus)

We will remember, we will remember,

We will remember the works of Your hands.

We will stop and give You praise

For great is Thy faithfulness. (Repeat)

You're our Creator, our Life Sustainer, Deliverer, our Comfort, our Joy.
Throughout the ages You've been our shelter,
Our peace in the midst of the storm.

With signs and wonders You've shown Your power,
With precious blood You showed us Your grace.
You've been our Helper, our Liberator,
The Giver of life with no end. (Chorus)

When we walk through life's darkest valleys,
We will look back at all You have done.
And we will shout, "Our God is good and He is the faithful One!"

Hallelujah! Hallelujah to the one from whom all blessings flow.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah to the one whose glory has been shown. (Chorus)

I still remember the day You saved me,
The day I heard You call out my name.
You said You loved me, would never leave me,
And I've never been the same! (Chorus)

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THE FIRST READING: Malachi 3:13-18

"Your words have been hard against me, says the LORD. But you say, 'How have we spoken against you?' ¹⁴You have said, 'It is vain to serve God. What is the profit of our keeping his charge or of walking as in mourning before the LORD of hosts? ¹⁵And now we call the arrogant blessed. Evil-doers not only prosper but they put God to the test and they escape.'" ¹⁶Then those who feared the LORD spoke with one another. The LORD paid attention and heard them, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who feared the LORD and esteemed his name. ¹⁷"They shall be mine, says the LORD of hosts, in the day when I make up my treasured possession, and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves him. ¹⁸Then once more you shall see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE SECOND READING: Colossians 1:13-20

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. ¹⁵He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. ¹⁶For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. ¹⁷And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as you are able)

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 23:27-43

And there followed [Jesus] a great multitude of the people and of women who were mourning and lamenting for him. ²⁸But turning to them Jesus said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. ²⁹For behold, the days are coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren and the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!' ³⁰Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us,' and to the hills, 'Cover us.' ³¹For if they do these things when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?" ³²Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. ³³And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." And they cast lots to divide his garments. ³⁵And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!" ³⁶The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine ³⁷and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." ³⁹One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ⁴¹And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴²And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." ⁴³And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

THE APOSTLES' CREED (spoken together)

Inside back cover of hymnal

THE MUSICAL RESPONSE: "King of Kings"

In the darkness we were waiting, without hope, without light,
'Til from Heaven You came running, There was mercy in Your eyes.
To fulfill the Law and Prophets, to a virgin came the Word.
From a throne of endless glory to a cradle in the dirt.

(Chorus)

Praise the Father, praise the Son,

Praise the Spirit, three in one.

God of Glory, majesty, praise forever to the King of kings.

To reveal the kingdom coming and to reconcile the lost,

To redeem the whole creation, You did not despise the cross.

For even in Your suff'ring, You saw to the other side.

Knowing this was our salvation, Jesus, for our sake You died. (Chorus)

And the morning that You rose all of heaven held its breath,

'Til that stone was moved for good, for the Lamb had conquered death.
And the dead rose from their tombs, and the angels stood in awe,
For the souls of all who'd come to the Father are restored.
And the Church of Christ was born, then the Spirit lit the flame.
Now this Gospel truth of old shall not kneel, shall not faint.
By His blood and in His Name, in His freedom I am free,
For the love of Jesus Christ who has resurrected me. (Chorus)

Praise forever to the King of kings.

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THE SERMON

Pastor Dan Sheaffer

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 RESPONSE: "Jesus, Son of God"

You came down from Heaven's throne.
The earth You formed was not Your home.
A love like this the world had never known.
A crown of thorns to mock Your name.
Forgiveness fell upon Your face.
A love like this the world had never known.

(Chorus)

On the altar of our praise, let there be no higher name:
Jesus, Son of God.
You laid down Your perfect life;
You are the sacrifice, Jesus, Son of God.
You are Jesus, Son of God.

