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connecting people to Jesus, people, and God's mission

Thank you for sending in your ballots for the annual election of Elders and Deacons and budget approval. We are pleased to announce that the 2022 slate has been approved and the following people are approved for the 2022 Consistory: Elders: Engel Apostol, Mike Huiseman, Dave Huchel, Joaquin Valdez, Deacons: Trever Hefner, Seth Kroese, Vance Richards, David Rodriguez, Chris Unruh, Guillermo Villagran. The new Elders and Deacons will be installed during the month of January. The 2022 Budget was also approved. As we move into 2022, please prayerfully consider how you might give regularly and generously toward this budget.



EMMANUEL ARTS

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EMMANUEL
COMMUNION
Sunday
NEXT WEEK
do this in remembrance of me

EMMANUEL
Week of Prayer
January, 4th, 5th & 6th at 7pm
Join us in person in the Sanctuary or online on YouTube or Facebook.
We will gather to pray and worship as we begin the new year.

Are you interested in purchasing an Emmanuel Church t-shirt or sweatshirt? Learn more at the table outside.

English: 9am 10:30am 12pm 6pm | Spanish: 10:30am 12pm | Nepalese: 9:30am
(sanctuary) (activity center) (blue building)

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Additional Giving Opportunities
Vision Fund offering January 16

Weekly Offering
YTD Offering: \$3,060,904.04
YTD Budget: \$2,808,000.00
Last Week's Offering: \$149,842.02
2021 Weekly Budget: \$54,000.00

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Title: Author & Author-ity

Blessing Defined:

- To be blessed is to experience salvation and well-being that comes from God alone
- To bless God is to worship him with our words and deeds
- To bless other people is to seek their welfare both now and forever in the name of Jesus

We're talking about PEOPLE not theories and concepts

Scripture Reading: Genesis 2:15-25

God as Author

- Author is a creator. The one who decides the character and storyline
- Worldview
 - Bodies matter
 - God created with intentionality
 - Eyes are for seeing, ears are for hearing, fins are for swimming, wings are for flying

The Myth of Dualism

- Socrates, Plato and Aristotle lived in Athens and taught dualism
 - Church in Corinth
 - One Flesh (Genesis 2:24)
- There is no dualism with our spirit/body = they greatly affect each other. We are one integrated being

- One - echad - fused together at the deepest levels
- A blessing and command ... - Genesis 1:28

Jesus is the author and perfecter of our faith - Hebrews 12:2

Trusting God as Author and the Authority of his Word

- Isaiah 55:8-9 - Romans 9:20

The Authority of God

Whose voice has authority in your life?

If God is the Author of life we must accept his Author-ity

Scripture is authoritative (2 Timothy 3:16-17)

Where has "sexual freedom" brought us?

"Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it. - Matthew 7:13-14

"How did God demonstrate his authority?"

- John 15:13 - Romans 5:8

Time of Reflection

- What does God being the "author" of life mean to you?
- Whose voice has authority in your life?