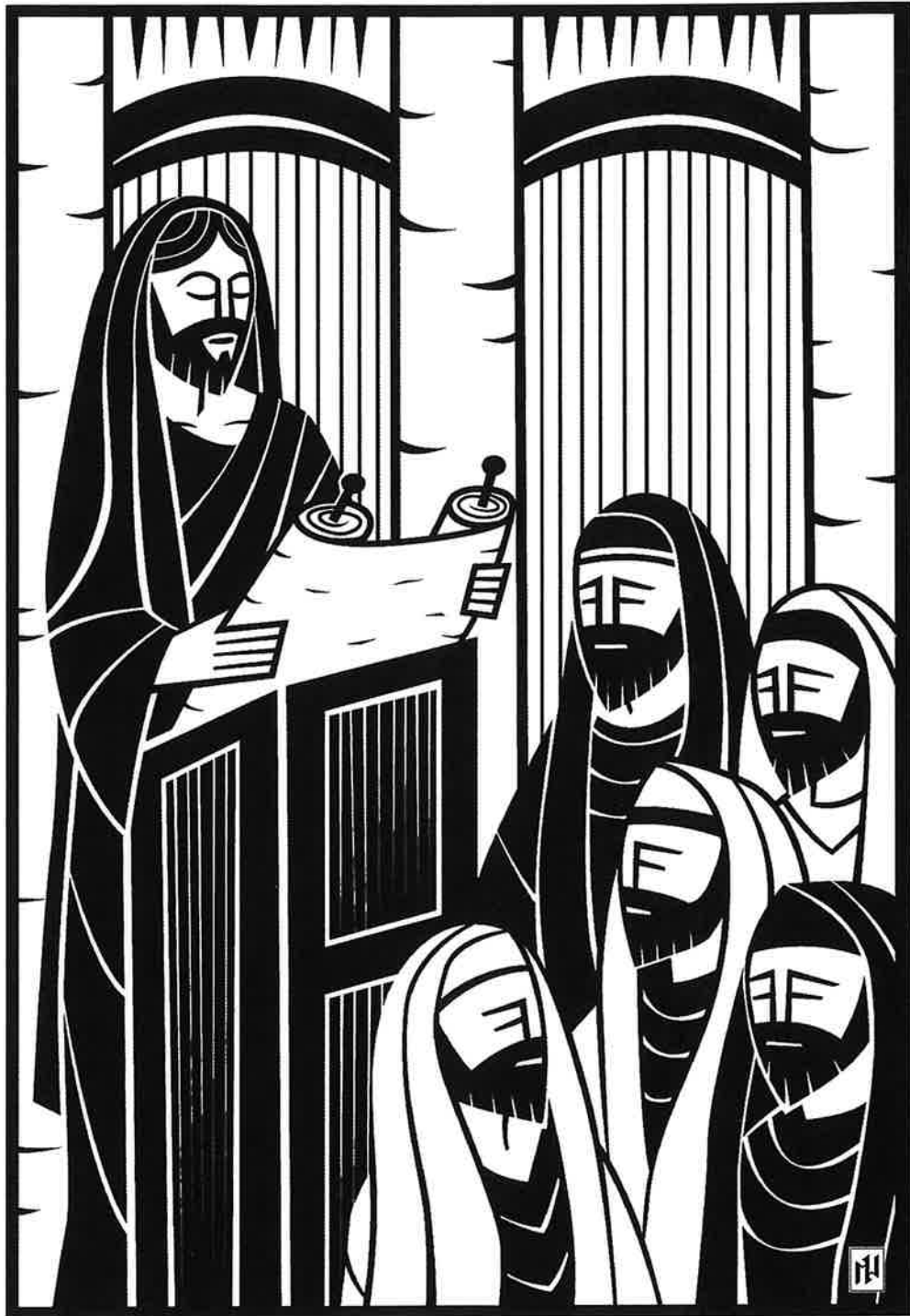


Divine Service at 5:00



Emmanuel Lutheran Church

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Welcome to Worship

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

“Today in Your Hearing”

AS WE GATHER

In His speech to the people of Nazareth, Jesus pointed to the Cross. Here, He announced that it was their rejection that would condemn Him, and it was for their lies that He would suffer, and it was for their sins that He would be killed. Even though they couldn't possibly have understood it, in their hearing, they were confronted by a Savior who would suffer for them; and they were met by a Messiah who would die for them; and in this Christ they would be given life. Today, the same thing is true for you. Today, in your hearing, the time of the Lord's favor has come to you, and today, in your hearing, you have received the promise from God that in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, you have eternal life.

