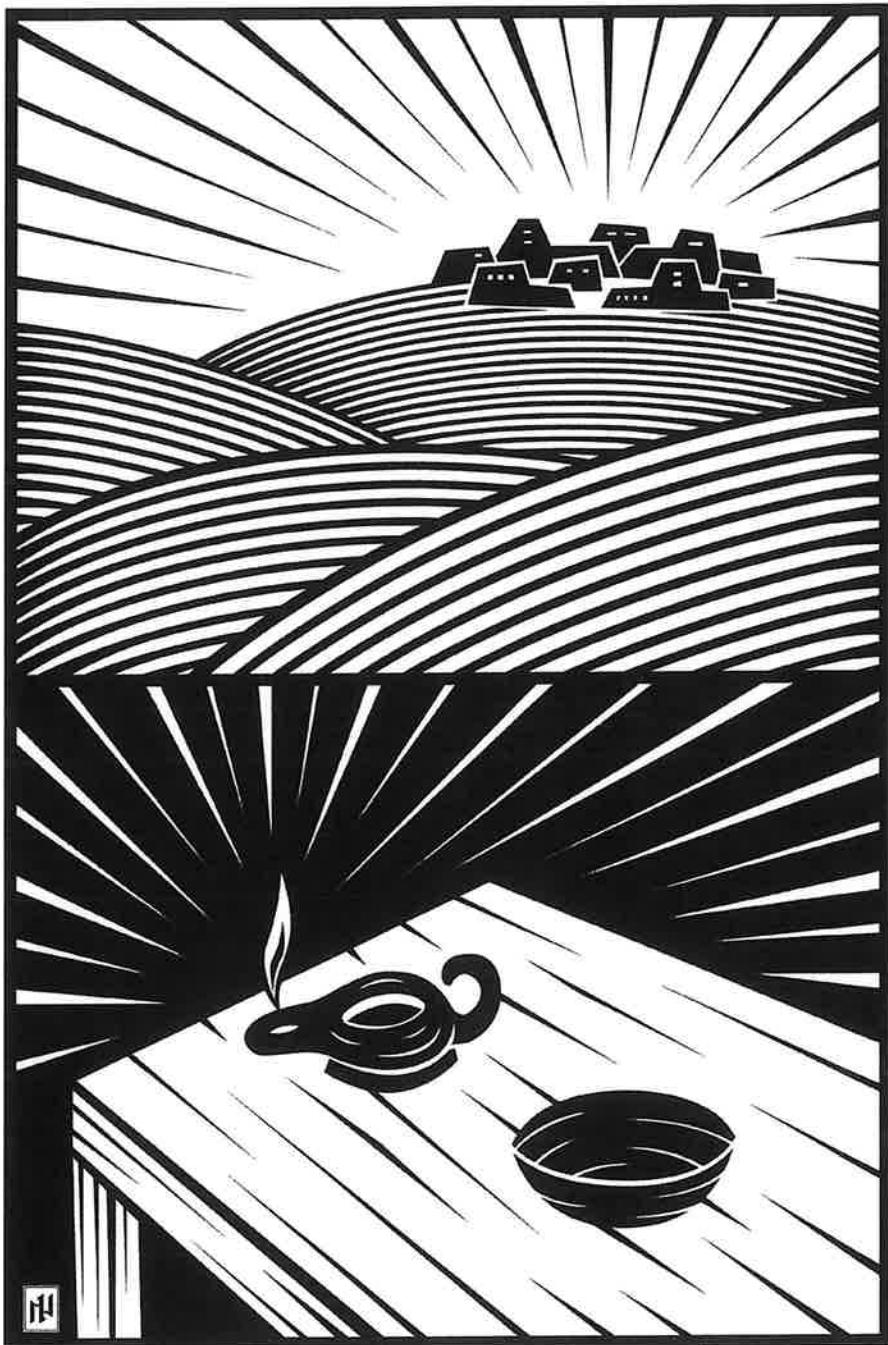


Divine Worship at 8:00



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!

BUILDING FAITH IN THE CITY

SPECIAL NEEDS



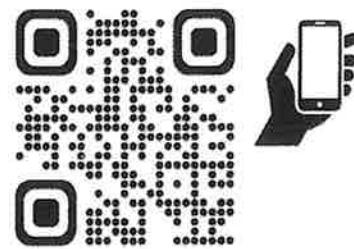
We offer a hearing loop, large print bulletins and printed copies of today's sermon. If these would be helpful, please ask one of our ushers who would be delighted to assist you.

