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

Sunday January 21, 2024  
3rd Sunday in Epiphany

8:30am Traditional Worship  
11:00am Blended Worship

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**Our Vision:**  
Fully Engaged, Biblically Passionate,  
Driven to Serve

Weekly Calendar

**Monday, January 22**  
10:00am VRQ Lunch  
5:30pm Schallhorn Bible Study (Home of Ed Schallhorn )  
7:00pm Black Mtn Bible Study (Home of Rev Roseman's)  
7:00pm Southside Bible Study (Contact Gillespies or Baldwins)

**Tuesday, January 23**  
2:00pm Hardesty Bible Study (Home of The Hardesty's)  
6:30pm Praise Band rehearsals

**Wednesday, January 24**  
**Spelling Bee**  
8:10am & 10am School & ECE Chapels (Sanctuary)  
12:00pm Noon Midweek Church Service (Sanctuary)  
6:00pm Handbells practice  
6:45pm Choir practice

**Thursday, January 25**

**Friday, January 26**  
**ECE Closed**  
3:30pm Middle School Youth Group (modular)  
6:00pm Pickleball (gym)

**Saturday, January 27**  
10am-1pm Training for Staff Ministry (STEAM)

**Sunday, January 28**  
> **8:30 am Traditional Service (sanctuary)**  
9:45am PreK-5th Sunday School (rm 017)  
9:45am Adult Bible Study Class (Fellowship Hall)  
9:45am Confirmation Class (ch conf room)  
9:45am Choir Rehearsal  
> **11:00am Blended Service (sanctuary)**  
1-3pm Food Pantry **OPEN**  
6:00pm Hausman Bible Study (Hausman Home)  
5 - 7pm High Youth Group

**Senior Pastor:** Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Skopak  
**Director of Christian Education:** Alexi Lundquist  
**Church Office Administrator:** Leigh Horsley  
**Principal:** Mark Edmiston  
**Early Childhood Director:** Christine Smith  
**ELS K-8 Administrator:** Shari Reaves  
**Traditional Music—Choir & Handbell Director:** A.L. Brown  
**Praise & Worship Music/Band Director:** Heather Meulenberg  
**Organist:** Lula Meulenberg

Today's Servers

	8:30am	11:00am
<b>Acolytes:</b>	Paige Hausman	Luke Hodges
<b>Lectors:</b>	Carole Williams	Martha Price
<b>Ushers:</b>	Bill Hufnagle* & Scott Hausman*	Bradley Hines & Justin Hodges
<b>Communion:</b>	Susan Roby* & Mike Rush	Vaughn Stinson* & Lary Schulhof
<b>Elders:</b>	Susan Roby*	Vaughn Stinson*

**Today's Tech /Sound Crew**  
8:30am: Steve Taylor and Peter Linton  
11:00am: Steve Taylor, Bryce Gleason, Heather Meulenberg

**January Altar Guild**  
8:30am: Dana Novak  
11:00am: Sherry Rauschenplat

**January Offering Counters**  
Joel & Jeanine Helms

Upcoming Member Celebrations!

**BIRTHDAYS:** 1/21 —Carol Cook & Madeline Harris  
1/25- Don Weaver; 1/27—William Baldwin  
> **This Month's Non-Agenarian (90+):** 1/5—Don Groh

**ANNIVERSARIES:** 1/26—Hans & Lula Meulenberg

Last Service Attendance & Stats

**On-Campus Attendance**  
Last Sunday: 8:30am—106 persons; 11am—126 persons  
Last Wednesday Noon—18 persons

**Website & FaceBook Hits**  
Website—35 Facebook—161

Food Pantry- Grad N Go, VRQ, & Costello, last served:

Sunday 01/07 served: 191 homes, and 391 people  
**Total JAN 2024 served:** 191 homes: 391 people

Last Week's Offerings

**Last week General Offering received:** \$ 54,072.11  
**Building Funds Received:** \$ 25.00  
General Weekly Offering needed: (\$ 12,817.31)



"Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of Mine, you did for Me." (Matthew 25:40, niv)



**Our mission is to link the church of the First World with the church of the Third World in a manner that helps both the materially poor and the poor in spirit.**

January 21, 2024— Third Sunday in Epiphany

**Sunday School/Bible Study Schedule!**

**At 9:45am:**

Pre-K thru 5th Grade (**Fellowship Hall**)

Confirmation Class (church conf. room)

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

**Today's Altar flower's are given to the Glory of God by:**  
Debra & Barry Reiling— in honor of their son Robert's birthday.

**8:30AM Worship Outline (DS3)**



**USED BOOK SALE!** 4th GRADE FUNDRAISER (cont'd)  
JANUARY 17-24, 7:30AM—4PM, ROOM# 17



**Emmanuel  
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**HAPPENING TODAY!**  
(in between services)

**“STATE OF THE CHURCH”**

Sunday January 21, 2024 from 9:30-10:30am

Join us for this in person meeting, after first service/before last service, in the Sanctuary.  
Also, live-streamed for your convenience!

**Emmanuel Lutheran Church**  
**Grab & Go Food Pantry**  
**OPEN - Sunday Jan. 21 & 28**

**1 - 3pm**

(Volunteers welcome!)



**Jan. 21st**

**VIRTUAL PRAYER SERVICE**

Prayer is **ESSENTIAL** to our Worship.

Join us the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every month @ 6pm (EST)

For more info contact Scott Hausman  
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**Call to Worship:** I Will Call Upon the Lord  
Mozart Emmanuel Choir

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Opening Hymn:** LSB 688  
“Come Follow Me,” the Savior Spake

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**Children's Message**

**The Sermon Hymn:** “Care for the Poor”  
To the tune of **LSB #437 (LYRIC INSERT included)**

**Sermon:** “United in God's Work” (Gal. 6:7-10)

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**Benediction:** Page 202

**Closing Hymn:** LSB 733  
“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

## **First Service Sermon Song: “Care for the Poor”**

*Music to the tune of Martyrdom LSB #437*

Words used by permission – Pastor John Stennfeld, Christ Lutheran, Austin, TX

“Care for the poor,” so says our God,  
Tis this we’re called to do:  
Provide for all their worldly needs  
As God has done for you.

Welcome the poor, the blind and lame (Luke 14)  
When you prepare a feast;  
Do not invite those who are great  
But those considered least.

A gen’rous man will be blessed too (Proverbs 22:9)  
When he gives to the poor;  
For in as much as he thus gives (2 Corinthians 9:10-11)  
God will then bless him more.

For when you give unto the poor (Matthew 25)  
To Christ you also give;  
Then blessed you’ll be on that great day –  
For you, with Christ will live.

So let us give to all in need,  
And give unselfishly –  
That we, may Christ, reflect each day,  
Who gave himself for me.

# EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

January 21, 2024 3rd Sunday in Epiphany 11:00am

**Prelude** LSB #437 “Care for the Poor” (instrumental)  
tune: Martyrdom Lula Meulenberg

## AS WE GATHER

Ever had those days that felt like weeks or those weeks that felt like days? Those minutes that felt like hours, or the hours that felt like minutes? Time is a fickle thing on this earth, as we are bound by it yet our perspective of it is ever changing. Our Scripture Readings today all deal with time. As God deemed it time for Nineveh to have the opportunity to repent and know His grace, He came to Jonah a second time. In the Epistle, Paul reminds us time is short, and the physical world is passing away. In the Gospel, Jesus would begin His earthly ministry and call His disciples, echoing the words of John the Baptist, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand” (Mark 1:15). Though to the Lord a day is like a thousand years and a thousand years are like a day, we live each day knowing that all time is in His hands. Until He calls His people to glory, we rejoice for the time to gather where His Spirit is, be blessed by His Word of Law and Gospel, rejoice in mercy and forgiveness, and make use of the time given to be witnesses to others.

