



**Emmaus Lutheran Church**  
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**eNews & Notes – April 2019**

### **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



### **Worship Bulletins**

Would you like to have the printed version of the worship bulletin sent to your email address? We have quit printing out the worship bulletin each week, doing our part in going 'green' to help conserve resources. If you would like to have the full order of worship sent to you prior to our weekend services, please email the church office ([emmausoffice@embarqmail.com](mailto:emmausoffice@embarqmail.com)) to let us know. You will be placed on an email list to receive this information each week.

### **Worship Servers and Assistants Needed**

We have great worship servers and assistants, but would love to have more volunteers at all services. If you would like to serve as a Greeters/Ushers, Assisting Minister, Lector, Communion Assistant or operating the PowerPoint computer please contact the church office (386)775-9676.



### **Easter worship schedule**

April 18 – Maundy Thursday service with footwashing and Communion  
April 19 – Good Friday Tenebrae (Latin, for *darkness*) service  
April 20 – (5 p.m.) The Vigil of Easter  
April 21 – Easter Worship @ 8:30 a.m. and Festival Worship @ 11 a.m.

## From Pastor Mark

*“Why do you look for the living among the dead?  
He is not here, but has risen.” (Luke 24:5)*

Easter Day – the Day of Resurrection – is April 21 this year. Easter Day is called a ‘movable feast’, meaning the date changes from year to year. Easter is always the first Sunday – after the first full moon – after the first day of spring. That makes it Sunday, April 21.

While the date may seem arbitrary, nothing about the event itself is. Jesus was crucified outside the walls of the city of Jerusalem. When he was dead, his body was laid in a tomb and the tomb was sealed shut by a large rock. No one could get in without moving it. But – could Jesus get out? We don’t know the details about the resurrection of Jesus. Later on in this same chapter of Luke, as he is walking on the road to Emmaus after he rose from the dead, Jesus joins two of his followers who ask him, “*Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place in these days?*” In fact, Jesus is the only one in Jerusalem who knows the things that have taken place in these days. He is the only one who was there in the tomb. He is the only one who knows how life came from death. He is the only one who knows how he was able to emerge from a stone encased tomb.

All we know is that he was crucified on the cross. We know that he died and was laid in the tomb. We know that, on third day, the tomb was empty and Jesus was no longer dead in the grave. What we don’t know is, ‘How?’

The women came to the tomb expecting to find it still occupied by the dead body of Jesus. That’s what one would expect to find when visiting a gravesite. But when they got there, they found the stone had been rolled away and they were met by two men in dazzling clothes. One of the men said to the women, “*Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen.*”

None of this makes any sense at all. The dead stay dead. Tombs don’t suddenly become empty. If it made sense, perhaps the whole world would be able to believe in Jesus. It is precisely because it doesn’t make any sense that we are called upon to act in faith to the good news that Jesus is no longer dead. You and I have heard the incredible good news that Jesus is living. He is no longer dead. This message has carried the church forward in joy and hope for nearly two thousand years.

I was discussing the Bible with a church member very recently. I explained my understanding of ‘miracles’. I told her, “A miracle is (1) something that cannot happen; (2) but it does happen; (3) most importantly, it changes lives.”

The date may be arbitrary – a movable feast for God’s people celebrating the Resurrection of Our Lord. The remainder of the story is both **fact** and **miracle**. We have the **facts**: an empty tomb; the missing body of Jesus; visual evidence of the risen Lord. And we have a **miracle**: the risen Jesus Christ changes lives.

Easter blessings to all!

Grace upon grace,  
~Pastor Mark Winkler

## 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 screen 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.

## Financial Report for February 2019

Income vs Expense Report for FEBRUARY 2019 (rounded to the nearest dollar)

Total Operating Income	\$30,985
Total Operating Expense*	<u>32,269</u>
<b>Net Operating LOSS for the month</b>	<b>(\$ 1,284)</b>

\* Includes the cost of principal reduction

Budgeted income for FEBRUARY was \$32,773

Budgeted expense for FEBRUARY was \$39,427

As you can see we once again have spent more than we took in. During the winter month we normally take in more than we spend. I am hopeful this will turn around and also since many folks are taking the tax advantage of sending in yearly donations from their IRA's it will even out as time moves forward. However, be mindful of the needs of the church and make timely donations if you normally donate weekly or monthly.

