



***October 18, 19 & 20, 2014***  
***19th Sunday After Pentecost***

***Parables That Go Against The Flow:***  
***“The Parable of the***  
***Workers in the Vineyard”***

*Emanuel Ev. Lutheran Church & School*  
*A Growth and Learning Center*  
*New London, WI*

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## **WE WELCOME OUR VISITORS**

We would like to extend a warm welcome to all our visitors this morning! We are glad you came to worship the Lord Jesus Christ with us today. He has won our salvation and has made us his own dear children by his sacrifice on the cross and has sealed our hope with his resurrection from the dead. We hope that our joy and peace we have in Him will be your joy and peace as well.

## **FOCUS OF THE SERVICE**

### **“The Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard”**

In God’s kingdom “the reward” is the same for all, whether you come early or late, work all your life or just sneak in at the end. The perplexing question is why we struggle so much when it comes to the incredible generosity of God’s grace.

## **MORNING PRAISE**

The Morning Praise Service will be Used for the  
8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

“Morning Praise” is based on the historic service called “Matins.”  
Joined to Christ, our risen Lord, we glorify God as we rise to the  
activities of this new day.

## **PRAYER BEFORE OUR WORSHIP**

“In the name of God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.  
I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, your dear Son,  
that you have kept me this night from all harm and danger. Keep me  
this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may  
please you. Into your hands I commend my body and soul and all  
things. Let your holy angel be with me, that the wicked foe may have  
no power over me. Amen.”

## BELLS

### WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

*Please stand*

**OPENING HYMN**..... “Christ Is the World’s Light” – CW 343  
(5:15 & 6:30)

Christ is the world’s light,  
Christ and none other;  
Born in our darkness, he became our brother.  
If we have seen him, we have seen the Father:  
Glory to God on high!

Christ is the world’s peace,  
Christ and none other;  
No one can serve him and despise another.  
Who else unites us, one with God the Father?  
Glory to God on high!

Christ is the world’s life,  
Christ and none other;  
Sold once for silver, murdered here, our brother.  
He who redeemed us reigns with God the Father:  
Glory to God on high!

Give God the glory,  
God and none other;  
Give God the glory, Spirit, Son, and Father;  
Give God the glory,  
God with us, my brother:  
Glory to God on high!

**MORNING HYMN** ..... “Father, We Praise You” – CW 581  
(8:00 & 10:30)

Father, we praise you, now the night is over.  
Active and watchful, standing now before you,  
Singing, we offer prayer and meditation;  
Thus we adore you.

Monarch of all things, fit us for your mansions;  
Banish our weakness, health and wholeness sending.  
Bring us to heaven, where your saints united  
Joy without ending.

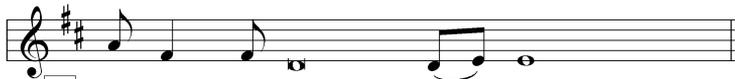
All holy Father, Son, and equal Spirit,  
Trinity blessed, send us your salvation;  
Yours is the glory, gleaming and resounding  
Through all creation.

M: O Lord, open my lips



**C** And my mouth shall de-clare your praise.

M: Hasten to save me, O God.



**C** O Lord, come quickly to help me.

M: Give glory to God, our light and our life.



**C** Come, oh, come, let us wor - ship.

# COME, OH COME, LET US SING TO THE LORD

*Solist to sing refrain through first*

*Congregation to repeat refrain*

*Soloist to sing verses*

Refrain:

1  
Come, oh, come, let us sing to the Lord,

2  
let us shout with joy to our sav - ing Rock;

3  
come, en - ter in with our songs of praise,

*Repeat for use with canon*  
come, en - ter in with thanks - giv - ing.

Verses:

*Verses*

1. You are a great and a won - drous God,  
2. Come, let us wor - ship and, bow - ing low,  
cup - ping in your hands all the depths of earth.  
kneel be - fore the One who has made us all.

You made the hills and the moun - tains high,  
You are the God whom we call our own,

*to Refrain*  
you made the seas and the dry land.  
we are the flock that you shep - herd.

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

**C:** Gracious Father, You know the secrets of our hearts. You see the habits we try to hide, the hatred we harbor, and the sin to which we are tolerant and blind. You see that we are not the people You created us to be, nor are we the people we like others to think we are. And yet, because of Your mercy, we flee not from You but We pray, forgive our many faults and failures, to You. Set the cross of Your Son Jesus between Your judgment and our sin. Hide us by Your grace, and cover over every one of our sins with your love. Enable us, by your Holy Spirit, to amend our sinful ways and live according to Your will and command.

*Silence for personal confession and reflection*

**M:** By God's grace you are a forgiven people! The highest heaven cannot contain our Lord; His mercy is inexhaustible. Jesus gave Himself for our sins, and through Him, and by His command, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Lord be with you!

**C:** **And with your spirit!**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M:** The peace of the Lord be with you.

**C:** **And also with you.**

**M:** Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, early in the morning you called many of us to work in your vineyard. We heard that call as your Spirit came upon us in the waters of our baptism. Late in the day you have called others to work in your vineyard. Yet, whether your call came early or late, the wage is the same – the glories of your eternal kingdom.

**C:** **Help us to focus on the task you've given us – to spread your love in word and deed.**

M: Keep us from jealousy and condescension toward one another.  
Help us remember that in your vineyard, the first will be last  
and the last will be first.

C: **Help us rejoice continually in the generosity of your grace!**

M: We pray through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. He lives and  
reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

*Please be seated*

**ANTHEM (8:00)** ..... “You Are Mine”  
Emanuel School Junior Choir

I will come to you in the silence,  
I will lift you from all your fear.  
You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice,  
be still and know I am here

I am hope for all who are hopeless,  
I am eyes for all who long to see.  
In the shadows of the night I will be your light,  
Come and rest in me.

*Refrain:*  
*Do not be afraid, I am with you.*  
*I have called you each by name.*  
*Come and follow me, I will bring you home;*  
*I love you and you are mine.*

I am strength for all the despairing,  
healing for the ones who dwell in shame.  
All the blind will see, the lame will all run free,  
And all will know my name.

*Refrain*

I am the Word that leads all to freedom,  
I am the peace the world cannot give.  
I will call your name, embracing all your pain  
stand up, now walk, and live!

*Refrain*

**ANTHEM (10:30)** ..... “My Lighthouse”  
Emanuel Sunday School

In my wrestling and in my doubts,  
In my failures, You won’t walk out.  
Your great love will lead me through.  
You are the peace in my troubled sea,  
You are the peace in my troubled sea.

In the silence You won’t let go,  
In the questions Your truth will hold.  
Your great love will lead me through.  
You are the peace in my troubled sea,  
You are the peace in my troubled sea.

*Refrain:*

*My Lighthouse, my Lighthouse,  
Shining in the darkness, I will follow You.  
My Lighthouse, my Lighthouse,  
I will trust the promise  
You will carry me safe to shore,  
Safe to shore  
Safe to shore  
Safe to shore.*

I won’t fear what tomorrow brings,  
With each morning I’ll rise and sing.  
My God’s love will lead me through.  
You are the peace in my troubled sea,  
You are the peace in my troubled sea.

*Refrain:*

Fire before us, You're the brightest,  
You will lead us through the storms.

*Refrain:*

**FIRST LESSON** ..... Acts 16:23-34 (p. 1096)

**PSALM OF THE DAY**.....God's Word Is Our Great Heritage – CW 293  
(5:15 & 6:30)

God's Word is our great heritage  
And shall be ours forever;  
To spread its light from age to age  
Shall be our chief endeavor.  
Through life it guides our way;  
In death it is our stay.  
Lord, grant, while worlds endure,  
We keep its teachings pure  
Throughout all generations.

**PSALM OF THE DAY**..... Psalm 63  
(8:00 & 10:30)

In the Morning I Will Sing

Refrain:

In the morn-ing I will sing, I will  
sing glad songs to you, I will sing glad songs of praise to  
you. I will sing glad songs of praise to you.

*Verses sung by soloist:*

O God, you are my God, for you I long;  
for you my soul is thirsting.  
My body pines for you  
like a dry, weary land without water.  
So I gaze on you in the sanctuary  
to see your strength and your glory.

*Refrain:*

For your love is better than life,  
my lips will speak your praise.  
So I will bless you all my life,  
in your name I will lift up my hands.  
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,  
my mouth shall praise you with joy.

*Refrain:*

On my bed I remember you.  
On you I muse through the night,  
For you have been my help; in the shadow  
of your wings I rejoice.  
My soul clings to you;  
Your right hand holds me fast.

*Refrain:*

**SECOND LESSON** .....Luke 23:32–43 (p. 1046)

Salvation unto us has come  
By God’s free grace and favor.  
Good works cannot avert our doom;  
They help and save us never.  
Faith looks to Jesus Christ alone,  
Who did for all the world atone;  
He is the one Redeemer.

It is a false, misleading dream  
That God his law has given  
That sinners can themselves redeem  
And by their works gain heaven.  
The law is but a mirror bright  
To bring the inbred sin to light  
That lurks within our nature.

