



The Emmanuel Lutheran



November 2016

Upcoming Events

November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Choir Rehearsal @ 6:30 pm

November 2

Board of Education @ 4:15 pm

November 5

Women's Fall Fellowship @ 9:00 am

November 10

Women of Emmanuel Leaders @ 7:00 pm

November 14

Outreach Committee @ 1:30 pm

Board of Elders @ 5:30 pm

Messy Monday @ 6:00 pm

November 16

Church Council @ 6:30 pm

November 19

K.I.C.K @ 2:00 pm

November 23

Thanksgiving Eve Service @ 7:00 pm

November 30

Advent Supper at 6:00 pm

Advent Service @ 7:00 pm

Pastor's Pen

“But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.” Romans 4:8

My Dear Friends of Jesus at Emmanuel,

In all my years of reading, learning, and teaching I have never seen the political situation in America in such a mess. I have lived through times of social disarray (mid-sixties), I read about and/or lived through times of war, (WWI, WWII, Korea, Vietnam, Desert Storm), to mention just a few. I have heard stories from firsthand witnesses to the Great Depression, economic crashes, the dirty thirties, and political upheaval throughout the world and in America. A student of human history, I have learned to see mankind as capable of many vicious, corrupt, and

destructive things including the treacherous and murderous slaughter of many innocent brothers and sisters of the human race.

What is more I have seen, shared, and counseled many with personal problems of all kinds. Sickness, death, divorce, financial reversal, loss of children, personal self deception, and all the accompanying impacts of degeneration and disease. I know that each of you, as part of my contemporary cohort, have been through much of what I have just described.

If you gather all the facts, consider the widespread incidents and locations you will have to agree that there isn't much to be relied upon throughout the world that is peaceful, honest, and true!

There is, however, a singular exception: The Gospel of Jesus Christ!

No matter where, what, why, how, and who is involved either as victim, bystander, or perpetrator, the world in deepest sadness lies and fair-minded people are struggling mightily to find a permanent solution or fix to our sick and dying world.

Try as we may, and deny what is true and so obvious, the undeniable reality is this: God demonstrates his own love for us in this: "...While we were still sinners, Christ died for us."

I need to hear and ponder that message again and again because without it I can easily become depressed and morose. Each day, and several times each day, I need to be reminded that the only true God is a God of love and that

he has our collective best interest at heart. To refuse to be gathered with others to hear about God's love is self-destructive. It is the highest form of perverted ego and brings more of what is wrong with the world upon us as individuals.

I can assure you that for my part I pledge, with the power that God gives me, and with the clearest possible expression to share with each of you the message of our Savior Jesus Christ and how much he truly cares for you and your loved ones. That's what I believe church is all about. To hear and be convinced of our great need is only part of the story, the rest of it is learn to know Jesus Christ as our personal Savior and the Redeemer of all mankind.

May we gather frequently and with sincere devotion to be refreshed, uplifted in spirit, and assured that we are forgiven. I hope to see you

in church with due frequency and faithful regularity. Until then, God Bless!

Pastor Kogler



Women of Emmanuel

WE invites all women of the congregation to a morning of fellowship on Saturday, November 5th from 9:00-11:30 a.m.

There will be a planning meeting for WE group leaders on November 10, @ 7:00 p.m. at church. If you have any ideas for our January-May WE meetings please let Leslie, Sarah, or Janet know before the 10th. Midweek Advent services will begin at the end of November. Suppers will be at 6 p.m. before the service.

Sign- up sheets for the suppers are posted on the bulletin board to help with planning. The schedule for the serving groups is:

November 30 – Sarah’s group

December 7 – Janet’s group

December 14 – Leslie’s group

Mark your calendars for the WE Christmas cookie exchange on Saturday, December 3rd from 1-3 p.m. at Janet’s house. Please watch upcoming service folders for more information.



Women's Fall Fellowship

WE invites all women of the congregation to a morning of fellowship on Saturday, November 5th from 9:00-11:30 a.m. A light breakfast will

be provided, and our guest speaker will be Mary Sieh from Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Burnsville, MN. She will share her story of faith in the Lord, unconditional love and forgiveness, and her rise from the brink of divorce.

Please RSVP to Leslie Stelling by Tuesday, November 1st.



Thanksgiving Altar Decorations

If you have some pumpkins or gourds leftover from your fall decorations, would you save them for our Thanksgiving altar decorations? They can be placed on the table under the TV and marked WE.



K.I.C.K.

Kids In Christ's Knowledge

Although we had a small group, we had a lot of fun making Luther Seals to decorate our church in October. We also learned about Martin Luther and the Reformation.