### Roof Replacement Fund

It is estimated that we will need around \$150,000 to put a new roof on our facility. A new Roof Replacement Fund campaign, with pledges cards has been opened to receive donations toward this – pledge cards are available but straight donations are certainly ok also. Use the Other line on your envelopes and mark it ROOF REPLACEMENT to make any donations to this fund.

Fund Balance on January 31, 2019:	\$ 50,085
Funds received in February	<u>3,136</u>
Balance in the fund February 28, 2019	\$ 53,221

**Amount still needed: \$ 96,779**

### Debt Reduction:

Total received toward the mortgage in FEBRUARY: \$1,980

Blessings,

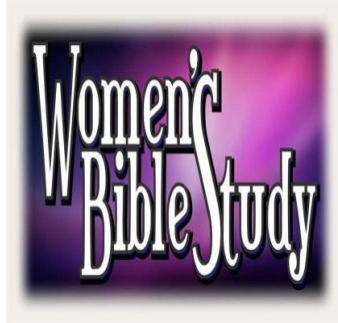
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### Amazon Smile

Donating to Emmaus through the Amazon Smile Foundation is easy. Every time you make a purchase at Amazon, login through Smile.Amazon.com instead! Designate Emmaus Lutheran Church as your charity of choice. Each quarter we will receive a donation that is a percentage of each purchase price. Thank you for helping out your church.

## Women's Circles

Emmaus has two women's Circles that meet for fellowship and Bible study. Each Circle uses the Gather Magazine as a guide for the study. Each is a great time for fellowship with a blend of women who make their Circle interesting. If you are interested in a Bible study and fellowship consider trying them both. Below are their schedules.



### Martha/Lydia Circle

Martha/Lydia Circle meets the first Wednesday of each month in the Emmaus Room from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The next study will be on Wednesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>. All women are welcome.

### Ruth Circle

Ruth Circle will meet on Tuesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 p.m. for dinner and Bible study at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Laura Wickett, at 2800 Trenton Pl., Deland. Please RSVP to Laura at 386-624-7675.

## Hearts and Hand Hands

Two women's groups have combined forces to allow more fellowship for our church women. Hearts and Hands (quilting) and Shawl Ministry (crocheters and knitters) will be meeting together on the second Wednesday of each month from 1:15 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. We will continue making shawls, lap blankets, plastic sleeping mats and assembling quilts for Lutheran World Relief. We welcome everyone to participate and bring your ideas. You don't need to know how to sew, crochet or knit to join us. Just bring your crafty spirit and join the fun.

## Book Club

The book club meets each month on the third Thursday. The next meeting is on April 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 p.m. This month's book is [The Woman Who Walked in Sunshine](#) by Alexander McCall Smith. Everyone is welcome to join.



## Photo Directory

To all who participated in the photo shoot for a new member directory, Lifetouch has received all the needed information to complete the photo directory. We anticipate delivery of the printed directory to be the end of March. Watch for additional information.

## 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.



- 04/09 Ken & Judy Clement
- 04/22 Gordon & Carol Hemberger
- 04/12 David & Mary Larsen
- 04/20 Jason & Christine Neuhardt

## Informational Presentations

Would you like to participate in informational meetings on various topics? This fall we are hoping to provide meetings and discussions on topics to help you plan for your retirement, assist you with elderly parents, available services and other topics of interests. The presentations would be at various times to try and accommodate the audience preferences. If there is a topic you are interested in, please contact Sallie Chapman at (386) 624-8895. And stay tuned for more information.

## Volunteer Opportunities

If you need help with your ministry, send an email to the Emmaus office so we can let others know.



## Interfaith Kitchen

Emmaus alternates with other local churches at the Interfaith kitchen located at First United Methodist Church, 115 E. Howry Ave. in DeLand. Once a month we prepare a meal to serve to those in need in the community. All kinds of help is needed starting with food prep at 3 p.m., serving and clean-up. Those doing clean-up will be finished around 7 p.m. Come for the whole time or just a few hours. If you would like to help, please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex. This is truly God's work, our hands!

## The Food Pantry Needs You!

The Food Pantry, which is open Tuesdays from 10:00 a.m. until noon, is always in need of volunteers to greet guests and help them get supplies. If you are able to volunteer your time, please sign-up on the sheet located on the kiosk in the narthex.



