

# Divine Service 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!

## 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 Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 7, 2025

## “He Is Your Life”

### AS WE GATHER

Like the children of Israel, we are facing a future that is full of transition. For all of us, the reality of change brings with it the temptation to walk our own way and without the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we will always choose our own way. But the story of God’s action in our lives sustains us, and the Spirit of God strengthens us, and in the midst of life’s transitions, and in the face of our fear and weakness, God is always there to meet our sinful disobedience with forgiveness and life and salvation. Today, by God’s grace, this life in the Lord is yours!

### + 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: “Prelude and Fugue in D Minor”  
“Here I Am, Lord”

Bach  
Schulte

#### THE RINGING OF THE BELLS

#### THE WORDS OF WELCOME

(Please stand as you are able)

THE OPENING HYMN: “Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus”

Hymn 660

#### THE PRESENTATION OF PRAYER REQUESTS

#### THE INVOCATION

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

People: Amen.

#### THE BAPTISM OF: Alice Lynn Gynn

#### THE APOSTLES’ CREED (Spoken together)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.  
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by  
the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius

Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Pastor: Alice Lynn Gynn,

People: We welcome you into the Lord's family. We receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ, a child of the same heavenly Father, to work with us in His kingdom.

Pastor: And you, Alice, the Lord bless you in all your ways from this time forth and even forevermore.

People: Amen.

THE BAPTISMAL RESPONSE: "Have No Fear Little Flock"

Hymn 735

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Leader: Most holy and merciful Father,

People: we confess to You, and to one another, and to the whole company of saints in heaven and on earth, that we have sinned by our own fault, in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

Leader: We have not loved You with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not forgiven others as we have been forgiven.

People: Have mercy and forgive us, Lord.

Leader: We have taken for granted Your grace and mercy and lived as though You did not matter and we mattered most of all.

People: Have mercy and forgive us, Lord.

Leader: We confess to You, O Lord, that we have done the evil Your Word prohibits and have not done the good You command.

People: Have mercy and forgive us, Lord.

Leader: We confess that we have hidden our sin from You and from one another and have not confessed honestly before You or to those whom we have hurt.

People: We are truly sorry for the sins we have committed in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done that is wrong and by our failure to do what is right. Have mercy and forgive us, Lord.

(Silence for personal prayer and reflection)

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.

**Leader:** He who began this good work within you will bring it to completion on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. The peace of the Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

#### THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

**Leader:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

**Leader:** Let us pray. O merciful Lord, You did not spare Your only Son but delivered Him up for us all. Grant us courage and strength to take up the cross and follow Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People:** Amen.

(Please be seated)

#### THE FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

"See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil. <sup>16</sup>If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you today, by loving the LORD your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his rules, then you shall live and multiply, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it. <sup>17</sup>But if your heart turns away, and you will not hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them, <sup>18</sup>I declare to you today, that you shall surely perish. You shall not live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to enter and possess. <sup>19</sup>I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, <sup>20</sup>loving the LORD your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them."

**Leader:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

#### THE SECOND READING: Philemon 1-21

Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our beloved fellow worker <sup>2</sup>and Apphia our sister and Archippus our fellow soldier, and the church in your house: <sup>3</sup>Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>I thank my God always when I remember you in my prayers, <sup>5</sup>because I hear of your love and of the faith that you have toward the Lord Jesus and all the saints, <sup>6</sup>and I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective for the full knowledge of every good thing that is in us for the sake of Christ. <sup>7</sup>For I have derived much joy and comfort from your love, my brother, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you. <sup>8</sup>Accordingly, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do what is

required, <sup>9</sup>yet for love's sake I prefer to appeal to you—I, Paul, an old man and now a prisoner also for Christ Jesus— <sup>10</sup>I appeal to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I became in my imprisonment. <sup>11</sup>(Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful to you and to me.) <sup>12</sup>I am sending him back to you, sending my very heart. <sup>13</sup>I would have been glad to keep him with me, in order that he might serve me on your behalf during my imprisonment for the gospel, <sup>14</sup>but I preferred to do nothing without your consent in order that your goodness might not be by compulsion but of your own free will. <sup>15</sup>For this perhaps is why he was parted from you for a while, that you might have him back forever, <sup>16</sup>no longer as a slave but more than a slave, as a beloved brother—especially to me, but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. <sup>17</sup>So if you consider me your partner, receive him as you would receive me. <sup>18</sup>If he has wronged you at all, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. <sup>19</sup>I, Paul, write this with my own hand: I will repay it—to say nothing of your owing me even your own self. <sup>20</sup>Yes, brother, I want some benefit from you in the Lord. Refresh my heart in Christ. <sup>21</sup>Confident of your obedience, I write to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand, as you are able)

