

EMMANUEL NEWS

Sunday School and Adult Bible Study: 9:00 am (Sept-May)

Divine Service: Sundays at 9:00 am
Sundays at 10:00 am (Sept-May)



From the Pastor's Study

In honor of Justin Martyr whose life and death we commemorate on June 1st, I would like to share a dramatic eyewitness account of his trial (along with six of his friends) written shortly after his death in 165 A.D. I have shortened it for our newsletter. I pray that his Christian testimony will encourage you in the face of all opposition to the Gospel of Christ Jesus.

+The saints were seized and brought before the prefect of Rome, whose name was Rusticus. As they stood before the judgment seat, Rusticus the prefect said to Justin: "Above all, have faith in the gods and obey the emperors". Justin said: "We cannot be accused or condemned for obeying the commands of our Savior, Jesus Christ".

Rusticus said: "What system of teaching do you profess?" Justin said: "I have tried to learn about every system, but I have accepted the true doctrines of the Christians, though these are not approved by those who are held fast by error".

The prefect Rusticus said: "Are those doctrines approved by you, wretch that you are?" Justin said: "Yes, for I follow them with their correct teaching".

The prefect Rusticus said: "What sort of teaching is that?" Justin said: "Worship the God of the Christians. We hold him to be from the beginning the one creator and maker of the whole creation, of things seen and things unseen. We worship also the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God. He was foretold by the prophets as the future herald of salvation for the human race and the teacher of distinguished disciples. For myself, since I am a human being, I consider that what I say is insignificant in comparison with his infinite godhead. I acknowledge the existence of a prophetic power, for the one I have just spoken of as the Son of God was the subject of prophecy. I know that the prophets were inspired from above when they spoke of his coming among men".

Rusticus said: "You are a Christian, then?" Justin said: "Yes, I am a Christian".

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The prefect said to Justin: “You are called a learned man and think that you know what is true teaching. Listen: if you were scourged and beheaded, are you convinced that you would go up to heaven?” Justin said: “I hope that I shall enter God’s house if I suffer that way. For I know that God’s favor is stored up until the end of the whole world for all who have lived good lives”.

The prefect Rusticus said: “Do you have an idea that you will go up to heaven to receive some suitable rewards?” Justin said: “It is not an idea that I have; it is something I know well and hold to be most certain”.

The prefect Rusticus said: “Now let us come to the point at issue, which is necessary and urgent. Gather round then and with one accord offer sacrifice to the gods”. Justin said: “No one who is right thinking stoops from true worship to false worship”.

The prefect Rusticus said: “If you do not do as you are commanded you will be tortured without mercy”. Justin said: “We hope to suffer torment for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, and so be saved. For this will bring us salvation and confidence as we stand before the more terrible and universal judgment-seat of our Lord and Savior”.

In the same way the other martyrs also said: “Do what you will. We are Christians; we do not offer sacrifice to idols”.

The prefect Rusticus pronounced sentence, saying: “Let those who have refused to sacrifice to the gods and to obey the command of the emperor be scourged and led away to suffer capital punishment according to the ruling of the laws”. Glorifying God, the holy martyrs went out to the accustomed place. They were beheaded, and so fulfilled their witness of martyrdom in confessing their faith in their Savior.

And some of the faithful having secretly removed their bodies, laid them in a suitable place, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ having wrought along with them, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.+

Pastor

Pastor on vacation

June 15-21 and June 29-July 5

Please contact Pastor Kroonblawd 651-295-7590 or Pastor Wenndt (260-440-6807) and an elder for care while Pastor is on vacation.

Council Meeting Minutes - May 13, 2026

Attending: Wes Drost, Craig Wallace, Lyle Tegels, Marlin Johnson, Randy Drost, Jon Frank, Sheryl Huisenga, Jodee Sharp, Deanna Cole, Pastor Peterson

Meeting opened with prayer led by Pastor Peterson Secretary's Report approved

Treasurer's/Financial Report: Communion supplies ordered. Fuel bill received for Church and Parsonage. Check for Pastor's retirement account was victim fraud. Farmer's State Bank replaced the money back into Church Account. Report of fraud to Capital One. It was motioned and seconded to approve the report.

