

# Divine Service at 10:30



## 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



[emmanuellutheran.org](http://emmanuellutheran.org)



Found in the gathering space we call Ebenezer Hall.

**BUILDING FAITH IN THE CITY**

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 21, 2025

## “A Story of Mercy”

### AS WE GATHER

Though we try to justify ourselves “before men,” God knows our sinful hearts and calls us to repentance (Luke 16:15). Though we are “not strong enough to dig,” and we are “ashamed to beg” (Luke 16:3), He justifies us by His grace and welcomes us into His “eternal dwellings” (Luke 16:9). In His radical mercy, He calls His people to bestow forgiveness freely as we have been forgiven.

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

#### THE GATHERING TIME

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

THE PRELUDE: “Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come”  
“I Love to Tell the Story”

Machemer  
Hobby

#### THE RINGING OF THE BELLS

#### THE WORDS OF WELCOME

THE OPENING HYMN: “Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come”

Hymn 350

#### THE PRESENTATION OF PRAYER REQUESTS

(Please stand as you are able)

#### THE INVOCATION

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

People: Amen.

#### THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: who made heaven and earth (Psalm 124:8).

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 (Psalm 130:3-4).

Leader: Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought,

word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner (Luke 18:13).

(Silence for reflection and confession)

**People:** Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life.

**Leader:** Almighty God in His mercy has given His son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. 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.

THE KYRIE: (Congregation sings)

LSB, 204



☐ Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS: (Congregation sings)



☐ 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;  
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;  
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!  
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.  
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,  
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.  
Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—  
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

## THE COLLECT

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray. O Lord, keep Your Church in Your perpetual mercy; and because without You we cannot but fall, preserve us from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through 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: Amos 8:4-7

Hear this, you who trample on the needy and bring the poor of the land to an end, <sup>5</sup>saying, "When will the new moon be over, that we may sell grain? And the Sabbath, that we may offer wheat for sale, that we may make the ephah small and the shekel great and deal deceitfully with false balances, <sup>6</sup>that we may buy the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals and sell the chaff of the wheat?" <sup>7</sup>The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob: "Surely I will never forget any of their deeds."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, <sup>2</sup>for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. <sup>3</sup>This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, <sup>4</sup>who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. <sup>5</sup>For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time. <sup>7</sup>For this I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

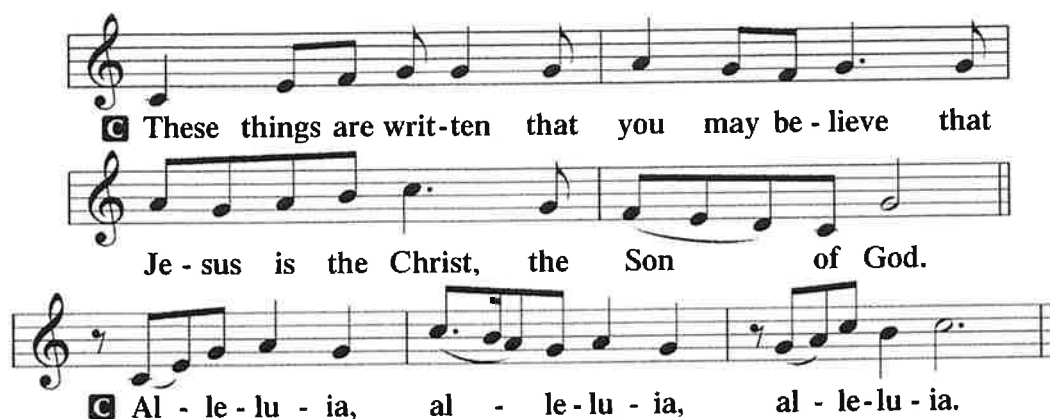
Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as you are able)

THE ALLELUIA AND VERSE





# THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 16:1-15

Leader: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 16<sup>th</sup> chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord!

