

**Emmanuel
Lutheran**
CHURCH & SCHOOL
ASHEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

SUNDAY AUGUST 31, 2025
12th Sunday of Pentecost
10:00AM BLENDED WORSHIP

OUR VISION: FULLY ENGAGED, BIBLICALLY PASSIONATE, DRIVEN TO SERVE

Praying for Opportunity to Share Your Story



1 Peter 3:14-22

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Sunday—August 31st, 2025



- > 9:00 am Kid's Sundays School (room off the Fellowship Hall) <
- >10:00am Combined Service<
- > The Food Pantry is CLOSED TODAY! <



Today's Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by:
Honoring Labor Day!

Servers	10:00am	Sound & Tech Crew: Benjamin M., Lucas M. & Janelle L. Altar Guild: Dana Novak & Susan Roby Offering Counters: Ed & Deb De Berry
Elder	Susan Roby	
Acolyte	TBD	
Ushers	Dirk Wilmoth Mark Salsieder	
Communion	Mike Rush Susan Roby	
Lector	Carolyn Salsieder	





AS WE GATHER

Entering the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem, the traditional site of the birth of Jesus, is one of the most memorable experiences for any Christian pilgrim visiting the Holy Land. First constructed at the commission of Roman Emperor Constantine the Great in AD 326, the church is on the oldest site continually used for worship by Christians anywhere in the world. Although the basilica initially had a grand arched entrance in its first thousand years, it came into a period of disuse and neglect after the conquest of the Holy Land by the Islamic rulers of the Ottoman Empire in AD 1516. In an effort to prevent people from entering the church with horses and cattle, the Christians caring for the building at that time walled up the main entrance, leaving only a very small door. This opening has ever since been known as the “Door of Humility.” It makes a most fitting way for those who come to worship at the site of the manger of the Christ Child to enter that sacred space. Where we worship here and now is also a sacred space. Although we may not have needed to bow down to enter the front door today, bringing an attitude of humility to our worship of our gracious Lord is truly fitting for us.

CALL TO WORSHIP *“A Christian's Daily Prayer”*

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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SONG *“Jesus, Firm Foundation”*

(Verse 1)

How firm a foundation you saints of the Lord
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word
What more can He say than to you He has said
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled

(Verse 2)

Fear not He is with us O be not dismayed
For He is our God our Sustainer and Strength
He'll be our Defender and cause us to stand
Upheld by His merciful almighty hand

Chorus

How firm our foundation

How sure our salvation

And we will not be shaken

Jesus firm foundation

(Verse 3)

The soul that is trusting in Jesus as Lord
Will press on enduring the darkest of storm
And though even hell should endeavor to
shake

He'll never no never no never forsake

He'll never no never no never forsake

(Sing Chorus)

Bridge

Age to age He stands faithful to the end
All may fade away but He will remain

He will remain

(Repeat Bridge)

(Sing Chorus)

Jesus Firm Foundation!,

Jesus Firm Foundation!

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

OPENING SENTENCES

Psalm 149:1-4

Pastor: Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a new song,

People: **His praise in the assembly of the godly!**

Pastor: Let Israel be glad in his Maker;

People: **Let the children of Zion rejoice in their King!**

Pastor: Let them praise His name with dancing, making melody to Him with tambourine and lyre!

People: **For the LORD takes pleasure in His people; He adorns the humble with salvation.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: It is good and right that we should make confession of our sins. The section on confession in Luther's catechism instructs us with these words: "Confession has two parts. First, that we confess our sins, and second, that we receive absolution, that is, forgiveness, from the pastor as from God Himself, not doubting, but firmly believing that by it our sins are forgiven before God in heaven." Humble yourselves, then, before God, confess your sins to Him, and implore His forgiveness.

People: **O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a troubled and penitent sinner, confess to You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your present and eternal punishment. By nature, I am a sinful creature. By thought, word, and deed I have continually transgressed Your law. For the sake of the sufferings and death of Your Son, Jesus Christ, be gracious and merciful to me, a penitent and contrite being. Forgive me all of my sins and grant me the power of Your Holy Spirit that I may amend my sinful life.**

Pastor: God be gracious to you and strengthen your faith.

