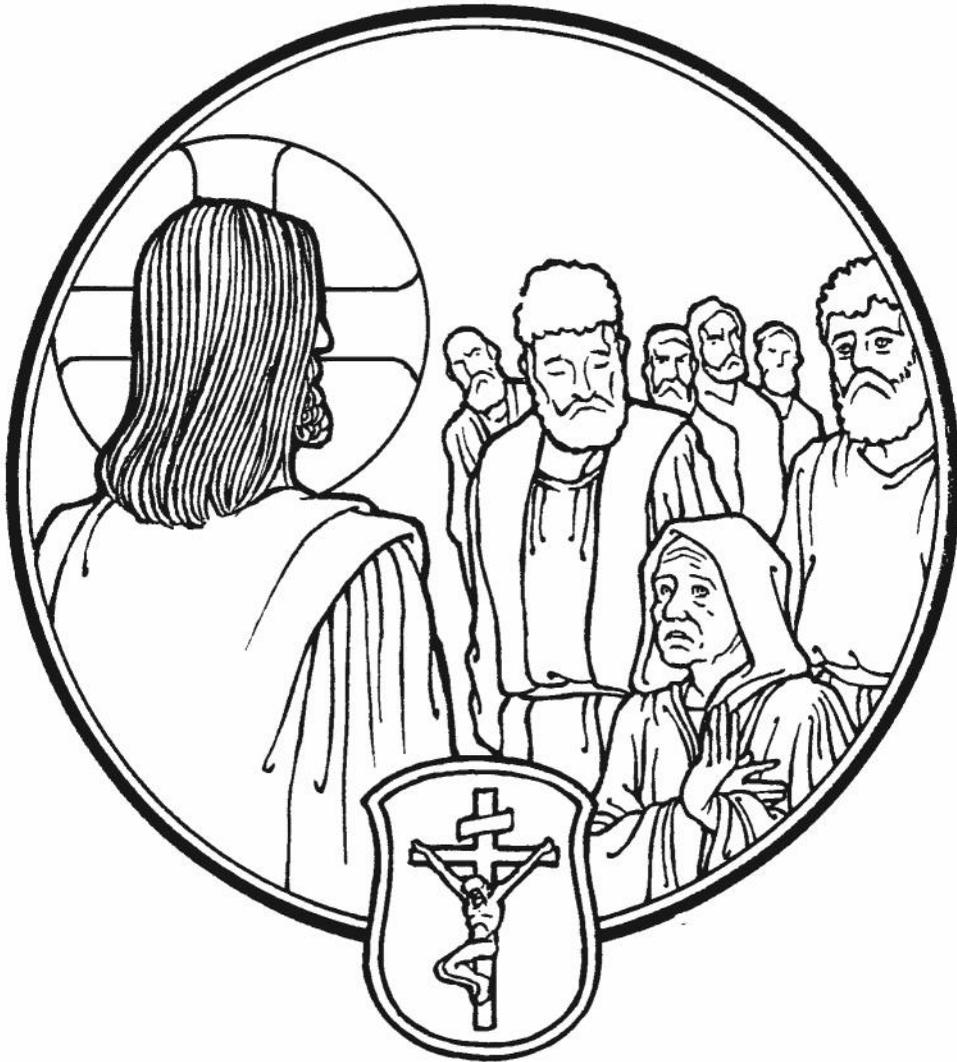


WELCOME TO EMMAUS LUTHERAN!



THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Sunday, March 17, 2024



GOD'S DIVINE SERVICE TO US:

In the Holy Sacraments, We Share the Glory of the Cross of Christ

Jesus catechizes His disciples in the way of the cross, revealing that He will be condemned and put to death *"and after three days he will rise"* (Mark 10:33–34). But the Twelve do not understand. Instead, they argue among themselves about who will be the greatest, with James and John requesting the places of honor on either side of Jesus in His glory. However, Jesus has come to make Himself the *"slave of all"* and *"to give his life as a ransom for many"* (Mark 10:43–45). He shares the true glory of His cross with all who are baptized with His Baptism and with those who drink His cup of salvation, the New Testament in His blood (Mark 10:39). By these Holy Sacraments, the Lord makes Himself known to all His people, forgiving their sins *"from the least of them to the greatest"* (Jer. 31:33–34). Though He is the very Son of God, *"he learned obedience through what he suffered"* and so became our great High Priest, that we may enter His glory by the way of His sacrifice (Heb. 5:8–10).



WELCOME! What a blessing to gather together to worship the One True God! The Lord will bless your worship as he brings His gifts to you through Word and Sacrament. May we all respond with prayer, praise and thanksgiving. **We invite you to prepare for worship in silence and prayer.** Remembering your Baptism, you are encouraged to make the sign of the cross when you see this symbol ✝ in the bulletin. **If you are a guest, Pastor Olsen would love to meet you and we ask that you sign our Guest Book located in the front hallway.**



WORSHIP WITH CHILDREN: Worship is a time for the entire family to be together to hear the Word of God, for faith comes by hearing (Rom. 10:17). Therefore we encourage parents and children of all ages to sit together in the service. Understanding it is difficult for little ones to sit for long periods, **Totes for Tots** activity bags are available as you enter church (*by the information table*) for children to use during the worship service. Each bag contains books and quiet toys. Please return the bags and their contents after the worship service. Thank you! A **Cry Room** is also available in the Preschool/Mrs. MacKenzie's room (east hall), where you can listen to the worship service.

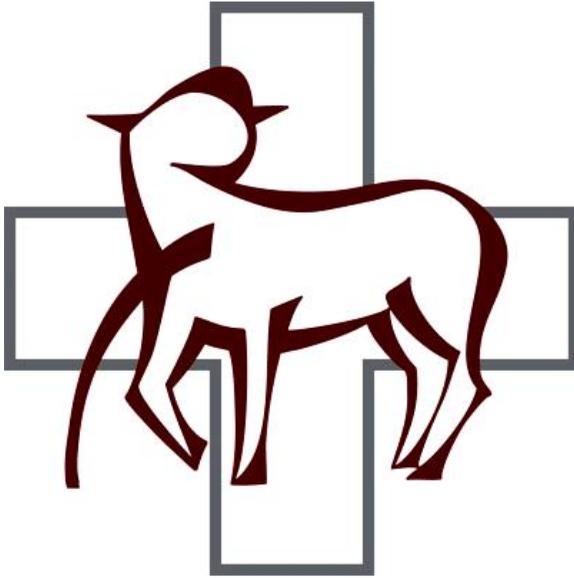
DON'T UNDERSTAND THE WORSHIP SERVICE? If it is your first time, some things may seem foreign. Worship does not come naturally we have to learn it. It does not come on the first try; the first hour in a foreign country the language and customs may be foreign. The liturgy is the special activity of the baptized people of God. It has its own special language like we do in our workplaces. It has its own customs like we do in our families. Every Sunday we learn more of worship and faith. The liturgy is where God reveals Himself to us and gives us His gifts. Here we learn who He is and how to respond to Him. The words of worship come from the Scriptures and its form has been used for 2,000 years. So don't worry if it all seems strange. You learn by practicing - join us each week!

