

Emmanuel Lutheran Church & School (Missouri Synod)



February 16, 2025

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 2nd and 4th 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

HYMNRenew Me, O Eternal Light.....LSB 704

INVOCATION

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

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us pray.

C: **Faithful God, whose mercies are new to us every morning, we humbly pray that You would look upon us in mercy and renew us by Your Holy Spirit. Keep safe our going out and out coming in, and let Your blessing remain with us throughout this day. Preserve us in Your righteousness, and grant us a portion in that eternal life which is in Christ Jesus, our Lord, Amen.**

HYMNBaptism Waters Cover Me.....LSB 616, v. 1-3

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

C: **Lord, I come before You in prayer today, asking for Your forgiveness. You have called us to live in this world, but not to be of this world. I confess that I have often been conformed to the pattern of this world, rather than been transformed by Your renewing my mind. I have, too often, lived not caring for my neighbor and only caring for myself. I have been selfish. The things that break Your heart I have often not thought about, cared about or spoken out about. Forgive me, O Lord. My prayer is that You would indeed create in me a clean heart, by taking out my sinful heart of stone and replacing it with a heart of love for You and my neighbor. I ask this in the name of Your Son, who bore my sin on Calvary's hill. *(Silence for self-examination)***

P: God, our heavenly Father, hears the prayers of His children and He answers them. Our prayer for forgiveness is answered in the person of Jesus Christ, His Son, and our only Savior, who indeed did die for our sin that we might have new life in Him. Through Christ God our Father makes everything new, including our hearts. Hold fast to the promise that in Christ and His sacrifice your sins are forgiven, and that He will never leave you or forsake you. Praise God for His mercy, grace and forgiveness.

C: **Amen.**

HYMNBaptism Waters Cover Me.....LSB 616, v. 4-5

8:00 am Service

Confession of Faith - 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.

Children’s Message

10:30 am Service

BAPTISM OF ASHER JOSHUA BAUER.....LSB 268

Parents: Daniel and Amanda Bauer

Sponsors: Nathan and Miranda Beck

HYMN - Jesus Loves Me.....LSB 588

8:00 am & 10:30 am Service

OLD TESTAMENT READING Micah 7:18-20

EPISTLE Ephesians 4:29-32

HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 18:21-35

P: The Holy Gospel, according to St. Matthew, the 18th chapter.

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

Following reading:

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

HYMN..... Not Unto Us.....LSB 558

SERMON

HYMN Where Charity and Love Prevail.....LSB 845

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 Forth in the Peace of Christ We Go.....LSB 920

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.emmanuelyork.com, "Join us online", vimeo.com/emmanuelyorkne.

Today's **radio and internet broadcast** is sponsored by Rick & Cheryl Steever in memory of their parents.

Birthdays this week: Kinsley McKinney, Adrianna Gassman, Beckhym Demuth, Melissa Heins, Richard Kant, Jennifer Obermier, Cheryl Steever, Mark Michels, Makaia Kaping, Dennis Dahlgren, Galen Gocke, Elaine Battreall, David Blum, Jordyn Reynolds, Saylor Schlueter, Susan Stuhr, Levi Leif.

SERVING TODAY

- Elders** - Bill Bolte, Charlie Moore, Jeremy Haack
- Organist** - Jerrita Staehr
- Lay Readers** - Beth Miller, Chris Fenster
- Ushers** - Kent Chrisman, Kelly Driewer, Ladd Goff, Darrel Branz, Joel Troester, Josh Chrisman
- Technology** - Carly & Conner Uffelman, Porter Brahmsteadt, Spencer Oxley
- Acolytes** - Clayton Branz, Kain Foreman, Kannon Cool, Olivia Holoch

THIS MONTH'S BIBLE VERSE

"But God shows His love for us in that while we were still sinners,
Christ died for us." *Romans 5:8*

Financial Stewardship	
Needed weekly.....	\$28,500.00
Received last week.....	\$26,962.85
Summary through January 2025	
Offerings received.....	\$45,162.88
School funds received.....	\$33,071.12
Debt retirement received.....	\$22,543.00
Other receipts.....	\$1,676.94
Total receipts.....	\$102,453.94
Actual expenses.....	\$128,215.81
Net loss.....	\$(25,761.87)
Bank Note Balance as of 02/10/25	\$82,500.00
Attendance last week: Worship Service - 282	

Parish News & Notes

PRAYERS

Remi Wiehn, Mark Sackschewsky, Claudia Sackschewsky, Mary Ann Bristol, David Buller, Ron Blum, Brent Bredenkamp, Sierra Barrett, Joan Bittinger, Lisa Johnson, Dale Haack, Pete Walbrecht, Pastor Brad Birtell, John Walbrecht, Pat Hoffart, David Kaul, Keith Staehr, Tammy Richards, Karma Yantzie, Brittany Pinneo, Penny Debus, Lynda Kreutzer, Lou Hoffman, Rick Stuhr, Isaac Robertson, Kim Peters, Leslie McKeown, Adrienne Sanderson, Apryl Gay, Connie Loeske, Gail Staehr, Robin Nyberg, Ronda Cloet, Peace Lutheran, Waco, Armed Forces protecting our Country.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Emmanuel LLL Pancake Feed is February 23, 9:00 am - 12:30 pm in the gym, with freewill offering..

Bible Study at Hearthstone Leader needed! Contact Pastor Kaiser.

6-8 grade Lock-In at Emmanuel is February 28, 6:00 pm - midnight led by Concordia Youth Ministry students. Come all night or for just a little while. Food provided. Bring a friend! Parent permission forms are at the Information Desk.

Biennial LWML Convention is in Omaha, June 26-29 with information available in the Winter Quarterly at the LWML table. Registration begins March 1.

Students planning to attend any Concordia System University are eligible for the **Emmanuel Endowment Scholarship**. Emmanuel members qualify for \$2,000.00 in any major; members majoring in a professional church worker program are eligible for \$4,000.00. Students with family ties to Emmanuel enrolled in a professional church worker program are eligible to apply for a \$2,000.00 scholarship. Application deadline is March 28 & forms are available at the church office.

American Red Cross Blood Drive will be held here at Emmanuel on February 18. To schedule a time, call Diane Buss at 402-362-5439.

Emmanuel-Faith School Kindergarten Round-up is February 27, at 4:20 pm - 6:40 pm for families with a child 5 years old on or before July 31, 2025, to meet our staff and tour the school. To RSVP, visit www.emmfaith.org, scan the QR code, or call the school at 402-362-6575.

Senior (18+) Sunday Social at John's Waco is TODAY, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm. Join us for games, puzzles, crafts, conversation and socializing. Light refreshments and coffee provided. Call Lorrie Klepper at 402-643-0139

St. Paul Preschool in Utica Open House for the 2025-2026 school year, is March 1, 10:00 am - 11:00 am. For more information call the school at 402-534-2121.

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. **Scrip gift cards** are available on Sundays after services and at the School office during summer hours, typically 9:00 am - noon.

Emmanuel-Faith Little Blessings Preschool is accepting registrations. Contact Preschool Director Libby Brouillette at lbrouillette@efyork.org, 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 \$73.00 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@lfnd.org for materials or to assist in these conversations.

This week at Emmanuel-Faith School

Monday - Little Blessings Chapel at 8:30 am & 12:30 pm

Tuesday - Little Blessings Chapel at 9:30 am & 1:15 pm

Friday - Sunday - C-Club in Seward