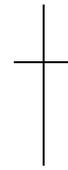


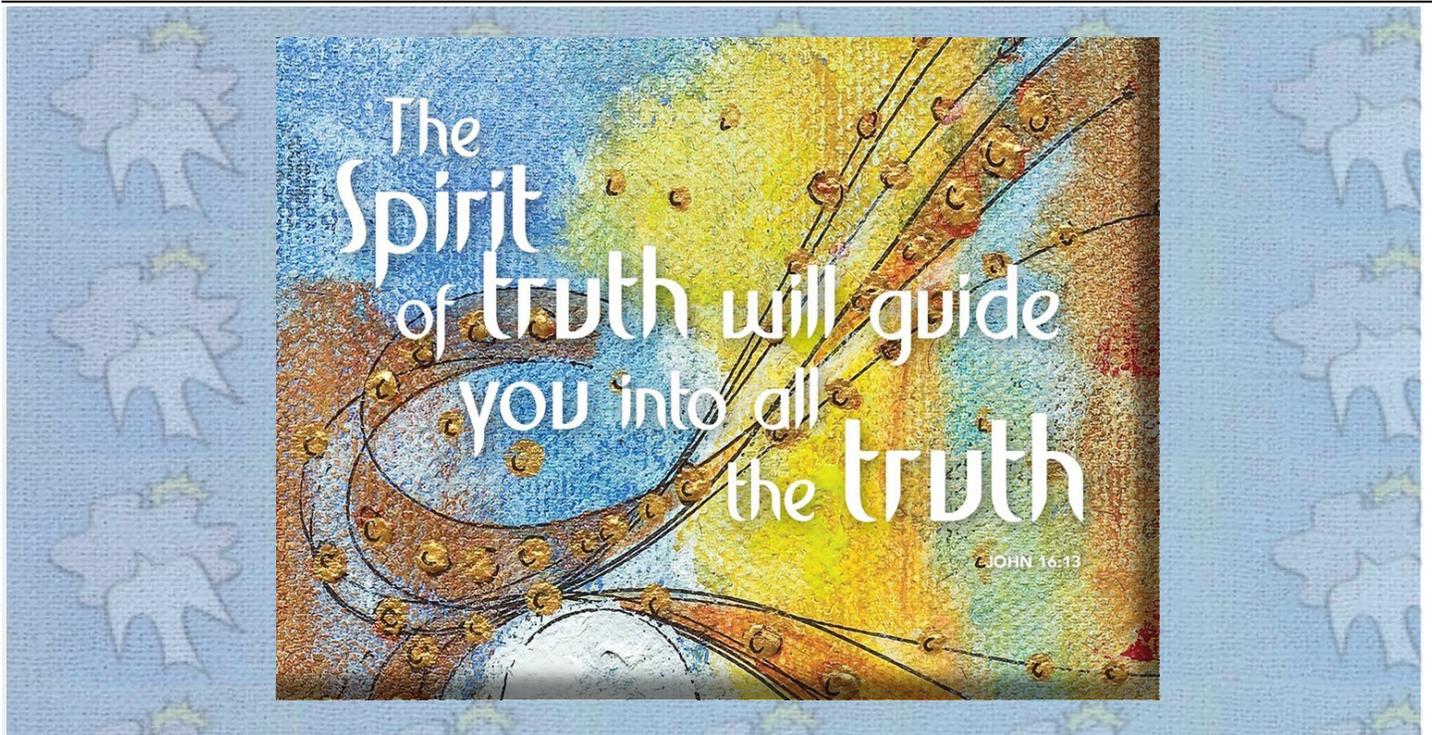
God With Us

The Newsletter of Emanuel Lutheran Church in Hartford



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Growing in Faith Together.



