

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 find seats and sharing information, we all play a role in embracing and welcoming guests to Emmanuel. Please look for new faces, extend a helping hand whenever possible, and 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. **Tot Bags** are located in the east and west rear entrances 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.

“The Generous Master”

AS WE GATHER

The parable in today's Gospel has an important point that is easily missed: the master is generous to his very core. He has a reputation for generosity. When his unjust steward discounts everyone's bills, he doesn't assert his legal right to reverse the steward's actions; instead, he stays consistent with his reputation and generously forgives the debts. So it is with our Master. God is generous, providing each of us with “body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses . . . clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, spouse and children, land, animals, and all I have.” We rejoice in the generosity of God. In our joy, we hear God's call to use whatever wealth He entrusts to us for extending His reign by providing for the poor and supporting the mission and ministry of the Gospel.

THE GATHERING TIME

During the Gathering Time, we encourage our members to greet each other 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: “How Great Thou Art”

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works Thy hands hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
They power throughout the universe displayed;

(Chorus)

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander,
I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; (Chorus)

But when I think that God, His Son no sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in

That on the cross my burden gladly bearing
He bled and dies to take away my sin; (Chorus)

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim: "My God, how great Thou art!" (Chorus)

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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 (Psalm 124:8; Isaiah 2:3, 5)

Leader: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: who made heaven and earth.

Leader: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

People: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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

Leader: O almighty God, merciful Father,

People: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Leader: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ 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: "How Great Is Our God"

The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty,
Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice.
He wraps Himself in light, and darkness tries to hide,

And trembles at his voice, trembles at his voice.

(Chorus)

How great is our God, sing with me, How great is our God, and all will see,
How great, how great is our God.

Age to age He stands, and time is in His hands,
Beginning and the end, beginning and the end.
The Godhead, three in one: Father, Spirit, Son,
The Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb. (Chorus)

Name above all names, Worthy of all praise, My heart will sing (Chorus)

Then sings my soul My Savior God to Thee,
How great Thou art, How great Thou art.
Then sings my soul My Savior God to Thee,
How great Thou art, How great Thou art.

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(Please be seated)

THE FIRST READING: Amos 8:4-7

Hear this, you who trample on the needy and bring the poor of the land to an end, ⁵saying, "When will the new moon be over, that we may sell grain? And the Sabbath, that we may offer wheat for sale, that we may make the ephah small and the shekel great and deal deceitfully with false balances, ⁶that we may buy the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals and sell the chaff of the wheat?" ⁷The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob: "Surely I will never forget any of their deeds."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 2:1-15

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, ²for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. ³This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, ⁶who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time. ⁷For this I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth. ⁸I desire then that in every place the men should pray, lifting holy hands without anger or quarreling; ⁹likewise also that women should adorn themselves in respectable apparel, with modesty and self-control, not with braided hair and gold or pearls or costly attire, ¹⁰but with what is proper for women who profess godliness—with good works. ¹¹Let a woman learn quietly with all submissiveness. ¹²I do not permit a woman to teach or to exercise authority over a man; rather, she is to remain

quiet. ¹³For Adam was formed first, then Eve; ¹⁴and Adam was not deceived, but the woman was deceived and became a transgressor. ¹⁵Yet she will be saved through childbearing—if they continue in faith and love and holiness, with self-control.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand, as you are able)

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 16:1-15

[Jesus] also said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions. ²And he called him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager.' ³And the manager said to himself, 'What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.' ⁵So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he said to the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' ⁶He said, 'A hundred measures of oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.' ⁷Then he said to another, 'And how much do you owe?' He said, 'A hundred measures of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and write eighty.' ⁸The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. ⁹And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings. ¹⁰"One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. ¹¹If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹²And if you have not been faithful in that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own? ¹³No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money." ¹⁴The Pharisees, who were lovers of money, heard all these things, and they ridiculed him. ¹⁵And he said to them, "You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For what is exalted among men is an abomination in the sight of God."

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

THE NICENE CREED (Spoken together)

Inside back cover of hymnal

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all

things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE MUSICAL RESPONSE: "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for song of loudest praise.
While the hope of endless glory, fill my heart with joy and love,
Teach me ever to adore Thee; May I still Thy goodness prove.

