



**Emmaus Lutheran Church**  
**2500 S Volusia Ave,**  
**Orange City, FL 32763**  
**Phone: (386) 775-9676**

## **eNews & Notes – February 2020**

### **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**

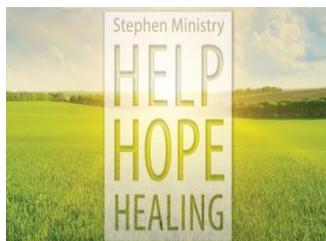
Would you like to have the printed version of the worship bulletin sent to your email address? We have quit printing out the worship bulletin each week, doing our part in going 'green' to help conserve resources. If you would like to have the full order of worship sent to you prior to our weekend services, 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.

### **Adult Sunday School**

Class is held in Fellowship Hall from 9:50 am to 10:50 am. Join Sunday mornings for an interesting lesson and discussion. Bring a friend!

### **Sharing of Announcements**

Do you have announcements to be made prior to the Worship Services? Please submit these to the church office by Tuesday 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.



### **Stephen Ministry**

Do you feel like you may be floundering or just need someone to talk to about a loss? The Stephen Ministry may be able to help. The Stephen Ministry offers a trained person to walk with you on your journey. Please reach out to Larry or Jaci Hendrickson (386-753-1888) to arrange a consultation. All information is kept confidential.

## From Pastor Mark

*Rejoice always, pray without ceasing,  
give thanks in all circumstances;  
for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.  
(1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)*

There is a line in our announcement pages here at Emmaus that is included every single week. It looks like this:

Tuesday 9:00 a.m. – Focused Prayer (Sanctuary)

What, exactly, is ‘Focused Prayer’? For one thing, prayer is *‘the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.’* It is God’s will that we be prayerful people. We are fulfilling God’s deep desire for us when we pray and when we join others in prayer. For another thing, prayer is a natural way for us to be in communication with God. We talk to God in prayer and we take time to listen as God communicates with us – sometimes through words – sometimes through others – sometimes through opportunities that present themselves. These can be the result of prayer. They are certainly the result of what God wants for us.

*The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up;  
and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven.  
Therefore confess your sins to one another,  
and pray for one another, so that you may be healed.  
The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. (James 5:15-16)*

Individual prayer is powerful. Prayer in a group is even more so. The book of James in the Bible recognizes the power that prayer wields. The writer of this book tells us with great confidence that the *‘prayer of faith will save the sick’* and that the *‘prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective’*. As prayerful people of God we have access to that power. Through our prayers we can direct the healing power that God offers to enter into, and affect the lives of others and the circumstances of life that surround us with challenges large and small.

Six years ago, when Carol and I came to Emmaus, Helen Hill was leading a small group of ‘prayer warriors’ each week. We immediately joined that group. Helen’s devotion to prayer and her love for God led the group into the peacefulness and the power of prayer.

That group continues to meet for 30 minutes each week on Tuesday at 9 a.m. We begin our time together by sharing prayer concerns for people and for circumstances – for joys and for sorrows – for any number of other ups and down of life that come to our attention. This isn’t a time for gossip. We hold the concerns of others in careful and sacred discretion.

After sharing the prayer needs – as we see them – someone (usually me) begins with a short prayer that gets us started into the prayers we offer in the silence of the holy time we have set aside for prayer. Each person prays silently. Each person determines how their own prayer time is used. As the time of our 30 minutes of focused prayer comes to a close, someone (designated ahead of our silent time) will offer a brief prayer and lead us into the Lord’s Prayer.

No one is asked to pray aloud unless they want to. No one is made to feel uncomfortable about praying in front of others. The decision to pray out loud is a decision each person makes for themselves.

So – now you know.

Tuesday 9:00 a.m. – Focused Prayer (Sanctuary)

Why not come and pray with us next week? Everyone is welcome to come and be a part of this caring prayer group – to share in praying for others – and to show compassion for the needs of the world.

