

A Note from Pastor...

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you” (Matthew 28:19-20).

Last month we experienced a unique and sacred expression of the Great Commission as four brothers were baptized in a special ceremony witnessed by their Emmanuel-St. Michael classmates. Third grader Sam Bible, and fourth graders Jacob, Ben and Adam Bible each received the Sacrament of Holy Baptism at Emmanuel’s font on Tuesday, May 29.

Any baptism is special and in every baptism God delivers forgiveness, life and salvation and gives His Holy Spirit. What made this day of baptism so noteworthy was the process that led up to it. In mid-May, one of our third grade teachers Mrs. Konow informed me that following a class discussion about baptism, Sam Bible had approached her and expressed a desire to be baptized. Mrs. Konow followed up with Sam’s parents which led to a request from the family that all four of the brothers receive baptism together. We selected a day when the third graders would be visiting the Emmanuel campus so that the teachers and students could all witness and participate in this event together. It was an amazing experience!

Every ministry of our congregation is an extension of the Great Commission and call of Christ, and Baptizing and teaching are central to everything we do. That said, one of the most effective and personal ways this work is carried out is through the ministry of Emmanuel-St. Michael Lutheran School. As we finish another academic year, please join me in giving thanks for the Baptismal ministry of our Emmanuel-St. Michael staff, teachers and administrators who extend Christ’s gifts each day to the students and families they are called to serve.

Summer Bible Study

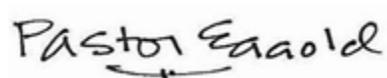
This summer Pastor McFadden will be teaching a Sunday morning Bible class entitled, “Cultivating Godly Habits” which will examine spiritual disciplines such as Bible study, daily prayer, sacrificial giving and individual confession. This class will meet in the lower level of Ebenezer Hall.

In addition to Pastor McFadden’s class, we will also be offering a summer session of Lutheran Christianity. Lutheran Christianity is designed for individuals who are interested in membership at Emmanuel and provides a wonderful review of basic Christian teaching. This class will meet in Brandt Hall.

Summer Stewardship

During the summer months, we typically see a decline in financial contributions due to summer travel and activities. If you will be absent from worship during the summer and would like to stay current with your stewardship commitment, please consider making use of our electronic contribution program “Joyful Response.” “Joyful Response” is a free service of the Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF) and will electronically transfer funds from the account of your choosing directly to Emmanuel. Contributions will then be reported to the church and tracked by our Financial Secretary. If you would like to know more about “Joyful Response,” or if you are interested in enrolling the program please contact Becki Elonzae in the church office (423-1369).

In Christ,



Pastor Thomas A. Eggold

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Check us out on Instagram under buildingfaithinthecity

Pastor Eggold can be found on Twitter under Thomas Eggold



Pictorial Directory – Great News! – Another day has been added to our picture taking date, Monday, June 25. This happened because we have completely filled the other dates, Tuesday, June 26 – Saturday, June 30. There are still open appointments on June 25. To schedule your appointment simply go to Emmanuel’s website at emmanuel Lutheran.org and click on the Pictorial Directory icon. **OR** you can call Becki in the church office at 423-1369 and she will help you schedule your appointment date. **ALSO** if the time frame to have your picture taken does not fit with your schedule, please call 1-800-521-4611 and they should be able to schedule you at another

church in town who is also taking pictures for their church directory. Not to worry, you will not end up in their directory. Your information and pictures will be sent to the division of LifeTouch who is handling our directory.

EMMANUEL’S MINISTRIES...

CAREGIVING Catherine Peterson and Phyllis Tittman, Deacons

We seek out those in need and
respond with the healing love of Christ.

Caregiver Support – Are you currently serving as a caregiver? Do the needs of a spouse, parent or child require your attention? Would you like opportunities to talk with other caregivers? Join others who are experiencing similar demands on time and energy to gain answers, perspective and support. We will meet in Ebenezer Hall on **Monday, June 18, at 1:00 p.m.** For more information call Lana Hille at the church office at 423-1369.

Cup of Kindness boxes can be found in the Welcome Center. The money collected is used by Lutheran Social Services for families who have crisis needs.