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OPENING SONG House Of The Lord

(Verse 1)

We worship the God who was, we worship the God who is  
We worship the God who evermore will be  
He opened the prison doors, he parted the raging sea  
My God He holds the victory yeah

**(CHORUS)**

**There’s joy in the house of the Lord  
There’s joy in the house of the Lord today  
And we won’t be quiet, we shout out Your praise  
There’s joy in the house of the Lord  
Our God is surely in this place  
And we won’t be quiet, we shout out Your praise**

(Interlude)

Oh oh oh, we shout out Your praise

(Verse 2)

We sing to the God who heals, we sing to the God who saves  
We sing to the God who always makes a way  
'Cause He hung up on that cross, then He rose up from that grave  
My God’s still rolling stones away

**(Sing Chorus)**

(Bridge)

'Cause we were the beggars, now we’re royalty  
We were the prisoners, now we’re running free  
We are forgiven accepted, redeemed by His grace  
Let the house of the Lord sing praise

**(Repeat Bridge) > (Sing Chorus 2x)**

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## INVOCATION

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

**People: Amen.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *Jonah 3:2, 10; 1 Corinthians 7:29, 31; Mark 1:15, 17*

Pastor: Hearing the Word of God, we are called to confess our sin, trusting in the one true God who is faithful and just and who will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Pastor: Though Jonah was reluctant when the Lord spoke to him the first time, He spoke to Jonah a second time and told him, “go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it the message that I tell you.”

**People: As You, O Lord, have given us the message of the Gospel, we have been reluctant to go bring Your truth and grace to all people. For this we seek Your forgiveness.**

Pastor: Paul reminds the people of God, “The appointed time has grown very short. . . . The present form of this world is passing away.”

**People: As You, O Lord, have given us each day and hold all time in Your hands, we have not used our time wisely. For this we seek Your forgiveness.**

Pastor: In today’s Gospel, Jesus called to Simon and Andrew, “Follow Me, and I will make you become fishers of men.” Immediately they dropped their nets and followed Him.

**People: As You, O Lord, have called us to follow You, we have instead sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. For this we seek Your forgiveness.**

Pastor: Even to the evil Ninevites, God showed His mercy upon their repentance. “When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that He had said He would do to them, and He did not do it.” Jesus proclaimed to the people, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.” Though we deserve His present and eternal punishment, God has relented by sending His Son to bear our sin and to be our Savior. Christ has taken our punishment on the cross, paid the price of our sins through His perfect life and sacrificial death, and for His sake forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word, I announce the grace of God to all of you. In the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the X 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. Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal and defend us; 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 READING**    *Jonah 3:1–5, 10*

<sup>3</sup> Then the word of the LORD came to Jonah the second time, saying, <sup>2</sup> “Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it the message that I tell you.” <sup>3</sup> So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD.

Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city,<sup>[a]</sup> three days' journey in breadth.

<sup>4</sup> Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's journey. And he called out, “Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” <sup>5</sup> And the people of Nineveh believed God. They called for a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least of them.

<sup>10</sup> When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that he had said he would do to them, and he did not do it.

Lector:     This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:     Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE**    *1 Corinthians 7:29–31 (32–35)*

<sup>29</sup> This is what I mean, brothers: the appointed time has grown very short. From now on, let those who have wives live as though they had none, <sup>30</sup> and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no goods, <sup>31</sup> and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

<sup>32</sup> I want you to be free from anxieties. The unmarried man is anxious about the things of the Lord, how to please the Lord. <sup>33</sup> But the married man is anxious about worldly things, how to please his wife, <sup>34</sup> and his interests are divided. And the unmarried or betrothed woman is anxious about the things of the Lord, how to be holy in body and spirit. But the married woman is anxious about worldly things, how to please her husband. <sup>35</sup> I say this for your own benefit, not to lay any restraint upon you, but to promote good order and to secure your undivided devotion to the Lord.

