

# Emmanuel Lutheran Church & School (Missouri Synod)



*April 2, 2017*

## **EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH (Missouri Synod) Emmanuel "God With Us"**

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**WELCOME!** We are glad you have joined us in praise and worship to our Lord Jesus Christ. Our regular worship times are Sunday - 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Please sign the Attendance pad passed during the offering. Join us for fellowship, coffee and rolls in the Fellowship Hall at 9:00 a.m. and Bible Class at 9:15 a.m. If you have no church home we invite you to consider making us your church family.

**HOLY COMMUNION** is celebrated on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays 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 sincere conviction:

- 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 for those who are unable to partake of the wine. **Gluten-free communion wafers** are available. Notify the pastor at the communion rail that you desire a "gluten-free host".]

**OUR NURSERY** is located in the lower level of the north basement of the church. The service is broadcast through closed circuit TV. **HEARING DEVICES** are available on the west wall next to the steps to the balcony. **FIRST AID KITS** are located in the usher's closet, church kitchen, family room and Sunday School room with piano. AED's are located near the church mailboxes and the stairs next to the school kitchen.

**STEPHEN MINISTRY** - Our Stephen Leaders need your help in identifying people who might benefit from a Stephen Minister

relationship. If you see a friend, coworker, neighbor, relative or someone else who could use some extra Christian care, tell that person about our Stephen Ministry and get permission to refer him or her to a Stephen Leader or pastor.

## ***April 2, 2017 - Fifth Sunday in Lent***

### **ORDER OF SERVICE**

**SONG**....."Jesus Your Name".....(page 10)

#### **INVOCATION**

- P: We gather in the name and in the presence of God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.  
C: **Amen.**  
P: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!  
C: **According to His great mercy, He has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead**  
P: to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled and unfading, kept in heaven for you  
C: **who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.**  
P: Thanks be to God  
C: **who give us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

#### **DOXOLOGY "Praise God"**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

#### **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

- P: Jesus, our Lord said, "You are from below, I am from above. You are of this world; I am not of this world. I told you that you would die in your sins; if you do not believe that I am the one I claim to be, you will indeed die in your sins. Therefore, let us confess our faith in Him as our Savior and Lord and our sins to Him that we might be freed from them.  
C: **I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity.**

**HYMN OF CONFESSION**....."Baptismal Waters Covers Me".....#616

- P: That we may worship God with a pure heart, secure in His love, let us confess our troublesome sins.  
C: **O almighty God, I am ashamed to confess before You that I have not lived as Your redeemed child, enthusiastic and joyful. I have thought, acted and lived as though Jesus Christ were not risen from the dead, as though He had not conquered the powers of darkness. I have preferred my victories to His triumph. I have too often remained the slave of my desires and my sins. O God, change my heart for I cannot change it myself. Through the power of Your Son, make me a new creature. Give to me the grace to be united with Him that I may rise to the new life of joy and power. Amen.**

P: The Lord Almighty has mercy upon His people. He remembers that we are dust, that we are easily entangled by sin, that we are of a faint spirit and of little faith. He desires that we do not die in our sins, but live in Christ. He hears our confession and accepts it. God has forgiven us all our sin and freed us from its power through the death and resurrection of His Son, Jesus. Accept God's pardon, therefore, and be assured of His promise, "There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus." Go in God's peace.

C: **Amen.**

8:00 a.m. Service

**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.**

**Children's Message**

10:30 a.m. Service

**BAPTISMAL HYMN**....."See This Wonder in the Making".....#593, v. 1,2

**BAPTISM OF BRANTLEY JAMES OAKS**.....Hymnal Page 268

**Parents:** Haley Buller and Anthony Oaks

**Sponsors:** Bryant & Sarah Travis

**BAPTISMAL HYMN**....."See This Wonder in the Making".....#593, v. 3,4

**+ WE HEAR GOD'S WORD +**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** ..... Isaiah 61:7-11.....Pew Bible page 621

**EPISTLE** .....2 Corinthians 5:11-21.....Pew Bible page 966

**HOLY GOSPEL** ..... John 19:23-24.....Pew Bible page 905

P: The Holy Gospel, according to St. John, the 19th chapter.

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

*following reading:*

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

**HYMN**....."Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ".....#565

**SERMON**

**HYMN**....."Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness".....#563

**+ We Come To God +**

**GATHERING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS FOR THE LORD**  
(Sign and pass the Friendship pad during the offering)

**+ FOR PERSONAL REFLECTION +**

Lent is a penitential season during which we focus on what Christ has done for us and examine ourselves as Christians. Without this self-examination, we tend to cheapen the grace that God has extended to us. As we worship in church this Lenten season, let us thank God for the gift of His Son and ask for forgiveness for our willful and selfish ways. Let us ask Him to lead us to respond according to the gifts He has given us, that the kingdom of God may grow.