"I was glad when they said to me, 'Let us go to the House of the Lord...'" Psalm 122:1



PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP: O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

RESTROOMS are located on each side of the sanctuary. There is a baby changing table located in the girl's locker room on the west side. We also have a **Family Restroom** (handicap accessible & baby changing station) located at the southwest corner of the building, just outside the Church Office.



DIVINE SERVICE

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Prelude

Welcome

Divine Service
Lutherans follow an order of worship based exclusively on Scripture and focused completely on Jesus. Through the Word and Sacraments, God speaks to His people.

Opening Hymn

685 Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus



1 Let us ev - er walk with Je - sus, Fol - low His ex -
 2 Let us suf - fer here with Je - sus And with pa - tience
 3 Let us glad - ly die with Je - sus. Since by death He
 4 Let us al - so live with Je - sus. He has ris - en



am - ple pure, Through a world that would de - ceive us And to
 bear our cross. Joy will fol - low all our sad - ness; Where He
 con - quered death, He will free us from de - struc - tion, Give to
 from the dead That to life we may a - wak - en. Je - sus,



sin our spir - its lure. On - ward in His foot - steps tread - ing,
 is, there is no loss. Though to - day we sow no laugh - ter,
 us im - mor - tal breath. Let us mor - ti - fy all pas - sion
 You are now our head. We are Your own liv - ing mem - bers;



Pil - grims here, our home a - bove, Full of faith and
 We shall reap ce - les - tial joy; All dis - com - forts
 That would lead us in - to sin; And the grave that
 Where You live, there we shall be In Your pres - ence



hope and love, Let us do the Fa - ther's bid - ding. Faith - ful
 that an - noy Shall give way to mirth here - af - ter. Je - sus,
 shuts us in Shall but prove the gate to heav - en. Je - sus,
 con - stant - ly, Liv - ing there with You for - ev - er. Je - sus,



Lord, with me a - bide; I shall fol - low where You guide.
 here I share Your woe; Help me there Your joy to know.
 here with You I die, There to live with You on high.
 let me faith - ful be, Life e - ter - nal grant to me.

Brought into the family of God by grace through faith, we rejoice that we walk, suffer, live and even die with Jesus. (Matthew 16:24; 1 Peter 4:12-13; Matthew 10:38-39; Romans 6:2-5, 8)

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

Invocation

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. [Hebrews 10:22]

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth. Psalm 124:8

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin. Psalm 32:5

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. [John 20:19-23]

C Amen.

Invocation is from the Latin for "call upon"; the words spoken at the beginning of the service; serves as a reminder of Holy Baptism.

P = Pastor

L = Liturgist/Lector

C = Congregation

Confession is the act by which one admits or confesses sin(s) and the guilt of sin.

*Absolution literally means "set free." This Latin term was used as a translation of the biblical word *aphiemi*, meaning "to set free, cancel, or forgive."*

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

Introit



Choir: Vindicate me, O God, and
defend my cause against an ungodly | people,*
from the deceitful and unjust man de- | liver me!
I love the LORD, because | he has heard*
my voice and my pleas for | mercy.

C Because he inclined his | ear to me,*
therefore I will call on him as long | as I live.

Choir; The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol
laid | hold on me;*
I suffered distress and | anguish.
Then I called on the name | of the LORD:*
“O LORD, I pray, deliv- | er my soul!”

C For you have delivered my | soul from death,*
my eyes from tears, my feet from | stumbling.



C Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

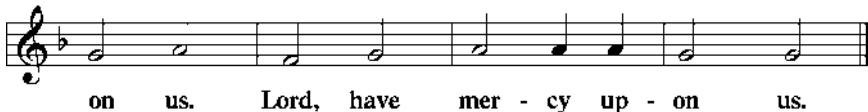
Choir: Vindicate me, O God, and defend my cause against an un-
godly | people,*
from the deceitful and unjust man de- | liver me!

Kyrie

Mark 10:47



C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

The Introit is a collection of passages from Scripture that set the tone for the services; verses are different each Sunday. Today's Introit is from Psalm 116:1-4; antiphon: Psalm 43:1..

Kyrie is Greek for "Lord, have mercy." It is the first prayer of the congregation in the Divine Service; it is a cry for mercy that our Lord and King will hear us and help us in our needs and troubles.

During Lent, the Gloria in Excelsis is omitted.

Salutation and Collect of the Day



P The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22



C And with thy spir - it.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Salutation shows the special relationship between the congregation and the pastor, God's representative. It is a greeting found often in the Bible.

The Collect is the pastor's first prayer in the name of the people, as he speaks for the congregation. It "collects" the theme for the day in a concise way.

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

³¹“Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, ³²not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, ‘Know the LORD,’ for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Summary:

The Lord makes a new covenant, unlike any other before.

Gradual

[O come, let us fix our eyes on] Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Adult Choir

The Gradual is a response of praise between the Old Testament and Epistle readings.

Epistle: Hebrews 5:1-10

¹For every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. ²He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness. ³Because of this he is obligated to offer sacrifice for his own sins just as he does for those of the people. ⁴And no one takes this honor for himself, but only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

⁵So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him, “You are my Son, today I have begotten you”; ⁶as he says also in another place, “You are a priest forever, after the order of Melchizedek.”

⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. ⁸Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. ⁹And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, ¹⁰being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Alleluia is omitted during Lent.

Verse

Adult Choir

Even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

The Verse is a response sung between the Epistle and Gospel readings in the Divine Service.

Holy Gospel: Mark 10:32-45

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.



C Glo-ry be to Thee, O Lord.

³²And they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them. And they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. And taking the twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him, ³³saying, “See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death and deliver him over to the Gentiles. ³⁴And they will mock him and spit on him, and flog him and kill him. And after three days he will rise.”

Summary:
Two brothers don't understand, but Jesus will do more than tell them, He will show them through His life and death.