Sundays in May

May 6	6th Sunday Easter Services at 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Sunday School	John 15: 9-17
May 13	7th Sunday of Easter Services at 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Sunday School	John: 17: 6-19
May 20	Day of Pentecost Affirmation of Baptism Services at 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Sunday School	John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15
May 27	The Holy Trinity Services at 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Sunday School	John 3: 1-7

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From the Pastor



It's Sunday night as I write these reflections and I just took my dog on a wonderful

walk. My favorite flowers are the spring flowers--tulips, hyacinths, crocuses, daffodils--and they are all in full bloom. It seems, after a series of false starts, spring has finally sprung.

I love spring. It is probably my favorite season of the year--there is so much new life, so many possibilities, so many opportunities that present themselves with a sense of renewal.

That's how I am feeling at Emanuel, as well. The last several months I have been spending a lot of time getting to know members better and learning more about its history and who you are. In the next few weeks I will be having my final Mission and Ministry Meetings and if you haven't signed up to take part in one, I urge you to go to the website and sign up or else do so at church. I tried to personally email everyone who has not attended a meeting yet, whose email I had, to send them a link to sign up. I can't emphasize enough how vital these are to laying the groundwork for our next several years together.

But once these meetings are done, it will be time to take all of the ideas that have been generated at the meetings and see which of these seeds will take root and germinate into real and tangible ministries of the congregation, to find out what will spring forth.

In order to do that, my plan is to take all of the information I have garnered during these meetings with me on a retreat, where I will spend time separating them into groupings of ideas and possibilities and praying over the best way to present and explore them.

My hope is to use the information I have received to also work on ideas for a mission statement and values to go along with the purpose statement that I hope to make the lasting "tagline" for Emanuel--"In the City for Good."

The mission statement will spell out a bit more of what we believe our purpose is--in other words, what does it mean to be "In the City for Good." Our values both flow from our mission and purpose and help define them.

I will take a stab at writing out a mission statement based on what I have heard from everyone and present it to the council late this summer, work to refine it based on feedback we receive after we share it in the fall, and we will vote on it at our annual meeting in January.

There will also be an opportunity for all the members to weigh in on what you believe our core values as a congregation should be, which the council will winnow down to select core values that will also be voted on during our annual meeting.

I take mission and core values very seriously, since I believe they become the cornerstone of all the decisions the council and congregation make. Most decisions aren't hard if you first consider what your mission is and how they line up with your core values. For example, if one of your core values is "respect for all people" and you are trying to decide to do something that is exclusionary, it is pretty clear it doesn't line up with your core values.

Two of my personal core values are honesty and integrity, which is why it is essential for me to be transparent in this process we are going through as a congregation. I liken it to preparing to plant--I

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am tilling the ground so that whatever ideas are planted the ground is ready to receive.

My dream is that as we continue through this process, we are laying the groundwork for fruitful ministries that will bloom and grow like so many of the lasting ministries that have defined the work of Emanuel over the years.

I am also aware that I am preparing for a long growing season--not a short spurt (to mix metaphors, a marathon, not a sprint) so I am being deliberate about every step that I have been taking as your pastor.

Looking to the next months ahead--I am hoping in addition to formulating the missions and values, as part of a long range planning process, we will also have a deliberate outreach internally in an effort to get everyone who is connected to Emanuel to get involved in a ministry as well as intentional opportunities externally to work on outreach and welcoming and encouraging people to join our community in its mission to "Be In the City for

Good."

The good news about all of this planning though, is that I know that the pressure is not on me to do it alone. In Isaiah, the prophet writes "For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it." (Is. 55:10-11)

When we are seeking God's guidance as we plan and prepare, and center ourselves in God's Word as we proceed, we will be used as tools in God's garden to help what God plants among us to grow.

My prayer for every member of Emanuel is that you will join in this season of renewal, see where you hear God calling and leading you to be connected, and help us lay roots for lasting ministries that will allow new life to spring forth "In the City for Good."

Since you asked...

Why don't we use Hand Sanitizer in the pews? It was suggested we put Hand Sanitizer in the pews. After some discussion, we determined that this was not the best choice, since there was concern about keeping and maintaining bottles in the pews without it creating a bigger mess. There was also some concern about the message that would be sent if, after sharing the peace, a person then reached over publicly, grabbed the bottle and used hand sanitizer. Instead, those who wish to do so, can have some in their purse or pocket and use it more discreetly whenever they wish to do so.