You took our sin, You bore our shame, You rose to life,
You defeated the grave, and a love like this the world has never known.
'Cause You took our sin, You bore our shame, You rose to life,
You defeated the grave. A love like this the world has never known. (Chorus)

Be lifted higher than all You've overcome.
Your name be louder than any other song.
There is no power that can come against Your love.
The cross was enough, the cross was enough,
The cross was enough, the cross was enough.
The cross was enough, the cross was enough.

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THE MINISTRY MINUTE

Advent at Emmanuel

(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: In thanksgiving for Christ, our King, who has made peace, delivered divine pardon, and redemption by the blood of His cross, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For this and all congregations, that Christ, her Head, would rule over her by the forgiveness of sins and hold all things together for our good, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For all Christian homes, that the Father's treasured possessions spared through the death of His beloved Son would grow in the fear of the Lord, serve Him faithfully and walk undismayed by the prosperity of the wicked until all is revealed, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For the inhabitants of the world, that they may stand in awe of Christ, who alone is King of kings and Lord of lords, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For good government and preservation of life in the midst of a fallen world, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For the troubled, the sick and the dying, that our King would remember us not according to our sins, but according to His pardon spoken from the cross, and so deliver us from all evil, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: O Christ, our King, in Your blood the saints of all ages wash their robes and find entrance to paradise with You. Bring us also with them out of death and the grave and into resurrection and eternal life at the Last Day, when we will see You crowned with glory; for You are the Lamb who was slain and now lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Spoken together)

THE BLESSING

THE CLOSING SONG: "As It Is in Heaven"

Our Father, Who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name,

Come and let Your glory, come and let Your glory fall.

Our Father, Who art in Heaven, the rocks cry out Your fame,

So come and let Your glory, come and let Your glory fall.

I will sing, sing a new song; I will sing, sing a new song.

I will sing, sing a new song to the Lord.

(Chorus)

Let Your Kingdom come, let Your will be done
On earth, as it is in Heaven.
Ev'ry heart proclaim the mercy of Your name
On earth, as it is in Heaven.

God, give us, new ev'ry morning, mercy as daily bread;
In the name of Jesus, in the name of Jesus, we pray.
And lead us not to temptation, but deliver us with Your hand,
In the name of Jesus, in the name of Jesus, we pray. Father, we pray.

I will sing, sing a new song; I will sing, sing a new song.
I will sing, sing a new song to the Lord. (Chorus)

For the Kingdom is Yours, and the power is Yours,
and the glory forever, amen.

For the Kingdom is Yours, and the power is Yours,
and the glory forever, amen. (Chorus two times)

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THE POSTLUDE

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Is. 2:1-5; Ps. 122; Rom. 13:11-14; Matt. 24:36-44

THE FLOWERS adorning His altar today were given in loving memory and in thanksgiving for the time we had with our son and brother, Will Chin, from Betty and Willie Chin and Wanda and Mike Reuille; in loving memory of Steve Igney and Beverly Payne; and in honor of the 57th Wedding Anniversary of Ken and Jan Hoffman.

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, Deb Percy, Ed Braun, Norv McClure, Janine (friend of Lauryn Longworth), Gracelynn Anderson (granddaughter of Tim and Cindy Anderson), Lynn Williams (mother of Steve Williams), Randi Gramling (cousin of Deb Percy), Stan Thompson, Deb Epperson, Salem Lee Hilty, Faith Behling

- Pray for the following people recovering from surgery: Jan Reche, 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, Marsha Sappenfield, Jenny Nehrenz (niece of Charlene Hess), Rick Bair (brother of Dave and Tammy Bair)
- Join our staff in praying for the following members:
 - Justin and Carrie Arkkelin, Teagan and Noah
 - Darrell Armstead
 - Phil and Hannah Arthur, William and Aven
 - Tammy Aschliman
 - Bob and Kelly Asher
 - Aaron and Stacey Augenstein, Tierney, Bryan and Ashtyn
 - Gloria and Warren Ault
 - Kevin and Hailey Austin
 - Dave and Tammy Bair
 - Samantha Baker
- 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	Salem Lee Hilty	Austin Dillion	Nova Dillion

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
"The Kingdom of God is Coming"	Sanctuary
"I Believe"	Brandt Hall

Weekday Bible Classes...

