The Merriam-Webster Dictionary defines **Emphasis** as:

- **Noun**: em-phä-sis plural: em(p)-fa-sës
- a forceful quality in the way something is said or written
- special importance or attention given to something

Other meanings: importance, weight, accent, prominence, highlighting

Pipe Organ Re-Dedication

Here at Emmanuel we are fortunate to have one of the best pipe organs on the Palouse! Recently, we have been enhancing this organ with new stops and new hardware. Now it is time to have a re-dedication of the organ! This re-dedication will occur on Sunday, June 4, 2017 during the morning service. We will have special guests to help show off the organ and serve the congregation in music. Please join us for this special service.

Emmanuel and Lutherhaven join for VBS/Day Camp 2017!

You are invited! Join us for a fantastic week of Bible encounters, arts & crafts, games, singing, puppet shows, a family BBQ, and much more!

The Lutherhaven camp counselors will be here too!

*See page 16 for more information on this exciting event!*

Have You Done the M.A.P. Survey?

The Ministries Action Plan Committee (M.A.P.) was charged by Church Council to initiate dialogue with the Congregation about Emmanuel’s ministries and to report findings to Council. A survey was mailed and emailed out to the congregation. You will find this survey on page 25 & 26 of this issue! If you have not already done so, please complete and turn this important survey in to the church office. You can also pick up a hard copy of the survey in the Narthex, or find it on our website! Thanks!

Join us! Congregational Meeting!
June 4, following Worship! Join us!
**Welcome to Emmanuel!**

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**Ed Opps** i.e. Christian Education Opportunities

Adult Sunday School is on break for the summer
Make sure and check the Emphasis in September for a new season of exciting new Christian studies!

Prayer Pieces in The Gallery at 8:30 AM.
Join us in prayer, fellowship, and conversation, while we knit, crochet, and cross-stitch. Contact Gretchen Isakson (gretchenisakson@yahoo.com) or Robbie Giles (robbiegiles@roadrunner.com) with questions.

J.A.M. - Jesus and Me! for children through age 12.
Following the Children’s Sermon, J.A.M. leaders will escort the kiddos down to the Fellowship Hall for crafts, games, songs, and a snack. Children will return to the Sanctuary just prior to Holy Communion.

MARY and LEAH Circle are on break through the summer.
Look in the September Emphasis for details on when and where these Circles will next meet!

Theology on Tap! Wednesday June 14, at 5 PM in the backyard of Walter Hesford and Elinor Michel's home! (1117 E. 6th; corner of 6th and Garfield). It's a potluck! We’ll be sharing sacred snacks and stories. All are invited–plenty of shade; in case of rain, we'll be inside. Questions? Contact Walter Hesford, hesford@uidaho.edu

The “Old Dudes!” Wednesdays at 7 AM.
This is a group of Emmanuel Men that meet weekly on Wednesdays through the academic year! On the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 7 AM, they join at the Breakfast Club for breakfast and devotions. Following breakfast, the men head to church for a work day. (Note: On break for the summer. To start again on September 13!) On all the other Wednesdays, 7 AM, throughout the entire year, meet for coffee at the Moscow Co-op. Questions? Contact CindyMarie in the Church Office. 208.882.3915
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**Emmanuel Vacation Bible School / Day Camp with Lutherhaven!**

**Emmanuel at Camp Lutherhaven**

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If you can fill in where servant volunteers are still needed, please contact the Church Office at 208.882.3915 or emmanuelmoscowid@gmail.com. Thanks!

Thank you!
Andrew Bender, son of Don & Lisa Bender, is one of the many talented young people God has blessed our Emmanuel family and our world with.

Gretchen Isakson alerted me to an article written about Andrew and his current success improving healthcare through engineering! Since many of us remember Andrew, I thought this would be a fitting article to help:

**ENGINEERING THE PATH FROM RESEARCH DISCOVERIES TO HEALTH-IMPROVING PRODUCTS**

ITHS TL1 Translational Research Trainee Andrew Bender presented at this year’s Association for Clinical and Translational Science (ACTS) meeting in Washington, DC. Bender was not only representing the ITHS TL1 cohort, but also a newer, and growing community of engineers in translational research. As a PhD candidate in Mechanical Engineering, Bender would not typically be exposed to the clinical research community, however his undergraduate involvement in global health led him onto a path towards engineering products for medicine. Through his experience working to bring clean water and proper sanitation to a community in rural western Kenya, Bender says he “developed a passion for global health and improving the lives of people”. This experience illuminated the potential for direct health-related impact from engineering solutions.

At ACTS, Bender was invited to give a talk and present a poster on a point-of-care diagnostic test which is being developed to help physicians determine the viral load of a patient with HIV/AIDS during a single visit. According to the World Health Organization, almost 37 million people in the world are living with HIV/AIDS. Only a fraction of these people receive treatment – an activity that can seem as a burden to some. Patients living with HIV receive regular viral load monitoring, which means every three months, they have to return to the doctor in order to undergo a test to determine the prevalence of the virus and whether or not the treatment plan is working as it is intended. In the US, this process works well; patients go to the doctor to give a blood sample, the sample is sent to a lab, and the results are returned to the doctor within a couple of days. However, in some
places, regular communication between doctors and patients is not easy, or these laboratories simply do not exist. It becomes difficult for the necessary follow-up to get patients the treatment they need. The solution Bender is working on as part of a team within Dr. Jonathan Posner’s Lab provides an alternative timeline. Patients only need to connect with their doctors once; the diagnostic device is not as complicated as lab equipment, and can share results within minutes instead of days.

Being a Translational Research TL1 Scholar, and presenting at the ACTS conference provided an opportunity for Bender to receive feedback on his work and interact with clinicians and researchers from other disciplines. These experiences spark a dialogue across the entire spectrum of translational researchers. “Everyone seems to have something that does not quite work as it should; there should be a better way to do this,” Bender says of his discussions with clinicians at the UW and at the ACTS conference. In order to make these improvements, and develop the right tools, there needs to be a conversation among multiple stakeholders. In Bender’s experience, clinicians often recognize a problem, or need, but do not have the time or expertise to issue a solution. Conversely, as an engineer, Bender recognizes that he may not have as much knowledge about clinical studies. Training in a translational setting, Bender has found that he is able to learn about research processes and the necessary design considerations that must be made in order to translate devices into practice. Bender has the practical skills and a problem-solving mentality, therefore he sees engineering as an opportunity to realize “natural fixes” for challenges by serving as link between fundamental discoveries in science and devices or products which improve healthcare.

When asked what the ITHS TL1 Translational Research Training Program has done for him, Bender responded saying it has given him the chance to “expand [his] horizons and gain competencies in the health care field.” Though he is graduating from the program this month, Bender looks forward to remaining involved with ITHS and continuing to build his network across the diverse translational research workforce.

