

WELCOME TO EMMAUS LUTHERAN!



THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

**Sunday, March 3, 2024**



## GOD'S DIVINE SERVICE TO US:

### *The Crucified and Risen Body of Jesus Is the True Temple of the Lord*

The Lord rescues His people, Israel, *“out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery”* (Ex. 20:2) and makes His gracious covenant with them, defined by the Ten Commandments. Since He has become their God by His grace, they shall be His people, having *“no other gods”* before Him (Ex. 20:3). He is *“jealous”* for them as a husband for his wife and as a father for his children. He has named them with His name and called them to rest in Him (Ex. 20:5–9). The incarnate Son, Christ Jesus, is likewise jealous for His Father's house, because it is to be a place of divine grace and Sabbath rest for His people, and not *“a house of trade”* (John 2:16–17). His zeal consumes Him as He gives up *“the temple of his body”* to the destruction of the cross, but in three days He raises it up again to be the true temple forever (John 2:17–21). By His crucifixion He cleanses the entire household, and in His resurrection He becomes *“wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption”* (1 Cor. 1:30).



**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.

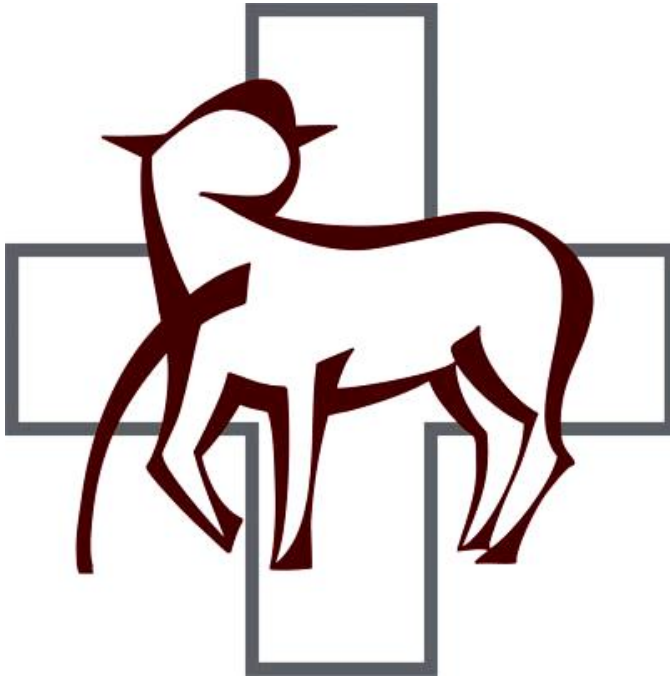
**DON'T UNDERSTAND THE WORSHIP SERVICE?** If it is your first time, some things may seem foreign. Worship does not come naturally we have to learn it. It does not come on the first try; the first hour in a foreign country the language and customs may be foreign. The liturgy is the special activity of 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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***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.*

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

**Teaching Moment with Pastor**

*Children are invited to come forward to sit and listen to a teaching from Pastor Olsen before the service begins. Parents are encouraged to discuss the topic with their children at home.*

# Hymn of Invocation

## 435 Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain



1 Come to Cal - v'ry's ho - ly moun - tain, Sin - ners, ru - ined  
 2 Come in pov - er - ty and mean - ness, Come de - filed, with -  
 3 Come in sor - row and con - tri - tion, Wound - ed, im - po -  
 4 They that drink shall live for - ev - er; 'Tis a soul - re -



by the fall; Here a pure and heal - ing foun - tain  
 out, with - in; From in - fec - tion and un - clean - ness,  
 tent, and blind; Here the guilt - y, free re - mis - sion,  
 new - ing flood. God is faith - ful; God will nev - er



Flows for you, for me, for all, In a full, per -  
 From the lep - ro - sy of sin, Wash your robes and  
 Here the trou - bled, peace may find. Health this foun - tain  
 Break His cov - e - nant of blood, Signed when our Re -



pet - ual tide, O - pened when our Sav - ior died.  
 make them white; Ye shall walk with God in light.  
 will re - store; They that drink shall thirst no more.  
 deem - er died, Sealed when He was glo - ri - fied.

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## + 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.

*With over 400 hymns that he wrote in his lifetime, James Montgomery takes us to Calvary as people in desperate need of what only Christ can give, forgiveness.*

*(Zechariah 13:1; Hebrews 9:14; Matthew 27:33-35; Isaiah 25:6-8)*

*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

**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.

Psalms 124:8

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

**C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Psalms 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.

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

**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.

*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: For zeal for your house  
has con- | sumed me,\*

and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fall-  
| en on me.

Deliver me from sinking | in the mire;\*

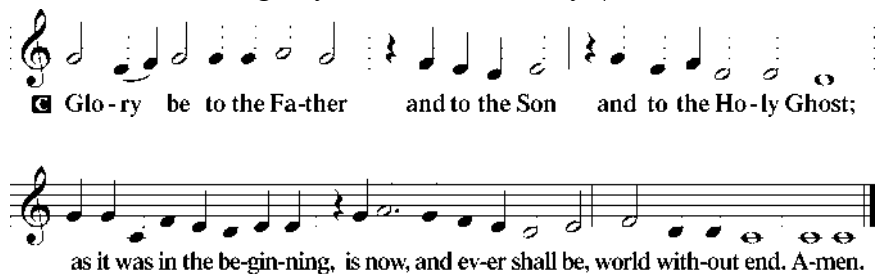
let me be delivered from my enemies and from the deep  
| waters.

Let not the flood sweep over me, or the deep swal- | low me  
up,\*



*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 69.*

or the pit close its mouth | over me.  
 Answer me, O LORD, for your steadfast | love is good;\*  
 according to your abundant mercy, | turn to me.



Choir: For zeal for your house has con- | sumed me,\*  
 and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fall-  
 | en on me.

## Kyrie

Mark 10:47



*During Lent, the Gloria in Excelsis is omitted.*

## Salutation and Collect of the Day



2 Timothy 4:22

*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.*

*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*

**P** Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**G** Amen.

## Old Testament: Exodus 20:1-17

<sup>1</sup>And God spoke all these words, saying,

<sup>2</sup>“I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

<sup>3</sup>“You shall have no other gods before me.

<sup>4</sup>“You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. <sup>5</sup>You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, <sup>6</sup>but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

<sup>7</sup>“You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.

<sup>8</sup>“Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. <sup>9</sup>Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, <sup>10</sup>but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. <sup>11</sup>For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

<sup>12</sup>“Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

<sup>13</sup>“You shall not murder.

<sup>14</sup>“You shall not commit adultery.

<sup>15</sup>“You shall not steal.

<sup>16</sup>“You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

<sup>17</sup>“You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor’s.”

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

*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.*

### **Summary:**

*Beginning with God's redemptive work in saving His people, God tells us what our relationship with Him and with one another looks like.*

## Gradual

Adult Choir

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.

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

## Epistle: 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

<sup>18</sup>The word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. <sup>19</sup>For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,  
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

<sup>20</sup>Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? <sup>21</sup>For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. <sup>22</sup>For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, <sup>23</sup>but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, <sup>24</sup>but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. <sup>25</sup>For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

<sup>26</sup>For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. <sup>27</sup>But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; <sup>28</sup>God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, <sup>29</sup>so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. <sup>30</sup>He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, whom God made our wisdom and our righteousness and sanctification and redemption. <sup>31</sup>Therefore, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

*The Alleluia is omitted during Lent.*

## Verse

Adult Choir

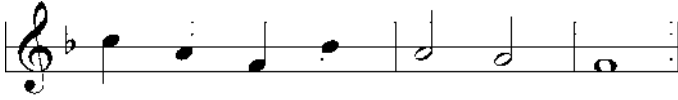
Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.

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



## Holy Gospel: John 2:13-22

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the second chapter.



**G** Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>13</sup>The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

<sup>14</sup>In the temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting there. <sup>15</sup>And making a whip of cords, he drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and oxen. And he poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables.

<sup>16</sup>And he told those who sold the pigeons, "Take these things away; do not make my Father's house a house of trade." <sup>17</sup>His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me."

<sup>18</sup>So the Jews said to him, "What sign do you show us for doing these things?" <sup>19</sup>Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." <sup>20</sup>The Jews then said, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will you raise it up in three days?" <sup>21</sup>But he was speaking about the temple of his body. <sup>22</sup>When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**G** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

## Nicene Creed

**G** 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;

### **Summary:**

*The Body of Christ  
is the true temple!*

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

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;  
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

## 850 God of Grace and God of Glory



1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, On Your peo - ple  
 2 Lo, the hosts of e - vil round us Scorn the Christ, as -  
 3 Cure Your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; Bend our pride to  
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion To the e - vils



pour Your pow'r; Crown Your an - cient Church's sto - ry;  
 sail His ways! From the fears that long have bound us  
 Your con - trol; Shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,  
 we de - plore; Let the gift of Your sal - va - tion



Bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom,  
 Free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom,  
 Rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom,  
 Be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom,



grant us cour - age For the fac - ing of this  
 grant us cour - age For the liv - ing of these  
 grant us cour - age Lest we miss Your king - dom's  
 grant us cour - age, Serv - ing You whom we a -



hour, For the fac - ing of this hour.  
 days, For the liv - ing of these days.  
 goal, Lest we miss Your king - dom's goal.  
 dore, Serv - ing You whom we a - dore.

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*A prayerful hymn asking God to grant us wisdom and courage as we go through our daily lives.*

*(Psalm 80:14-19; 2 Timothy 1:7; Romans 15:13; Luke 12:32)*

## Sermon Who Do You Think You Are? Text: John 2:13-22

**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

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 card. If you would like to contribute electronically, please sign up at [www.emmausfortwayne.org](http://www.emmausfortwayne.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

Psalm 19:7-14

Adult Choir

The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple; the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes; the fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever; the just decrees of the LORD are true, and righteous altogether. More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb. Moreover, by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward. Who can discern his errors? Declare me innocent from hidden faults. Keep back your servant

*The Voluntary is an offering of musical praise.*

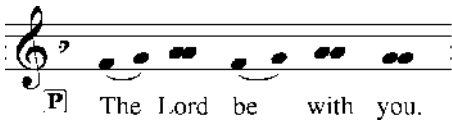
*The Prayer of the Church includes prayers that what has been heard may be taken to heart and that God would take care of our needs.*

also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me! Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression. Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

Prayer of the Church

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

Preface



[P] The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22



[C] And with thy spir - it.

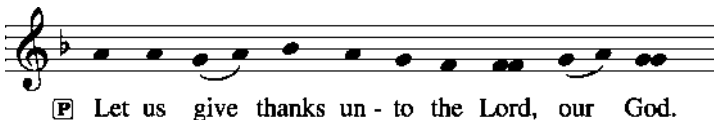


[P] Lift up your hearts.

[Colossians 3:1]



[C] We lift them up un - to the Lord.



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

Psalms 136



[C] It is meet and right so to do.

*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** 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



**C** 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,  
 bless - ed is He, bless - 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.

*The Sanctus is Latin for "holy."*

## Lord's Prayer

**C** 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

*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.*

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 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  $\text{✠}$  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



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



**C A - men.**

*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.*

# Agnus Dei

John 1:29



**C** 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.**

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



## 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

426 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross



1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross On which the  
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast Save in the  
3 See, from His head, His hands, His feet Sor - row and  
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, That were a

Prince of Glo - ry died, My rich - est gain I  
death of Christ, my God; All the vain things that  
love flow min - gled down! Did e'er such love and  
trib - ute far too small; Love so a - maz - ing,

count but loss And pour con - tempt on all my pride.  
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to His blood.  
sor - row meet Or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?  
so di - vine, De - mands my soul, my life, my all!

*In 1707 hymn writer Isaac Watts wrote this very deeply moving and very personal expression of gratitude for the amazing love that the death of Christ on the cross revealed. Foolishness to some, but to us, the power of God. (Galatians 6:14; Philippians 3:8)*

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## 427 In the Cross of Christ I Glory



1 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, Tow'r - ing  
 2 When the woes of life o'er - take me, Hopes de -  
 3 When the sun of bliss is beam - ing Light and  
 4 Bane and bless - ing, pain and plea - sure By the



o'er the wrecks of time. All the light of sa - cred  
 ceive, and fears an - noy, Nev - er shall the cross for -  
 love up - on my way, From the cross the ra - diance  
 cross are sanc - ti - fied; Peace is there that knows no



sto - ry Gath - ers round its head sub - lime.  
 sake me; Lo, it glows with peace and joy.  
 stream - ing Adds more lus - ter to the day.  
 mea - sure, Joys that through all time a - bide.

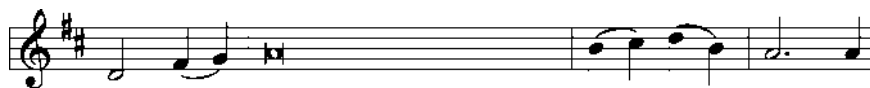
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*When life crumbles  
 around us, we find  
 security in the cross  
 of Christ.*

*(Galatians 2:20; 6:14)*

## Nunc Dimittis

Luke 2:29-32



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -



cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy

*The Post-  
 Communion  
 Canticle is a hymn  
 of thanks.*

peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and  
to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A-men.

## Thanksgiving

Psalms 107:1

**A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,  
**G** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

**P** Let us pray.

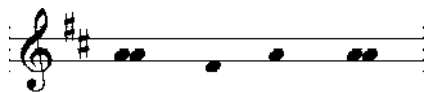
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and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

**G** Amen.

## Salutation and Benedicamus

**P** The Lord be with you.  
**G** And with thy spir - it.

2 Timothy 4:22



**A** Bless we the Lord.

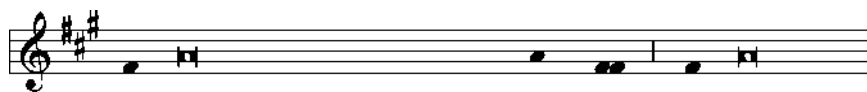
[Psalm 103:1]



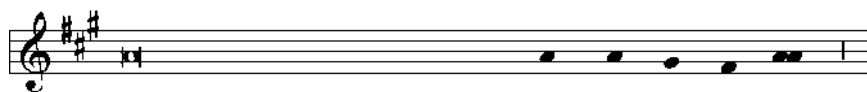
**C** Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26



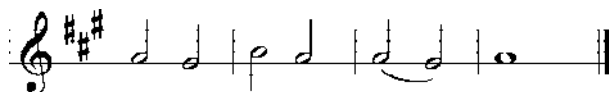
**F** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



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

### 936 Sing Praise to the God of Israel



1 Sing praise to the God of Is - ra - el! Sing praise for His  
2 God spoke by the proph - ets long a - go, His prom - ise on  
3 You, child, will go on be - fore the Lord As proph - et, His  
4 O bright, ris - ing Sun, now shine on us In need of il -



vis - i - ta - tion! Re - deem - ing His peo - ple from their sin,  
oath re - call - ing— To A - bra - ham made in for - mer years:  
way pre - par - ing; To speak on be - half of God Most High,  
lu - mi - na - tion; Come scat - ter the shades of sin and death



Ac - com - plish - ing their sal - va - tion, Up - rais - ing a  
Of van - quish - ing foes ap - pall - ing, That those He de -  
His coun - sel of truth de - clar - ing: Rich mer - cy and  
And shat - ter their dom - i - na - tion. Be guid - ing our



might - y horn with - in The house of His ser - vant Da - vid!  
liv - ered from their fears Might glad - ly and tru - ly serve Him.  
grace for all where - by In - iq - ui - ty is for - giv - en.  
foot - steps on the path Of peace, in Your pres - ence dawn - ing!

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*This hymn written by Stephan Starke, a Lutheran pastor in Michigan, recalls for us the words of Zechariah from Luke 1*

*(Luke 1:68-79; Jeremiah 33:15-16; Genesis 22:16-18; Isaiah 9:2)*

## Announcements

## Dismissal

**[P]** Go in peace to serve the Lord!

**[C]** Thanks be to God!

## Acknowledgments

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**High School Students/Adults** are invited and encouraged to gather in the gym for Bible Study with Pastor Olsen. We're continuing our study of our Lenten theme: "Be Gracious to Me." Today our topic is "Soon and Never" based on Psalm 41:5.



### Participating in Today's Service

**Preacher:** Rev. Roy C. Olsen, III

**Lector:** Seminarian Noah Dunsmore

**Communion Assistant:** Rev. Dr. Jon Bruss

**Acolyte:** John Stockinger

**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

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## Sunday, March 3

### 3rd 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 &  
Adult Bible Classes  
Sunday School Nursery:  
Cecilia Diehm, Marian Hamilton

## Monday, March 4

8:20 a.m. School Chapel

## Tuesday, March 5

6:00 p.m. Sunday School Teachers  
Meeting @ Pastor Olsen's

## Wednesday, March 6

7:00 p.m. Lent Worship Service

## Thursday, March 7

6:00 p.m. Handbell Choir

7:00 p.m. Adult Choir

## Saturday, March 9

8:00 a.m. Father to Son - Bible Study  
for Dads

## Sunday, March 10

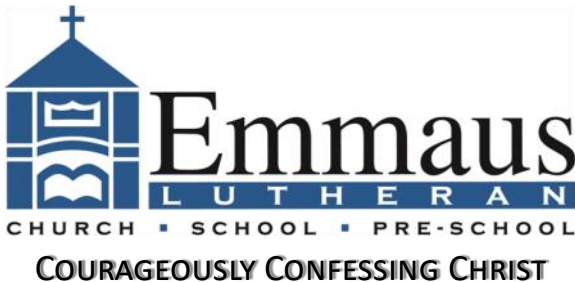
### 4th Sunday in Lent

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


Acolyte: Hunter Durlacher

Elder: Jesse Steinbacher

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



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# EMMAUS MONTHLY STEWARDSHIP FOCUS



## MARCH: STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING: MONEY

### Stewardship Goal:

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

*He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him **graciously give** us all things? (Rom 8:32 ESV)*

### Family Stewardship Discussion

**Read the Bible verse above aloud first.**

1. Stewardship of giving money begins with the Divine generosity and giving nature and work of God. Share with the family ways in which God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit, has been, still is and will always be generous. Search these: Gen. 2:22, Matt. 26:26-28, John 3:16, 1 Cor. 3:6, Gal. 1:4, 2:20, Eph 4:11,12, 1 Tim. 2:5,6. There are many more!
2. Stewardship of Giving begins and always begins with God's gracious and giving nature as Creator, Redeemer and Sanctifier. We give because He first gave to us. We receive joyfully His many gifts, especially through Word and Sacrament. If God gives us all things, not out of our good works and deeds but His grace and love, what do we have to worry about? Are you not giving, not giving first fruits or Tithing out of fear? And if that is the case, is that fear out of a lack of trust in God? Please be honest with yourself, for God already knows the answer to this question.
3. What do we do when we do not fear, love and trust in God above all things? Ps 32 says it best, "*I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,"*" But the Psalm does not end there, "*and you forgave the iniquity of my sin*" (Psa 32:5 ESV) Confess your sin, your lack of trust in God and ask for His strength to change. He will forgive you and provide what you need as He always has and will, for He graciously gives forgiveness and life!

**Weekly Word & Prayer**  
**March 3, 2024**  
*We encourage you to take this insert home with you and use it as part of your family or*

## Bible Readings for Next Sunday:

Psalm 107:1-9; Numbers 21:4-9; Ephesians 2:1-10; John 3:14-21.



### “LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH YEAR”

**Lent III** – The Lord God closely associates life and family. He stands commands about parenting and marriage on either side of the prohibition against killing (Exodus 20:12-14). He holds human life as highest priority and will not accept any other creatures as replacement (John 2:15-16). Body and sexuality serve to enrich life – our own as well as one another’s – and not to eliminate it.

*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](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)

### Remember in Prayer this Week

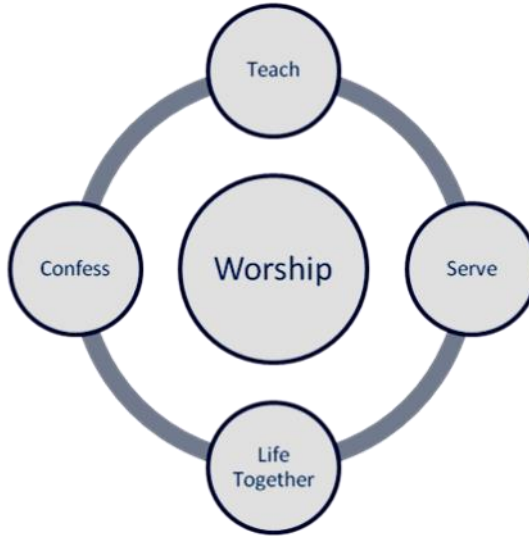
<b>FCG</b>	<b><u>Hospitalized/Sick/Recuperating</u></b>
Ruth	LLV Inverness Lakes: <b>Beverly Baals</b>
Luke	Riley Children's Hospital, Indianapolis: <b>Layla Stockinger</b> , received bone marrow transplant on January 9th
Moses	Ashton Creek: <b>Doris Snyder</b> , for rehab after having hip surgery and invertiplasty procedure
Deborah	Ashton Creek: <b>Carol Rose</b> , for rehab
Matthew	<b>Sue Behny</b> , recovering from pneumonia
Joseph	<b>Bill Bradley</b> , recovering from surgery
Ruth	<b>Marti Evans</b> , as she continues to experience health issues
Moses	<b>Eric Hoffman</b> , recovering from surgery
John	<b>Ruth LaBrash</b> , diagnosed with diabetes
Moses	<b>Pamela Richter</b> , experiencing health issues
	<b>Adam Connelly</b> , friend of Karen Detwiler, contined trouble with cancer
	<b>Faith Ells</b> , (26 years old), friend of Barbara Cox, undergoing cancer treatment
	<b>Lisa Reece</b> , friend of the Rosenkoetters, who is nearing life's end
	<b>Crystal Wilson</b> , friend of Amanda Heeren, undergoing treatment for a brain tumor.
Jospeh FCG	Linda Amstutz, Bill Bradley, Jr, Gregg Kiess Family, Jerry Lunz Family, Grace Schrepferman, Karen Sollberger, Peter Steinbacher Family, and the Stellwagen Family
	<b><u>Pray for</u></b>
	<b>Faith Korte</b> , as she prayerfully considers a Call to Trinity Lutheran School, Monroe, MI.
	<b><u>Pray for</u></b>
	For the joy of the resurrection among us; for the fruit of faith nourished by the Word and the Sacraments.
	<b><u>Serving in the Armed Forces:</u></b> <b>James Rockrohr</b> , brother of Theodore Rockrohr, serving in the U.S. Marines; <b>Paul Rockrohr</b> , brother of Theodore Rockrohr, serving as Chaplain in the U.S. Navy; and <b>Travis McGehee</b> , who has returned from training.
	<b><u>Please Note:</u></b> 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 3, 2024

## DONE IN LOVE



## VOTERS' ASSEMBLY MEETING

**Sunday, 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 6  
7:00 p.m.

## Soon and Never

King David's enemies said of him, "When will he die and his name perish?" (Psalm 41:5) Do you have enemies who wish the same fate on you? Regardless of your best efforts to "lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way" (1 Timothy 2:2), you are pursued unceasingly by three dread adversaries: the world, the devil, and your own sinful flesh. When will you die? When will your name perish? Christ silences your foes and your fears and will strengthen and keep you firm in His Word and faith unto the end.

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## SERVING THE LORD

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**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.

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## NURTURING THE FAITH

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### BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

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**Grades 6-8** meet in the Library (west hallway).

#### Adult Bible Class

Join us for Bible Class this morning, as we read and study God's Word. This morning we will be focusing on our Lenten theme, Be Gracious to Me, and this week's topic Soon and Never. Text: Psalm 41:5. Pastor Olsen will be leading the class today.

### 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](http://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, February 25, Worship: **101**

Adult Bible Class: **41**

Mid-Week Lent, February 28:

<b>EMMAUS FY 2023-2024 OFFERINGS &amp; TITHES NEEDED</b>	
<b>Offerings Needed Weekly Beginning July 1, 2023</b>	<b>\$6,894.00</b>
Offerings Rec'd Last Sunday	\$6,361.00
Electronic Offerings Rec'd Last Week	\$2,349.70
Budgeted Overage (Shortfall)	\$1,816.70
<b>Budgeted Offerings Needed YTD</b>	<b>\$241,290.00</b>
Envelope Offerings Received YTD (includes Electronic Offerings) **	\$246,897.90
<b>Budgeted Overage (Shortfall) YTD</b>	<b>\$5,607.90</b>
<b>LONG-TERM COMMITMENTS/OBLIGATIONS &amp; INITIATIVES</b>	
Mortgage Balance	\$1,016,347.49
Concordia Lutheran High School Congregation Assessment Balance	\$38,562.50
Sanctuary Fund/Foundation	\$304,082.95



**FATHER TO SON** - We will meet on Saturday, March 9th, at 8:00 a.m. in the cafeteria for Bible Study just for the dads.

### THANK YOU!

To my wonderful family at Emmaus,

Thank you for your prayers, cards, visits, phone calls, and well wishes while I was in the hospital and at Life Care Center. What a special blessing you are to me. God's grace and mercy along with your outpouring of care and concern helped me to get better. I did also enjoy the hymn singing while I was in the hospital. That gave me much joy!

Thank you for all you did - it is greatly appreciated!

God's blessings, William G. Schmidt

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!



SCAN ME

*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

**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](mailto: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 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](mailto:kirsten.bohnke@gmail.com) or Paul Stockinger at [paul\\_stockinger@yahoo.com](mailto: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](http://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 BOOOKLETS**

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: ***"Why Did Jesus Die?"*** - The most recognized symbol in the world is the cross. Why have Christians adopted the cross as their symbol? Why did Jesus' death by a cross become such a focal point for Christians? In this booklet, we tackle honestly and head-on the question at the core of this 2,000 year preoccupation with the cross: Why did Jesus die?

**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.

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## GENERAL

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**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](mailto:dheeren@emmausfortwayne.org). Thank you!

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## OTHER

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**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](http://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: ***Christ Cleanses the Temple*** - Christ’s cleansing of the temple was one incident in his fight against evil. His carrying on that fight is good news for us, and guides us as to how we believers are to live in today’s world. Sermon Text: John 2:13-16. Speaker: Rev. Dr. Walter Maier III.

**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](http://www.ctsfw.edu).

**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](http://runsignup.com). For more information, please email: the [shepherdshand5k@gmail.com](mailto:shepherdshand5k@gmail.com).

**CAMP LUTHERHAVEN** - Summer Camp 2024 Registration is open! 75 ears ago, the spark of telling the “glorious deeds of the Lord” (psalm 78:4) began! For more information about this year’s anniversary events and summer camp opportunities or to register online go to [www.lutherhaven.org](http://www.lutherhaven.org).

**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. You may have some fears about facing mortality as you work on your estate plan. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help you face those fears by reminding you of our life in Jesus that never ends. Contact Mark Muehl at [Mark.Muehl@lfnd.org](mailto:Mark.Muehl@lfnd.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 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@crossconnections counseling.com](mailto:kirkreber@crossconnections counseling.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](http://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](http://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**

### **CLHS Band Tour, March 5-11**

Concordia's band tour will begin on Tuesday, March 5 and will conclude with a final performance which will take place at St. Michael Lutheran Church in Fort Wayne on Monday, March 11 at 7:00 p.m.

### **"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](mailto:dschuller@clhscadets.com). You can find more information and register at this link: <https://go.clhscadets.com/twilight>.

### **CLHS Day of Giving is March 13**

The Concordia Day of Giving will take place on Wednesday, March 13th. It will be an online, social media campaign for ***one day only*** to help fund multiple small projects throughout the school. Students from whichever class or program raises the most in donations that day will compete in the Students vs. Faculty basketball game. Make sure to keep an eye on CLHS social media feeds leading up to March 13 to find out more about which classes and programs are involved and what they are raising funds for.

### **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://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](mailto: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](mailto:nkoehler@clhscadets.com).