


EMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH



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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 Auxilliary Gym.

MISSION STATEMENT

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

BIBLE CLASSES

United & Growing - 2nd Saturday of each month from 8:00 a.m. to noon.
Monday Morning Bible Study - Conference Room at 6:45
Women’s Bible Study - Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in the FLR
Adult Bible Class - Sundays at 9:15 a.m. in Fellowship Hall
Sunday School for 3 years – 7th grade begins in the sanctuary at 9:15 a.m., then heads downstairs to classrooms.
Confirmation Class - Sundays at 9:15 a.m. for 8th graders and their parents in the Family Life Room.
High School Bible Class in the youth room at 9:15 a.m.
Life Light Bible Study – Wednesdays at 7 p.m. in FLR

RESPONSE TO HIS LOVE (attendance last week)

5:00 = 91 8:00 = 127 10:30 = 150 Gathering = 73
 Communion = 333 Visitors = 29

THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR

TODAY

Worship.....8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m.
 Adult Bible Class, Confirmation.....9:15 a.m.
 Sunday School (opening in Sanctuary).....9:15 a.m.
 The Gathering.....10:30 a.m.
 Oktoberfest.....11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

MONDAY

Bible Study.....6:45 a.m.
 LWR Quilters.....9:00 a.m.
 Board of Trustees.....7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY

Food Bank.....9:00-11:45 a.m.

WEDNESDAY

CLS Chapel.....8:00 a.m.
 Ladies Morning Bible Study.....9:30 a.m.
 Stephen Ministry.....7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY

QPR Training in FLR.....6:00 p.m.
 Handbells.....6:00 p.m.
 Adult Choir.....7:15 p.m.

FRIDAY ~ No events scheduled.

SATURDAY

Private Party in FLR.....1:30 p.m.
 Worship.....5:00 p.m.

SUNDAY ~ LWML Mites Collected

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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

NEEDED WEEKLY FOR OPERATIONS BUDGET	\$ 20,791
OFFERING RECEIVED 9/16-9/22	\$ 16,087
TO MEET BUDGET THROUGH 9/18	\$ 790,077
BUDGET RECEIPTS THROUGH 9/22	\$ 709,068
DIFFERENCE	\$ (81,009)

IF YOU TRIED TO CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE this past week, we apologize that we missed your call. Our phone system needed repairs that left us without phones and voicemail.

EMANUEL IS SEEKING a Business Manager. Applicants should be familiar with Quick Books, Excell and Microsoft Office. This is a part time position (21 hours per week), with flexible hours. Please email Pastor Zeckzer (pastorzeckzer@emanuelnh.org) if interested.

THANK YOU Paula Schmidt, Nancy Loshier, and the Ladies Society for preparing the food for our family at Ron DeLong’s funeral. Thank you to Emanuel for the cards that were sent, and all of the prayers. Sincerely,

Dee DeLong and family

LADIES SOCIETY MEETING will be held on October 4 @ 6 p.m. in the Family Life Room. Jill Bulmahn, our Lifecare Director, will speak on her role in Emanuel’s ministry, the history & development of her position, & the emotional needs of our congregation both now & in the future. Refreshments will be served.

OKTOBERFEST begins after 2nd service under the tent! FREE food, beer, photo booth, & yard games! Masskrugstemmen competition (stein holding) for adults at 12:30 pm and a cake walk at 1:00 pm! Fellowship for the entire congregation! Lunch menu includes: grilled beer brats, hot dogs, chips, Barb Gongaware’s German potato salad, jumbo pretzels, cheese, strawberry shortcake (with homemade shortcakes!) beer, root beer, and bottled water.

IN OUR PRAYERS

- † Family and friends of **Rita Barhorst** (Kathy Schaffer’s mother) who was called to her heavenly home
- † **Char Vondran** (health concerns); **Tyler Grossman, Alan Shipp** (health concerns); **Ryan Weber (Marla Voirol’s son)** (Ashton Creek)
- † **Greg Messmann** (father of Nicole Walter & Rebecca Van Spankeren) having surgery this week; **Joyce Westrem** (mother of Amanda Melcher & Allison Huston) recovering from surgery
- † **Linda Barber & Patricia Lekroy (Floyd Hickey’s sisters)** both with health concerns
- † **Kris & Elaina Hartwig** celebrating their 27th anniversary

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are placed to the glory of God in celebration of Kris & Elaina Hartwig’s 27th wedding anniversary.

EMANUEL'S ENDOWMENT FUND: Since its inception, the Endowment Fund has provided more than \$1,373,721 from its earnings to enhance Emanuel's ministry. Contributions to the Endowment Fund are legacy gifts. Brochures about this fund are available in the narthex hallway. **DID YOU KNOW?** In 2022, the Endowment Fund allocated \$5,000 to help the youth with travel expenses to the Higher Things Conference.

ALL WOMEN ARE INVITED to New Life Lutheran Church on Saturday, October 1 for the LWML Fort Wayne East Zone fall rally. Registration (\$6) & a light breakfast will be at 8:30 a.m. & the program at 9:00. The speaker will be Angie Moellering, President & CEO of Lutheran Social Services of Indiana. She'll focus on the Education Creates Hope & Opportunity (ECHO) program. "ECHO provides 1-on-1 home & school-based case management to pregnant & parenting teens. ECHO is to help teen parents remain in school & provide support to juggle the demands of high school & parenting." An ingathering will be collected: laundry detergent (free & clear), Layette sets & onesies (up to 24 months), diapers (bigger sizes 4,5,6), baby wipes, disinfecting wipes, baby socks, burp cloths, bibs, & sippy cups. Pre-register to Renee Schuller 418-4645 by 9-25.