People: **Amen.**

Pastor: As you believe, so let it be. As a called and ordained servant Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

O Lord of grace and mercy, teach us by Your Holy Spirit to follow the example of Your Son in true humility, that we may withstand the temptations of the devil and with pure hearts and minds avoid ungodly pride; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT Proverbs 25:2–10 (Guidelines for a blessed life)

² It is the glory of God to conceal things, but the glory of kings is to search things out. ³ As the heavens for height, and the earth for depth, so the heart of kings is unsearchable. ⁴ Take away the dross from the silver, and the smith has material for a vessel; ⁵ take away the wicked from the presence of the king, and his throne will be established in righteousness. ⁶ Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great, ⁷ for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble. What your eyes have seen ⁸ do not hastily bring into court, for what will you do in the end, when your neighbor puts you to shame? ⁹ Argue your case with your neighbor himself, and do not reveal another's secret, ¹⁰ lest he who hears you bring shame upon you, and your ill repute have no end.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE 1 Peter 3:14-22

¹⁴ But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, ¹⁵ but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect, ¹⁶ having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷ For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil. ¹⁸ For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹ in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, ²⁰ because they formerly did not obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water. ²¹ Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²² who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

HOLY GOSPEL *Luke 14:1-14 (Jesus teaches about humble living)*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fourteenth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

¹ One Sabbath, when Jesus went to eat in the house of a prominent Pharisee, he was being carefully watched. ² There in front of him was a man suffering from abnormal swelling of his body. ³ Jesus asked the Pharisees and experts in the law, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath or not?" ⁴ But they remained silent. So taking hold of the man, he healed him and sent him on his way. ⁵ Then he asked them, "If one of you has a child or an ox that falls into a well on the Sabbath day, will you not immediately pull it out?" ⁶ And they had nothing to say. ⁷ When he noticed how the guests picked the places of honor at the table, he told them this parable: ⁸ "When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take the place of honor, for a person more distinguished than you may have been invited. ⁹ If so, the host who invited both of you will come and say to you, 'Give this person your seat.' Then, humiliated, you will have to take the least important place. ¹⁰ But when you are invited, take the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he will say to you, 'Friend, move up to a better place.' Then you will be honored in the presence of all the other guests. ¹¹ For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." ¹² Then Jesus said to his host, "When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends, your brothers or sisters, your relatives, or your rich neighbors; if you do, they may invite you back and so you will be repaid. ¹³ But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, ¹⁴ and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON HYMN LSB 830 "Spread the Reign of God the Lord"

1 Spread the reign of God the Lord,
Spoken, written, mighty Word;
Ev'rywhere His creatures call
To His heav'nly banquet hall.

2 Tell how God the Father's will
Made the world, upholds it still,
How His own dear Son He gave
Us from sin and death to save.

3 Tell of our Redeemer's grace,
Who, to save our human race
And to pay rebellion's price,
Gave Himself as sacrifice.

4 Tell of God the Spirit giv'n
Now to guide us on to heav'n,
Strong and holy, just and true,
Working both to will and do.

5 Enter, mighty Word, the field;
Ripe the promise of its yield.
But the reapers, oh, how few
For the work there is to do!

6 Lord of harvest, great and kind,
Rouse to action heart and mind;
Let the gath'ring nations all
See Your light and heed Your call.

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SERMON "Praying for Opportunity to Share Your Story"
(1 Peter 3:14-22)

APOSTLES' CREED

People: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

People: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

TESTIMONY #1

OFFERING

OFFERTORY SONG "Heal our Land"

Verse 1

You take our lives flawed yet beautiful

Restore refine Lord You're merciful

Redeem revive

Chorus

Spirit of God

Breathe on Your church

Pour out Your presence

Speak through Your word

We pray in ev'ry nation Christ be known

Our hope and salvation Christ alone

Verse 2

New pow'r new wine as divisions fall

One church one Bride Jesus Lord of all

With one voice we cry

(SING CHORUS)

Instrumental

Bridge

So God we pray to You

Humble ourselves again

Lord would You hear our cry

Lord will You heal our land

That ev'ry eye will see

That ev'ry heart will know

The One who took our sin

The One who died and rose

(REPEAT BRIDGE)

And when Your kingdom comes

And when at last You call

We'll rise to worship You alone

(SING CHORUS 2x)

Ending

Christ alone

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and have showed Your gracious power to us through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. We give You thanks that in His most Holy Supper You reveal Your sacred presence among us and number us with Your saints. Grant that we may receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood as we gather at His command.

