

EMMANUEL HERALD

Sunday School: 9:00 (Sept-May)

Divine Service: Sundays at 10:00 am
Sundays at 9:00 am (Memorial Day
through Labor Day)



From the Pastor's Study

In just a couple of weeks (today is March 26th), the Church will be celebrating the greatest day in the history of the world – Easter. The earliest and most detailed description of Holy Week comes from a woman named Egeria. Between 381 and 384, Egeria travelled the Holy Land while writing back home. Egeria's account of Holy Week in Jerusalem is fascinating and highly detailed. To keep this article from being five pages, I've given you only the timeline and activities. If you're interested in reading her diary visit schoolofmary.org/holy-week-and-the-festivals-at-easter-according-to-egeria.

1:00 pm on Saturday before Palm Sunday: Christians gather for worship at the tomb of Lazarus in Bethany. So many gather that the church and all the fields around are filled with the faithful.

Palm Sunday Morning: When Sunday morning services at the Church of the Holy Sepulcher (located at the traditional site of Christ's crucifixion and tomb) have concluded, the faithful proceed to the *martyrium* (a larger church at Golgotha) for worship.

Palm Sunday at 1:00 pm: They gather at the Mount of Olives for worship.

Palm Sunday at 3:00 pm: They move to the traditional site of Jesus' Ascension for worship.

Palm Sunday at 5:00 pm: The faithful follow the bishop to the top of the Mount of Olives, crying out: "*Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.*" while waving palm branches. The faithful then make the trek from the Mount of Olives through Jerusalem to the tomb of Jesus.

Wednesday night: At the tomb of Jesus the priest reads the account of Judas' meeting with the Jews to betray Jesus. Egeria writes: "*And when the passage has been read, there is such a moaning and groaning of all the people that no one can help being moved to tears at that hour.*"

2:00 pm to 5:00 pm on Maundy Thursday: They gather at the church at Golgotha where they have worship with Holy Communion. At 4:00 pm they gather at the traditional site of the crucifixion for readings, one hymn, and Holy Communion.

5:00 pm to 7:00 pm: They return home to eat and rest in preparation for the evening.

7:00 pm Maundy Thursday to 3:00 am on Good Friday: They gather at the church in Gethsemane for readings, prayers, and hymns. At 1:00 am, they proceed to the site of the Ascension for further worship.

3:00 am on Good Friday: They gather at the church in Gethsemane to hear the account of the Garden from the Gospels. Following this, the entire congregation slowly makes their way to the traditional site of Jesus' prayer, where they receive candles and the arrest of Jesus is read. Egeria writes: "*And when this passage has been read there is so great a moaning and groaning of all the people, together with weeping, that their lamentation may be heard perhaps as far as the city.*"

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Whew! Are you still with me? Okay, let's go on.

4:00 am or so: They head for Jerusalem arriving at the city gate about dawn and proceed through the city. It's reported that no one drops out because of the importance of the day.

Daybreak: They arrive at the church of the crucifixion where the Gospel covering Jesus' encounter with Pilate and Pilate's interaction with the Jews is read. The people are dismissed until 8:00 am for rest and refreshment.

8:00 am to 12:00 pm: The faithful gather to worship and honor a piece of the cross Jesus had supposedly been crucified upon. There is also the supposed sign from the cross written by Pilate.

12:00 to 3:00 pm: The people assemble at the Church of the Sepulcher in such great numbers that there's no way to get past. For three hours the people hear passages regarding Christ's passion from the New and Old Testaments, with hymns interspersed. They also hear sermons appropriate for Good Friday showing how Christ fulfilled the prophecies of the Old Testament.

3:00 pm: They read the passage from the Gospel according to John where Jesus gave up His spirit. After that, they proceed from the portion of the church dedicated to the Cross to the portion dedicated to the Tomb of Jesus to hear how Joseph of Arimathea requested the body of Jesus and then buried Him.