Here I raise my Ebenezer, hither by Thy help I've come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood.

Oh, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be;
Let that grace now like a fetter bind my wandering heart to Thee:
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.
Here's my heart, O take and seal it. Seal it for Thy courts above.

Oh, that day when freed from sinning, I shall see Thy lovely face;
Clothed then in the blood-washed linen, how I'll sing Thy wondrous grace!
Come, my Lord, no longer tarry; Take my ransomed soul away;
Send Thine angels soon to carry me to realms of endless day.

Lutheran Service Book

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.

THE MUSICAL OFFERING: "Thank You, Lord"

I Come before You today, and there's just one thing that I want to say.

Thank You Lord, Thank You Lord.
For all You've given to me; For all the blessings that I cannot see
Thank You Lord, Thank You Lord.

(Chorus)

With a grateful heart, with a song of praise,
With an outstretched arm I will bless your name.
Thank You Lord, I just want to thank You Lord.
Thank You Lord, I just want to thank You Lord. Thank You Lord.

For all You've done in my life, You took my darkness and gave me Your light.
Thank You Lord, Thank You Lord.
You took my sin and my shame, You took my sickness and healed all my pain
Thank You Lord, Thank You Lord. (Chorus, two times)

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THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Leader: Dear heavenly Father, You desire that all people are saved and come to a knowledge of the truth. Send out messengers and missionaries to every corner of the earth that people from every tribe, nation, and language would hear the saving mercy of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: Lord, send Your mercy to all who are struggling financially, the homeless, the poor, the unemployed, the underemployed, and those dealing with unexpected situations. Lead them through this challenging road and provide people and systems to help them. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: Lord, walk with all those who are grieving in the shadow of death. Comfort them with the hope of the resurrection to eternal life. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: Lord, You invite us into holy conversation with You through prayer, but we often neglect this invitation. Help us to speak to You more frequently and more fervently. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: Lord, You sent Your Son to be the mediator between God and humanity. Grant us peace and reconciliation in our homes, our congregation, our community, our country, and throughout the world. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: Lord, look with favor upon all who are sick, injured, and recovering.
Have mercy upon them and heal them according to Your will. Lord, in
Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: Lord, we commend all of these things to Your infinite mercies, which
are new every morning. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer. Amen.

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.

THE PROPER PREFACE

Leader: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all
places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and
the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of
everlasting life. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the
company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name,
evermore praising You and singing:

"SANCTUS (HOLY, HOLY, HOLY)"

Holy, Holy, Lord God of Heavenly Hosts,

Holy, Holy, Lord God of Heavenly Hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

Hosanna, Hosanna, Blessed is he who comes,

Blessed is he who comes, Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE PEACE OF THE LORD

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

People: Amen.

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 SONGS

"What Is This Bread"

What is this bread? Christ's body risen from the dead:
This bread we break This life we take,
Was crushed to pay for our release. O taste and see—the Lord is peace.

What is this wine? The blood of Jesus shed for mine;
The cup of grace Brings His embrace
Of life and love until I sing! O taste and see—the Lord is King.

So who am I, That I should live and He should die
Under the rod? My God, my God,
Why have You not forsaken me? O taste and see—the Lord is free.

Yet is God here? Oh, yes! By Word and promise clear,
In mouth and soul He makes us whole—
Christ, truly present in this meal. O taste and see—the Lord is real.

Is this for me? I am forgiven and set free!
I do believe That I receive
His very body and His blood. O taste and see—the Lord is good.

Lutheran Service Book

"Father Welcomes"

(Chorus)

Father welcomes all His children to His fam'ly through His Son.
Father giving His salvation, Life forever has been won.

Little children, come to me, for my kingdom is of these.
Life and love I have to give, mercy for your sin. (Chorus)

In the water in the Word, In His promise, be assured:
Those who are baptized and believe, shall be born again. (Chorus)

Let us daily die to sin; Let us daily rise with Him.
Walk in the love of Christ our Lord, Live in the peace of God. (Chorus)
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THE DISMISSAL

THE BLESSING

THE CLOSING SONG: "Your Grace Is Enough"

Great is Your faithfulness, O God, You wrestle with the sinner's heart.
You lead me by still waters and to mercy, and nothing can keep us apart.