Food Pantry –To meet the needs of those who visit our food bank in June we could use donations of cereal, canned vegetables, fruit, peanut butter, mac and cheese, pasta, pasta sauce, deodorant, shampoo, dish and hand soap, toothpaste and paper products, especially toilet paper and paper towels. Food donations can be placed in the “Food Pantry” box located in the Welcome Center. Cash donations may be placed in your church envelope and marked “food pantry” on the “other” line. Members may stop by for food any day when the office is open, and the food pantry will be available for those living in the 46802 zip code area on Thursday, June 21, from 3:30-5:30 p.m. in the lower level of Ebenezer Hall. If you are interested in helping with this ministry, please contact Carolyn Beitz at 432-9189.

Grief Support will be held on Wednesday, June 20, at 12:30 p.m. at Hall’s Factory on Coldwater Road. For your reservation, please call Donna Winters at 385-5982 or Norv McClure at 471-6231.

Parish Nurse Notes—Lana Hille

Blood Pressure Screening—Nurses are available to take blood pressures this month at church on **Sunday, June 24**, 9:15-10:15 a.m., or you may stop by Lana Hille's office any weekday.

Eyeglass and Hearing Aid Donations – The Lion's Club has long been recognized for their efforts in assisting the sight impaired by collecting used eyeglasses. Not as well-known is their collection of hearing aids and batteries. Our member, Dick Alfeld has placed a collection box in the Welcome Center to gather those eyeglasses, hearing aids and batteries that you no longer use. Thank you for your support.

Heart Attack Warning Signs

- **Chest Discomfort** – Most heart attacks involve discomfort in the center of the chest that lasts more than a few minutes, or that goes away and comes back. It can feel like uncomfortable pressure, squeezing, fullness or pain.
- **Discomfort in Other Areas of the Upper Body** – Symptoms can include pain or discomfort in one or both arms, the back, neck, jaw or stomach.
- **Shortness of Breath** – This feeling can occur with or without chest discomfort.
- **Other Signs** – These may include breaking out in a cold sweat, nausea or lightheadedness.

As with men, women's most common heart attack symptom is chest pain or discomfort. But women are somewhat more likely to experience some of the other common symptoms, particularly shortness of breath, nausea, vomiting, and back or jaw pain.

Learn the signs, but remember this: Even if you're not sure it's a heart attack, have it checked out. Minutes matter! Fast action can save lives – maybe your own. Don't wait, call 911 or your emergency response number.

Prayer Ministry Team - Prayer has always been an important part of Emmanuel's ministry. A Prayer Ministry Team has been formed to look at additional ways to enhance this ministry. The goal of this team is to promote the practice of prayer within our daily lives.

Do you want to grow in your prayer life? Check the newsletter and parish notes for future articles, events and activities that will help equip you in your practice of daily prayer.

Our first emphasis is the Sabbatical Prayer Partners Ministry. This will be an ongoing ministry from June 2018 through June 2019, and will be addressed in a Ministry Minute during the June 2/3 worship services. Much of the Ministry Minute given by Judy Coles is also printed here to give those who were not in Worship at Emmanuel this weekend an opportunity to participate.

Sabbatical Ministry Minute

One of the greatest gifts we have been given as the children of God is the amazing privilege of prayer. Because we are cleansed by Christ's blood and clothed in His righteousness, we have direct, personal access to our Heavenly Father anytime, anywhere, for any reason.

As all of you know, Pastor Thomas and Sonya will be taking a Sabbatical from January through May of next year. Their Sabbatical is our Sabbatical as well. While the church staff and church leaders will be impacted the most on a day-to-day basis, we all have a role to play in preparing for and participating in this time of renewal.

Beginning today, we are asking all of you to be Sabbatical Prayer Partners during this process. In order to do this, you do not have to attend any meetings. You do not have to take any classes. All you have to do is pray whenever you have a few minutes each day.

As you can see, we have suggested a person or group of people to pray for each day of the week. We have also shared a particular prayer focus for June. (At the beginning of each month, we will update the prayer focus and include a new insert in the worship folder for you to use as you are praying through the days of that month.)

