

Emanuel News – June 3, 2018

ARE YOU OR YOUR DAUGHTER/SON GRADUATING THIS YEAR?

If you or your daughter or son is graduating from High School or College this year Emanuel would like to know!

- High School Graduates: In addition to their names, let us know what high school they attended and what their plans are. If it's college then what college are they planning on attending.
- College and Grad School Graduates: Let us know the school, the degree and major and what your plans are.

There are sheets for recording this information in Luther Hall.

We will be honoring our graduates on an upcoming Sunday!

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.

Applications for the Emanuel scholarships are available on the Emanuel website:

www.emauehartford.org under Education. If you are unsure whether your particular educational pursuits qualify for a specific scholarships, please fill out one of the "General" applications. A completed application will help in determining which of the funds an individual might be eligible for. Applications should be submitted by June 30, 2018.

ITEMS FOR THE POOR AT THE SYNOD ASSEMBLY – FINAL SUNDAY

As in previous years, there will be a collection of items for the poor at the Synod Assembly on June 7. This year the request is for bedding. The Emanuel Congregation has generously supported these collections in the past and will support the collection this year. Please place your donation in the large bin in Luther Hall that has a "For the Synod Assembly" on it.

NEW KEYS REQUIRED

Our locksmith is in the process of rekeying the entire Emanuel facility. The locks on all interior doors and exterior doors will be changed.

All old keys will be useless --but don't worry, Rachid will be able to open any necessary doors. New keys will be issued as quickly as possible -There is a short form that will be used to keep track of who is being issued which keys. For the exterior keys, new alarm codes will also be issued.

Why new keys? Over the years and during construction, keys and codes have been spread far and wide. We've also now got many more doors that are not keyed alike. From a security standpoint, it's sensible to step back (every few decades!) and rekey, and then reassign keys to those who need them.

A few new door handles too... On those doors that are most frequently used (conference room, kitchen, music room, craft room), the old door knobs have been changed to the new lever style handle for improved accessibility.

This project was approved as part of the 2018 Capital Plan and is funded by the Capital Needs Endowment Fund. If you have any questions, please contact Jane Wunder at 860-525-0894 or jane.wunder@emauehartford.org.

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USHERS NEEDED FOR THE 8:00 AND 10:00 AM SERVICES

Ushers are needed for both the 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM services. If you are willing to welcome worshipers on Sunday, distribute Worship Bulletins, help with the offering, the Communion Service, and offer assistance when needed then please consider becoming one of the ushers. If you have any questions, please see either Bob Graulich or Jim Ashwell on Sunday morning. There are sign-up sheets in the Chapel for the 8:00 AM service in the Luther Hall for the 10:00 AM service. You can also sign-up online for the 10:00 AM service at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0e45ada82aa7fc1-ushers>

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL ON AUGUST 6TH THROUGH AUGUST 10TH.

- A full day will be offered Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM for ages 6 through 14.
- A half day of VBS will be offered Monday through Friday for ages 4 and 5.
- 14 or 15-year olds can serve as “Counselors in Training”. Those that are interested in serving as “Counselors in Training” will meet with the Counselors on Sunday, August 5th.
- There is no charge for participating in the Vacation Bible School program.
- There are sign-up sheets in Luther Hall or online at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0e45ada82aa7fc1-2018>. We will need the name of the child, their age, the name of the parent/guardian and the parent/guardian’s contact information.
- VBS Brochure, Poster and Parent/Guardian Permission are attached.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT EMANUEL

- June 7-9—New England Synod Assembly in Springfield
- June 9 — Last Sprout until September
- June 9—Wedding of Hannah Bloomquist and Mark Krominske
- June 12—Property Committee Meeting at 7:00 PM
- June 26—Church Council at 7:00 PM
- June 27-July 1—ELCA Youth Group Gathering in Houston
- August 6-10—Vacation Bible School. Sign up in Luther Hall

VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED FOR FRIDAY NIGHT PROGRAM

The Friday Night Program needs Volunteers! There are two time slots available each Friday, one from 3:30—6:00 PM and one from 6:00 PM—9:00 PM. We need two volunteers for each time slot.

The primary duty of the Volunteers is to check participants in (a check in table is set up in the lobby of the new entrance) and direct them up the stairs to the Gym. You do not need to know anything about basketball!

We have three ways for you to sign up.

- A signup sheet is available in the Luther Hall.
- You can also call the church or email john.franzis@emanualhartford.org with the dates and timeslots that you are able to volunteer for.
- Sign-Up on line at: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0e45ada82aa7fc1-friday>