**Doing Faith**

*Faith is better understood as a verb than as a noun, as a process than as a possession. It is on-again-off-again rather than once-and-for-all. Faith is not being sure where you’re going, but going anyway. A journey without maps. [As theologian]Paul Tillich said … doubt isn’t the opposite of faith; it is an element of faith.* — Frederick Buechner
A LETTER OF THANKS

What follows is the letter you received earlier in May asking that you prayerfully consider an additional gift to the Church to get us through a tight financial period. As importantly, as we enter the summer months when most of us will be away and may lose track of our giving to the Church, it asks that you make arrangements for your regular pledged giving to be given via the Simply Giving automatic deduction arrangement with your Bank.

I simply want to thank all of you who were able to dig a bit deeper and provide additional funding for Emmanuel’s Ministries. God has blessed us richly in love, grace, faith, talents, and treasure. If you have the ability to provide additional gifts to fund Emmanuel’s Ministries (perhaps an additional designated gift for us to repay our roof loan, or the van loan, or to reduce our line of credit), you should know that every little bit helps. The response of the Congregation to the following letter has been wonderful and a clear statement of the faith of our members, and commitment to our ministries. With continued prayerful giving above and beyond our regular pledges, and making sure our regular pledges are timely received, we will be able to continue and expand all that our ministries do to proclaim the love and grace of God.

Thanks to all of you for your contributions in all forms to the ministries of Emmanuel.

Blessings to each of you as we look forward to the summer months.

In God’s Service,

Ben Beard

Dated May 8, 2017

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Council held its Retreat April 28 and 29. We had a wonderful Retreat, sharing fellowship, and learning about, and planning for, all the mission and ministry God has called the children of Emmanuel to do in our Lord’s Name.

In the course of the Retreat, we received some sobering financial news. I shared this news and the substance of this letter with the Congregation following worship on April 30. However, this is a message of hope that the entire Congregation needs to hear, pray on, and consider.

In November the Congregation approved a budget to fund the mission and ministries at Emmanuel. Over the winter we incurred significantly higher costs for snow removal. We also took a big hit when we had a water main break at the end of March. As a result of these unexpected charges and congregational giving that has been lower than anticipated, the Treasurers have had to increase our borrowing from the line of credit to roughly $42,000. Our line of credit maximum is $50,000. Accordingly, in order to assure that operating expenses can be met in the near term, Council authorized the Treasurers to borrow money from the Mission Fund (approximately $7000) and up to $15,000 from the Good Shepherd Fund, if necessary. I want to emphasize two points – 1) these resources will be tapped ONLY TO THE EXTENT NECESSARY, and 2) all moneys borrowed will be repaid.

That is the “bad news.” The Good News is that God provides hope and grace. Our congregation is rich – rich in faith, rich in talents, and, in fact, rich in treasure. In the May Emphasis, I asked that you all prayerfully consider whether you might be in a position to provide additional financial support at this time. My request has taken on greater significance since I wrote that letter. We are employing the Mission Fund and Good Shepherd resources only to tide us over – any additional amount you can give now will help preserve these resources. In the immediate future, Stewardship and Finance will be tackling this circumstance to develop a long-term solution to our shortfall in giving. That solution will likely include, at least in part, a plan to reduce our overall debt. In faith, and being led by God, we will find the solutions that will continue to enable us to serve our Lord through the ministry and mission to which we have been called.
One step that we can all take is to make every effort to assure that our regular pledged giving is received by the Church. Please consider signing up for electronic giving through Give+ or SimplyGiving. SimplyGiving allows you to schedule your regular giving for automatic withdrawal each week or month or other period you wish, to assure that the Church receives your support. Give+ allows you to use your phone or other device to donate to Emmanuel’s mission and ministry at any time.

Over the coming summer months, the Church needs your continued, regular support. Please prayerfully consider using one or both of these electronic methods to assure Emmanuel receives your support and is able to continue God’s mission in this place. I also ask again that you prayerfully consider whether you are in a position to make an additional gift at this time to help address our current shortfall.

Blessings,
Ben Beard, Council President

P.S. Please mark your calendars for our Congregational Meeting on June 4 after Worship!

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On Sunday, June 4, 2017, we will hold our Emmanuel Church Council Installation. We thank these brothers and sisters for their dedication and service to the mission of Emmanuel!

Ben Beard, President
Martha Hunt, Vice President
Liz Brandt, Council Secretary
Jon Kimberling, Co-Treasurer
Gwen Mitchell, Co-Treasurer
Kim Campbell, Representative
Walter Hesford, Representative

Julia Keleher, Representative
Barbara Kirchmeier, Representative
Janet McIntosh, Representative
Mark Schwarzlaender, Representative
Tom Stroschein, Representative
Pat Blaufuss, Representative
Irv Johnson, Representative

Dave Daugs, Pastor

Not Pictured: Kim Campbell and Tom Stroschein
Yay! Juliana got married!
The destination mountaintop wedding was broadcast on Facebook Live on Friday, May 26, 10 AM, AZ time (1 PM east coast time).
Info about the couple’s celebration can be found at: theknot.com/us/julsandgalen

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Thank you to ELCW for hosting the lovely memorial reception in celebration of the life of Lois Chisholm Michaels, and to all who helped to make it such a special event.

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Thank you to Pastor Daugs, Youth Director, Lisa Allen, and all our incredible Emmanuel Youth for leading us in worship on Sunday, April 30th!

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Thanks to all for the incredible Emmanuel Preschool Spaghetti Feed Fundraiser and Auction! What an amazing job by Nikki Cox, our Preschool Staff, Church & School members and parents! Thank you all for the fantastic help to support our kids!

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April 30, 2017 was Quilt Blessing Sunday! Thanks to our ELCW Piecemakers for the shipment of 60 quilts, 15 School Kits, 19 Baby Kits, and 11 Personal Care Kits, sent to those around the globe who are in need. And thank you to Vern Kinnison, for delivering these gifts to Spokane for shipment.

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Thanks to our Youth & Family Mission Group for honoring our beautiful moms with beautiful flowers on Mother’s Day!

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Thank you Nancy Ruth Peterson, and everyone who visited the Moscow Ecumenical Outreach booth at the 2017 Renaissance Fair and ate cannoli to support the Moscow Food Bank and Heifer International!

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Thanks to all the Emmanuel YOUTH who joined our fabulous Youth Director, Lisa Allen, for an amazing Mighty Youth Play Day on 5/11, and a dip in the pool on 5/12 with our LUTH YOUTH!

