



EMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

February 8, 2026

News & Notes

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



WHITES SALE: The following items are for sale in the Church Office. All proceeds will be donated to Shepherd's House, Cross Borders, and Charis House.

- Queen Sheet Sets.....\$7.00
- King Sheet Sets.....\$9.00
- 3 wash cloths.....\$.50
- Hand towel & 2 wash cloths.....\$1.00

ARTICLES FOR THE MARCH/APRIL newsletter should be turned into the Church Office by February 20. *Thanks!*

A LIFE QUOTE FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8: “God loves you in your vulnerability so much that He subjected Himself to conform to a vulnerable human body. So today ... remember that Jesus, in whom all things hold together, loves you, individually. He is fully present with you just as He was in His mother’s arms. God’s peace be with you this day, this night.” *Andrea Delwiche*

DEAR EMANUEL FAMILY: Thank you so much for blessing our family with Christmas generosity! We are so thankful to be a part of this caring Christian congregation. Your love for our family will be paid forward as we head out on vicarage this summer. God bless you as you care for our future church workers!

Adam, Kelly, Lydia, Luke & Levi Holtz

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
- Sunday Mornings 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

EMANUEL’S BUDGET SNAPSHOT

As of December 31, 2025

Emanuel’s Board of Finance would like to thank the members of Emanuel for their faithful giving and encourage all families to continue cheerfully supporting Emanuel with their gifts. In 2025, Emanuel’s total revenue was \$966,985 and total expenses were \$980,909. Your contributions in 2025 made it possible for us to pay expenses associated with our ministry. Every gift, large or small, was essential in making this happen. Because of your generosity, God’s Word was proclaimed, children were provided Christian education both here and abroad, hungry people were fed, and the body of Christ was sustained and supported. Thank you. We look forward to continuing the work of God’s Kingdom in 2026.

RESPONSE TO HIS LOVE (attendance last week)

Saturday = 70 Sunday = 265 Gathering = 92
Communion = 301 Visitors = 27

THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR

TODAY ~ Blood Pressure Checks by Parish Health
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.

MONDAY
Bible Study.....6:45 a.m.
LWR Quilters (Knotters).....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.
LWR (Toppers).....9:30 a.m.

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

THURSDAY
Quilters.....9:00 a.m.
Endowment Committee.....4:00 p.m.
Board of Evangelism & Missions.....4:00 p.m.
Handbells.....6:00 p.m.
Adult Choir.....7:15 a.m.

FRIDAY ~ No events scheduled.

SATURDAY
Evening 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.
LYFE Night.....6:30 p.m.

IN OUR PRAYERS

- † Karl Schroeder (Lutheran)
- † Norm Davis (health concerns)
- † Cinda Lambert, Steve Hormann, Chad Bauer, Luann Reichhart, Marilyn Herman, all recovering from surgery



DAILY LECTIONARY FOR THIS WEEK

- February 8:** Job 5:1-27 / John 2:13-25
- February 9:** Job 6:1-13 / John 3:1-21
- February 10:** Job 6:14-30 / John 3:22-4:6
- February 11:** Job 7:1-21 / John 4:7-26
- February 12:** Job 8:1-22 / John 4:27-45
- February 13:** Job 9:1-35 / John 4:46-54
- February 14:** Job 10:1-22 / John 5:1-18

EMANUEL’S ENDOWMENT FUND: 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 2021, the Endowment Fund provided \$1,500.00 to replace the facility sump pump.



CONSTRUCTION UPDATE: The elevator has been built and delivered to Emanuel. As the construction crews are in the process of installing the elevator, we might again have some areas of church blocked off at certain times. Thank you all for your patience and understanding during this process ~ we’re on the home stretch!

A LIFE THOUGHT IN THE CHURCH YEAR FOR FEBRUARY 8:

“You are the light of the world” (Matthew 5:14). God’s people do wonderful things before the world: march for life, support local pregnancy resource centers, speak up on behalf of the unborn and vulnerable. However, we must always remember that we are to shine our light before men, not to earn favor with men or with God. Such self-serving works “will not make your voice be heard on high” (Isaiah 58:4). Instead, knowing Christ crucified and having the mind of Christ (1 Corinthians 2:2, 16), we let our light shine before men to give glory to God (Matthew 5:16), that all might have life now and forever.

CLS ASSOCIATION MEETING is scheduled for Sunday, February 22, at 1:30 p.m. in the main gym. Please plan to attend. At the annual Association meeting, important updates & votes take place.

- Elect & install new School Board members
- Receive an update about the school from the Principal & Preschool Director
- Presentation of the 2026-2027 school budget
- Update on school improvements over the last year
- Receive information about upcoming events and dates
- We are anticipating presenting candidates for Calls to fill our open positions

We need you there to meet our quorum and to be able to conduct the necessary business of the Association. Thank you!

PLEASE ATTEND the Central Lutheran School 2nd & 3rd grade operetta *JOY RIDE Cruisin’ Through Philippians* on Thursday, February 26 (9am), and Friday, February 27 (9am & 7pm). You’ll be learning about JOY as we journey through the book of Philippians. Our students are excited to share God's Word through song & word.

SERVING AT EMANUEL NEXT WEEK

February 14, 15

Elders: Ben Oberlin (5:00)
David Herman (8:00, 10:30)
Steve Poling (Gathering)

Ushers: Group S3 (Jay Melcher) (5:00)
Group 1 (Sam Bender) (8:00)
Group 2 (Ben Koeneman) (10:30)

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

Communion Assistant: Gary Nahrwold (5:00)
Nick Gehl (8:00)
Dave Van Spankeren (10:30)

February 18

Elders: Dennis Herman (10:30)
Benjamin Castens (7:00)

Communion Assistant: Josh Pankop, Mike Sweet (7:00)

Ushers: Group 2 (Ben Koeneman) (7:00)

Choir: CLS Charger Choir (10:30)
Handbell Choir (7:00)



SUPER BOWL SMOKED WING FUNDRAISER PICK UP! If you ordered wings from our youth fundraiser, pickup is this weekend after church services. We will also have extra wings available for purchase after services until sold out!

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)

LYFE

PANCAKES & PJS NIGHT is Sunday, February 15, 6:30-8:30 PM! Show up in your pjs for pancakes, games, and special guests Pastors Zeckzer & Peters!

LIFECARE CONNECTIONS

THE GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP will meet for lunch on Tuesday, March 3 at Noon at Zianos (10520 Maysville Rd.) This is a social outing! Please feel free to join us for some great food and fellowship!
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, February 17 at 6pm.

EMANUEL’S EASTER GARDEN

Help beautify the chancel & altar on Easter Sunday by ordering a beautiful plant! All plants can be picked up after the 10:30 a.m. service. Please complete this form & return it to the church office *no later than Monday, March 9.*

Make checks payable to EMANUEL ALTAR CIRCLE.

NAME:		Phone #	
Easter Lilies		Mums 6" Pot \$17	
\$12	Quantity		Quantity
6" (1 stem)	-	Purple	
		White	
		Yellow	
Hyacinths 7"		Azalea 6" Pot \$30	
Pot \$11	Quantity		Quantity
Blue	-	Pink	
Pink	-		
White	-		
Purple	-		
Tulips 6"		Hydrangea 6" Pot \$30	
Pot \$11	Quantity		Quantity
Pink		Pink	
Red	-	Blue	
Orange			
Yellow	-		
Purple			
Snake Plant 6"		ZZ Plant 6" Pot \$21	
Pot \$21	Quantity		Quantity
Assorted		Green	
Total Plants Ordered =		Total Money =	
In Memory of -			
In Honor of			