People: Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD *Matt.26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Cor.11:23–25*

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My \times body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My \times blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST *1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:2*

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always. **People: Amen.**

DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

LSB 628 "Your Table I Approach"

1 Your table I approach;

Dear Savior, hear my prayer.

Let not an unrepentant heart

Prove hurtful to me there.

2 Lord, I confess my sins

And mourn their wretched bands;

A contrite heart is sure to find

Forgiveness at Your hands.

3 Your body and Your blood,

Once slain and shed for me,

Are taken at Your table,

Lord, In blest reality.

4 Search not how this takes place,

This wondrous mystery;

God can accomplish vastly more

Than what we think could be.

5 O grant, most blessèd Lord,

That earth and hell combined

May not about this sacrament

Raise doubt within my mind.

6 Oh, may I never fail

To thank You day and night

For Your true body and true blood,

O God, my peace and light.

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LSB 708 "Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart"

1 Lord, Thee I love with all my heart;

I pray Thee, ne'er from me depart,

With tender mercy cheer me.

Earth has no pleasure I would share.

Yea, heav'n itself were void and bare

If Thou, Lord, wert not near me.

And should my heart for sorrow break,

My trust in Thee can nothing shake.

Thou art the portion I have sought;

Thy precious blood my soul has bought.

Lord Jesus Christ, my God and Lord,

my God and Lord,

Forsake me not! I trust Thy Word.

2 Yea, Lord, 'twas Thy rich bounty gave

My body, soul, and all I have

In this poor life of labor.

Lord, grant that I in ev'ry place

May glorify Thy lavish grace

And help and serve my neighbor.

Let no false doctrine me beguile;

Let Satan not my soul defile.

Give strength and patience unto me

To bear my cross and follow Thee.

Lord Jesus Christ, my God and Lord,

my God and Lord,

In death Thy comfort still afford.

3 Lord, let at last Thine angels come,

To Abr'ham's bosom bear me home,

That I may die unfearing;

And in its narrow chamber keep

My body safe in peaceful sleep

Until Thy reappearing.

And then from death awaken me,

That these mine eyes with joy may see,

O Son of God, Thy glorious face,

My Savior and my fount of grace.

Lord Jesus Christ, my prayer attend,

my prayer attend,

And I will praise Thee without end

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POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray.

Holy Father, we ask You now, by this blessed food and drink, to deliver Your church from every evil, to teach it to love You perfectly, and to make it truly one, even as this bread was made from many grains of wheat to become the carrier of the body of our Savior, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

People: Amen.

TESTIMONY #2

BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24–26*

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

People: Amen.

CLOSING SONG “Let Your Kingdom Come”

(Verse 1)

Your glorious cause O God
Engages our hearts
May Jesus Christ be known
Wherever we are
We ask not for ourselves
But for Your renown
The cross has saved us so we pray
Your kingdom come

Chorus 1

**Let Your kingdom come
Let Your will be done
So that ev’ryone might know Your Name
Let Your song be heard ev’rywhere
on earth
Till Your sov’reign work on earth is done
Let Your kingdom come
Let Your kingdom come**

(Verse 2)

Give us Your strength O God
And courage to speak
Perform Your wondrous deeds
Through those who are weak
Lord use us as You want
Whatever the test
By grace we’ll preach Your Gospel till
Our dying breath

Chorus 2

**Let Your kingdom come
Let Your will be done
So that ev’ryone might know Your Name
Let Your song be heard ev’rywhere
on earth
Till Your sov’reign work on earth is done
(Sing Chorus 1)**

(Ending)