So remember Your people, remember Your children,
Remember Your promise, O God.

(Chorus)

Your grace is enough, Your grace is enough,
Your grace is enough for me.

Great is Your love and justice God. You use the weak to lead the strong.
You lead us in the song of Your salvation, and all Your people sing along.

So remember Your people, remember Your children,
Remember Your promise, O God. (Sing Chorus Twice)

So remember Your people, remember Your children
Remember Your promise, Oh God. (Chorus)

Your Grace is enough, Heaven reaching down to us.
Your grace is enough for me.

God, I see Your grace is enough, I'm covered in Your love.
Your grace is enough for me.

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NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Amos 6:1-7; Ps. 146; 1 Tim. 6:6-19; Luke 16:19-31

THE FLOWERS adorning His altar were given to the glory of God in honor of the 75th Wedding Anniversary of Willie and Betty Chin; and in honor of the 22nd Wedding Anniversary of David and Vikki Birdwell; and in honor of the 22nd Wedding Anniversary of Mike and Judy Huesner; and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Prange and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cowan from Diane Kurtz.

COMMUNION ASSISTANT: Aaron Light
USHER AND ALTAR GUILD: Kathy Lash, Catherine Peterson

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 the family of Louise Bredemeyer, as they mourn the passing of their loved one. Ask God to comfort them in their grief, give them His peace, and assure them of the victory over death that is ours through Christ.
 - Pray for strength, healing, peace and comfort for Rhonda Irven, NeNe Vibbert (cousin of Becki Elonzae), Caroline Shelton, Kathy Schweyer, Vickie Tufley (sister of Judy Huesner), Carol Salge, Maury Springer, Patrick Agerton, Harry Brown (father-in-law of Kristina Brown), Dick Reinking, Taylor Hogan (son of Arlan and Robin Hogan), Curt Reese (brother-in-law of Sandra Nahrwold), David Merkler, Jennifer Bergman, Sue Maxson, Kristy Fitzgerald, Mary English, Kelly Richards.
 - Pray for the following people recovering from surgery: Angela Osborn, Jeff Scherer, Bob Dietrich, Jan Karrick, Tim Lankenau, Donna Brunow, Mitch Platt, Steve Mueller, Ethan Perkins, Bruce Novak.
 - Pray for healing, comfort and peace for the following people with cancer: Tom Eggold, Lois Howe (aunt of Bob Frye), Peg Davis, Jenny Hobby (sister of Chris Murphy), Josh Walters (friend of Patty Rouse), Carolyn Robison (sister of Sandy Reavis and Patty Rouse), Richard Vargas (brother-in-law of Kris Tinsley), and Judy Baumgartner (mother of Kristin Smith).
- Join our staff in praying for the following members this week:
 - Steve and Nina Locker, Christopher
 - Connor and Aaliyah Loechner
 - Rachel and Allen Loechner, Charlotte, Eliot
 - Matt and Emily Logan
 - Jack and Tammy Lombard
 - Lindsay Lopez, Kasmira and Mikey
 - Philip Lord
 - Rachele Lord, Audrey
 - Ron Lunz
 - Duane and Carol Lupke

- Please pray for the missions and missionaries currently supported by Emmanuel's congregation:
 - Rev. James and Deaconess Christel Neuendorf - 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. If you would like to join the Emmanuel Prayer Chain, please email Marsha Sappenfield at marshasappenfield@comcast.net.

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.

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

CLASS	LOCATION	DATES	INSTRUCTOR
James: Apostle of Faith	Sanctuary	9/11-11/20	Pr. McFadden
Lutheran Christianity	Brandt Hall	9/11-11/27	Eggold, Sheaffer, Hille
Conversations in Parenting	School Rm 103 (Middle Level)	9/11-10/23	Cross Connections Counselors
Sunday School for Grown-ups	School Rm 102 (Middle Level)	9/11-11/20	Pr. Mark Sheaffer

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	Ebenezer, Lower Level
9 th -12 th Grade	The Loft

Weekday Bible Classes...