GATHERING TIME



Join us for coffee, donuts and fellowship on Sunday mornings, after the early service and before Sunday school and Bible classes begin.

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Found in the gathering space we call Ebenezer Hall.



The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

February 8, 2026

“Accomplish Not Abolish”

AS WE GATHER

In this weekend's Gospel reading, Jesus shares one of His purposes. He says He's come to fulfill the Law, not get rid of it. Ultimately, this is a wonderful thing for believers in Jesus. His work accomplishes what ours can't. But to do this, Jesus makes it clear that the Law demands a righteousness greater than that of the most righteous people of that day, the scribes and Pharisees. Humbled by the reality that no one can measure up, the free gift of Jesus' righteousness becomes the understanding and motivation for us to worship and live for God's glory and not our own - to be the salt and light that Jesus declares us to be!

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

THE GATHERING TIME

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

THE PRELUDE: “O God Beyond All Praising”

Lasky

THE RINGING OF THE BELLS

THE WORDS OF WELCOME

THE OPENING HYMN: “Songs of Thankfulness and Praise”

Hymn 394

THE PRESENTATION OF PRAYER REQUESTS

(Please stand as able)

THE INVOCATION

Leader: In the name of the Father and of the ~~the~~ Son and of the Holy Spirit,

People: Amen.

THE OPENING SENTENCES (Psalm 66:1-3a, 4, 8; 40:5a; 111:3)

Leader: Shout for joy to God, all the earth;

People: sing the glory of His name; give to Him glorious praise!

Leader: Say to God, “How awesome are Your deeds!

People: All the earth worships You and sings praises to You; they sing praises to Your name.”

Leader: Bless our God, O peoples; let the sound of His praise be heard.
People: You have multiplied, O LORD my God, Your wondrous deeds and Your thoughts toward us; none can compare with You!

Leader: Full of splendor and majesty is His work,
People: and His righteousness endures forever.

THE CONFESSION OF SINS & ABSOLUTION

Leader: Humble yourselves, then, before God; confess your sins to Him and implore His forgiveness.

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

Leader: O Almighty God,
People: Most merciful Father, I, a repentant sinner, confess to You all my sins and iniquities with which I have offended You. By nature, I am a sinful creature. In thought, word, and deed, I have continually transgressed Your Law. Too often I have sought the easy road of ignoring the needs of others and considered only myself and my wants. For this I justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of the sufferings and death of Your Son, Jesus Christ, be gracious and merciful to me, a penitent and contrite being. Forgive me all my sins and grant me the power of Your Holy Spirit that I may amend my sinful life and bear fruit in keeping with true repentance.

Leader: God be gracious to you and strengthen your faith. 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 INTROIT

Psalm 119:9-16; antiphon: v. 12

(Refrain sung first by the choir, then joined by the congregation)

Refrain

Bless - ed are You, O LORD;
teach me Your stat - utes,
teach me Your stat - utes.

(Choir) How can a young man keep his way pure?
By guarding it according to Your word.
With my whole heart I seek You;
let me not wander from Your commandments!
I have stored up Your word in my heart, that I might not sin against You.
Blessèd are You, O LORD;* teach me Your statutes!
With my lips I declare, all the just decrees of Your mouth.
In the way of Your testimonies I delight, as much as in all riches.
I will meditate on Your precepts* and fix my eyes on Your ways.
I will delight in Your statutes; I will not forget Your word.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
(Refrain with congregation)

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Leader: Let us pray. O Lord, keep Your family the Church continually in the true faith that, relying on the hope of Your heavenly grace, we may ever be defended by Your mighty power; 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: Isaiah 58:3-9a

“Why have we fasted, and you see it not? Why have we humbled ourselves, and you take no knowledge of it?’ Behold, in the day of your fast you seek your own pleasure, and oppress all your workers. ⁴Behold, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to hit with a wicked fist. Fasting like yours this day will not make your voice to be heard on high. ⁵Is such the fast that I choose, a day for a person to humble himself? Is it to bow down his head like a reed, and to spread sackcloth and ashes under him? Will you call this a fast, and a day acceptable to the LORD? ⁶Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of wickedness, to undo the straps of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? ⁷Is it not to share your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover him, and not to hide yourself from your own flesh? ⁸Then shall your light break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up speedily; your righteousness shall go before you; the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. ⁹Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry, and he will say, ‘Here I am.’”