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Thank you to our Emmanuel Adult Choir, Bell Choir, and Children’s Choir for gifting us with such beautiful music through the year to enhance worship! We look forward to hearing all you talented musicians again in the fall. Have a great summer!

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Thank you to ELCW for your support throughout the school year and the end of the year gifts. Thank you also for providing Bibles for all of our students headed on to Kindergarten. The students loved the Bibles and this is such an amazing gift for them to treasure. - Emmanuel Preschool

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Dear Church Members,
Thank you so much for the gifts of pretty smelling shower gel and a loofah. That was sweet of you to think of us at the end of the year. And thank you for the bottled water that helped us stay hydrated during conferences. Teachers often do not drink enough and it was great to have ready access to filtered water that week. Thank you for making us feel so loved and appreciated! We appreciate you too!

The Emmanuel Preschool Staff

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Thank you so much for the privilege of singing in worship on May 28! What a fantastic experience it was for me to do something that warms my heart, for friends that fill my heart with joy, at such a special time, Memorial Sunday!
Thank you! - CindyMarie

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As we begin the administration of the elements we sing “Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world.” This is a quote of John the Baptist from John 1:29 telling who Jesus is and what He does. At the conclusion of each serving of communion a word of blessing is given. When all have partaken we sing a joyous word of thanks called the post-communion.

The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!” - John 1:29

The service concludes with a prayer, benediction (Numbers 6:22-27) and dismissal:

22The LORD spoke to Moses, saying:
23Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the Israelites: You shall say to them,
24The LORD bless you and keep you;
25the LORD make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you;
26the LORD lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.
27So they shall put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them. - Numbers 6:22-27

Leader: “Go in peace, serve the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.”
We enter the church to worship and depart to serve.

On non-communion Sundays the offertory we sing comes from Psalm 51:10-12. It is a prayer of dedication and renewal. We bring an offering as the fruit of the labors of our hands and in this way we bring our heart: “Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from thy presence, and take not thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.” Ponder these words and you will discover the meaning of worship. Before the service begins, find the order of service in your bulletin and mark the pages for the service. This facilitates following the service.

The Service of the Word

“Low Church” could be a descriptive phrase for this service. It is often used, and it adds a pleasant variety to our worship. There is less liturgical structure to this service and is not designated to be used for the setting of Holy Communion.

For variety, multiple dialogues are offered – some for general purposes and others for seasonal times. Before confessing our faith there are two, well-put theological sentences: 1) “God has made us His people through our baptism into Christ.” This tells who we are and how we become God’s people. 2) “Living together in trust and hope we confess our faith.” God’s people “live together” as we work and worship and play and pray. “Trust” expresses the ideal of our relationship and “hope” the reality of it. The Apostles’ Creed is the expression of that life together.

Canticle means hymn. Such a hymn (canticle) is now sung from the Old Testament. A New Testament canticle is also used at the close of the service.

Leader: “The Lord be with you”
All: “and also with you”

This is like a verbal handshake. This greeting leads into the prayer of the day which captures in a few words the essence of the lessons which will then be read.

Following the hymn is the sermon, offering, prayer of the church, New Testament canticle and benediction. Reading, preaching, singing and saying the Word of God is the thrust of this service.

Check in with us again next month as Pastor Braun, in this “Worship Guide”, continues with an overview of The Church Year.
The churches’ ongoing ministries of care for the hungry and neglected, especially in Zimbabwe, China, Darfur, Ethiopia.

Military service people from our families serving:
- Steven Kwiatkowski, serving in Okinawa Japan; John M. Swanson & Evan B. Marten, grandsons of Maureen Marten; Jaren Doherty Jr., Clara Dockter’s grandson; serving with the Marines in Afghanistan.
- Brien Golis and Family, cousin of the Streys, whose son is battling a horrible disease.
- Mark Strey, Mandy’s dad, who is struggling with health issues and alcohol.
- Jean Langeman, Debbie Stone’s mom, dealing with the loss of her husband Hank on 12/27/16
- Sue, Julia Keleher’s mother, in hospice care.
- Carl Hunt, suffering from cluster headaches.
- Doris Edgar, Julie Spangler’s mother, suffering from lewdy body dementia.
- Debbie Stone’s Family, as there are many concerns with health issues.
- Gwen Sullivan’s son and his family.
- Douglas Dion, Edith’s son, suffering from congestive heart failure.
- Randy Dion, Edith’s son, recovering from a paralyzing stroke.

Any people we have come to see as our enemies.
All those living in fearful homes and circumstances.
All those who are victims of natural disasters.
Students and members abroad.

Our sister churches: Grace Lutheran Church - New Orleans; Ulanga-Kilombero Synod - Tanzania.

Those who’ve lost loved ones.
- Friends and Family of Lois Chisholm Michael, Jan Martin’s mother.
- Prayers of Thanksgiving.

Those with special needs:

- **Neil Martin**, recovering from hip surgery.
- **Cliff & Carolyn Todd**, as Cliff recovers from ankle replacement surgery done on May 18.
- **Brien Golis and Family**, cousin of the Streys, whose son is battling a horrible disease.
- **Mark Strey**, Mandy’s dad, who is struggling with health issues and alcohol.
- **Jean Langeman**, Debbie Stone’s mom, dealing with the loss of her husband Hank on 12/27/16
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- **Randy Dion**, Edith’s son, recovering from a paralyzing stroke.

Those, dealing with cancer:

- **Kathy Dalton**, CindyMarie’s sister, battling leukemia; **Janet Williams sister’s stepdaughter**, dealing with aggressive breast cancer; **Lillian**, Vern Kinnison’s sister, under chemo treatment for cancer, post surgery.; **Landon Hill and family**, friends of Phyllis Vettrus; 2 1/2 year old Landon has been diagnosed with cancer; **Paul Osterberg**, friend of Charlene Olsson; **Betty Keene**, friend of Louise Mowrer, fighting pancreatic cancer; **Richard Woock**, Jessie Weller’s uncle suffering with bone cancer;
Those who have requested our continued prayers:

- Matt Foss.
- Dean Vettrus.
- Andy Fountain.
- Sandra Lytle.
- Theo, Shirley Engerbretson’s grand-nephew.
- Fukuko Garrett, Janet Williams’ mother.
- Mike Voegtle, Katy Beard’s cousin.
- Rosanne Manley.
- Yolanda Wyatt.
- Mike Sprenger.
- Dorothy Schnaible.
- Devin Revard, Clara Dockter’s grandson.
- Carol Nelson’s Aunt Dorothy.
- Clara Dockter, continued strength.
- Sara Kimberling, continued healing.
- Bob Bennett. Prayers for healing.
- Lynda & Cari, sister and niece to Shirley Engerbretson.
- Janet Strey’s father, that he finds Jesus in his life.
- Grace Lyon, living at Whitman Senior Care in Pullman.
- Ken Strassburg, Kathy Kwiatkowski’s brother.
- Elanor Vanderbeek, Shirley Engerbretson’s granddaughter.