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 RINGING OF THE BELLS

THE WORDS OF WELCOME

THE GATHERING SONG: “House of the Lord”

We worship the God who was. We worship the God who is.
We worship the God who evermore will be.
He opened the prison doors. He parted the raging sea.
Our God, He holds the victory.

(Chorus)

There's joy in the house of the Lord.
There's joy in the house of the Lord today.
And we won't be quiet. We shout out Your praise.
There's joy in the house of the Lord.
Our God is surely in this place.
And we won't be quiet. We shout out Your praise.

We sing to the God who heals. We sing to the God who saves.
We sing to the God who always makes a way.
'Cause He hung upon that cross then He rose up from that grave.
My God's still rolling stones away. (Chorus)

We were the beggars. Now we're royalty.
We were the pris'ners. Now we're running free.
We are forgiven, accepted, redeemed by His grace.
Let the house of the Lord sing praise.
'Cause we were the beggars. Now we're royalty.
We were the pris'ners. Now we're running free.
We are forgiven, accepted, redeemed by His grace.
Let the house of the Lord sing praise. (Chorus two times)

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THE INVOCATION

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

People: Amen.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION (Romans 7:12, 22-24)

Leader: The law is holy, and the commandment is holy and righteous and good.

People: For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being,

Leader: but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members.

People: Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?

Leader: Let us confess our sins to God, our merciful Father.

(Silence for reflection and confession)

Leader: To You, O God,

People: we confess that we have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and deeds, and also by the good that we have failed to do. Our love for You and for our neighbors has been weak or even dead. By Your Law, You reveal the judgment we rightly deserve. Because Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, has fulfilled Your Law on our behalf, we beg Your forgiveness and grace to restore us to life with You in the fellowship of all believers. Amen.

Leader: Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ, our Lord! In the stead and by the command of our Savior, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

THE SHARING OF PEACE

THE MUSICAL RESPONSE: "Build My Life"

Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing.
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring.

Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe.
We live for You.

Jesus the name above ev'ry other name.
Jesus the only one who could ever save.
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe.
We live for You. We live for You.

(Chorus)

Holy, there is no one like You, There is none beside You.
Open up my eyes in wonder and
Show me who You are and fill me, with Your heart
And lead me in Your love to those around me. (Repeat from beginning)

I will build my life upon Your love; it is a firm foundation.
I will put my trust in You alone, and I will not be shaken.
I will build my life upon Your love; it is a firm foundation.
I will put my trust in You alone, and I will not be shaken. (Chorus two times)

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THE FIRST READING: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

All the people gathered as one man into the square before the Water Gate. And they told Ezra the scribe to bring the Book of the Law of Moses that the Lord had commanded Israel. ²So Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could understand what they heard, on the first day of the seventh month. ³And he read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand. And the ears of all the people were attentive to the Book of the Law. ⁵And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was above all the people, and as he opened it all the people stood. ⁶And Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. And they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. ⁸They read from the book, from the Law of God, clearly, and they gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading. ⁹And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept as they heard the words of the Law. ¹⁰Then he said to them, "Go your way. Eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions to anyone who has nothing ready, for this day is holy to our Lord. And do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³For in one Spirit we were

all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit. ¹⁴For the body does not consist of one member but of many. ¹⁵If the foot should say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁶And if the ear should say, “Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁷If the whole body were an eye, where would be the sense of hearing? If the whole body were an ear, where would be the sense of smell? ¹⁸But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. ¹⁹If all were a single member, where would the body be? ²⁰As it is, there are many parts, yet one body. ²¹The eye cannot say to the hand, “I have no need of you,” nor again the head to the feet, “I have no need of you.” ²²On the contrary, the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³and on those parts of the body that we think less honorable we bestow the greater honor, and our unpresentable parts are treated with greater modesty, ²⁴which our more presentable parts do not require. But God has so composed the body, giving greater honor to the part that lacked it, ²⁵that there may be no division in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another. ²⁶If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together. ²⁷Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. ²⁸And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, helping, administrating, and various kinds of tongues. ²⁹Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? ³⁰Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret? ³¹But earnestly desire the higher gifts.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand, as you are able)