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 2:1-16

And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. ²For I decided to know nothing

among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. ³And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling, ⁴and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, ⁵that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God. ⁶Yet among the mature we do impart wisdom, although it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to pass away. ⁷But we impart a secret and hidden wisdom of God, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. ⁸None of the rulers of this age understood this, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ⁹But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him"— ¹⁰these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. ¹¹For who knows a person's thoughts except the spirit of that person, which is in him? So also no one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. ¹²Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might understand the things freely given us by God. ¹³And we impart this in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual truths to those who are spiritual. ¹⁴The natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. ¹⁵The spiritual person judges all things, but is himself to be judged by no one. ¹⁶"For who has understood the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?" But we have the mind of Christ.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as you are able)

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 5:13-20

Leader: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 5th chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord!

[Jesus said:] "You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet. ¹⁴"You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven. ¹⁷"Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. ¹⁸For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

THE NICENE CREED (Spoken together)

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(Please be seated)

THE SERMON HYMN: "Thy Strong Word"

Hymn 578

(Choir sings verse 4; Please stand for verse 6)

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 at the end of the service.

THE MUSICAL OFFERING: "Holy, Holy, Holy"

Choir

THE MINISTRY MINUTE

National Lutheran Schools Week

(Please stand, as you are able)

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For counsel and aid for those who cry to the Lord in weakness and in need, that the Lord would bless and prosper His Church so that she may be salt and light, giving bold witness to the redemption provided in Jesus Christ and giving shape to God's love by showing compassion to all in need, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For our Synod, her congregations and schools, her pastors, teachers, deaconesses, musicians and all her faithful servants, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For our homes, husbands and wives, the children in their care and extended family, that the Lord would guide us to serve each other in love; and that our homes would become places of blessing and peace where God's Word is spoken, forgiveness is shown and love is demonstrated in word and deed, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For the rulers of this age whom God has placed in authority, that they may fulfill their duties in wisdom, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For the sick, the suffering, the grieving and the dying, that they would receive healing, relief, comfort and peace according to the Lord's will; and that they would be delivered from their afflictions, sustained in

their struggles and be granted patience in their adversities, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For those who commune this day, that Christ, whose righteousness goes before us and whose glory is our rearguard, would visit His people at the altar with grace and salvation, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: All these things we pray, O Lord, in confidence of Your mercy. Supply us with all things needed and beneficial to us and to our faith, and keep from us all things harmful, that we may rest our fears in You and be granted a clear conscience and peace; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

+ THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION +

THE PREFACE: (Spoken responsively by the Congregation)

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

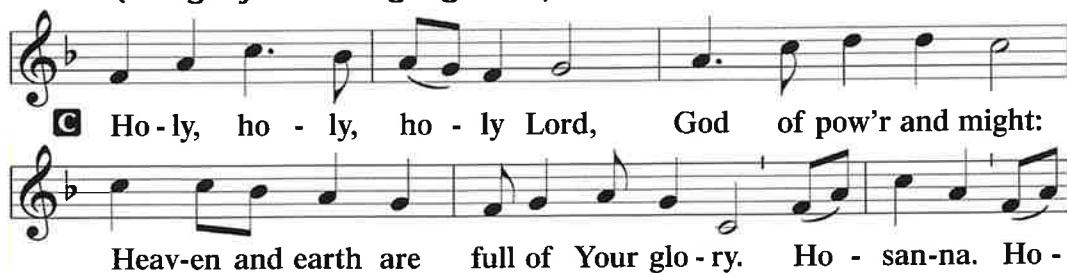
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

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

Leader: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, Lord our God, for You have graciously blessed us through the Word Incarnate, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who came in the flesh and for our sake died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death. Rejoicing in our Baptism, which creates faith in our hearts and daily renews us, we fulfill the noble work of praising You and magnifying Your holy name. With joy, we join in the unending adoration of the angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, evermore praising you and singing:

THE SANCTUS: (Sung by the congregation)

LSB, 161



The musical notation consists of two staves of music in common time, with a key signature of one flat. The top staff begins with a quarter note, followed by a dotted half note, a quarter note, and a eighth note. The bottom staff begins with a quarter note, followed by a eighth note, a quarter note, and a eighth note. The lyrics are as follows:

C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



THE LORD'S PRAYER (spoken together)

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

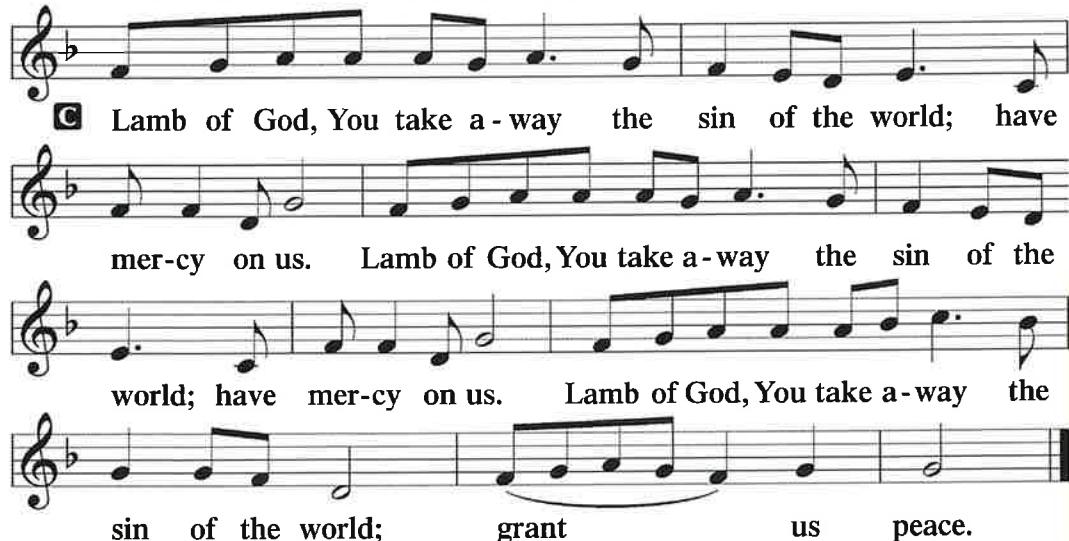
THE PEACE OF THE LORD

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

People: Amen.

THE AGNUS DEI: (Sung by the congregation)

LSB, 163



(Please be seated)

THE DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION (Served by stations)

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

THE DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"The Law of God Is Good and Wise"	Hymn 579
"You Are the Way; through You Alone"	Hymn 526
"O Living Bread from Heaven"	Hymn 642

(Please stand, as you are able)

THE DISMISSAL

THE BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

Leader: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

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

People: Amen.

THE CLOSING HYMN: "On What Has Now Been Sown"	Hymn 921
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THE POSTLUDE: "Rejoice the Lord is King"	Page
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NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Ex. 24:8-18; Ps. 2:6-12; 2 Peter 1:16-21; Matt. 17:1-9

THE FLOWERS adorning His altar today were given to the glory of God in loving memory of Bob Burtch from Lori Richey and family; in honor of our grandchildren, from John and Donna Hofrichtner; and in loving memory of Harold and Ruth Pratt from David and Sharon Bieberich, Charlie and Roxanne Pratt and Roger and Peggy McFadden.

SERVING

Liturgist	Seminarian Brad Larson
Acolyte	Liam Anderson
Organ	Myra Schmidt
Trumpet	Craig Dahlkamp, Brian Snodgrass
Altar Guild	Marilyn Brenner, John and Donna Hofrichter, Mike and Wanda Reuille, and Judy Kalb
Comm. Assistants	Zach Chess, Josh Eggold, Eric Hoffman, Ryan Hoffman
Opener	Don and Maureen Gentry
Usher Crew 3	Ed Davis, Chuck Karrick, Dave Bieberich, Matt Benne, Barry Gynn, Kurt Kleinrichert, Tom Matson, Bill Pynchon, Mike Repp
Audio Engineer	Tom Anderson

The Prayers of the Church

Prayer Requests

- Our congregation continues to care for one another through a faithful prayer ministry. Please pray for the following people this week:
 - Pray for 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), Ricky Carmickle (brother-in-law of Deb Percy), Alycia Williams, 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), Randi Gramling (cousin of Deb Percy), Stan Thompson, Deb Epperson, Salem Lee Hilty, Faith Behling, William Rush, Wayne McClure, LuAnn Reichhart (mom of Brent Reichhart), Cohen (grandson of Matt and Kim Benne), Lynn Auman (father of Kim Faley), Amanda Cornyn-Bradford (daughter of Mike and Aprel Cornyn), Michaela Procise
 - Pray for the following people recovering from surgery: Jan Reche, Anne Kelly, Wes Harless, Jim Bennett, Amy Konow, Molly Keltsch, Larry Von Gunten, Dave Huffman
 - 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, 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), Gary Thompson (father of Carly Bennett)
 - 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 Angela.