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 14:25–35

Now great crowds accompanied [Jesus], and he turned and said to them, <sup>26</sup>“If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. <sup>27</sup>Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. <sup>28</sup>For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it? <sup>29</sup>Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, <sup>30</sup>saying, ‘This man began to build and was not able to finish.’ <sup>31</sup>Or what king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? <sup>32</sup>And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace. <sup>33</sup>So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple. <sup>34</sup>“Salt is good, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? <sup>35</sup>It is of no use either for the soil or for the manure pile. It is thrown away. He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

THE SERMON HYMN: “Let Children Hear the Mighty Deeds”

Hymn 867

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: "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"      Flutes

(Please stand, as you are able)

## THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Leader: Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. You have granted us great privilege and mercy, O Lord, that we should be called Your people. Work in us by Your Spirit, that we may love what is good and obey Your command cheerfully. Keep us from an easy faith that costs us nothing, and preserve us so that we may be the salt of the earth and light in the darkness of a world that does not know You. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Leader: Heavenly Father, You are our life and length of days, and You set before us Your gift of life in Your Holy Word for us and for our children. Preserve Your institutions of marriage and family. Let every relationship in the home exemplify Your unconditional love for us in Christ, and grant that all might follow Him in their service to one another. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Leader: Give Your aid, O Lord, to all elected and appointed public officials, especially our president, the Congress of these United States, our governor, the legislature of this state and all who serve us in Your name in government. Grant peace to the nations, and prosper to the benefit of all people the cause of justice. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Leader: God, our King, You promise blessing to those who follow in Your way, yet You also call them to carry their crosses. Grant Your peace to those who suffer among us. Guide them by Your Word to follow Your way through the pains of this world to the glories of the world to come. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Leader: Join these, our prayers and praises, with those of Your faithful servants of every time and place, and unite them in the ceaseless petitions of our great High Priest, until He comes again in power and glory as victorious Lord of all. Through Him, with Him and in Him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is Yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER (spoken together)

## THE 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: "Christ the Eternal Lord" (Verses 1, 2, & 5) Hymn 829

THE POSTLUDE: "Christ the Eternal Lord" Smith

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Ez. 34:11-24; Ps. 119:169-176; 1 Tim. 1:5-17; Luke 15:1-10

THE FLOWERS adorning His altar today were given in celebration of the September 2 Baptismal birthday of Jacob Igney, from mom; in loving memory of Vern and Esther Miller and Linda Rowlett, from their families; and in loving memory of Ray and Joan Rita Anderson, from their family.

## SERVING

Liturgist	Seminarian Brad Larson
Acolyte	Dannika Rubrake
Organ	Myra Schmidt
Flute	Anna Snodgrass and Marizza Shepherd
Piano	Matt Johnston
Altar Guild	Anita Kuker, Noni Hoham, Diane Kurtz, Ruth Anne Teeple
Opener	Rex Countermand
Usher Crew 3	Ed Davis, Chuck Karrick, Dave Bieberich, Matt Benne, Barry Gynn, Kurt Kleinrichert, Tom Matson, Bill Pynchon, Mike Repp
Audio Engineer	Craig Dahlkamp

# 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), 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: Phil Arthur, Kathy Freimuth, Cathi Schenkel, Jenny Scheiderer, Judy Schele, Dave Bieberich, Cathy Paff, Jan Reche, Vernene Miller, Kelsey Westrick, Roxanne Moore, Evan Westrick, Cheri Maxwell
- 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
- Join our staff in praying for the following members:
  - Mike and Deb Warner, Ryan and Jacob
  - Greg and Dani Wasson, Teaghan, Brenna and Annabelle
  - Robin Waymire
  - Elizah Weating
  - Isaiah and Megan Weating, Jacob
  - Jeremiah and Rachael Weating
  - Greg and Andrea Weaver
  - Caleb and Aly Wedeven, Nora and Jordyn
  - Mason and Chloe Wedeven
  - Michelle Wedeven, Jaeger and Gavin
- 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 Birthday:** Thank God for the following birthday and ask Him to provide peace and fullness of life for those who serve Him.

