

Divine Service at 5:00



Emmanuel Lutheran Church

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Welcome to Worship

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

“Who Are You Because of Jesus?”

AS WE GATHER

There are many things that can define who we are: our relationships, our jobs, our language, our socioeconomic status, our location, or many others. Today, we focus on our identity in Jesus. Who are we because of Jesus? We will find that ultimately, we are not defined by what we do but by what Jesus does for us. Because of Jesus and His work and His ways, we are delivered and set free from sin and the assaults of Satan. You are a forgiven child of God!

THE GATHERING TIME

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

THE RINGING OF THE BELLS

THE WORDS OF WELCOME

THE GATHERING SONG: “At the Cross (Love Ran Red)”

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

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

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

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

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

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

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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

THE MUSICAL RESPONSE: "My Hope Is in You"

I meet with You, and my soul sings out, As Your word throws doubt far away.
I sing to You and my heart cries, "Holy, Hallelujah, Father, You're near."

(Chorus)

My hope is in You, Lord all the day long.
I won't be shaken by drought or storm.
A peace that passes understanding is my song,
And I sing my hope is in You, Lord.

I wait for You and my soul finds rest.
In my selfishness, You show me grace.
I worship You and my heart cries, "Glory,
Hallelujah, Father You're here." (Chorus)

I will wait on You. You are my refuge.
I will wait on You. You are my refuge. (Chorus two times)

My hope is in You, Lord. My hope is in You, Lord.

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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. Evildoers 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 NICENE CREED (Spoken together)

Inside back cover of hymnal

THE MUSICAL RESPONSE: "The Wonderful Cross"

When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of Glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss
And pour contempt on all my pride.

See, from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down;
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

(Chorus)

Oh, the wonderful cross, oh, the wonderful cross,
Bids me come and die, and find that I may truly live.
Oh, the wonderful cross, oh, the wonderful cross;
All who gather here by grace draw near and bless Your name.

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were an off'ring far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all! (Chorus)

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THE SERMON

Pastor Dan Sheaffer

THE GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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

THE MUSICAL OFFERING: "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.

Praise the Father, praise the Son,
Praise the Spirit, three in one.
God of Glory, majesty, praise forever to the King of kings.
Praise forever to the King of kings.

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THE MINISTRY MINUTE

In All Generations

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 by the blood of His cross, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For the gift of divine pardon, spoken in His Passion from His throne at Golgotha, by which all things are reconciled to God, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For never-ending joy and praise that our Lord has redeemed us by His Passion from wrath and damnation, 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: That our true King would return soon for His judgment, which alone can reveal His kingdom and our citizenship, which are not of this 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.

THE PREFACE (Spoken responsively by the Congregation)

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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

THE PROPER PREFACE

Leader: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, 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 singing:

“SANCTUS (HOLY, HOLY, HOLY)”

Holy, Holy, Lord God of Heavenly Hosts,
Holy, Holy, Lord God of Heavenly Hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna, Hosanna, Blessed is he who comes,
Blessed is he who comes, Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE PEACE OF THE LORD

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

People: Amen.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION (Served by stations)

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

THE DISTRIBUTION SONGS

"Breathe"

This is the air I breathe, this is the air I breathe,
Your holy presence living in me.
This is my daily bread, this is my daily bread,
Your very Word spoken to me.

(Chorus)

And I, I'm desp'rate for You. And I, I'm lost without You.

This is the air I breathe, this is the air I breathe,
Your holy presence living in me.
This is my daily bread, this is my daily bread,
Your very Word spoken to me. (Chorus two time)

This is the air I breathe. This is the air I breathe.

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“By Faith”

By faith we see the hand of God
In the light of creation’s grand design;
In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness,
Who walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith our fathers roamed the earth,
With the pow’r of His promise in their hearts
Of a holy city built by God’s own hand,
A place where peace and justice reign.

(Chorus)

We will stand as children of the Promise.
We will fix our eyes on Him, our soul’s reward.
‘Til the race is finished and the work is done,
We’ll walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith the prophets saw a day
When the longed-for Messiah would appear.
With the pow’r to break the chains of sin and death
And rise triumphant from the grave.

By faith the Church was called to go
In the pow’r of the Spirit to the lost,
To deliver captives and to preach Good News
In ev’ry corner of the earth. (Chorus)

By faith this mountain shall be moved
And the pow’r of the Gospel shall prevail,
For we know in Christ all things are possible
For all who call upon His Name. (Chorus)

We’ll walk by faith and not by sight.

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THE DISMISSAL

THE BLESSING

THE CLOSING 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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THE READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK: Is. 2:1-5; Ps. 122; Rom. 13:8-14; Matt. 24:36-44

THE FLOWERS adorning His altar were given to the glory of God in honor of the the 54th Wedding Anniversary of Ken and Jan Hoffman; and in loving memory of Frank and Millie Vorich, Nina Vorich, and Matt and Beverly Lester from Larry and Becky VonGunten; and in loving memory of Andrew Martin and Tom Martin from Teresa Martin.

