



Emmaus Lutheran Church
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eNews & Notes – March 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



Lent 2020 – *The Long, Long Journey Home*

Lent began on Ash Wednesday. On the Wednesdays from 3/4 – 4/1 at 6 p.m. a Soup Supper followed by Holden Evening Prayer (6:30) will take place in Fellowship Hall. We will focus on the theme – *The Long, Long Journey Home* – the story of the Prodigal Son and what it took him to realize that he needed to return to his father. Hope to see you there!

Saying ‘Goodbye’ – Saying ‘Hello’

Our office administrator, Robin Panko, will be leaving her position and moving to New York in April. We are sad to see her go and we will wish Robin and John Godspeed as they begin a new chapter in their lives. We will also need to find someone to assume the duties of the office administrator. If you, or someone you know, might be interested in learning more about this position, please contact the church office @ 386-775-9676

Worship Bulletins

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) 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.

From the Council President

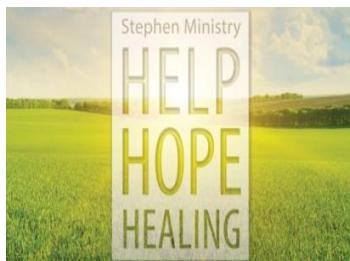
Greetings fellow Emmaus members!

I am honored to have been elected President of the Congregation Council once again. While it is a somewhat daunting responsibility, it is also an exciting opportunity to be involved in the work of the church. We have an engaged and enthused Council, with folks who have been on Council (and part of Emmaus) for a while, and some first time on Council and newer to Emmaus. So, we have history and knowledge of the congregation, as well as fresh ideas and new perspectives to bring to discussions and decisions. Members and officers of the 2020 Council are:

Patrick Rhoads, Vice President
Denise Johnson, Secretary
Sheri Manning, Treasurer
Nelson Cederberg
Sharon Kurth
Elaine Leahy
Thom Mannebach
Pastor Mark Winkler
Joan Fisher, Finance Director
Sue Cole, President

The Council will be prayerfully seeking God's direction for Emmaus and ways for our congregation to live out our vision: We are children of God, God loves us, God is using us to change the world. Please keep us in your prayers and open your hearts to God's leading for what your ministry at Emmaus might be.

Blessings,
Sue Cole, Council President



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.

Financial Report for January 2020

General Operating Fund

Year To Date

Operating Income	\$ 31,960
Operating Expense*	<u>34,242</u>
Net Operating LOSS	(\$ 2,282)

* Includes the cost of principal reduction

Budgeted income	\$ 32,917
Budgeted expense	40,927

January saw a slight loss in our General Operating Account. It is hoped that this trend will not continue and that next month we will either have a total monthly income greater than the monthly expenses or at least break-even.

Roof Replacement Fund – pledged campaign:

The roof project is completed and we no longer need to raise funds for the replacement and the fund will be closed at the end of February. However, the Major Repairs Fund should continue to be a priority as an insurance against future major costs down the road. Your continued small donations to this fund will be appreciated.

Debt Reduction – not a pledged campaign at this time:

Total received toward the mortgage in January was: \$1,724

Mortgage Balance: \$828,310

Emmaus Concert Fund – Matching Fund Drive

We have received the matching funds for the Emmaus Concert Fund. Angel support is still welcome and look for the forms to be available at all future concerts. Donations received from the Concert on January 25th resulted in \$500.00 being sent for Lutheran Disaster Relief.

Blessings,
Joan Fisher
Finance Director
386 956-2619
joanfisher2011@gmail.com

Thrivent Lunch and Learn

Everyone is invited to a pizza lunch on Sunday March 15th following worship service. Tim Fraser will be discussing Thrivent's charitable member benefits and sharing tax efficient strategies and other favorable ways for giving to churches and charities. Please sign up on the sheet located on the table in the narthex.

Safety and Security at Emmaus

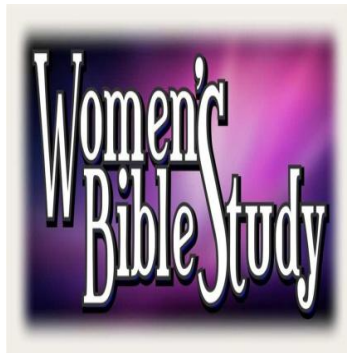
A request from Pastor Mark regarding Safety and Security at Emmaus – If you possess a license to carry a concealed weapon, please speak to Pastor Mark privately. This is an information-gathering procedure only and your information will be kept in the strictest confidence. Thank you.

Book Club

This month's selection is The Memory House by Rachel Hauck. We will meet on Thursday, March 26th, at 7 pm to discuss it. See you then!

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, March 4. All women are welcome.

Ruth Circle

Ruth Circle will meet on Tuesday, March 10, at Ceila Cole's home at 306 Lakeshore Drive, DeBary. Supper will be held at 6:30 pm followed by a Bible study from the Gather magazine at 7:30. RSVP to Celia at celia.cole@bellsouth.com or (269) 420-9473.

WELCA Meeting

The Emmaus Women invite all women to the annual meeting of the women on March 7th starting at 9 am in the Fellowship Hall to elect leaders for the next year, to work on quilts that are ready to be tied, and to make plans for an upcoming project for the group. Continental breakfast will be served.