Lector:     This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:     Thanks be to God.**

**HOLY GOSPEL**    *Mark 1:14–20*

Pastor:     The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

**People:     Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>14</sup> Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, <sup>15</sup> and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.” <sup>16</sup> Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. <sup>17</sup> And Jesus said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men.”<sup>[b]</sup> <sup>18</sup> And immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>19</sup> And going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets. <sup>20</sup> And immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him.

Pastor:     This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### **SERMON SONG** Light Of The World (Sing Hallelujah)

(Verse 1)

Light of the World Treasure of Heaven  
Brilliant like the stars in the wintery sky  
Joy of the Father reach through the darkness  
Shine across the earth send the shadows to flight

(Verse 2)

Light of the World from the beginning  
The tragedies of time were no match for Your love  
From great heights of glory You saw my story  
God You entered in and became one of us

**(CHORUS)**

**Sing hallelujah, Sing hallelujah  
Sing hallelujah for the things He has done  
Come and adore Him, bow down before Him  
Sing hallelujah to the Light of the World**

(Verse 3)

Light of the world crown in a manger  
Born for the cross to suffer to save  
High King of Heaven death is the poorer  
We are the richer by the price that He paid

**(Sing Chorus)**

(Verse 4)

Light of the World soon will be coming  
With fire in His eyes He will ransom His own  
Through clouds He will lead us straight into glory  
And there He shall reign forevermore forever more!

**(Sing Chorus)**

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### **SERMON** "United in God's Work" Rev. Stoltenberg (based on Galatians 6:7-10)

#### **NICENE CREED**

**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 words, 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.**

## 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 Trust In God

(Verse 1)

Blessed assurance Jesus is mine  
He's been my fourth man in the fire Time after time  
Born of His Spirit Washed in His blood  
And what He did for me on Calvary Is more than enough

**(CHORUS 2x)**

**I trust in God my Savior**

**The One who will never fail**

**He will never fail**

(Verse 2)

Perfect submission, all is at rest  
I know the author of tomorrow, has ordered my steps  
So this is my story, and this is my song  
I'm praising my risen King and Savior all the day long

**(Sing Chorus)**

(Bridge)

I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered  
I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered  
I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered  
That's why I trust Him  
That's why I trust [Him] [in God]

(Repeat Bridge)

**(Sing Chorus)**

I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered

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## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**Pastor:** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created, and out of perfect love sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. As You turned Your wrath away from the people of Nineveh through their repentance, You have turned Your wrath away from us through the cross of our Savior, Jesus Christ. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O 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** *Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 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.

**PAX DOMINI**

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

**People:** Amen.

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

**LSB 685 Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus**

- 1 Let us ever walk with Jesus,  
Follow His example pure,  
Through a world that would deceive us  
And to sin our spirits lure.  
Onward in His footsteps treading,  
Pilgrims here, our home above,  
Full of faith and hope and love,  
Let us do the Father’s bidding.  
Faithful Lord, with me abide;  
I shall follow where You guide.
- 2 Let us suffer here with Jesus  
And with patience bear our cross.  
Joy will follow all our sadness;  
Where He is, there is no loss.  
Though today we sow no laughter,  
We shall reap celestial joy;  
All discomforts that annoy  
Shall give way to mirth hereafter.  
Jesus, here I share Your woe;  
Help me there Your joy to know.

- 3 Let us gladly die with Jesus.  
Since by death He conquered death,  
He will free us from destruction,  
Give to us immortal breath.  
Let us mortify all passion  
That would lead us into sin;  
And the grave that shuts us in  
Shall but prove the gate to heaven.  
Jesus, here with You I die,  
There to live with You on high.
- 4 Let us also live with Jesus.  
He has risen from the dead  
That to life we may awaken.  
Jesus, You are now our head.  
We are Your own living members;  
Where You live, there we shall be  
In Your presence constantly,  
Living there with You forever.  
Jesus, let me faithful be,  
Life eternal grant to me.