A LIFE QUOTE FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25: "Every time we speak up for the sanctity of life, whether for the unborn, the disabled, the elderly, or the marginalized, we speak for hope. Every time we drop some coins or a check into a baby bottle, we stand for hope & healing & life. Every time we personally care for someone or hug someone or talk to someone who is in a crisis pregnancy or is disabled or is elderly or is marginalized, we show them Christ. We show them the common ground that transcends all our differences. We show them that all our lives matter because God made us. He chose each of us to be His child, & He will never leave us or forsake us. Let us never give up on baby bottle drives, hugs & smiles. The world needs us!" *Barbara A. Geistfeld, D.V.M., Assistant Director of Donor Relations*

A LIFE THOUGHT IN THE CHURCH YEAR FOR SEPTEMBER 25: Do we ignore the ruin around us (Amos 6:6) because abortion seems "too political" and assisted suicide feels "too personal"? Only woes await those who do (Amos 6:1, 4). But our Heavenly Father obsesses over the victims (Psalm 146:9), and heaven finds inexhaustible joy embracing the vulnerable (Luke 16:22). In speaking and showing the sanctity of all humankind, we also can "take hold of that which is truly life" (1 Timothy 6:19)!

NEXT WEEK AT EMANUEL

October 1: Elder: Wade Benjamin

Ushers: Group S3 (Jay Melcher)

Communion Assistant: Keith Herman

October 2: Elder: Benjamin Castens

Ushers: Group 3 (Josh Werling) (8:00)

Group 4 (Steve Williams) (10:30)

Communion Assistant: Randy Sommer (8:00)

Ryan Hellinger (10:30)

Gathering: Jerry Schlund

LIFECARE CONNECTIONS

ELC WILL BE HOSTING a suicide prevention training: **Question. Persuade. Refer. (QPR).** This training will be held on Thursday, September 29 from 6-7pm. This program has been designed for anyone over the age of 18 who would like to better understand the warning signs & behaviors that can lead to someone taking their own life. It includes training on how to ask someone if they are thinking about ending their life, how to have a conversation with someone who may be at risk of suicide, as well as how to find them professional help. To register, visit <https://forms.gle/itWyCfrZwS72jiJQ7> and complete the registration form. Or, call the church office (749-2163).

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)

YAFE = Young Adult Fellowship of Emanuel

EJY

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16 is the next Work Hard Play Hard! Meet for worship at Emanuel at 10:30 a.m. & sit together in our reserved pews. After church we will have pizza & assemble care packages for the college students/military service members. PLEASE BRING 20 INDIVIDUALLY WRAPPED ITEMS (packs of gum, microwave popcorn, granola bars, fruit snacks, etc.) to go in the packages. Then we'll go to Amazing Fall Fun in Waterloo, Indiana's largest corn maze! Cost is \$10 which includes a plethora of fun! OPTIONAL: \$3 for 20 minute hayride, extra money for concessions &/or pumpkins. We'll return at 6 pm.

LYFE

MISSION TRIP registration form, covenant, and \$100 nonrefundable deposit due TODAY, September 25.

NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2 is our annual 40 Days for Life vigil. Meet at Emanuel at 4:40 pm. We'll go to Planned Parenthood for our prayer vigil from 5-6 pm. Afterwards we'll go to Putt-Putt Fun Center for pizza, mini golf & go-karts. Cost is \$12 for pizza & a 3-event ticket, which can be used for Putt-Putt or go-karts (each additional event ticket is \$4). We'll be back at Emanuel by 9 pm.

KENYA KORNER

We've received a letter from Pastor & Deaconess Meeker: *Grace, mercy, and peace be to each one of you from our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! Amen. Lorna & I are really enjoying being reunited after being apart for some time! We thank God for taking care of each of us while we were apart. We pray for each one of you as God's will is done also in your lives. God has been so gracious to keep Kenya in peace as the whole country has accepted the Supreme Court decision that the election outcome was fair & the outcome will stand. William Ruto will be our 5th President of Kenya. He will be inaugurated today. Another highlight is that we have purchased another cow to replace Anita as she tragically died. I am joyfully reporting that this new cow will be calving very soon! So milk production will be back to where it was before our loss of Anita. Thank you so much, Emanuel, for assisting this to happen! We are very grateful to you all! The end of the school year is upon us as the students will have 10 days off before starting year end exams. National Exams are very important for the students & schools as it determines the future plans for how the students will continue in their preparations for life as adults. So we humbly seek your prayers as students & staff are very busy. Jesus said in Matthew 23:20b: "And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age." Thank You, Lord Jesus, because apart from You we can do nothing! Amen. Yours in Christ.*

PURPLE SUNDAY AT OKTOBERFEST

The Board of Christian Service is participating in Purple Sunday today. This community raises awareness of Alzheimer's disease. We'll have handouts from our local NE IN Alzheimer's Association. Alzheimer's awareness is a personal mission for me ever since my late husband was diagnosed. Feel free to talk to me if you have any questions or concerns regarding Alzheimers. The support groups are amazing. The Alzheimer's Walk is October 8 @ 9am at Parkview Field. If anyone wishes to participate, we could go as a group. There is no cost for the walk. You can sign up at ALZ.org. I can also help you get signed up if needed. You can reach me, Cindy Louis, at 260-749-1463.