How you go about this is entirely up to you. Doing it at a set time every day might be helpful. You might include it as part of your morning or evening devotions by yourself, with your spouse, or as a family. Or you could send yourself (or someone else) a text or email reminder stating, "It's Tuesday. Did you pray for Pastor Dan today?" Or parents, you could pray with your young children when you tuck them into bed at night. Do whatever works for you. It's only a few minutes each day.

We want God's best for Pastor Thomas and Sonya during this time period – and for every person here at Emmanuel as well. Use the purple newsletter insert for your June prayer focus.

Only God can bring about "A New Creation" within us and among us; however every person in the Emmanuel family has the amazing privilege of being a significant partner in the process.

God says, "Pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." (1 Thessalonians 5:17-18)

May God bless you as you call on Him in prayer.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION Dave Smith, Deacon

We provide all ages with an environment for comprehensive Christian education and continuing spiritual growth.

LUTHERAN CHRISTIANITY

June 3—August 26

Instructors: Rev. Thomas A. Eggold and Rev. Daniel Sheaffer

Location: Brandt Hall

For all new members and anyone who would like a refresher, this course explores what Lutherans believe and why we believe it. There will be chances to ask questions about God and faith, plus an inside look at our Emmanuel family and the building where we worship.

CULTIVATING GODLY HABITS

June 3—August 26

Instructor: Rev. Dennis McFadden

Location: Ebenezer Hall, Lower Level

Piety (good word) is *not* pietism (bad word). We will examine the way to cultivate habits of piety that include the study of God's Word, daily prayers, sharing the Lord's Supper, confession, sacrificial giving, good works, and remembering our eventual death.

WEEKDAY CLASSES

Mondays

Selections from the Letters of John and Peter: 12:30-2:00 p.m. (1st and 3rd Mondays)

Over the summer we will conclude our study of John's epistles and then explore the New Testament letters written by Peter.

Instructor: Jim Croxton **Location:** Ebenezer Hall

Wednesdays

Men's Bible Study: 6:30-7:30 a.m. (continuing)

Instructor: Rev. Thomas A. Eggold **Location:** Brandt Hall

Pastor's Bible Study: 10:00-11:00 a.m. (continuing)
Instructors: various presenters **Location:** Ebenezer Hall

Fridays

Men's Ministry Bible Study 6:30-7:30 a.m. (continuing)
Instructor: John Martin **Location:** Mocha Lounge, Covington Road

Emmanuel's High School Graduates...

Brooke Amidon graduated from Homestead High School and plans to attend Ball State University to study nursing. Brooke received an academic honors diploma, was a member of the National Honor Society, was on Honor Roll four years and played varsity soccer.

Kayla Amidon graduated from Homestead High School and will be attending IU East to play soccer and study business. Kayla received an Academic honor diploma, was a member of the National Honors Society, was on honor roll four years and played varsity soccer.

Nicholas Anderson graduated from CLHS and will attend the University of Northwestern, in Lima Ohio, where he will receive an Associate's Degree in Automotive/High Performance. Nicholas' special awards are: National Technical Honor Society, ASE certifications in engine repair and manual drive train and axles.

Andrew Fortmeyer graduated from CLHS and will attend IU Kelley School of Business for Accounting. Andrew was on honor roll for three years, received an honor diploma, lettered twice in football – state champions in 2016 and also lettered in basketball.

Sean Gillum graduated from Carroll High School and will attend Purdue University for mechanical engineering. Sean received two awards: applied sciences and technology and an honors award in engineering.

Brooke Hockemeyer graduated from CLHS and will attend Concordia University Chicago for secondary math education with a Lutheran teacher education certification (LTE). Brooke received an academic honors diploma, the Carl Gallmeier scholarship, she was the treasurer of the national honor society, a drum major, section leader and received the band director's award, and an academic letter with three pins.

Maxwell Imler graduated from CLHS and will attend Purdue University to study industrial design. Max received an honors diploma, eight athletic letters in four sports: football, swimming, lacrosse and track, was on the 2016 football team that took state championship, and the SAC swimming champs for the 2017/2018 season.