³⁵And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to [Jesus] and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” ³⁶And he said to them, “What do you want me to do for you?” ³⁷And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” ³⁸Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?” ³⁹And they said to him, “We are able.”

And Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, ⁴⁰but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.” ⁴¹And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. ⁴²And Jesus called them to him and said to them, “You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. ⁴³But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from
heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;

The Creed is a solemn confession and response of faith to the Word. The Nicene Creed was composed in A.D. 325.

**and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the
Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the
living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped
and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic
Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.**



Hymn of the Day

430 My Song Is Love Unknown



1 My song is love un - known, My Sav - ior's love to
2 He came from His blest throne Sal - va - tion to be -
3 Some-times they strew His way And His sweet prais - es
4 Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and



me, Love to the love - less shown That they might love - ly
stow; But men made strange, and none The longed - for Christ would
sing; Re - sound - ing all the day Ho - san - nas to their
spite? He made the lame to run, He gave the blind their



be. Oh, who am I That for my sake
know. But, oh, my friend, My friend in - deed,
King. Then "Cru - ci - fy!" Is all their breath,
sight. Sweet in - ju - ries! Yet they at these



My Lord should take Frail flesh and die?
Who at my need His life did spend!
And for His death They thirst and cry.
Them-selves dis - please And 'gainst Him rise.

- 5 They rise and needs will have
My dear Lord made away;
A murderer they save,
The Prince of Life they slay.
Yet cheerful He
To suff'ring goes
That He His foes
From thence might free.
- 6 In life no house, no home
My Lord on earth might have;
In death no friendly tomb
But what a stranger gave.
What may I say?
Heav'n was His home
But mine the tomb
Wherein He lay.

*This beautiful
Lenten hymn
displays the loving
work of our Savior.
(Isaiah 52:13-53:3;
Romans 5:6, 10;
Philippians 2:5-11; Acts
3:13-15)*

7 Here might I stay and sing,
 No story so divine!
 Never was love, dear King,
 Never was grief like Thine.
 This is my friend,
 In whose sweet praise
 I all my days
 Could gladly spend!

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Sermon “Prophet, Priest, King . . . and Servant”

- P** The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
- C** Amen.

The Sermon: The preacher proclaims God’s Law and Gospel for the hearers.

Offertory

Psalm 51:10-12

C Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
 new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
 way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

The Offertory is a prayer in preparation for the Service of the Sacrament.

Offering

The offering will not be collected during the worship service this morning. Please place your offering in one of the collection plates located at the back of the sanctuary. Extra offering envelopes are available on the hymnal cart. If you would like to contribute electronically, please sign up at www.emmausfortwane.org and click on "Give Online" or use Vanco Mobile, available from the App Store. Thank you for your support of the ministry at Emmaus!

The Offering symbolizes the "spiritual worship" of Christian lives offered in response to God and unites the faithful in an act of fellowship.

Voluntary

Adult Choir

Agnus Dei (arr. D Walczak)

O Lamb of God who takest the sin of the world away. Have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God who takest the sin of the world away. Have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God who takest the sin of the world away. grant us Thy peace.

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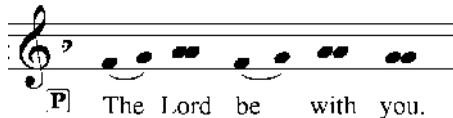
The Voluntary is an offering of musical praise.

Prayer of the Church

The Prayer of the Church includes prayers that what has been heard may be taken to heart and that God would take care of our needs.

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

Preface



2 Timothy 4:22



The Preface is a proclamation of praise and thanksgiving that begins the Service of the Sacrament. A dialogue between pastor and the people used since the Early Church.



P Lift up your hearts.

[Colossians 3:1]



R We lift them up un - to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.

Psalms 136



R It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

The Proper Preface is a special prayer said before the Lord's Supper that emphasizes the key themes of the feast, occasion, or season of the Church Year.

Sanctus

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



R Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,

The Sanctus is Latin for "holy."



bles-s-ed is He, bles - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

G Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer is the model prayer Jesus taught to the disciples (Matthew 6:9-13). Sometimes it is called the Our Father, after the first words of the prayer.

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

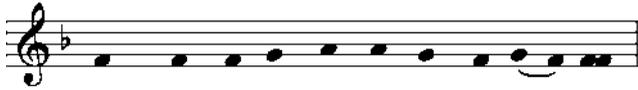
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The words spoken by Christ when He instituted the Sacrament of the Altar; the pastor speaks these very words of Christ at the consecration of the bread and wine.

Pax Domini

John 20:19

Pax Domini is Latin for "peace of the Lord." In anticipation of the blessings to be received, the pastor and people announce the peace of God to one another.



☐ The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



☐ A - men.



Agnus Dei is Latin for "Lamb of God"; we adore the Savior who is present in the Holy Meal.

Agnus Dei

John 1:29



☐ O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Distribution

Our Holy Communion Practice

In Holy Communion we are joined in a personal way with Christ and with one another as we receive the body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ under the bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins. Therefore, out of faithfulness toward God, and in sincere love that seeks to guard the spiritual well-being of all who would commune, Emmaus practices Closed Communion.

Holy Scripture clearly teaches that those communing together be unified in their confession of the faith and also that those who commune unworthily do great harm to themselves. When a person partakes of the Sacrament, he/she is also confessing his/her unreserved agreement with the doctrine and practice that is proclaimed from the altar and pulpit of which the Sacrament is administered. Therefore, we ask you to refrain from communing if you are not a member of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. All others are still welcome to come forward, crossing your arms to receive a blessing. Please speak with the pastor about receiving instruction to learn what Scripture teaches and our church confesses. We pray fervently for the day when Christ returns and all divisions will cease.

Thank you for respecting our practice.

In the Distribution we receive the body and blood of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins.



Distribution Hymns

624 The Infant Priest Was Holy Born



1 The in - fant Priest was ho - ly born For us un -
2 This great High Priest in hu - man flesh Was i - con -
3 The ho - ly Lamb un - daunt - ed came To God's own
4 But death would not the vic - tor be Of Him who



ho - ly and for - lorn; From flesh - ly tem - ple
of God's righ - teous - ness. His hal - lowed touch brought
al - tar lit with flame; While weep - ing an - gels
hung up - on the tree. He leads us to the



forth came He, A - noint - ed from e - ter - ni - ty.
sanc - ti - ty; His hand re - moved im - pu - ri - ty.
hid their eyes, This Priest be - came a sac - ri - fice.
Ho - ly Place With - in the veil, be - fore God's face.