CLASS	LOCATION	DAY	TIME
Monday Morning Moms	Loft	Monday (every other)	8:30 a.m.
LifeLight: Luke	Ebenezer Hall	Mondays	3:30 p.m.
LifeLight: Luke	Ebenezer Hall	Mondays	5:30 p.m.
Study the Psalms	Chapman's	Tuesday	6:00 p.m.
Men's Lectionary Study	Ebenezer Hall	Wednesdays	6:30 a.m.
Women's Bible Study	Brandt Hall	Wednesdays	8:30 a.m.
Pastor's Bible Study	Ebenezer Hall	Wednesdays	10:00 a.m.
Friends in the Word	Loft	Thursday (every other)	8:30 a.m.

Bible Study & Fellowship	Chapman's	Thursdays	6:00 p.m.
@917 (Ages 25-45)	Ebenezer Hall	Thursdays	7:00 p.m.
This Is Most Certainly Brew	Brandt Hall	Fridays	6:30 a.m.

The News of the Church

Visual Faith Workshop - Tuesday, December 2, from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. will be a special evening of creativity and fellowship in Ebenezer Hall. This is a wonderful opportunity to put finishing touches on your Advent journal and begin crafting your 2026 gratitude and prayer journal. Whether you're a seasoned journaler or just beginning, you'll find inspiration and guidance in a relaxed, encouraging setting. Sign up at the Connections Counter or use the QR code.



Mission Sunday with Suzie and Tao - Deaconess fieldworker Qian Su "Suzie" and her husband Tao will serve as our Mission Sunday speakers on Sunday, November 30, at 9:15 in the Sanctuary. Christians from Beijing, China, Suzie and Tao have an amazing story of how the Lord brought them to faith through the work of the Holy Spirit, led them to each other, and is preparing them to proclaim the Gospel through Concordia Theological Seminary here in Fort Wayne. Don't miss this unique opportunity to grow in your understanding of the Church and see how God continues to make disciples of all nations through His saving Gospel.

2026 Contribution Envelopes are available to pick up in Ebenezer Hall. They are stacked in alphabetical order. If you contribute electronically or with pew envelopes (found in the black "friendship folders"), you may not have an envelope packet assigned to you. If you would like an envelope packet, please call or see Jen Tweedy in the church office, or email her at jennifer@emmanuel Lutheran.org.

Emmanuel's LWM/LWML - Our next meeting will be on Thursday, December 4 1:00-3:00 p.m. in Lower Level Ebenezer. Our Bible Study will be "Equipped" and our service projects will be for Lutheran Social Services. We will be collecting and collating disposable diapers to give to LSS for distribution to those in need. Please bring diapers to the church office by December 2.

ESM's Vespers Service is on Thursday, December 11, at 7:00 p.m. Doors open at 6:15 p.m. for free, general admission. Earlier that day, we will have a rehearsal at 10:00 a.m. that will be open to the public, and you are all invited to attend! The morning open rehearsal and evening service will both be at Purdue University Fort Wayne in the Auer Performance Hall (Rhinehart Music Center). We look forward to celebrating the birth of our Savior with you!

The Lutheran Witness - If you would like to subscribe to The Lutheran Witness, please fill out the form below, enclose it in an envelope along with your payment

of \$25, and return it to the church office by Sunday, November 23. Please make your check payable to Emmanuel Church.

LUTHERAN WITNESS SUBSCRIPTION

NAME _____

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Christmas Giving Tree - A huge thank you for the tremendous response to our Christmas giving project this year. The tags were all taken this first weekend! Enjoy selecting gifts and gift cards for our families these next two weeks and bring them into church, unwrapped, with the tag by December 1. If you are able, we would love to have you join us on Friday, December 5 at 9:00 a.m. in the lower level of Ebenezer for our wrapping party.