[Jesus] also said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions. <sup>2</sup>And he called him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager.' <sup>3</sup>And the manager said to himself, 'What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. <sup>4</sup>I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.' <sup>5</sup>So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he said to the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' <sup>6</sup>He said, 'A hundred measures of oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.' <sup>7</sup>Then he said to another, 'And how much do you owe?' He said, 'A hundred measures of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and write eighty.' <sup>8</sup>The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. <sup>9</sup>And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings. <sup>10</sup>One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. <sup>11</sup>If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? <sup>12</sup>And if you have not been faithful in that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own? <sup>13</sup>No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money." <sup>14</sup>The Pharisees, who were lovers of money, heard all these things, and they ridiculed him. <sup>15</sup>And he said to them, "You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For what is exalted among men is an abomination in the sight of God."

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

THE NICENE CREED (Spoken together)

Inside Back Cover of the Hymnal

(Please be seated)

THE SERMON HYMN: "I Love to Tell the Story"

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

(Chorus)

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

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

I love to tell the story, Of how, from heav'n above  
Our Lord and Savior Jesus Was sent to show God's love  
To ev'ry sinful creature Upon this earthly place  
How Christ, the gift from heaven, Is God's great gift of grace. (Chorus)

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THE SERMON

Pastor Thomas A. Eggold

THE GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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

THE MUSICAL OFFERING: "A Beautiful Savior"

Sunbeams

THE MINISTRY MINUTE

Lutheran Women in Mission

THANKSGIVING FOR GOD'S GIFTS:

Dennis McFadden, Jen Tweedy, and Randy Thompson

(Please stand as you are able)

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Leader: In peace, let us pray to the Lord: For the baptized children of God, that we would be freed from obsession with the goods of this world and set our hearts on the joys of the kingdom and the inheritance that never fades, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For God's Holy Church here and everywhere, for those who have been called to serve as her pastors and church workers, for those preparing for church-work vocations, and for those considering full-time church work, that they may be guarded against the assaults of the evil one,

encouraged in their callings, and prepared to serve faithfully for the sake of the kingdom, let us pray to the Lord:

**People:** Lord, have mercy.

**Leader:** For the sick and those who suffer, for those troubled in mind, for the grieving in their sorrows, and for the dying in their last hours, that the Lord would grant them the comfort of His presence, relief according to His will and peace in their hearts, let us pray to the Lord:

**People:** Lord, have mercy.

**Leader:** For grateful hearts, that the Lord would free us from greed and covetousness so that we might be content and glad to share with those in need, let us pray to the Lord:

**People:** Lord, have mercy.

**Leader:** For our communion this day upon the body and blood of our Lord, for hearts moved to repentance and faith, and for the fruits of this Sacrament to be borne in lives of holiness and righteousness, let us pray to the Lord:

**People:** Lord, have mercy

**Leader:** O Lord, our God, whose mercies are new every morning, we give You thanks and praise for all Your kindness toward us, and we pray You to grant us the will and desire to worship You joyfully, to serve You faithfully and to proclaim boldly Your mighty acts of deliverance through our Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom we offer to You these prayers, and in whom we trust for all things; to You alone be glory, honor, worship and praise, O Lord, Father, Son and 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, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and



reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

# THE SANCTUS (Congregation sings)

LSB, 208



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;  
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo - ry of Your name.  
Sing ho - san - na in the high - est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;  
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

## THE LORD'S PRAYER (Spoken together)

## THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

## THE PEACE OF THE LORD

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

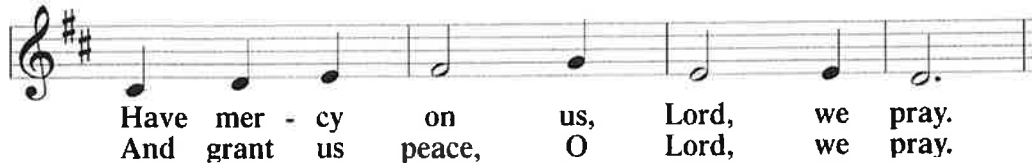
People: Amen.