Jerry Schoenefeld	2725 Covington Reserve Blvd. 46804	9/8	81
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Don Heckber	3640 West State Blvd. 46808	9/13	83
Georgia Rieck	6701 S. Anthony Blvd. Rm 407S 46816	9/19	87
Judy May	6335 Dirwood Court 46804	9/19	81
Sharon Alfeld	15371 Verano Place 46845	9/21	81
Joyce Lehmann	2216 Cedar Ridge Cove 46818	9/22	86
LeRoy Meyer Jr.	1705 Werling Road 46774	9/24	82
Ed Dornseif	4911 Smith Street 46806	9/25	81
Alice Davis	1805 Bent Tree Court, Auburn 46706	9/25	91
Dixie Croxton	2187 Meadowsweet Court	9/27	90
Rolene Holt	39010 Elna Way, Cathedral CA 92234	9/29	90

If you wish to have your name excluded from the list, call Becki at 260.423.1369.

**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 Vanderkar	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			

## 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 Morning Bible Classes & Sunday School: 9:15 – 10:15 a.m.

CLASS	LOCATION
Little Flock (ages 0-3)	School Room A5
Preschool (ages 4-5)	School Room A3
K-Grade 1	School Room A1
Grades 2-3	School Room B3
Grades 4-5	School Room B5
Grades 6-7	School Room D3
Grade 8	Ebenezer Lower Level
High School	Ebenezer Loft
I Love to Tell the Story	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.
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

**Christian Education Kickoff!** – Today is a big day at Emmanuel! We begin our Christian Education season for 2025-2026. The entire Emmanuel congregation is invited to join outside on Union Street for a time of fun, food and friendship from 9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Donuts are back! A coffee truck will be on site! We'll even have a bounce house! All this will help us begin our Christian Education season with great excitement! See you there!

**"I Love to Tell the Story: A Congregational Journey"** – The story of Emmanuel Lutheran Church is an inspiring account of God at work. This fall, we invite you to join us on a journey entitled, "I Love to Tell the Story." This engaging exploration will include every member of our church family as we revisit the stories that have shaped our ministry, and rediscover our mission as a Caring Family Sharing God's Love and Forgiveness. From September 14 through October 26, each Sunday will include a presentation, service project, or celebration. Stay tuned for more details!

**Celebrating A Successful Capital Campaign with Peter Mayer** – 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.



**Sanctuary Doors** – All of our sanctuary doors, including the west side door, will be locked following the Opening Hymn/Song of each service, for security reasons. Please use the main doors of Ebenezer Hall (circle drive entrance) to enter the church after this time. Thank you for your understanding!

**Lutherans for Life** will be meeting on Friday, September 12 at 9:30 a.m. A speaker from Redemption House will be joining us. We hope to see you there!

**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!

**Join PALS!** - Do you have a heart for connecting with kids? Are you patient, a good listener, and enjoy sharing the love of Jesus? If so, we'd love to have you join the next session of PALS (Peer Assisted Learning Strategies), a ministry of Emmanuel that partners with Washington Elementary to support 2nd and 3rd graders. Any adult, high school student, along with 7th and 8th graders are welcome to apply. Interested or have questions? Contact Liz at [LBejot@emmanuel Lutheran.org](mailto:LBejot@emmanuel Lutheran.org) or scan the QR code to apply.



**Are You Interested in a Mission Trip?** - Emmanuel has a rich tradition of sending members on mission trips. Over the last 20 years, we have sent teams to Puerto Rico, Alaska, Prague, and New Orleans, but we haven't sent any teams since before the pandemic. Emmanuel's Mission Task Force meets monthly with the goal of increasing awareness in our members of local, national, and worldwide mission opportunities. The Mission Task Force is looking for individuals who have an interest in serving on a mission trip team. If this interests you and you would like to be included in our plans for future mission trips, you can sign up by scanning the QR code!



**Lunch Bunch (60+)** - will kick-off another season of food, fun, and fellowship on Tuesday, September 16. Food will be prepared by Tammy Bair and our special speaker will be our very own member, Joy Boutakov. She will speak to us about "Stress and Ways to Handle It." The cost is \$10.00, payable that day. Please stop by the Connections Counter in Ebenezer Hall to sign up for this event or call the church office by Friday, September 12. We hope you can join us!

**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** 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 9 at 7:00 p.m., we'll be meeting at The Garden (3308 N. Anthony Blvd.) for Anchor Devotion Night - "Failure Isn't Final" with Brian Loesel. We hope to see you there!

**From Teen Heartthrob to Faithful Witness:** - At 17, Kirk went from self-proclaimed atheist to passionate believer, and now he's using his platform to speak for life and truth. Come hear his incredible testimony at the 28th Annual Right to Life of Northeast Indiana Fall Banquet on October 14, 2025, at the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum. For tickets call Carolyn Beitz 260.433.7188 for early seating.