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 4:16–30

[Jesus] came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. And as was his custom, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read. ¹⁷And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written, ¹⁸“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, ¹⁹to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.” ²⁰And he rolled up the scroll and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹And he began to say to them, “Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” ²²And all spoke well of him and marveled at the gracious words that were coming from his mouth. And they said, “Is not this Joseph’s son?” ²³And he said to them, “Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, ‘Physician, heal yourself.’ What we have heard you did at Capernaum, do here in your hometown as well.” ²⁴And he said, “Truly, I say to you, no prophet is acceptable in his hometown. ²⁵But in truth, I tell you, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the

heavens were shut up three years and six months, and a great famine came over all the land, ²⁶and Elijah was sent to none of them but only to Zarephath, in the land of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow. ²⁷And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian.” ²⁸When they heard these things, all in the synagogue were filled with wrath. ²⁹And they rose up and drove him out of the town and brought him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they could throw him down the cliff. ³⁰But passing through their midst, he went away.

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

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.

THE MUSICAL RESPONSE: “The Church’s One Foundation”

The Church’s one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is His new creation, by water and the Word:
From heaven He came and sought her to be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.

Elect from ev’ry nation, yet one o’er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses, with ev’ry grace endued.

Yet she on earth hath union with God, the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.
O blessed heav’nly chorus! Lord, save us by Your grace
That we, like saints before us, May see You face to face.

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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 RESPONSE: "Who You Say I Am"

Who am I that the highest King would welcome me?
I was lost but He brought me in. Oh, His love for me!
Oh, His love for me!

(Chorus)

Who the Son sets free, oh, is free indeed.
I'm a child of God, yes, I am.

Free at last, He has ransomed me; His grace runs deep.
While I was a slave to sin, Jesus died for me.
Yes, He died for me.

Who the Son sets free, oh, is free indeed.
I'm a child of God, yes, I am.
In my Father's house there's a place for me.
I'm a child of God, yes, I am.

I am chosen, not forsaken, I am who You say I am.
You are for me, not against me. I am who You say I am.
I am chosen, not forsaken, I am who You say I am.
You are for me, not against me. I am who You say I am.
I am who You say I am.

Who the Son sets free, oh, is free indeed.
I'm a child of God, yes, I am.
In my Father's house there's a place for me.
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I'm a child of God, yes, I am.

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THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Leader: Lord God, we give You thanks that You have gathered us together from our solitary lives to be a united family in the forgiveness of our sins. We thank You for Your wonderful grace and mercy, which You have revealed to us and to the whole world in Your Son, Jesus Christ. As we have faithfully heard Your mighty Word this day, cause our hearts to rejoice and respond in glad praise to You. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: Grant unity and blessing to Your whole Church on earth. Give her grace and power to faithfully proclaim Your perfect Law and glorious Gospel. Bless all preachers of Your Word and those who serve You

and the world in their various vocations. Grant that many be drawn by Your Spirit to join us in the fellowship of all the saints. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: O Lord, graciously bless, protect, and defend our nation, its elected leaders, and especially those who serve bravely in the military and all the agencies that help and protect us. Bind all citizens of our country in a common allegiance and obedience to Your will and the rule of law. Bless all who care for the poor, the downtrodden, and the lonely. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: As Your Son came to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, so bring comfort and healing to all who are sick or have any other adversity. Grant Your help and blessing to all who minister to them in any need. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

During the Lord's Prayer, the church bell tolls three times to encourage those outside the sanctuary to join with the church in corporate prayer.

THE BLESSING

THE CLOSING SONG: "Days of Elijah"

These are the days of Elijah, Declaring the Word of the Lord.

And these are the days of Your servant Moses,

Righteousness being restored.