Connor Loechner graduated from Canterbury High School and will study physics and public policy in the honors program at the University of Cincinnati. Connor was named to the Canterbury Head of School list every year of high school, was named a National Merit Finalist, was awarded an all-career sportsmanship award, and was inducted to the Cum Laude Society as a senior.

Seth Murphy graduated from Concordia Lutheran High School and will attend the University of Indianapolis for exercise science/physical therapy. Seth was awarded an academic honors diploma, was a member of the national honor society, an honor thespian, received an academic letter with three pins, and the Richard G. Lugar academic award from the University of Indianapolis.

Austin Ryan graduated from Snider High School and will attend Trine University where he will study elementary and special education.

Michael Tessman graduated from CLHS and will attend IPFW to complete studies to become a Dental Hygienist.

Jackson Wright graduated from CLHS and will attend Purdue University for Engineering. Jackson received an Academic Letter and was a member of the Honor's Academy all four years of high school, was a two year member of the National Honor Society, received a senior German award, International Honor Thespian, best Thespian Senior award, Bausch and Lomb Honorary Science Award, a four year member of the Techfest CLHS Team and a Questbridge Semi-Finalist.

Clair Young graduated from Homestead High School and plans on attending Indiana University Kelley School of Business for accounting. Clair played volleyball, lacrosse and was a cheerleader at Homestead, was a dorm proctor at her previous high school, service learning trip to Ethiopia twice 2016/2017, GIN (Global Issues Network) Conference in London in 2017.

Emmanuel-St. Michael Lutheran School News

Eighth Grade Class High School Destinations...

Concordia Lutheran High School

Daniel Adair, Max Cohen, Cayden Faley, Camden Fitzgerald, Miles Hahn, Rebekah Hammond, Aaron Hastings, Rachel Hensley, Ike Imler, Ella Blu Johnson, Nolan Labahn, Jake Logins, Annie Madden, Anna Maxson, Melina McCure, William McLain, Demitri Panagiotou, Maya Schoeph, Izzy Smith, Zoie Taylor, Isaiah Tietz, Ethan Wentland

Carroll High School

Ellie Dahlkamp, Logan Lankenau, Kelton Smith

Coldwater High School, Coldwater, MI

Bauston Feldbauer

Homestead High School

Kennan Leis, Avery Newsome, Juistin Paetz, Carson Oetting-Dennison, Owen Rupnow, Dylan Scheumann

Northrop High School

Evan Adams, John Harless, Haley Weaver

Snider High School

Olivia Mast

Undecided

Harrison Reed

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Lutherans For Life

June 8, 9:30am Lutherans for Life meeting at Emmanuel.

July 13, 9:30am Lutherans for Life meeting at Emmanuel.

A Christian father's first and greatest responsibility is to acquaint his children with God through Scripture. One of the reasons this is so important is because what children learn about God will put them in good standing throughout their lives, no matter what they do and where they go. HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

Vacation Bible School

Happy June to you! This is the month for VBS, yay! Thank you so much for the numerous donations and interest in volunteering! As we get closer to **June 11-14 (6-8:30pm)**, please know that we can still use donations (a donation board is located in Ebenezer) and volunteers. Registration for students desiring to attend VBS is on Emmanuel's website and will be open until June 10 at 12pm. Please take a moment to sign-

up before then! For questions, please contact Rachel Eckert at rachel.hodupp@frontier.com or Pastor Sheafer at pastordan@emmanuelutheran.org. Thank you for your support.

DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRY Chuck Werth, Deacon

We connect members with each other for their spiritual welfare through Christian service and loving care.

Emmanuel's Book Club will meet on Thursday, June 21 at 7 p.m. in Ebenezer Hall. The book of discussion is "The One in A Million Boy" by Monica Wood. Everyone is welcome to attend. Any questions, please contact Beth Igney at 260-466-5105 or 260-203-9959.

Summer Growth Groups

Registration for the Summer Growth Groups is still open. Online registration can be completed by clicking the link on the church website. Registration forms are also in the Welcome Center if you would prefer to sign up in person. The following groups are currently scheduled:



Study Groups

1. The Monday Morning Motivation Group is a women's devotion group starting June 4 at the Mocha Lounge.
2. The Millennial Matters Group is a life skills discussion group for college students and recent college graduates.

