



# EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

October 1, 2023  
18th Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 & 11:00 Services—Sanctuary  
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***Our Vision: A Church of fully engaged members;  
Biblically passionate, driven to serve the needs of others  
as modeled by our Savior and Lord Jesus Christ.***

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## “Smack! In The Center of Life”



*Philippians 2: 1-18*

**Celebrations Sunday, TODAY in the Narthex after each service!**

# Sunday School/Bible Study Schedule!

9:45 Pre-K thru 5th Grade—School Bldg, rm. 017

9:45 Confirmation Class, conf. rm.

9:45 Adult Bible Study Class—Fellowship Hall

**Celebrations Sunday! - Narthex**

**Grab-n-Go Food Pantry is OPEN Today**



Today's Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by:  
The Kearley Family & Marqueen Kostenbauder in memory of Harold

## **FALL Worship Schedule**

We are going to continue with having just 2 worship services that will meet in the sanctuary during the Fall season. Sunday School/Bible Study hour will be at 9:45 am.

8:30 am—Traditional Service | 11:00 am—Blended Traditional/Praise & Worship Service

### **8:30 Traditional Worship Service-DS5**

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Locke, Marjorie	OCT 4
Bair, Amy	OCT 5
Gleason, Bryce	OCT 5
Willard, Barbara	OCT 5
Yoder, Jennings	OCT 6
Buckner, Tammy	OCT 7
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Stackhouse, Rachel	OCT 29
Koon, Karl	OCT 30



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Rauschenplat, Peter and Sherry	OCT 1
Reaves, Jim and Shari	OCT 1
Kitchen, Trent and Jo	OCT 4
McCormac, Doug and Ellie	OCT 7
Greene, Doug and Martha	OCT 8
Gillespie, Arthur and Kathy	OCT 10
Perone, Lindsey and Scott	OCT 12
Kapugi, Steven and Julie	OCT 17
Hollar, Steve and Janet	OCT 19
Baker, Seth and Brenda	OCT 22
Pioch, Dale and Patti	OCT 28

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11:00 am Service

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## AS WE GATHER

Among the flags of the fifty states of the United States, one of the most distinctive is the flag of Rhode Island. It is a simple design featuring a golden anchor on a field of white, surrounded by thirteen golden stars which commemorate the fact that Rhode Island was the thirteenth of the original colonies to become a state officially. There is just one word on the flag: hope. The likely inspiration for the inclusion of this word is from Hebrews: "We who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement to hold fast to the hope set before us. We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul" (Hebrews 6:18–19). The founders of the colony of Rhode Island were hopeful of finding a place of refuge to express their Christian faith freely in their times. In our time, we also are people of Christian hope, as well as people abiding in faith who are given to charity in Christ's name.

## OPENING SONG      "Build My Life"

(Verse 1)

Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing  
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring  
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe  
We live for You

**(Chorus)**

**Holy there is no one like You. There is none beside You  
Open up my eyes in wonder, and show me who You are  
And fill me with Your heart, And lead me in Your love to those around me**

(Verse 2)

Jesus the name above ev'ry other name  
Jesus the only one who could ever save  
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe  
We live for You We live for You

**(Repeat Chorus)**

(Bridge)

I will build my life upon Your word  
It is a firm foundation  
I will put my trust in You alone  
And I will not be shaken

(Repeat Bridge)

**(Chorus)**

**Holy there is no one like You. There is none beside You**

**Open up my eyes in wonder, and show me who You are**

**And fill me with Your heart, And lead me in Your love to those around me**

**(Repeat Chorus)**

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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 68:1, 3, 19–20, 34–35*

**Pastor:** God shall arise, His enemies shall be scattered; and those who hate Him shall flee before Him!

**People:** **But the righteous shall be glad; they shall exult before God; they shall be jubilant with joy!**

**Pastor:** Blessed be the Lord, who daily bears us up; God is our salvation.

**People:** **Our God is a God of salvation, and to GOD, the Lord, belong deliverances from death.**

**Pastor:** Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel, and whose power is in the skies.

**People:** **Awesome is God from His sanctuary; the God of Israel—He is the one who gives power and strength to His people. Blessed be God!**