What is the status of hiring a youth or young adult coordinator or additional staff? Pastor Paula has broached the idea of a shared staff person focusing on youth, young adults, and social ministries with churches in the Greater Hartford Conference and has received some interest. She is exploring expanding it to local Episcopalian congregations and perhaps UCC churches as a way to cast the net wider, in the hopes of getting some folks on board for a search process commencing this summer.

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Members of the Church Council

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March 2018 Council Meeting

Council President Mark Hollertz called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

Reports

- ♦ *AED Implementation* -Sarah Parmelee provided an update on AEDs (automatic external defibrillator) and the possibility of purchasing several AEDs for Emanuel. Sarah, Monica Swanson and Mindy Olson have been meeting to research this possibility. The hope would be to have an AED in the gym and in the church in the event of an emergency. Quotes have been received, including the cost to train people in the use of AED, First Aid and CPR. Discussion followed on who would be trained (staff, ushers, Sprout volunteers). Zoll is a brand of AED most frequently used in public spaces; they are user friendly, provide spoken directions, and cannot cause injury if used incorrectly. There was Council consensus to move forward and include this purchase as part of the 2018 Capital Plan.

- ♦ *2018 Capital Plan Review* - A 2018 Capital Plan

was distributed for review, revised to include the purchase of 2 AED defibrillators for \$3,200. After discussion on the individual projects, costs and other alternatives, a motion was made to as follows: In recognition of the ongoing needs related to the care and operations of Emanuel’s facilities, the congregation is to approve an allocation of \$65,900 from the Capital Needs Endowment Fund to support the projects as outlined, with the understanding that unanticipated needs may require modifications/re-prioritizing as determined by Council and Property Committee. Motion was seconded and passed by Church Council. (The Capital Plan was presented to the Congregation for a vote on April 15. Please see page 7for a list of the projects.)

- ♦ *Devotions on Faith Life* - Pastor Paula led the Council in discussion on “Scripture that speaks

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to you,” with members sharing their most meaningful Bible verses. Following devotions, the minutes of the Feb 27, 2018 meeting were accepted as written.

Pastor’s Report

- ♦ March of Our Lives - This is a student led demonstration in support of tighter gun control and against the violence. Lutherans in CT will gather at Emanuel to march over to the park together. An ecumenical prayer service will be held in the sanctuary, refreshments will be available, and water bottles will be handed out on Emanuel’s front steps.
- ♦ Shared Youth/Young Adult Leader - There are a few other churches who are interested in sharing the costs associated with hiring a Youth staff person. This has huge advantages as a cost saver and as a bridge to help strengthen community with other Lutheran Churches.
- ♦ Vacation Bible School - Emanuel is now booked to hold a Vacation Bible School at Emanuel August 6 - 10. In partnership with Calumet and run by Calumet counselors, it is intended for children from the congregation as well as children from the neighborhood. It is expected that this can be free for all who wish

to attend. Funding can be made available from the Christian Ed and confirmation budgets as well as the Calumet scholarship fund.

- ♦ Women’s Retreat – Booked at Camp Calumet for 2019. Details to follow.
- ♦ Anti-Racism Training - Pastor Paula will attend some training at the end of April.

Treasurer’s Report

- ♦ Bobbee Canfield distributed the Profit & Loss and Balance Sheet for review by Council. On the Income side, rental income is behind due to lead abatement project but regular offerings are ahead of plan due to receipt of full year pledges. Expenses have Personnel costs running behind plan and minor timing variances in other categories. It was noted under Other Income, that investment income was \$ 65,961 year to date; the outstanding gain of \$245,413 in January was followed by the loss of \$179,452 in Feb.

Other Items

- ♦ Deepak Pedada has agreed to lead the volunteer effort for the May 5 Walk for Hunger. \$485 has been raised so far with the “noisy offering” on the first Sunday of the month. Pastor Paula will meet with the children to decide where the noisy offering donation will go.