COMMUNION ASSISTANT: Eric Dirig

USHER AND ALTAR GUILD: Kathy Lash, Catherine Peterson

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 Dixie Lee (sister of Phyllis Urbine), 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.
 - We give thanks for the birth of a baby boy, Jeremiah Keith Igney, born to Laura and Jacob Igney. We ask God to strengthen and protect Jeremiah as he grows, and to be with his family as they welcome Jeremiah into their home.
 - Pray for strength, healing, peace and comfort for Chuck Nelson, Betsy Gibson (daughter of Mary Kleinschmidt), Hannah Mast (daughter of Michael and Shirley Harvey), Ray Behling (Father of David Behling), Phyllis Tittman, Ron Shutt (brother-in-law of John Maxwell), NeNe Vibbert (cousin of Becki Elonzae), Vickie Tufley (sister of Judy Huesner), Maury Springer, Patrick Agerton, Harry Brown (father-in-law of Kristina Brown), Taylor Hogan (son of Arlan and Robin Hogan), Curt Reese (brother-in-law of Sandra Nahrwold), David Merkler, Jennifer Bergman, Kristy Fitzgerald.
 - Pray for the following people recovering from surgery: Doris Hoffman, Cynda Clark, Troy Sargent, Becky Nahrwold, Dave Harkless, Carol Salge, Paul Parker, Gretchen Breininger (friend of Ruth Anne Teeple), Kathy Schweyer, Krisie Brown, Barry Doege, David Nahrwold (father of Seth Nahrwold), Mitch Platt, Steve Mueller.
 - Pray for healing, comfort and peace for the following people with cancer: Judi Brunow, Angela Osborn, Mike Notter (brother-in-law of George and Becki Elonzae), Jamie McConnell, Beth Woodward, Tom Eggold, Lois Howe (aunt of Bob Frye), Peg Davis, Jenny Hobby (sister of Chris Murphy), Josh Walters (friend of 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:
 - Chris and Susan Murphy, Abby and Seth
 - Jamie Musser
 - Nick and Tere Mutton, Milo and Rose
 - Donna Myers
 - Seth and Becky Nahrwold, Elyse, Lydia and Zachary
 - Terry and Sandra Nahrwold
 - Doug and Karla Neeld
 - Sara Neeld, Charles

- Jeff Neumann
- Lisa Newsome, Avery, Dylan and Taylor
- 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. If you would like to join the Emmanuel Prayer Chain, please email Marsha Sappenfield at marshasappenfield@comcast.net or call 260-616-0679.

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
James: Apostle of Faith	Sanctuary	9/11-11/20	Pr. McFadden
Lutheran Christianity	Brandt Hall	9/11-11/27	Eggold, Sheafer, Hille
Sunday School for Grown-ups	School Rm 102 (Middle Level)	9/11-11/20	Pr. Mark Sheafer

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

CLASS	LOCATION
Little Flock (Birth - Age 2)	Room 7 (Lower Level, School)
3-5 Year Olds	Room 6 (Lower Level, School)
K-2 nd Grade	Room 105 (Middle Level, School)
3 rd -5 th Grade	Room 104 (Middle Level, School)
6 th Grade Confirmation	Room 202 (Third Floor, School)
7 th Grade Confirmation	Room 4 (Lower Level, School)

8 th Grade Confirmation	Ebenezer, Lower Level
9 th -12 th Grade	The Loft

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	8:30 am
LifeLight - Gospel of Matthew	Ebenezer Hall	Mondays	5:30 pm
Women's Book Study (Beth Williams 402-803-5303)	Ebenezer Hall	Tuesdays (1 st & 3 rd)	7:30 pm
Men's Lectionary Study	Ebenezer Hall	Wednesdays	6:30 am
Women's Bible Study on Luke	Brandt Hall	Wednesdays	8:45 am
Homeschool Religion Class	Choir Room	Wednesdays	9:00 am
Pastor's Bible Study	Ebenezer Hall	Wednesdays	10:00 am
Men's Lectionary Study	Brandt Hall	Fridays	6:30 am

The News of the Church

We have reached the end of our PALS session where we welcomed 11 Washington Elementary School students to Emmanuel to work on reading, make friends, talk about Jesus, and have fun. We thank God for our adult and Emmanuel—St. Michael student volunteers, and ask God's blessings for the following Washington student: Bentley. Thank you for joining in our ministry to Washington School through your prayers.