**PRAYERS**

**LORD’S PRAYER 8:00 am service only**

**+ We Receive God’s Blessing +**

**BENEDICTION**

**P:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you now and forever.

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

**SONG**.....“There is A Redeemer”.....(page 11)

**POSTLUDE**

Baptized April 1 was Krieger Orren Bowman, son of Andy & Caroline Bowman. Baptized following the 10:30 am service today will be Beckhym Rhet Demuth, son of Creighton & Chelsey Demuth. May God bless and keep Krieger and Beckhym in their baptismal grace.

**SERVING THIS MORNING**

Elders.....Gene Staehr, Matt Wagner, Gaylen Thomsen  
Organist.....Ronda Gerken  
Ushers 1st.....Randy Conard, Todd Faller, Dick Foster, Bob Lewis  
Ushers 2nd.....Mike Andersen, Cameron Bethune, Craig Bethune, Dan Brahmsteadt, Les Batterton  
Acolytes 1st.....Dannika Lamberty, Mackenzie Liermann  
Acolytes 2nd.....Leo Jacobsen, Jaylen Naber  
Greeters 1st.....Gary & Mary Jane Meradith, Dennis & Jayna Nienhueser  
Greeters 2nd.....Doug & Nancy Knapp, Dee Quiring  
Reader 1st .....Dennis Nienhueser  
Reader 2nd.....Chris Fenster  
Technology 1st.....Claton Peters, Ty Schneider  
Technology 2nd.....Cameron Bethune, Nathan Beck

**FAMILY EDUCATION HOUR**  
9:15 a.m.

Adult Bible Studies..... Fellowship Hall  
 "Family" Study..... Family Room  
 Sunday School..... classrooms

*Visit the Family Resource Center for materials for all ages*

Radio Ministry - KAWL Radio - 1370 AM    KOOL 103.5 FM - 10:30 a.m. Service  
 Lutheran Hour - KAWL Radio - 1370 AM - 6:30 a.m. Sunday  
 Our church services online - [www.emmanuelnyork.com](http://www.emmanuelnyork.com), "Join us online", Livestream

**Today's radio broadcast** is sponsored by Donna Rathje and family in loving memory of Harry & Scott. The **internet broadcast** is in memory of Vivian Rich.

**Birthdays this week:** Brooke Buller, Kendall Ehlers, Alison Graham, Ben Howe, Lee Ann McGregor, Leslie Regier, Jon Brouillette, Virginia Gloystein, Addison Nienhueser, Perry Siebert, Ray Brahmstedt, Todd Gardner, Dalton Obermier, Tammy Wegener, Donovan Ahrens, Cameron Hale, Cody Hale, Russ Obermier, Morgan Driewer, Marti Brouillette, Carston Staehr.

**Wedding Anniversaries:** John & Suzanne Ellis, Doug & Frankie Sandall, Jim & Pam Ehlers, Rodger & Vicky Kopcho, Bob & Dee Graham

<b>ATTENDANCE</b> Sunday Worship. 337	Sunday School. . .33	Adult Bible Study. . .80
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<b>Financial Stewardship</b>	
Needed weekly.....	\$26,772.13
Received Last Week.....	\$14,603.00

## ***Parish News & Notes***

Bulletin announcements deadline - Wednesday at Noon  
***The Building is locked during the lunch hour***

**UPCOMING MEETINGS APRIL 18, 2017 - NOTE CHANGE OF DATE**  
**Church Council - 6:00 pm - Voters' Meeting - 7:00 pm**

### **PRAYERS**

Jerry Staehr, Les Batterton, Eldene Mason, Lois Hoeft, Pastor Bob Schermbeck, Diane Drew, Mary Kohtz, Howard Mapel, Marvin Haack, Bill Sutter, Jaci Landers, Kathy Kern, Joe Belfiore, Beth Johnson & unborn child, Lana Hoffschneider, Craig Broers, Megan Aker, Kevin Brown, Justin Weldon, Barbara Buelt, Carol Ourada, Armed Forces protecting our Country.

### **GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Donations of Easter lilies** or flowering springtime plants to decorate our altar to the glory of God on Easter Sunday can be brought to the church the week of April 9th.

LWML is handing out **Easter Devotion Eggs** to families with children (1 per family) to be used starting April 5th. May Jesus' presence be very real to your family this Easter Season.