CLASS	LOCATION	DAY	TIME
FWYA (Ft. Wayne Young Adult) Bible Study	Ebenezer Hall	Sundays	6:00 pm
Women's Book Study	The Loft	Mondays	8:30 am
LifeLight - Gospel of Matthew	Ebenezer Hall	Mondays (Beg. 9/12)	5:30 pm
Women's Book Study (Beth Williams 402-803-5303)	Ebenezer Hall	Tuesdays (1 st & 3 rd)	8:00 pm
Men's Lectionary Study	Ebenezer Hall	Wednesdays	6:30 am
Women's Bible Study on Luke	Brandt Hall	Wednesdays (Beg 9/21)	8:45 am
Homeschool Religion Class	Choir Room	Wednesdays	9:00 am
Pastor's Bible Study	Ebenezer Hall	Wednesdays	10:00 am
Men's Lectionary Study	Brandt Hall	Fridays	6:30 am

The News of the Church

Active Duty Military Outreach - Rev. Ted Hoham is the son of Emmanuel members John and Noni Hoham. Pastor Hoham serves in the theology department at Concordia Lutheran High School, but is currently serving as a military chaplain in Baghdad to approximately 2500 military personnel and many patients receiving treatment in the hospital there. Pastor Hoham would appreciate prayers for the soldiers and their families at home. He also shared that his unit could use a resupply of the following snacks and hygiene items:

- Unopened bags of individually wrapped gum and candy (NOT CHOCOLATE - it's over 100 degrees most days)
- Unopened multi-packs of PB/cheese crackers, cookies, nuts and salty snacks
- Powdered flavored electrolyte mixes (like Propel)
- Travel sized deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, body wash, shave gel, lotion, sunscreen, toothpaste, mouthwash, chapstick, etc.
- Individual, unopened toothbrushes
- Baby wipes
- Notes of encouragement, as some soldiers do not receive mail.

If you would like to donate, the easiest way to help meet these needs is to ship through Amazon Prime (free shipping!) directly to Pastor Hoham at:

Chaplain Theodore Hoham
374th Field Hospital
BDSC
APO, AE 09305

NOTE: There is also a need in the hospital for new/gently used t-shirts and gym shorts in all sizes for patients who generally come with only the clothes they were wearing at the time they were admitted. If you would like to donate t-shirts and gym shorts, please bring them to the church office.

Dartball at Emmanuel - Are you looking for another fun church activity? Emmanuel's Dartball Team could be it! The team has been on break due to the pandemic, but is hoping to restart this great activity. The team needs 6-9 players to participate in the Lutheran Dartball League that begins Wednesday, September 28. If interested, please call Rick Linnemeier at 260-415-5824 for more information and to sign up.

Wednesday Playgroup - Gather with Emmanuel parents, toddlers, babies, and preschoolers at local playgrounds on Wednesday mornings from 9:00-11:00 a.m. We will play, make friends, and encourage one another as Christian parents. Bring friends! For the month of September (21, 28), we will plan to meet at Buckner Park. If it's raining, bring a toy to share and we will meet in the Emmanuel Church Loft instead. Text Laurie Stellwagen at 812-219-8423 to join the text group or ask questions.

Emmanuel Lutheran Church's Middle School Youth Group would like to invite your 6th, 7th, and 8th graders and their families to our kick-off family gathering on Sunday, September 25, from 2:00-4:00 p.m. at the Japanese Pagoda Pavilion at Swinney Park. There will be games, snacks, fun and fellowship! All families attending are asked to bring a snack or dessert to share. Drinks will be provided. Please RSVP to Meghann Whetstone (260-403-3363), Ashlee Middendorf (414-640-2092), or Thomas Moll (260-487-1150) by September 21. Please RSVP with your name and the number of attendees. We look forward to seeing you!

CLHS Sermon Report Forms - In case your Concordia High School student forgets to bring a "Growth in Worship" sermon report form to church, we have extras at the Connections Counter.