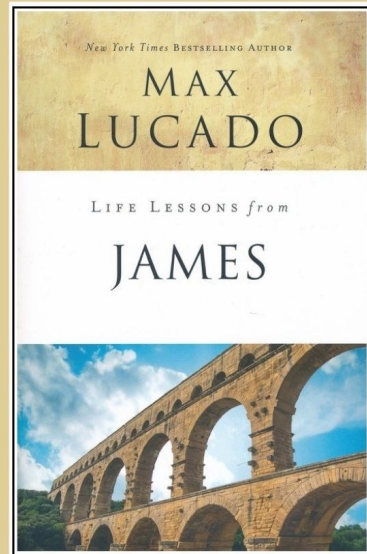
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Women's **BIBLE STUDY** **1:30 - 2:30PM**

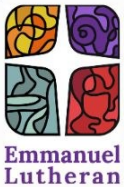
**1ST & 3RD
WEDNESDAY
MONTHLY**

**IN THE SUNDAY SCHOOL ROOM
OFF THE FELLOWSHIP HALL**

BEGINS SEPT. 3RD



CONTACT KAY THORP
OR THE CHURCH OFFICE FOR MORE INFO.



Emmanuel Lutheran Church's

RSVP



Oktoberfest

October 18, 2025
12-3 pm

Live music
Free German meal

Beer and wine
\$3



Sacred Communion Values

As baptized Christians, having received instruction in the Holy Sacrament; our precious Savior and Lord Jesus Christ invites us to His Holy Meal in which we receive the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. Before we receive the Holy Sacrament, we should:

- Examine our relationship with God & others according to the Ten Commandments;
- Truly repent of our sins and seek forgiveness in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord;
- Faithfully believe God's Word which teaches us that in, with, and under the bread and wine we receive the true body and blood of our Savior and Lord Jesus Christ;
- By the working of the Holy Spirit through Word and Sacrament, commit our life as a redeemed disciple of Jesus Christ through thought, word, and deed.



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WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, September 1

Happy Labor Day—Church Office Closed

Tuesday, September 2

Wednesday, September 3

12:00pm Midweek Worship Service (Sanctuary)
1:30 Women’s Bible Study (rm off fellowship hall)

Thursday, September 4

6:00pm ELCS Parish Admin. Meeting (Narthex)

Friday, September 5

6:00pm Pickleball (gym)

Saturday, September 6

Sunday, September 7

8:30m Traditional Worship Service

9:45am Adult Sunday School (School Music room)
9:45am Kid’s Sunday School (off fellowship hall)

11:00am Blended Worship Service

Post-Service Prayer Ministry Support (Altar)
1-3:00pm Food Pantry is CLOSED
5:00pm High School Youth Group

Last Sunday’s Attendance & Stats

In-person

Services: 1st — 77 2nd — 76

Wednesday Noon 8/6: 12

Online

Website: 28

FB: 19

Upcoming Member Celebrations

BIRTHDAYS:

8/31 - AARON EDMISTON
9/2 - JUSTIN HODGES
9/2 - GAIL THOMAS
9/6 - HANNAH GONZALEZ

ANNIVERSARIES:

9/1 Ron Pepin(Caryl+)

Previous Week’s Offerings

General Offering Received: \$ 7103.86

Building Funds Received: \$

***Weekly Offering Budget:** \$ (12817.31)

CHURCH STAFF:

Senior Pastor: Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Skopak
Director of Christian Education: Alexi Lundquist
Parish Administrator: Dirk Wilmoth
Business Administrator: Gail Thomas
Finance Asst.: Leigh Horsley
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Organist: Lula Meulenberg;
Digital Media : Peter Linton
Hospitality Ministry: Shirley Parker
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SCHOOL K-8

Principal/STEAM: Mark Edmiston
Admin. Assistant: Shari Reaves
Asst. Principal/MS English: Denise Ball
Director of Admissions: Emily Leatherwood
Kindergarten: Kim Noel & Jamie Wertham
First Grade: Denise Ball (interim)/Mackenzie Knapp
Second Grade: Leigh Weaver
Third Grade/Curriculum Coordinator: Kiara Studer
Fourth Grade: Chelsey Towery
Fifth Grade: Emily Lundquist
MS Science: Leigh Conner
MS Math: Jenelle Lanham
MS Social Studies: Mindy Stackhouse
PE/Athletic Director: Jennifer Jenkins “Coach J”
Art: Tammy Reilly
Music & Spanish: A.L. Brown

