

EMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

April 12, 2026



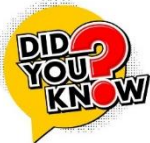
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News & Notes

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.

MISSION STATEMENT

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



DID YOU KNOW that you can give your offerings to Emanuel without using cash, checks or envelopes? Fill out the Vanco form (found on Emanuel’s website or available in the Church Office). Vanco allows you to decide:

- **WHERE** you’d like your offering taken from (a savings account, a checking account, a credit card)
- **WHEN** you’d like to give & how often (weekly, monthly...) and the date you’d like to start
- **HOW MUCH** you’d like to give each time

There are no fees involved when you use Vanco! Imagine never forgetting your offering envelope again! Call or email the Church Office if you have questions.

ARTICLES FOR THE MAY/JUNE NEWSLETTER need to be emailed to the Church Office by April 21. *Thanks!*



THANK YOU TO ALL who attended the Lenten Meals and were so generous with their offerings & compliments. Starting in May, Breaking Bread Together will start meeting on the 1st Wednesday of every month. We will publish a reminder the week beforehand.

The Lutheran Lunch Ladies

A LIFE THOUGHT IN THE CHURCH YEAR FOR APRIL

12: Jesus sent out His apostles with His Spirit to be His witnesses, bringing His peace to the world through the forgiveness of sins (John 20:21; Acts 5:32). Through their witness and the witness of the believers who followed, we too have been brought to faith and are therefore blessed even though we have not seen Jesus with our eyes (1Peter 1:8; John 20:29). When we “praise the Lord” (Psalm 148:1) with our Gospel-motivated voices, our neighbors are also brought to see Jesus through us, that they too may believe and “have life in His name” (John 20:31).



THANK YOU TO THE INSTRUMENTALISTS who blessed our worship on Easter Sunday: Lauren Bulmahn, Sarah Gehl, Steve Gernhardt, Jan Hockemeyer, Kaleigh Morlan, Paige Stutzman, Ryan Warner, and

Caleb Zeckzer. Thank you for sharing your gifts with Emanuel!

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 February 28, 2026 ~ Corrected

	Actual	Budget	Actual vs. Budget
Receipts	\$157,664	\$167,558	\$ (9,894)
Expenses	171,157	171,752	(595)
Surplus (Deficit)	\$(13,493)	\$(4,194)	\$ 9,299

RESPONSE TO HIS LOVE (attendance last week)

Maundy Thursday = 146 Good Friday = 327
 Sunrise = 105 Festival = 580 Gathering = 105
 Communion = 612 Visitors = 105

THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR

TODAY

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.
 Higher Things Team Night.....6:30 p.m.

MONDAY

Bible Study.....6:45 a.m.
 LWR “Knotters”.....9:00 a.m.
 Board of Christian Service.....2:00 p.m.

TUESDAY

Food Bank.....9:00-11:45 a.m.
 LWR “Toppers”.....9:30 a.m.
 Board of Youth.....7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

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

THURSDAY

Quilters.....9:00 a.m.
 Hand Bells.....6:00 p.m.
 Adult Choir.....7:15 p.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.
 EJY Work Hard / Play Hard.....11:30 a.m.
 Rummage Sale Set Up.....1:00 p.m.

IN OUR PRAYERS

† Those with health concerns:

- Ron Bulmahn
- Karen Fuelling
- Carol Herman
- Steve Hormann
- Cinda Lambert
- Doris Sowers
- Dianne Vogtman
- Aiden Bearman (Mary’s grandson)
- John Bremer (Bill’s brother)
- Jeff Grubb (son-in-law of Warren Perkins)
- Sarah Heine (Kathy Schaffer’s daughter, Dave & Tammy’s daughter-in-law)

† Family and friends of Sandra Parisot who was called to her heavenly home

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 2025, the Endowment Fund provided \$18,900.00 for necessary repairs and upgrades to the church sanitary sewer line.

A LIFE QUOTE FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 12: "The cross that held Jesus' body exposed all the sin, violence, and injustice of this world for what it is. At once, the cross revealed what kind of world we have and what kind of God we have: a world of gross unfairness but also a God of sacrificial love." *Rev. Gregory Seltz, Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty*

LADIES SOCIETY

IT'S TIME TO CLEAN OUT YOUR CLOSETS, cupboards, attics & garages. Your unused items may be someone else's treasure. Emanuel Ladies' Society Spring Rummage Sale will be held on



Thursday, April 23 from 9 a.m. – 7 p.m.