The Washington School Project READS Program will begin again Wednesday, September 28, at Washington School. This is a one-on-one opportunity for volunteers to help the children improve their reading skills. It takes place at the school every Wednesday, from 3-4:00 p.m. If you are interested in this program, email Nicole Phillippe (Project READS Volunteer Coordinator) at: nicole.phillippe@fwliteraryalliance.org. Include in your email that you are a member of Emmanuel Lutheran Church and are specifically volunteering for the Project READS program at Washington Elementary School. If you have any questions, contact Diane Witzenman at 260-249-1307.

ESM School Renovation Banner - We thank God for the men and women who are working on the renovation of our school. Please continue to pray for their safety. If you'd like to add your name to the banner encouraging our workers, please see the church office for a permanent marker.

Please Note: The south side of the Jackson Street parking lot will be closed for the duration of the project in order to provide a staging area for contractors who will be working on the school. On Sunday mornings, additional parking will

be available at Washington School or in the public parking lot on the corner of Wilt and Van Buren. Thank you for your patience as we move forward with this important project.

Stars and Promises Christmas Concert at Emmanuel - On Thursday, December 22, at 7:00 p.m., Emmanuel will welcome guitarist Peter Mayer and his band to our very own sanctuary for a special Christmas concert entitled, "Stars and Promises." Tickets for this unique performance may be purchased through Eventbrite. You can find the link and a discount code in the weekly email from the pastors, or you can contact the church office if you require additional assistance.

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

Part-Time Custodian Needed - Emmaus Lutheran Church, School & Preschool, 8626 Covington Road, Fort Wayne, is looking for a daytime custodian to work every Thursday and Friday and every other Wednesday from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. If you know of somebody who might be interested please have them call Mrs. Olsen at 459-7722 for more information.

Lakeview Ministries (Seymour, IN) is looking for their next **Villages Program Director**. This year-round salaried role is primarily responsible for planning, developing, and leading middle/high school summer camp programs. Do you have experience leading college-aged individuals and young people? Do you want to live out your faith in outdoor ministry? Do you know how to intentionally lead groups in community and fun? Then this might be the job for you. If not for you, do you know someone that fits this description, then help spread the word about this important open position at camp! For a full job description and to submit a resume, go to lakeview.camp/work.

The Stewardship of the Church

EMMANUEL'S MINISTRIES

Year to Date: \$1,247,345	Anticipated Need Thru September: \$1,324,446
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DISTRICT AND SYNOD

Last Week: \$222	Year to Date: \$13,101
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CUP OF KINDNESS

Last Week: \$61	Year to Date: \$5,208
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IN ALL GENERATIONS

Received: \$1,929,879

Goal: \$5,000,000

Pledged: \$2,992,172

The Calendar of the Church

Monday, September 19

- 7:00 p.m. West Central Neighborhood Association Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. School Board Meeting at Emmanuel

Tuesday, September 20

- 11:00 a.m. Lunch Bunch
- 6:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training

Wednesday, September 21

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 8:30 a.m. ESM Chapel
- 8:45 a.m. Women's Bible Study
- 9:00 a.m. Homeschool Religion
- 9:00 a.m. Playgroup
- 10:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study
- 11:30 a.m. Mid-Week Communion Service
- 1:30 p.m. LLV Communion Service
- 3:00 p.m. PALS

Thursday, September 22

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

Friday, September 23

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

Saturday, September 24

- 3:30 p.m. Praise Team
- 5:00 p.m. Divine Worship Service

Sunday, September 25

- 8:00 a.m. Divine Worship Service with Communion
- 9:00 a.m. Gathering Time in Ebenezer Hall
- 9:15 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Study
- 10:30 a.m. Divine Worship Service
- 6:00 p.m. FWYA Bible Study



My Worship Notes

Today is: _____

The preacher is: _____

Today's Bible passages

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3

Words I don't understand ...

Questions I have about
what was said ...

What did you learn about God today?

Live

How many times did I hear these words? (make a tally mark)

Pray	peaceful	Godly	Quiet
Dignified	Saved	Truth	Faith

This Visual Faith resource is designed to help visual and tactile learners take worship into the week.

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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