

EMMANUEL NEWS

Sunday School: 9:00 am (Sept-May)

Divine Service: Sundays at 10:00 am



From the Pastor's Study

As the Reformation progressed into the 1550's there was a clear understanding that there was a distinct differences between Lutherans, Roman Catholics, and other Protestant denominations. *The Augsburg Confession* (1530) delineated the differences between Lutherans and Roman Catholics. *The Smalcald Articles* (1536) were written for a meeting (which didn't occur) listing the doctrines on which Lutherans could and couldn't comprise. *The Treatise on the Power and Primacy of the Pope* (1537) set forth the Lutheran position on the pope. *The Formula of Concord* (1577) was a restatement of some Lutheran teachings which had been corrupted or attacked since the death of Martin Luther. In addition to these works (found in the Book of Concord), there were numerous letters and booklets written and meetings held where Lutherans debated other Protestant leaders Biblical doctrine on topics ranging from Baptism to the Lord's Supper and good works to the forgiveness of sins.

In each of these discussions, writings, and documents, the Lutherans were clear as to our teachings and doctrine as received from God in the Bible. There were certain things they could respectfully disagree about but didn't involve doctrine. But there were also doctrinal issues in which there could be no compromise or "live and let live" because the truth of the Bible was at stake.

Five hundred years after the Reformation, many of these differences have been swept under the rug and ignored. Many Lutherans see Lutheranism as the same as Methodist, UCC, Roman Catholic, and non-denominational congregations. It's been said "We're all Christian so our beliefs don't matter." This is wrong. There are significant differences among denominations which cannot be ignored. Lutherans must cling to correct doctrine and the right administration of the Sacraments.

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On September 8th, the Sunday morning Bible class will begin a discussion on what it means to be Lutheran, how our beliefs differ from those in other denominations, and why it matters. My prayer is that you're strengthened in your faith and in your understanding of Lutheran doctrine. I promise that attending Bible class is beneficial and rewarding and I encourage you to make Christian education a priority in your life. We're never too smart or busy to learn more of what God teaches us in His Word.

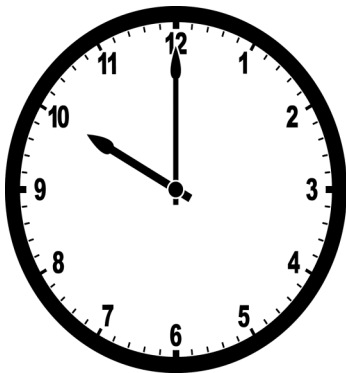
In Christ,

Pastor

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**Worship moves
back
To 10:00 am**



Board of Education

We have an opening on the Board of Education and anyone who has love for children and a desire to help with the Christian Education (children, youth, adult) at Emmanuel is invited to talk to Pastor or Jennifer (830-9015).

Bible Studies Resume

Sunday mornings 9:00 am

Why Are You a Lutheran?

Ladies' Bible Study—Mondays 7:00 pm

Parables of Jesus

Men's Bible Study—Fridays 7:00 am

Parables of Jesus

(a new study will be starting soon)

Rally Day is September 8th

9:00 am

Start the year of right and bring your kids/grandkids to Sunday School. We will have a backpack blessing for the kids in church as well.

God grant that our children be safe and secure in the holy ark of the Christian Church.

Education Corner

Each month, the Board of Christian Education is going to share information, tips, helpful hints on how YOU can focus on adding or enhancing the role of Christian Education in your life. This is NOT just for Sunday School families. We all should embrace, indeed we should eagerly pursue, opportunities to grow in our faith & knowledge. There is never an end to learning, even books of the Bible you've studied before can take on new meaning to you, depending on the stage & season of your life. And we grow, and learn, and strengthen our faith by learning together. As the school year begins, take this opportunity to commit to growing your spiritual knowledge and faith. We have multiple opportunities here at Emmanuel and we look forward to studying with you!

This year, the theme for our Rally Day, our year, is one of urgency. This "meme" was shared by Pastor Peterson earlier this year in one of our monthly newsletters and it struck a chord with the Board of Christian Education. What if? What if our children don't make it on the "ark"? What if our grandchildren don't?...what if WE don't? Our salvation can be lost if we do not nourish it, guard it, grow it. If we knew the flood was happening tomorrow, what would we do differently? The truth is, we don't know when our "flood" day will arrive.

Tonight during the message my nine-year-old son, Jay, came to the realization that the children who were not on the ark didn't make it. He looked to me with such a sad, questioning face. All I could say was "Their parents didn't make sure they were on the ark." The weight of that statement is still weighing on me.