Camp Calumet Vacation Bible School Dates Set--August 6-10

This summer, Camp Calumet will be coming to Emanuel to put on a Vacation Bible School. It will be held August 6-10. They provide the counselors and curriculum and Emanuel provides the kids. A full day of VBS is offered Monday-Friday, 9-4 for ages 6-14. A half day of VBS is offered Monday-Friday, for ages 4-5. Youth ages 14-15 in the

congregation are encouraged to serve as Counselors-in-training (CITs). They will meet with the Calumet staff on Sunday, August 5 at 4pm. More information will be forthcoming, but contact the church office if you want to register your child or if you are willing to provide housing for the Calumet staff from Sunday-Thursday.

2018 Capital Plan Approved!

On April 15, the congregation gathered at a special meeting and voted to approve the following building projects for 2018:

Expand existing fire alarm system to include Chapel smoke detection	\$ 2,000
Repair/replace pole lighting in the parking lot	\$ 3,000
Install safety padding in gym (north wall and stage edge)	\$ 4,000
Replace north auditorium/gym doors	\$ 7,500
Replace Luther Hall rear entry door	\$ 6,000
Engineering study on West tower and parish building North windows	\$ 6,000
Purchase 2 AED Defibrillators	\$ 3,200
Re-key church/parish building locks	\$ 5,000
Install additional air conditioning unit in Luther Hall	\$12,000
Install parish building directional and room signage	\$ 1,000
Hungerford House improvements (appliances, laundry hookups, floor refinishing)	\$ 9,000
Purchase 3 pedestal fans for church cooling	\$ 1,200
Restore landscaping	\$ 500
Install lobby exterior signage, bench, accessories	\$ 4,000
Refresh/amend front exterior signage	\$ 1,500
Total 2018 Capital Plan.....	\$65,900

These projects will be funded from the Capital Needs Endowment Fund. Property and project teams will work to implement the most cost effective and appropriate solution to meet Emanuel’s needs. Thankfully the major Tower and Accessibility projects are now behind us -- but there will certainly be plenty of projects keeping us busy in 2018!

2018 Scholarship Opportunities

Emanuel is proud to maintain thirteen scholarship endowment funds, valued at approximately \$1.15 million at the end of 2017. Last year, thirty members of Emanuel’s family received \$71,050 in scholarship or grant awards, bringing the awards for the past ten years to over \$540,000 for 150 individuals. How blessed Emanuel has been to benefit from the generosity of the scholarship fund donors who left gifts that would positively impact the lives of so many Emanuel people! And now in 2018, it is time to outline the various academic and other scholarships that are available for the year.

Oscar & Louise Modeen Scholarship

By far Emanuel’s largest scholarship fund, it was established through the generosity of Oscar and Louise Modeen in 1956. Eligible candidates must be members in good standing who are attending a 4-year college, full time for all semesters in the 2018-2019 academic year. Additional criteria and application procedures can be found on page 9. While awards vary year to year, the annual pool is based on 5% of the rolling 5-year average fund balance, or about \$32,000, resulting in individual scholarships typically in the range of \$1,000-\$2,500 per year.

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2018 Scholarship Opportunities (continued)

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Ernest & Laura Wignall Scholarship

This fund was established in 2002 by Mr. Wignall in memory of his wife Laura for the purpose of assisting active and participating members of Emanuel enrolled in a Bachelor degree program. Additional criteria and application procedures for this \$5,000 scholarship can be found on page 9.

Philip & Gertrude Nestor Education Fund

Grants from this fund are made possible through the thoughtfulness of Philip and Gertrude Nestor who presented the church with a financial gift to help Emanuel's college students. \$150 grants are awarded upon graduation to Emanuel members completing their senior year of college study to help offset book and ancillary college expenses. There is no application process; graduating seniors are encouraged to notify the Church Office of their graduation date, college or university, and degree.