# THE AGNUS DEI (Congregation sings)

LSB, 210



1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world a - way;  
You take the sin of the world a - way;  
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,



(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

"Jesus, Priceless Treasure"

Hymn 743

"An Awe-full Mystery Is Here"

An awe-full mystery is here To challenge faith and waken fear:  
 The savior comes as food divine, Concealed in earthly bread and wine  
 This world is loveless – but above, What wondrous boundlessness of love!  
 The King of Glory stoops to me My Spirit's life and strength to be.  
 In consecrated wine and bread No eye perceives the myst'ry dread;  
 But Jesus' words are strong and clear: "My body and My blood are here."  
 How dull are all the pow'rs of sense Employed on proofs of love immense!  
 The richest food remains unseen, And highest gifts appear – how mean!  
 But here we have no boon on earth, And faith alone discerns its worth.  
 The Word, not sense, must be our guide, And faith assure since sight's denied  
 Lord, show us still that Thou art good And grant us evermore this food.  
 Give faith to every wavering soul And make each wounded spirit whole.

Matthias Loy, 1880; St. Crispin, George J. Elvey, 1862

"Who Trusts in God a Strong Abode"

Hymn 714

#### THE DISMISSAL

## THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**Leader:** Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People:** Amen.

## THE BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

Sunbeams

## THE CLOSING HYMN: "Abide, O Dearest Jesus"

Hymn 919

## THE POSTLUDE: "Trumpet Tune in C"

Weber

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Amos 6:1-7; Ps. 146; 1 Timothy 6:6-19; Luke 16:19-31

THE FLOWERS adorning His altar today were given in loving memory of Richard D. Hill, from his family; in loving memory of Bart Bircheff, from Janet and family; and in honor of the 25th Wedding Anniversary of Mike and Judy Huesner.

## SERVING

Liturgist	Pastor Dan Sheafer
Organ	Matt Johnston/Myra Schmidt
Sunbeams	Kathy Piering, Ellen Buuck, Caroline Eber, Ann Wagner
Acolyte	Carter Johnson
Altar Guild	Anita Kuker, Noni Hoham, Diane Kurtz, Lindsay Lopez, Ruth Anne Teeple
Usher Crew 5	Jasper Downie, Arlan Hogan, Richie Cummins, Everett Cummins, Scott Everson, John Hoham, Dave Huffman, Ethan Kuhmichel, Caleb Layman, Brent Ostermeyer
Communion Closer	George Lin, Dennis McFadden, Jon Meyer, Phil Miller
Audio Engineer	Brett and Kirsten Moravec
	Jim Wudy

# 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 for the birth of a baby boy, William, born to Matt and Elizabeth Johnston. We ask God to strengthen and protect William as he grows, and to be with his family as they welcome William into their home.

- Pray for strength, healing, peace and comfort for Pam Carmichael (sister of Deb Percy), Steve Herman, River Garcia (grandson of Raquel Klug), Carlton Grotrian (father of Karla Neeld), Colsen Gage (nephew of Annalissa Smith), Ricky Carmickle (brother-in-law of Deb Percy), Alycia Williams, Dick Reinking, Gene Franklin (father of Sandy Behling), Vickie Kidwell (mother of Sandy Behling), Phil Arthur, Devon Jewel and Niko L. Christlib (friends of Ilona Clenny), Deb Percy, Ed Braun, Norv McClure
- Pray for the following people recovering from surgery: Jenny Scheiderer, Dave Bieberich, Cathy Paff, Jan Reche, Vernene Miller, Kelsey Westrick, Roxanne Moore, Cheri Maxwell, Jayne Sheaffer, Justin Arkkelin, Elizabeth Johnston, Kathy Lash
- Pray for healing, comfort and peace for the following people with cancer: Bonnie Havener (sister-in-law of George and Becki Elonzae), Karen Burtch (sister-in-law of Lori Richey), Amy Krontz (daughter-in-law of David and Karen Wyss), Mary Grosjean, Peg Davis, Ashley Edge (niece of Barb and Gary Lesh), Barb Hambrock, Julie McMichael (niece of Deb Percy), Bob and Jenny Hobby (brother-in-law and sister of Chris Murphy), Shelly Koenig (friend of Matt & Amy Konow), Rob Howe, Judi Brunow, Josh Walters (friend of Patty Rouse), Judy Baumgartner (mother of Kristin Smith), Tina Bennett, Dennis McFadden, Lisa Toth (Pepple), Laura Herrick (Caroline Eber's niece), Art Klausmeier, Roger Kuehnert, John Jennings (friend of Dave and Tammy Bair), Bruce Williams, Herb Schumm, Mike Huesner, Rob Roehm, Cheri Maxwell, Ann Schwartz, Hazel Krenzke (Brian and Anna Snodgrass' niece)
- Prayers for PALS - PALS is a program in which Emmanuel members partner with Washington School students to build relationships and strengthen reading skills in a Christian environment. Each week we will pray for some of our Washington School PALS or helpers, and we encourage you to join us in the ministry. This week, we are praying for all our generous volunteers who help make this program happen.
- Join our staff in praying for the following members:
  - Jan Werth
  - Sarah Werth, Mitchel
  - Jacob and Ariel Wesner
  - Evan and Kelsey Westrick, Grayson and Bailey
  - Jeremy and Meghann Whetstone, Sophia and Grace
  - Pat and Erika Whetstone, Vayda and Atreyu
  - Carol Whonsetler
  - Bill and Cheryl Wiegman
  - Dick and Pat Wiehe
  - Stacey Wietfeldt, Shelby, Mackenzie and Bryson