- For strong community & welcoming in the Lutheran Campus Ministry.
- Patients of the Lugala Hospital in Tanzania.
- Residents of Good Samaritan Nursing and Special Care units.

Notes:

The Prayers & Concerns Sheet is updated every few months by church staff. If a prayer request has been removed and you wish to keep it on the list please contact us with an update! If you wish to make a prayer request or update an existing one, please call the church office at 208.882.3915, or email emmanuelpnw@gmail.com. Thank you.
Emmanuel Lutheran Church Women (ELCW) encompass a huge part of our ministries here at Emmanuel. This group of strong Christian women have a continuing emphasis on Evangelical Outreach, Global Mission, World Hunger, Bible Study, Justice, Worship, and Prayer. Circles meet once or twice a month at varying times and locations. Stop by the Church Office and pick up an ELCW Directory which gives information about the circles.

ELCW PIECEMAKERS QUILTING GROUP

Help us quilt! Bring a friend! Have some lunch! We USUALLY meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. Due to Vacation Bible School, we will only meet once this month. Join us on June 28, at 9 AM, to help tie quilts, then share a potluck lunch. Contact Gretchen Isakson (882.7289 or gretchenisakson@yahoo.com) with questions.

“Whatever your hands find to do, do it with all your might.” Ecclesiastes 9:10

OUTSTANDING YOUNG CHURCH WOMAN: NIKKI Cox!

Since 2002, Church Women United has recognized the valuable contribution made in the field of ecumenism by our younger sisters in Christ. The major criteria for selection is based on their MOTTO: “Agree to differ; resolved to love; united to serve.”

Emmanuel Lutheran Church Women (ELCW) has presented Nikki Cox as our 2017 Outstanding Young Church Woman. Nikki was recognized at Church Women United’s May Friendship Day, on Saturday, May 20, 2017, 10 AM, in St. Mary’s Family Center. Emmanuel is very fortunate to have Nikki and her family active in our church. She serves as Emmanuel’s Preschool Director, helping make the Preschool Program an excellent place for students, and parents feel confident their children are in the very best Christian environment. Growth continues with an afternoon class.

Nikki grew up in the Lewiston area, graduated from North Idaho Junior college, received a B.S. in Education from the University of Idaho, as well as her M.S. in Curriculum Integrated Studies. She taught kindergarten class in Moscow for several years before becoming Emmanuel’s Preschool Director. She and her husband, Josh, have been married for 13 years. They are proud parents to Cooper-10 years and Abby-7 years. Nikki says being a mom is her greatest joy. She also participates in annual one-half marathons. We believe Nikki’s life and career exemplifies living out the Gospel message in her Moscow home and church community as an Outstanding Young Church Women.

WONDERING WHAT YOU CAN DO TO CHANGE THE WORLD?

Does it seem like an impossible task? You can make a big difference!! The Mission Endowment Committee reminds you to bring your change on the 4th Sunday of each month. This money goes into our endowment and we give away 5% to non-profit organizations that you choose in November. You can also help by bringing in items during the summer to help fill school, baby, and hygiene kits! Contact Kevin Peterson, Charlene Olsson, Carl Hunt, or Deb Dumroese with questions.

CHANGE THE WORLD!

You can change the world in June by bringing items for the Baby Kits! Here’s what you can bring:

- 1 dark colored hand towel;
- 2 bath-size bars of gentle soap (original wrapping),
- diaper pins,
- cloth diapers,
- receiving blankets,
- cotton undershirts.

Bring your items throughout June and place them in the box in the Bridge area. Stayed tuned for the July Hygiene Kit opportunities!
Held in your palm

Make this heartwarming handprint gift to give your dad or another special man on Father's Day.

What you need:
- Tempura paint (any two colors besides white)
- A paper plate
- Two paintbrushes
- Your dad’s hand
- White cardstock
- Paper towels
- A pen

What you do:
1. Place paint on the paper plate.
2. Paint your dad’s palm and the insides of his fingers with one color of paint. Set his hand in the center of the cardstock and press down. Let dry.
3. Paint your palm and fingers with the other color. Place your hand in the center of your dad’s. Let dry.
4. Write a loving message to your dad on the blank sections of the cardstock.
5. Give your dad the gift—and a hug!

Our heavenly Father

Father’s Day is the perfect time to remember God, our heavenly Father. What does the psalmist say about him?

Directions: Complete Psalm 89:26 by placing the correct vowels in the blanks.

“H__ w_ll c_ll __t t m_,
‘Y__ r m F_th r, m_
G_d, th R_ck m S_v r.’”

Ps_Im 89:26, N_V
The Luth Youth had such a fun get together on a Friday evening! We met at Emmanuel for pizza, then piled in the church van and headed to the pool. Pullman has a wonderful indoor swimming pool where the kids happily spent hours swimming and playing with all the fun water toys. We can't wait to go back to the aquatic center!

The Mighty Youth had a couple Play Days throughout the month of May. This group of friends have so much fun playing together! It is great to be able to have these play days especially since preschool ended for most of these kids the middle of the month.

Looking ahead, June is packed full of exciting events! We have VBS June 12-16 here at Emmanuel Lutheran. Counselors from Lutherhaven come together with our volunteers and host such an amazing week of Bible encounters, arts & crafts, games, singing, puppet shows, and much more! We finish off the month with another exciting adventure at Camp Lutherhaven on Lake Coeur d'Alene, June 25-30! Fourteen Emmanuel kids, along with myself, will have the opportunity to spend a week at camp together- making memories to last a lifetime!

Questions about Emmanuel’s Youth Program?
Contact our Youth Director, Lisa Allen. 208.882.3915 or emmanuel.luthyouth@gmail.com

Emmanuel’s VBS/Day Camp is June 12-16, 2017!
Pre-register Today!
Registration forms can be found online at www.emmanuelmoscow.org or pick them up at church.

Camp Lutherhaven has programs available throughout the summer for kids 1st grade through high school. Emmanuel Youth mark your calendar for the week of June 25-30, and we’ll go to camp together! Adults you can sign up too - volunteers are always welcome!
Contact Lisa Allen for questions and to help get registered for camp!
emmanuel.luthyouth@gmail.com
Our theme for this week is “Masterpiece!” based on Ephesians 2:10, ‘We are God’s masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things He planned for us long ago.’