John & Alma Olson Jacobson Education Fund

Presented to Emanuel by the Estate of John and Alma Olson Jacobson in 1997, this fund is intended to be used for deserving members pursuing a college education. This scholarship is based on financial need.

A. Elizabeth Jacobson Education Fund

Established in 1987 as a general education fund, this fund has typically been made available for educational pursuits beyond undergraduate degrees (for which the Modeen and Wignall funds are available), including educational projects or professional skill development.

John Eric Johnson Graduate Ministerial Education Fund

Established in 1979 by the provisions of the will of John Eric Johnson, this fund is used to support

Emanuel members and staff in pursuit of graduate education in specialized service to the church in areas including; chaplaincy, gospel ministry, parish education, music, youth ministry, communications, foreign service, social services or church administration.

David Harper Music Scholarship

This scholarship fund was established in 1983 in honor of the late Minister of Music Emeritus David E. Harper to provide scholarships for elementary, middle and high school students pursuing private studies in the musical arts. Annual awards are typically in the range of \$150-200 per student.

Applications for these scholarships will be available on the Emanuel website: <http://emanuelhartford.org/grow/scholarships/>. If you are unsure whether your particular educational pursuits qualify for one of Emanuel's scholarships, please fill out the "General" application. A completed application form will help in determining which of the funds an individual might be eligible for. Forms should be submitted by June 30, 2018.

Liljedahl Johnson Camp Calumet Fund

The Liljedahl Johnson Camp Calumet Fund was established in 2015 and provides \$200 grants to each Emanuel youth attending Calumet. Parents who are registering children to attend Camp Calumet this summer are asked to contact the Church Office.

There are also two scholarship funds that allow Emanuel to reach into the community. The **Sven and Fern Carlson Scholarship Fund**, established in 2007, is need-based and can provide grants to assist neighborhood young people in pursuing post-high school education. Similarly, the **Friday Night Scholarship** program, established through

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gifts from Emanuel donors, assists Friday Night Program participants in attending post-high

school technical school, community college or 4-year colleges.

Modeen and Wignall College Scholarships

There are again two scholarships available to student members of Emanuel Lutheran Church. The Modeen Scholarship and the Ernest C. & Laura S. Wignall Scholarship Applications will be available on the Emanuel website: <http://emanuelhartford.org/grow/scholarships/>.

To be considered for either scholarship you must:

- ♦ Be a member in good standing of Emanuel Lutheran Church (have communed and made a recorded financial contribution in the past year).
- ♦ Attend a 4-year college full time, for all semesters, in 2018-2019
- ♦ Have a grade point average of 2.5 or above.
- ♦ Complete 10 hours of service to Emanuel Lutheran Church. For students not returning to the Hartford area during the school year, they may complete service hours at a church where they attend school during the 2018-2019 academic year.

To be considered for a **Modeen Scholarship** you must complete the application and write a letter to the committee addressing the Modeen Scholarship.

To be considered for a **Wignall Scholarship** you must complete the application and write a letter to the committee addressing the Wignall Scholarship.

You may apply for both scholarships if you are attending a 4-year college or university. Please note if the letters for the two scholarships are not demonstrably different, you will only qualify for one scholarship. The same committee reads both applications and will see if only the name of the

scholarship is changed between the two letters. More information will be included in the application, but suffice it to say a \$5,000 Wignall Scholarship on top of a Modeen scholarship, for example, necessitates a significantly different letter. Both scholarships are competitive so complete your application accordingly. Rubrics will be provided with the application. Please see the website <http://emanuelhartford.org/grow/scholarships/> for the forms, the rubrics and additional information.

For any additional questions and information please contact Rosie Vojtek at rvojtek@edovation.com. 860-582-8663 (home phone) or 860-965-8882 (cell phone). For any emails regarding these scholarships, please put "Modeen/Wignall Scholarship" in the subject line.

Important Dates

- ♦ The application, the official transcript and all supporting documentation must be submitted before midnight June 30, 2018.
- ♦ Applications will be available May 1, 2018.