Service Groups

- The Service Group will utilize the NeighborLink network for the service projects. A facilitator is still needed, so scheduling details are not yet available.

Social Groups

- The Study in Fermentation in the Church through the Ages Group will meet at 6 various microbreweries throughout the summer for an hour of fellowship.
- Family Game Night will start June 9 after the Saturday evening church service. It will be held every other weekend. Bring your favorite board game or activity and join in the fun and fellowship.

A catalog providing more details on each group can be found by following the registration link on the church website or by browsing the registration folder in the Welcome Center. Please email John Martin, john.316.martin@icloud.com, with any questions or suggestions for the Fall Growth Groups.

FAMILY MINISTRY Bryan Stout, Deacon

We strengthen families through Christ-centered spiritual, social, and intergenerational activities, equipping them to be faith builders in their homes.

Volunteer Landscapers Needed – We are looking for volunteers to assist with the church and school landscaping once a week. Some of the duties would include planting and maintaining flowers and plants, weed removal, landscape design ideas, light mulching, edging, pruning and trimming. Weather it's for an hour or two or a half day, your help would be greatly appreciated to help beautify our campus. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Randy Thompson at 260-312-7989 or email him at randy@emmanuelutheran.org. Thank you!

Youth News...

Senior High Youth—9th, 10th, 11th and 12th Graders

SNA will meet on Sundays, June 3, 10 and 24 from 6-8 p.m. in the Loft.

OUTREACH Tina Bruce, Deacon

We equip, train and empower all members to share the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Meet our New Member...

Sharon McCaulay is a retired elementary principal for FWCS. Sharon enjoys gardening, reading, DIY projects, fishing, cooking and baking and spending time with friends. Sharon adds: The Milhollands and McCaulays enjoy being together at the family lake cottage every summer.

Thank You

“I wish to thank Pastor McFadden, Pastor Brunow and Allen Herbst for their hospital visits before and after my knee replacement surgery. Many members also sent cards, visited, or called me at home for which I am very grateful. Lana Hille was also my encourager for support and assurance as is her forte.

God bless you all!

Linda Knopf

“Dear Saints,

Thank you for your generous contribution to our ministry of proclaiming God’s Word in Alaska. It is through the prayerful support of people like you, that I can continue our Lord’s work in Southeast Alaska. What a blessing it is to work together with you to boldly proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ to a hurting world in desperate need of His mercy!”

Rev. Aaron Spratt

The Stewardship of the Church

Christian Stewardship is managing all of life and life’s resources for God’s purposes

EMMANUEL’S MINISTRIES

The contributions made to “Emmanuel” supporting the ongoing mission and ministry efforts of Emmanuel congregation.

Year to Date: \$545,556

“THUS FAR...”

The gifts listed below have been received and will support the “Thus Far” campaign designed to develop our campus and restore our sanctuary.

To Date: \$3,282,346

DISTRICT AND SYNOD

The contributions designated for “District and Synod” are sent to the Indiana District of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod and are used for local, national and world mission efforts.

Year to Date: \$8,262

CUP OF KINDNESS

The money contributed in the “Cup of Kindness” boxes is distributed by Lutheran Social Services to local families who have crisis needs.

Year to Date: \$1,764

Church Attendance

Week of Sunday, May 6—780

Week of Sunday, May 20—557

Week of Sunday, May 13—681

Week of Sunday, May 27—477

Birth

Raelynn May Rush—April 27, 2018

Official Church Acts

Child Baptism

May 13

William Rehme Hoyle

May 19

Luciana Wyche Barnes

May 29

Adam, Benjamin, Jacob and Samuel Bible

Married

May 3

Gregory Wasson and Danielle McGuire

May 12

Matthew Boyle and Meghan Johns

May 26

Benjamin Irons and Amanda Stephens

Deceased

April 27

Calvin Schultz

April 29

JoAnn Hatfield

May 1

Orval Shryock

Memorials

Bob Bradtmiller

Emmanuel

\$85

JoAnn

Emmanuel

\$40

Cal Schultz

Emmanuel

\$20

Melvin Schwartz

Emmanuel

\$75

Orval Shryock

Emmanuel

\$425