Praying with you and for you,  
~Pastor Mark

## Emmaus Adult Choir

Rehearsals are Wednesdays at 7:10 p.m. in the music suite. If you love to sing and enjoy singing praises to God, please join the Adult Choir for great music and fellowship in service to the Lord. The choir is open to anyone from age 17 to 97. Instrumentalists are welcome, too! If you have any questions, please contact Maria at 386-734-8814.



## 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.

### Martha Lydia Bible Study 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, February 5. All women are welcome.



### Ruth Circle

Ruth Circle will meet on Tuesday, February 11 at Laura Kirkland's home at 175 Lone Tree Trail, DeLand, FL. Supper will be held at 6:30 pm followed by a Bible study from the February Gather magazine at 7:30. RSVP to Laura at [lauralitak66@gmail.com](mailto:lauralitak66@gmail.com) or (386) 804-9403.

## Book Club

This month's selection is Mapping of Love and Death by Jacqueline Winspear. We will meet on Thursday, February 27, at 7 pm to discuss it. See you then!

## Interfaith Kitchen

Emmaus alternates with other local churches at the Interfaith kitchen located at First United Methodist Church, 115 E. Howry Ave. in DeLand. On the fourth Thursday of each month we prepare a meal to serve to those in need in the community. All kind 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.



The Interfaith kitchen needs your help. To provide these dinners, we need to rely on Thrivent members to ask for grants so that groceries can be purchased for our once per month meal. If you are a Thrivent member can you please help with applying for a grant? This is truly God's work, our hands!

## Social Concerns Fund

Emmaus supports a number of community projects throughout the year and we want to first thank you for all of your help with collecting school supplies, Thanksgiving supplies and Christmas presents for children and seniors. We will continue to do all these things and have an Angle Tree at Christmas for both the children and the seniors but each year we seem to have more requests for help. So to help meet these growing needs we are once again asking for your help. We have set up a fund to help support these ministries and also the Interfaith Kitchen. Currently we have approximately \$146 in the fund. What we are requesting is for you to prayerfully consider these ministries and to donate to the fund throughout the year using a pew envelope. The money will be used to purchase school supplies mid-year, additional Christmas presents as needed and assist the Interfaith kitchen.



## 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.

## The Neighborhood Center Project

The Neighborhood Center, as many of you know is a homeless shelter in West Volusia County, the only one in West Volusia County. The cities in West Volusia were approached with a project to build a shelter. The cities along with private businesses, charitable organizations and other churches were approached to assist with this project. Out of this was born The Bridge, a 24 hour shelter which is scheduled to open in April of this year. The idea was to be able to not only provide housing but to provide support and services for our homeless population.

They need our help for this project, not so much as financial help but volunteer help. The Bridge is looking for people who can offer some of their time in various positions working directly with their population. If you feel you can help in some way as a volunteer or have questions, please contact Anslee Holland at (386) 259-0088 or email her at [Ansee.Holland@nhcwv.org](mailto:Ansee.Holland@nhcwv.org).

## Emmaus Concert Series

**Mariachi Cobre performed traditional mariachi selections and answered questions from a near capacity audience at Emmaus on January 25.**

**Thank you to Joni Hanze and Bird On a Wire Entertainment for arranging this as part of the Emmaus Concert Series.**

**Mark your calendars. Our next concert will be Saturday, March 28 at 7:00 pm with the voices of Helena.**



## Celebrating this month:



02/01	Lisa Young	02/21	Sam Zakian
02/03	Jill Carlson	02/22	Michael Hart
02/03	Allison Porterfield	02/23	Patti Franklin
02/04	Ken Martin	02/23	Adolfo Gonzalez
02/06	Joan Guetzke	02/23	Ken Hutton
02/06	Richard Holden	02/23	Mary Scholz
02/08	Jean Hendricksen	02/25	Nicole Watts
02/08	Lenis Schoepke	02/25	Nick Harrison
02/10	Warren Monahan	02/27	Alyssa Dasso
02/11	Jonathon Conrad	02/28	Nancy Grant
02/12	Christine Neuhardt	02/28	Jacque Porterfield
02/14	Michelle Hermann	02/28	Sandy Ray
02/16	Norm Lewis		

