



EMMAUS LUTHERAN CHURCH
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eNews & Notes – June 1, 2018

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday at 5:00 pm – Traditional Worship
Sunday at 8:30 am – Informal Worship
9:50 am – Adult Bible Study
Sunday at 11:00 am – Traditional Worship



FOCUS PRAYER

The Focus Prayer group meets Tuesday mornings from 9 to 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary to pray on various topics with the pastor.

CALENDAR

Don't forget to check the Church events calendar online at our website at www.emmaus-lutheran.org.

SHARING OF ANNOUNCEMENTS

Do you have announcements to be made prior to the Worship Services? Please submit these to the church office by Wednesday of each week so that they can be added to a presentation shown on the screens before the start of each service. This way of communicating important information will keep the announcement time prior to the service to a minimum and help to keep us focused on worship.

SCHEDULING OF MEETINGS

All committees and groups wishing to use an area of the church such as the Emmaus Room, Fellowship Hall, or sanctuary must schedule their time through the office. Thank You.

FACEBOOK

Help us get the word out about events happening here at the church. You can post information about an event we are holding here at the church on your Facebook page and if you are planning on attending an event, you can click on that event on the Emmaus Facebook page, click interested and get reminders and it also lets your friends know you are interested in that event. If you have pictures you would like to see posted to Facebook send them to sallie.chapman@yahoo.com.



FROM PASTOR MARK

The church has just entered the liturgical season of Pentecost. The first Pentecost is observed as the event where the disciples of Jesus received the Holy Spirit and were filled with power and courage to begin the Christian church. They used that power and courage to share the good news of Christ crucified and risen for the sake of the world. This news changed the world. Many people heard the disciples give witness for their faith and, as we read in Acts 2, about 3000 people were baptized that day.

Just think of that. The Christian church grew by 3000 new members on the very same day that it came into existence. Talk about church growth!

The season of Pentecost lasts from now to the end of November. It is the longest liturgical season of the church year. The color for the season is GREEN, which is also the color we associate with growth.

Though many congregations are struggling with declining membership and financial resources, there are also many signs that the church is still growing today. We were blessed to receive new members on Saturday and Sunday, May 19/20. This is a sign of growth for us here at Emmaus. Now we look forward to these new partnerships in ministry and mission

But there are also other ways to recognize growth in the church. Another important aspect of growth in the church has to do with people growing in faith and growing in their relationship with God and with each other. Growth in this area is significantly more important than growing in numbers. Daily prayer, regular worship, volunteer work at church or in the community are some of the ways individuals may experience personal growth in this aspect of life.

We have begun again to talk about Stephen Ministry. In the past, this was just a dream for us. Now, it is becoming a reality. Money received through a gift from Charlotte Jankovic has made it possible for us to enroll in the program and to send two people to the Leadership Training Course in Orlando. June 10-16, Larry and Jaci Hendrickson will be trained as Stephen Leaders. They will bring what they learn back to Emmaus and help us to train Stephen Ministers who, in turn, will reach out with a one-to-one care ministry.

There are hurting people in our church – just as there are hurting people in any church and in any community. People need to grow beyond their pain. People need to grow through their challenges. This is what Stephen Ministry can help people to do. When a hurting person has someone to listen to their problems – not to ‘solve’ their problems, but to listen, to care, to pray with them – that person can emerge on the other side of their pain with a new outlook and new hope. This also is growth.

Here is how you can participate right now. Pray for Larry and Jaci as they get started in Stephen Ministry. Pray also, for those in our congregation who may be hurting from the pain of loss or the hopelessness that one can feel at different times through life. You should also consider whether God may be calling you to participate as a Stephen Minister – as someone who could offer the care that someone else might need to help them grow through their pain.

The readings we hear in the season of Pentecost give the promise of hope and of newness as we grow in many ways through the grace of God. Let us all be open to the power and the presence of the Holy Spirit in our lives and in the church.