3:00 pm Friday to Noon Saturday: Those who are able and willing remain at the church for the Vigil of Easter praying and singing hymns. After which they hear the Easter readings and are sent home to await Easter worship.

Unfortunately, Egeria's writings for Easter Sunday are missing so we don't know how Easter was commemorated. But this got me thinking: should we resurrect the traditions that Egeria experienced? It might be a bit hard to get anyone to buy into such a long week. However, if they could do it, why can't we? Something to contemplate this Easter season.

In Christ,
Pastor

Upcoming Events:

RABRAI will be coming through Lake View on Monday July 24th. We will need volunteers to assist with planning Emmanuel's participation. We're not on overnight stop (thank goodness!), but they will be passing through during the day. If you are willing to help plan please contact Pastor or Wes Drost.

The Staley's Chicken Dinner is back on the schedule for August 20th following service. There is a wonderful opportunity to work together as a church family to serve a delicious meal that brings people into our church and gives us the opportunity to raise necessary funds. This is perfect time to practice saying "yes" when approached to help! Thank you in advance!

Church Secretary:

After 20+ years as the church secretary, Londa has decided to finally retire (happy for her, sad for us). It won't be quite as sad for us though if we can get a replacement. The requirements are pretty simple and Londa will get you up and running in no time. If you're interested in working 25-30 hours a month putting together bulletins, newsletters, and other office tasks, see Pastor or Wes Drost.

Emmanuel Council Minutes—March 8, 2023

Those present: Pastor, Wes, Lyle, Dave, Marlin, Sheryl, Randy

Secretary's report: Wes called the meeting to order at 7:45 after Lenten Service. Pastor opened with prayer. The secretary's report for Feb. was emailed to all council members. No changes were made.

Financial report: Sheryl read the financial report. 15,303 in checking acct. and 13,200 has been given for roof project.

Elder report: nothing to report

Evangelism Report: March 12 Fish Fry

Group will be doing Easter Bags

Church will be serving Rolls on Easter Sunday

Trustee Report: nothing to report

Pastor's Report: *Hospital visits: 1

*Shut-in visits: 5

Old Business: Tuck Point company will be coming as soon as weather permits.

Aug. 20th will be Chicken dinner

New Business: Londa will retire in Aug. Will be looking for new church secretary to work 25-30 hrs per month

Meeting closed with the Lords Prayer.

Minutes taken by Wes Drost

Church Roof Project

Thank you to all who could support the Roof Project! We are blessed to have a faithful congregation which stepped up to raise the funds to complete the project.

As you know, every project can come in higher or lower than the initial plan due to unforeseen issues. Please pray that the roof will be completed without additional costs, and if the Lord determines that the answer is no, please know we may have to ask for more funds.

We also must due some tuck pointing of the steeple (cleaning out decaying mortar and adding new) to control leakage now and into the future. So please be aware of that upcoming project.



Holy Week Worship Schedule

April 2—Palm Sunday—10:00 AM and Breakfast after

April 6—Maundy Thursday with Holy Communion —7:00 PM

April 7—Good Friday Candlelight —7:00 PM

April 9—Easter Sunday— 7:00 AM & 10:00 AM



LWML Minutes



Mary & Martha — Met March 12th with 12 members in attendance. Devotions by Jan Stock, Pastor led Bible Study.

We will serve the Lenten Supper on March 29. Donna reported on the number of quilts tied.

Discussed: Church Roof Project— Veterans Quilts—Muffins 4 Mites, March 26 Donated \$50 to Camp for cans - voted to purchase (2) Crock Pots for Kitchen, Carol Roth will look into this.

Gert is hostess for April.

Meeting adjourned followed by Lord's Prayer and Table Prayer.

Pam Wollesen, Secretary

Daughters of Emmanuel— March 22—Met while preparing Lenten dinner with six members in attendance.