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION:

Director: Nicole Loria
Admin Assist: Carolyn Mashburn
Younger Infants: Paula Jones and Rachel Bishop
Older Infants: Becky Swatzell & Hydeia Beck
Toddlers 1: Lindsey Smathers & Mikayla Gulbrand
Toddler2: Neesie Castillo and Ivy Robles
PS2: Veronica Milner and Christy Credle
PS-2/3: Amy Bair and Julia Sherman
PS3: Madison McDonald and Jasmine Riddle
PS3/4: Robin Rutherford & DeAsia Little
PreK-1: Madison Peach & Cleo Green
PreK-2: Faith Noell & Crystal McCormick
Floating Aid: Felicia Norton
Cafeteria: Kristen Warren and Mikaela Bennett

ELC Grab n Go Sunday Food Pantry

Sunday 8/24
85 Households, 312 Individuals served

Praying for Opportunity to Share Your Story
1 Peter 3:14-22

The apostle Peter gives to us a directive on how to live in the world with a _____ heart

- I. Be Thankful for Your Heart of _____
- A. 1 Peter _____
1. Because of our sinful rebellion we have a “heart _____”
 2. Genesis _____
- B. Peter reminds us: Christ _____ for our sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous
1. But Peter doesn’t _____ there
 2. 1 Peter _____
 3. There is _____ in the washing of sins through Baptism; there is _____ in the resurrection of Jesus
- II. Where There is _____ - There is _____
- A. Peter reminds us of the daily effect the _____ is going to have on our heart
1. 1 Peter _____
 2. In our daily walk the Lord is going to give us _____ to give a witness or defense of our faith
- B. What is 750,000 miles long, could wrap around the earth 30 times and grow an additional 20 miles longer with each passing day? _____ who don’t know _____
1. _____ of non-Christians do not know what a Christian means when he uses the term “Gospel”
 2. _____ of non-Christians have no idea what John 3:16 means
 3. No people in history, since the resurrection of Jesus, have had as many _____ to share the Gospel with people

- soul
- a. The scary statistic: It is estimated that _____ of Christians today have never told an unbelieving about Jesus
 - b. But remember: Living with a _____ heart naturally includes a heart that pumps the message of Jesus
- III. There Will be _____
- A. 1 Peter _____
1. Because we believe in Jesus there should be a _____ difference between us and the world
 2. The indwelling of the _____ makes us different
 - a. Words, _____, even our thinking
 - b. And not _____ is going to like that about us
- B. Our response to negative reactions? It is better to _____ for doing good than for doing evil
1. “Stormy _____ is what man needs from time to time to remind him he’s not really in charge of anything”
 2. Our _____ in the storm comes from Jesus - His life, death, and resurrection

Let’s keep living with the Good News of _____ pumping forgiveness and new life into our hearts and inspiring us to seek opportunities to share our story of faith. Let us _____and _____ knowing Jesus is the Savior of the World - especially to those right around us





Emmanuel Lutheran Prayer List The Week of August 31, 2025

These are people in need of prayers this week. "Lord Jesus we commend into Your hands the needs of people that go through challenges of many kinds. You know their joys, troubles, illnesses, and fears. We now commend them to You.

