



EMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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SATURDAY EVENING - 5:00 p.m. Worship in the Sanctuary
DIVINE WORSHIP SERVICE EACH SUNDAY - 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary
THE GATHERING – Every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. in the Auxiliary Gym at CLS

September 13, 2026

News & Notes

MISSION STATEMENT

Emanuel Lutheran Church furthers God’s Kingdom by
connecting people, strengthening families, and proclaiming God’s Word.

IT’S TIME TO START UP OUR MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE

STUDY! Beginning September 14 at 7:00 p.m. we’ll begin a journey through the Gospel of Luke! Come & be challenged as we together move through the Scriptures which will continue to strengthen our faith in the Way and the Truth and the Life! *Pastor Stecker*

ADULT CHOIR HAS STARTED! There are openings in all 4 sections, so if you sing Soprano, Alto, Tenor, or Bass, there could be a spot for you! Rehearsals are on Thursdays from 7:15-8:45 p.m. Come join this exciting team ministry where you work with others with the common goals of enhancing our worship services, and more importantly, giving praise and honor to the King of kings!

RUMMAGE SALE NOTE: We sincerely appreciate your early donations for the September Rummage Sale; however, **we are running out of storage space!** If you could **please hold further donations until the Rummage Sale set-up day on September 20**, we would appreciate it. If donations need to be made, please call the Church Office.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES RESUME TODAY!

Join us Sunday at 9:15 a.m. for Adult Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall, Sunday School for ages 3 through 7th grade, and Confirmation Class for 8th graders and their parents in the FLR. Sunday School will begin in the sanctuary before heading downstairs to classrooms. Donuts and coffee will be provided in the fellowship hall! Sunday School students will also enjoy a special kickoff with ice cream truck treats and games!



Carol and I would like to thank our church family for all the prayers and cards received. And thank you pastors Zeckzer and Stecker for your visits. You are all appreciated.

Denny and Carol Herman

BIBLE CLASSES

United & Growing: 2nd Saturday of the month from 8-Noon
Monday Morning Bible Study: Conference Room at 6:45
Women’s Bible Study: Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in the FLR
Will Resume September 13 at 9:15 a.m.

Adult Bible Class in Fellowship Hall
Sunday School for 3 years – 7th grade begins in the sanctuary, then heads downstairs to classrooms.
Confirmation Class for 8th graders & their parents in FLR
Monday Night Bible Study at 7:00 p.m. in the FLR

EMANUEL’S BUDGET SNAPSHOT

Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. ~ 2 Corinthians 9:7

As of July 31, 2026

	Actual	Budget	Actual vs. Budget
Receipts	\$534,033	\$586,454	\$ (52,421)
Expenses	599,734	601,129	(1,395)
Surplus (Deficit)	<u>\$(65,701)</u>	<u>\$(14,675)</u>	<u>\$ 51,026</u>

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

5:00 p.m. = 68 9:00 a.m. = 128 10:30 a.m. = 91
Communion = 239 Visitors = 38

THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR

TODAY ~ Fall Worship Schedule Begins
Worship.....8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School, Confirmation, Adult Bible Class.....9:15 a.m.
The Gathering at CLS.....10:30 a.m.
LYFE.....6:30-8:30 p.m.

MONDAY
Bible Study.....6:45 a.m.
LWR Quilters.....9:00 a.m.
Board of Christian Service.....2:00 p.m.
Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY
Food Bank.....9:00-11:45 a.m.
Board of Finance.....9:00 a.m.
Grief Support.....6:00 p.m.
Church Council.....7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY
CLS Chapel.....8:00 a.m.
Ladies Bible Study.....9:30 a.m.

THURSDAY
Private Party in FLR.....6:00 p.m.
Handbell Choir.....6:00 p.m.
Adult Choir.....7:15 p.m.

FRIDAY ~ No events scheduled.

SATURDAY
Worship Service.....5:00 p.m.

SUNDAY
Worship.....8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School, Confirmation, Adult Bible Class.....9:15 a.m.
The Gathering.....10:30 a.m.
VOTER’S MEETING.....**NOON**
Rummage Sale Set Up.....1:00 p.m.
EJY Work Hard Play Hard.....11:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

IN OUR PRAYERS

† Those with health concerns:

Joy Bradtmueller
Roger Scheele
Pat Scott
Darlene Elser
Carol Herman
Marlene Poling
Carol Holle
Mary Jane Kline
Mark & Kathy Foellinger
Diana Sullivan (Amanda Sorg’s mother)
Nathan Scheele (Roger & Jayne’s son)
Hank Helmke (Cindy Moore’s brother)
Rachel Dekoninck (Bob & Sue Crowl’s granddaughter)





EMANUEL LADIES' SOCIETY FALL RUMMAGE SALE will be held on Thursday, September 24 (9am-7pm) & Friday, September 25 (9am-1pm) (\$3 bag sale). **Please bring your donations to the Fellowship Hall beginning Sunday, September 20! Setting up & sorting starts at 1pm on Sunday, September 20!** (NO Large appliances or furniture – including TV's) **No donations will be accepted after Tuesday, Sept. 22.** Your helping hands would be greatly appreciated! **Volunteers are needed on Monday & Tuesday from 8am—7:30pm, and on Wednesday from 9-5.** Also Needed: 6 & 8 FOOT TABLES for our Rummage Sale to be delivered Sunday, September 20 for temporary use on the 24 & 25 of September. Please make sure they are marked with your name and be assured they will be used inside. **THANK YOU!**



PLEASE CHECK THE LOST & FOUND, located by the coatracks outside the Fellowship Hall. Any remaining items will be put in the upcoming Rummage Sale.



OKTOBERFEST IS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 AFTER THE 10:30 SERVICES! Join us for food, beer, yard games, a cake walk, and our very own Masskrugstemmen (stein-holding)

competition! Don't miss this FREE fun fellowship event for the whole congregation! **We need the following help to make it great:**

- * A Thrivent card to help cover costs
- * Several volunteers to each make a crockpot of German Potato Salad (recipe provided!)
- * Goodies for the Cake Walk – cookies, cupcakes, brownies... Contact Andrea Hoover if you can pitch in!

SINCE ITS INCEPTION, THE ENDOWMENT FUND has provided more than \$2,083,356 from its earnings to enhance Emanuel's ministry. Contributions to the Fund are legacy gifts. Pamphlets explaining this opportunity are available in the narthex hallway. DID YOU KNOW? During 2023, the Fund provided \$2,700.00 in support of repainted church parking lot striping.

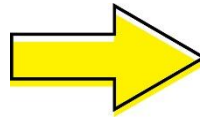
DID THE SUMMER GRILLING SEASON empty your propane tank? Central's 6th & 7th graders are selling propane refill tickets for \$15 to be used at Pro Line Rental & Sales here in New Haven. Tickets can be purchased now through Wednesday, September 16. \$5 from each ticket sales goes to support the student on their Washington DC trip in 2027. Tickets can also be purchased during the school day in the office, and proceeds will go towards our scholarship account.

KENYA KORNER

Pastor Dennis & Lorna are asking for continued prayers for Point of Grace Academy (POGA), its students, and their families. The school has ongoing needs, including funding for the boys' dormitory and completing the security wall around the high school. Please prayerfully consider using your Joining in Hands mission envelopes to support POGA. Every gift helps provide a safe, secure, and nurturing place for students to learn and grow. As always if you have questions about sponsoring, please reach out to Pastor Stecker at pastorstecker@emanuelnh.org or Corrie Oberlin at corrieas@hotmail.com

DAILY LECTIONARY FOR THIS WEEK

September 13: 2 Chronicles 32:1-22 / Colossians 1:1-23
September 14: 2 Chronicles 33:1-25 / Colossians 1:24-2:7
September 15: 2 Chronicles 34:1-4, 8-11, 14-33 / Col 2:8-23
September 16: 2 Chronicles 35:1-7, 16-25 / Colossians 3:1-25
September 17: 2 Chronicles 36:1-23 / Colossians 4:1-18
September 18: Nehemiah 1:1-2:10 / 1 Timothy 1:1-20
September 19: Nehemiah 2:11-20; 4:1-6 / 1 Timothy 2:1-15



EMANUEL'S CEMETERY COMMITTEE IS SELLING 2 mowers! A 48 inch Scag & a 61 inch Scag, each with low hours. If you're interested or have questions, please call Jeff Brockmann at Pro Line Rental and Sales (493-2535). *Please don't call the Church Office, Christine won't be able to help you.* 😊

LIFECARE CONNECTIONS

ELC'S GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP continues to meet on the 3rd Tuesday of each month in the Life Care Director's office. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, September 15 at 6pm. Hope to see you there!

SERVING AT EMANUEL

September 19:

Elder: John Colter

Ushers: S2 (G. Nahrwold)

Communion Assistant: Jay Melcher

September 20

Elder: Benjamin Castens (8:00, 10:30)

Jerry Schlund (Gathering)

Ushers: #6 (Don Lambert) (8:00)

#5 (Mike Schultz) (10:30)

Choir: Adult Choir (8:00, 10:30)

Communion Assistant: Kurt Bremer (8:00)

Josh Pankop (10:30)

Thank You!! 😊

YOUTH GROUP

Call or text Youth Director Andrea Hoover with questions.

Follow us on Instagram at [lyfe_ejy](#)!

& Facebook under Emanuel Youth Group

EJY = Emanuel Junior Youth (Grades 6-8)

LYFE = Lutheran Youth Fellowship at Emanuel (High School)

EJY



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 is our 1st Work Hard Play Hard of the school year! After 2nd service we'll have pizza in the Family Life Room, then set up for the rummage sale! At 1:30pm we'll leave for North Folk Farms (Amazing Fall Fun) in Waterloo! We'll be back at 6pm. Cost is \$25

which includes admission PLUS a SNACK PACK which includes 2 fresh donuts, a small cider slushie, & a small kettle corn! Please sign up by Wednesday, September 16.

LYFE



FOODMAXXING is the theme of our fall kickoff **tonight**, September 13 (9/13), 6:30-8:30 PM! We're *foodmaxxing* with a feast of 9x13 dishes on 9/13! From main dishes and sides to desserts, we'll have it all. PLUS it's time for our 2027 Mission Trip Hunt. Uncover the clues to discover details about our mission trip next summer! We will end with a special Bible study with a 9x13 twist.

LUTHERAN WOMEN IN MISSION

All the women of Emanuel are invited to the annual LWML Fort Wayne East Zone fall gathering Saturday, October 10 at Ascension Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne. This year's theme is "You Will Be My Witnesses" based on Acts 1:8. The gathering will begin with fellowship & breakfast at 8:30 a.m. followed by a faith-filled program including devotions, singing, and a presentation from Rev. Mike & Cathie Wakeland. Come hear about their missionary experiences in Liberia, Venezuela, Guatemala, Costa Rica, and Mexico. The gathering should conclude before Noon. There is a \$7 registration fee. An ingathering of notebooks, pencils, crayons, colored pencils, backpacks or monetary gifts will be collected for schools in Liberia. If you plan to attend, please RSVP to Renee Schuller by Sunday, October 4.