### **CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

Since Christ has full atonement made  
And brought to us salvation,  
Each Christian therefore may be glad  
And build on this foundation.  
Your grace alone, dear Lord, I plead;  
Your death is now my life indeed,  
For you have paid my ransom.

All blessing, honor, thanks, and praise  
To Father, Son, and Spirit,  
The God who saved us by his grace—  
All glory to his merit!  
O Triune God in heav’n above,  
You have revealed your saving love;  
Your blessed name be hallowed!



M: Creator of all things:  
C: **(sung) We praise you, we praise you!**

M: O Jesus Christ, the Son of God:  
C: **(sung) We praise you, we praise you!**

M: O Spirit, most Holy:  
C: **(sung) We praise you, we praise you!**

M: To the Trinity most blessed:  
C: **(sung) We sing in endless praise!**

*Refrain*

M: O Christ, King of glory:  
C: **(sung) We praise you, we praise you!**

M: You became a man to set us free:  
C: **(sung) We praise you, we praise you!**

M: You have risen to free us:  
C: **(sung) We praise you, we praise you!**

M: And with all your saints in glory:  
C: **(sung) We sing in endless praise!**

*Refrain*

**OFFERING**.....The October FVL DVD will be shown  
*Please sign the Friendship Registers located at the end of the pew.*

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 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.

**HYMN** .....“Lord of the Living Harvest” – CW 559

Lord of the living harvest  
That ripens o'er the plain,  
Where angels soon will gather  
Their sheaves of golden grain,  
Accept our hands to labor,  
Our hearts to trust and love,  
And be with us to hasten  
Your kingdom from above.

As lab'ers in your vineyard,  
Lord, give us work to do,  
Content to bear the burden  
Of weary days for you,  
To ask no other wages  
When you will call us home  
Then to have shared the labor  
That makes your kingdom come.

Be with us, God the Father;  
Be with us, God the Son  
And God the Holy Spirit,  
Most blessed Three in One.  
Make us your faithful servants  
You rightly to adore,  
And fill us with your blessing  
Both now and evermore.

## CLOSING PRAYER

M: Lord Jesus, even though you were first in the kingdom of heaven,

C: **you made yourself last for our sakes – humbling yourself even to the point of death.**

M: Lead us by your example, Jesus, so that we, too, joyfully put others and their needs before our own.

C: **For in your kingdom the first are last, and the last are first.**

M: You are the Lord forevermore.

C: **Amen.**

## THE BLESSING

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

C: **Amen.**

Presiding Minister & Message – Pastor Marcus Schulz

Pianist – Mrs. Jill Kock

Guitar / Soloist – Mr. Drew Kock

Soloist – Mr. John Sulzle

Soloist – Mrs. Angela Schabo

# ***Worship Series:***

## ***“Parables that Go Against the Flow”***



Jesus often taught in parables—earthly stories with heavenly meanings. What we don't realize is that with many of these parables Jesus was attempting to get at and change the common religious misconceptions of the day. What many people in the church believed or how they lived was not in accord with God's Word and will. So Jesus told a story that was meant to expose their sin and call them to repentance. It's interesting to see how little things really change. The church today struggles with the same kinds of issues the church wrestled with in Jesus' day. With this series we'll take a look at some parables that Jesus shared and apply them to the church and our personal lives today.

### **October 26 *“The Parable of the Lost Sheep”***

Jesus states that he would gladly leave the ninety-nine behind to rescue that one lost sheep. Do we in the church share Jesus' passion for the lost? Are we willing to sacrifice some of our own comfort and care for the sake of the lost? What does this parable mean for our personal and our church's priorities?

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### **Pastoral Visits**

If you, a friend, or a family member, are in need of a pastor visit, please call the Emanuel office at 982-5444 or email us at [eman@emanuelnl.org](mailto:eman@emanuelnl.org) and let us know about the situation. We are not always aware of those that may be in need of a visit, so your help would truly be appreciated. Thank you for helping us help others!

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### **Emergency Pastor for October 20 – October 26**

Pastor Heiges – 920-284-7044

# Emanuel Information

## Service Times

- Saturday: 5:15 p.m.
- Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
- Monday: 6:30 p.m.
- The radio broadcast airs at 9:00 a.m. each Sunday morning on WJMQ, 92.3 FM

## Each Sunday from 9:15 – 10:15 a.m.

- Sunday School (school classrooms)
- Bible Studies and Fellowship (narthex & various Emanuel rooms)

## Office Hours & Contact Information

- 200 E. Quincy Street, New London, WI 54961
- Office Hours: 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday - Friday
- Phone: 920-982-5444
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Last Weekend's Attendance: 917

Last Weekend's Guest Attendance: 67

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**Contact Information for the Executive Director**  
If you have any questions, comments, or suggestions,  
you can put a note in my mailbox in the narthex  
(located next to the confirmation picture boards),  
call me at 982-3943, or email RYerkeyRet@Charter.Net

## **Large Print Hymnals**

**Large-print copies of the service are available for anyone in need – please ask an usher for a copy.**

### **Attention Hearing Impaired Members**

Special receivers are available to help you hear the service. Ask one of our ushers for a receiver and return it to an usher after the service.