- 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](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) 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 Sue Brimmer		

## 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 <sup>st</sup> Grade	School Room A1
2 <sup>nd</sup> -3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	School Room B3
4 <sup>th</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	School Room B5
6 <sup>th</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	School Room D3
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	LL Ebenezer

High School	Loft
Adults: I Love to Tell the Story	Sanctuary

**I Love to Tell the Story:** Charlie Pratt will lead a presentation on the history of Emmanuel through stories of mission, sacrifice, courage, and grace. Judge Pratt will be joined by former Emmanuel pastors Art Klausmeier and Arnie Piering, and current staff members Lana Hille and Becki Elonzae.

### Weekday Bible Classes...

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

**LWML's Fort Wayne Fall Zone Gathering** will take place here at Emmanuel on Saturday, October 4. Registration and Breakfast are 8:30-9:00 a.m. and the meeting begins at 9:00 a.m. Our speaker will be Mary Ann Mings, Executive Director of InAsMuch Ministry and we will be collecting non-perishable food items (please no glass containers) and paper/plastic eating supplies. The registration fee is \$7. Please RSVP by September 29.

**Donuts Are Back!** – Donuts are once again being served during fellowship time between services. To help cover the cost, donations are welcome. Your generosity is appreciated!

**First Impressions** - Ladies of Emmanuel, our next First Impressions gathering is off-campus! Join us at Ruby Moon flower farm (7535 E 400 S, Laotto) for U-Pick flower bouquets, wine and lemonade slushies, and fellowship around the fire pit on Wednesday, October 1 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. The cost is \$25. Please RSVP to Sarah Pennekamp at 260.486.6740 or [pennekamp6@yahoo.com](mailto:pennekamp6@yahoo.com) by September 29.



## **"I Love to Tell the Story" Opportunities:**

**Prayer Walk on October 4** - We are looking for volunteers to join us on Saturday, October 4, for a Prayer Walk in the West Central Neighborhood. The purpose of the Prayer Walk is to be a praying presence in the neighborhood and to distribute invitations to our NeighborFest, which will take place on Saturday, October 18. We will begin at 9:30 in the sanctuary for a brief orientation and opening prayer. We will walk in the neighborhood from 10:00-11:15 and then gather at 11:30 for lunch. Scan the QR code to register!



**Service Weekend, October 11-12** - On Saturday, October 11, and Sunday, October 12, Emmanuel members will "Tell the Story" as we serve in our community. We need many volunteers for the projects we will be completing, and we would love your help! Volunteers can expect to serve a three-hour shift. Please register for the service day by scanning the QR code.