- Join our staff in praying for the following members:
 - Denise Bruce
 - Joe and Tina Bruce
 - Jordan and Heather Bruce, Henry and Elaine
 - Justin and Emily Bruce, Maddison, Lily, and James
 - Cole and Taylor Bruick
 - Mark and Lisa Bruick
 - Josh and Ivy Brune
 - Gene and Donna Brunow
 - John Bryan
 - Kevin and Barbra Bryan, Phoenix, Cole, and Allison
- 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.

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 D2
8 th Grade	School Room D3 (Art/Science)
High School	Loft

Lutheran Christianity	Brandt Hall
Galatians	LL Ebenezer
Living Faithfully in a Fallen World	Sanctuary

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.

Monday Morning Moms - Hey, mama! We hope you'll join us every other Monday morning as we journey through the salvation story of the Old Testament using Chad Bird's book "Hitchhiking with the Prophets". Drop your kids off in LL Ebenezer with our amazing caregivers. Then, head upstairs to the Loft to enjoy fellowship, a cup of coffee, and study with other moms. The dates are: February 9 & 23, March 9 & 23, April 13 & 27, and May 11 from 8:30 – 10:00 a.m. Questions? Contact Liz Bejot - LBejot@emmanuellutheran.org.

Friends in the Word meet every other Thursday morning, 8:30 - 10:00 a.m., in the Loft. Here are the scheduled dates: February 12 and 26, March 12 and 26, April 16 and 30, and May 14. We hope to see you there!

The News of the Church

Emmanuel Church Office Closed for February Conference - From February 10-14, the staff members of Emmanuel will be attending the Best Practices in Ministry conference in Phoenix, Arizona. This is an unprecedented opportunity for professional development as our staff spends four days learning, worshipping, and growing together. Since it involves the majority of our staff, the church office will be closed from Tuesday, February 10, through Friday, February 14. If a special need for pastoral care arises during this time, you can still reach Pastor Eggold at (260) 414-8691 or Pastor Sheaffer at (260) 416-2590, and arrangements will be made to provide you with the pastoral assistance you need.

Emmanuel Food Pantry Drive – For more than 17 years, Emmanuel’s food bank has served families in our church and community, assisting an average of 40 families each month with food, personal hygiene items, and household supplies. The Food Pantry is open on the third Thursday of every month, from 3:30 – 5:00 p.m. It is supported almost entirely by donations and volunteers and currently requires \$16,000 in monetary support each year. During February, we invite you to help support this ministry by donating non-expired food, hygiene, or cleaning items, or by making a designated monetary gift for the food pantry. Donations may be placed in the marked bins in Ebenezer Hall. Thank you for helping us care for our neighbors in need throughout the year.

Easter Flowers – It’s hard to imagine ordering Easter flowers when it’s cold outside and with snow on the ground. Easter is on Sunday, April 5 and the deadline to order your flower(s) is Monday, March 9. Order forms can be picked up from the Connections Counter in Ebenezer, the Welcome Center, or you can print one from the email newsletter. Please submit your form along with payment to the church office. If paying by check, please make it payable to Emmanuel. Your flowers will be available for pick up after the 11:00 service on Easter Day.

Lutherans for Life – On February 13, we will have a meeting at Emmanuel. Our guest speaker will be Kathy Eggold and she will be speaking on surviving grief.

Lunch Bunch (60+) – The next Lunch Bunch is Tuesday, February 17. Our special guests will be from Fairhaven Funeral Home, as well as an elder law attorney. They look forward to sharing how to make necessary arrangements before you need them. They will offer information about preplanning protections and protecting your assets as well as address any questions you might have, helpful information even if you have already completed some preplanning. Lunch reservations are required by calling the church office at 260.423.1369 or by signing up at the Connections Counter by Friday, February 13. The lunch cost is \$10.00 per person payable that day. We hope to see you there!