We start each day at 9 AM and end the sessions at either 11:30 AM for the younger group (4 year olds to those entering kindergarten) or 3 PM for the older group (those entering 1st grade through 5th grade) in the sanctuary (upper level) at Emmanuel Lutheran Church (1036 W A St, Moscow, ID).

Monday — Wear an outfit that says something about you!
Tuesday — Crazy hair day! The crazier, the better!
Wednesday — Inside out, backwards, mismatched clothes day!
Thursday — Wear one color day!
Friday — Aloha/water day (1-5th grades should bring a swim suit and beach towel—for the afternoon,— wear sunscreen too!)

We will be having a family BBQ / potluck on Thursday evening from 6 PM - 7:30 PM. We hope you and your family (and friends) will be able to join us. We will provide hot dogs, buns and beverages. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. We will be sharing songs that we have learned during the week and maybe a skit or two. The Lutherhaven Trading Post will also be open that evening if you are interested in purchasing a Lutherhaven T-shirt, water bottle, etc.

Pre-Register Today!

Registration forms can be found at church, or download them from our website: www.emmanuelmoscow.org
Our spaghetti feed/silent auction was a success, thanks to all of the amazing support from our community.

We appreciate all of the dessert donations, support, and monetary donations from our congregation. We raised over $3500 for our scholarship fund. This fund provides families with tuition support throughout the school year.

Many of these families would not be able to allow their child to attend preschool without the financial support. Research has proven that preschool education programs produce long-term improvements in school success and preschool has also been associated with reduced delinquency and crime in childhood and adulthood. Research also provides evidence that all socioeconomic backgrounds benefit, however, specifically economically disadvantaged children will gain long-term benefits from preschool (W. Steven Barnett, Ph.D, 2008).

We are very blessed to be part of such a generous and caring community and are fortunate to give back through providing a high quality preschool program for our children. Thanks again!

Thank you to all of the people for their amazing help, support, and donations:

- Janice and Irv Johnson
- Quist Family
- Carol Agrimson
- Carol Nelson
- Emily Serna
- Tina McClure
- Marilyn Mastro
- Lindsay Wernecke
- Christa Sanford
- Vern Kinnison
- Emmanuel Lutheran Church Members
- Youth and Family Committee
- Preschool Board
- Joannie Maag
- Kermott Family
- Widman Family
- Rachelle Wolf
- Jerene Gertonson
- Carrie Allen
- Toni Goetz
- Amy Newsome
- Kathy Foss
- Mac Reynolds
- Shawna Goettig
- Barbara Johnston
- Alex Purvis
- Tara Roberts
- Mark Schwarzaender
- Jeanne Sanford
- Fountain Family
- Kristy Mayer
- Tammy Domras
- Preschool Staff

Thank you to all the businesses that made this event possible!

- Traveling Shoppe- Jennie Janelle
- Dutch Brothers
- Castle Carpet Cleaning
- Silverwood Theme Park
- Inland Cellular
- Gropp Heating Air & Electric
- Kimberling Insurance
- Panda Express
- Rosauers
- C & L Locker
- Twin Creeks Farm
- Starbucks
- Potting Shed Creations
- Washington Trust Bank
- City North American Moving and Storage
- Thirty One- Emily Serna
- Great Clips
- Casa Lopez
- Mary Kay- Chelsea Gaylord
- Not Forgotten Photography
- Spence Hardware
- Busch Distributors
- Quad Cities Nissan
- Northwest Management
- Casa Lopez
We would also like to recognize and thank Larry Clott and Julie Spangler for their many years of service on the preschool board. This next school year they will both be taking a break from the preschool board. Larry has served as the chair of the preschool board for the last six years. He has volunteered his time and provided amazing guidance for our preschool. Julie has served as the secretary on the preschool board for the last six years as well. She is also retiring from teaching this year after 40 years. If you see these two amazing individuals, be sure to give them an extra pat on the back for all of their valuable time and support of Emmanuel Lutheran Preschool. Our preschool board will definitely miss their services.

Teddy Bear Picnic in Teacher Marnie’s Class!
Pastor’s Discretionary Fund

The Pastor’s Discretionary Fund is used by the Pastor to assist individuals and families that are in need. Most often it is used to assist people who stop by the church office and request assistance for basic needs. Community organizations may also refer to Pastor, persons who need assistance. Pastor investigates each case by checking in with the Sheriff’s Office and or Latah County Social Services both of which share a common data base that can spot repeating requests and persons to keep an eye on. These requests to the Pastor’s Discretionary fund may be:

♦ They are homeless and need a place to stay for a night or two. The fund can provide temporary hotel housing for up to 3 nights while other arrangements are being made. Pastor will assist these people in connecting with local resources. Most people may receive housing assistance up to 2 times per year, however circumstances and situations may direct more assistance… especially when there are children involved.

♦ They may need assistance with utilities that are about to be denied. Pastor calls the utility provider and helps to set up a payment plan that includes an initial payment from the Discretionary Fund.

♦ They are traveling through town and need gasoline or vehicle repairs so they can continue to their destination. Their personal resources are depleted. Pastor assists them in purchasing fuel or finding a mechanic who can repair their vehicle for a reasonable rate.

♦ People need to see a doctor or need medicine. Pastor uses the Moscow Clinic to provide these services. They may need a prescription filled and this is done through Rosauers Pharmacy.

♦ People may need food. They are connected with our local food bank and/or food is given from our ELC kitchen surplus or is purchased by Pastor.

♦ Preschool families sometimes need assistance with, rent, utilities, food, medicine, clothing or tuition.

ELC has the gracious ministry of “loaves and fishes,” assisting people with their most basic needs. This is a very “hands on” ministry through our Pastor.

**The Pastor’s Discretionary Fund is in need of your financial support.**

Could your support for the Pastor’s Discretionary Fund be above and beyond your usual gracious giving? If you are able to, please give a separate offering ear marked for the Pastor’s Discretionary Fund.

(Our Church Treasurer and our Pastor administrate the Pastor’s Discretionary Fund.)
Help Our Kids!

Here is a win-win way to help support our Emmanuel Lutheran Preschool and finally make some free space in your garage!

We are accepting donations of your RV, Car, Pickup, or ATV to raise funds so our Emmanuel Preschool kids can experience a bright educational beginning in a loving Christian environment!

If you have:
- an old car taking up space in your driveway,
- or an old truck that is taking up valuable "shop" space,
- or an ATV that is in the way of the new planter box you want to build,
- ANY vehicle you wish to donate all or part of its sale,

let us sell it for you!

Help provide a safe fun place for our kids to learn, play, and grow. Please contact Steve Fountain, Craig Greenwalt, Pastor Daugs, or the Church Office (882.3915).

We would love to hear from you!