Leadership Greater Hartford Needs You

Leadership Greater Hartford, the premier leadership development organization serving Greater Hartford for more than 40 years, is now accepting applications for their *Leaders On Board* program. This program began in 2010 and trains individuals interested in serving on nonprofit boards and then helps them connect to organizations seeking new board members. To date, *Leaders On Board* has helped to place more than 645 individuals on the boards of 145 different nonprofits. Some of these organizations are well es-

tablished nonprofits whose boards are largely policy making boards, but most of them are smaller, often newer and frequently boards looking for members who want to roll up their sleeves and work on the mission of the organization. These nonprofit organizations welcome people for all ages and backgrounds so this is a wonderful way to “do good” in the community.

For more information, contact: Mae Maloney, Program Director at 860-951-6161 x 1900 or mae.maloney@leadership.org.

Altar Guild Looking for Volunteers

Do you have just 8 hours in a year that you could volunteer to fill candles in the church and chapel? That is all it will take IF we can get 3 volunteers (or 3 pairs of volunteers working together) to take responsibility for the candles for just one month out of every six months.

Free training will be provided! (not recommended

for parents of young children who need supervision before and after church services)

For more information and/or to volunteer, please contact Diane Troutman (drmt1313@gmail.com or home 860-659-0919).

Thank you in advance!



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Are there any plans to pursue Emanuel becoming a Reconciling in Christ congregation? This question was asked, in one form or another, at over half of the Mission and Ministry meetings held thus far. A Reconciling in Christ congregation is a Lutheran community that has made a public, specific indication of its welcome to people of all sexual orientations and gender identities. Congregations and worshipping communities typically pass an Affirmation of Welcome or Welcome Statement at a congregational meeting that is formulated through a series of conversations and discussions within the congregation. Because of the widespread support expressed, the question of pursuing RIC status was brought to the Church

Council, who asked Pastor Paula to move forward in finding out further information about the process we need to go through to become an RIC congregation. The first of several steps is to form a Core Committee, who will help guide the congregation through the process, including as assessment to discern where the congregation stands with regard to becoming RIC and setting a course based on that assessment. If you are interested in being on the Core Team, to help guide Emanuel as we pursue this, please let Pastor Paula know.

Ascentria Care Alliance

We have been invited by the Synod to consider their request for support. The individuals and families that we serve have been blessed by our generous donations in the past and our kindness has certainly made a difference!

Donations of basic toiletry items and bed sheets

are requested and will be shared with folks living in Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, and Connecticut. Details about this collection are below.



New England Synod Assembly

Mass Mutual Center Springfield, MA
June 7 - 9, 2018

Donation Appeal Congregations: Put Your Faith in Action!

Please consider bringing donations for the individuals and families Ascentria serves.

Your thoughtful donations will be shared with:

- Refugees, including unaccompanied minors
- Older adults and the elderly
- Children, youth and families
- Persons with developmental disabilities, mental illness and deafness
- Those who are economically disadvantaged

Items requested:

- Sheets: twin or full size (new)
- Toiletry items (full size preferred)
 - Shampoo, conditioner
 - Bar soap or body wash
 - Toothpaste
 - Toothbrush, dental floss
 - Deodorant
 - Lotion
 - Feminine care products
 - Shaving supplies
 - Diapers for ages 0 – 3years



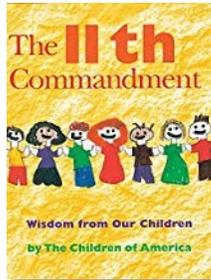
"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." 1 Peter 4:10



For questions please contact: Diane Fitzmaurice, Volunteer Manager
dfitzmaurice@ascentria.org or 774.243.3938

Children's Library News

If you could write an 11th Commandment, what do you think it would be? In *The 11th Commandment* by The Children of America, children of all faiths and backgrounds are asked to reveal what they would write as an 11th Commandment. This delightful book reveals different ways that children hear God's voice in the world around them. It is also illustrated by the children who have written the commandments. Charlotte Ulle, a 12-year-old, writes that "fat, skinny, tall or thin, remember, God made you in his own image---the way he wanted you to be". 6-year-old Bryan Tuckman says, "do not be frustrated or else your anger will wreck the beautiful times with your family". Then there is 11-year-old Christina Evans who writes,



"be a kid before you're an adult! (you'll only be a kid once)." These are only a few of the ideas that are shared in this book.

