



EMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

800 Green Street
New Haven, IN 46774
(260) 749-2163 *** Fax 493-3425
E-mail Address: churchoffice@emanuelnh.org
Church Website: www.emanuelnh.org
Public Access Code: EmanuelNH
Central Lutheran School: (260) 493-2502

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.

November 30, 2025

News & Notes

MISSION STATEMENT

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

PENNE PALOOZA FUNDRAISER DINNER returns Friday,
December 5 from 5:30–7:30pm (open house)!

All-you-can-eat (dine-in only):
penne pasta* with red sauce & meatballs
Zianos breadsticks, salad, dessert & beverage

Adult tickets: \$14 in advance / \$15 at the door
Children 6-10 years: \$7 in advance / \$8 at the door
Children 5 years & under: free

Carry-out will be available.
Raffle baskets at the door! Proceeds support our youth trip
to the LCMS Higher Things Conference in St. Louis.
*Gluten-free pasta available upon request.

NEW HAVEN FOOD BANK IS IN NEED OF:

Canned fruit	Ramen Noodles	Ketchup
Canned soup	Canned vegetable	Mustard
Canned pasta	Spaghetti sauce	Pickles
Mayonnaise	Mac & Cheese	Noodles
Canned meat	Rice/Pasta mixes	

Thank you! Dear Members of Emanuel,
I’d like to thank you for your cards, calls of
encouragement, and your prayers during my
recent back surgery. What a blessing to have a
church family to help us through the tough times in our lives.
Robin Patton

DAILY LECTIONARY FOR THIS WEEK

November 30: Is. 6:1-7:9 / 1 Peter 2:13-25
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

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

*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, 2025

	Actual	Budget	Actual vs. Budget
Receipts	\$733,205	\$800,833	\$(67,628)
Expenses	814,856	920,880	(106,024)
Surplus (Deficit)	\$(81,651)	\$(120,047)	\$ 38,396

RESPONSE TO HIS LOVE (attendance last week)

Saturday = 76 Sunday = 281 Gathering = 69
Communion = 275 Visitors = 44

THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR

TODAY

Worship.....8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m.
Adult Bible Class.....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.
Board of Elders.....7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

CLS Chapel.....8:00 a.m.
Ladies Bible Study.....9:30 a.m.
Midweek Advent Service.....10:30 a.m.
Breaking Bread Together.....11:30 a.m.
Children’s Christmas Choir Rehearsal.....2:15-3:15 p.m.
Advent Supper.....6:00 p.m.
Midweek Advent Service.....7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY

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

FRIDAY

Youth Penne Palooza Dinner.....5:30-7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY

Funeral, Luncheon.....10:30 a.m.
Saturday Evening Service.....5:00 p.m.

SUNDAY ~ LWML Mites Collected

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.
Confirmation Christmas Party.....6:30 p.m.

IN OUR PRAYERS

† Family and friends of **Phillip White** who was called to his
heavenly home
† **Paul Moloney, Robin Patton** (recovering from surgery)
† **Norm Davis** (health concerns)

BREAKING BREAD TOGETHER this Wednesday after the
morning midweek service. *For this week we will forego the
SSSS (soup, salad, sandwiches, sweets) & have hearty
appetizers & a cookie bar.* We’ll enjoy a Christmas carol
singalong after we eat. Christmas Carols were such a big
part of our generation’s growing-up years that it just
seems right to sing together. To be clear, anyone who
attends the morning service is welcome to enjoy this meal
& add their voices to the carols. Hope to see you there!
The Lutheran Lunch Ladies

ADVENT MIDWEEK ~ TO WHOM DOES JESUS COME?

Join us at either 10:30am or 7pm on Wednesdays in December to learn each week about *who it is* that Jesus comes for:

December 3: To the one who doubts - Zechariah
December 10: To the one who needs clarity - Mary
December 17: To the one who doesn't understand - Joseph

The *Lutheran Lunch Ladies* will be serving Soup, Salad, Sandwiches, & Sweets each week after the 10:30am service, and working with the youth to serve before the 7pm service.

EMANUEL’S ENDOWMENT FUND: Since its inception, the Endowment Fund has provided more than \$1,757,003 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 Endowment Fund provided \$8,044 for the purchase & installation of a new church telephone system.

THE ROMEO’S LUNCHEON AND BIBLE STUDY will meet on Monday, December 1 at 11:33am at the New Haven Pizza Hut. We’ll order food then have a Bible Study. All men are invited, not just Retired Old Men.