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APRIL 2017

TREASURERS REPORT

With a 2017 budget of $363,284, that includes the roof loan, income needs to average about $30,300 per month to meet budget. Income from the general fund in April totaled $29,513 and expenses were $30,345. As a result, the operating loss for April was $432 and year to date loss is now $17,178 compared to $3,872 last year. The line of credit balance is now $42,000, fast approaching our maximum limit of $50,000.

Since the first of the year, we have experienced significant snow removal costs, an unplanned bill for a broken water main and lower than expected giving. Council President Ben Beard recently mailed a letter updating the congregation on the situation and asking for additional financial support.

At the recent church council retreat, the council approved loans from the Saving Grace Mission account (up to $7,000) and the Good Shepherd Fund (up to $15,000) to provide us with the working capital we need to be able to continue to pay our bills. Our Stewardship Committee will be meeting in early June to look at a special giving campaign to retire the line of credit debt and provide more liquidity.

The balance on the roof replacement loan today is $46,779, and our monthly payment is $987.

As your treasurers, we are encouraged by the two recent Sunday offerings. We also believe the new Give + phone application will make it easier for members to contribute to the church, especially on the Sundays you are not able to attend. Thank you for continued and generous support of Emmanuel and its vital missions.

In his work,
Jon Kimberling and Gwen Mitchell,
Treasurers

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Send A Kid to Camp Lutherhaven!

The Dave Isakson memorial Scholarship Fund was established by Gretchen Isakson and her family in 2013. The purpose of this scholarship fund is to champion sending children to Camp Lutherhaven.

In the past years, that fund has sent numerous children to Camp Lutherhaven.
Lutherhaven offers many Christian based camping opportunities for children, grades one through high school.

If you would like to contribute to this great cause, as a memorial… a gift… in celebration of… please note on your offering, “Dave Isakson Memorial Scholarship Fund.” You can put your contribution in the offering plate on Sunday morning, drop it by the Church Office, or mail it to:
Emmanuel Lutheran Church,
1036 W A Street,
Moscow, ID 83843.

Thank you for helping our youth make special relationships, have exciting experiences and make lasting memories!

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Why Donate?

- You can avoid the hassles of selling a car
- No need to pay hefty repair bills
- Free up space in your garage
- 100% tax deductible

Donating is Easy!
Looking for Something to Do? We Can Help!

There are many ways to be involved in the missions and ministries at Emmanuel. All you have to do is let us know what you hold interest in, what your gifts are, what you like to do! Call the Church Office at 208-882-3915 or email at emmanuelmoscowid@gmail.com. Help is always needed in the following areas! What would YOU like to do?

**Sunday Morning Ministry Servant?**
Our worship at Emmanuel is enriched when a variety of members participate. There are many areas of help need on Sundays. Have you ever wanted to learn more about being an Assisting Minister, Communion Assistant, Greeter & Thanker, on Altar Guild, an Acolyte, a Counter, a Scripture Reader, an Usher, make Communion Bread, lead a Sunday School class, co-lead our J.A.M. - Jesus and Me children’s class? Contact the Church Office and we can tell you more about these worship areas! These activities do not require any special skills, just a desire to participate. Training sessions are available.

**Love kids?**
Doesn’t matter what age, we have opportunities for working with every age! Let us know!

**Women’s Ministry?**
ELCW (Emmanuel Lutheran Church Women) have monthly circle meetings and quilting twice a month, plus many other opportunities to make a difference.

**Are you an “Old Dude?”**
Our men’s group, the “Old Dudes,” meet every Wednesday morning at 7 AM for breakfast & devotions or coffee & Fellowship.

**How about photographs?**
Do you like taking pictures? Hanging pictures? Looking at and organizing pictures? There are many areas where “camera savvy” folks are needed!

**Altar Flowers?**
Sign up to bring Flowers for the Altar on a Sunday morning. It couldn’t get simpler than this... sign up, CindyMarie will email you the preceding Monday to remind you. Bring your arrangement before church, take it home after church, and enjoy it at home!

**Fellowship Host?**
Each Emmanuel family helps out with Sunday morning fellowship privileges on a rotating basis once every few months. A letter with the schedule and instructions is sent to each family as well as a reminder postcard sent a few days before your scheduled Sunday. If you have not been asked to serve yet, please let us know.

**Are you Musical?**
Be a part of the Adult Choir, Emmanuel Bells or other musical offering. We also have a Children’s Choir and Children’s Chime Choir.

**Do you like to write?**
Are you good with pen and paper? Do you like to write articles? We are looking for ways to make the “Emphasis” more interesting. Share your ideas! Contact CindyMarie in the office!

**Can you cook?**
You don’t even have to know how to cook... just how to buy food... or drive food! At times, members of our church family find themselves in temporarily stressful situations and could use a meal provided to them (due to sickness, accident, etc.). If you know of a member who might benefit from this gesture, or would like be on the list to provide a meal or deliver a prepared meal, please contact us.

**Is working outside “your thing?”**
Spring is coming. Adopt an Emmanuel flower bed! There will be lots of yard work, clean up, and “deep cleaning” in the church building. Let us know if you can help!

**Office Work?**
We are looking for regular volunteer help in the church office, answering phones, greeting visitors, assembling bulletins, etc. If you can help out a few hours a week, please contact CindyMarie!

Call the Church Office at 208.882.3915 or email us at emmanuelmoscowid@gmail.com if you can help out!
Lutherhaven Ministries is your congregation's year-round outdoor ministry. We're Camp Lutherhaven on Lake Coeur d'Alene, Shoshone Mountain Retreat & Ranch up the North Fork of the Coeur d'Alene River, Idaho Servant Adventures, and week-long Lutherhaven Day Camps held in communities around the Northwest. The Camp Corner features news and happenings at Lutherhaven.

Did you know? 2017 marked our 71st year offering quality, safe, Christ-centered programs for campers of every age!

Here are a few things coming up at camp:

**Family Camp at Lutherhaven - July 14-16**
- Bring your family, friends and neighbors and leave the rest to us!
- Build life-long memories, life-renewing relationships and life-changing faith.
- Bring your boat or jet-ski to us from Lutherhaven's fabulous waterfront!

**Cabernet, Canvas & Camp up the Creek! - July 28-30**
- A retreat at Shoshone for adventurous women!
- Wine tasting, painting lessons, gentle horses and more!
- The perfect weekend for a great mid-summer get-away with friends.

**Kindercamp at Lutherhaven - August 4-6**
- 4&5 year old campers bring a big person to share all the fun of camp!
- Swimming, sand castles, art & crafts, Bible study, campfire with s'mores plus so much more!
- Meet new friends and make great family memories.

