



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS NOV. 3

This is a Sunday to sleep in – at least for the extra hour as the nation changes back to Standard Time. As the saying goes, “fall back” as you set your clocks Saturday night. Remember, only the clocks change, not our service times.



Voters Meeting

FALL VOTERS’ MEETING
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10 at 11:00 am
in the fellowship hall after church to finalize and pass the 2025 Financial Plan and give an update on the call process.

MONTHLY MEETINGS

BE SEEN. BE CONNECTED. BE INFORMED.

Thursday, Nov. 14, 2024

5:30 pm

Elders Team
Preschool Team
Trustees Team

6:30 pm

Emmaus Council



Tuesday
Nov. 19
Please get your information to the church office for next month’s newsletter.



EMMAUS FOOD PANTRY

Thursday, November 21
4:00 pm Discipleship Meeting
5:00-7:00 pm Food Pantry

Items needed:
Brown Paper Bags

Thanksgiving Eve Service

Wednesday, November 27, 2024
at 7:00 pm with Pastor Schinkel

Happy Thanksgiving

November 28 & 29, 2024
Church Office Closed



Hat and Mitten Frosty

Frosty will be up in the Narthex thru the month of December. We are collecting hats, mittens, scarves, adult and children socks, children and adult gloves and work gloves. Thank you in advance for your help. ~Discipleship Team

OFFICE HOURS

Fall-Spring Office Hours
are
Monday—Thursday
8:00 am—1:00 pm

PRESCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS



Registrations for 2024-2025 are still being accepted. Children who are 3 years old can register for the T/TH 2-day class, and those who will be 4 years old by August 1, 2024 can register for M/W/F 3-day class or Monday through Friday 5-day class. Please call the preschool at 419-337-8471 or email any questions to emmauschristianpreschool@yahoo.com.



Thanksgiving Break—No Class November 27-29, 2024

Visit us at:

emmauschristianpreschool@yahoo.com
www.facebook.com/EmmausChristianPreschool

Emmaus Christian Preschool's Annual

Poinsettia Sale

6 ½ inch flower pots \$14.00 each

Colors Available: Red, White, Pink and Jingle Bells

Please see order form in the Sunday bulletin.

Order Deadline is November 25, 2024 Delivery to be announced

Payment due with order. Make checks payable to: Emmaus Christian Preschool

Thank you for your participation and support!



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DECORATE FOR CHRISTMAS



Decorating the church for Advent Season will be on Friday, November 29, 10:00 am, and Saturday, November 30, if needed. Advent begins on December 1. Lights outside and some inside decorating can be started before if anyone wishes, just not alter area. The book for storage of items is in the food storage room by Frosty. Will also need helpers to set up manger out front, appreciate your help if you can. Any Questions see a Discipleship Team member. Thank you in advance for your help.





NAPOLEON ZONE LWML FALL CHRISTIAN LIFE WORKSHOP Saturday November 9th

Sharing Comfort and Hope

"Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word."

When: Saturday November 9, 2024.

Where: St. Paul Lutheran Church Napoleon Youth Center

Time: 8:30 to 11:30.

Registration and Continental Breakfast will begin at 8:30.

Program will start at 9:00 A.M.

Meet Damascus St. Paul's Comfort Dog and his mission.

Bible Study: Rev. Jacob Stuenkel "Comfort and Hope...to share"

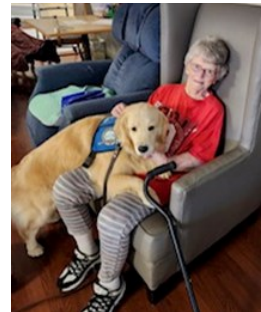
COME ENJOY FELLOWSHIP AND BIBLE STUDY

Ingathering opportunities:

Phil's Friends offering comfort and hope to cancer patients

care package items: decks of playing cards, women's fuzzy socks, puzzle books

Free will donation for: Damascus LWML mites Napoleon Zone LWML



LWML Mites Report

Martin Luther once said, "We cannot give God anything, for everything is already His, and all we have comes from Him. We can only give Him praise, thanks and honor."

In the past 82 years, over \$100 Million has been contributed through MITE offerings. Thank you Emmaus for your generous noisy offering, \$179.73, on LWML Sunday. Your gift along with the contributions of others will provide perpetual funding to assist the LWML in continuing in its history of mission-ministry in the church, the community and among the people of the world. Out of all the MITES given, 75% stay in the Ohio District and 25% is sent to National.