- 5 The veil is torn, our Priest we see,
As at the rail on bended knee
Our hungry mouths from Him receive
The bread of immortality.
- 6 The body of God's Lamb we eat,
A priestly food and priestly meat;
On sin-parched lips the chalice pours
His quenching blood that life restores.
- 7 With cherubim and seraphim
Our voices join the endless hymn,
And "Holy, holy, holy" sing
To Christ, God's Lamb, our Priest and King.

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*His name is truly
above all names,
the one who brings
peace and rest, our
rock and hiding
place.*

*(Song of Solomon 1:3;
Acts 4:12; John 14:13;
Acts 2:21)*

Choral Selection

Adult Choir

All for Christ I Have Forsaken (LSB #753)

All for Christ I have forsaken And have taken up my cross; Worldly joy, its fame and fortune, Now I count as worthless dross. Who is sweeter than Christ Jesus? No good thing in Him I lack! Hand to plow, at peace I follow Where He leads me . . . why look back? Gone the past, unknown the future—Grace supplies my daily breath; Strong in Christ through death's dark valley, Firm and faithful unto death. When God takes me home to heaven, Should this be the day I die, God will keep my spouse and children As the apple of His eye. Though the road ahead be thorny, Though dark clouds all light obscure, Though my cross-shaped path grows steeper, With the Lord, I am secure.

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847 Christ, Our Human Likeness Sharing



1 Christ, our hu - man like - ness shar - ing, Heav - en's love on
 2 Hear the word that Christ has spo - ken, Help the weak, the
 3 Christ, in ev - 'ry con - gre - ga - tion Build Your tem - ple,
 4 Come, O liv - ing Christ, re - new us, As of old in



earth por - trayed; Christ the Shep - herd, tend - ing, car - ing,
 hun - gry feed; See the pow'rs of dark - ness bro - ken,
 stone by stone, With Your word as firm foun - da - tion
 wind and flame; With the Spir - it's pow'r en - due us,



In His death our ran - som paid: Christ the Sav - ior,
 Sin - ners par - doned, cap - tives freed: Christ the Sav - ior,
 For a faith ma - tured and grown: Christ the Sav - ior,
 Ser - vants of Your sav - ing name: Christ the Sav - ior,



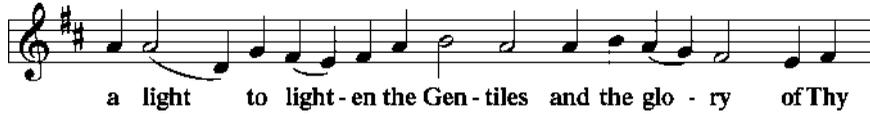
Christ the Ser - vant, Be Your life in us dis - played.
 Christ the Ser - vant, Help us meet our neigh - bor's need.
 Christ the Ser - vant, Make in us Your Gos - pel known.
 Christ the Ser - vant, Christ whose king - dom we pro - claim.

He served us and in gratefulness we would serve others.
 (Titus 3:4-8; Ephesians 2:10; Titus 2:11-14; Romans 12:1-2)

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Nunc Dimittis

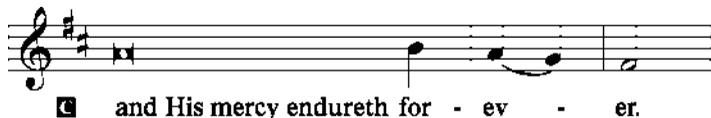
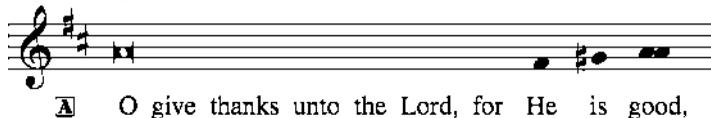
Luke 2:29-32



The Post-Communion Canticle is a hymn of thanks.

Thanksgiving

Psalms 107:1



P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Salutation and Benedicamus



P The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22



C And with thy spir - it.



A Bless we the Lord.

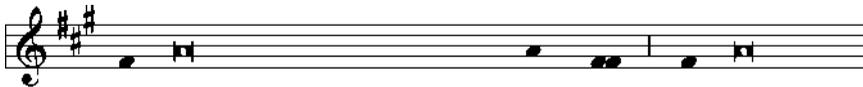
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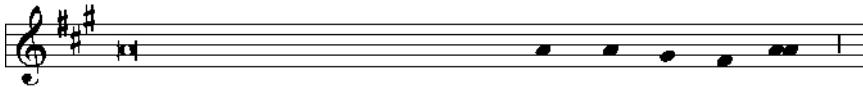
C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26



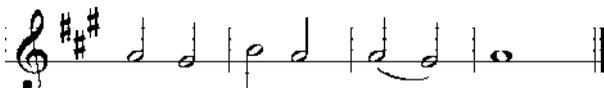
P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

The Benediction is God's blessing for the congregation given through the pastor at the very end of the service.

Closing Hymn

529 Since Our Great High Priest, Christ Jesus



1 Since our great High Priest, Christ Je - sus, Bears the name a -
2 Since we have a priest who suf - fered, Know - ing weak - ness,
3 Sac - ri - fice and suf - f'ring o - ver, Now He sits at
4 Love's ex - am - ple, hope's at - trac - tion, Faith's be - gin - ning



bove all names, Reign - ing Son of God, sur - pass - ing
tears, and pain, Who like us was tried and tempt - ed,
God's right hand, Crowned with praise, no more an out - cast,
and its end, Pi - o - neer of our sal - va - tion,



Oth - er ti - tles, pow'rs and claims— Since to heav'n our
Un - like us, with - out a stain— Since He shared our
His pre - em - i - nence long - planned; Such a great High
Might - y ad - vo - cate and friend; Je - sus, high in



Lord has passed, Let us hold our wit - ness fast!
low - ly place, Let us bold - ly seek His grace.
Priest we have, Strong to help, su - preme to save.
glo - ry raised, Our as - cend - ed Lord be praised!

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Each verse extols Christ's work except for the final phrase which calls for our response. (Hebrews 1:3; 4:14; 9:24)

Announcements

Dismissal

P Go in peace to serve the Lord!

C Thanks be to God!

Acknowledgments

Divine Service, Setting Three from Lutheran Service Book

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 **Sunday School & Bible Classes** 

Our Sunday School Classes and Adult Bible Class will not meet so that everyone can attend the important Voters' Assembly Meeting.

Children are encouraged to go with our Deaconess Field Worker, Haley Randolph, during the Voters' Meeting.