**Ely will host a breakfast** recognizing Emmanuel's high school graduating seniors on April 30th between services in the gym. The breakfast is free for the seniors, \$5.00 for all others. Please RSVP by April 26th to Loretta Bellows at (402)724-2343.

**Interested in going into full-time church work?** Contact the church office for a list of available scholarships.

Stephen Ministry will be ordering the book "**Cancer, Now What?**", a guide for those with cancer and their loved ones. The cost will be \$19.00 or less, depending on the quantity ordered. If you would like to purchase a copy, please sign up at the Information Center. Contact Jim Fehring for more information.

**Casa Run/Walk IS TODAY**, starting at Mincks Park. Registration information is available at the Information Center & the school office.

**TeamMates & Runza!** Purchase frozen runzas and gift cards to benefit our local TeamMates program, to be delivered or picked up at either Runza location on April 4th. More information is available at the Information Center.

Join us for "**Ark Encounter**" - tour the Ark Encounter and Creation Museum, July 23 - July 29. Sign up at the Information Center or contact Pastor Kaiser.

**Nebraska South LWML Scholarship** applications for students preparing for full-time church work are available at the church office or [www.lwmlnesouth.org](http://www.lwmlnesouth.org). Applications must be postmarked and mailed no later than June 1, 2017 to Angie Ratcliffe, 517 Bader Ave., Seward, NE 68434.

**LWML Pajama Prayer Party** - April 22nd at Peace Lutheran, Grand Island, at 9:00 am. Spend the day sewing pajamas for Bright Horizons & Lutheran Family Services and Bible Study with Jessica Feldman and Elaine Nelson. See LWML table for kit information.

The March/April **Nebraska District Reporter** is available at the Information Center. Learn about the happenings in the Nebraska District.

**"Man Feast 2017"**, sponsored by Iron Men, will be April 2 at 5:30 pm, Peace Lutheran Church, Grand Island. Tickets are \$25.00 for this male-only event with Jeff Allen as the featured speaker. For more information and tickets call 308-384-5673 or [www.peacegi.org](http://www.peacegi.org).

**Living Water Rescue Mission "Let Your Light Shine Ladies Brunch"** will be April 29th, 9:30 am, First Evangelical Lutheran Church. Visit the Information Center for details.

Pick up a copy of the **2017 Membership Directory** at the Information Center for your household's use in contacting our members.

**Radio and Internet Broadcasts** - To sponsor one of these services, contact the church office. The cost of the radio broadcast is \$70.00 and the internet is \$50.00 per Sunday.

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

**KEEP SAVING FOR EMMANUEL SCHOOL** - Boxtops for Education, ink cartridges, and old cell phones.

Contact Gaye Nelson, Joy Lessig, 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?** Thrivent will donate money in your name to Emmanuel Lutheran Church or Emmanuel Lutheran School. Call Thrivent at 1-800-847-4836 and at the prompt say "Thrivent Choice". If you have problems, call John Seim at 402-362-5409 or Drew Woodburn at 402-362-3395.

**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 Jennifer Jurgensen, [tlcjennifer@charterintermt.com](mailto:tlcjennifer@charterintermt.com) or Trinity Lutheran Church, 507-289-1531.

## Join us for Worship

**Lenten Services every Wednesday 3:30 pm & 7:00 pm**  
**Meal between services in Fellowship Hall** Freewill offering

### Holy Week Schedule

Maundy Thursday, April 13 3:30 pm & 7:00 pm  
Good Friday, April 14 3:30 pm & 7:00 pm  
Easter Sunday, April 16 6:30 am, 8:00 am & 10:30 am  
Breakfast served by ELY in the Fellowship Hall, 7:00 am - 10:00 am Freewill offering  
No Sunday School or Bible Class on Easter Sunday

## THIS WEEK AT EMMANUEL

### Today

8:00 am Worship Service  
9:15 am Bible Class  
10:30 am Worship Service

### Monday

10:00 am Willow Brook Bible Study  
6:00 pm Christian Nurture  
7:00 pm Church Council, Life as Millennials

### Tuesday

6:30 pm Stephen Ministry  
7:00 pm Stewardship, School Board

### Wednesday

8:10 am School Chapel  
9:00 am Chances "R" Bible Study, Women's Bible Study  
noon Women's Bible Study  
3:30 & 7:00 pm Lenten Services, meal between services  
8:00 pm Choir

### Thursday

10:00 am Hearthstone Service  
2:30 pm Willow Brook Service

### Friday

6:00 am Chances "R" Men's Bible Study

### Saturday

7:00 am Men's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)

## SAVE THE DATE FOR VBS

### Mighty Fortress

July 10 - 14, 2017