**Celebrating A Successful Capital Campaign with Peter Mayer (Updated QR code)**- The Lord has provided more than \$6 million of the \$7.4 million it cost us to renovate our Union Street school building. On December 15, we will celebrate this remarkable blessing with a special Christmas concert in our sanctuary by recording artist Peter Mayer. We'd like to make this unique experience available to anyone who contributed to the "In All Generations" campaign. If you would like to reserve a free ticket (\$39.50 value) for this special concert at no cost, please scan the QR code.



**Visual Faith Ministries** - Join us Tuesday, October 7, 6:00-8:00 p.m., as we prepare our hearts for Advent. Christmas will be here before we know it, and it's easy to get swept up in decorations, shopping, and plans. Visual Faith invites you to pause, refocus, and center your heart on Christ. At our next two workshops—October 7 and November 4—we'll create Advent Devotional Journals that align with Emmanuel's Advent devotions. No prior experience is needed; supplies and guidance are provided. Come for fellowship, fun, and creative prayer practices that help the Word dwell richly in you.



**LWM Meeting** - Our next LWM/LWML meeting is on October 2, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. in Lower Level Ebenezer. Our Bible Study will be "Beauty Marks" and our service project will be Towels for Cross Borders. We hope to see you there!

**GAME ON** is a group designed for those who like to play tables games. We play a different game each month. The game for October is Left Center Right -A fast moving dice game. No experience is needed. Please join us for fellowship, fun,

and food. GAME ON will meet Tuesday, October 7 from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. in Ebenezer Hall. Sign-up is located at the Connection's Desk. If you forget to sign-up, come anyway!

**Food Bank** - Thank you so much for your continued support of Emmanuel's food bank. We are in need of strong volunteers the third Thursday of every month from 3:30 - 5:00 p.m. Please contact Anita at 260.414.2258 if you can help. We also have a need for adult Depends (large size and up), toothbrushes, and toothpaste. If you can donate any of these items over the next few months, it would be greatly appreciated! Please place items in the cabinet labeled "Food Bank" at the bottom of the stairs from the Sanctuary into Ebenezer Hall. Thank you!

**Big News from Concordia Lutheran High School:** Groundbreaking is set for September 23! The 'A Bold Step' capital campaign, renovating the academic building and auditorium, has reached a major milestone with financing secured, and construction on Project 1 set to begin after Labor Day. But we're not done yet: campaign fundraising continues so that Project 2, the auditorium renovation, can be included in this historic effort. In the coming weeks, Concordia will host public meetings in congregations and community venues to share how this campaign will bless generations to come, and your attendance and participation will make the difference—pray, attend, and spread the word!

**CLHS Worship Service** - Please join us on September 28, 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. for a worship service at the Concordia High School auditorium open to all alumni, family, and friends of CLHS. The Service will be led by 1975 classmates, Pastor Dan Dahling, Pastor Steven Ensley, and Pastor Steven Schlund. Help us commemorate our 50th Class reunion! Following the worship service, take a guided tour to see what's new at CLHS and hear about exciting plans for the future of our campus.

**Bridge 20/30: September Events & Connection Opportunities** - Are you in your 20s or 30s and looking for real friendships and a deeper faith life? Bridge 20/30 is a space for post-high school young adults (single or married) to connect, grow, and have fun in community with others who share similar values. This week, on Tuesday, September 23 at 7:00 p.m., we'll be meeting at Hop River Brewing Co. (1515 N Harrison St.)!

## The Stewardship of the Church

### EMMANUEL'S MINISTRIES

Supports the ongoing mission and ministry efforts of Emmanuel congregation.

Year to Date: \$1,595,843	Anticipated Need Thru September, 2025: \$1,620,684
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### DISTRICT AND SYNOD

Used for local, national and world mission efforts.

Last Week: \$280	Year to Date: \$8,505
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### CUP OF KINDNESS

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

Last Week: \$180	Year to Date: \$3,490
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### IN ALL GENERATIONS

Supports the renovations of the Emmanuel campus school building.