Elder's Report: no current issues.

Evangelism Committee: preparing for summer season: float for street parade during Summer Water Carnival and annual Church Potluck last Sunday of July

Trustees' Report: Wes D. fixed replaced shingles on roof of Bell Tower. Caulked around the window in Bell Tower. Bathroom vanities in Fellowship Hall bathroom may need new faucet and drains. Water heater under the kitchen sink problem still needs to be resolved. Wes D. to talk with Karen VM about this

Pastor's Report: 8 shut-in visits and 2 hospital visits. Church Service to change to 9am starting May 24th

Old Business: none

New Business: Discussed Contemporary style of service to attract younger members. Is this something our church can support? VBS to start at the end of June in evening hours. Journals to be given to each child attending.

Meeting was closed with Lord's Prayer

Deanna Cole/Church Council Secretary

**GOD IS THE SOURCE AND OWNER
OF ALL. AS STEWARDS, WE
POSSESS WHAT HE ENTRUSTS
TO US.**

“The earth is the Lord’s, and everything
in it, the world, and all who live in it”
(Psalm 24:1).



Daughters of Emmanuel Meeting

May 27, 2026

DOEs met during Lenten dinner with 7 members in attendance. Secretary and financial reports were read and approved.

Old Business: none

New Business:

*VBS is June 29-July 2nd. Sign up sheets in Fellowship Hall. Hanging up fliers and confirming
Supplies still needed. Can use some help with crafts.

*Water flowers-Helga and Kim will water.

*Need Sunday School teachers for next year if you know anyone interested.

*DOEs summer boat ride Aug 19th at 6:00pm.

Offering and mites collected.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Submitted by Helga Gross, Secretary

Mary/Martha Meeting

May 14, 2026

Mary & Martha met May 14th with 12 in attendance. Minutes and financial reports were approved.

Old Business: Group of 9 tied 17 quilts and will tie again June 1 at 9am with noon potluck.

*Spring Rally was well attended and very nice-Speaker was great.

New Business:

*VBS is last week of June.

*Group voted to donate \$50 to purchase journals for VBS.

*Mary/Martha June Breakfast and Guest Day will be June 10th at 9:30am at Judy Kramers.

*Orphan Grain Train group will help June 23rd-meet at church at 9:30 to ride together.

Meeting adjourned with Lords Prayer and a Table prayer.

Submitted by Pam Wollesen, Secretary

Birthdays

Name	Date
Lance Peters	01
Donna Smidt	02
Ryli Racobs	04
Vicky Jones	04
Tawna Gross	04
Courtney Bostwick	05
Faye Rohrbeck	08
Angelina Huegerich	10
Tom Reaman	11
Jaxon Carroll	12
Jerry Kruse	13
LuAnn Norris	15
K'Lee Naberhaus	15
Makaylon Graff	15
Mike Frank	16
Jason Huisenga	16
Emilee Barnhart	17
Kristen Norris	19
Wayne Lietz	24
Elizabeth Kerkhoff	25
Kristen Drost	25
Kalee Jenkins	28
Mark Auen	30
Paula Addison	30

Serving in God's House

Elders:

June 7: Dave Woltman (712) 660-3532
June 14: Craig Wallace (606)584-3221
June 21: Marlin Johnson (712)-210-0879
June 28: Lyle Tegels (712)830-7151

Acolytes:

June 7: Makena Liechti and Grace Wallace
June 14: Ryder Siebrecht
June 21: Brynn Boeckman and Cora Maddix
June 28: Konnor Snider

Counters:

June 7: Amber Hadden and Julie Reaman
June 14: Lucas & Kalyn Johnson and Karen Van Meveren
June 21: Brigit Frank and Mark Kruthoff
June 28: Amber Hadden and Julie Reaman

Greeters:

June 7: Randy & Julie Drost
June 14: Gary & Myrna Kruse
June 21: Roger & Rita Peters
June 28: Judy Kramer & Jan Stock

Anniversaries

Jim & Kathy Carroll	07	52yrs
Ross & Tami Moeller	10	37yrs
Rev Don & Jen Peterson	17	31yrs
Bob & Brenda Benston	21	52yrs
Ben & Melissa Wallace	22	13yrs
James & Phyllis Leitz	25	54yrs
Chuck & Pam Wollesen	25	59yrs