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## 810 O God of God, O Light of Light

- 1 O God of God, O Light of Light,  
O Prince of Peace and King of kings:  
To you in heaven's glory bright  
The song of praise forever rings.  
To Him who sits upon the throne,  
The Lamb once slain but raised again,  
Be all the glory He has won,  
All thanks and praise! Amen, amen.
- 2 For deep in prophets' sacred page,  
And grand in poets' wingèd word,  
Slowly in type, from age to age  
The nations saw their coming Lord;  
Till through the deep Judean night  
Rang out the song, "Goodwill to men!"  
Sung once by firstborn sons of light,  
It echoes now, "Goodwill!" Amen.
- 3 That life of truth, those deeds of love,  
That death so steeped in hate and scorn—  
These all are past, and now above  
He reigns, our King once crowned with thorn.  
Lift up your heads, O mighty gates!  
So sang that host beyond our ken.  
Lift up your heads, your King awaits.  
We lift them up. Amen, amen.
- 4 Then raise to Christ a mighty song,  
And shout His name, His mercies tell!  
Sing, heav'nly host, your praise prolong,  
And all on earth, your anthem swell!  
All hail, O Lamb for sinners slain!  
Forever let the song ascend!  
Worthy the Lamb, enthroned to reign,  
All glory, pow'r! Amen, amen.

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## POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING *Psalm 136:1*

**Pastor:** Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in 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 HYMN** Joy Of The Lord

(Verse 1)

Though the tears may fall my song will rise, my song will rise to You

Though my heart may fail my song will rise, my song will rise to You

While there's breath in my lungs, I will praise You Lord

(Verse 2)

In the dead of night I'll lift my eyes, I'll lift my eyes to You

When the waters rise I'll lift my eyes, I'll lift my eyes to You

While there's hope in this heart, I will praise You Lord

(CHORUS)

The joy of the Lord is my strength

The joy of the Lord is my strength

In the darkness I'll dance

In the shadows I'll sing

The joy of the Lord is my strength

(Verse 3)

When I cannot see You with my eyes, let faith arise to You

When I cannot feel Your hand in mine, let faith arise to You

God of mercy and love I will praise You Lord

(Verse 4)

Oh You shine with glory Lord of light, I feel alive with You

In Your presence now I come alive, I am alive with You

There is strength when I say: "I will praise You Lord"

(Sing the Chorus)

(Bridge)

When sorrow comes my way, You are the shield around me

Always You remain, my courage in the fight

I hear You call my name Jesus I am coming

Walking on the waves reaching for Your light

(Sing the Chorus Twice)

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# Emmanuel Lutheran Prayer List The Week of January 21, 2024

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

**Prayers are continuous and always for good HEALTH, swift HEALING, and other needs - for the afflicted, their families, and friends:**

- ◇ Steve Holler Having ankle surgery on Friday 1/19.
- ◇ Bernard Smith Has fallen and is recovering at home
- ◇ Martha Greene & Family Doug Greene passed unto Heaven on 1/11/24
- ◇ Art Gillespie Recovering from a bacterial lung infection.
- Elsie Langford (S.Pruett, mother) Has COPD, heart problems, & issues with oxygen.
- Tommy (B.Sullivan, Sisters husband) After suffering small hemorrhage, post colonoscopy, Dr. found spot on kidney. Nephrologist referral now.
- Carol (B.Sullivan, Niece) Unexplained severe anemia, so bad that it's now affecting her heart. Has an appointment with hematologist on 1/9. Prayers that it's something simply fixable and not cancer.
- Katelyn (B.Sullivan, Daughter) Prayers for housing closer to Asheville soon & that her depression lifts so that she seeks medical help for G. I troubles.
- Scott Stinson (The Stinson's son) A serious biking accident. Surgery on 01/02.
- ◇ Jay Keller (Mike's friend) Member who needs continued healing prayers.
- Doug Kenney (C.Munn's friend) New cancer diagnosis.
- Cher Huntley Neck fusion on 1/16, #26 surgery. Prayers for healing & comfort.
- ◇ Diana Hempel Has been moved to the Laurels for rehabilitation.
- Aaron Farmer (B.King's friend) Aaron has a cancer diagnosis.