And though these are days of great trials,

Of famine and darkness and sword;

Still we are the voice in the desert crying, "Prepare ye the way of the Lord."

(Chorus)

Behold He comes riding on the clouds,

Shining like the sun at the trumpet call.

Lift your voice, it's the year of jubilee,

And out of Zion's hill, salvation comes.

These are the days of Ezekiel, The dry bones becoming as flesh;

And these are the days of your servant David, Building a temple of praise.

And these are the days of the harvest,
The fields are as white in Your world;
And we are the laborers in Your vineyard,
Declaring the Word of the Lord. (Chorus)

There's no god like Jehovah, there's no god like Jehovah,
There's no god like Jehovah, there's no god like Jehovah.
There's no god like Jehovah, there's no god like Jehovah,
There's no god like Jehovah, there's no god like Jehovah. (Chorus)

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THE POSTLUDE

THE READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK: Jer. 1:4-10; 1 Cor. 12:31-13:13; Luke 4:31-44

THE FLOWERS adorning His altar were given to the glory of God in loving memory of Ruth Bryan from the Bryan family, and in loving memory of Helen Springer from Shelly, Jackie and Larry Springer.

THE MUSIC LEADERS: Emmanuel Praise Team

THE USHERS: Jan Hoffman, Laura Miller

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:
 - We pray for Reagan RoseAnn Dagle on the occasion of her Baptism. We ask God to strengthen Reagan as she grows and to bless her parents, Christopher and Cierra (Weller) Dagle, and her sponsors, Dakotah Weller and Nick Weaver, as they raise and nurture Reagan in her Baptismal faith.
 - Pray for strength, healing and comfort for Ben Piering, Jennifer Bergman, Allen Herbst, Craig Brigman, Louise Bredemeyer, Grayson (grandson of Gary Curtis), Devin (friend of Sandy Behling), Cheri Maxwell, Sandy Reavis, Logan Ryan, Sue Maxson, Bob Fisher, Phyllis Tittman, Tom Wollman, Jerry Kanning and Kristy Fitzgerald.
 - Pray for the following people recovering from surgery: Jax Witzigreuter and Myra Schmidt.
 - Pray for healing, comfort and peace for the following people with cancer: Carmen and Shellie (friends of Sandy Behling), Jenny Hobby (sister of Chris Murphy), Helen Meredith (sister of Jay Meredith), Josh Walters (friend of Patty Rouse), Carolyn Robison (sister of Sandy Reavis and Patty Rouse), Mary Chapman (wife of Charlie Chapman), Richard Vargas

(brother-in-law of Kris Tinsley), Benjamin Galiher (grandson of Dan and Judy May), Carolyn Shelton, Judy Baumgartner (mother of Kristin Smith), and Christie Wentland (sister-in-law of Aaron & Cara Wentland).

- Pray for Sierra Dawson (granddaughter of Sandy Nahrwold) for peace and protection during her high-risk pregnancy
 - Pray for strength and healing for Waylon Berghoff (great-nephew of Mark and Michelle Walters) and peace for his parents, Bradley and Jessica.
 - Pray for strength and peace for Mary English (friend of Sharon Bell).
 - Pray for all who struggle with the ongoing impact of the pandemic.
 - Pray for all health care workers as they care for patients and residents.
- Join our staff in praying for the following members this week:
 - Dan Diemer
 - Matt and Stephanie Diemer, Grant and Joel
 - Bob and Jeanne Dietrich
 - Lance and Holly Diffendarfer, Abigail and Hannah
 - Jennifer Diller, Elijah
 - Frank Dinius
 - Eric and Cindy Dirig
 - Barry and Janet Doege
 - Ben Doehrman
 - Matt and Betsie Doehrman, Megan and Mollie
 - Please pray for the missions and missionaries currently supported by Emmanuel's congregation:
 - Rev. James and Deaconess Christel Nuendorf - Ponce, Puerto Rico
 - Rev. Aaron Spratt - Alaska Mission for Christ
 - Lutheran Agency for Missions to Burmese (LAMB)
 - Rev. Michael Paul - Taiwan
 - The Lutheran Heritage Foundation
 - Luther Academy
 - Lutheran Senior Care Ministry (LSCM)
 - Lutherans For Life (LFL)

If you have a prayer request that you would like to make known to our Emmanuel family, please email me at taeggold@hotmail.com.