Participating in Today's Service

Preacher: Rev. Roy C. Olsen, III

Lector: Seminarian Noah Dunsmore

Communion Assistant: Rev. Dr. James Bushur

Acolyte: Erik Olsen

Elder: Mr. Jacob Bushur

Organist: Mr. Timothy LaCroix

Choir: Emmaus Adult Choir

MISSION OF EMMAUS LUTHERAN:

Empowered by God's gift of never-ending love in Word and Sacrament and responding to the forgiveness won for us by Jesus Christ on the cross,

the mission of the family of Emmaus Lutheran is to

COURAGEOUSLY CONFESS CHRIST

through worship, life together, teaching and service.

UNITY ✝ FAMILY ✝ FAITHFUL ✝ EDUCATION ✝ CONFSSIONAL

This Week at Emmaus

Sunday, March 17

5th Sunday in Lent

9:00 a.m. Divine Service - Holy
Communion

*Donuts, coffee, and juice will be served before Sunday
School & Bible Class at the back of the gymnasium.*

Please feel free to join us!

10:20 a.m. Sunday School Classes
Voters' Assembly Meeting

The Sunday School Nursery will not be
available this morning so that everyone can
attend the meeting.

Monday, March 18

8:20 a.m. School Chapel

Wednesday, March 20

7:00 p.m. Lenten Worship Service

Thursday, March 21

6:00 p.m. Handbell Choir
7:00 p.m. Adult Choir

Sunday, March 24

Palm Sunday

9:00 a.m. Divine Service - Holy
Communion

Acolyte: Niko Spanos

Elder: Stan Veit

10:20 a.m. Sunday School &
Adult Bible Classes

Sunday School Nursery:

Becca Bultemeier, Beth Stockinger



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Check out our YouTube Channel:  YouTube
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The Ministry of Emmaus is eager to serve you!

Rev. Roy C. Olsen, III, *Pastor*
Home: 260-267-5180
revolsen@emmausfortwayne.org

Darlene Heeren, *Church Secretary*

Timothy LaCroix, *Music Director*

Karen Detwiler, *Family Care Coordinator*

A member of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. 

EMMAUS MONTHLY STEWARDSHIP FOCUS



MARCH: STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING:
MONEY, PART III

Stewardship Goal:

Courageously Confess Christ through the vocational aspects of
Whole Life Stewardship now and into the next generations.

*On the first day of every week, each of you is to put something aside and
store it up, as he may prosper, (1Co 16:2 ESV)*

Family Stewardship Discussion

Read the Bible verse above aloud first.

1. We have studied giving as first from God, that we are cheerful, hilarious, givers, and that our fruits are first given to God, displaying that we trust in Him and put Him first in our lives, not only on a Sunday morning, but even in our bank account. But how much do we give? Does the Bible tell us a set amount we give?
2. We give proportionally. Look again at the passage above. St. Paul encourages them to give according to what God has given to them. He does not ask you to give from what you do not have and each has differently. **Read also 2 Cor. 8:12.** Kids who get an allowance can give proportionally according to what they have. Retirees on fixed income can give according to what they have. Whether salary or by the hour, you can give according to what God provides for you. There is no exact amount. God will take your cheerful, proportional first fruits and use it for His Kingdom!
3. What is proportionally for you? Does that change if your income changes? If you don't give as such, pray that God would help you give cheerfully, from your first fruits and proportionately according to what God has blessed you.
4. Look up these verses as well: Ex. 35:5, 21; 2 Luke 12:34, 2 Cor. 8:7

Weekly Word & Prayer
March 17, 2024
We encourage you to take this insert home with you and use it as part of your family or

“LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH YEAR”

Lent V – Jesus Christ embodies the God who abides beside us in our ailments and frailties. Our incarnate and crucified Savior suffers with and for those who cannot sustain or save themselves. He regards even human beings beset by weakness or sickness high enough to take on our condition Himself (Hebrews 5:7-9). The Gospel just leaves no room for abortion or assisted suicide.

Life Thoughts in the Church Year are designed to help pastors and congregations see the church year through the lens of the sanctity of human life. *Life Thoughts* are based on the appointed readings from *Lutheran Service Book*. www.lutheransforlife.org

Remember in Prayer this Week

FCG Hospitalized/Sick/Recuperating

Ruth LLV Inverness Lakes: **Beverly Baals**

Luke Riley Children's Hospital, Indianapolis: **Layla Stockinger**, received bone marrow transplant on January 9th

Moses Ashton Creek: **Doris Snyder**, for rehab after having hip surgery and invertiplasty procedure

Deborah Ashton Creek: **Carol Rose**, for rehab

Matthew **Sue Behny**, recovering from pneumonia

Joseph **Bill Bradley**, recovering from surgery

Ruth **Marti Evans**, as she continues to experience health issues

Moses **Eric Hoffman**, recovering from surgery

Moses **Pamela Richter**, experiencing health issues

Adam Connelly, friend of Karen Detwiler, continued trouble with cancer

Faith Ells, (26 years old), friend of Barbara Cox, undergoing cancer treatment

Mercury, grandson of Steve & Bev Lee, pray for courage and strength

Lisa Reece, friend of the Rosenkoetters, who is nearing life's end

Crystal Wilson, friend of Amanda Heeren, undergoing treatment for a brain tumor.

Elijah Bohnke Family, Detwiler Family, Diehm Family, Jackson Family, Miller Family, Olsen Family, David Reichwage, Ted Rockrohr, Matt Shimko, Kelly Smith Family, and Margie Toussaint.

FCG Pray for

For deliverance against temptation and evil; for the addicted and despairing, the tortured and oppressed; for those struggling with sin.

Serving in the Armed Forces: **James Rockrohr**, brother of Theodore Rockrohr, serving in the U.S. Marines; **Paul Rockrohr**, brother of Theodore Rockrohr, serving as Chaplain in the U.S. Navy; and **Travis McGehee**, who has returned from training.

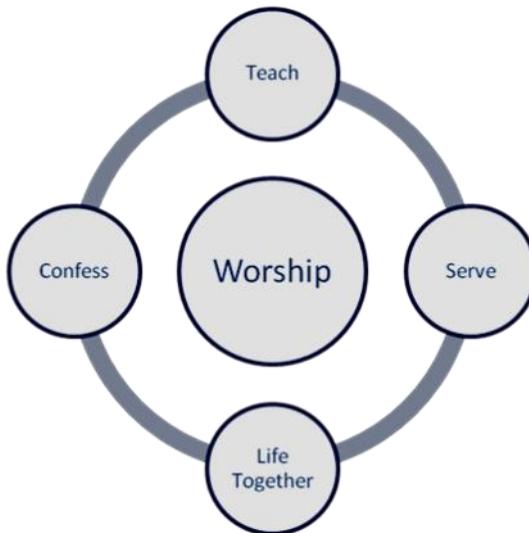
Please Note: As prayer requests come in we will keep them on the prayer list for one month, unless specifically requested otherwise.