## The Stewardship of the Church

### EMMANUEL'S MINISTRIES

Supports the ongoing mission and ministry efforts of Emmanuel congregation.

Year to Date: \$1,498,318	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: \$195	Year to Date: \$7,855
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### CUP OF KINDNESS

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

Last Week: \$120	Year to Date: \$3,245
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### IN ALL GENERATIONS

Supports the renovations of the Emmanuel campus school building.

"IAG" Total Received: \$6,057,258	Mortgage Balance: \$1,394,590	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 8

- 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

## Tuesday, September 9

- 5:00 p.m. Stephen Leaders
- 6:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry
- 7:00 p.m. West Central Board Meeting

## Wednesday, September 10

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 7:30 a.m. Finance Committee Meeting
- 8:30 a.m. Women's Wednesday Morning Study
- 9:00 a.m. Homeschool Religion
- 10:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study
- 11:30 a.m. Communion Service
- 6:00 p.m. SNA
- 6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

## Thursday, September 11

### ESM 2 HOUR DELAY

- 8:30 a.m. Thursday Guys
- 9:00 a.m. TEC21
- 10:00 a.m. Piece Makers
- 6:00 p.m. Bible Study & Fellowship at Chapman's Brewery
- 7:00 p.m. @917 Bible Class

## Friday, September 12

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 9:30 a.m. Lutheran for Life

## Saturday, September 13

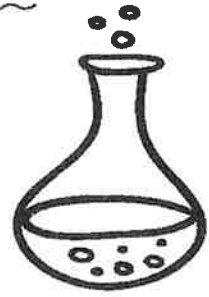
- 10:00 a.m. Conversations on Race
- 5:00 p.m. Divine Service

## Sunday, September 14

- 8:00 a.m. Divine Service w/ Communion
- 9:00 a.m. Bible Classes and Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Divine Service

What was my favorite part of church today?

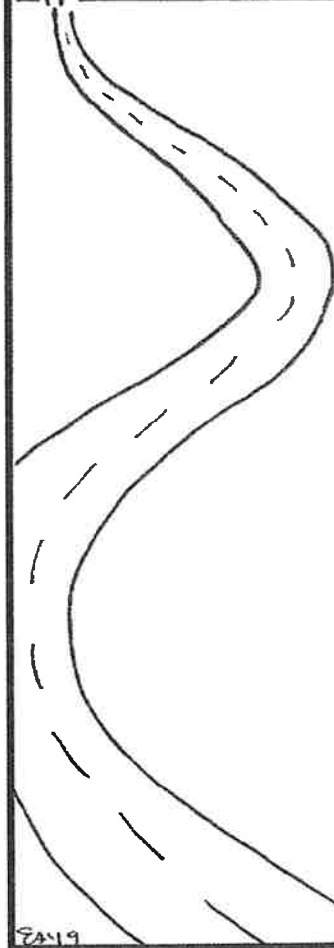
How can I use this in my life?



Songs we sang:



Lord  
+ LEAD ME...



Who can you pray for this week?

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, 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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## 660 Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus



- 1 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus, Ye sol - diers of the cross.  
2 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus; The trum - pet call o - bey;  
3 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus; Stand in His strength a - lone.  
4 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus; The strife will not be long;



Lift high His roy - al ban - ner; It must not suf - fer loss.  
Stand forth in might - y con - flict In this His glo - rious day.  
The arm of flesh will fail you, Ye dare not trust your own.  
This day the din of bat - tle, The next the vic - tor's song.



From vic - t'ry un - to vic - t'ry His ar - my He shall lead  
Let all His faith - ful serve Him A - gainst un - num - bered foes;  
Put on the Gos - pel ar - mor; Each piece put on with prayer.  
The sol - diers, o - ver - com - ing, Their crown of life shall see



Till ev - 'ry foe is van - quished, And Christ is Lord in - deed.  
Let cour - age rise with dan - ger And strength to strength op - pose.  
Where du - ty calls or dan - ger, Be nev - er want - ing there.  
And with the King of Glo - ry Shall reign e - ter - nal - ly.