"IAG" Total Received: \$6,071,378	Mortgage Balance: \$1,354,590	Total Cost* \$7,408,920
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\*Total Cost = Mortgage Interest Paid to Date + Construction Cost

## The Calendar of the Church

### Monday, September 22

- 8:30 a.m. Monday Morning Moms
- 3:30 p.m. LifeLight Bible Study
- 5:30 p.m. Lifelight Bible Study
- 6:00 p.m. Handbell Practice
- 7:00 p.m. Church Council

### Tuesday, September 23

- 6:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry and Training

### Wednesday, September 24

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

### Thursday, September 25

- 8:30 a.m. Thursday Guys
- 9:00 a.m. Piece Makers
- 6:00 p.m. Bible Study & Fellowship at Chapman's Brewery
- 7:00 p.m. @917 Bible Class

### Friday, September 26

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

**Saturday, September 27**

5:00 p.m. Divine Service

**Sunday, September 28**

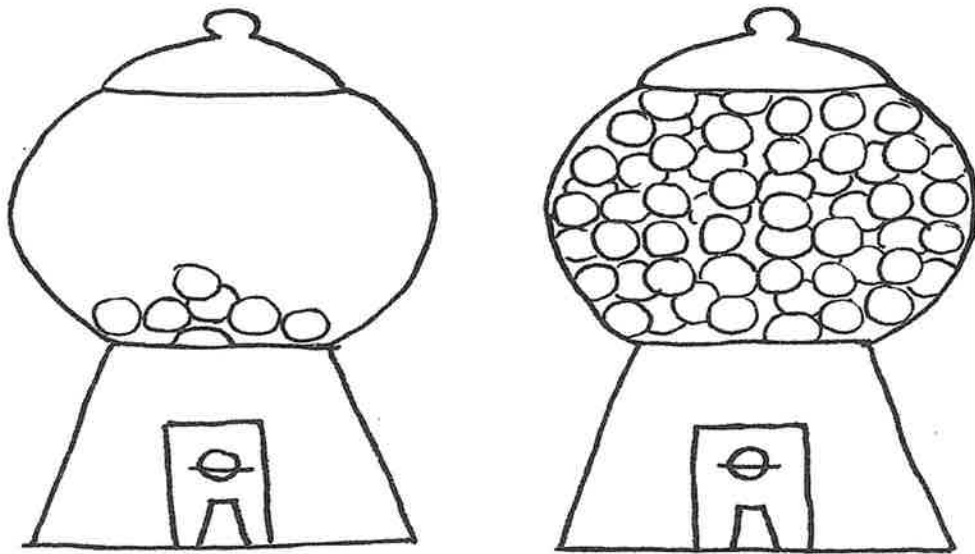
8:00 a.m. Divine Service w/ Communion

9:00 a.m. Bible Classes and Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Divine Service

6:00 p.m. SNA

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a little or A LOT  
keep me  
faithful

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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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# 350 Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come



1 Come, Thou pre - cious Ran - som, come, On - ly hope for  
 2 En - ter now my wait - ing heart, Glo - rious King and  
 3 My ho - san - nas and my palms Gra - cious - ly re -  
 4 Hail! Ho - san - na, Da - vid's Son! Je - sus, hear our



sin - ful mor - tals! Come, O Sav - ior of the world!  
 Lord most ho - ly. Dwell in me and ne'er de - part,  
 ceive, I pray Thee; Ev - er - more, as best I can,  
 sup - pli - ca - tion! Let Thy king - dom, scep - ter, crown,



O - pen are to Thee all por - tals. Come, Thy beau - ty  
 Though I am but poor and low - ly. Ah, what rich - es  
 Sav - ior, I will hom - age pay Thee, And in faith I  
 Bring us bless - ing and sal - va - tion, That for - ev - er



let us see; Anx - ious - ly we wait for Thee.  
 will be mine When Thou art my guest di - vine!  
 will em - brace, Lord, Thy mer - it through Thy grace.  
 we may sing: Hail! Ho - san - na to our King.

# Jesus, Priceless Treasure

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1 Je - sus, price-less trea - sure, Fount of pur - est plea - sure,  
2 In Thine arms I rest me; Foes who would mo - lest me  
3 Sa - tan, I de - fy thee; Death, I now de - cry thee;  
4 Hence, all earth - ly trea - sure! Je - sus is my plea - sure,



Tru - est friend to me, Ah, how long in an - guish  
Can - not reach me here. Though the earth be shak - ing,  
Fear, I bid thee cease. World, thou shalt not harm me  
Je - sus is my choice. Hence, all emp - ty glo - ry!