### **Parent Room**

A parent's room is available for anyone with small children. There is a closed-circuit TV in the room to watch & listen to the service. An usher can assist you in locating this room, also called the "Bible Class Room".

### **Wheelchair Area**

For your convenience, there are two areas set aside to accommodate members with wheelchairs, walkers, or other special space needs. Ushers are available to assist you to the following locations:

- Halfway down the middle and side isles on the lectern side of church, there is a pew with wheelchair space on either end.
- In the right half of the front row, also on the lectern side, there is a larger area with wheelchair space.

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## **Prayer & Thanks**

### **Baptism**

Sawyer Richard Herter – after the 10:30 service

### **Radio Broadcast**

The radio broadcast was sponsored in memory of Alice Tank

## This Week's Today's Light Bible Readings

Week 91 (October 20 – October 25)

Monday .....	Galatians 3:1 – 29
Tuesday .....	Galatians 4:1 – 31
Wednesday.....	Galatians 5:1 – 6:18
Thursday .....	Ephesians 1:1 – 23
Friday .....	Ephesians 2:1 – 22
Saturday.....	Ephesians 3:1 – 21

## This Week at Emanuel Ev. Lutheran Church & School

### Saturday –

A Team Volleyball Tournament - FVLHS

5:15 p.m. – Worship – Service of the Word

6:45 p.m. – Family Movie Night “Gods Not Dead” – Church Proper

### Sunday –

8:00 & 10:30 a.m. – Worship – Service of the Word

8:00 a.m. – Junior Choir sings during the service

9:15 a.m. – Sunday School – School Classrooms/Church Proper

9:15 a.m. – “*Family Foundations*” Bible Study – School Commons

9:15 a.m. – “*Prepared to Answer*” Bible Study – **Community Room**

10:30 a.m. – Sunday School sings during the service

2:00 p.m. – Wedding – Amberlynn Buelow & Vincent Pelky – Church

6:00 p.m. – “*Financial Peace University*” Class – **Office Conf Room**

6:00 p.m. – Bells Alive Practice – Church Proper

6:00 p.m. – Open Gym for Adults – School Gym

### Monday –

9:30 a.m. – St. Joseph Residence Service – St. Joe’s Chapel

1:00 p.m. – LWMS Meeting – Community Room

6:30 p.m. – Worship – Service of the Word

7:30 p.m. – Emanuel Fund Meeting – Community Room

**7:45 p.m. – Quarterly Voter’s Meeting – Church Proper**

### Tuesday –

11:30 a.m. – Widows & Single Ladies’ Group – Marly’s Restaurant

### Wednesday –

12 p.m. – “*Biblical Apologetics for Real Life*” Bible Study – Comm Rm

5:30 p.m. – Early Childhood Progression Party – School Commons

- 5:30 p.m. – NO Public School Instruction
- 6:00 p.m. – Mixed Choir – School Music Room
- 6:30 p.m. – Women’s Ministry Meeting – Bible Class Room
- 7:00 p.m. – *“Life With God”* Bible Study – Community Room
- 7:00 p.m. – Crossroads Youth Group – Youth Room
- 8:00 p.m. – S.O.A.R. Youth Group – Youth Room

**Thursday –**

- 6:30 a.m. – *“Breakfast Bible Class”* at Marly’s Restaurant
- 9:15 a.m. – *“Trinity Terrace Bible Study”* – at Trinity Terrace
- 6:00 p.m. – Adult Handbell Practice – Church Proper

**Friday –**

- End of First Quarter
- 8:15 a.m. – JAM (Jesus And Me) Time – School Commons/Gym
- 5:30 – 6:00 p.m. & 7:30 – 8:00 p.m. – Book Fair – School Music Room
- 6:00 p.m. – Fall Family Fun Night Talent Show – School Commons