Christmas Families - Thanks to all of you who took a gift tag from the Christmas trees. Please remember to return your unwrapped gift with the tag to the church office by November 28. If you missed picking up a gift tag and would still like to help our Christmas families, we are also accepting donations of cereal, canned fruits and vegetables, canned soup, peanut butter, pasta, pasta sauce, cake mixes and frosting, deodorant, tooth brushes, tooth paste, shampoo, toilet paper and paper towels. If you have questions contact Lana Hille in the church office at 423-1369. Thank you for helping this outreach ministry.

Emmanuel's Visual Faith Ministry would like to invite you to our Visual Faith Gathering being held Tuesday, December 6, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. to create a 2023 Gratitude & Prayer Journal. It is such a blessing to have a tangible way to cultivate gratitude, document it, and lay our hearts before the Lord in prayer, a very important part in our faith walk. The hope of Emmanuel's Visual Faith Ministry team is to cultivate a discipline of daily gratitude as a companion to personal devotion and prayer. Our goal is to get you started on a personalized journal so you are equipped to start, or continue this discipline. Templates for daily gratitude and daily prayers will be available along with additional supplies.

We will have blank 8.5x11 spiral bound journals available for purchase. Please sign up at the Connections Counter by Thursday, December 1, so we have enough supplies available. Please contact Teresa Davis if you have any questions, 260-385-3038 or 1313teresadavis@gmail.com.

Join the Meal Train! - As a part of our caregiving ministry, Emmanuel is using an online program to coordinate the giving of meals around significant life events like births, illnesses, or surgeries. A meal train takes the task of fixing dinner off the recipient's plate and demonstrates the support of the church community during hectic or challenging times. Once a need is identified, a meal train will be established and an email will be sent to all participants. Specific dates, meal preferences, food allergies, and the best time and place to deliver a meal will be communicated. You simply select a date and specify the meal you would like to provide. You will even get an email reminding you that you have signed up to provide a meal. One of the benefits of using Meal Train is that you only respond when you are available to bring a meal. Don't really like to cook or feel like you don't have the time? Meal Train also offers options like GrubHub, Door Dash, or gift certificates. Having pizza delivered is also a favorite for many families. You can volunteer to join this ministry team at the Connections Counter, or by calling Kathy Lash in the school office at 422-6712.

Cookies for Our Visitors - THANK YOU to all who have provided baked goods for the Connections Counter!! Each weekend we plan for guests and visitors at Emmanuel. Our Connections Counter serves as a central location for making conversation, sharing information, and providing a warm welcome. When first-time guests come to the Counter, we provide a small box of cookies. If you enjoy baking and would like to be part of this ministry of hospitality, please sign up to contribute cookies at the Connections Counter.

Emmanuel's Food Pantry - Food donations may be placed in the "Food Bank" cabinet in the Welcome Center. In addition to the regular food staples, there is a need for tissues, paper towels, and large and extra-large adult Depends. Cash donations may be placed in a church envelope and marked "food pantry" on the "other line". Members may stop by for food any day the church office is open. The food pantry is available to those living in the 46802 zip code on the third Thursday of each month from 3:30-5:00 p.m. If you are interested in serving on this ministry team, call Carolyn Beitz at 432-9189.

CLHS Sermon Report Forms - In case your Concordia High School student forgets to bring a "Growth in Worship" sermon report form to church, we have extras at the Connections Counter.

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: \$1,589,432	Anticipated Need Thru November: \$1,612,732
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DISTRICT AND SYNOD

Last Week: \$272	Year to Date: \$16,025
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CUP OF KINDNESS

Last Week: \$235	Year to Date: \$6,458
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IN ALL GENERATIONS

Received: \$2,178,915	Goal: \$5,000,000	Pledged: \$2,992,172
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The Calendar of the Church

Sunday, November 21

- 5:30 p.m. Lifelight Bible Study
- 7:00 p.m. West Central Neighborhood Association Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. School Board Meeting at Emmanuel

Tuesday, November 22

- 5:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training
- 6:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry

Wednesday, November 23

- ESM No School
- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 10:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study
- 11:30 a.m. Mid-Week Communion Service

Thursday, November 24

- Church Office Closed
- ESM No School

Friday, November 25

- Church Office Closed

ESM No School

Saturday, November 26

8:00 a.m. Decorating Church for Christmas

3:30 p.m. Praise Team

5:00 p.m. Divine Worship Service

Sunday, November 27

8:00 a.m. Divine Worship Service with Communion

9:00 a.m. Gathering Time in Ebenezer Hall

9:15 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Study

10:30 a.m. Divine Worship Service

6:00 p.m. FWYA Bible Study



My Worship Notes

Today is: _____
The preacher is: _____

Today's Bible Passages

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3

Words I don't understand ...

Questions I have about what was said ...

What did you learn about God today?

Dwell

How many times did I hear these words? (make a tally mark)

Kingdom	Forgiveness	Creation	Body
Church	Earth	Peace	Heaven

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

EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Building faith in the city

We are a caring family of baptized Christians bound together in the forgiveness which God has provided all people through His Son.

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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