

# Emmanuel Lutheran Church & School (Missouri Synod)



September 15, 2024

**EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH (Missouri Synod)**  
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**WELCOME!** *We are glad you are worshiping with us today! It is our desire to have a welcoming and safe worship atmosphere. Please silence your cell phone.*

**HOLY COMMUNION** is celebrated on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month in the confidence of receiving from the Lord of the Church all He promises when he gives His body and blood in, with, and under the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins. If you commune with us, we ask that you be in confessional agreement with the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod and that the following be your belief:

- I believe that I am a sinful human being without hope of eternal life except for God's mercy in Christ.
- I believe that Jesus is God's Son, my personal Savior and together with the bread and wine I receive the true Body and Blood of Christ.
- I dedicate myself anew to the Lord through regular worship, the study of His Word, faithful witness, fervent prayer and loving service.

[Non-alcoholic drink is offered in the middle section of each tray. Notify the pastor if you desire a gluten-free communion wafer.

**STEPHEN MINISTRY** - Every day you see people who are hurting - those who have lost a job, lost a loved one, going through divorce...Stephen Ministers are God's Ministry and can help you through a difficult time. Contact Jim Fehringer if you or someone you know could be helped by this ministry.

**DID YOU KNOW...**Trinity Lutheran Church, Rochester, Minnesota, **TLCare** ministry offers hospitality to those receiving medical care at Mayo Clinic in Rochester. TLCare has lodging to offer to LCMS brothers and sisters at no cost. Contact Trinity Lutheran Church at 507-289-1531 or Tricia at 507-218-1531.

Contact Gaye Nelson, Sue Luethje or the church office if you know of members who could use help from **Care Circle** with transportation needs to medical appointments or to welcome the arrival of a new baby.

Do you have a **Thrivent account**? Eligible Thrivent members may direct "choice dollars" donations to Emmanuel Lutheran Church or Emmanuel Lutheran School. Call Thrivent at 1-800-847-4836 and at the prompt say "Thrivent Choice".

**SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES**

**Worship Services - 8:00 & 10:30 am**

**Adult Bible Class Dig In Sunday School 9:15 am**

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**ORDER OF SERVICE**

**SONG** .....**Speak, O Lord**.....(*Page 9*)

**INVOCATION**

**P:** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** **Amen.**

**P:** Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by Your Holy Spirit; that we may love You with all our heart, with all our mind and with all our soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C:** **Amen.**

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

**P:** Most holy and merciful Father,

**C:** **I confess to You that I have sinned against You in my thoughts, with my words and by my deeds, by what I have done and by what I have failed to do. I have not loved You with my whole heart, with all my mind, or with all my strength. I have not loved my neighbors as myself. I have not forgiven others as I have been forgiven. I have been deaf to Your call to serve as Christ has served me. I have not been true to the mind of Christ. I have grieved You, O Holy Spirit. For the sake of Jesus Christ, Your Son, I ask for Your forgiveness. (*silence for self-examination*)**

**P:** Friends in Christ, hear the Good News! Christ, who knew no sin, stepped into your place as a sinner. He suffered your punishment on the cross and died your death. By His blood, you are free. You are cleansed. You are children of the heavenly Father. At His command and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** **Amen.**

**SONG** .....**Forgiven, I've Been Forgiven**.....(*Page 10*)

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**CONFESSION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness**

of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**    **Isaiah 55:6-11**

**EPISTLE**    **2 Timothy 3:1-17**

**HOLY GOSPEL**    **Luke 24:13-32**

P:        The Holy Gospel, according to St. Luke, the 24th chapter.