Women's Spring Gathering

On March 28th, Faith Lutheran Church will host the **Women's Spring Gathering**, registration from 8:00 am – 9:00 am. The cost is \$5.00. The Bible study will be on **Faith, Hope & Love Abide**. Please bring gifts of paper products and can goods. Faith Lutheran is located at 2010 W. Granada Avenue, Ormond Beach FL 32174. The deadline to sign up is March 22, 2020. We hope to see you there!

Emmaus Concert Series



Helena – Coming to Emmaus on Saturday, March 28 @ 7 p.m. – The next musical event in the Emmaus Concert Series features *Helena*, the premier women's singing group in Central Florida. The members of *Helena* will be joining us for an evening of beautiful music that will uplift your spirit. All of the women are amazing artists on their own, but when they join together, it is pure beauty. A sisterhood of some of Central Florida's most dauntless singers, *Helena* is an ensemble committed to irradiating gems from all genres of vocal music. Put this concert on your calendar. See you here!

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. Because your response to the request for volunteers has been awesome, our sign-up sheet has been changed. Notice that there are 10 slots for each 'shift'. Please sign up individually, even if you are a couple, for example, Jane Doe on one line and John Doe on another line. If there are no more slots on the current month's sheet, the next month's sheet will be there also. This ensures we have enough volunteers without having too many. Having so many people sign up is a wonderful problem and shows how loving and giving Emmaus folks are! If you would like to help, please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex.



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. The choir will continue through mid-May before going on hiatus for the summer. Instrumentalists are welcome, too! If you have any questions, please contact Maria at 386-734-8814.

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.

Celebrating this month:



03/03 Robert Scholz	03/17 Evelyn Matter
03/04 Donald McQueen	03/18 Norma Gonzalez
03/07 Kennedy Snyder	03/20 Andy Morton
03/08 Elizabeth Mulhern	03/21 Sallie Chapman
03/09 Bernadine Pavelka	03/21 Jenny McMullen
03/09 Pastor Mark Winkler	03/24 Ruth Moscato
03/10 Larry Hendrickson	03/28 Ted Crommett
03/10 Nicole Klemp	03/29 Gary Strukel
03/15 Ruth Dyer	03/29 Kathy Kintner
03/15 Cindy Shaw	03/30 Al Porterfield
03/17 Vera Wutz	

- 03/11 Mark & Diane Barger
- 03/29 Ron & Susie Ferrell
- 03/01 Karl & Christine Marvin
- 03/04 James & Penny Bowden
- 03/30 Annette & Cary Fuller





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 (Good Samaritan)
Lois Brandt (Home)
Charlotte Creswell (Gold Choice)
Julie Dusette (Sterling Garden)
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, Suzi Angelletti, Tom Ash, Dawn, David and Scott Barnhill, Ann Bloch, Hannah Bloser, Jayson Bloser, Raymond Bookstaver, Amanda Braun, Charlotte Creswell, Roger Creswell, Art Croker, Bev Dailey, Teri Davidson, Pam DeForest, Mildred Delivuk, Paul Delivuk, Russel Denday, Patty Dowling, Christopher Evans, George Fitzpatrick, Trish Fitzpatrick, Henry Gomez, Linda Greer, Jeff Haendel, Paul Herber, Michelle Hermann, Betsy Lasseter, Cass Maccubbin, Barbara Miles, Don Prether, Freedel Rauch, Clifford Renner, Kathy Rust, Marthan Sammeth, Eileen Sellers, Linda Shotts, 'Mike' Simmons, Valerie Spangler, Mark & Sherry Stein, Carol Taylor, Travis, Dana & Mary Tucker, Shirley Underwood, Denise Walter, Karen Wilson, Cliff Winter, Melanie Wood.

Newsletter Deadline

The submission deadline for the next eNews is Friday, March 20. Please forward articles or announcements for the newsletter to Sallie Chapman via email at sallie.chapman@yahoo.com.

Emmaus Contact Information

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Office Hours –

Monday thru Friday 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

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MARCH 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><u>01</u> 8:30 am Informal Worship with Communion 9:30 am Coffee Hour 9:45 am Confirmation Class 9:50 am Adult Bible Study 11:00 am Traditional Worship with Communion</p>	<p><u>02</u> 12: 00 pm AA Meeting 1:45 pm Preschool Yoga 7:00 pm Cub Scouts</p>	<p><u>03</u> 9:00 am Tuesday Focused Prayer 10:00 am Food Pantry 12: 00 pm AA Meeting 6:30 pm Boy Scouts</p>	<p><u>04</u> 9:15 am Emmaus Preschool Chapel Time 12: 00 pm AA Meeting 2:00 pm Martha Lydia Bible Study 5:45 pm Jubilate Ringers Rehearsal 6:00 pm Soup Supper & Holden Evening Prayer 7:15 pm Emmaus Adult Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p><u>05</u> 12:00 pm AA Meeting 6:00 pm Card Ministry 6:30 pm Stephen Ministry</p>	<p><u>06</u> 12:00 pm AA Meeting</p>	<p><u>07</u> 9:00 am WELCA Annual Meeting & Work Day 5:00 pm Traditional Worship</p>
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