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

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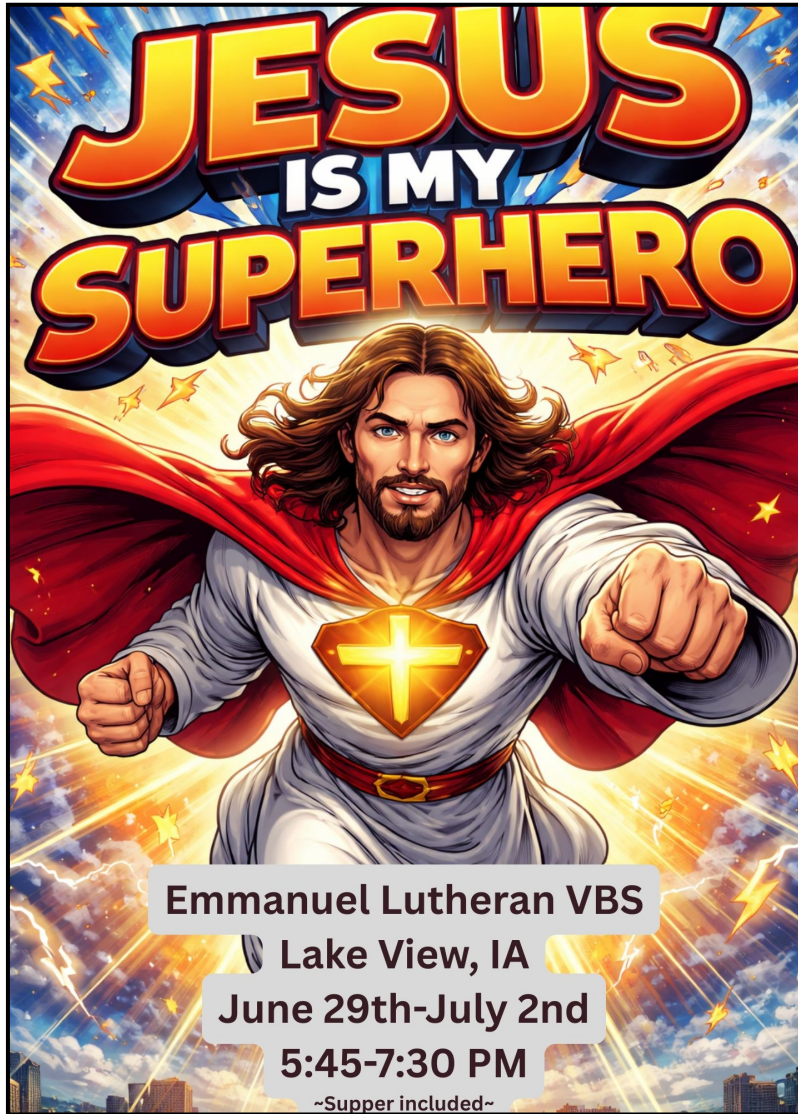
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Pastor Don Peterson: 657-3056 (home) or 712-830-5017 (cell)

June 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5 7:00 am Men's Bible Study	6
7 9:00 Worship Evangelism Committee after service	8	9	10 9:30 Mary/ Martha Breakfast	11	12 7:00 am Men's Bible Study	13
14 9:00 Worship	15	16	17	18	19	20
		Pastor on vacation				
21 9:00 Worship	22	23	24	25	26 7:00 am Men's Bible Study	27
28 9:00 Worship	29	30				
		Pastor on vacation				



VBS is changing in 2026!

We're excited to try something new and eagerly anticipate all the great families that will get to discover Jesus and all the great things He has done for us.

Registration Sheets are in the Fellowship Hall or you can contact the church office:

lakeviewemmanuel@outlook.com

or

712-657-3324

Helpers are **always** appreciated. Please sign up in the Fellowship Hall.

Even if you can only help for a day or two, that's great.

VBS Week Supper Schedule

Monday: Pancakes

Tuesday: Maidrites

Wednesday: Chicken Nuggets with Smiley Fries

Thursday: Hamburgers and Hot Dogs at 30 Acres