02/05	Robert & Mary Scholz
02/10	Jeff & Chrissy Boals
02/10	Ralph & Ruth Dodds
02/10	Al & Jacque Porterfield
02/12	Russell & Nancy Grant
02/14	Jim & Cindy Shaw
02/15	Thom & Shelly Mannebach
02/16	Dave & Faye Nelson
02/24	Christopher & Corene Beehner
02/28	Peter & Phyllis Gref



## Newsletter Deadline

The submission deadline for the next eNews is Friday February 21. Please forward articles or announcements for the newsletter to Sallie Chapman via email at [emmausvolunteer@embarqmail.com](mailto:emmausvolunteer@embarqmail.com)

## Emmaus Contact Information

Church Office:

Office Hours –

Monday thru Friday 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

Phone: 386-775-9676

Fax: 386-775-6956



*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 place it in the offering plate.*

**Homebound Members:**

Doris Abrams (home)  
Doris Barcalow (home)  
Lois Brandt (Home)  
Charlotte Creswell (Gold Choice)  
Julie Dusette (Sterling Garden)  
Jean Hendricksen (Horizon)  
Sam & Helen Hill (Good Samaritan)  
Guy Large (John Knox)  
Lora Onsgard (home)  
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)

**Service Women and Men:**

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)  
Michael Heindl (Afghanistan)  
Jonathon Hogg (US)  
Britt Gray (Jordan)  
Larry Linton (Iraq)  
Noah Nelson (US)  
Matthew Pavlus (US)  
Tim Reuwer (Air Force)  
Justin Rush (England)  
Lauren Shea (US)  
Jamie Vasquez (US)  
Sean Wickett (US)



**Prayer Requests for...**

Doris Abrams, Wendell Adell, Nicole Ahlers, Robert Ahlers, Tim Ash, Suzi Angelletti, Ernie Bacon, Dawn, David and Scott Barnhill, Ann Bloch, Hannah Bloser, Raymond Bookstaver, Don Cosat, Charlotte Creswell, Art Croker, Bev Dailey, Pam DeForest, Mildred Delivuk, Patty Dowling, Christopher Evans, Trish Fitzpatrick, Linda Greer, Jeff Haendel, Paul Herber, Michelle Hermann, Hope Ingerson, Cass Maccubbin, Linda McGuire, Barbara Miles, Don Prether, Freedel Rauch, Clifford Renner, Marthan Sammeth, Eileen Sellers, 'Mike' Simmons, Mark & Sherry Stein, Carol Taylor, Travis, Dana & Mary Tucker, Shirley Underwood, Denise Walter, Melanie Wood.

**FEBRUARY 2020**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						<u>01</u> 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Traditional Worship
<u>02</u> Groundhog Day 8:30 am - 9:30 am Informal Worship with Communion 9:45 am - 10:45 am Confirmation Class 9:50 am - 10:50 am Coffee Hour 9:50 am Adult Bible Study 11:00 am - 12:00 pm Traditional Worship with Communion	<u>03</u> 12: 00 pm - 1:00 pm AA Meeting 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Cub Scouts	<u>04</u> 9:00 am - 9:30 am Tuesday Focused Prayer 9:45 am - 10:45 am Worship & Music Committee Meeting 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Food Pantry 12: 00 pm - 1:00 pm AA Meeting 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Boy Scouts	<u>05</u> 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 Bible Study 5:45 pm - 6:45 pm Jubilate Ringers Rehearsal 7:10 pm - 9:00 pm Emmaus Adult Choir Rehearsal	<u>06</u> 12: 00 pm - 1:00 pm AA Meeting 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Card Ministry 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm Stephen Ministry	<u>07</u> 12: 00 pm - 1:00 pm AA Meeting	<u>08</u> 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Traditional Worship
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