### PRAYERS FOR THOSE WITH CANCER OR LONG-TERM ILLNESSES/CONDITIONS:

- ◇ Marilyn Saylor Lynn Case-Scott (S.Buckner's friend)
- ◇ Emily Nieting Richard Brinkley (S.Pruett's friend)
- ◇ Cynthia Cline Ralph Ector, Snr (S.Edward's father)
- ◇ Helen Cline Sam Leder (V.Stinson's cousin)
- ◇ Marjorie Locke Muriel Williams (S.Edward's friend)
- ◇ Ken Treadway Don Young (P/CJ Reece)
- ◇ Mike Walker Hubert Hicks (C.Cline's friend)
- ◇ Julia Kearley Ann Melious (P/H McCarthy family)
- ◇ C.J. Reece Jenny Buckner (C.Cline's neighbor)
- ◇ Dale Wooten Carol Harris (S.Ude's friend)
- Jan Williams (C.Waites Mother) Robin Worley (J.Kearley's friend)
- Janice (L.Giese's friend) Min Soo Lee (E.Bailey's friend)
- Keith Haynes (R.Rush's friend)

### PRAYERS FOR THOSE WITH CANCER OR LONG-TERM ILLNESSES/CONDITIONS (cont'd.):

- Becky Presley (S.Brock's friend) Bob Jones (M.Stinson's uncle)
- Garret Reiser (R/Dee Gordon's family) Kristen Kirby (S.Pruett's cousin)
- Chris Alstrin (L.Schulhof's friend) Antonia Simpson (L.Meulenberg's friend)
- Virginia Lopez (E.Lopez's mother) Melinda Bob Frey (D.Wooten's friend)
- Condrey (Hufnagle's friend)

### PRAYERS FOR OUR SEMINARIAN

- ◇ Adam Nieting & his wife Emily (Concordia Theological Seminary)

### PRAYERS FOR OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBER BROTHERS & SISTERS

- \* Dot Fastenau \* Jean Metcalf \* Marilyn Saylor
- \* Teenie Smathers \* Marjorie Yelton \* Diana & Isabelle Hempel
- \* Bertha Mertens \* Marjorie Locke \* Helen Cline

### Scripture and Prayer for this week:

<sup>26</sup> He said, "If you listen carefully to the LORD your God and do what is right in his eyes, if you pay attention to his commands and keep all his decrees, I will not bring on you any of the diseases I brought on the Egyptians, for I am the LORD, who heals you." Exodus 15:26

Lord, Jesus, here I am again, asking You to do what only You can do in my life. Scripture tells me that You are the same yesterday, today, and forever. You are the God who performs miracles! So do a miracle in me! Heal me through and through! Deliver me from my tendency toward anxiety and worry. Show me how You fight for me. Give me a vision for what a healthy-healed-me looks like, and help me to go after that with tenacity and purpose. Take my efforts and multiply them, Lord. My soul waits for You to do what only You can do. In Jesus' Name, Amen - Susie Larson

### Sharing God's Answers & Updates to our Prayers!

Pastor Roseman is feeling so much better!

### ◇ = Emmanuel Lutheran Church Member

Emmanuel is a praying community. We believe the promise of God regarding His Word. If you would like to put someone on the prayer list, we need the following information:

- Your name
- Name of person to be added, and their relation to you (friend, relative, etc.)
- Nature of prayer concern (healing, grief, birth, thanks, etc.)

Please be sure to secure the person's permission before submitting their name— and to update us on their progress.