



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

**SUNDAY OCTOBER 12, 2025**

*18th Sunday of Pentecost*

**8:30AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP**

**11:00AM BLENDED WORSHIP**

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

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## Continuous Joy in the Presence of God



*Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit.*

**Psalm 51:12**

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# Sunday October 12th, 2025

Directly after second service:

- > Personal Prayer Ministry (after 11am service at the altar)<
- > 9:45 Adult Sunday School (School Music Room off the Gym) <
- > 9:45 Kid's Sundays School (room off the Fellowship Hall) <
- > 1:00 - 3:00 pm The Food Pantry is OPEN!<



Today's Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by:  
Bill and Shirley Parker - in honor of Bryan & Samantha Parker's wedding.  
May the years ahead be filled with lasting joy.

## 8:30am Traditional Service

Call to Worship: "Grace Greater than Our Sin"

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## AS WE GATHER

In our Readings today, we see not only where faith guides but also to whom it ultimately leads. In Ruth 1, we learn of Naomi's difficulties as she faced numerous instances of grief. Yet her faith remained in the Lord and His provision, which would lead her to Judah. Faithful to her mother-in-law, Ruth would be guided not only to a new land but also to the knowledge of the one true God. In 2 Timothy 2, even amid imprisonment and suffering, Paul points young Timothy and all hearers in faith to remember Jesus Christ, reminding of the One who remains faithful despite earthly troubles. In Luke 17, ten lepers encounter Jesus and beg for His mercy. Jesus heals them all and then affirms the faith of the cleansed Samaritan, making him well spiritually. As we are called, gathered, and enlightened by the Holy Spirit, who gives and sustains the gift of faith still, we are guided by Scripture and led through it to our Savior, Jesus, in whose name we worship in our prayer, our praise, and our thanksgiving for all He has done.

## CALL TO WORSHIP "Nothing But Grace"

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## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OPENING SONG "Praise to the Lord Almighty"

#### VERSE 1

Praise to the Lord the Almighty  
The King of creation  
O my soul praise Him  
For He is your health and salvation  
Let all who hear now to His temple draw near  
Joining in glad adoration

#### VERSE 2

Praise to the Lord  
Who o'er all things is wondrously reigning  
And as on wings of an eagle  
Uplifting sustaining  
Have you not seen  
All that is needful has been  
Sent by His gracious ordaining

#### VERSE 4

Praise to the Lord  
Who will prosper  
Your work and defend you  
Surely His goodness and mercy  
Shall daily attend you  
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do  
As with His love He befriends you

#### VERSE 5

Praise to the Lord  
O let all that is in me adore Him  
All that has life and breath  
Come now with praises before Him  
Let the amen sound from His people again  
Gladly forever adore Him!

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## INVOCATION

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

**People:** Amen.

## OPENING SENTENCES

*Psalm 111:1–8*

Pastor: Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

People: **Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them.**

Pastor: Full of splendor and majesty is His work, and His righteousness endures forever.

People: **He has caused His wondrous works to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and merciful.**

Pastor: He provides food for those who fear Him; He remembers His covenant forever.

People: **He has shown His people the power of His works, in giving them the inheritance of the nations.**

Pastor: The works of His hands are faithful and just; all His precepts are trustworthy;

People: **they are established forever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*2 Timothy 2:1, 3, 8a, 11–13; Psalm 111:9–10*

Pastor: As we come before the Lord with humble and contrite hearts, we hear the words of encouragement from Paul to young Timothy: “You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus.”

People: **God of grace, we ask Your forgiveness for the times we seek strength away from where You promise to be present with Your Word and in Your means of grace, and for the times we have not desired the grace found in Christ Jesus, our Lord.**

Pastor: “Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus.”

People: **We confess we have chosen the easy way out when our following and serving of Jesus becomes difficult for our lives, forsaking Your name and the name You have given us in Baptism.**

Pastor: “Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead.”

People: **We confess we have not remembered the victory Jesus Christ has won for us over sin, death, and the devil, through His sacrificial death and rising from the dead. Because of this, we have not loved You with all our heart, soul, and strength, and have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

Pastor: The saying is trustworthy, for: If we have died with Him,

People: **we will also live with Him;**

Pastor: if we endure, we will also reign with Him;

People: **if we deny Him, He also will deny us;**

Pastor: if we are faithless,

People: **He remains faithful—for He cannot deny Himself.**

Pastor: Our faithful God, the one almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of 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.**

Pastor: He sent redemption to His people; He has commanded His covenant forever.

**People: Holy and awesome is His name!**

Pastor: The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding.

**People: His praise endures forever!**

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Pastor: Let us pray.

Almighty God, You show mercy to Your people in all their troubles. Grant us always to recognize Your goodness, give thanks for Your compassion, and praise Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

### **OLD TESTAMENT** *Ruth 1:1–19a* (Ruth's loyalty to widow Naomi)

<sup>1</sup>In the days when the judges ruled there was a famine in the land, and a man of Bethlehem in Judah went to sojourn in the country of Moab, he and his wife and his two sons. <sup>2</sup>The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion. They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. <sup>3</sup>But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. <sup>4</sup>These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. They lived there about ten years, <sup>5</sup>and both Mahlon and Chilion died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband. <sup>6</sup>Then she arose with her daughters-in-law to return from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the fields of Moab that the Lord had visited his people and given them food. <sup>7</sup>So she set out from the place where she was with her two daughters-in-law, and they went on the way to return to the land of Judah. <sup>8</sup>But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go, return each of you to her mother's house. May the Lord deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. <sup>9</sup>The Lord grant that you may find rest, each of you in the house of her husband!" Then she kissed them, and they lifted up their voices and wept. <sup>10</sup>And they said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." <sup>11</sup>But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters; why will you go with me? Have I yet sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? <sup>12</sup>Turn back, my daughters; go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. If I should say I have hope, even if I should have a husband this night and should bear sons, <sup>13</sup>would you therefore wait till they were grown? Would you therefore refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, for it is exceedingly bitter to me for your sake that the hand

of the Lord has gone out against me.” <sup>14</sup>Then they lifted up their voices and wept again. And Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her. <sup>15</sup>And she said, “See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law.” <sup>16</sup>But Ruth said, “Do not urge me to leave you or to return from following you. For where you go I will go, and where you lodge I will lodge. Your people shall be my people, and your God my God. <sup>17</sup>Where you die I will die, and there will I be buried. May the Lord do so to me and more also if anything but death parts me from you.” <sup>18</sup>And when Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more. <sup>19</sup>So the two of them went on until they came to Bethlehem.

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

**EPISTLE** *2 Timothy 2:1–13* (A good soldier of Jesus Christ)

<sup>1</sup>You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>2</sup>and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also. <sup>3</sup>Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. <sup>4</sup>No soldier gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to please the one who enlisted him. <sup>5</sup>An athlete is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. <sup>6</sup>It is the hard-working farmer who ought to have the first share of the crops. <sup>7</sup>Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in everything. <sup>8</sup>Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in my gospel, <sup>9</sup>for which I am suffering, bound with chains as a criminal. But the word of God is not bound! <sup>10</sup>Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory. <sup>11</sup>The saying is trustworthy, for: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; <sup>12</sup>if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he also will deny us; <sup>13</sup>if we are faithless, he remains faithful— for he cannot deny himself.

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

**HOLY GOSPEL** *Luke 17:11–19* (Jesus cleanses ten lepers.)

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

**People: Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>11</sup>On the way to Jerusalem [Jesus] was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup>And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance <sup>13</sup>and lifted up their voices, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.” <sup>14</sup>When he saw them he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went they were cleansed. <sup>15</sup>Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; <sup>16</sup>and he fell on his face at Jesus’ feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup>Then Jesus answered, “Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? <sup>18</sup>Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” <sup>19</sup>And he said to him, “Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **People: Praise to You, O Christ**

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

## **SERMON SONG** “Christ Our Hope In Life And Death”

by Jordan Kauflin, Keith Getty, Matt Boswell, Matt Papa, and Matthew Merker

### VERSE 1

What is our hope in life and death  
Christ alone Christ alone  
What is our only confidence  
That our souls to Him belong  
Who holds our days within His hand  
What comes apart from His command  
And what will keep us to the end  
The love of Christ in which we stand

### **CHORUS**

**O sing hallelujah**  
**Our hope springs eternal**  
**O sing hallelujah**  
**Now and ever we confess**  
**Christ our hope in life and death**

### VERSE 2

What truth can calm the troubled soul  
God is good God is good  
Where is His grace and goodness known

In our great Redeemer's blood  
Who holds our faith when fears arise  
Who stands above the stormy trial  
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh  
Unto the shore the rock of Christ

### **(CHORUS)**

### VERSE 3

Unto the grave what will we sing  
Christ He lives Christ He lives  
And what reward will heaven bring  
Everlasting life with Him  
There we will rise to meet the Lord  
Then sin and death will be destroyed  
And we will feast in endless joy  
When Christ is ours forevermore