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| 04/01 Patricia Searing     | 04/15 Charles "Sonny" Tether |
| 04/03 Carol Harmon         | 04/16 Bonnie Carlson         |
| 04/04 Betty Zaiser         | 04/17 Celia Cole             |
| 04/04 Phil Zern            | 04/17 Doug Hench             |
| 04/05 Jaclyn Hendrickson   | 04/18 Linda Fink             |
| 04/05 Jason Zern           | 04/18 Dave Hauge             |
| 04/07 Alexander Rhoads     | 04/19 Donna Hanrahan         |
| 04/08 Jean Ann Mrdjenovich | 04/21 Richard Powers         |
| 04/09 Clayton Cable        | 04/22 Fritz Ray              |
| 04/09 Camryn Soehnlein     | 04/24 Ashley Porterfield     |
| 04/11 Joanne Lamberson     | 04/26 Lindsay Harrison       |
| 04/11 Bettylou Vogel       | 04/26 Shelly Mannebach       |
| 04/13 Pamela Weinstein     | 04/29 Kerstin Rhoads         |
| 04/15 Dylan Manning        | 04/30 Paul Hill              |



*If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please contact the church office (386-775-9676) or fill out a prayer request form and put it in the offering plate.*

**Prayer Requests for:**

Doris Abrams, Robert Ahlers, Jan Alexander, Suzi Angelletti, Bob Campbell, Camden, Bonnie Carlson, Pastor Bill and Carolyn Carroll, Charles & Joan, Dale Cohee, Bill Crawford, Charlotte Creswell, David Cavaliere, Bev Dailey, Tom Dasso, Paul Delivuk, Patty Dowling, Lee Ecola, Tracey Evans, Jessica Fenner, Jim, Tami & Jamey Gallaher, Peg Gernand, Joshua Granada, Steve Heck, Philip Larsen, Eva Lega, Norm Lewis, Billie Loconte, Jason Neuhardt, Margie Oden, Candy Olds, Craig Parrillo, Sandy Patchin, Paul Paulsen, Caroline Petrone, Don Prether, Freedel Rauch, Susan Marvin Raymond, Josh Rhynard, Charles Richardson, Rodriguez Family, Diane Salinas, Marthann Sammeth, Abby Schmidt, Mitchell Schmidt, Robert Schuster, Debbie Sheets, Art Siccardi, Lena Spence, Jan Strand, Barbara Van O'Linda, Zern Family, Nellie Zollinger.

**Homebound Members:**

Doris Abrams (home)  
 Doris Barcalow (home)  
 Olive Clark (Majestic Oaks)  
 Charlotte Creswell (Gold Choice)  
 Julie Dusette (Sterling Garden)  
 Jean Hendricksen (Horizon)  
 Sam & Helen Hill  
 Guy & Miriam Large (John Knox)  
 Jeanette Reynolds (Waters Edge)  
 Jean Reynold (Lutheran Haven)  
 Marthan Sammeth (home)  
 'Mike' Simmons (home)  
 Shirley Smith (Majestic Oaks)  
 Orval Stuhr (Emory Bennett)  
 Sonny Tether (home)  
 Lorraine Wessels (Good Samaritan)  
 Vera Wutz (Aliance)

**Service Men and Women:**

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

Gerry Frisbie (Iraq)  
 Philip Goldsberry (Saudi Arabia)  
 Michael Heindl (Afghanistan)  
 Jonathon Hogg (US)  
 Britt Gray (Jordan)  
 Nick Kline (US)  
 Larry Linton (Iraq)  
 Noah Nelson (US)  
 Matthew Pavlus (US)  
 Tim Reuwer (Air Force)  
 Justin Rush (England)

**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.

## APRIL 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	01 12: 00 pm - 1:00 pm AA Meeting 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm <a href="#">Cub Scouts</a>	02 9:00 am - 9:30 am Tuesday Focused Prayer 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Food Pantry 12: 00 pm - 1:00 pm AA Meeting 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Boy Scouts	03 9:15 am - 9:45 am Emmaus Preschool Chapel Time 12: 00 pm - 1:00 pm AA Meeting 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm Martha Lydia Circle 5:45 pm - 6:45 pm Jubilate Ringers Rehearsal 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Lenten Worship Service 8:00 pm - 9:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal	04 12: 00 pm - 1:00 pm AA Meeting 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Worship & Music Committee Meeting	05 12: 00 pm - 1:00 pm AA Meeting	06 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Traditional Worship
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## **Newsletter Deadline**

The submission deadline for the next eNews is Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup>. Please forward articles or announcements for the newsletter to Sallie Chapman via email at [emmausvolunteer@embarqmail.com](mailto:emmausvolunteer@embarqmail.com).

## **Emmaus Contact Information**

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