**Shoshone Family Camp - August 11-13**
- Choose your own adventures during this brand new weekend!
- The perfect age-appropriate mix of active, outdoor camp fun & quality time as a family.
- Choices include horseback riding, dutch oven cooking lessons, mountain biking & trail riding, climbing wall, zip-line, Giant's swing & more!

Questions?
Call: 208-667-3459 x 113
Email: registrar@lutherhaven.com
www.lutherhaven.com/events

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**Cabernet, Canvas & Camp up the Creek!**

_July 28 @ 4 PM - July 30 @ 12 PM_

A retreat for adventurous women!

A little art, a little wine, a little Dutch oven cooking in a beautiful mountain setting.

Add horses, terrific meals and awesome outdoor rec opportunities to pick from (or not!) in one majestic setting and it adds up to a whole lot of fun! It's the perfect weekend for a great mid-summer get-away with friends at Shoshone Mountain Retreat!

**Includes:**
- Cabin lodging; 5 fabulous Chuckwagon meals; wine pairings with Kim Nelson of Vehrs/Spokane; painting lessons with artist Lisa Mittelsaedt Seher, (you'll drive home with a painting in your car!); awesome adventure; great evening programming; gentle horses; beautiful mountains and all the extras!

**Weekend Details:**
Registration begins Friday at 4 PM at Shoshone Mountain Retreat and we wrap up around noon Sunday, following worship and brunch.

**Friday Evening:**
4-7 PM Registration & Moving In
6 PM Supper
7 PM Opening, Riverside Chapel

**Saturday Includes:**
- Art Sessions
- Wine Pairings
- Dutch Oven Cooking
- Optional Horseback Trail Rides
- Singing and Worship
- Lots laughs & chats with friends
- Day hikes
- Huckleberry picking
- Climbing Wall
- Giant Swing
- River Tubing
- Zip Lining

**COST: $171**

Toll Free 1.866.729.8372 ext. 119
Local 667.3459 ext. 119
Email: registrar@lutherhaven.com
FINANCING THE LOCAL CHURCH: WHAT DOES IT COST?

Even though they are not members, Bill and Dorothy go to a church in their neighborhood once or twice per month. They are fond of the pastor and proud of the congregation’s ministry. They also take pride in contributing a small amount when they attend services feeling satisfied that they have contributed their fair share toward the church’s expenditures. Is their assessment realistic?

What Does It Cost to Run a Church?
The annual budget for Protestant congregations averages between $200,000 and $250,000 per year. Because of the broad range in budget sizes, it is helpful to compare total expenditures to the average worship attendance for the same year. Most Protestant congregations receive an average of $2,500 a year per each worshipper. Typically, smaller churches report higher per-worshiper contributions. And, some worshipers consistently give more than others. Experts believe that about one-third of individual contributors in a local church make up three-fourths of the total received in contributions.

While all congregations report that individual contributions (in the form of offerings, pledges, donations, or dues) are their biggest source of income, based on recent surveys, 80 to 90 percent of total income comes from these individual worshipers. The percentage varies little across congregations, but conservative Protestant churches are slightly more dependent on individual donations.

Income and operating expenses. Most congregations (85 percent) own their place of worship or meeting space. Thus, their budget line items include utility expenses, maintenance and landscaping costs, facility insurance, and in some cases, debt retirement on capital improvements or expansion. Even those churches without a building incur expenses associated with rental space, electronic equipment, and furniture.

Another budget item relates to church staff. The majority of congregations employ just one full-time clergy person. Churches take their financial commitments to their pastors and staff seriously. Congregations compensate pastors with salary, housing or housing allowance, health insurance, retirement contributions, and reimbursements. Inflation, rising health insurance rates, and other factors mean many congregations struggle to adequately meet their financial obligations to pastors and other staff.

In total, operating expenses and staff account for about 80 percent of the typical church budget.

What else makes up a church budget? Congregations affiliated with a denomination make annual contributions to their judicatories or national agencies. Funds help the denomination carry out tasks that are beyond the scope of a local church and promote mission efforts nationally and internationally. The percentage that local churches give to denominational agencies varies, but the median is about 8 percent of the church’s total budget.

Some congregations set a percentage of the church budget for local mission and ministry. These budget items include all types of church programming (choir, youth group) as well as local mission work (food pantry, community outreach). Because churches define the “mission” category portion of their budget differently, the typical percentage ranges from 15 to 30 percent or more.

*PERCENTAGE GIVING IS WHEN 20% OF YOU GIVE A LOT MORE THAN 80% OF US.*
Where Does the Money Come From?

Although congregations rely on individual contributions as their biggest source of income, the second largest source of revenue comes from trust funds, investments, or bequests. Around 60 percent of congregations reported this type of annual revenue, indicating $33,000 as the median yearly amount.

After individual contributions and endowments, the third largest source of congregational income reported is charges for use of the church’s facilities or buildings. About one in four churches receive some rental and usage income. These congregations reported an annual median amount of $5,000 in income. For both endowments and usage of church facilities, more mainline Protestant churches reported generating revenue in this way compared to conservative Protestant churches.

Why Do People Give?

About half of U.S. worshipers regularly give 5 percent or more of their net income to their congregation. Greater numbers of conservative Protestants practice percentage giving compared to mainline Protestant worshipers. When worshipers are asked to identify the factors that influence their decision to make financial gifts to their church, the most important reason is that they feel a sense of gratitude for God’s love and goodness. Other major influences on worshiper giving include:

- wanting to contribute to God’s work
- a sense of religious duty to give
- the Bible’s teaching on giving
- a sense of obligation to support the church’s work
- hearing about specific needs
- a sense of gratitude for help my family or I have received from the church

Beyond these personal reasons for giving, research shows two organizational strategies yield higher giving levels in churches of all sizes.

An annual financial stewardship campaign. First, churches with a well-designed and executed annual campaign generate more revenue per worshipper than churches that attempt to raise funds without such a strategy. A campaign should invite worshipers to go on record with a financial pledge or commitment for the coming year. Such an approach yields about 30 percent more revenue than no such effort.

Ask every worshiper to practice percentage giving. In the typical congregation, one in four worshipers give 10 percent or more of their income to the church. What about the other worshipers? Encourage them to give a percentage of their income and make it easy for them to calculate their current giving level. Then, ask them to grow their current gift by 1 percent in the coming year.

Questions for a Financial Tune-up

Discussing a few key questions can move the governing board and lay leadership in a positive decision-making direction.

- Does the board have a general sense of the percentage of budget allocated to each broad expense category? Does that allocation reflect the values and beliefs of members? Have the percentages changed in significant ways in the past ten years?
- Has the board or relevant committee reviewed the building usage guidelines or policies in the past year or two? Do the fees adequately compensate the church for the expenses associated with that use (including utilities, set-up and clean up, insurance)? If not, are these expenses covered by the church’s mission budget?
- Does the congregation conduct an effective annual stewardship campaign? What criteria are used to assess its effectiveness?