### **(CHORUS 2x)**

### ENDING

Now and ever we confess  
Christ our hope in life and death

## **SERMON** Pastor Dan Kelm

“Continuous Joy in the Presence of God” Psalm 51:12

## **NICENE CREED**

**C** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## **PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

## LORD'S PRAYER

**C** 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.

## OFFERING

**OFFERTORY SONG** "God So Loved" by Matt Crocker and Marty Sampson

### (CHORUS)

For God so loved the world  
that He gave His only Son  
That whosoever believes will not perish;  
they shall have eternal life

### VERSE 1

I shall hold to the cross.  
I shall hold to God alone  
For His love has salvaged me  
For His love has set me free

### (CHORUS)

### VERSE 2

I shall wait upon the Lord  
I shall wait upon His Word

And by His grace I am released  
By His grace I am redeemed

### (CHORUS)

### BRIDGE 2X

By His precious blood  
I have been set free  
For the glory of Jesus' Name  
I surrender all now to Christ alone,  
in Jesus I am saved

### (CHORUS)

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Yes, they shall have eternal life

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## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**Pastor:** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, in whom we put our trust, for if we die with You, we will also live with You; if we endure, we will also reign with You; if we are faithless, You remain faithful. By Christ's sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross, we are gathered to remember Jesus Christ risen from the dead. Grant us to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Through suffering, grant endurance, strengthened by this Sacrament in the grace of Christ Jesus as You deliver and preserve us. To You, heavenly Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**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 Cor. 11:26; Rev 22:20*

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

People: **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

## DISTRIBUTION

### DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

#### LSB 730 "What Is the World to Me"

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| <p>1 What is the world to me<br/>With all its vaunted pleasure<br/>When You, and You alone,<br/>Lord Jesus, are my treasure!<br/>You only, dearest Lord,<br/>My soul's delight shall be;<br/>You are my peace, my rest.<br/>What is the world to me!</p> <p>2 The world seeks to be praised<br/>And honored by the mighty<br/>Yet never once reflects<br/>That they are frail and flighty.<br/>But what I truly prize<br/>Above all things is He,<br/>My Jesus, He alone.<br/>What is the world to me!</p> | <p>3 The world seeks after wealth<br/>And all that mammon offers<br/>Yet never is content<br/>Though gold should fill its coffers.<br/>I have a higher good,<br/>Content with it I'll be:<br/>My Jesus is my wealth.<br/>What is the world to me!</p> <p>4 What is the world to me!<br/>My Jesus is my treasure,<br/>My life, my health, my wealth,<br/>My friend, my love, my pleasure,<br/>My joy, my crown, my all,<br/>My bliss eternally.<br/>Once more, then, I declare:<br/>What is the world to me!</p> |
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#### LSB 694 "Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower"

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| <p>1 Thee will I love, my strength, my tower;<br/>Thee will I love, my hope, my joy.<br/>Thee will I love with all my power,<br/>With ardor time shall ne'er destroy.<br/>Thee will I love, O Light divine,<br/>So long as life is mine.</p> <p>2 Thee will I love, my life, my Savior,<br/>Who art my best and truest friend.<br/>Thee will I love and praise forever,<br/>For never shall Thy kindness end.<br/>Thee will I love with all my heart—<br/>Thou my Redeemer art!</p> <p>3 I thank Thee, Jesus,<br/>Sun from heaven,<br/>Whose radiance hath brought light to me;<br/>I thank Thee, who hast richly given</p> | <p>All that could make me glad and free;<br/>I thank Thee that my soul is healed<br/>By what Thy lips revealed.</p> <p>4 O keep me watchful, then, and humble;<br/>Permit me nevermore to stray.<br/>Uphold me when my feet would stumble,<br/>And keep me on the narrow way.<br/>Fill all my nature with Thy light,<br/>O Radiance strong and bright!</p> <p>5 Thee will I love, my crown of gladness;<br/>Thee will I love, my God and Lord,<br/>Amid the darkest depths of sadness,<br/>And not for hope of high reward,<br/>For Thine own sake, O Light divine,<br/>So long as life is mine.</p> |
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## POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have strengthened us by the grace that is in Christ Jesus through His true body and blood that has been received. Strengthen us by grace, amid suffering, to remain in faith toward You and show fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

## 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 “In God We Trust”

### VERSE 1

Overwhelmed but I won't break  
Through the battle I will say  
Your grace will be enough  
Your grace will be enough  
Under fire but we won't fall  
We will never be alone  
You'll always be enough  
You'll always be enough

### (CHORUS)

**Now in God we trust  
In His name we hope  
I know God will not be shaken  
God is here with us  
He's already won  
I know God will not be shaken**

