

NEWS FROM EMMANUEL: JANUARY 15, 2022

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Worship and Bible Class this Weekend

This weekend Holy Communion will be offered in the 5:00 p.m. service on Saturday night and the 10:30 a.m. service on Sunday. 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, [click here](#).



Communion Services on Wednesdays

We continue to offer a special service of Holy Communion on Wednesday mornings at 11:30 a.m. For these special services, social distancing recommendations will be followed, face coverings will be required, and there will be no singing.

If you would like to attend one of these communion services, please register by calling the church office at 260.423.1369 by noon on the Tuesday before you plan to attend. 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.



Baby Shower at Emmanuel this Weekend

This weekend, as we proclaim the sanctity of life, we will be collecting baby items for A Hope Center and the Women's Care Center. Please bring your donated items with you to church as we will begin the service with a procession.

Principal Call Accepted!

It is with great joy that the Interparish School Board of Emmanuel—St. Michael Lutheran (ESM) School announces that **Dr. Benjamin Stellwagen has accepted the divine Call to serve as Principal at ESM.**

In every way God has guided and directed this process. Thank you to our entire school and church community for lifting Ben and his family in prayer and for your continued support of our school ministry. Dr. Stellwagen shares that "The call process has affirmed that the Lord has led me to this community to work alongside the many faithful, committed, caring, and talented people at ESM for the good of His kingdom. God be praised!"



We look forward to sharing more with you from Dr. Stellwagen in the days and weeks ahead. Now we pause and give thanks to God for His gracious work.

“He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together.” Colossians 1:17

In His Grace,

Erin Clark and Pat Scheiderer

ESM Call Committee Co-Chairs



Over-60 Lunch Bunch

The January Over-60 Lunch Bunch gathering will take place this Tuesday, January 18, and will feature Emmanuel members, Brent Harring, Director of Sales, and Melissa Harring, Director of Video Productions, for the Fort Wayne TinCaps Baseball team. They will share highlights from the 2021 season and give updates on the upcoming 2022 season. Fellowship hour

will begin at 11:00 a.m. with lunch served at noon, followed by our featured speakers at 12:45 p.m.

Please make reservations by Sunday, January 16, by signing up at the Connections Counter or by calling the church office at 260.423.1369. The meal cost is \$9.00 per person, payable on January 18.

Thanks from Emmanuel’s Staff

Our staff was overwhelmed by all of the goodies that were dropped off in the church office during the holidays. Thank you for the encouragement that accompanied these treats and for all of the ways you lift us up.

Missionary Aaron Spratt Visits Emmanuel on Monday

Rev. Aaron Spratt will provide an update on his mission work on Monday, January 17 in Ebenezer Hall at 7.00 p.m., following our LifeLight class.

Alaska Mission for Christ (AMC) is a nonprofit ministry of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) established to proclaim and practice the love of Jesus in Alaska. AMC believes every Christian is part of the body of Christ and encourages and equips volunteers to be involved in sharing the Gospel through various Servant Event opportunities. AMC also partners with the LCMS congregations of Alaska to identify needs, build relationships, and witness throughout the state. Currently, four of Alaska's 13 LCMS congregations have their roots in the ministry of Alaska Mission for Christ.



ESM Kindergarten Enrollment

Emmanuel—St. Michael (ESM) will host a Kindergarten information and enrollment meeting on Wednesday, January 19 at 6:30 p.m. at our Getz Road campus.

Euchre Tournament at Emmanuel

Emmanuel's Fort Wayne Young Adults group (FWYA) will host a euchre tournament in the gym on Saturday, January 29, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Participants are welcome to attend with or without a partner. Admission is \$10 per participant which will be collected the night of the event. Funds raised will help cover the cost of shipping care packages to Emmanuel's college students and service members. For planning purposes, please sign up at the Connections Counter on Sundays or in the church office throughout the week.



Destiny Rescue Coming to Emmanuel

Destiny Rescue is an international Christian organization currently rescuing kids from the sex trade in nine countries, including Cambodia, Dominican Republic, Nepal, Philippines, Thailand, Uganda and three undisclosed countries not mentioned for protection. Thousands of survivors have been rescued and hundreds of perpetrators arrested through strategic rescue operations conducted in collaboration with law enforcement. We look forward to hearing from a Destiny Rescue representative on Sunday, January 30. Visit destinyrescue.org to learn more.

Contribution Envelopes

2022 Contribution Envelopes are available to pick up in Ebenezer. If you have your contributions taken out electronically, you will not have envelopes. However, if you would like to have them, please see Becki in the church office. We also have contribution envelopes in the black Friendship Folders located in the church pews that you can use also.

If you use a pew envelope (the ones in the Friendship Folders) for your offering, please make sure to write your name on the front of the envelope. This information is necessary in order to record your contribution to your giving record.



In All Generations

On December 5, the voters of Emmanuel approved unanimously the plan to renovate our Union Street school building. In the coming days we will be hiring a project manager and move forward with the next phase of our planning. Over \$3.2 million have been pledged toward this historic project and we give thanks to God for the opportunity to invest in our school ministry. To learn more about this historic project, [click here](#).

Service of Lament and Praise for Those Who Have Suffered A Miscarriage

A service of lament and praise to remember those children who have been lost through

miscarriage will be held on Tuesday, January 25, at 4:30 p.m. at Concordia Theological Seminary in Kramer Chapel. All are welcome.

News from Concordia Lutheran High School

- **“Last Chance” Open House at CLHS**

Concordia Lutheran High School (CLHS) is hosting its "Last Chance" Open House on January 30 for any family interested in sending their student to Concordia. All grades welcome! We will provide a safe and healthy environment for you to see the school and learn more about the programs that we offer. You can meet with our teachers and learn more about our programs.

Register at www.clhscadets.com/apps/pages/open-house. Please select a time for your guided tour. You will also have the opportunity to tour the high school on your own or return to areas to ask questions.

- **Come and See “Joseph” at CLHS**

Join CLHS for “Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat” on February 25 & 26 at 7:30 p.m. and February 27 at 2:00 p.m. One of the most enduring shows of all time, “Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat” is the Biblical story of Joseph, his father Jacob, 11 brothers and the coat of many colors. Preorder tickets at www.clhscadets.com/apps/pages/theatre-productions. These ESM students will be participating in the show: Owen Smith (6th), Adelaide Davis (6th), Elsie Davis (4th), and Lucy Moll, (6th).

Together in Christ,
Pastor Eggold and Pastor Sheaffer