Advice for Worshipers

How much should Bill and Dorothy put in the offering plate when they attend services? While the answer depends on the size of the church and its budget, the statistical averages indicate that around $48 per week per worshipper helps most congregations reach their budget goals. Thus, if Bill and Dorothy drop $100 in the plate, they would be well on their way to more fully sharing in the costs of the congregation’s ministries.

1. Median congregational incomes reported in the U.S. Congregational Life Survey (2008) and the National Congregations Study (2012) were adjusted for inflation.
What is Dinner for Eight

“Dinner for Eight” are organized small group get-togethers at a church member’s house.

The roles in each group rotates at each meeting and consist of the following:
host, craft supplier and lesson leader.

The dinner starts at 6 PM and generally follows the following format:

6:00 PM Meal prayer.
6:05 PM Highs and lows – each person takes a turn talking about their highs and lows since the last time the group met.
6:45 PM Lesson – short lesson that is age dependent to adjust to differing group mock-ups.
7:05 PM Craft – crafts and activities related to the lesson. Fun for kids and adults, often seasonally appropriate (e.g. making ornaments during Christmas).
8:00 PM Closing circle prayer – everyone joins hands and gives their thanks.

Please add additional comments or ideas:

M.A.P.
(Ministry Action Plan Committee)
Survey 2017

The Ministries Action Plan Committee (M.A.P.) was charged by the Emmanuel Lutheran Church Council to initiate dialogue with the Emmanuel Congregation about Emmanuel’s ministries and to report findings to Council.

The M.A.P. Committee asks for your help!

Please complete the survey on the next page and offer any constructive comments or ideas.

Thank you!

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# MAP Survey 2017

Please rate the degree to which you agree or disagree with each of the following statements:

1—Strongly Disagree, 2—Disagree, 3—Neither agree nor disagree, 4—Agree, 5—Strong agree, N/A—Not applicable

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COFFEE SEEDLINGS

Coffee seedlings changed Lionel Philador’s life.

She and her husband live in Carice, in the northeastern mountains of Haiti. They farm coffee, but for many years they struggled to grow coffee or make a good income from it. Eventually the couple decided to join the St. Helene de Carice Coffee cooperative, in hopes that things would get better.

As a cooperative member, Lionel had the opportunity to receive training on how to start coffee tree seedlings and manage a nursery. She liked this work very much. That’s why, when the Haitian government put out the call for seedlings for a distribution program, Lionel decided to give it a try. She put in her bid and the Haitian government ordered 25,000 seedlings from her!

It took the help of her entire village, but she did it. She started her own nursery and sold all 25,000 seedlings for a profit, which she split with the people in the village who helped her. With her newfound business, she’s been able to buy a house down the mountain so her children and grandchildren can more easily attend school.

Now she continues to farm coffee on her small farm, and grows seedlings to sell in her nursery. She’s also committed to showing other farmers how to become entrepreneurs like her.

GIVE COFFEE SEEDLINGS FOR $75

ELCA Good Gifts

As members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), we believe that God is calling us into the world - together. And with generous, loving hands, we can make a difference.

ELCA Good Gifts go beyond your regular congregational offering to support the ministries of the ELCA that mean the most to you and your loved ones. Together, we can do more than we ever could alone. Making a huge collective impact on the needs of our church and the world.

THERE ARE THREE WAYS TO GIVE:

ONLINE: www.ELCA.org/goodgifts
PHONE: 800-638-3522
MAIL: Send an order form to:
ELCA
P.O. Box 1809
Merrifield, VA 22116-8009

GOAT $100

In parts of the world where food supply is precarious, a hearty goat can survive, giving milk that nourishes and sells. Feed a family in Latin America, Africa or Asia with the gift of a Goat — not just for one day, but for a lifetime.

SHEEP $100

Livestock provide nutrition and income to farming families. But when feeding the family is tough, it makes keeping livestock tougher. Give a farming family in Burkina Faso the gift of a Sheep, along with feed and basic veterinary care, providing a source of milk and money.

COCOA SEEDLINGS $100

What’s not to love about chocolate? Especially when the sweet treat helps farmers rise out of poverty. Give Cocoa Seedlings and give farmers in Latin America or the Philippines access to valuable crops that change lives.
Welcome!

Emmanuel Lutheran Church

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Join us!

Sunday mornings:
Parish Education - 8:30 AM
Worship Service - 9:30 AM
and Fellowship - 11:00 AM

Emmanuel is a community of faith celebrating the life of Jesus Christ in, among and for us all. Our mission is to proclaim God’s loving care through ministries of worship, serving, learning and compassionate living for others.

Music is integral to Emmanuel’s life and worship. There are adult and children choirs, adult and children bell choirs, guitarists, cellists and ensembles involved in our life together.

Emmanuel highlights and celebrates seasons and commemorations throughout the year with children’s programs, special services, music, soup and bread meals, potlucks, coffee hours, outings, etc.

Companionship is central to our life together here and with people far and near whose lives are connected to ours through Christ’s call and leading. Many hundreds of quilts have been sewn and sent abroad, and many thousands of dollars have been given for food, books, scholarships, medical supplies and many other needed items.

Emmanuel Lutheran Church Women (ELCW) encompasses women of the congregation and friends, meeting in groups monthly for Christian education, prayer, companionship, service to missions and to host joint annual gatherings.

Youth groups including confirmation classes, camps and family outings provide fun and fellowship for Emmanuel’s children.

Emmanuel Ministers to the Community

Emmanuel Lutheran Preschool serves children from 3-6 years old. Morning and afternoon classes are available. Families select the schedule of days. Email: emmanuellutheranpreschool@gmail.com

Lutheran Campus Ministry at the U of I is housed in The Center. Karla Newmann-Smiley, Lutheran Campus Minister, provides programs and services to college students. Email: lcm@uidaho.edu

Cordelia Lutheran Church is maintained by Emmanuel. Historic Cordelia Lutheran Church is Idaho’s oldest and smallest Lutheran church. Cordelia is available for concerts, weddings, visits, and mediation. Email: cordeliachurch@gmail.com

For Your Convenience:
• Parking is available near both levels of the church. Upper level parking is on the north side and lower level is on the south side.
• Main restrooms are located on the lower level.
• An elevator is located near the sanctuary entrance.
• There is a child care room adjacent to the sanctuary and includes a restroom.
• Hearing devices, reading glasses, large print bulletins and children’s worship activity bags are available at the upper entrance.

Come serve alongside us.  Come study, learn, discuss and grow with us.