Current Ohio Mission Grants: Lutheran Military Veterans and Families Ministries, Ohio District LCMS Seminarian Students, CTSFW Food Co-op to Purchase Food for Seminarians, Comfort Dog Ministry at Atonement Lutheran Church, Columbus, Code Blue 24/7 Extended Hours for Extreme Weather, Ministry Outreach to Muslims of Greater Columbus, Orphan Grain Train - Ohio District, Ohio District LCMS Church Worker Students, Christ Centered Curriculum for Bethlehem Lutheran School, Position Costs of New Missionaries in Cincinnati. Ohio, Proclaiming Christ to People Who are Blind and Witnessing to the Ethiopian: Lutheran books.

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES—October 10, 2024

Meeting began at 6:30 pm with a Devotion on national disasters read by Roger Behnfeldt. 10 members were in attendance.

Minutes, September 12, 2024 were approved as written.

Congregation President's Report:

- Council needs to schedule a fall voters meeting. November 10 was suggested. Council will ask administrator to announce meeting in the bulletin in the coming weeks. Agenda for the meeting will include an update on the financial plan and call process.

Pastor's Report: Membership Numbers: Baptized: **254** Communicant: **202**

Administrator Report:

- Worship services are complete through December.
- Guest pastors are scheduled through the end of December.
- November newsletter will be printed on October 23.

Financial Officer's Report:

- Financial Review submitted by Bev Schlosser
September offerings 8,744.89
September expenses 1,759.39
Positive net 3,339.94
YTD income vs. expenses negative 5,206.12
General Fund as of 10-10-24 \$22,081.98
Investments:
Emmaus Fund 100,469.22
Parsonage proceeds 184,820.70
- Council discussed new Ohio Asphalt blacktop job. There is an area by the shed where the blacktop is not knitted the same causing a dip. There is a concern of water pooling in that area causing deterioration. Council asked Bev to hold off paying the invoice to Ohio Asphalt until we resolve the issue. The approx. \$63,000 invoice for this job will be paid out of proceeds from the parsonage sale.

Education Team Report:

- Tante Lovins reported that the Sunday School team decided to move the meeting time to 8:30 due to the varying/shorter sermon lengths with visiting pastors. A flyer has been created to invite Preschool and Wings of Change and any other children to Sunday School.

Elder's Team Report:

- Roger Behnfeldt called Pastor Schiewe to see where we stand. Pastor Morgan contacted 2 Interim Pastors on our behalf and they both declined. Pastor shortages continue all around. Hamler's Pastor will soon be retiring, making the need even greater. Zion Ridgville held their Council mtg Monday night to discuss potential of dual parish with Emmaus. Roger has not heard from them as of Thursday. He will reach back out to hear how their mtg went.
- Guest Pastors for October
 - October 6 Dale Kleimola
 - October 13 Ted Rellstab
 - October 20 Terry Cripe
 - October 27 Ted Rellstab
- Guest Pastors for November
 - November 3 Terry Cripe
 - November 10 John Schinkel
 - November 17 Terry Cripe
 - November 24 Ted Rellstab
 - November 27 John Schinkel

Discipleship Team Report:

- Karen Grieser reported the food pantry served 26 cars (85 people). Team passed out a survey to clients. Feedback was all positive. All required reporting has been completed. Karen reported it has been hard to get food. She asked for volunteers to come help on Thursdays.
- Giving envelopes have been ordered.
- Decorating for Christmas thanksgiving weekend. Will announce in bulletin.

Trustee Team Report:

- Leo Rabe reported Dean Schuette quoted \$2,850 for front sidewalk job.
- Beth Flory reported the Ability Center does not do chair lifts to commercial buildings. She is looking into outside companies, expects cost to run 5-6K.
- Custom Turf bid for snow removal is up for renewal. Council agreed to continue with Custom Turf.

Preschool Team Report:

- Enrollment M-W-F 8, M-F 1 the Tue-Thur children have joined the Mon Wed Fri class for now. The parents wanted their kids to be around more students. This arrangement is working well.
- Chapel is 2 times a month – still looking for church volunteers to assist. See sign up sheet or Bev or Adriane if interested.
- October 19 pumpkin carving contest, cider donuts, 2-4 pm.
- Family fun night was not well attended, need better advertising for future.
- Little Caesar's fundraiser in progress.
- Current balance as of 9/30/24 \$25,906.53

Committee Reports:

- Sign Committee- Bev Schlosser reported that there are a few panels on one side of the sign that are in need of repair. She has reached out to Three Cord to arrange for repair.

Unfinished Business: none

New Business:

- Reminder to shut off the lights in the sound booth.

At 7:15 pm we closed with the Lord's Prayer and Benediction

Next Meeting is **November 14 @ 6:30 pm**

Closing Benediction

May the Lord guide us as we go forth to serve His Church at Emmaus.