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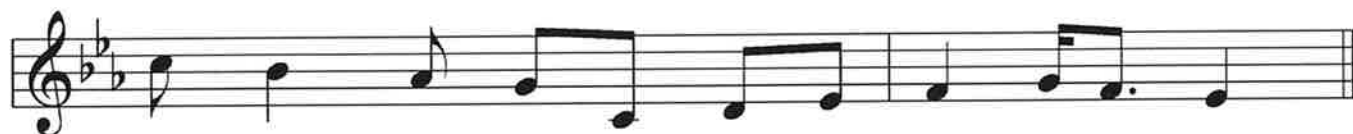
# 735 Have No Fear, Little Flock



1 Have no fear, lit - tle flock; Have no fear, lit - tle  
 2 Have good cheer, lit - tle flock; Have good cheer, lit - tle  
 3 Praise the Lord high a - bove; Praise the Lord high a -  
 4 Thank - ful hearts raise to God; Thank - ful hearts raise to



flock, For the Fa - ther has cho - sen To  
 flock, For the Fa - ther will keep you In  
 bove, For He stoops down to heal you, Up -  
 God, For He stays close be - side you, In



give you the King - dom; Have no fear, lit - tle flock!  
 His love for - ev - er; Have good cheer, lit - tle flock!  
 lift and re - store you; Praise the Lord high a - bove!  
 all things works with you; Thank - ful hearts raise to God!

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# 867 Let Children Hear the Mighty Deeds



1 Let chil - dren hear the might - y deeds Which God per -  
 2 So make to them His glo - ries known, His works of  
 3 Our sons and daugh - ters we shall tell And they a -  
 4 O teach them with all dil - i - gence The truths of  
 5 To learn that in our God a - lone Their hope se -



formed of old, Which in our youn - ger  
 pow'r and grace; And we'll con - vey His  
 gain to theirs That gen - er - a - tions  
 God's own Word, To place in Him their  
 cure - ly stands, That they may nev - er



days we saw, And which our par - ents told.  
 won - ders down Through ev - 'ry ris - ing race.  
 yet un - born May teach them to their heirs.  
 con - fi - dence, To fear and trust their Lord,  
 doubt His love But walk in His com - mands.

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# 636 Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness



1 Soul, a - dorn your - self with glad - ness, Leave the  
 2 Has - ten as a bride to meet Him, And with  
 3 He who craves a pre - cious trea - sure Nei - ther  
 4 Now in faith I hum - bly pon - der O - ver



gloom - y haunts of sad - ness, Come in - to the day - light's  
 lov - ing rev - 'rence greet Him. For with words of life im -  
 cost nor pain will mea - sure; But the price - less gifts of  
 this sur - pass - ing won - der That the bread of life is



splen - dor, There with joy your prais - es ren - der.  
 mor - tal He is knock - ing at your por - tal.  
 heav - en God to us has free - ly giv - en.  
 bound - less Though the souls it feeds are count - less:



Bless the One whose grace un - bound - ed This a - maz - ing  
 O - pen wide the gates be - fore Him, Say - ing, as you  
 Though the wealth of earth were prof - fered, None could buy the  
 With the choic - est wine of heav - en Christ's own blood to



ban - quet found - ed; He, though heav'n - ly, high, and  
 there a - dore Him: Grant, Lord, that I now re -  
 gifts here of - fered: Christ's true bod - y, for you  
 us is giv - en. Oh, most glo - rious con - so -



ho - ly, Deigns to dwell with you most low - ly.  
 ceive You, That I nev - er - more will leave You.  
 riv - en, And His blood, for you once giv - en.  
 la - tion, Pledge and seal of my sal - va - tion!

5 Jesus, source of lasting pleasure,  
 Truest friend, and dearest treasure,  
 Peace beyond all understanding,  
 Joy into all life expanding:  
 Humbly now, I bow before You;  
 Love incarnate, I adore You;  
 Worthily let me receive You  
 And, so favored, never leave You.

6 Jesus, sun of life, my splendor,  
Jesus, friend of friends, most tender,  
Jesus, joy of my desiring,  
Fount of life, my soul inspiring:  
At Your feet I cry, my maker,  
Let me be a fit partaker  
Of this blessed food from heaven,  
For our good, Your glory, given.

7 Lord, by love and mercy driven,  
You once left Your throne in heaven  
On the cross for me to languish  
And to die in bitter anguish,  
To forego all joy and gladness  
And to shed Your blood in sadness.  
By this blood redeemed and living,  
Lord, I praise You with thanksgiving.

8 Jesus, bread of life, I pray You,  
Let me gladly here obey You.  
By Your love I am invited,  
Be Your love with love requited;  
By this Supper let me measure,  
Lord, how vast and deep love's treasure.  
Through the gift of grace You give me  
As Your guest in heav'n receive me.

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