Grace upon grace,
Pastor Mark

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN RINGING

The Jubilate Ringers have enough bells for *3 more ringers!* The ability to read music is helpful but not required. Substitutes are welcome too! Contact Candace at: Candace0601@gmail.com.

STEPHEN MINISTRY IS COMING

Stephen Ministry is a one-to-one care ministry for those who need to work through a process of grief or loss. Congregations receive a practical and powerful way to respond to Christ's invitation to "love one another". Pastors have a team of trained and committed people ready to minister to hurting members. Laypeople nurture and use their gifts in meaningful ministry, growing spiritually as they serve others. People who are hurting have a compassionate companion – a caring Christian friend providing emotional and spiritual support. Watch for more information about how you can be involved in Stephen Ministry!

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR APRIL

Income vs Expense Report for APRIL 2018 (rounded to the nearest dollar)

Total Operating Income	\$38,796
Total Operating Expense*	<u>34,999</u>
Net Operating Gain for the month	\$ 3,797

* Includes the cost of principal reduction

Budgeted income for APRIL was \$33,379

Budgeted expense for APRIL was \$40,315

The roof continues to be a concern and with the receipt of the Memorial funds that were applied toward the Major Repair Fund we now have a total of \$65,901 toward this repair cost. Anticipated cost for the roof is estimated to be somewhere in the neighborhood of \$100,000. Your offerings toward this fund may be directed by entering Major Repair on your offering envelope next to any amount, no matter how small, that you are able to direct to this need.

Debt Reduction Campaign:

Pledged amount as of APRIL 31, 2018	\$241,960
Cash Received in April	3,454
Memorial Received	<u>21,000</u>
For a total applied toward the mortgage in April	24,454

A total of \$255,877 has been received and applied to debt reduction to date. If donations both pledged and others continue to be received at the rate they have for these first 4 month for the remainder of this year we should be very near or will have reached the goal of having less than 1 million owed on our mortgage! Wouldn't that be wonderful!

Blessings,
Joan Fisher
Finance Director
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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2018

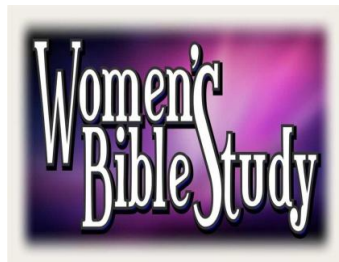
We are looking for volunteers to help with Vacation Bible School. If we have the interest and workers, it will be held July 23rd through the 27th, morning sessions. Please sign up in the narthex ASAP so we can plan accordingly. Contact Wilma Thompson for more information 386-212-0987 text or call or email wil9996b@aol.com. Thank You!

HELP US GET READY FOR THE NEXT FLORIDA STORM

Hurricane Season begins June 1. We want to compile a list of those who live in trailers or manufactured homes, as well as those who are most vulnerable in our congregation. The purpose of this list is to help us to check on those who may need assistance before or after the next hurricane hits. If you, or someone you know, should be on our list, please let us know in the church office at 386-775-9676.

2018 YOUTH GATHERING

Scholarships are needed to help send youth within the Synod who could not otherwise afford to go. If you are able to assist with a contribution for this worthwhile spiritual experience, please send a contribution to Florida/Bahamas Synod Office, 3838 Cypress Street, Tampa, FL 33607, attn: Sister Michele Hilton. For more information see the Flyer posted on the kiosk in the narthex.



MARTHA/LYDIA CIRCLE

This month Martha Lydia will meet on Wednesday June 6 in the Emmaus Room from 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm. The Bible Study is found in the May issue of the Gather Magazine. All are welcome!

RUTH CIRCLE

Ruth Circle will meet on Tuesday, June 12th at Susanna Trittschuh's home, 1433 Turkey Oak Run, DeLand FL. Please RSVP Susanna at strittschuh@gmail.com or 386-734-8124. Supper will be served at 6:00PM followed by the Bible study at 7:00PM.