Our next outing will be to see a children's play performed by the students at St. Croix Lutheran High School in West St. Paul, MN. Come see, Little Red Robin Hood, on Saturday, November 19th @ 2 p.m.

Tickets are \$2 PreK-8, \$4 High School, \$5 Senior Citizens, \$6 Adults. You will need to RSVP to Christina Dobberstein, so she can plan for the correct number of tickets.

Anybody from the congregation is invited to attend. We will meet at church and carpool together.



Joyful Noise Notes

November is the time we think of bountiful harvests, crisp autumn days, and being thankful. The children continue to see how God protects and watches over us as we study Joseph, Moses, and the children of Israel.

Numerous activities are going on this month:

- The children will smile their best on Picture Day.
- Hat day will add excitement to our letter study of H on November 10 and 11.

- November 13 the children will have the privilege of singing “Jesus is the Way” in the church service.
- Messy Monday will be on November 14.
- A special Grandparent’s Day will be held November 21 and 22 to honor our grandparents and show we are thankful for them.
- There will be no school on November 23, 24, and 25 due to Thanksgiving vacation. This will give families a chance to give thanks by being together.

If you are wondering about the activities the children are doing during the preschool day, visit the preschool Facebook page at facebook.com/joyfulnoisehudson.



Ignite Youth Group

IGNITE, our high school youth group, has calendars available for purchase again this year. The cost for a calendar is \$8 and the money raised is used for youth activities. You may pick-up and pay for your calendar at tables in the narthex or Fellowship Hall. Please make checks out to: Emmanuel Lutheran Church.



Mitten Tree Coming Soon!

We will again be having a mitten tree at Emmanuel! We will be collecting new mittens, hats, gloves and scarves that will be given to

Christian Life Ministries. Items can be handmade or store bought. The tree will be in the narthex shortly after Thanksgiving.

Christian Life Ministries has a “Loving Moms Group” which is a support group for new Moms. Many of these Moms are in need of the basics including warm clothing. The mittens, hats, etc... will be given to these Moms to use for their families.



Christmas Decorations Planning Committee

The Christmas Decorations Planning Committee (CDPC) will soon be setting up for Advent, and Christmas is right around the corner.

The congregation is asked to gather funds for the expenses of decorating the church for the approaching Seasons of Advent and Christmas. There will be a door offering received on two Sundays: November 20th & 27th.

The CDPC needs our financial support to get supplies, decorations, and materials for our church. So, please use a plain white envelope marked, Christmas Decorations Planning Committee for your gift or check made out to: Emmanuel CDPC. Thank you!



Greening of the Church

Come and join us on Sunday,
November 27th after the 9:00 a.m.

Worship Service to decorate the church for the Advent/Christmas Season.

A pizza lunch will be provided.



Adult Forum & Weekday Bible Class

The Adult Forum meets in the Fellowship Hall each Sunday at 10:30 a.m. following the fellowship time. We are studying the Gospel of Mark.

The weekday Bible Class meets in the Fellowship Hall each Wednesday @ 10:30 a.m. We are studying the Gospel of Luke.

Both the Adult Forum and Bible Class are open to members and friends of the congregation.

You may bring your electronic Bible readers, iPads, laptops, or whatever means you prefer to help compare translations and do research on the “Net.”



Bible Information Class

Pastor Kogler began leading a Bible Information Class in September. This class will instruct those interested in becoming new members here at Emmanuel.

Class time will be one-hour each Thursday @ 7:00 p.m. for 14-weeks. The book used for class will be *WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY?*

Please speak with or email Pastor Kogler if you have any questions.



Confirmation Classes

There are 10 young people enrolled and taking Confirmation Class this school year.

Pray for our children!

Pray for our families!

Pray for our Pastor to have wisdom and good health!

November CC Schedule & Lessons

November 2

3:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Lesson: The Lord's Supper (continued)

Catechism Questions: 285-303

November 9

3:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Lesson: Keys and Confession

Catechism Questions: 304-310

November 16

3:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Lesson: Keys and Confession

Catechism Questions: 304-328



Outreach Committee

New committee members are needed to join as we discuss outreach ideas and methods of communication.

Currently, we meet the 2nd Monday of each month @ 1:30 p.m. but are open to meeting on a different day/time.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 14th. If you would like to help on this committee with insight and ideas to promote church growth, please speak with Pastor Kogler and make plans to attend the meeting.



Other News

Choir rehearsals are on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 pm. Contact Ann Winkler if you have any questions about the choir.

Please speak with Don Benisch if you are interested in ushering. Thanks.

If you have church information for publication in the December 2016 newsletter or calendar, please send to church e-mail: emmanuelhudsonwi@gmail.com by November 21. Thank you kindly, Trudi :)



Advent/Christmas Worship Schedule

November 27 - 1st Sunday in Advent
"The Signs of the Times"

November 30–Advent Supper @ 6 p.m.
Advent Service @ 7 p.m.

December 4 – 2nd Sunday in Advent

“Many Ways of Rejecting Christ”

December 7- Advent Supper @ 6 p.m.
Advent Service @ 7 p.m.

December 11 – 3rd Sunday in Advent
“What Are You Looking For?”

December 14-Advent Supper @ 6 p.m.
Advent Service @ 7 p.m.

December 18 – 4th Sunday in Advent
Children’s Service

December 24 – Christmas Eve Service
December 25 – Christmas Day Service
December 31 – Communion Service



A Biblical Worldview

by John Beck

The following article is from CREATION
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EVOLUTION – A MATTER OF FAITH

John 1:3-4

"All things were made by him; and without him was not anything made that was made. In him was life; and the life was the light of men."

Does the name Harold Clayton Urey ring a bell? Urey was an American physical chemist who did pioneering work on isotopes, earning him the Nobel Prize in Chemistry for discovering the element deuterium. He also played a significant role in the development of the atom bomb. Still no bell? Well, perhaps you'll

recognize his name if I mention the Miller-Urey experiment, conducted in 1952.

In that famous experiment, a mixture of ammonia, methane, hydrogen and water was exposed to electric sparks to simulate lightning. The mixture ended up producing some amino acids – the building blocks of life – but many news outlets mistakenly reported that Harold Urey and Stanley Miller had created life in the lab.

Though Urey's name is still known and revered by evolutionists, I wonder how many of them know where Harold Urey ended up in his views on the origin of life. Listen carefully to what he told the Christian Science Monitor ten years after the Miller-Urey experiment:

"All of us who study the origin of life find that the more we look into it, the more we feel that

it is too complex to have evolved anywhere."
He went on to say he "believes as an article of faith that life evolved from dead matter on this planet." An article of faith, not science!
And that is exactly what evolution really is – a faith that denies both the Bible and the most fundamental laws of science.

Prayer:

Heavenly Father, I pray that more evolutionists would come to realize that living cells are so incredibly complex, only our Creator could have made them! In Jesus' Name. Amen.



WELS News

Who We Are

WELS is a group of nearly 400,000 men, women, and children in nearly 1,300 congregations united by a common faith in Christ's saving love.

Youth and Family Ministry

This ministry encourages and assists congregations and parents as they nurture our future church leaders in the Word from birth through high school by providing resources, encouragement, and training.

One of the most compelling examples of Christ's love is found in Matthew 19:4. There Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."

The mission of Youth and Family Ministry is to help and encourage parents and congregations as they bring their little children to

Jesus. Of course, the work of this commission is not just for the little children, rather this ministry provides materials and encouragement for children from birth through college.

Christian Aid and Relief

In the last two months, flooding in Louisiana has left tens of thousands of people with damaged or no homes, and Hurricane Matthew left wreckage in its wake. Christian Aid and Relief has volunteers rebuilding flood-damaged homes in the Baton Rouge, LA area and is assessing needs on the East Coast following the hurricane.

WELS Christian Aid and Relief volunteers are making their dent in the Louisiana damage and letting their light shine as they make repairs, such as replacing drywall and repair-ing

electrical work and plumbing. So far volunteers have made repairs to two homes and have five or six more to work on before they wrap up the work in November.

“These are friends of congregation members [from Cross of Glory, Baton Rouge, LA]. It’s a great outreach opportunity. These people are really, really thankful that we’re able to come down and help them, and some of them are completely unchurched and they’re saying they’ve been looking for a church,” says Mr. Mark Vance, Christian Aid and Relief director of operations.

The effort is still accepting volunteers who can come for about 10-day stretches between now and November 20. Volunteers are coordinated through Kingdom Workers.

Visit kingdomworkers.com/opportunities to sign up.

Projects related to Hurricane Matthew damage have not yet begun as assessment is still underway. WELS members in the hurricane's path are thankful that damage to their homes and churches has been minor, says Vance.

In addition to U.S. congregations, Christian Aid and Relief has been in contact with a national pastor and two orphanage directors in Haiti, which was particularly hard hit by the hurricane. A grant has been made to assist with food needs.

To learn more about WELS Christian Aid and Relief or to help support its efforts, visit wels.net/relief.

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9:00 am – Sunday Service

10:00 am – Fellowship



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