

# EMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

December 1, 2024



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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.

# News & Notes

### MISSION STATEMENT

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

**A NOTE FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE:** We’ve received some checks in the mail with no information as to who they’re from. If you are blessing Emanuel with an RMD (or something similar), please call the Church Office and let Christine know. We want to make sure that our end-of-year giving statements are accurate. *Thanks!*



**THE LADIES SOCIETY CHRISTMAS PARTY** will be on Tuesday, December 3. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. This is open to all ladies of the congregation, their mothers, daughters, and friends. Tickets will be available for purchase this morning, also in the Church Office (see Christine) on Monday.

### BAPTIZED THIS MORNING AT EMANUEL



**Tristan Aaron Cross**  
 Tristan is the son of Jason & Roha Cross, and is Ava Doster’s fiancée. His sponsors are Easton Doster and Matt Reure.

*We welcome you into the Lord’s family!*

### DAILY LECTIONARY FOR THIS WEEK

- December 1:** Is. 7:10-8:8 / 1 Peter 3:1-22
- December 2:** Is. 8:9-9:7 / 1 Peter 4:1-19
- December 3:** Is. 9:8-10:11 / 1 Peter 5:1-14
- December 4:** Is. 10:12-27a, 33-34 / 2 Peter 1:1-21
- December 5:** Is. 11:1-12:6 / 2 Peter 2:1-22
- December 6:** Is. 14:1-23 / 2 Peter 3:1-18
- December 7:** Is. 24:1-13 / 1 John 1:1-2:14

### BIBLE CLASSES

- United & Growing:** 2<sup>nd</sup> 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
- Monday Night Bible Study** at 7pm in the FLR

### Sunday Mornings from 9:15-10:15 a.m.

- Adult Bible Class** in Fellowship Hall
- Sunday School** for 3 years – 7<sup>th</sup> grade begins in the sanctuary, then heads downstairs to classrooms.
- Confirmation Class** for 8<sup>th</sup> graders & their parents in 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 October 31, 2024**

	Actual	Budget	Actual vs. Budget
Receipts	\$734,050	\$833,333	\$ (99,283)
Expenses	685,779	830,860	(145,081)
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 48,271	\$ 2,473	\$ 45,798

### RESPONSE TO HIS LOVE (attendance last week)

Saturday = 76 Sunday = 285 Gathering = 85  
 Communion = 294 Visitors = 45

### THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR

#### TODAY

Worship.....8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m.  
 Adult Bible Class, Confirmation, Sunday School.....9:15 a.m.  
 The Gathering.....10:30 a.m.

#### MONDAY

Bible Study.....6:45 a.m.  
 ROMEOs Bible Study.....11:30 a.m.  
 Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

#### TUESDAY

Food Bank.....9:00-11:45 a.m.  
 Ladies Society Christmas Party.....5:30 p.m.

#### WEDNESDAY

CLS Chapel.....8:00 a.m.  
 Ladies Bible Study.....9:30 a.m.  
 Morning Advent Service.....10:30 a.m.  
 Advent Fellowship Lunch.....11:30 a.m.  
 Advent Fellowship Dinner.....6:00 p.m.  
 Evening Advent Service.....7:00 p.m.

#### THURSDAY

Quilters.....9:00 a.m.  
 Handbell Rehearsal.....6:00 p.m.  
 Adult Choir Rehearsal.....7:15 p.m.

#### FRIDAY

Confirmation Youth Night.....6:30-8:30 p.m.

#### SATURDAY

Saturday Evening Service.....5:00 p.m.

#### SUNDAY ~ LWML Mites Collected / Blood Pressure Checks

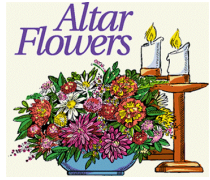
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 Adult Bible Class, Confirmation, Sunday School.....9:15 a.m.  
 The Gathering.....10:30 a.m.  
 Private Party in the FLR.....Noon-5 p.m.

### IN OUR PRAYERS

- † **Robin & Jane Patton** who are celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary
- † **Tristan Cross** who is baptized this morning
- † **Sharon Christianer** (recovering from surgery), Fred Drayer (home)
- † **Vicky Schmidt, Betty Paterson, Sherry Ungemach, Lowell Brueck, Marlene Poling, Lucille Meyer, Kim Doster** (health concerns)
- † **Marilyn Cobb (Matt Cobb’s grandmother)** in hospice; **Aiden Bearman and Michael Shaffer (Mary Bearman’s grandson and nephew)** both with health concerns



**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS** are available in the slots where the News & Notes are stored. Help yourself!



**THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** are placed to the glory of God by Robin & Jane Patton in celebration of their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**EMANUEL'S ENDOWMENT FUND:** Since its inception, the Emanuel Endowment Fund has provided in excess of \$1,566,833.00 from its earnings to enhance Emanuel's ministry. Contributions to this fund are legacy gifts. Pamphlets explaining this opportunity are available in the narthex hallway. DID YOU KNOW? During 2024, the Endowment Fund provided \$968.00 for expenses to prepare the newly acquired residence east of our parking lot for demolition.

