

Service of Witness



Emmanuel Lutheran Church

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Welcome to Worship...

Since it is God alone who graciously gives us life and salvation, our worship begins by receiving God's gifts, and then responding in prayer, praise, and love for our neighbors. Therefore, we refer to worship as "Divine Service" because in it, God serves us with His Word and Sacraments. He gives us His gifts first, we thankfully receive, and then we joyfully live as His people in the world. This is what worship means to us. Here are a few things to know about today's worship experience...

Guests in Worship—Each week, we have the opportunity to welcome new people to our fellowship. If you've ever visited a new church, you know how disorienting and uncomfortable this experience can be. While ushers have the important job of helping guests to find seats and sharing information, we all play a role in embracing and welcoming guests to Emmanuel. Please look for new faces and extend a helping hand whenever possible. It makes all the difference.

Children in Worship—The presence of children at Emmanuel is a great blessing and the worship service can be a wonderful opportunity to teach them about God's love. Please bring children forward during the distribution of Holy Communion for a personal blessing and help them to understand and participate in the responses and prayers throughout the service. Age appropriate **Children's Bulletins** are available on the tables located at the back of the church. If a child becomes restless or disruptive during the service, a **Church Nursery** for children three years of age and younger is located in the lower level hall just down the stairs near the northwest entrance to the church. If you need help finding the Church Nursery, please ask one of our ushers who will gladly guide you.

Prayer Requests—If you have a prayer concern that you would like included in the worship service, please ask an usher for a prayer request card. You may drop the completed card into one of the boxes located at the back of the sanctuary or hand it to an usher.

Special Needs—We offer a number of aids designed to enhance your worship experience including a **Hearing Loop**, **Large Print Bulletins** and **Printed Copies of Today's Sermon**. If any of these items would be helpful to you, please ask one of our ushers who would be delighted to assist you.

Emmanuel App—The Emmanuel App is a wonderful tool for ministry and will put access to worship resources, devotional helps, congregational information, video announcements, as well as our church calendar at your fingertips. The Emmanuel App can be accessed by going to your app store and searching for "Emmanuel Fort Wayne." Search results will show you the app which features our logo.

The mission of Emmanuel is the mission Christ gave His Church when He said, "go and make disciples of all nations baptizing them in the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you" (Matthew 28:19-20). If you are interested in finding out more about Emmanuel, you can contact Pastor Eggold at taeggold@hotmail.com, or Pastor Sheaffer at pastordan@emmanuelutheran.org, or call either of us at (260) 423-1369. We would love to talk with you.

“I Believe”

+ A SERVICE OF FAITHFUL WITNESS +

THE GATHERING TIME

THE RINGING OF THE BELLS

THE WORDS OF WELCOME

THE GATHERING SONG: “Christ Be My Leader”

Christ be my leader by night as by day;
Safe through the darkness, for He is the way.
Gladly I follow, my future His care;
Darkness is daylight when Jesus is there.

Christ be my teacher in age as in youth,
Drifting or doubting, for He is the truth.
Grant me to trust Him; though shifting as sand,
Doubt cannot daunt me; in Jesus I stand.

Christ be my Savior in calm and in strife;
Death cannot hold me, for He is the life.
Nor darkness nor doubting nor sin and its stain
Can touch my salvation: with Jesus I reign.

Lutheran Service Book

Witness by Owen Werth — Baptism Part I and II

Witness by Ella Wolf — Baptism Part III and IV

THE INVOCATION

Leader: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Witness by Lauren Anderson — The Ten Commandments

Witness by Adeline Wolf — The Office of the Keys

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Leader: Having heard the Law and its demands, let us now make confession of our sins to God, our heavenly Father.

People: Merciful Father, we have strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed our own ways and have offended You by ignoring Your laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; we have done those things which we ought not to have done. We sincerely repent of our sins. Hear our confession, gracious Lord, and grant us Your forgiveness in Jesus Christ. By the renewing work of the Holy Spirit within us, may we be led to live godly and righteous lives this and every day to the glory of Your holy name.

THE ABSOLUTION

Leader: To those who call upon Him with repentant hearts, God has promised forgiveness. Therefore, as a called and ordained servant of Christ, I announce to you the forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. As you believe, so may it be.

People: Amen.

THE MUSICAL RESPONSE: "Jesus Loves Me"

Jesus loves me! This I know, For the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to Him belong; They are weak, but He is strong.

(Chorus)

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me! He who died, Heaven's gates to open wide.
He has washed away my sin, Let's His little child come in. (Chorus)

Jesus loves me! He will stay Close beside me all the way.
He's prepared a home for me, And some day His Face I'll see. (Chorus)

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Witness by Avery Cook — The Third Article of the Apostles' Creed

THE APOSTLES' CREED (Spoken together)

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.

Witness by Joan Tiefel — Law and Gospel

THE MUSICAL RESPONSE: "In Christ Alone"

In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song;
This cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! Who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save;
Till on that cross as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied.
For every sin on Him was laid; Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious Day, up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory Sin's curse has lost its grip on me.
For I am His and He is mine! Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the power of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home—here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

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Witness by Piper Leis — The Third Petition of the Lord's Prayer

Witness by Kasmira Lopez — The Fourth Petition of the Lord's Prayer

THE MUSICAL RESPONSE: "Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive"

"Forgive our sins as we forgive," You taught us, Lord, to pray;
But You alone can grant us grace to live the words we say.

How can Your pardon reach and bless the unforgiving heart
That broods on wrongs and will not let old bitterness depart?

In blazing light Your cross reveals the truth we dimly knew:
What trivial debts are owed to us, how great our debt to You!

(Instrumental interlude)

Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls and bid resentment cease;
Then, bound to all in bonds of love, our lives will spread Your peace.
Lutheran Service Book

Witness by Luke Rodgers — The Sixth Petition of the Lord's Prayer

Witness by Court Wagner — The Seventh Petition of the Lord's Prayer

THE LORD'S PRAYER

During the Lord's Prayer, the church bell tolls three times to encourage those outside the sanctuary to join with the church in corporate prayer.

THE MUSICAL OFFERING: "Take My Life, and Let It Be"

Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
Take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of Thy love;
Take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for Thee,

Take my voice and let me sing always only for my King.
Take my lips and let them be filled with messages from Thee.

Take my silver, and my gold, not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect and use every power as You choose.

(Chorus)

Here am I, all of me. Take my life, it's all for Thee.

Take my will and make it Thine, it shall be no longer mine;
Take my heart, it is Thine own, it shall be Thy royal throne.

Take my love, my Lord, I pour at Thy feet its treasure store;
Take myself, and I will be, ever, only, all for Thee.

Take myself, and I will be, ever, only, all for Thee. (Sing chorus twice)

Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee:

Take myself, and I will be, ever, only, all for Thee.

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Witness by Tabitha Wolf — The Sacrament of the Altar Part I and II

Witness by Ethan Wudy — The Sacrament of the Altar Part III and IV

THE BLESSING

THE CLOSING SONG: “Doxology”

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,

Praise Him all creatures here below.

Praise Him above you heavenly hosts.

Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost!

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(Please place your offering in the collection plate as you exit the sanctuary.)

THE READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK: Acts 10:34-48; 1 John 5:1-8; John 15:9-17-30

THE FLOWERS adorning His altar today were given in loving memory of Marc Irven from his parents Curt and Rhonda Irven, Sherry Ryan, Julie Harper and James Irven, and in honor of the Confirmation of our grandchildren, Adeline, Ella and Tabitha Wolf, from Bob and Jeanne Dietrich, and in loving memory of her mother, Imogene Schweyer, and her one-year anniversary in heaven from Kathy Schweyer, and in loving memory of her mother, Sharon Snyder, and her soon to be one-year anniversary in heaven from Susie Schweyer.

THE MUSIC LEADERS: Emmanuel Praise Team

THE ALTAR GUILD & USHERS: Ilona Clenny, Anita Kuker

The Prayers of the Church

Prayer Requests

- Our congregation continues to care for one another through a faithful prayer ministry. Please pray for the following people this week:
 - Pray for Konner, Kearn and their newborn, Kallam Achors (Cousins of Stacey Kammeyer) for healing and peace.
 - Pray for strength and healing for Waylon Berghoff (great-nephew of Mark and Michelle Walters) and peace for his parents, Bradley and Jessica.
 - Pray for comfort and peace for Mary English (friend of Sharon Bell).

- Pray for strength, healing and comfort for Betsie Doehrman, Ann Herman, Jerry Kanning, Paul Parker, Kristy Fitzgerald, Connie LaBrash, Lou Pompei (friend of George and Becki Elonzae), Adam Bloomfield, Norma Martin, Jodie Karrick, Tom Baumgartner (father of Kristin Smith) and Carla Meyers (mother of Hayley Buchholz).
 - Pray for joy, peace and strength of faith for Craig Brigman.
 - Pray for the following people recovering from surgery: Jeanette McFadden, Jasper Downie, Pam Matson, Diane Campbell, Maury Springer, Randy Barron, Deb Percy, Victoria Hyatt, Steve Bredemeyer, Faith Harless, Mike Rose, Lane Vargas (sister-in-law of Kris Tinsley), Rhonda Irven, Ken Schaab and Sue Maxson.
 - Pray for healing, comfort and peace for the following people with cancer: Debbie Luckadoo (sister of Dave Huffman), Camilla Pelkington (friend of Sandy Behling), Richard Vargas (brother-in-law of Kris Tinsley), Carol McGuigan (mother of Kevin McGuigan), Benjamin Galier (grandson of Dan and Judy May), Dave Merkler, Carolyn Shelton, Judy Baumgartner (mother of Kristin Smith), and Christie Wentland (sister-in-law of Aaron & Cara Wentland).
 - Pray for all who struggle with the ongoing impact of the pandemic.
 - Pray for peace and provision for all who are unemployed.
 - Pray for all health care workers as they care for patients and residents.
 - Pray for all who teach and all who learn in the schools of our community.
 - Pray for the Lord to bless the ministry of Christian education carried out by ESM and all Lutheran schools.
- Join our staff in praying for the following members this week:
 - Grace Strahm, Avery, Daniel, Joshua and Kason
 - Dawn Strange
 - Zach and Jessica Strasser, Carter and Finley
 - Jonathan and Jamie Stroud, Welsie and William
 - Rob Stroupe, Landon
 - Troy and Allie Stults, Kaley
 - Drew Swagart
 - Paige Swary
 - David and Tanya Swinehart, Dustin and Madisyn
 - Greg Tackwell

The Teaching of the Church

Want Help Growing in the Word? Regularly visit Pastor Brunow's website <http://www.genesbrunotes.com>. The website offers notes on each chapter of Scripture, Bible studies, tips for preparing for worship, and a **NEW** addition of a weekly devotion based on the Gospel reading for the coming week. You can find these devotions under the "Sermon Notes Plus" option.

Adult Sunday Bible Classes 9:15 - 10:30 A.M. - See brochure located in Ebenezer Hall for class offerings and locations.

Weekday Bible Classes...

CLASS	LOCATION	DAY	TIME
Women's Book Study (Beth Williams 402-803-5303)	Brandt Hall	Tuesdays (1 st & 3 rd)	8:00 pm
Men's Bible Study	Ebenezer Hall	Wednesdays	6:30 am
Women's Study: John's Letters	Ebenezer, LL	Wednesdays	8:30 am
Pastor's Bible Study	Sanctuary	Wednesdays	10:00 am
Men's Bible Study (timothy.puls@ctsfw.edu)	Goeglein's (7311 Maysville Rd)	Thursdays	6:30 am
Women's Morning Motivation	Zoom Mtg.	Thursdays	6:30 am
Men's Bible Study	Zoom Mtg.	Fridays	6:30 am

The News of the Church

Healthy Living - "Diets" may work for a time, but they often don't produce the long-term health benefits we want. So, why is it so hard to live at a healthy weight? Join us over the lunch hour on Mondays from 11:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m., starting on May 17, as we learn how to foster healthy habits through simple steps like moving more, sleeping better, food choice, and mindset. Healthy Living will be facilitated by Sonya Eggold and meet in the lower level of Ebenezer Hall from May 17-June 28.

Emmanuel's Food Pantry - Thank you to everyone who supports our local community through your volunteer time and your donations to Emmanuel's Food Pantry. Please remember when donating items that our Food Pantry cannot accept or distribute expired items.

Concordia Lutheran High School seeks a qualified candidate to serve as a Cafeteria Assistant. This role is part time and is not eligible for benefits except for a tuition discount. Responsibilities include preparing food, operating equipment, cleaning, and assisting in receipt, storage and supplies of food. To view the full position description and responsibilities and to apply, please visit www.clhscadets.com/employment.

The Stewardship of the Church

EMMANUEL'S MINISTRIES

Year to Date: \$560,177	Anticipated Need Thru April, 2021: \$ 572,865
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DISTRICT AND SYNOD

Last Week: \$197	Year to Date: \$5,306
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CUP OF KINDNESS

Last Week: \$65	Year to Date: \$2,558
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The Calendar of the Church