Of all the things that I do for the Kingdom of God, NOTHING is more important than making sure that my children find their way to a relationship with Jesus.

-Trai Jaco

The time to focus on your faith with your family of believers is NOW!!!

Imagine if Noah was building the ark now. Would he have a sign that says "The End is Near!?" He wouldn't have been wrong. Do we see signs like this around us today? We sure do! The signs, the relentless pursuit of Satan after us, our children, our grandchildren is fierce and without the proper tools & knowledge, we lack what we need to fight it.

This year, we are using the Prayer that is said during Baptism as our "theme verse". It says, "...You sanctified and instituted all waters to be a blessed flood and a lavish washing away of sin. We pray that You would behold your children according to Your boundless mercy, and bless them with true faith by the Holy Spirit, and through this saving flood all sin in them which has been inherited from Adam and which they all have committed since, would be drowned and die. **Grant that they be kept safe and secure in the holy ark of the Christian Church**, being separated from the multitude of unbelievers and serving Your name at all times with a fervent spirit and a joyful hope, so that with all believers in Your promise, they would be declared worthy of eternal life..."

Join us in the holy ark, won't you? We want to help keep all of our church family safe from the floods that will surely come.

We look forward to you all joining us on Rally Day and thereafter for any or all of our educational opportunities. If you have any questions regarding any of the classes, please reach out to Pastor or Jennifer.

May God bless & keep all of you.

September 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9:00 am Worship	2	3 7:00 pm Evangelism	4 345 Confirmation 7pm LYF	5	6 7:00 am Men's Bible Study	7
8 9:00 Rally Day 10:00 Worship	9 7pm Women's Bible Study	10	11 345 Confirmation 7:00 pm Council Meeting	12 1:30 pm Mary/ Martha Meet- ing	13 7:00 am Men's Bible Study	14
15 9:00 Sunday School 10:00 Worship	16 7pm Women's Bible Study	17	18 345 Confirmation 7 pm LYF	19	20 7:00 am Men's Bible Study	21
22 9:00 Sunday School 10:00 Worship	23 Pastor at Iowa District West Pastor's Conf.	24 Pastor at Iowa District West Pastor's Conf.	25 345 Confirmation 7pm DOES meet-	26	27 7:00 am Men's Bible Study	28
29 9:00 Sunday School 10:00 Worship	30 7pm Women's Bible Study					

Birthdays

Serving in God's House

Name	Date
MeKenna Huisenga	01
Brook Boeckman	02
Rita Peters	03
Jackie Wallace	06
Becca Peterson	06
Joyce Bettin	07
Megan Drost	08
Mardi Mohrhauser	09
George Mohrhauser	14
Donna Schmidke	16
Randy Drost	19
Julie Kraft	19
Caroline Reaman	24
Patricia Shrug	26
Carol Roth	26
Hunter Pieken	28
Weston Drost	29
Braxton Graff	29

Anniversaries

Kevin & Renae Schmidt	04	43yrs
Roger & Rita Peters	05	60yrs
Mollie & John Scott	14	33yrs
JoDee & Jeff Sharp	18	31yrs
Jesse & Kelli Carroll	23	18yrs
Randy & Julie Drost	23	29yrs
Vernon & Karen Van Meveren	27	58yrs

If your birthday or anniversary is not on our list, please contact the church office so we can add you to our list.

Elders:

Sept 1: Marlin Johnson (712) 210-0879
Sept 8: Craig Wallace (606) 584-3221
Sept 15: Dave Woltman (712) 660-3532
Sept 22: Lyle Tegels (712) 830-7151
Sept 29: Marlin Johnson (712) 210-0879

Acolytes:

Sept 1:
Sept 8: Talon Graff, Ryder Siebrecht
Sept 15: Carter Huegerich, Konnor Snider
Sept 22: Katie Ryan, Kalee Jenkins
Sept 29: Brynn Boeckman, Kayla Kotz

Counters:

Sept 1: Judy Miller and Dale & Lynda Wiebers
Sept 8: Brigit Frank, Karen Van Meveren, Lucas & Kalyn Johnson
Sept 15: Christina Caton, Amber Hadden, Julie Reaman
Sept 22: Judy Miller and Dale & Lynda Wiebers
Sept 29: Brigit Frank, Karen Van Meveren, Lucas & Kalyn Johnson

Greeters:

Sept 1: Wuanita Tegels
Sept 8: Lyle & Lori Tegels
Sept 15: Lannie & Judy Miller
Sept 22: Vern & Karen Van Meveren
Sept 25: Donna Smidt & Jan Stock

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