Many of you are probably familiar with the book *The Littlest Angel* by Charles Tazewell, but are you familiar with his book *The Littlest Uninvited One*? Cherub Michael, an impish little guy, doesn't feel at home in the Celestial City until he finds companionship with a puppy named Exodus. Since a dog had never been seen in Heaven, he creates quite a stir and is banished from the City. How will Michael react, and will the puppy be allowed to return? You can find out by reading this book, waiting to be checked out in the Children's Library!

Children's Library Plea

The Children's Library continues to have a problem with books and DVDs not being returned. Our budget is small and having to replace books that have not been returned causes us to limit new items that we can buy. We recently tried to reorder an extremely popular out of print book that has not been returned, only to find it is still

available for a price of \$1999.99! Obviously that one will no longer be in our collection. We ask that you please check your bookshelves and DVD shelves to see if you may have items that you have forgotten to return. Thank you.



Trinity Academy Gala

This is Emanuel's ad that appeared in the program for the Trinity Academy Gala Program

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Emanuel Lutheran is excited to be exploring a partnership with Trinity Academy, potentially a second campus, in support of our mission to be "in the City for Good."

Worship Ministry for May

Acolytes & Crucifers

May 6	Acolyte	Aron Kiehne
	Crucifer	Libby Karim
May 13	Acolyte	Braden Hazard
	Crucifer	Brittany Caldwell
May 20	Acolyte	Alejandro Morales
	Crucifer	Mebret Farquhar
May 27	Acolyte	Andre Montoya
	Crucifer	Gifty Kannah

Aides

May 6	PreK-K	Lindsey Anderson
	1st & 2nd	Hannah Karin
	3rd & 4th	Meredith Swanson
May 13	PreK-K	Brynn Murphy
	1st & 2nd	Griffin Fairchild
	3rd & 4th	Matthew Graulich
May 20	PreK-K	Samantha Johnson
	1st & 2nd	Trey Hazzard
	3rd & 4th	Rhiannon Kiersznowski

Assisting Ministers

May 6	Janice Favreau
May 13	Lynn Strecker
May 20	Alan Meeds
May 27	Mal Doyle

Communion Preparers

May 6	Jeannette Urban
May 13	Val and Craig McDonald
May 20	Linda Cutler and Rae Ann Gremel
May 27	Marjorie Johnson

Greeters

May 6	Ellen Johnson
May 13	Diane and Gary Troutman
May 20	Michael and Celine Coons
May 27	Peter and Becky Murphy and Family

Lectors

<u>8:00 a.m.</u>	
May 6	Randy Olson
May 13	Christine Dalton
May 20	TBA
May 27	Kathy Haller
<u>10:00 a.m.</u>	
May 6	Janice Favreau
May 13	Monique Jennings
May 20	Mebret Farquhar
May 27	Bobbee Canfield

Sound & Recording

May 6	Harry Arcand
May 13	Lindsey Anderson
May 20	Lizzy Arcand
May 27	Noah Fairchild

Note: Coffee Hour Hosts are needed for May 13.