EMMAUS PHONE TREE PROJECT

As an added form of communication in the near future, Emmaus will be sending announcements out via phone or text message. Before we can start using the program we need to clean up our membership file. Over the next few weeks calls will be placed to all member households. A member of the church will ask questions to confirm contact information such as primary phone/cell numbers and email addresses. Thank you for your participation and patience as we gather our information.

LOOKING FOR GREETERS AND USHERS

Would you like to assist at the 11a.m. worship service? We are looking for those interested in joining the team. We need two greeters and two ushers each Sunday. Check out the sign-up sheet on the kiosk in the narthex or feel free to contact Joyce Cable (386-574-9656) or Leah Robertson (813-382-8818) for more information.

BOOK CLUB

The Emmaus Book Club will meet on Thursday, June 28th in the Emmaus Room. June's book is Quiet Neighbors by Catriona McPherson. All are invited to attend. Happy Reading!

FOOD PANTRY WEEKEND

First the Food Pantry staff and Social Concerns committee would like to thank everyone for their generous support of the Food Pantry. Through your support we are able to support those in need of temporary assistance. The first weekend of the month is Food Pantry Weekend and we would like to ask for your support. We are in need of canned meat products and fruit cocktail. We also accept financial donations. There is a donation box in the narthex for your convenience.

As always members of the congregation are free to take items from the pantry when needed. We ask only that you do not come between 10:00 am and noon on Tuesdays.

THE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS YOU!



**Feeding the
Community**

The Food Pantry is looking for volunteers to assist in helping serve families coming to our Food Pantry. The Food Pantry is open on Tuesdays from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon. We ask that you come a little early to help set up the bread donation from Publix. The rest of the time is used to greet guests and help them select food stuff. If you feel you can help with this ministry there is a sign up sheet on the kiosk in the Narthex.

April Statistical Information

Income:	\$ 464.25
Outgoing:	\$ 624.64
Families Served:	52

Thank you to March's volunteers: Margot & Larry Peter, Sonia & Fred Taylor, Doris Abrams, Barbara Burkhart, Marcia Rudemeyer, Nancy Sarver, Joyce Cable and Jan Alexander

FOOD PANTRY BREAD RUN

A big thank you to all those who volunteered to help with the Bread Run, we cannot do it without you.

We are still accepting volunteers to assist with the Bread Run. This consists of you going to Publix in Orange City by 8:00 am, picking up bread and pastries being donated to the church and returning them to the narthex prior to the Food Pantry opening. The more people helping with the Bread Run the fewer times you need to go! If you are able to do this please call Peter and Phyllis Gref at 386-668-5527.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

The Emmaus Scholarship Committee is currently accepting applications for the Emmaus Scholarship. The Emmaus scholarship is \$250.00 and it is awarded to students enrolled in college or a university. It is a \$500.00 scholarship for students enrolled in seminary or a Lutheran College.

Deadline for completed applications is August 1, 2018. Please contact Christine Marvin 386-804-3496 or mrskarlwmarvin@gmail.com for an application.



If you wish to place a loved one on the prayer list, please fill out a prayer request form and put it in the offering plate or leave it in the office.

Please call the church if you know someone is in the hospital or in need of pastoral care.



Doris Barcalow (home)
Olive Clark (Majestic Oaks)
Charlotte Creswell (Gold Choice)
Julie Dusette (Sterling Garden)
Jean Hendricksen (Horizon)
Guy & Miriam Large (John Knox)
Jeanette Reynolds (Rose Manor)
Jean Reynold (Lutheran Haven)
Marthan Sammeth (home)
'Mike' Simmons (home)
Shirley Smith (John Knox)
Bernice Stahle (John Knox)
Sonny Tether (home)
Lorraine Wessels (Good Samaritan)
Vera Wutz
Betty Zaiser (home)

Cody Allen (Afghanistan)
Danny Allen (US)
Robert Arnold (US)
Joseph Bernhard (US)
Darryl Black (Afghanistan)
Justin Bruschi (Iraq)
Jeremy Charles (South Korea)
Gabriel Comer (US)
Jacob Cosat (US)
Blake Dodds (US)
Christopher Duysings (US)
David Easley (US)
Roger Fiedler (Afghanistan)