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

**Pastor:** Let us humble ourselves before God, confess our sins to Him, and ask His gracious forgiveness.

***“Confession Song (In You I Rest)”***

**Lord I have come, to worship yet I know  
My hands are not as clean as they should be  
My words have not brought comfort to my neighbor  
My lips have spoken words most carelessly  
My feet have taken me down paths of darkness  
and I’m ashamed of what I'm sure you see**

**In You I rest, in You I found my hope  
In You I trust, You never let me go  
I place my life within Your hands alone  
Be still, my soul**

I ask forgiveness in my time of sin  
 I know that only you can grant release  
 And in this moment you know my intention  
 is but to honor you who brings me peace  
 your love has brought me to the hour of worship  
 please cleanse heart and let me praise you now.  
 In You I rest, in You I found my hope  
 In You I trust, You never let me go  
 I place my life within Your hands alone  
 Be still, my soul

In You I rest, in You I found my hope  
 In You I trust, You never let me go  
 I place my life within Your hands alone  
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**Pastor:** Spare them, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to Your promises declared in Jesus Christ, our Lord. The almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all our sins. As a called and ordained of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People:** Amen.

#### **HYMN OF PRAISE    “In Thee Is Gladness”**

1. In Thee is gladness  
 Amid all sadness,  
 Jesus, sunshine of my heart.  
 By Thee are given  
 The gifts of heaven,  
 Thou the true Redeemer art.  
 Our souls Thou wakest,  
 Our bonds Thou breakest;  
 Who trusts Thee surely  
 Has built securely;  
 He stands forever: Alleluia!  
 Our hearts are pining  
 To see Thy shining,  
 Dying or living  
 To Thee are cleaving;  
 Naught can us sever: Alleluia!

#### **LSB 818**

2. Since He is ours,  
 We fear no powers,  
 Not of earth nor sin nor death.  
 He sees and blesses  
 In worst distresses;  
 He can change them with a  
 breath.  
 Wherefore the story  
 Tell of His glory  
 With hearts and voices;  
 All heav'n rejoices  
 In Him forever: Alleluia!  
 We shout for gladness,  
 Triumph o'er sadness,  
 Love Him and praise Him  
 And still shall raise Him  
 Glad hymns forever: Alleluia!

**SALUTATION**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty God, You exalted Your Son to the place of all honor and authority. Enlighten our minds by Your Holy Spirit that, confessing Jesus as Lord, we may be led into all truth; 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 READING** *Ezekiel 18:1–4, 25–32*

<sup>1</sup> The word of the LORD came to me: <sup>2</sup> “What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, ‘The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children’s teeth are set on edge’? <sup>3</sup> As I live, declares the Lord GOD, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. <sup>4</sup> Behold, all souls are mine; the soul of the father as well as the soul of the son is mine: the soul who sins shall die.

<sup>25</sup> “Yet you say, ‘The way of the Lord is not just.’ Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way not just? Is it not your ways that are not just? <sup>26</sup> When a righteous person turns away from his righteousness and does injustice, he shall die for it; for the injustice that he has done he shall die. <sup>27</sup> Again, when a wicked person turns away from the wickedness he has committed and does what is just and right, he shall save his life. <sup>28</sup> Because he considered and turned away from all the transgressions that he had committed, he shall surely live; he shall not die. <sup>29</sup> Yet the house of Israel says, ‘The way of the Lord is not just.’ O house of Israel, are my ways not just? Is it not your ways that are not just?

<sup>30</sup> “Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, declares the Lord GOD. Repent and turn from all your transgressions, lest iniquity be your ruin. <sup>31</sup> Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed, and make yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? <sup>32</sup> For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, declares the Lord GOD; so turn, and live.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE** *Philippians 2:1-18*

<sup>1</sup> So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, <sup>2</sup> complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. <sup>3</sup> Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. <sup>4</sup> Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. <sup>5</sup> Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, <sup>[a]</sup> <sup>6</sup> who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, <sup>[b]</sup> <sup>7</sup> but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, <sup>[c]</sup> being born in the likeness of

men. <sup>8</sup>And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup>Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup>so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup>and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

<sup>12</sup>Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, <sup>13</sup>for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

<sup>14</sup>Do all things without grumbling or disputing, <sup>15</sup>that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, <sup>16</sup>holding fast to the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain or labor in vain. <sup>17</sup>Even if I am to be poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrificial offering of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with you all. <sup>18</sup>Likewise you also should be glad and rejoice with me.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

#### **HOLY GOSPEL**            *Matthew 21:23-32*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-first chapter.

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

<sup>23</sup>When [Jesus] entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came up to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" <sup>24</sup>Jesus answered them, "I also will ask you one question, and if you tell me the answer, then I also will tell you by what authority I do these things. <sup>25</sup>The baptism of John, from where did it come? From heaven or from man?" And they discussed it among themselves, saying, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' <sup>26</sup>But if we say, 'From man,' we are afraid of the crowd, for they all hold that John was a prophet." <sup>27</sup>So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things.

<sup>28</sup>"What do you think? A man had two sons. And he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' <sup>29</sup>And he answered, 'I will not,' but afterward he changed his mind and went. <sup>30</sup>And he went to the other son and said the same. And he answered, 'I go, sir,' but did not go. <sup>31</sup>Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly, I say to you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes go into the kingdom of God before you. <sup>32</sup>For John came to you in the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him. And even when you saw it, you did not afterward change your minds and believe him."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE****SERMON HYMN "God Loved the World So That He Gave" LSB 571 (v.1,2,3,6)**

- 1 God loved the world so that He gave  
His only Son the lost to save,  
That all who would in Him believe  
Should everlasting life receive.
- 2 Christ Jesus is the ground of faith,  
Who was made flesh and suffered death;  
All then who trust in Him alone  
Are built on this chief cornerstone.
- 3 God would not have the sinner die;  
His Son with saving grace is nigh;  
His Spirit in the Word declares  
How we in Christ are heaven's heirs.
- 6 Glory to God the Father, Son,  
And Holy Spirit, Three in One!  
To You, O blessed Trinity,  
Be praise now and eternally!

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**SERMON "SMACK IN THE CENTER OF LIFE" *Philippians 2:1-18* (Rev. Arthur Gillespie)**

- i. The "Smack"
- ii. It's a "stand alone" passage.
- iii. It's a "turn back to" passage.
- iv. It's a "launch out from here" passage.
- v. The "Prayer"

**CREED "I Believe"**

(Verse 1)

I believe there is one salvation. One doorway that leads to life  
One redemption one confession. I believe in the name of Jesus Christ

(Verse 2)

I believe in the crucifixion. By His blood I have been set free  
I believe in the resurrection. Hallelujah His life is death's defeat

(Chorus)

**All praise to God the Father All praise to Christ the Son  
All praise to the Holy Spirit Our God has overcome  
The King who was and is and evermore will be  
In Jesus' mighty name I believe**

(Verse 3)

I believe in the hope of heaven. He's preparing a place for me  
Far beyond what hearts imagine. Ears have heard or eyes have seen

(Verse 4)

I believe that day is coming. He's returning to claim His bride  
Light the altar keep it burning. See the Lamb who rose a roaring Lion

**(Chorus)**

(Bridge)

No I'll never be ashamed. Of the gospel of Jesus Christ  
How could I ever walk away. From the One who saved my life  
(Repeat Bridge)

**(Chorus)**

**(Repeat Chorus)**

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## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

