NEWS FROM EMMANUEL: APRIL 2, 2022

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

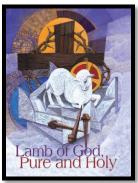
Worship and Bible Class this Weekend



This weekend Holy Communion will be offered Saturday in the 5:00 p.m. service and on Sunday at 10:30 a.m. We will be offering Bible class for adults and high school youth, confirmation for grades 6-8, and a Sunday school program for children from birth through grade 5. For a complete listing of all current classes and locations, <u>click</u> <u>here</u>.

Wednesday Lenten Services

This year, our midweek Lenten services will feature a series entitled, "Lamb of God Pure and Holy." Based on the hymn by the same title, "Lamb of God Pure and Holy" will focus our mediation on Jesus as the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Join us as we reflect on the complete sacrifice and gift, Jesus, the very Lamb of God, is for us. Services will be held at 11:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.



Note: We continue to offer a special service of Holy Communion during the 11:30 a.m. service on Wednesday. If you are unable to attend one of these

special Communion services, and desire to receive the Sacrament, please contact the church office to schedule a communion visit.

Aid to Ukrainian Seminary Students



The Lutheran seminary in Oberursel, Germany has two Ukrainian families who are refugees from the fighting in Ukraine. Emmanuel member Cornelia Schulz will be traveling to Germany on April 8. The timing of her trip will allow our members the opportunity to provide immediate

assistance to these families. On **Saturday, April 2, and Sunday April 3**, we will receive a door offering for this purpose.

The LCMS continues to receive donations for the victims of the war in Ukraine. If you desire to contribute financially to their needs, there are several ways to donate assistance through the LCMS:

•Text LCMSUKRAINE to 41-444.

- Give online via LCMS Mission Advancement.
- •Call the LCMS at 888-930-4438.
- Give online via Mission Central.
- •Call Mission Central (Mapleton, Iowa) at 712-882-1029.

•By mail, make your check out to "The LCMS," and write "Ukraine Relief" in the memo line. Mail to: The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, P.O. Box 66861, St. Louis, MO 63166-6861. To find out more about the LCMS efforts to support the Church in Ukraine, <u>click here</u>.

Prayers for PALS

This week, we concluded our PALS program in which we partnered with Washington School students to build relationships and strengthen reading skills in a Christian environment. By God's grace, we were able to serve 12 students during this session. Each week since February 9 we have prayed for our Washington School PALS by name and this week **we ask you to join us in praying for Ja'Lyza and Adriana** and thanking God for the opportunity to love our neighbors in this unique way.

Study the History of the LCMS with President Rast



This year, 2022 is the 175th anniversary of the LCMS. To commemorate this anniversary, we invite you to join pastor, historian, and Seminary President Larry Rast for a six-week course that looks at the story of our church body and how it has experienced joys and sorrows as it has proclaimed the Gospel in

different settings and situations. This won't be just a recitation of names and dates and facts to be memorized for a test. Rather, this study looks at the powerful ways God has been at work through many frail human beings.

The class will meet in the sanctuary between services from 9:15-10:15 a.m. Plan to join us on the following dates:

•April 3: From German to English

•April 10: Fragmentation, Numerical Decline, and a Challenging Future (All sessions will be available to view <u>here</u>.)

Dan Adair Receives Sertoma Award

Congratulations to Emmanuel member Daniel Adair was recently named Concordia Lutheran High School's 2022 Sertoma Award winner. This award is given to a student-athlete of the highest character who demonstrates both outstanding athletic ability and excellent academic achievement.



Words of Thanksgiving

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, Greetings in the name of the Lord!

For some of us, the past couple of years weren't so special. For others, it might have been awful; and perhaps to some they were great. But in the year of our Lord, it was truly another year in Paradise!

Our own turmoil of today seems no different than that which happened more than 1700 years ago to our Christian brothers and sisters. The years 2020 and 2021 were full of unexpected challenges, tragedies, and confusion. However, there are many things to be thankful for. This is the day that the Lord has made, and this year 2022, is the year that the Lord has made. Blessed be the name of the Lord!

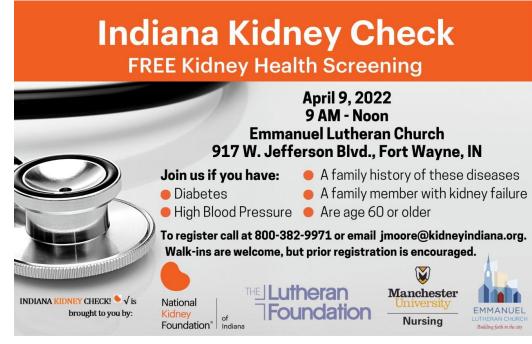
I started my second year of seminary studies in the Fall of 2021. Classes have kept me busy, but everything is going well overall. My Spring break was well spent in New York City. We spent a week with my parents and Micaiah enjoyed playing and getting to know some of his cousins. We are looking forward to vicarage placement night on April 26.

On behalf of my family, thank you for the monetary gifts. They truly make a difference for us and we are extremely grateful! Thank you to everyone who has contributed one way or another. This money will go to good use.

We pray that our loving Father bless you and fill you with His wonderful love. God's blessings to you,

Seminarian Thompson Marin, Fieldworker

Health Screening at Emmanuel on April 9



April Open Table Dinner



Open Table Dinners are offered every other month on the main level of Ebenezer Hall and promote fellowship between small groups of people. Each gathering offers an opportunity to take part in a meal with others who share an interest, experience, or place in life in hopes of bringing about a new connection! This month's gathering is themed "Saturday Night Spring Fever." Emmanuel will provide side dishes, beverages, and

desserts while guests are asked to contribute a favorite soup. On **April 23**, following Saturday evening worship, "There's an Open Table" for anyone who is ready for spring! If that's you, sign up at the Connections Counter.

Cross Connections Spring Thing



When: Tuesday April 26, 2022, 5:30-9:00 p.m.

Where: Parkview Mirro Center, 10622 Parkview Plaza Dr., Fort Wayne Join us in celebrating the Biblical ministry of Cross Connections as we welcome our featured guest, New York Times best-selling author, Mr. Lee Strobel!

There will be a live auction, a beautiful meal, raffles, and live music. The cost is \$100 per person. There are sponsorship opportunities still available. Call today to register at 260.373.0213, ext. 101, or visit our website: <u>crossconnectionscounseling.com</u> and see our Events page.

We hope you will join us!

Emmanuel Golf League

There has been growing interest from those connected to Emmanuel to have a golf league. This year we are looking to continue to build on the previous year's momentum. **Emmanuel's 2022 Golf League will begin the first Tuesday in May (May 3) and will run weekly until September or October.** We will be playing at Brookwood Golf Course starting at 5:30 p.m. For a round of 9 holes, the weekly cost to play in the league will be \$24 (riding) and \$16 (walking). This league is open to both men and women and we are seeking to have at least 12 people each week of play. If you are interested or have further questions, please feel free to contact Fred Peterson (260.437.2885) or Mike Huesner (260.416.1380) who are helping to organize this league at Emmanuel.

Register for Summer Camp at Concordia Lutheran High School

Summer Camp and Summer Class registration is now open! Summer Camps are available for K-12 grade students and feature something for all interests, including sports, computers, band, drama, and rocket science! We also offer summer classes for students in grades 8-12 (during the 2021-22 school year). Learn more and register at <u>www.clhscadets.com/summer</u>. Together in Christ, Pastor Eggold and Pastor Sheafer