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### VERSE 2

We will follow where You go  
We will trust through the unknown  
I know You go before  
I know You go before  
Lead my heart now in Your ways  
For we're carrying Your name  
Your promise never fails  
Your promise never fails

### (CHORUS)

### BRIDGE 2X

You'll finish what You've begun  
Forever strong in Your love  
Your name is sure  
And You will fight for us  
Our hope forever secure  
In You alone

### (CHORUS)

## DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

People: **Thanks be to God.**

	8:30am	11:00am
<b>Elder</b>	Susan Roby	Joel Helms
<b>Acolyte</b>	TBD	Jacob Kanelos
<b>Ushers</b>	Mike Rush Steph- anie Hanson	James & Tracey Car- penter
<b>Communion</b>	Susan Roby Neil Pursley	TBD Lary Schulhof
<b>Lector</b>	Peter Renner	Carolyn Salsieder

**Prayer Support Team:**

Pastor Arthur  
& Kathy Gillespie

**Sound & Tech Crew:**

1<sup>st</sup>: Heather M. & Peter L.  
2<sup>nd</sup>: Lucus M. & Bryce G.

**Altar Guild:**

1<sup>st</sup>: Susan Roby  
& Dana Novak  
2<sup>nd</sup>: Margo Rabon

**Offering Counters:**

Lori Allen &  
Stephanie Hanson



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**ALL AGES!!**

# Oktoberfest

**Saturday October 18, 2025**

Live music

Free German meal

in the church & school courtyard

12:00  
to  
3 pm



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**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, October 13**

Southside Bible Group - Baldwin Home

**Tuesday, October 14**

BOD Meeting (Steam or Virtual)

**Wednesday, October 15**

12:00pm Midweek Worship Service

12:30pm Fellowship Luncheon (Narthex)

1:30ppm Women's Bible Study (Narthex)

**Thursday, October 16**

6:30pm Elder Ministry Team Mtg (Narthex)

**Friday, October 17**

No Pickleball this week :(

**Saturday, October 18**

**Oktoberfest 12:00 to 3:00 pm**

**Sunday, October 19**

Post-Service Prayer Ministry Support (Altar)

Food Pantry is CLOSED

5:00pm High School Youth Group

**Upcoming Member Celebrations**

**BIRTHDAYS:**

10/13 - Tammy Buckner

10/16 - Jan Gibney

10/18 - Justin Pruet

**Last Sunday's Attendance & Stats**

**In-person**

**Services:** 8:30 am: 82

11:00 am: 76

Wednesday Noon: 13

**Online**

**Website:** 33

FB: 22

**Previous Week's Offerings**

**General Offering Received:** \$ 7621.70

**Building Funds Received:** \$ 100.00

\*Weekly Offering Budget: \$ (12817.31)

**CHURCH STAFF:**

**Senior Pastor:** Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Skopak

**Director of Christian Education:** Alexi Lundquist

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**Facilities Mgmt:** Neil Seidler, Mike Rush, Neil Pursley

**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:** Kerry Stead /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 9/28

126 Households, 502 Individuals served



## Emmanuel Lutheran Prayer List October 12, 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:*

- ◇ **Ron Pepin - Hospitalized at Mission after a bad car wreck 10/8**
  - ◇ **Doug Piercy - prayers for continued healing**
  - ◇ **Pastor Mark Spelhausen - (J.Gibney) update. He is doing therapy to regain feeling below the waist.**
    - Kristen Warren - continued prayers for back pain
  - ◇ Rich Bair's friend @ work has a MIL with kidney cancer
    - Jonah Lewis - (E&S Edwards extended family) type 1 diabetic who had a stroke and is in ICU
  - ◇ Diana Hempel - in rehab at The Laurels after femur surgery
  - ◇ Sharon Norris - physical therapy for injured back
    - Jennie Buckner - (C.Cline friend) COPD
  - ◇ Jay Keller - prayers for continued recovery
    - McKenzie - (Samantha Parker's daughter) for health & well-being
    - Rev. Dr. John Groh - (D.Groh's bro.) had a stroke/cannot talk
    - Nicole - (S. Rauschenplat niece of BIL) Aggressive breast cancer
    - Barbara Haseley - (I.Lopez Grandmother) Breast Cancer
    - Ron Gill - (D.Meyer friend) Cancer
    - Alice & Dawn - (J.Kearley friends) both have breast cancer
    - 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 call or email your request to the church office at anytime!*

## Prayers for those with long-term illnesses & conditions:

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

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## PRAYERS FOR OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBER BROTHERS & SISTERS:

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|------------------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| ◇ 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.