**Saturday –**

- 5:15 p.m. – Worship with Communion
- 6:15 p.m. – Book Fair – School Music Room

**Sunday –**

- 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. – Worship with Communion
- 8:00 a.m. – Grade 2 sings during the service
- 9:00 -10:30 a.m. – Book Fair – School Music Room
- 9:15 a.m. – NO Sunday School
- 9:15 a.m. – Sunday School Teacher’s Meeting – School Commons
- 9:15 a.m. – *“Prepared to Answer”* Bible Study – Church Proper
- 10:30 a.m. – Bells Alive plays during the service
- 6:00 p.m. – *“Financial Peace University”* Class – **Office Conf Room**
- 6:00 p.m. – Bells Alive Practice – Church Proper
- 6:00 p.m. – No Open Gym for Adults

**Monday**

- 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. – Book Fair – School Music Room
- 9:30 a.m. – St. Joseph Residence Service – St. Joe’s Chapel
- 6:30 p.m. – Worship with Communion

# Quarterly Voters' Meeting

Monday, October 20, 2014, at 7:45 p.m.  
In the Church Proper

## Announcements

### "Family Foundations" Bible Study

Join us for the next "Family Foundations" Bible Study on Sunday, October 19 from 9:15 – 10:15 a.m. We meet in the School Commons for a parent's discussion about strategies for growing Christ-centered families. Refreshments and babysitting are provided.

### Good Samaritan Collection

**There will be a Good Samaritan collection this weekend, October 18-19-20.** Please donate oatmeal, pancake mix & syrup, jam or jelly and canned tuna. Please place your items on the tables in the narthex or bring them to the Emanuel office. Donation boxes will be placed by the exits.

### Christmas Wreath Sale

The changing and dropping leaves outside are a reminder that winter and the holiday season is fast approaching. Christmas wreath sales are in full swing. There are order forms at the Welcome Center in the narthex and also in the Emanuel office with a list of all the items available to order. You may also place orders with Emanuel students. **The last day to order will be Monday, October 20.** Order now and pay later! Pick-up day is Saturday, December 6 from 11:00 a.m – 2:00 p.m. only; payment is due at pick-up! Thank you all for your continued support of Emanuel Lutheran School!



## **Widows & Single Ladies**

Our next meeting will be at Marly's Restaurant on **Tuesday, October 21 at 11:30 a.m.** Meetings will be held on the third Tuesday of each month. Come join us for lunch and fellowship.

## **Progress Party Donations Needed**

The 3-year-old preschool and the 4-year-old kindergarten are having their Progress Party again this year. This party is to gather the group together, help parents meet one another, and teach the parents about their child's progress report (report card). I enjoy serving a chili supper so that supper is one less thing the parents need to organize. I am praying that some of you will be moved to help me do this with some donations. I have hung the requests on the Wishing Star as leaves. If you are so moved to donate, the items will be needed no later than Monday, October 20th. All donations can be dropped off in the office. Thank you in advance!

## **ELS Fall Family Fun Night Talent Show & Fall Sports Recognition**

Come join us on Friday, October 24 from 6:00 -7:30 p.m. for some family fun! There will be a talent show, popcorn, a chance to recognize our fall sports athletes, and the book fair will be open before and after the show.

## **Fall Book Fair**

It's once again time for our fall book fair. It will be set up in the school music room. We have scheduled numerous times for you to see what we have available:

***Friday, Oct. 24 from 5:30-6:00 and 7:30 - 8:00; Saturday, Oct. 25 after the 5:15 worship service; Sunday, Oct. 26 between services; Monday, Oct. 27 from 9:00AM - 7:00 p.m. (Parent/Teacher Conferences in PM), and Tuesday, Oct. 28 from 7:30AM-Noon***

We invite all congregation members to come and browse. We are able to keep our school library up-to-date because of the book fairs. Last year we were able to add \$1200+ worth of books to our collection, just from book fair sales. We have many selections that would make wonderful Christmas gifts. Come check us out!

## Pizza Fundraiser

Emanuel Lutheran School teachers and volunteers will be creating some good eatin' and offering to sell eight different types of pizza for a great price. Best of all, buying these pizzas will help support the Technology Fund of our school. Pizzas will be made



and must be picked up on November 8, from noon to 2:00 p.m. Order forms are available at the Welcome Center as well as in the Emanuel office. They can also be downloaded on the school website.

([www.emanuelnl.org/school](http://www.emanuelnl.org/school)). They can be turned in at the Emanuel Office or by mail. **The deadline for orders is October 24**, so mark that on your calendar and decide how many kinds your family would like to try! Don't wait too long!

If you are interested in volunteering for the fun of assembling the pizzas on November 8, we would love to have you! Sign-up in the Welcome Center or email [school@emanuelnl.org](mailto:school@emanuelnl.org) or [tnagmacher@gmail.com](mailto:tnagmacher@gmail.com). We do need **lots** of help beyond the staff. It entails giving up a Saturday morning to join with teachers and parents, have fun, and support the school's technology. Thank!