Eric Fragoso (Germany)
Gerry Frisbie (Iraq)
Michael Heindl (Afghanistan)
Jonathon Hogg (US)
Britt Gray (Jordan)
Nick Kline (US)
Larry Linton (Iraq)
Noah Nelson (US)
Matthew Pavlus (Bahrain)
Tim Reuwer (Air Force)
Justin Rush (England)
Lauren Sherva (Afghanistan)
Jamie Vasquez (US)
Sean Wickett (US)



Suzie Angelletti, Ayden, Melissa Barrios, David Cavaliere, Chrissy, Dale Cohee, Beverly Dailey, Paul & Mildred Delivuk, Audrey DeLong, Diana, Erin Drybola, Bonnie Duncan, Ruth Dyer, Diana Fisher, Florence G., Sandi Gardner, Abigail Goodwin, Trish Green, Sarah Jane Gordon, Mark Hanrahan, Doug Hench, Darrick Hudman, Isabell Hughes, Georgette Jones, Caroline Kean, David Larsen, Miriam & Jason Lebron, Lil Leiman, Frances Lewis, Laura Mele, Aaron Mepham, Jacob McPherson, Betsy Mulhern, Chuck & Jackie Neuhardt, Phil Onsgard, Donna Orsi, Craig Parrillo, Wilferdo Perez, Freedel Rauch, Marthan Sammeth, Art & Pam Siccardi, 'Mike' Simmons, Caroline Wallick, Harry Womack, Kathis Wuori, Vera Wutz, Joshua John Zaccarine, Phil Zern.

SEEKING PRAYER CHAIN PARTICIPANTS

The Emmaus Prayer Chain is looking for a few volunteers. If interested please contact Doris Abrams at 386-738-5610.



06/03 Timothy & Sandra Peter
 06/04 Keith & Andrea Holcomb
 06/04 David & Joanne Rauschenberger
 06/06 Harvey & Valerie Berger
 06/07 William & Marilyn Brune
 06/07 David & Jean Workman
 06/08 Harold & Judith Holter
 06/09 Robert & Marlene Campbell
 06/14 Jim & Margaret Simmons
 06/17 Elizabeth & Gene Mulhern
 06/23 Paul & Janet Alexander
 06/24 William & Brigitte Morton
 06/26 Thomas & Joan Fisher
 06/29 Sam & Helen Hill



06/01 Richard Beck	06/13 Robert Campbell	06/18 Lauren Bjella
06/01 Candace Hill	06/13 Marilyn Cederberg	06/19 Dawn D'Ambrosio
06/02 Michael Poczik	06/13 Judith Clement	06/21 Cailyn Toro
06/03 Bennet Reeder	06/13 Glenn Sellers	06/22 Audrey Trainor-Rubright
06/04 Sara Kearney	06/13 James Todd	06/23 Marlene Campbell
06/06 Elizabeth Lasseter	06/14 Evan Nehrig	06/23 Jessica Dasso
06/07 David Larsen	06/14 Craig Snyder	06/24 Gloria Caskey
06/09 Mary Bergstresser	06/15 Jean Reynold	06/25 Jacob Beard
06/09 Ralph Dodds	06/16 Ethan Smith	06/25 Shirley Clark
06/09 Deanna Temple	06/16 Alan Swenson	06/25 Donald Prether
06/09 Sandra Peter		06/25 Edwin Rieger
06/10 Rita Cigelske		06/26 David Salinas
06/10 Marguerite Peter		06/28 Christina Nehrig
06/11 Patrick Rhoads		06/30 Christen Boals
06/11 Jarrod Smith		06/30 Avery Neuhardt

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The submission deadline for the next eNews is Friday, June 22nd. Please forward articles or announcements for the newsletter to Sallie Chapman via email at emmausvolunteer@embarqmail.com.

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