EMMAUS NEWS & NOTES

For the week of March 17, 2024

DONE IN LOVE



VOTERS' ASSEMBLY MEETING

TODAY - March 17, 2024

The meeting will be held after the worship service.

Agenda

Overview of our Financial Situation

To be a Voting Member:

You must be 18 years of age or older and a communicant member of Emmaus Lutheran Church.

If you've not previously attended a Voters' Assembly Meeting or been "registered" as a Voting Member, you will have an opportunity to do so that this meeting.

*You'll then be eligible to vote at the next Voters' Assembly/
Congregational meeting.*

MID-WEEK LENT WORSHIP

Wednesday, March 20

7:00 p.m.

VINDICATION

In Psalm 41:7–8, David lamented, “All who hate me whisper together about me; they imagine the worst for me. They say, ‘A deadly thing is poured out on him; he will not rise again from where he lies.’” These words pointed forward to our Lord Jesus Christ, who rose again in defiance of His enemies. Do you have enemies who whisper and scheme against you? Have you been brought low—perhaps so low that you despair of ever rising again? Jesus was vindicated in His resurrection, and you shall be too. You can have certainty in your resurrection and vindication because Jesus Christ is risen.

SERVING THE LORD

THANK YOU OUTREACH TEAM! We would like to thank the Outreach Team for taking the time to decorate the bulletin boards for us and for all to see the wonderful news of the Gospel as they come into the building each day.

THANK YOU - God has richly blessed us with many gifts in our congregation! Among the most blessed is one another. Thank you for working together, side by side as the Body of Christ, to serve the Lord and our neighbor.

NURTURING THE FAITH

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Our Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes will not meet today so that everyone can attend the Voters’ Meeting.

NOTE: Children are encouraged to go with our Deaconess Field Worker, Haley Randolph, during the Voters’ Meeting.

DEVOTIONAL MATERIALS

Higher Things Reflections - Sunday the First Week in Lent - Holy Saturday

(2/18 to 3/30/2024) booklets are available as you leave from the table in the front hallway. Please feel free to pick up a copy and take one for a friend. Daily Reflections are provided by Higher Things. www.higherthings.org.

Portals of Prayer - We have the devotion booklets for January—March 2024. Please feel free to pick one up from the table in the front hall.

LIFE TOGETHER

Worship Attendance

Sunday, March 3, Worship: **120** Adult Bible Class: **43**

Mid-Week Lent, March 13: **32**

EMMAUS FY 2023-2024 OFFERINGS & TITHES NEEDED	
Offerings Needed Weekly Beginning July 1, 2023	\$6,894.00
Offerings Rec'd Last Sunday	\$4,202.00
Electronic Offerings Rec'd Last Week	\$2,519.70
Budgeted Overage (Shortfall)	(\$172.30)
Budgeted Offerings Needed YTD	\$255,078.00
Envelope Offerings Received YTD (includes Electronic Offerings) **	\$258,407.95
Budgeted Overage (Shortfall) YTD	\$3,329.95
LONG-TERM COMMITMENTS/OBLIGATIONS & INITIATIVES	
Mortgage Balance	\$1,012,179.09
Concordia Lutheran High School Congregation Assessment Balance	\$40,420.83
Sanctuary Fund/Foundation	\$304,082.95

PRESCHOOL AIDE NEEDED - Emmaus Lutheran Preschool, 8626 Covington Road, is in need of an afternoon aide for the remainder of this school year. Hours are Monday thru Friday, 12:30-4:30 p.m. If you are interested, or know someone who might be interested, please contact Joann Olsen, Preschool Director, at jolsen@emmauslutheranfw.org or 260-459-7722, ext. 1012.

SUBSTITUTES FOR TEACHERS & AIDES NEEDED - If you or someone you know would be interested in substituting for a teacher or a classroom aide, please contact Mrs. Spanos for more information, 260-459-7722, ext. 1002.

CHAPERONES NEEDED - Want to spend time deepening your faith and connecting with our congregational youth? Consider attending

PLEASE JOIN US FOR EASTER BREAKFAST!

MEMBERS, FRIENDS AND FAMILY ARE ALL INVITED TO SHARE
BREAKFAST BETWEEN SERVICES ON EASTER MORNING.



A delicious homemade
breakfast will be served
including pancakes,
breakfast tacos,
biscuits and gravy,
bacon, sausage, muffins
and fruit.

VIGIL SUNRISE 6:30 AM
BREAKFAST 7:45 - 9:00
EASTER FESTIVAL 9:30 AM

A freewill offering will be
taken to support the
mission of Emmaus
Women's Guild.

Please sign up at the table in the front hallway if you plan to attend the breakfast, so that we can finalize food preparation.

We are in need of helpers to: set up before breakfast, a few youth to help with trays, and some help to clean up afterwards. Please sign up if you can help. Thank you!

FATHER TO SON EVENT:



Saturday, May 4, 2024

The Great American Cleanup is the nation's largest community improvement program that Fort Wayne has participated in for nearly 30 years. It is a time when we can show our community pride by lending a hand to clean up littered roadsides, parks, trails and river ways. Emmaus Lutheran wants to be an active part of our community.

Please be sure to sign up at the table in the front hall, or call the church office by Sunday, April 14th, so that we can order sufficient supplies and T-Shirts for everyone.

FATHER AND SON WORKING

TOGETHER, SIDE BY SIDE, TO SERVE OUR

NEIGHBOR.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF
SHEPHERD'S HAND COMMUNITY
OUTREACH!

BABY WIPE AND FEMININE PRODUCT DRIVE

COLLECTING BABY WIPES
AND FEMININE CARE
PRODUCTS BETWEEN
MARCH 3 AND MARCH 17

Ask Faith Korte or Stacey Durlacher for more
details!

Don't have time to grab items? Use the
QR code and your phone to give directly to
The Shepherd's Hand Community Outreach!