Donations Needed - Washington Elementary is in need of clothing for their students. Their most desired items are sweatpants, underwear, socks, and pullover shirts in sizes 4/5 through 10/12. Please bring these items into the church office. Thank you for your consideration!

Santa Shop for Washington Elementary School - Santa Shop offers students at Washington School the opportunity to "shop" for items that they can gift to family members for Christmas. The shop is seeking donations of \$1 to \$5 gift items, as well as all wrapping supplies. Please bring your donation(s) to the church by Friday, December 5. To sign up to help wrap gifts, please contact Diane Witzenman at 260.249.1307. Thank you for your support, kindness and generosity for Washington Elementary School!

The Stewardship of the Church

EMMANUEL'S MINISTRIES

Supports the ongoing mission and ministry efforts of Emmanuel congregation.

Year to Date: \$1,983,427	Anticipated Need Thru November, 2025: \$1,967,648
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DISTRICT AND SYNOD

Used for local, national and world mission efforts.

Last Week: \$405	Year to Date: \$13,186
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CUP OF KINDNESS

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

Last Week: \$170	Year to Date: \$4,097
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IN ALL GENERATIONS

Supports the renovations of the Emmanuel campus school building.

"IAG" Total Received: \$6,117,458	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, November 24

ESM E-LEARNING DAY

6:00 p.m. Handbell Practice

Tuesday, November 25

ESM E-LEARNING DAY

6:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry

6:00 p.m. Stephen Training

6:00 p.m. Study the Psalms at Chapman's

Wednesday, November 26

ESM NO SCHOOL

11:30 a.m. Communion Service

Thursday, November 27

ESM NO SCHOOL

10:00 a.m. Thanksgiving Day Divine Service

Friday, November 28

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED & ESM NO SCHOOL

Saturday, November 29

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

Sunday, November 30

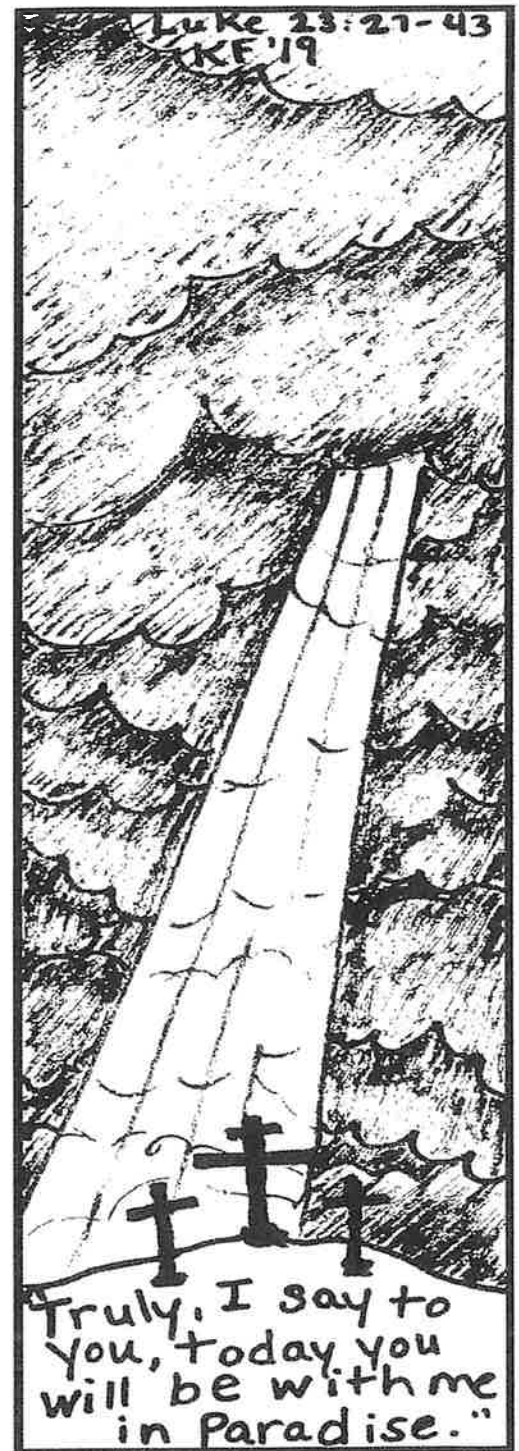
8:00 a.m. Divine Service w/ Communion

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

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



Sermon Notes



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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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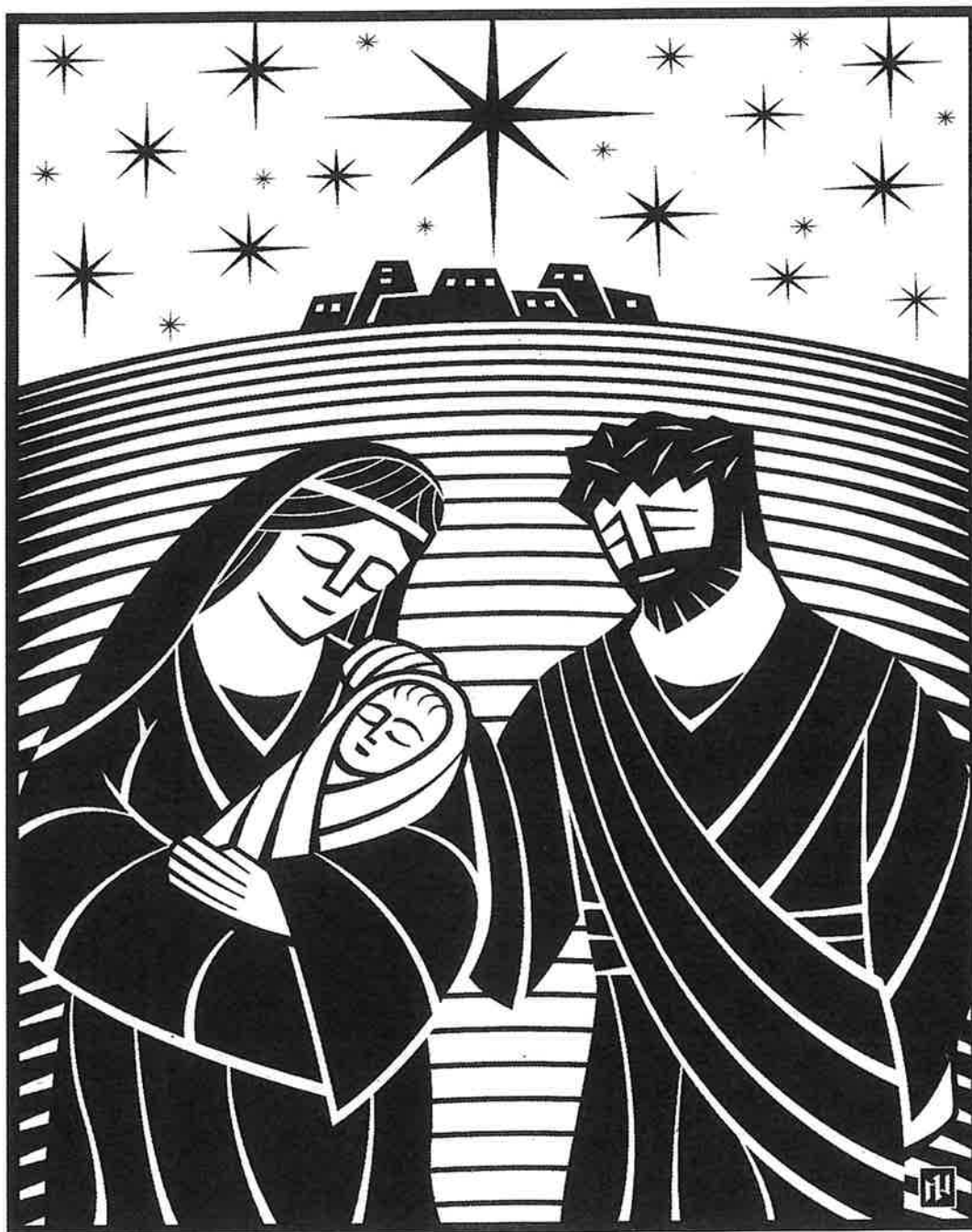
Mark Sheafer, Pastoral Assistant
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Myra Schmidt, Organist
Dick Shively, Business Manager
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Randy Thompson, Maintenance Supervisor
Carolyn Meyer, Administrative Assistant
Brad Larson, Seminary Fieldworker
Caleb Swor, Seminary Fieldworker
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Advent at Emmanuel