The Teaching of the Church

Adult Sunday Bible Classes 9:15 - 10:30 A.M.

CLASS	LOCATION	DATES	INSTRUCTOR
Gospel of Luke	Ebenezer Hall, LL	12/5-2/20	Rev. Tietz
Lutheran Christianity	Brandt Hall	1/9-4/3	Various
Households of Faith	Choir Room	1/9-2/20	Rev. May

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

CLASS	LOCATION
Me Too (Birth - Age 2)	Room 7 (Lower Level, School)
3-5 Year Olds	Room 6 (Lower Level, School)
K-2 nd Grade	Room 105 (Middle Level, School)
3 rd -5 th Grade	Room 104 (Middle Level, School)
6 th Grade Confirmation	Room 202 (Third Floor, School)
7 th Grade Confirmation	Room 4 (Lower Level, School)
8 th Grade Confirmation	Activity Center (Upper Level, School)
9 th -12 th Grade	The Loft

Weekday Bible Classes...

CLASS	LOCATION	DAY	TIME
Women's Book Study	The Loft	Mondays	9:00 am
LifeLight (Resumes 1/10)	Ebenezer Hall	Mondays	5:30 pm
Women's Book Study (Beth Williams 402-803-5303)	Ebenezer Hall	Tuesdays (1 st & 3 rd)	8:00 pm
Men's Bible Study	Ebenezer Hall	Wednesdays	6:30 am
Women's Bible Study on Acts	Brandt Hall	Wednesdays	8:30 am
Pastor's Bible Study	Ebenezer Hall	Wednesdays	10:00 am
Men's Bible Study	Brandt Hall	Fridays	6:30 am

The News of the Church

Emmanuel's Visual Faith Ministry is gathering Tuesday, February 1 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the lower level of Ebenezer Hall. We will watch videos from the March, 2021 Virtual Abide Retreat - Prayer Practices for Anxious Times. Handouts will be available. Please contact Teresa Davis at 1313teresadavis@gmail.com or 260.385.3038 if you have any questions, or if you want to find out more about Visual Faith.

Northeast Indiana March for Life Rally 2022 will be held Saturday, January 29 beginning at 12:00 p.m. at the University of Saint Francis Art Center, located at 431 W. Berry Street. Doors open at 11:30 p.m. Join other pro-life advocates to show that you support life from conception to natural death. We march rain, snow or shine! Be sure to dress in clothes that keep you warm and dry!

ESM Principal Call Update - It is with great joy that the Interparish School Board of Emmanuel - St. Michael announces that **Dr. Benjamin Stellwagen** has accepted the divine Call to serve as Principal at ESM. Thank you to our school and church community for lifting Ben and his family in prayer and for your continued support of our school ministry. Ben 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!" Thanks be to God for His gracious work.

Attention, Euchre Players! On Saturday, January 29 from 6-8:00 p.m., Emmanuel's Fort Wayne Young Adults group will host a euchre tournament in the gymnasium. Participants may enter individually or with a partner. Admission is \$10 per person. Money will be collected the night of the event and used to cover the cost of shipping care packages to Emmanuel's college students. Snacks and drinks will be provided. Please sign up at the Connections Counter!

2022 Contribution Envelopes are available to pick up in Ebenezer Hall.

ESM Kindergarten Info and 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 16 for our Kindergarten Information and Enrollment Session. REGISTER at www.esmeagles.com/enrollment/kindergarten-open-house.

ESM Preschool - 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 February 1 or 3 for one of our Preschool Information and Enrollment Sessions. REGISTER at www.esmeagles.com/earlychildhood/enrollment/early-childhood-open-house.

Fundraiser for the Weber Family - Central Lutheran families have organized a fundraiser for the family of John Weber who passed away earlier this school year. They are selling T-shirts as well as taking donations. John was the principal at Central Lutheran School and a Concordia parent. His daughter, Naomi, created the design on the front of the t-shirt in memory of her father. Visit <https://johnweberfund.itemorder.com/shop/sale/> to learn more.

Girls' Basketball Grade School Night at CLHS - On Saturday, January 29, the CLHS girls' basketball team is hosting a Lutheran grade school night. Each rostered grade school player will receive free admission to the game. Come and celebrate our Lutheran grade school teams!

The Stewardship of the Church

EMMANUEL'S MINISTRIES

Year to Date: \$84,296	Anticipated Need Thru January, 2022: \$137,471
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DISTRICT AND SYNOD

Last Week: \$442	Year to Date: \$1590
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CUP OF KINDNESS

Last Week: \$596	Year to Date: \$1,021
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IN ALL GENERATIONS

Pledged to Date: \$3,303,275

Campaign Goal: \$5,000,000

The Calendar of the Church

Monday, January 24

9:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study
5:30 p.m. LifeLight

Tuesday, January 25

6:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry

Wednesday, January 26

6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
8:45 a.m. Women's Bible Study
9:00 a.m. Homeschool Religion Class
10:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study
11:30 a.m. Communion Service

Thursday, January 27

8:30 a.m. Thursday Guys
9:00 a.m. Piece Makers

Friday, January 28

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

Saturday, January 29

3:30 p.m. Praise Team
5:00 p.m. Divine Worship with Communion

Sunday, January 30

8:00 a.m. Divine Worship Service with Communion
9:00 a.m. Gathering Hour
9:15 a.m. Bible Study and Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Divine Worship Service with Communion
3:00 p.m. @917
6:00 p.m. FWYA Bible Study

Building Faith in the Family

It's time to focus on the Epiphany of our Lord.

Epiphany means to “make manifest” or to show forth. The Gospel lessons during this long Epiphany season show God’s Word shining its light on Jesus to tell us just who He is. Imagine a spotlight that gets brighter each week as we learn more about Jesus. Three Sundays ago, we saw the bright star lead magi to Jesus. Two weeks ago the spotlight brightened as we heard the Father’s voice declare “This is my beloved Son” during Jesus’ baptism. Last Sunday, Jesus performed His first miracle at a wedding in Cana, demonstrating that He is the Messiah. The spotlight brightened again.

Today, the third Sunday after the Epiphany, the spotlight reveals Jesus performing one of His first acts of public ministry, preaching in the synagogue at Nazareth and telling people that He is the Messiah. His words caused him to be rejected by the people and set him clearly on a path leading to the cross.

Read Luke 4: 16-30

1. As you reread these words aloud, which verses tell you that Jesus is the preacher or proclaimer (Revelation)? Note verse 21 in particular.
2. Which verses tell you the purpose of Jesus the Messiah was to bring healing and wholeness and health (Restoration)?
3. Which verses tell you the path for Jesus the Messiah would lead to sadness (Rejection)?
4. How do the words in John 1:11 relate to what you have just read?

Activity for Building Faith

Each week during Epiphany, use an increasing number of candles during your family devotions—starting with 4 candles this week. In your devotions, talk about how each spotlight in God’s Word brightens to “show forth” who Jesus is.

Prayer

Heavenly Father, as your Son shines forever as the Light of all people, may I show this Light in my family, neighborhood, and world. Holy Jesus, come from God, fill me with Your light. Amen.

EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Building faith in the city

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

This family exists to announce this gift of forgiveness to individuals of all nations and cultures through the preaching of God's Word and the administration of the Sacraments. Emmanuel instructs young and old according to the confessional standard of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and reaches out through forgiving relationships, working to connect all members of the family through caring friendships.

Emmanuel serves as shepherds of the sheep; seekers of the lost; friends of sinners; and caregivers to the poor, lonely and broken-hearted. It is a family that cares for all people and reaches out to witness to the love and forgiveness found in Jesus Christ.

Emmanuel Worship Services are designed to share God's love and forgiveness through the ministry of Word and Sacrament. We offer a variety of worship styles and we encourage you to worship in the liturgical style that best meets your needs.

Saturday Evening Divine Service—This service offers a contemporary setting and is held on Saturdays at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Morning Divine Services—These services are held on Sundays at 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. and feature worship in a traditional liturgical setting.

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