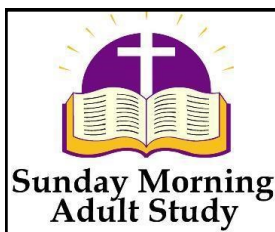
May the Lord nourish and sustain us in our efforts to serve Emmaus.

May the Lord bless our service to His Church.

May the Lord bless us and keep us always in His grace.

Amen.

Submitted by Tante Lovins, Recording Secretary



**SUNDAY ADULT
BIBLE CLASS**

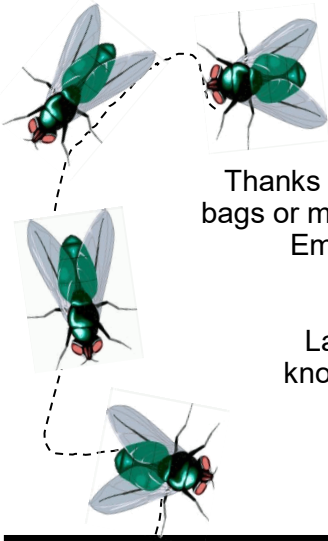
Sunday mornings at 8:30 am
Please join us!

CHILDREN'S
Sunday School

Children's Sunday School Class, for 3 years old and up, will be from 8:30—9:30 am in the Emmaus room.

There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for volunteers to teach the class.

If you have any questions, please see Tante Lovins or Adriane Baldwin.



FLY ON THE WALL

DK ..thank you for the beautiful pumpkins!

Thanks for all who continue to donate for the food pantry whether it be food, paper bags or money. This week Bernice from the Northwest Ohio Food Bank came out to Emmaus for a visit. We received an excellent rating for how the rooms look and how well we keep up on the paperwork.

Lastly we thank God for our meeting at the right time. Ash, the tortoise had knocked over her heat lamp and her bedding was smoldering in the preschool room. Thank you Darl for cleaning that up. God blessed us once again.

Also thanks Karen and Edith for taking the orientation test with Northwest Ohio Food Bank so we are covered for two more years.

Stewardship minute....

Everyday Stewards

By God's grace working through His Word, we have been called and given the high honor of being His stewards (Genesis 1:28; 2:15). As God's stewards, we have the privilege and responsibility to manage faithfully, according to His will, all that He entrusts to us. We are expected to protect and care for His creation in a wise and benevolent way. Through faith, we understand that our lives are on loan from God. When God's grace and love fill our hearts, our stewardship is not limited to certain days of the week or specific acts, but instead, becomes a lifestyle. Stewardship is our response to the faith that God gives us through His Word and the indwelling of the Holy Spirit. Transformed by God's Spirit, we are enabled to acknowledge both our identity and purpose as God's stewards, and, as a result, we live as **Everyday Stewards**.

In His ministry on earth, Jesus, our Chief Steward, became our model for stewardship. In Jesus, we are delivered from the Law to stewardship motivated by the Gospel. At great cost, Jesus has freed us from the power of the Law with His innocent and precious blood so that we may serve Him in "everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness" (Luther's Explanation to the Second Article of the Apostles' Creed). Our motivation and strength to live as **Everyday Stewards** come from the power of the Cross.

In our sinful human nature, we do not want to be stewards. Our first impulse is the desire to be owners. We want to have possession of things. By God's grace, we become stewards who receive God's gifts thankfully, manage His gifts faithfully, and give them generously. Only when our hearts and minds are changed by the Holy Spirit do we embrace our identity as God's **Everyday Stewards**. As God's people, our minds and hearts have been changed so that we know our lives, gifts, and blessings are gifts from God. God is the source and owner of everything. "*The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof...*" (Psalm 24:1). "*The silver is Mine, and the gold is Mine, declares the LORD of hosts*" (Haggai 2:8). No, nothing is ours, but God has given us the high calling of stewards. "*You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in My name, He may give it to you*" (John 15:16).

As God's stewards, we know that we have been given much responsibility. With responsibility comes accountability. "*Moreover,*" writes the Apostle Paul, "*it is required of stewards that they be found trustworthy*" (1 Corinthians 4:2). May we, like the two faithful stewards we read about in the Parable of the Talents (Matthew 25:14-30), hear our Master's gracious words, "*Well done, good and faithful servant.*" God's blessings on your journey as **Everyday Stewards**.