ADVENT & CHRISTMAS

Monday–Friday, December 1–19 at 7:30 a.m.

Morning Prayer in the Sanctuary

Wednesday, December 3, at 7 p.m.

Advent Worship Service

Wednesday, December 10, at 7:00 p.m.

Advent Worship Service

Thursday, December 11, at 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

ESM Christmas Vespers at the Auer Performance Hall, Purdue Fort Wayne

Wednesday, December 17, at 7 p.m.

Advent Worship Service with Special Music from our Handbell Choir

Wednesday, December 24, at 5:00 p.m.

Christmas Eve Family Worship Service
Special Christmas Music

Wednesday, December 24, at 7:00 p.m.

Christmas Eve Worship Service
Special Music with an Orchestra and Festival Choir

Wednesday, December 24, at 11:00 p.m.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship Service
Celebration of Holy Communion
Festival Choir, Handbells and Orchestra

Thursday, December 25, at 10:00 a.m.

Christmas Day Festival Service
Celebration of Holy Communion with Festival Choir

Wednesday, December 31, at 7:00 p.m.

New Year's Eve Worship Service
Celebration of Holy Communion

EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Building faith in the city

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On Sunday, November 30, we begin a new church year with the penitential season of Advent.

We will celebrate God's greatest gift of His Son, Jesus Christ, in many unique ways. On Saturday, November 29, we will decorate the sanctuary beginning at 8:30 a.m., and all are invited to help. Throughout the Advent season, we will host many special opportunities for worship.

This year, our Advent preparations will feature an Advent daily devotional from 1517.org entitled, "Coming Home for Christmas." You can access this daily devotional through Emmanuel's website and app. If you would like a paper copy of "Coming Home for Christmas," please reach out to Becki in the Church Office. We will also be broadcasting a weekly Advent devotion for our families with Ms. Liz that can also be found on the website and app.

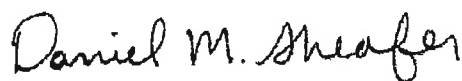
We will also be offering an opportunity for individual spiritual preparation by holding a Morning Prayer service on Mondays through Fridays at 7:30 a.m. in the sanctuary. This brief devotional service will provide us with time in God's Word and feature hymns, Scripture readings, and a time of spoken and silent prayer. Morning Prayer at Emmanuel will conclude around 7:45 a.m. The first day for Morning Prayer will be Monday, December 1.

On the next two pages, you will find a complete Advent and Christmas schedule listing of all of our special Advent and Christmas activities, including the Emmanuel-St. Michael School Christmas Vespers, which will be held on Thursday, December 11, at 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. at the Auer Performance Hall, on the campus of Purdue University Fort Wayne, 2101 E Coliseum Blvd. May God bless you with His peace as together we prepare our hearts for the coming of His Son.

In Christ,



Pastor Thomas A. Eggold



Pastor Daniel M. Sheaffer

Advent Family Devotions



Join the Emmanuel community as we journey together through the season of Advent. This year, Pastor Eggold, Pastor Sheaffer, and Ms. Liz will lead us through the three weeks leading up to Christmas. Together with students from ESM and CLHS, they will model what family devotions can look like in your own home, whatever your setting may be.

Beginning the first Tuesday of Advent, weekly family devotions will be available on Emmanuel's website, app, and social media.

As we prepare for the celebration of Christ's birth, may these devotions help us experience what it truly means to come home for Christmas – home to the love, peace, and presence of Jesus, our Emmanuel.