## Hat & Mitten Drive

Brrrrrr, it's getting to be that time of year again. With the warmth from your hearts, please consider donating any new or gently used mittens or hats for people in need. A Christmas tree will be in the narthex where you can clip your donation starting the weekend of November 2. The items will then be distributed. Please have your donations on the tree by December 1. Thanks in advance for your support.

## Word Wall

Our lists just keep on growing! Thanks again for all the donations that you drop in to us. As we go, we are learning so much just by the variation in words we receive! This time it was very close, but we didn't quite break our list from last year. Last year we had 237 Cc words. This year we made it to 228 Cc words. Some of my favorite things came in on the same slip of paper - coffee and chocolate! We are working through all the Dd words and looking for Ee words in our boxes!

## **Emanuel Father-Son Retreat November 7-9**

Dad's bring your son or sons in K- high school on a weekend they won't forget! Each year we do a Father-Son retreat that builds memories that last a lifetime. This year we are holding it Nov. 7-9 with an optional night on the 6<sup>th</sup>. It will again be held at Heartwood Retreat and Conference Center. For more information, and to register, please come to the church office or contact Youth & Family Staff Minister, Jack Vande Guchte at [jvandeguchte@emanuelnl.org](mailto:jvandeguchte@emanuelnl.org), or 982-5444, ext 314.

## **FVL Schools Analysis**

Our congregation is participating in an analysis of the FVL Schools system to determine if there are other opportunities to partner as a system, seeking school improvement, and examining each individual school. We are requesting **input from parents who have their K-8 child enrolled in a school other than ELS**. To take the survey, please go to Emanuel's website at [www.emanuelnl.org](http://www.emanuelnl.org), and click on the survey link. If we have your email on file, you may also be receiving an email with the survey link. Thank you for your feedback!

## **Thrivent Action Team - Act Today!**

If you are a Thrivent member, there is a new program you can use to help fund member-led projects, fundraisers, one time service activities, or educational events. The new program is called Thrivent Action Team.

Each Thrivent member, 16 years or older, that has a product with Thrivent, can host two projects per year. For each project, Thrivent Financial will provide \$250 of seed money to get you started.

For more information visit [Thrivent.com/actionteam](http://Thrivent.com/actionteam) or talk with someone in the Emanuel office.

Brochures of this new program will be in the Information Center.

## **Job Opportunity**

FVL is hiring an Office Assistant to begin December 1. Responsibilities will include student attendance, collecting student lunch payments, ordering office supplies, answering phones, food service accounting, copying/printing, SCRIP inventory, and other various office tasks. Strong customer service skills as well as accounting/bookkeeping skills are required. Once posted, the position will remain open through Oct. 31. Interviews will occur in early November with a final candidate chosen by November 14. Applications AND resumes should be mailed to FVL (5300 N. Meade Street, Appleton, 54913) attn: Mrs. Martha Baldwin or emailed to mbaldwin@fvlhs.org. Expected hours during the school year will be 6:30am to 3:00pm. Hours during the summer will be less than 20 per week. This position will be eligible for health insurance and the 401k plan.

## **Joint Reformation Service**

"Have No Fear Little Flock" will be the theme for our Reformation service this year. District President Joel Zank will preach at the 4:00 pm service on November 2 at FVL's Auditorium. A choir of area WELS Pastors will join their voices in a choir. Mt. Olive congregation has agreed to serve refreshments following the service. Join us to celebrate the blessings of the Lutheran Reformation. This is a WELS United sponsored event.

## **FVLHS Update**

- FVL's annual 8th Grade Student/Parent Welcome Night is set for Monday, Oct. 20 from 5:30–7:30 pm. Doors open at 5 pm. All 8th graders & their parents who are interested in attending FVL for 2015-16 are invited. Food, music, games, tours, a dodgeball tournament and more are among the festivities. Enjoy an evening getting to know other 8th grade students and families. An informational meeting for parents runs from 7-7:30 pm. FVL Schools students should sign up at their schools; all others should RSVP to Heather at FVL's Guidance Office (739-4441).
- **Special FVL School Office Hours**  
The FVL School Office and SCRIP Office will be open on Thursday, Oct. 30 from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm. Both offices will be CLOSED on Friday, Oct. 31.

- FVL Theatre will be performing *Arsenic & Old Lace* On Nov. 7, 8 and 9. This classic comedy introduces the audience to the Brewster clan where insanity runs in the family. Show times are Friday and Saturday at 6:30 and Sunday at 2:00 pm. Tickets are on sale in the school office or at the door. Check [www.fvlhs.org](http://www.fvlhs.org) for more details.