Prayers for our Emmaus Family:

Grace Clair
Jeff Flory
Barb Franklin
Jamie Hanson
LaTishia Horrell
Roseanna Parsons
Joyce Plassman
Tiffany Prayter
Linda Prather
Leo Rabe
Barb Shannon
Our Emmaus Family
Our Emmaus Preschool
Our Inactive Members

In Sympathy:

Family's of Carolyn Uhlik

Shut-Ins

Margaret Detter
Linda Prather
Chris Tuckerman

Darrel Garmenn
Irene Rabe
Terry Volkman

Annabelle Leupp
Gladys Rue

Gerri O'Brien
Barb Shannon

Prayers for Relatives and Friends of Emmaus:

Carlan Badenhop
Pastor Steve Geske
Rodney Kurth (*Norma Kurth's Son*)
Marcia Mattin (*Vickie Oberla's Friend*)
Ted Mirabal (*Jennifer Rodriguez's Father*)
Ken Prater (*Bev Schlosser's Friend*)
Sharon Prather (*Don Prather's Sister-in-law*)
Deb Anderson-Sperry (*Kim Fall's Sister*)
Jim VonDeylen (*Leone Huner's Brother*)
Derek Wilson (*Karen Wilson's Son*)
Ted Wright (*Roseanna Parsons' Brother*)
Dale Yackee (*Darl Beachy's Friend*)
Tammy & Rick (*Darl Beachy's Friends*)

Prayers for our District Pastors:

Pat Kramer (*Pastor Kramer's Wife*)
Rev. Logan Scheiwe



The next meeting of LWML will be November 6 at 1:00 pm. Marilyn Dachenhaus will serve as hostess and give the devotion.

The Napoleon Zone LWML Fall Christian Life workshop will be held on November 9, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. with the location being St. Paul Napoleon Youth Center. Pastor Jacob Stuenkel will lead the Bible Study. The ingathering is decks of playing cards, women's fuzzy socks, and/or puzzle books. Come and meet Damascus, St. Paul's Comfort Dog, and find out about his mission to comfort people.

Shut-in Christmas Stockings--Planning ahead: Again this year we will be filling and delivering quilted Christmas stockings, joyfully stitched by the "Tuesday with Arlene's Emmaus Quilters", to our shut-ins. Please join us on December 4 at 9:00 a.m. to assist in packing the stockings. If you'd like to contribute, a few ideas are granola bars, small cookie packs, clementines, oranges, small raisin packs, veggie drinks, pencils, note pads, body lotion, tooth brushes/toothpaste, soaps and Chapstick. We currently have 13 shut-ins. Please leave your donation in the kitchen on the counter marked CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS.

"Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful. And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works...encouraging one another..." Hebrews 10:23 -24



If you do not have giving envelopes and would like them for the coming year 2025, or would like to make a change, please leave your name in the office, call or get in touch with Karen Grieser, (419 445 8361), Sue Boysel or Mary Behnfeldt. Thank you.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Wyatt Davis
- 3 Viviano Smallman
- 3 Steven Kline
- 4 Aaron Schuette
- 8 Ava Rice
- 8 Alexi Rice
- 13 Bonnie Davis
- 15 Richard Burkholder
- 17 Bill Seibel
- 21 Bradley Kahrs



NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

12 Dick & Vera Koder

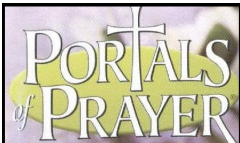
ALTAR FLOWERS



If you wish to provide the altar flowers to commemorate a special occasion or in someone's memory, please let the office know. The cost is \$30. Please make checks payable to Emmaus Lutheran Church and turn check into the office prior to the date.

EMMAUS VISION

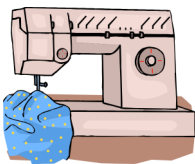
CARING LIKE JESUS,
WE WALK WITH OUR NEIGHBORS,
SO THEY MAY SEE THE SAVIOR.



The OCT to DEC 2024 **Portals of Prayer** are available in the church hallway. Please pick up your copy today.

FREE FOOD

Senior Commodity Box @ Fulton County Fairgrounds 4th Monday of each month from 10:30 am to Noon. **You need to be 60 years or older to receive free healthy food and vegetables.**



The Tuesday's with Arlene's Emmaus Quilters meet every Tuesday @ 9:00 am



Elinor Baese, the wife of one of our former ministers, will be 90 on November 13. If you would like to send her a card, her address is: Mrs. Elinor Baese Primrose Retirement, Apt. 11 2100 Townline Rd., Wausau, WI 54403.



Thank you to all of our members who have volunteered to deliver meals on wheels this past month. If any of our members would like to deliver the Meals on Wheels from the hospital, please contact Mary Behnfeldt at 419-337-0134. The recipients of the Meals really appreciate the lunches that they receive.