Friday, April 24 from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. (\$3.00 bag sale)

Please bring your donations (NO large appliances, furniture, or TVs) to the Fellowship Hall beginning Sunday, April 19, set up & sorting starts at 1pm. No donations will be accepted after Tuesday, April 21.

YOUR HELPING HANDS WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED! Volunteers are needed on Monday & Tuesday from 8am—5pm, & Wednesday from 9am-5pm.



ALSO NEEDED: MEIJER PAPER GROCERY BAGS, AND 6&8 FOOT TABLES to be delivered on Sunday, April 19. Please make sure they are marked with your name & be assured they will be used inside. 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



OUR FINAL WORK HARD PLAY HARD OF THE SCHOOL YEAR is Sunday, April 19! After 2nd service we'll have pizza, then help set up for the spring rummage sale & clean up from the

Central Gala. At 1:30 pm we'll go to Central and battle in Nerf Wars! That's right, join us for a series of NERF WARS: Orb, VIP, Spies, and Humans vs. Zombies. We will end at 3:30 pm. The entire event is FREE!

LYFE

MANDATORY TEAM NIGHT for all who are attending the Higher Things Conference is tonight from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

SERVING AT EMANUEL

April 18 (5:00)

Elders: Wade Benjamin

Ushers: Group S1 (Dale Loshe)

Communion Assistant: Ben Oberlin

April 19

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

Steve Poling (Gathering)

Ushers: Group 4 (Bill Bremer) (8:00)

Group 3 (Mark Schuller) (10:30)

Communion Assistant: Ryan Hellinger (10:30)

Choir: CLS Angel Chorus (8:00)

CLS Cherubim Choir (10:30)

DAILY LECTIONARY FOR THIS WEEK

April 12: Ex. 31:1-18 / Luke 6:1-19

April 13: Ex. 32:1-14 / Luke 6:20-38

April 14: Ex. 32:15-35 / Luke 6:39-49

April 15: Ex. 33:1-23 / Luke 7:1-17

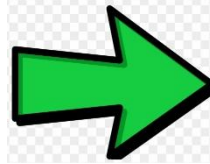
April 16: Ex. 34:1-28 / Luke 7:18-35

April 17: Ex. 34:29-35:21 / Luke 7:36-50

April 18: Ex. 38:21-39:8, 22-23, 27-31 / Luke 8:1-21

CENTRAL LUTHERAN SCHOOL

THE ENCHANTED GALA - CLS 2026 GALA: You are invited to The Enchanted Gala—a joyful event honoring the many blessings God has given us through CLS. The Enchanted Gala is more than an event—it's a celebration of faith, community, and generosity. Your participation directly supports the students, teachers, and future of Central Lutheran School. Navigate to cluth.org/gala to purchase tickets or contact the school office. Hope to see you there!



CLS CALL COMMITTEE: Central Lutheran School has filled 2 out of 4 teaching positions for the 2026-2027 school year. Eli Frank accepted the call to teach 5th grade, and Jesse Muehler accepted the call to teach JH ELA. The other 2 calls we extended were returned. The CLS call committee is back to work seeking 2 teachers for the 2026-2027 school year. We're seeking candidates for another 5th grade classroom teacher & a music/band teacher. Candidates should hold a valid teaching license & be qualified to teach in these areas. If you'd like to submit a name for consideration, send your recommendation to David Van Spankeren - dvanspankeren@cluth.org or 260-493-2502 ext. 350. Thank you!

LIFECARE CONNECTIONS

ELC'S GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP will meet for lunch on Tuesday, May 12 at Zianos (10520 Maysville Rd.) at Noon. This is a social outing, feel free to join for great food & 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, April 21 at 6pm.

IN OUR COMMUNITY

EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH (SOEST) will be having their Spring Rummage & Bake Sale on Friday, April 17, from 10am-5pm and on Saturday, April 18, from 9am-noon. Bag Sale will be on Saturday.

ST. ROSE RUMMAGE SALE: Thursday April 16 from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Friday April 17 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday will be a bag sale! Something for everyone we have clothes, toys, household, misc, and shoes. Come check us out at St Rose of Lima Catholic Church Community Center at 209 Mulberry St Monroeville IN 46773.

ON SATURDAY, MAY 2, The Shepherd's Hand Community Outreach Center will host its 6th Annual Community 5K Walk/Run, taking place in the neighborhood surrounding the center. Early bird registration is just \$20 per person through March 31 & guarantees a race T-shirt. Children 9 and under participate for free, making this a great event for the whole family.

He is risen