Shall my spir - it lan - guish, Yearn - ing, Lord, for Thee?  
Ev - 'ry heart be quak - ing, Je - sus calms my fear.  
Nor thy threats a - larm me While I sing of peace.  
Naught to me thy sto - ry Told with tempt - ing voice.



Thou art mine, O Lamb di - vine! I will suf - fer  
Light - nings flash And thun - ders crash; Yet, though sin and  
God's great pow'r Guards ev - 'ry hour; Earth and all its  
Pain or loss, Or shame or cross, Shall not from my



naught to hide Thee; Naught I ask be - side Thee.  
hell as - sail me, Je - sus will not fail me.  
depths a - dore Him, Si - lent bow be - fore Him.  
Sav - ior move me Since He deigns to love me.

5 Evil world, I leave thee;  
Thou canst not deceive me,  
Thine appeal is vain.  
Sin that once did blind me,  
Get thee far behind me,  
Come not forth again.  
Past thy hour,  
O pride and pow'r;  
Sinful life, thy bonds I sever,  
Leave thee now forever.

6 Hence, all fear and sadness!  
For the Lord of gladness,  
Jesus, enters in.  
Those who love the Father,  
Though the storms may gather,  
Still have peace within.  
Yea, whate'er  
I here must bear,  
Thou art still my purest pleasure,  
Jesus, priceless treasure!

# 714 Who Trusts in God a Strong Abode



1 Who trusts in God A strong a - bode In heav'n and  
 2 Though Sa - tan's wrath Be - set our path And world - ly  
 3 In all the strife Of mor - tal life Our feet will



earth pos - sess - es; Who looks in  
 scorn as - sail us, While You are  
 stand se - cure - ly; Temp - ta - tion's



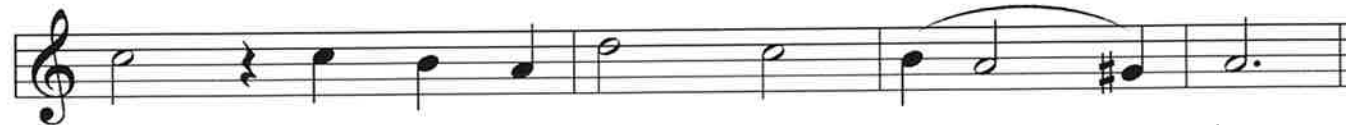
love To Christ a - bove, No fear that heart op -  
 near, We shall not fear; Your strength will nev - er  
 hour Will lose its pow'r, For You will guard us



press - es. In You a - lone, Dear Lord, we own Sweet  
 fail us. Your rod and staff Will keep us safe And  
 sure - ly. O God, re - new With heav'n - ly dew Our



hope and con - so - la - tion, Our shield from foes, Our balm for  
 guide our steps for - ev - er; Nor shades of death Nor hell be -  
 bod - y, soul, and spir - it Un - til we stand At Your right



woes, Our great and sure sal - va - tion.  
 neath Our lives from You will sev - er.  
 hand Through Je - sus' sav - ing mer - it.

## 919 Abide, O Dearest Jesus



- 1 A - bide, O dear - est Je - sus, A - mong us with Your grace  
2 A - bide, O dear Re - deem - er, A - mong us with Your Word,  
3 A - bide with heav'n - ly bright - ness A - mong us, pre - cious Light;  
4 A - bide with rich - est bless - ings A - mong us, boun - teous Lord;



That Sa - tan may not harm us Nor we to sin give place.  
And thus now and here - af - ter True peace and joy af - ford.  
Your truth di - rect and keep us From er - ror's gloom - y night.  
Let us in grace and wis - dom Grow dai - ly through Your Word.

- 5 Abide with Your protection  
Among us, Lord, our strength,  
Lest world and Satan fell us  
And overcome at length.

- 6 Abide, O faithful Savior,  
Among us with Your love;  
Grant steadfastness and help us  
To reach our home above.

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