Monday, May 3

9:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study

Tuesday, May 4

8:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, May 5

6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study

8:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study

10:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study

11:30 a.m. Communion Service

Thursday, May 6

8:30 a.m. Thursday Guys

9:00 a.m. Piece Makers

1:00 p.m. LWML Service Project

2:00 p.m. LWML Bible Study

Friday, May 7

6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study

Saturday, May 8

3:30 p.m. Praise Team

5:00 p.m. Divine Worship

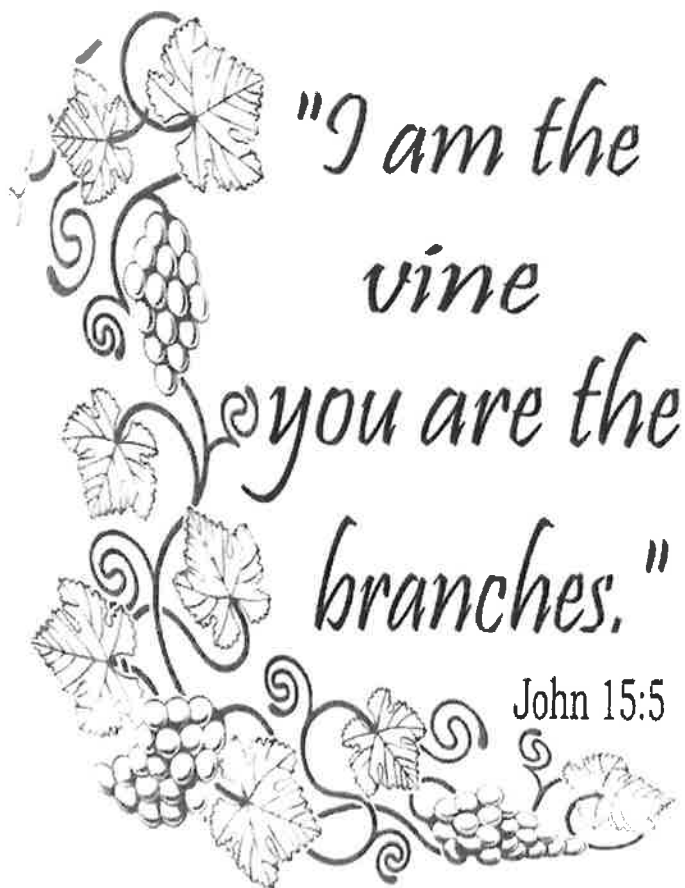
Sunday, May 9

8:00 a.m. Divine Worship Service Service with Communion

9:15 a.m. Sunday School and Bible Classes

10:30 a.m. Divine Worship Service

BUILDING FAITH IN THE FAMILY



John 15:1-8

Before He died and rose again, Jesus reminded His disciples of what it meant to be His followers. To help them understand, Jesus used the picture of a vine and its branches:

"I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing."

What did Jesus mean? How are we "branches" of Jesus' vine?

How does Jesus help us "bear fruit"? What kind of fruit?

Dear Jesus,

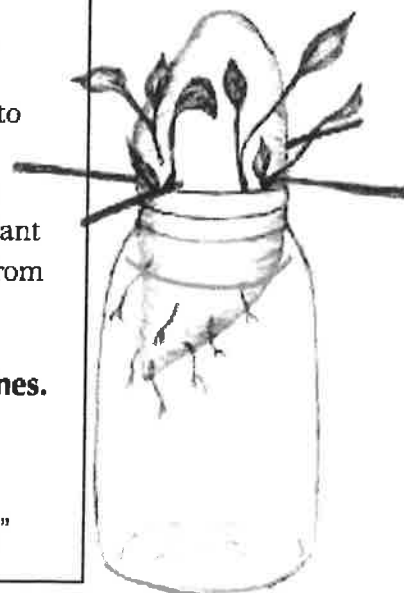
You are Lord of everything that lives and grows.
We are like branches that grow
from the vine of Your power and love.
Hold us tight, keep us close to You,
and fill us with Your Spirit
so that we will show Your love in all we say,
all we wish, and all we do.
In Your holy name, we pray. Amen.

Grow your own vine as a reminder of Jesus' promise.

We've reached May at last, and May *should* be warm enough to do some planting. But just to be safe, this project begins indoors. You'll need a narrow sweet potato, round toothpicks, a clear jar or glass, and a sunny window. To sprout a sweet potato and start the vines, submerge the bottom of the potato in water. Insert 3 or 4 toothpicks into the potato to anchor it on the jar's rim. In a few weeks, the sprouts should be well underway. Then you can clip off the sprouts with their roots and plant them inside or outside in a garden. As you watch new shoots and branches grow from the vines, remember the Vine that is helping *you* grow and blossom.

These YouTube videos have instructions and helpful tips on growing your vines.

- 1) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hXSSXP2PtX0>
"Easiest Way to Grow Lots of Sweet Potato Slips"
- 2) <https://www.thespruce.com/sweet-potato-vines-4120149>
"How to Grow Sweet Potato Vine from a Tuber in Water Container at Home (Indoors)"



EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Building faith in the city

We are a caring family of baptized Christians bound together in the forgiveness which God has provided all people through His Son.

This family exists to announce this gift of forgiveness to individuals of all nations and cultures through the preaching of God's Word and the administration of the Sacraments. Emmanuel instructs young and old according to the confessional standard of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and reaches out through forgiving relationships, working to connect all members of the family through caring friendships.

Emmanuel serves as shepherds of the sheep; seekers of the lost; friends of sinners; and caregivers to the poor, lonely and broken-hearted. It is a family that cares for all people and reaches out to witness to the love and forgiveness found in Jesus Christ.

Emmanuel Worship Services are designed to share God's love and forgiveness through the ministry of Word and Sacrament. We offer a variety of worship styles and we encourage you to worship in the liturgical style that best meets your needs.

Saturday Evening Divine Service—This service offers a contemporary setting and is held on Saturdays at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Morning Divine Services—These services are held on Sundays at 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. and feature worship in a traditional liturgical setting.

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