**CHECK THIS WEB SITE** for information on the proposed casino coming to New Haven: <https://saynotocasino.org>

**THE ROMEO'S LUNCHEON AND BIBLE STUDY** will meet on Mon, Dec 4 at 11:33am at the New Haven Pizza Hut. We'll order food then we'll have a Bible Study. All men are invited, not just Retired Old Men.

**IF YOU SPONSOR A CHILD AT POINT OF GRACE** in Kenya, or wish to sponsor a child, please stop at the table in narthex and complete a new sponsor form. In January all sponsorship payments will be made directly to 4KenyasKids instead of to the church. We need to get your information updated. OR you can contact Cheryl Brockmann (260) 341-0167 at your convenience.

**A LIFE THOUGHT IN THE CHURCH YEAR FOR DECEMBER 1:** Abortion and assisted suicide arise out of panic. The Advent Gospel offers something better: promise and patient anticipation. During surprise pregnancy or terminal diagnosis, Jesus Christ means that better days are coming (Jeremiah 33:14), redemption is drawing near (Luke 21:28), and none who wait upon the Lord shall be put to shame (Psalm 25:3). Sufferings will end, but blessings accumulate. Breathe, trust, hope, and rejoice.

**PRESERVE AND PROSPER** will not have class in December. Our next class will be on January 4 at Noon. We will be learning how to preserve beef.

**CHRISTMAS GIFT GUIDE** from Concordia Publishing House is now available at our welcome desk in the narthex. If you would like to place an order, contact Andrea Hoover for a 20% discount and free shipping on most items with a combined order of \$60 or more through Emanuel Resource Center.



**BREAKING BREAD TOGETHER ADVENT MEALS:** The LLL will be serving 2 meals on each of the Wednesdays in Advent. The morning meal will be served *after* the 10:30am service. The evening meal will be served by LYFE *before* the 7pm service. The free-will offering for the evening meals will go towards their Alaska mission trip in July. This week's main dish will be ham, but there will also be chicken available for any *Never Ham-mers*. The sides will be the normal cast of characters, including sweet potato casserole. And, of course, there will be desserts. Hope to see you there!  
Sincerely, *The Lutheran Lunch Ladies*



**THE HANDBELL CHOIR IS IN SEARCH** of a few (3-4) more people to serve as ringers. What's needed?

- 1) Attendance at a weekly rehearsal (Thursdays at 6pm)
  - 2) a good sense of rhythm
  - 3) strong note-reading ability (including bass clef notes)
- The goal is to have the Handbell Choir ring approximately once a month, plus special services (Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, Easter, etc.). Interested? Talk to Doug Reynolds today!

**A LIFE QUOTE FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1:** "Do you ever doubt the love of God? Perhaps you are just 'looking for love in all the wrong places,' if you'll pardon the expression. Don't look to your own feelings and emotions which can change with the wind, but look to Bethlehem and the manger. See God's love in this that His only begotten Son was sent to be humbled and to die for you. Understand that at Christmas 'God so loved the world that He gave ...'" *Daily Devotion, Redeemer Lutheran Church, Sister Lakes, MI*

#### SERVING AT EMANUEL NEXT WEEK

##### December 4

**Elder:** Dennis Herman (10:30)  
Wade Benjamin (7:00)

**Ushers:** Group 5 (Mike Schultz) (7:00)

**Choir:** CLS 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Choir, A-N, Mrs. Zeckzer

##### December 7:

**Elder:** John Colter

**Ushers:** Group S2

##### December 8:

**Elder:** Mark Schuller

**Ushers:** Group 5 (Mike Schultz) (8:00)

Group 6 (Greg Peters) (10:30)

**Gathering:** Steve Poling

**Choir:** CLS 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade, M-Z, Mrs. Robinette @ Gathering

#### YOUTH GROUP

Call or text 260-222-1434 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

**CONFIRMATION YOUTH NIGHT** is Friday, December 6, 6:30-8:30 PM. This special night is just for our 8<sup>th</sup> grade confirmands! We'll have a Christmas party (you don't want to miss the saran wrap ball with prizes!), cinnamon rolls, hot chocolate and Confirmation Trivia with more prizes!

#### LIFECARE CONNECTIONS

**OUR NEXT GRIEF SUPPORT LUNCH OUTING** will be Tuesday, December 3 @ Noon at Bob Evans @ 5135 Meijer Dr. We welcome any newcomers to join us for great food and fellowship!

**ELC'S GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP** will continue meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month. Our next meeting will be December 17 at 6pm in the Life Care Director's office.

#### CENTRAL LUTHERAN SCHOOL

**CLS CALL COMMITTEE:** Central Lutheran School has formed a Call Committee seeking two teachers for the 2025-2026 school year. We are seeking candidates for a 5<sup>th</sup>-grade classroom teacher and a Junior High English Language Arts teacher. Candidates should hold a valid teaching license and be qualified to teach in these areas. If you would like to submit a name for consideration, please send your recommendation to David Van Spankeren - [dvanspankeren@cluth.org](mailto:dvanspankeren@cluth.org) or 260-493-2502 ext. 350. Thank you.