Secretary report: read one correspondence

Treasurer report: Balance of \$1,095.77

Deposits: none

Payments: \$96.17 to Jen for bulletin covers; \$48.60 to Jen for Sunday School books; \$32.88 to Luann for taco meat

New Business

Spring Rally – April 18 at St. Paul's in Sac City

Program is about the Pedal Pushers and Swaddling Cloths

Ingathering – baby items for Swaddling Cloths

Clothes size 0-5, diapers, wipes, crib sheets, mattress pads, etc...

Voted for the Zone to send \$200 in matching funds to Camp Okoboji for the new playground

Mollie motioned to send \$100 to Camp Okoboji playground and \$100 for ingathering supplies; Londa seconded; motion passed

Mollie motioned for the Lenten dinner proceeds to go to the roof project; LuAnn seconded; motion passed

Next meeting: April 26 in the fellowship hall

Adjourned to serve walking tacos

Respectfully submitted by secretary Rachel Zehnder

Stewardship Corner

Because God calls us to be stewards and equips us through the Holy Spirit, we can fulfill our responsibilities as stewards. Christian stewardship is the expression of the faith which God gives us. As we grow in faith and our relationship with Jesus, we will commit more of our time, talents, and treasures to His service. Through God's grace, we acknowledge God as the creator and owner of all things so that we can become more fruitful stewards. As stewards or caretakers of God's blessings, we are responsible and accountable for all that God entrusts to us. Through the working of the Holy Spirit, we can become trustworthy stewards.

April 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 Palm Sunday 9:00 AM Sunday School/Bible Study 10:00 AM Worship 11:00 AM Breakfast	3 7:00 PM Ladies Bible Study	4	5 3:45 PM Confirma- tion 7:00 PM LYF	6 7:00 PM Maundy Thursday w/ Lord's Supper	7 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study 7:00 PM Good Friday Service	8
9 Easter Sunday 7:00 AM Sunrise 9:00 AM Sunday School/Bible Study 10:00 AM Worship	10 7:00 PM Ladies Bible Study	11	12 3:45 PM Confirma- tion 7:00 PM Council Meeting	13 1:30 PM Mary & Martha	14 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study	15
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Birthdays

Name	Date
Lynn Mohr	April 1
Peggy Busch	April 8
Wayne Smidt	April 9
Lincoln Frye	April 9
Bob Bogue	April 10
Lavon Karstens	April 15
Brian Leitz	April 15
Susie Petersen	April 16
Renae Schmidt	April 16
Jason Phillips	April 16
Reed Musselman	April 17
Darlene Wollesen	April 19
Michelle Leonard	April 19
Elaine Frank	April 20
Jennifer Bohm	April 20
Landon Graff	April 23
Doris Larsen	April 26
Kevin Schmidt	April 27

Worship Online

Facebook.com/LakeViewEmmanuel— Sunday services will be shown live and a recording will be available.

www.lakeviewemmanuel.com—click on the box with a video camera. The video here is not live but directs to the recorded Facebook video (you do not need a Facebook account to watch the video).

Anniversaries

Larry & Barb Bundt April 3 (58 Years)

If your birthday or anniversary is not listed, please contact the church so our records can be updated.

Serving in God's House

Elders:

April 2: Dave Woltman (712) 660-3532
 April 9: Lyle Tegels (712) 830-7151
 April 16: Marlin Johnson (712) 210-0879
 April 23: Craig Wallace (606) 584-3321
 April 30: Dave Woltman (712) 660-3532

Acolytes:

April 2: Emmett Hemer
 April 6 & 9: Volunteers
 April 16: Braxton Graff & Talon Graff
 April 23: Macy Monahan & Katie Ryan
 April 30: Carter & Kylie Rudd

Counters:

April 2 & 6: Christina Caton, Amber Hadden, & Julie Reaman
 April 7 & 9: Larry & Barb Bundt & Lucas & Kalyn Johnson
 April 16: Judy Miller & Faye Rohrbeck
 April 23: Christina Caton, Amber Hadden, & Julie Reaman
 April 30: Larry & Barb Bundt and Lucas & Kalyn Johnson

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