Euchre Night - Calling all card players! Emmanuel’s Senior High Youth Group (EYG) will host its annual Euchre Tournament on Saturday, February 21, from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. in the lower level of Ebenezer Hall. The entry fee is \$10 per participant. Snacks and beverages will be provided, and all proceeds will help cover the cost of shipping care packages to Emmanuel’s college students. Register with a partner or sign up individually and we’ll pair you with someone when you arrive.

Trivia Night: Save the Date! The EYG hosted Trivia Night will take place Saturday, March 21, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. in the gymnasium.



Save the Date for Emmanuel's VBS - Join us June 22-26, as we walk the streets of Rome! Explore the Underground Church, meet the Apostle Paul, and so much more! Mark your calendars and invite a friend! Interested in being a part of the planning team? It's forming NOW! Reach out to Liz Bejot for more information. LBejot@emmanuellutheran.org

Newspaper Needed - Do you have a stack of newspaper laying around? We would love to use it for VBS! We have some fun decor pieces we are going to start working on. Drop off any and all newspaper to the church office labeled "VBS". Thanks for your help!

ESM Position Open - ESM is in need of morning help with our Extended Care from 6:30 - 8:30 a.m., Monday - Friday at either Getz or Union. Individual days available if you're willing to help but can't do every day of the week. Please contact Analicia Nunez at anunez@esmeagles.com if you're interested or able.



Eagles Rise Auction Donations - Now collecting donations! Please contact either of our auction coordinators if you have something to give! Erin Neuenschwander at 260.417.8373 or Lisa Terrell at 260.710.1949. All items should be gathered by Thursday, February 26. And if you, your employer, or other organizations would like more information on supporting ESM's students, scan this QR code to learn more.



Eagles Rise - ESM's annual dinner auction and will be held Friday, March 6 from 6:00 - 9:30 p.m. at Parkview Mirro Center. Tickets are \$50 per person for early registration until February 16th (\$60 after). Scan the QR code for more info and to register to attend.

ESM Preschool Enrollment - As a parent, we understand that no one knows your child's unique needs better than you. Finding a school that will reinforce the values you are instilling at home is crucial. We invite you to join us on February 12 or 19 for our Preschool Information and Enrollment sessions to get a clear picture of what ESM is all about. To learn more and register, please scan the QR code.



ESM Kindergarten Enrollment - With so many schools in the area to choose from, making the decision about where your child will begin their education is easier said than done. We invite you to join us on February 17 for our Kindergarten Information and Enrollment session to get a clear picture of what ESM is all about. To learn more and register, please scan the QR code.



The Stewardship of the Church

EMMANUEL'S MINISTRIES

Supports the ongoing mission and ministry efforts of Emmanuel congregation.

Year to Date: \$220,048	Anticipated Need Through February: \$389,767
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DISTRICT AND SYNOD

Used for local, national and world mission efforts.

Last Week: \$405	Year to Date: \$1,110
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CUP OF KINDNESS

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

Last Week: \$90	Year to Date: \$445
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IN ALL GENERATIONS

Supports the renovations of the Emmanuel campus school building.

"IAG" Total Received: \$6,583,128	Mortgage Balance: \$950,000	Total Cost* \$7,438,997
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*Total Cost = Mortgage Interest Paid to Date + Construction Cost

The Calendar of the Church

Monday, February 9

3:30 p.m. Lifelight
5:30 p.m. Lifelight
6:00 p.m. Handbell Practice

Tuesday, February 10

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
6:00 p.m. Psalms at Chapman's
7:00 p.m. West Central Board Meeting

Wednesday, February 11

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 12

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
8:30 a.m. Thursday Guys
9:00 a.m. Piece Makers
6:00 p.m. Bible Study at Chapman's

Friday, February 13

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

ESM NO SCHOOL

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

9:30 a.m. Lutherans for Life

Saturday, February 14

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

Sunday, February 15

8:00 a.m. Divine Service

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

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



Sermon Notes



Matthew 5:16

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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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1 Songs of thank - ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to Thee we raise,
 2 Man - i - fest at Jor-dan's stream, Proph-et, Priest, and King su-preme;
 3 Man - i - fest in mak-ing whole Pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;
 4 Sun and moon shall dark-ened be, Stars shall fall, the heav'ns shall flee;
 5 Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord, Pres - ent in Thy ho - ly Word—