### LORD'S PRAYER *Matthew 6:9–13*

**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.**

## OFFERING

### OFFERTORY SONG "What A Beautiful Name"

(Verse 1)

You were the Word at the beginning  
One with God the Lord Most High  
Your hidden glory in creation  
Now revealed in You our Christ

**(Chorus 1)**

**What a beautiful Name it is  
What a beautiful Name it is  
The Name of Jesus Christ my King  
What a beautiful Name it is  
Nothing compares to this  
What a beautiful Name it is  
The Name of Jesus**

(Verse 2)

You didn't want heaven without us  
 So Jesus You brought heaven down  
 My sin was great Your love was greater  
 What could separate us now

**(Chorus 2)**

**What a wonderful Name it is**  
**What a wonderful Name it is**  
**The Name of Jesus Christ my King**  
**What a wonderful Name it is**  
**Nothing compares to this**  
**What a wonderful Name it is**  
**The Name of Jesus**

**(Chorus 3)**

**What a powerful Name it is**  
**What a powerful Name it is**  
**The Name of Jesus Christ my King**  
**What a powerful Name it is**  
**Nothing can stand against**  
**What a powerful Name it is**  
**The Name of Jesus**

(Ending)

What a powerful Name it is  
 The Name of Jesus  
 What a powerful Name it is  
 The Name of Jesus

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## **PREFACE**

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** **And also with you.**

**Pastor:** Lift up your hearts.

**People:** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**Pastor:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People:** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

## **THE WORDS OF OUR LORD** *Matthew 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 ✠ 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 ✠ 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 22:20*

**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.

**AGNUS DEI:****Lamb of God, Pure and Holy****LSB 434 (vv.1,3)**

1 Lamb of God, pure and holy,  
 Who on the cross didst suffer,  
 Ever patient and lowly,  
 Thyself to scorn didst offer.  
 All sins Thou borest for us,  
 Else had despair reigned o'er us:  
 Have mercy on us, O Jesus! O Jesus!

3 Lamb of God, pure and holy,  
 Who on the cross didst suffer,  
 Ever patient and lowly,  
 Thyself to scorn didst offer.  
 All sins Thou borest for us,  
 Else had despair reigned o'er us:  
 Thy peace be with us, O Jesus! O Jesus!

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**DISTRIBUTION****DISTRIBUTION HYMNS****“What Wondrous Love Is This”****LSB 543**

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| <p><b>1</b> What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!<br/>         What wondrous love is this, O my soul!<br/>         What wondrous love is this<br/>         That caused the Lord of bliss<br/>         To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,<br/>         To bear the dreadful curse for my soul!</p>    | <p><b>3</b> To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;<br/>         To God and to the Lamb I will sing;<br/>         To God and to the Lamb,<br/>         Who is the great I AM,<br/>         While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,<br/>         While millions join the theme, I will sing.</p>           |
| <p><b>2</b> When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,<br/>         When I was sinking down, sinking down,<br/>         When I was sinking down<br/>         Beneath God's righteous frown,<br/>         Christ laid aside His crown for my soul, for my soul,<br/>         Christ laid aside His crown for my soul.</p> | <p><b>4</b> And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;<br/>         And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.<br/>         And when from death I'm free,<br/>         I'll sing His love for me,<br/>         And through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,<br/>         And through eternity I'll sing on.</p> |

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**“Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart”****LSB 806**

- 1 Give thanks with a grateful heart,  
 Give thanks to the Holy One,  
 Give thanks because He’s given  
 Jesus Christ His Son.  
 Give thanks with a grateful heart,  
 Give thanks to the Holy One,  
 Give thanks because He’s given  
 Jesus Christ His Son.  
 And now let the weak say “I am strong,”  
 Let the poor say “I am rich,”  
 Because of what the Lord has done for us.  
 And now let the weak say “I am strong,”  
 Let the poor say “I am rich,”  
 Because of what the Lord has done for us.  
 Give thanks, give thanks.

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**POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

**Pastor:** Let us pray. Heavenly Father, we thank You for having fed us with Your life-giving food. Strengthen us through the same, especially in times of challenge or persecution, and grant us a portion with the saints in light eternal. This we ask through Jesus Christ, our everlasting High Priest, who with You and the Holy Spirit are one God, world without end.

**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** *“Jesus You Alone”*

(Verse 1)

Who is the great King of glory, seated on high in the heavens?  
 Oh, Jesus You alone.  
 You are the Lord God Almighty, strong in compassion and mercy.  
 Oh, Jesus You alone.

(Pre-Chorus)

I’ve searched the world, for a love that could fill my heart.  
 Nothing compares, to the wonder of who You are.

**(CHORUS 1)**

**"Holy". All of the earth singing, "Holy".  
 All of the angels cry, "Holy".  
 Jesus, You alone. Jesus You alone.**

(Verse 2)

You set the stars in the heavens, You set the world into motion.  
 Oh, Jesus You alone.  
 You breathed Your life in creation, You walked among Your created.  
 Oh, Jesus You alone.

**(Pre-Chorus)**

**I've searched the world, For a love that could fill my heart.  
 Nothing compares, To the wonder of who You are.**

**(Chorus 1, repeat)**

**(CHORUS 2)**

**"Worthy". All of creation sings, "Worthy".  
 All of the heavens exalt Thee.  
 Jesus You alone. Jesus You alone.**

(Verse 3)

You shed Your blood for salvation, You broke the curse for our freedom.  
 Oh, Jesus You alone.  
 You rose from death with the morning, You'll come again in Your glory.  
 Oh, Jesus You alone.

**(Chorus 1, repeat)**

**(Chorus 2, repeat)**

**(Chorus 3)**

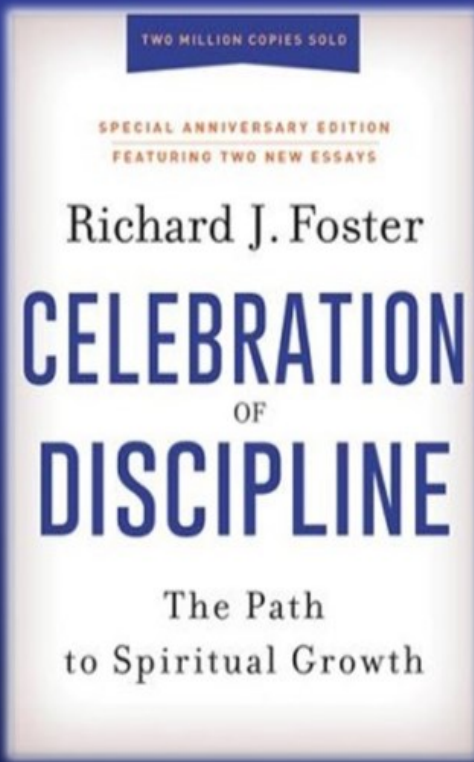
**"Holy". I cannot help but sing, "Holy".  
 Oh how my heart cries out, "Holy".  
 Jesus You alone.**

**(Chorus 4)**

**"Worthy". I lift my voice and sing, "worthy".  
 I bow my life to exalt Thee.  
 Jesus You alone. Jesus You alone.**

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### Reminders!

- > Celebrations Sunday, TODAY—Narthex, begins after first service (continues until 12:30) <
- > Men's Prayer Breakfast at Broken Egg Cafe—Saturday October 7th at 7:30am <



*Drive Thru*

# FOOD PANTRY

**For October Only**

**Pantry OPEN 3 Sundays!**

**10/1, 10/15, & 10/29**

**1 pm - 3 pm**

**Back Parking Lot**

*51 Wilburn Place, Asheville, NC, 28806*



# EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

51 Wilburn Place, Asheville, NC 28806

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**Board of Directors:** Peter Renner (Chair), David Meyer (V-Chair), Marilynne Stinson (Sec), Dirk Wilmoth, Brooke Jud, Stephen Taylor, Neil Pursley, Eugene Edwards & Ed Lopez

## Calendar

### Monday, October 2

VRQ Volunteers

5:30pm Schallhorn Bible Study

7:00pm Southside Bible Study

### Tuesday, October 3

Pastor Skopak back in office!