## Attendance & Offering Information

<b>Attendance Last Week</b> .....	<b>917</b>
Average attendance since July 1 (15 weeks).....	786
<b>Offerings Last Week</b> .....	<b>\$ 19,881</b>
Average offerings since July 1 (15 weeks).....	\$ 20,339
Average amount needed weekly for budget .....	\$ 21,753

Sessions 1 & 2 Theme:  
**God's Amazing Creation**



Where? Emanuel Lutheran  
 School Commons and Gym

When? Fridays 8:15-9:15am; October 24; November 7, 21

Who? Kids ages 0-5 - Grown ups stay and play too!  
 Mrs. D will lead the fun!

What? Jesus Time: Physical Activity, Story Time, Art  
 Projects, Small Motor Activities, Singing

# Board of Parish Property News

## **Gym Refinishing Project**

Starting Monday, October 27, the Emanuel gym floor will be going through the process of getting resurfaced. The entire project will take just under a week. The gym may be in limited use the week of November 3 depending on the fishing process.



## **Thank You Snow Removers**

It would be hard to get through the winter season without all the help removing snow from the parking lots and sidewalks at Emanuel. Each year we have many people who shovel, snowblow, plow and haul snow away so that everyone is able to get into the church and school on a daily basis. Thank you to all of you who continually help and take on this enormous task. We appreciate all you do!

## **Thanks You Mowers & Landscapers**

Many dedicated volunteers have been up and about all summer to be sure the Emanuel grounds were well taken care of. Thank you to each of you for all the time and effort you have given to make sure everything looks so amazing.



## **Let It Snow – Let It Snow!!**

Snow shovelers are again needed to prepare for the winter season. We are looking for several people to help, especially to clear things out before services on the weekend. If you are able to help with snow shoveling, please call the Emanuel Office at 982-5444. Thank you in advance for the help!



## Harvest Fest Overview

What an amazing turn-out we had this year! Over 700 people were at Emanuel to enjoy all the food, fellowship, games, music and beautiful weather.



Hopefully all the children were able to take home a pumpkin, some gourds and a few ears of Indian corn. It was wonderful to see all those smiling faces enjoying the animals, boucy houses and crafts.

What a festive sight we had at Emanuel too! We had over 400 pumpkins, 600 gourds, 575 pieces of Indian corn, and over 80 bundles of corn stalks around the Emanuel grounds. Thank you to all the helpers who set things up preparing for this big day.

We are thankful to the beautiful weather that God provided in the midst of an otherwise rainy week as well – God is good!

The Emanuel Ladies' Aid & Ladies' Evening Circle wish to thank everyone for your donations and desserts that were brought to Harvest Fest. Your donations were greatly appreciated and the desserts were enjoyed by all. God bless all of you!

Thank you to the Waupaca County local Thrivent chapter for donating \$1,500 toward this community event.

Every gift helps us reach out to more people and to show them how amazing God is!



# Bible Classes

## *“Prepared to Answer”*

### Sunday Morning Bible Study

Sundays through November 16 – 9:15 a.m.

You’ve heard the objections. These and many more! There are many paths to God. What kind of God demands worship? There are hypocrites in the church. Religion is a crutch for the weak. Where is God when I’m hurting? I want to feel good about myself. All the church cares about is money. Can a loving God send people to hell? Christianity is so anti-woman. I can’t handle your outdated view of sex. How do I know I’m a Christian? I’ll be rejected by family and friends.

You’ve heard the objections, but you don’t feel prepared to answer them. What if, instead of racking our brains for just the right passages, we would begin instead with the right story? A story that sets the living Jesus before their eyes?

We might come away concluding, “All I really needed to know I learned in Sunday school.” This approach, called Bible Story Evangelism, might be just what we need, not just to set Jesus before those outside the church but also before those who are in danger of drifting away.

Can you tell the story of Peter’s denial? of the Emmaus disciples? of the weeds and the wheat? of Judas’ betrayal? of the woman at the well? of the woman who anointed Jesus with the expensive perfume? Then you’ve already got a vivid way to respond to six of the objections above. Even if you can match them up yourself, we encourage you to join us at 9:15 a.m. in the church proper. We’ll be looking at stories of Jesus and asking ourselves, “Who needs to hear this?”

#### **Week 6 – October 19:**

“Peter Disowns Jesus: What if I want to feel good about myself?”