THE LADIES SOCIETY CHRISTMAS PARTY will be Tuesday, December 9. The doors will open at 5:30 p.m. with warm, spiced cider & light appetizers being served. At 6:00 p.m. dinner will be served with an Italian style meal from Zianos. The meal will be lasagna, salad, breadsticks and a variety of delicious desserts. Gluten-free pasta & dessert options will be available. Our theme this year is “Let There be Light” as we look to Jesus, the Light of the World and how we can let His light shine through us. A highlight of the evening will be Kyle Harden singing a variety of Christmas music. Tickets (\$12) will be sold before, after & in between services on Sunday Nov. 30 & Dec. 7. They’ll also be available in the Church Office (see Christine). All ladies from Emanuel are invited & are encouraged to bring guests! Any questions, please call Angie Sommer or Kelly Blair.

A LIFE THOUGHT IN THE CHURCH YEAR FOR NOVEMBER 30: Being a Gospel-motivated voice for life means loving all our neighbors, regardless of their size, condition, or past. As servants in the Master’s house (Matthew 24:43), we not only need to be prepared for Christ’s coming (Matthew 24:44; Romans 13:11), we should be eager to make all others ready, preaching the Gospel to them, inviting them “Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord” (Isaiah 2:3) that they, too, might be brought into the safety of the ark of the holy Church.

PICTURES ARE IN! If you had your picture taken by Picture Café, please come pick up your pictures. They’re available during Church Office hours, or in the Fellowship Hall over the weekend.



CALLING ALL 3RD-8TH GRADE MEMBERS OF EMANUEL: We would love you to join the youth choir for the Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 6pm. Rehearsals will be held in the church balcony from 2:15-3:15 on December 3, December 10, and December 17. Interested or have questions? Email Mr. Reynolds! (music@emanuelnh.org)

LIFECARE CONNECTIONS

OUR NEXT GRIEF SUPPORT LUNCH will be Tuesday, December 2 at 12pm at Casa Grille (6340 Stellhorn Rd). We welcome any newcomers to join us for great food & fellowship!

ELC’S GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP will continue to meet on the 3rd Tuesday of each month, downstairs in the Family Life Care Director’s office. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, December 16, at 6pm.

SERVING AT EMANUEL NEXT WEEK

December 3:
Elder: Dennis Herman (10:30); Wade Benjamin (7:00)
Ushers: Group 1 (Sam Bender) (7:00)
Choir: CLS Angel Chorus

December 6:
Elder: John Colter
Ushers: Group S2 (Gary Nahrwold)
Communion Assistant: Ben Oberlin

December 7:
Elder: Mike Sweet
Ushers: Group 1 (Sam Bender) (8:00)
Group 2 (Ben Koeneman) (10:30)
Communion Assistant: Ryan Abbott (8:00)
Brian Lepper (10:30)
Choir: CLS Cherubim Choir (10:30)
Gathering: Steve Poling

GUIDE BOOK & DIRECTORY ADVERTISING

We’re in the process of updating our annual Guide Book & Directory for the church. This book will contain everything pertinent to our church: the various ministries, organizations, committees, activities, functions and events plus a complete directory of all members. This book is being provided and direct-mailed to each family at no cost to our church, and it is again being subsidized by local businesses that advertise. If you own or manage a business and would like to find out about advertising in our book, call the Church Office.

Recent survey results by Guide Book Publishing show that 92.1% of families would rather patronize a Guide Book & Directory advertiser over a non-advertiser. It “will pay” to advertise in our new Guide Book & Directory.

UPDATE MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Does our Church database have YOUR family membership record correct? Here is your chance to update YOUR record for our annual Guide Book & Directory (if you haven’t already done so). It is time for us to update our database with any changes, additions, or deletions that may have occurred in YOUR family over the past year.

- Have you changed your phone number?
- Have you moved? Are you preparing to move soon?
- Are all of your children still at home and are they all still attending Emanuel?

If you’ve not already informed the Church Office about changes to your record, please let us know now so that the information in the Guide Book & Directory is correct. The Church Office number is 749-2163. Thank you for your help!

BRIDGE 20/30 – DECEMBER EVENTS

WHO WE ARE: Bridge 20/30 is a Fort Wayne-based community for young adults in their 20s and 30s—single, dating, or married—seeking faith, fellowship & friendship. We meet Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. for Bible study, devotion, service, and social events.

Dec 2, 9, 16 at 7:00 p.m.: 3-Week Advent Series: “What Are You Waiting For?” with Pastor Chad Vanmeter
Location: The Greenhaus, 3504 N Anthony Blvd
Followed by fellowship and fun!

Dec 23 at 7:00 p.m.: Ugly Christmas Sweater Party
Location: The Garden, 3308 N Anthony Blvd
Be ready for Brian’s fun Christmas Scattergory Game!

Dec 30 at 7:00 p.m.: Chill & Thrill Ice Skating Night
Location: Headwaters Park, 333 S Clinton St
Admission \$7 | Skate Rental \$4

CONNECT WITH US:
Facebook: Bridge 20/30 Group Ft. Wayne
Instagram: [@thebridge2030](https://www.instagram.com/thebridge2030)
Email: dschuller@clhscadets.com