*Please place your donations in the box located at
the back of church. Thank you!*



The Shepherd's Hand Community
Outreach Center
1321 South Anthony Blvd
Fort Wayne, IN 46803

shepherdshandfwd@gmail.com

Higher Things, 2024! We are looking for interested chaperones for the June 25-28 conference in Mequon, WI. You can find out more by texting or calling Laura Bruns at: 219.670.6454 or scanning the QR code!



VIDEO MESSAGES FOR LAYLA & PAUL - One of the suggestions that was made at the meeting for ways to help the Stockinger family was to make and send video messages to Layla and Paul while they are away. We are still scheduling times, so be sure to sign-up at the table in the front hall.. You can share a favorite Bible verse, say a prayer, tell a joke, sing a song, etc. See Margie Crabtree or Amanda Heeren, if you have any questions or would like to schedule a time to video your message.

EMMAUS FACEBOOK PAGE! - Emmaus has a new Facebook page. Follow us at <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100089549997428&mibextid=LQQJ4d> or scan the QR code to view the page! If you have any event photos please send them to either Kirsten Bohnke at kirsten.bohnke@gmail.com or Paul Stockinger at paul_stockinger@yahoo.com



PRAYER REQUESTS - Did you know...You can share your prayer requests or praises by clicking “Prayer” on the Emmaus homepage at emmausfortwayne.org.

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

Philippians 4:6

WAYS TO HELP EMMAUS:

Kroger Community Rewards This program makes fundraising easy by donating to local organizations based on the shopping you do every day. Once you link your Card to an organization, all you have to do is shop at Kroger and swipe your Shopper’s Card. It’s easy! Here’s how:

1. Go to Kroger.com and set up an account (if you don’t have one) or log into your account.
2. Under your account options select “My Account.”
3. Scroll down the page and select Community Rewards” (left side of screen).
4. Under “organization Name” enter “Emmaus Lutheran School and Church” or use “organization Number” BF171.

Thank you to all who are participating in the Kroger Community Rewards. The amount we are receiving has increased four times the amount that we received in September 2023! We appreciate your support!

Advantage Recycling

We are accepting empty printer ink cartridges, old cell phones, and laptops. This helps keep those items out of the landfill and helps us as we will receive payment from the recycling company. Items can be placed in the box located inside the west entrance to the gym/sanctuary from the front hall. Monies from this program will be used for school supplies.

PROJECT CONNECT BOOKLETS

Lutheran Hour Ministries 'Project Connect' booklets combine a subject matter expert's practical guidance on a variety of topics that pose real-life challenges to us, within a Christ-centered, Law and Gospel context ... What a powerful combination! You can find a variety of these booklets in the circular rack just inside the entrance to the sanctuary. This week's featured brochure: *"Journey Through Anxiety"* - Our anxiety can be managed. We need to intentionally engage in the process of getting through our fears with the help of God. Ten creative exercises help readers unmask their fears, attain clarity, and gain skills in moving forward.



GREETING CARDS - \$1.00 EACH - Our Women's Guild has a nice variety of Dayspring cards on the carousel at the back table. Stop by before or after service and browse all the many choices. Pick up a beautiful "thinking of you" and "praying for you" cards which are perfect for our Care Groups, family and friends. ALSO, If you want unique, blank notecards, how about our Emmaus cards at \$6.00 for a 12 pack? They were designed by Bill Schmidt and are perfect for ANY occasion. We all love to receive cards and notes. Take the time to do it, and share your love and prayers.

ELECTRONIC GIVING - Please be sure to set up your electronic giving on the Vanco Mobile app. You can download the Vanco Mobile app for free from the App Store or Google Play. From there, you can make a one-time donation or set up recurring giving right through the app. Just select your fund and amount, enter a payment method and complete the donation. If you have questions or need assistance with our new mobile app, please stop by the church office or call us at 260-459-7722. We also have an info sheet that shows how to make gifts with the app available from the table in the front hall.

WEEKLY SHUT-IN VISITS - If you are physically unable to attend the Sunday morning worship service, including short-term recoveries, we would be happy to drop off a bulletin, the News & Notes, as well as a copy of the sermon. (We deliver on Mondays). Please contact the church office, 459-7722 and press "3".
Dave & Joan Kendall

MEMBER CALLER - We have set up our account for the new service to call all our members. Please add the phone number of **855.248.7295** to your caller id or your phone address book and entitle that contact as the Church Call so that it will be identified properly on your caller id. If your phone number has changed or you need to add an additional number for your household, please see Darlene so that she can update the call list.

GENERAL

DEADLINE FOR EMMAUS NEWS & NOTES: Please submit information to the Church Office by Noon on Wednesday to be included in Sunday's publication.

ROYAL MESSENGER NEWSLETTER - The February/March 2024 issue of The Royal Messenger is available to pick up in the front hallway for those who have requested a printed copy. **The deadline for submitting information for the April/May 2024 issue is Monday, April 1st (no joke!).** Please send any info on upcoming events to the church office by e-mail to: dheeren@emmausfortwayne.org. Thank you!

OTHER

ISSUES, ETC. LUTHERAN RADIO IN EXILE... Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show produced by Lutheran Public Radio and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. You can tune into interviews on subjects like "Answering Tough Questions About the Christian Faith: Common Objections", "Bad Uses of the Law of God", "Signs and Symbols in the Church" and more. You can listen to what you want when you want at www.issuesetc.org.

WORSHIP ANEW is broadcast weekly on Sundays at 7:00 a.m. on NBC's Channel 21.2, 8:00a.m. on MyTV - Frontier 9, Digital 21.3 and Comcast 2 52; 11:30 a.m. on WINM-TV 12/38 - TCT; and 4:00 p.m. Sunday and 10:00 a.m. Monday on Comcast 55 and Frontier 25 [PA]. Today's program: ***Greatness In His Glory*** - Jesus alone was qualified, there is no one on earth who can lift this miserable cup of death to his lips and drink it to the bottom. There is no one on earth who can be baptized into our death and rise up out of it to life. Only Jesus Christ, the Word made Flesh can stand in our place and do for all what we can't do for ourselves. Sermon Text: Mark 10:45. Speaker: Rev. Shayne Jonker

CTS FORT WAYNE KANTOREI - The Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne Kantorei will lead music for the season of Lent in a special service in Kramer Chapel on **Sunday, March 17th**, at

4:00 p.m. This service concludes their Lenten Tour. The Kantorei is a men's choir of students studying for the pastoral ministry at CTSFW, directed by Kantor Kevin Hildebrand. For more information, visit www.ctsfw.edu.