**Week 7 – October 26:** “Jesus Before Pilate: What is truth?”

**Week 8 – November 2:** “The Crucifixion: Where is God when I’m hurting?”

#### **Week 9 – November 9:**

“The Faith of the Canaanite Woman: Isn’t Christianity anti-woman?”

#### **Week 10 – November 16:**

“Jesus Appears to Thomas: Why can’t I just believe what I see?”

# Women's Fall & Winter Bible Classes



Emanuel's new ministry group, ***Women of HIS Word***, would like to invite all women to the following upcoming Bible studies. Each Bible study will be held on Sundays from 9:15 – 10:15 a.m. in the Church Basement.

## “The Proverbs 31 Woman” – November 2 & 9

This Bible study will dig into the wisdom of the book of Proverbs to teach and guide the Christian woman in God-pleasing characteristics, attitudes and priorities as she seeks to fulfill the roles that God has given her.

## “Women's Spiritual Gifts” – December 7 & 14

This Bible study will examine the role of women in the church and the God-pleasing, Scriptural ways in which women can use their time, talents, treasures, and abilities to serve in the church and further the growth of God's Kingdom.

## “A Personal Relationship with Jesus” January 18 & 25

This Bible study will use various examples from Scripture to help women nurture their personal relationships with Jesus

and their daily walk with their Lord.

# Bible Studies for Everyone

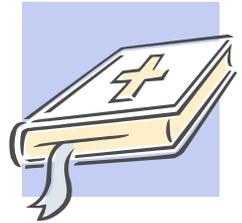
## Exodus

The book of Exodus is the history of God's love for His wayward people. Genesis traced the history of God's promise to send a Savior for His rebellious mankind. Genesis ends with the choosing of a family through which that Savior would be sent to the world. Exodus picks up that history of God's plan to save fallen mankind. It demonstrates the detailed care God gave to that family. He repeatedly forgives, calls the family back into His kingdom, and continues nurtures them after they had rebelled against Him. In the history of the Israelites we can see our own history as God continues to offer His Grace to us even though we often demonstrate our disloyalty to Him.

*Tuesday evenings 7:00 to 9:00 - Nov. 4 to Dec. 16, Mr. Krause  
In the Community Room*

## The Bible

The A&E Network presented a ten episode series called "The Bible." In that series, the history presented in the Bible has been broken into ten brief segments. There are five segments on the Old Testament and five segments on the New Testament. We will view these segments one at a time and discuss them as they relate to the Bible. We will notice the time span of history has been compressed. They did try to be true to the Word, but at times used some poetic license to move the history along.



*Sunday mornings 9:15 to 10:15 – Mr. Krause  
November 2 to December 7 - Old Testament  
January 11 to February 8 - New Testament  
In the Community Room*

# Volunteer Schedules

## Communion Servers

**October 25-26-27:** (5:15) Dave Neumann, Dale Krause, Lee Shaw; (8:00) Dave Neumann, Rich Platz, Skip Boese; (10:30) Matt Foley, Bruce Davis, Dave Meyer; (6:30) Roger Mathison

## Greeters

**October 18-19-20:** (5:15) vacant, M/M Steve Christian; (8:00) M/M Arleigh Strebe, M/M Larry Klug, M/M Art Gerndt; (10:30) Betty Drath, Lucille Drath, M/M Darnell Hanke; (6:30) Arlene Birkholz

**October 25-26-27:** (5:15) Shirley Steingraber, Dorothy Petit; (8:00) M/M Dan Parker, Jean Gorman, M/M Adam Siekierzynski; (10:30) Hope Schewe, Judie Knapp, M/M Ken Wyngaard; (6:30) M/M Ozzie Radtke

## Sound-Booth

**October 18-19-20:** (5:15) Gail Potratz; (8:00) Ken Olson; (10:30) Micah Backus; (6:30) Scarlett Polley

**October 25-26-27:** (5:15) Don Schmoll; (8:00) Ken Olson; (10:30) Tori Rhoden; (6:30) Joe Dexter

## Ushers

**The Month of October:** (5:15) Dave & Janet Bessette, Wayne & Delores Dean; (8:00) Barry Hoewisch, Harry Blum, Art Gerndt, Danke/Krause/ Ehlke; (10:30) Al Tank, Bob Danke, Scott Lenzner, Marv Handschke; (6:30) Mike Knapp, *volunteers needed*

## Welcome/Information Center

**October 18-19-20:** (5:15) Dan & Carol Laird; (8:00) Jane Verhagen; (10:30) Arien & Lynne Herminath; (6:30) Ozzie & Carol Radtke

**October 25-26-27:** (5:15) Mona Klug; (8:00) Frank & Barb Dobbert; (10:30) Cathy Volz; (6:30) Laureen Gagnow