Man - i - fest - ed by the star To the sa - ges from a - far,
 And at Ca - na wed - ding guest In Thy God-head man - i - fest;
 Man - i - fest in val - iant fight, Quell - ing all the dev - il's might;
 Christ will then like light - ning shine, All will see His glo-ri-ous sign;
 Grace to im - i - tate Thee now And be pure, as pure art Thou;



Branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem In Thy birth at Beth - le - hem:
 Man - i - fest in pow'r di - vine, Chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;
 Man - i - fest in gra - cious will, Ev - er bring - ing good from ill;
 All will then the trum - pet hear, All will see the Judge ap - pear;
 That we might be - come like Thee At Thy great e - piph - a - ny



An - them - s be to Thee ad-dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
 An - them - s be to Thee ad-dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
 An - them - s be to Thee ad-dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
 Thou by all wilt be con-fessed, God in man made man - i - fest.
 And may praise Thee, ev - er blest, God in man made man - i - fest.

Thy Strong Word

578

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

The Law of God Is Good and Wise

579



1 The Law of God is good and wise
 2 Its light of holiness impresses parts
 3 To those who help in Christ have found
 4 But those who scorn - ful - ly disdain

And sets His
 The knowl - edge
 And would in
 God's Law shall



will be - fore our eyes, Shows us the way of righ - teous -
 of our sin - ful hearts That we may see our lost es -
 works of love a - bound It shows what deeds are His de -
 then in sin re - main; Its ter - ror in their ear re -



ness, And dooms to death when we trans - gress.
 tate And turn from sin be - fore too late.
 light And should be done as good and right.
 sounds And keeps their wick - ed - ness in bounds.

5 The Law is good; but since the fall
 Its holiness condemns us all;
 It dooms us for our sin to die
 And has no pow'r to justify.

6 To Jesus we for refuge flee,
 Who from the curse has set us free,
 And humbly worship at His throne,
 Saved by His grace through faith alone.

You Are the Way; through You Alone

526



1 You are the way; through You a - lone Can
 2 You are the truth; Your Word a - lone True
 3 You are the life; the emp - ty tomb Pro -
 4 You are the way, the truth, the life; Grant



we the Fa - ther find; In You, O Christ, has
 wis - dom can im - part; You on - ly can in -
 claims Your con - qu'ring arm, And those who put their
 us that way to know, That truth to keep, that



God re - vealed His heart and will and mind.
 form the mind And pu - ri - fy the heart.
 trust in You Not death nor hell shall harm.
 life to win Whose joys e - ter - nal flow.

O Living Bread from Heaven

642

1 O liv - ing Bread from heav - en, How well You
 2 My Lord, You here have led me To this most
 3 You gave me all I want - ed; This food can
 4 Lord, grant me then, thus strength - ened With heav'n - ly

feed Your guest! The gifts that You have giv - en
 ho - ly place And with Your - self have fed me
 death de - stroy. And You have free - ly grant - ed
 food, while here My course on earth is length - ened,

Have filled my heart with rest. Oh, won - drous food of
 The trea - sures of Your grace; For You have free - ly
 The cup of end - less joy. My Lord, I do not
 To serve with ho - ly fear. And when You call my

bless - ing, Oh, cup that heals our woes! My heart, this
 giv - en What earth could nev - er buy, The bread of
 mer - it The fa - vor You have shown, And all my
 spir - it To leave this world be - low, I en - ter,

gift pos - sess - ing, With prais - es o - ver - flows.
 life from heav - en, That now I shall not die.
 soul and spir - it Bow down be - fore Your throne.
 through Your mer - it, Where joys un - min - gled flow.

On What Has Now Been Sown

921



1 On what has now been sown Thy bless - ing, Lord, be - stow;
 2 To Thee our wants are known, From Thee are all our pow'rs;
 3 O grant that each of us, Now met be - fore Thee here,



The pow'r is Thine a - lone To make it sprout and grow. Do Thou
 Ac - cept what is Thine own And par - don what is ours. Our prais -
 May meet to - geth - er thus When Thou and Thine ap - pear And fol -



in grace the har - vest raise, And Thou a - lone shalt have the praise!
 es, Lord, and prayers re - ceive, And to Thy Word a bless - ing give.
 low Thee to heav'n, our home. E'en so, a - men, Lord Je - sus, come!