6:30 pm School Ministry Team Meeting (STEAM rm)

### Wednesday, October 4

8:10/10am School Chapels (Sanctuary)

Noon Wednesday Church Service

1:30 pm Women's Bible Group (church conf room)

6:00 pm Handbells practice

6:30pm Worship Band rehearsals

6:45 pm Choir practice

### Thursday, October 5

6:30 pm Parish Admin Meeting

6:30pm Worship Band rehearsals

### Friday, October 6

6:00 pm Pickleball (gym)

### Saturday, October 7

7:30am Men's Prayer Breakfast

### Sunday, October 8

8:30 am Traditional Service (Sanctuary)

9:45 am PreK-5th Grade Sunday School (Sch rm 017)

9:45 am Adult Bible Study Class (Fellowship Hall)

9:45 am Confirmation Class (church conf room)

11:00 am Blended Service (Sanctuary)

12:00 pm Elder Meeting (Ch rm 111)

6:00 pm Hausman Bible Study

5-7pm High School Youth Group (Ch rm 111)

(Food Pantry **CLOSED**)

### Birthdays:

**10/3** James Leyva, Doug McCormac, Cyndi Slocumb;

**10/4** Marjorie Locke; **10/5** Amy Bair, Bryce Gleason,

Barbara Willard; **10/6** Jennings Yoder; **10/7** Tammy

Buckner; **10/8** Jack Thorp

### > September Non-Agenarian (90+):

**10/14** Bertha Mertens

**Anniversaries:** **10/1** Peter & Sherry Rauschenplat, Jim

& Shari Reaves; **10/4** Trent & Jo Kitchen; **10/7** Doug &

Ellie McCormac; **10/8** Doug & Martha Greene

## Grab-N-Go Pantry/VRQ

Sunday—9/24 served 83 households; 292 people

September 2023 Total: served 434 households: 887 people

Senior Pastor: Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Skopak

Director of Christian Ed: Alexi Lundquist

Principal: Mark Edmiston

Early Childhood Director: Chris Smith

Church Choir & Handbell Director: Amy Brown

Church P&W Music Coordinator: Heather Meulenberg

Organist: Lula Meulenberg

## Serving Today

### **Acolytes**

8:30 TBD 11:00 Mason Franklin

### **Communion Servers**

8:30 Jim Mitchell 11:00 Vaughn Stinson

### **Lectors**

8:30 Neil Pursley 11:00 Carole Williams

### **Ushers**

8:30 Neil Pursley & Bill Hufnagle

11:00 Joel Helms & Tommy Ridgeway

### **Elder**

8:30 Susan Roby 11:00 Vaughn Stinson

### **October Altar Guild**

8:30 Amy Bair

11:00 Margo Rabon & Sherry Rauschenplat

### **October Offering Counters**

Mike & Rojealous Rush

### **Tech /Sound Crew**

Peter Linton/Steve Taylor/David Mehrling/Justin Pruett

## Last Week's On-Campus Attendance

Sunday 9/24 8:30 - 54 11:00 am -75

Wed Noon 9/27 - 15 Total — 144

## Last Week's Website & FaceBook Hits\*

Sunday 9/24 Website—30 FaceBook—117 TOTAL—147

\*Please note that more than 1 person may be watching at each device "hit" so number does not reflect actual total viewership.

## Last Week's Offerings

General Weekly Offering needed: \$12,817.31/wk

Last week General Offering received: \$ 7,720.71

Building Funds Received: \$ 430.00