C:        **(spoken) Glory to You, O Lord.**

*Following reading:*

P:        This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**(spoken) Praise to You, O Christ.**

**SONG** .....**Ancient Words**.....**(Page 11)**

**SERMON**

**HYMN** ..... **The Gifts Christ Freely Gives**.....**LSB 602, v. 1,2,3,4,6**

**BRINGING FORTH OUR OFFERINGS**

*(Sign and pass Friendship Pad)*

**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH/LORD'S PRAYER**

**BENEDICTION**

P:        The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C:        **Amen.**

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE AND SUPPORT**

**HYMN**..... **Almighty Father, Bless the Word**.....**LSB 923**

Di'Mya Smith, daughter of Ethan and Joslyn Kershaw, will be baptized following the 10:30 am service. May God bless and keep Di'Mya in her baptismal grace.

RADIO MINISTRY - KAWL Radio - 1370 AM & KOOL 103.5 FM- 10:30 am Service  
LUTHERAN HOUR - KAWL Radio - 1370 AM & KOOL 103.5 FM- 7:30 am on Sundays  
Our church services online - [www.emmanuelnyork.com](http://www.emmanuelnyork.com), "Join us online", Livestream

Today's **radio and internet broadcast** is sponsored by Mary Jane Meradith in loving memory of Gary.

**Birthdays this week:** Zach Haug, Nash Hoffman, Pauline Johnson, Allan Kohtz, Bob Lewis, Randy Regier, Dave Sjuts, Janeen Berg, Howard Friesen, Rick Heiden, Denise Kopcho, Earlene Overman, Nancy Beach, Garrett Gassman,

Cindy Ahrens, Dan Stork, Clay Bristol, Pieter Grobler, Jr., Jim Klute, James Sachschesky, Kingstyn Skaggs, Glenda Voderstrasse, Tom Ehlers, Adalynn Gerken, Kevin Davis, Vivian Gerken, Baylee Kohtz, Ben Nienhueser, Avery Wiemer.

**Wedding Anniversaries this week:** Mark & Stacey Michels, Larry & Cathy Norquest, Bob & Bonnie Heiden, Jim & Deb Robertson, Kelly & Julie Boyden, Pieter & Kelley Grobler, Craig & Dawn Nienhueser.

**SERVING TODAY**

- Elders** - Larry Norquest, Charlie Moore, Bryan Buss
- Organist** - Jerrita Staehr
- Lay Readers** - Brian Staehr, Steve Ragoss
- Ushers** - Kent Chrisman, Kelly Driewer, Darrel Branz, Ladd Goff, Joel Troster, Josh Chrisman
- Technology** - Tena Ehlers, Sam Ehlers, Kaylie Hammer, Donovan Howard
- Acolytes** - Jaelynn Wittgren, Logan Liermann, Tayler Pohl, Hayden Ring

**THIS MONTH'S BIBLE VERSE**

For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.  
*Romans 3:23-24*

<b>Financial Stewardship</b>	
Needed weekly.....	\$31,659.83
Received Last Week - envelopes & loose plate, online.....	\$18,169.99
<b>Summary through August 2024</b>	
Offerings received.....	\$626,562.77
School funds received.....	\$240,931.31
Debt retirement received.....	\$23,888.08
Other receipts.....	\$17,448.62
Total receipts.....	\$908,830.78
Actual expenses.....	\$1,016,752.13
Net loss.....	\$(107,921.35)
Bank Note Balance as of 09/11/24 .....	\$140,000.00

***Parish News & Notes***  
*Upcoming Meetings - September 16*  
**Church Council at 6:00 pm - Voters' Meeting at 7:00 pm**

**PRAYERS**

Perry Rosenau, Remi Wiehn, Donna Dahlgren, David Buller, Ron Blum, Brent Bredenkamp, Sierra Barrett, Joan Bittinger, Lisa Johnson, Marcia Friesen, Carolleen Junge, Dale Haack, John Walbrecht, Pat Hoffart, Mary Kohtz, Pete Walbrecht, Pastor Brad Birtell, Connie Loseke, Gail Staehr, Beth Egenes, Mike Steube, Lynda Kreutzer, Lou Hoffman, Rick Stuhr, Isaac Robertson, Kim Peters, Leslie McKeown, Adrienne Sanderson, Faith Lutheran, Armed Forces protecting our Country.

**GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Our **Giving Tree** is accepting monetary donations for **LWML Grace Care Circle**. Grace Care Circle volunteers transport our members who are unable to drive themselves to in-town & out-of-town medical appointments. Donations will be used to defray the expense of gasoline. Questions? Contact Gaye Nelson at 402-366-3549.

Donations are being accepted and will be delivered to **Orphan Grain Train** on September 26. If you have questions, contact Scott & Gaye Nelson.

**Greeters wanted** to welcome members and visitors at our church services. Please sign up at the Information Center or contact the church office for more information.

**Church Pictorial Directory** - If you had your picture taken for the directory, please stop in the church office to pick up your complimentary copy.

**LWML Scholarships** are available for students attending Concordia University. Pick up an application in the Church Office or contact Jan Gray.

The **Emmanuel-Faith K-8 music program** needs 20, 5-gallon buckets for students to use in upcoming activities and lessons. They can be new or used, as long as they are not broken. To donate buckets, contact Kim Tandy, our music teacher at [ktandy@efyork.org](mailto:ktandy@efyork.org) or call the school office at 402-362-6575.

**Nebraska District Middle School Gathering** will be November 9-10, at Lincoln Lutheran Middle/Senior High School, for 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade. For registration information, talk to Pastor Ben.

Emmanuel-Faith School Board is holding a **Support our Students Fundraiser** for the 2024-2025 school year. 15 students from 9 different families have applied for financial aid. Additionally, 13 students qualify for a staff discount of \$500.00. To offset the expense to Emmanuel and Faith churches, the School Board is asking for donations. Our goal is \$10,000.00. Donation containers will be in the church until September 15, 2024, or payments can be taken to the church or school offices. Please consider helping these families in need.

Support our **Little Blessings Preschool** by donating toward their Amazon wish list found on Emmanuel's facebook page and Little Blessings' facebook page.

**Support Emmanuel-Faith School** through fundraising opportunities at [www.emmfaith.org/page/support-us](http://www.emmfaith.org/page/support-us). **Scrip gift cards** are available on Sundays after services and at the School office during summer hours, typically 9:00 am - noon.

**St. John's Lutheran, Waco**, will celebrate their 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary on September 22 at 10:00 am with Rev. Dale Meyer as guest preacher and a catered meal to follow. Send RSVP to [STJOHNWACO150@GMAIL.COM](mailto:STJOHNWACO150@GMAIL.COM).

**Emmanuel-Faith Little Blessings Preschool** is accepting registrations. Contact Preschool Director Libby Brouillette at [lbrouillette@efyork.org](mailto:lbrouillette@efyork.org), [faithlutheranyork.com](http://faithlutheranyork.com), or Faith Lutheran Church at 402-362-3000.

UPC symbols from **Best Choice** brand food items are collected by the VFW Auxiliary. Place them in the container at the Information Center.

**Follow Emmanuel-Faith School** on Twitter @EFYork!

If you would like to sponsor either the radio or internet **broadcast of our Sunday service**, contact the church office. The cost is \$70.00 for the radio and \$50.00 for the internet.

**LCMS Gift Planning** - Ideally, if you have children, you will share with them your plans, both for use of inheritance as well as your heart for creating a ministry gift. Contact Craig Stirtz, LCMS Gift Planning Counselor, at 402-616-0312 or [craig.stirtz@lfn.org](mailto:craig.stirtz@lfn.org) for materials or to assist in these conversations.

### **This week at Emmanuel-Faith School**

Monday - YMS Football at Crete, 4:30 pm

Tuesday - TeamMates Runza Day; Volleyball at Plymouth, 5:00 pm

Thursday - Volleyball at Utica, 4:30 pm; YMS Cross Country at Central City

Saturday - Volleyball Tournament at Grand Island