SPRING RUMMAGE SALE - St. John Lutheran Church—Flatrock, 12912 Franke Road, Monroeville, will have their Spring Rummage Sale on **Friday, March 22nd**, from 8am-5pm, and **Saturday, March 23rd**, from 8am-Noon in the gymnasium. Bag sale on Saturday. Priced items not include in Bag Sale. Priced items 1/2 price on Saturday. Proceeds go towards missions and church projects.

SHEPHERD'S HAND 4TH ANNUAL 5K RUN & WALK - Sign up now for The Shepherd's Hand 4th Annual 5K Run & Walk that will take place on **Saturday, May 4th**, at 1231 S Anthony Blvd. Early Registration Fee: \$20.00/person and includes t-shirt. Ribbons for finishers, Prizes for winners, and family fun! Register online at: runsignup.com. For more information, please email: theshepherdshand5k@gmail.com.

CAMP LUTHERHAVEN - What are you doing this summer? Spend time at Camp Lutherhaven! With so many fun activities from Archer to Zip, Zap, Zoey (a fun game played at Camp) to jumping in the lake, there is so much to experience! Most importantly, spend time in God's Word and grow in your relationship with Christ. Summer 2024's theme is "Wildfire," coming from Psalm 78:4. Join in spreading the glorious deeds of the Lord like wildfire with everyone who comes to Camp Lutherhaven this summer! Register before April 1st and receive the Early Bird discount! Register online today at www.lutherhaven.org, or call for more information at 206-636-7101

LCMS FOUNDATION - Gift Planning creates solutions for donors. A gift planning counselor is a built-in companion for the journey so that you don't have go through the process alone. Some of estate planning takes place after the time when your beloved spouse has been called home to Jesus. It may be foreign territory to navigate things they used to take care of. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help you navigate. Contact Mark Muehl at Mark.Muehl@lfnf.org or 260-241-4845.

CROSS CONNECTIONS - S.O.S. at Cross Connections: The Biblical counseling ministry at Cross Connections has a Serve our Servants fund (S.O.S) that provides free counseling for all active duty military, police, fire, and EMT personnel and their families. If you or somebody you know would benefit from these services please speak with pastor or call Cross Connections at [260-373-0213](tel:260-373-0213) to learn more.

PART-TIME RECEPTIONIST NEEDED - Cross Connections Counseling Ministries is currently hiring a Part Time Receptionist. Responsibilities will include maintaining confidentiality, answering phones, scheduling, greeting clients, supporting counselors, minor bookkeeping, general hospitality and miscellaneous clerical duties. 20-28 hours a week, weekday hours. Positive, ministry work environment. Pay varies based on experience. Knowledge of QuickBooks, accounts payable & receivable a plus. Send resume to: kirkreber@crossconnectionsounseling.com or call 260-260-373-0213, ext. 105.

NIPSCO ENERGY ASSISTANCE - Beginning December 1, income-eligible customers, seniors, active military and veterans experiencing financial difficulty paying their gas utility bill may apply for additional NIPSCO energy assistance programs. Available programs include NIPSCO Hardship, SERV (Supply Energy Resources to Veterans) and SILVER (Seniors in Indiana Low-Income and Vulnerable Energy Resource) that will allow customers to receive a one-time benefit of up to \$400 per year if they qualify. To see the full list of requirements for SERV and SILVER, customers should visit NIPSCO.com/IncomeEligible. There, customers may also apply for the appropriate program by completing and submitting an online self-attestation form and uploading documentation, if required. Applicants should allow 30 business days for the form to be received and processed. If program requirements are met, a one-time credit will be applied to the applicant's NIPSCO gas residential utility account.

FORT WAYNE LUTHERAN We have copies of the current issue of The Fort Wayne Lutheran available at the table in the front hallway as you leave today. The issue is also available online at www.myfwl.org for those who have computer/internet access.

CONCORDIA SEMINARY MAGAZINES - We have copies of the magazines from both Ft. Wayne Campus and St. Louis campus available from the Information Rack. These publications provide information on what's happening at our seminary campuses. Please feel free to pick up a copy.

CONCORDIA LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

“Twilight Tour” of CLHS for parents of 5th-8th Grade Students

Concordia invites parents of 5th-8th grade students to attend a guided “Twilight Tour” of the high school on **March 12 and March 19** at 7 p.m., Expect a peek at the day in the life of a freshman, admission information and a sweet treat. Questions? Contact CLHS Director of Admissions and Retention Dawn Schuller at (260) 483-1102, ext. 298 or

dschuller@clhscadets.com. You can find more information and register at this link: <https://go.clhscadets.com/twilight>.

Concordia Hosts Middle School Musical, *Dear Edwina, Jr.*, March 23-24 - *Dear Edwina, Jr.* is our middle school musical and will be presented on March 23 and 24 at 7:00 p.m. in the CLHS auditorium. Tickets are \$7 and can be purchased at the door. Students from eight different area middle schools are involved.

CLHS Summer Programs Registration Now Open

Registration is now open for summer camps and classes at Concordia! CLHS hosts a number of Summer Camps and Summer Academic programs for students of all ages (K-12 during the 2023-24 school year). Camps range from sports to computers to band and drama. There's something for everyone! And if you're looking to get ahead on your classes, sign up for one of our Academic programs. Classes are available onsite or online. Students from all schools in grades 8-12 are welcome!

We are offering an online registration and payment system for all Summer Camps and Classes through CampBrain. To learn more about our summer programs or to register, go to:

[clhscadets.com/apps/pages/summer-at-CLHS](https://www.clhscadets.com/apps/pages/summer-at-CLHS)

Payment is due at the time of Registration. Many camps offer a t-shirt to campers, included in their registration fees. The registration deadline to be guaranteed a t-shirt is May 10, 2024. After that date, a t-shirt is not guaranteed.

For any questions, please contact our athletics office at (260) 969-6868 or athletics@clhscadets.com.

For questions regarding the summer classes, please call Nancy Koehler, summer classes coordinator, at (260) 483-1102, ext. 313 or email nkoehler@clhscadets.com.

Concordia Varsity Boys Basketball Win Sectional Championship
Congratulations to the CLHS Varsity Boys Basketball team who won their sectional championship on Saturday, March 2 beating Leo by a score of 62-58!

Concordia DECA Students Fare Well at State Competition
The CLHS DECA team represented our school well at state competition. Respect, kindness and care for others was evident and noted in a number of occasions in the competition which took place March 3-5 in Indianapolis. Our high school saw 27 students compete among a record 2,300 DECA students from around the state of Indiana. Four students qualified for international competition. View the results here: <https://www.clhscadets.com/apps/news/article/1895109>