Would you like to help with Sunday Worship? Please contact our ministry coordinators

Greeters	Eileen Mitchell	860-688-4867
Lectors.....	Lynn Sherman	860-523-1702
Ushers.....	Jim Ashwell	860-667-0264
Assisting Ministers	Janice Favreau	860-978-1681
Sound & Recording	Mal Doyle	860-561-1582

Special Emanuel Birthdays this Month

Frederick Hazard (May 10), Eleanor Doyle (May 27), Inge Levin (May 29),
Virginia Smith (May 31)



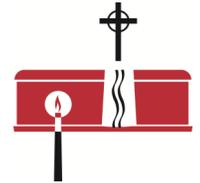
Special Emanuel Anniversaries this Month

Gail and Frederick Hazard (May 15), Janet and John Starkes (May 23),
Joan and Bill Farquhar (May 28)



In Memoriam

- ✠ Richard Johnson passed from this life into life eternal with God on Wednesday, April 4.
- ✠ Dorothy (Dot) Johnson of Massachusetts passed from this life into life eternal with God on Friday, April 6.
- ✠ Russell Bjorklund passed from this life into life eternal with God on Saturday, April 7.
- ✠ Susan Johnson, passed from this life into life eternal with God on Tuesday, April 17.



Please remember their family and friends as they are entrusted into the care of our Savior, in whom we place our trust and confidence in the face of death.



Please remember the following individuals in your prayers.

Linda Cutler † Emre † Brook Nowak † Mal Doyle † Dr. Candi Carroccia †
Gail Duek † Karin Gottier † Rudy Peterson † Carol Johnson † Elaine Wilson †
Joan Feldmann † Doris Barron † Betty-Lois Benson † Inger & Beverly Swanson

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
April 29 5TH SUNDAY of Easter † Services at 8:00 and 10:00 am • Sunday School • 11:30 Mission & Ministry Meeting	30	May 1 • 10:00 AM Craft Group • 10:00-12:00 CT Genealogists • 7:00 PM Neonatal Bereavement	2 • 6:00 PM Confirmation Students	3 • 9:30 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry • 10 AM Bible Study • 12:00 Senior Lunch • 6:30 – 7:30 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal	4 • 3:30 – 9:00 PM Friday Night Program	5 • 8:45 – 3:00 PM Women of the ELCA Spring Gathering (Zion Lutheran) • 10:00 – 12:00 Noon Sprout • 10:00 AM Foodshare Walk Against Hunger at Dunkin Donuts Park. Register at 8:30. • 6:00 PM - Emanuel & Yard Goats baseball (vs. Portland)
6 6TH SUNDAY of Easter † Services at 8:00 and 10:00 am • Noisy Offering • Sunday School • 11:30 – 1:30 Mission & Ministry Meeting	7	8 • 10:00 AM Craft Group • 7:00 PM Property Committee	9 • 6:30 Potluck Dinner and Pictures	10 • 9:30 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry • 10 AM Bible Study • 6:30 – 7:30 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal • 7:00 Mutual Ministry Meeting	11 • 3:30 – 9:00 PM Friday Night Program	12 • 10:00 – 12:00 Noon Sprout
13 7TH SUNDAY of Easter † Services at 8:00 and 10:00 am • Sunday School	14	15 • 10:00 AM Craft Group • 7:00 – 9:00 PM Mission & Ministry Meeting	16 • Confirmation Potluck Dinner with Prayer Friends	17 • 9:30 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry • 10 AM Bible Study • 6:30 – 7:30 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal	18 • 3:30 – 9:00 PM Friday Night Program	19 • No Sprout • 11:00 AM Elinor McCue Memorial Service
20 DAY OF PENTECOST † Services at 8:00 and 10:00 am † Confirmation Sunday • Sunday School	21	22 • 10:00 AM Craft Group • 7:00 PM Council Meeting	23	24 • 9:30 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry • No Bible Study • 6:30 – 7:30 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal	25 • 3:30 – 9:00 PM Friday Night Program	26 • 10:00 AM Martha Dimantry Kannah Service for her uncle
27 HOLY TRINITY † Services at 8:00 and 10:00 am • 10:00 am – Baptism of Kai & Izzy Hazard	28 Memorial Day Church Office Closed	29 • 10:00 AM Craft Group	30	31 • 9:30 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry • 10:00 AM Bible Study • 6:30 – 7:30 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal	June 1 • 3:30 – 9:00 PM Friday Night Program	2 • 10:00 – 12:00 Noon Sprout

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