"Prayers for good health, swift Healing, & Favor:

- **Nick & Brooke Jud - (Reaves) Baby Gracelyn Anna born 8/27**
- **Barb Haun - (Mary Hufnagle's SIL) Recovering after Hiatal Hernia surgery**
- ◇ **Lorenz Family & Friends- (Christi Lorenz's mom, Marliyn, passed away 8/24**
- **Lisa Anders-Hoepgen & Family (Horsley, friend/neighbor) Daughter, Sundari, passed away at age 14. Prayers for comfort, hope, peace.**
- **Barbara Haseley - (I.Lopez Grandmother) Breast Cancer**
- **Virginia Lopez - (E.Lopez Mom) in Hospice care**
- **Ron Gill - (D.Meyer friend) Cancer**
- **Alice & Dawn - (J.Kearley friends) both have breast cancer**
- Jason Morris - (D.Myer's friend) Jason's mother died suddenly, he has a brother with special needs
- Lee Hagan - (Pres./Missouri District) recovering from a stroke
- Don Erbes - (Meyer's friend) Heart Surgery 7/28
- ◇ CJ Reece - outpatient surgery for catheter ablation soon
- ◇ Ed Schallhorn - recovering from major surgery at home
- ◇ Rev. J. Christensen (Pastor Mt. Pisgah) recovering from pancreatitis; now home with a long recovery ahead
- ◇ Mike Walker — At CarePartners as of 7/23
- Zeb Dowdle (N. Black, best friend) Needs kidney transplant due to being on meds since age 5, after a heart transplant.
- ◇ = *Emmanuel Lutheran Church Members*
(See back for those diagnosed & living with long-term conditions)

Emmanuel Lutheran Church is a praying community!

We believe the promise of God regarding His Word.

Prayer request cards are located on the bottom of our attendance cards in the sanctuary on the back on the pews. You may also

Prayers for those with long-term illnesses & conditions:

- ◇ Harold Neuenkirchen Linda Poppenhagen
- ◇ Ken Treadway Rev. Mark Spelzhausen (J. Gibney, friend)
- ◇ Lorenzo Lopez Donna Logeman (E.Lundquist, mother)
- ◇ Dale Pioch Nancy Hutchins (G. Bailey, friend)
- ◇ Peg Hardesty Ann Downs (K. Emory, mother)
- ◇ Jim Clark Ann Melious (McCarthy family)
- ◇ Steve Taylor Carol Harris (S.Ude's friend)
- ◇ Mary Hufnagle Robin Worley (J.Kearley's friend)
- ◇ Sharon Pruett Virginia Lopez (E. Lopez, mother)
- ◇ Diana Hempel Chris Alstrin (L.Schulhof, friend)
- ◇ Emily Nieting Jennie Buckner (C.Cline's neighbor)
- ◇ Cynthia Cline Elsie Lankford (S. Pruett's mother)
- ◇ Helen Cline Mike Lemmons (J. Groh)
- ◇ Marjorie Locke Jamie Leyva (C. Leyva, daughter-in-law)
- ◇ Mike Walker Ron Riddle (B. King, friend)
- ◇ Julia Kearley Erin Y. (J. Thomas, friend)
- ◇ C.J. Reece Ralph Ector, Jr & Snr (S.Edwards, family)
- ◇ Mike Fastenau Tyrone Ayres (S. Edwards, friend)
- ◇ Ray Bailey Lynn White (S. Edwards, cousin)
- ◇ Don Maskell Randy Booker (J. Kearley, brother-in-law)
- ◇ Todd Sluder (C. Piercy, friend)
- ◇ Mary Walker (D. Meyer, aunt)
- ◇ Brandon Talofuse, Newton Crave (E.Bailey)
- ◇ Barbara Frazier (A.Charlson, mom) cancer

PRAYERS FOR OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBER BROTHERS & SISTERS:

- ◇ K. Ray Bailey ◇ Carol Cook ◇ Diana & Isabelle Hempel
- ◇ Teenie Smathers ◇ Marjorie Locke ◇ Andre & Lori Benson
- ◇ Ken & Carol Treadway ◇ Helen Cline ◇ Gerry & Peg Hardesty
- ◇ Jim & Judy Clark ◇ Cleta McCall

Scripture & Prayer

"Ask, and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks will receive, and anyone who seeks will find, and the door will be opened to those who knock...How much more, then, will your heavenly Father give good things to those who ask Him!" (Matthew 7:7-8, 11b)

Dear Father, come to our homebound brothers and sisters. Encourage them every day and give Your peace that passes all understanding. May they experience Your great love for them again and again. Fill them with the hope of everlasting life in Jesus. Be the Encourager and the Helper to their families and caregivers. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen.