

# **YOUTH GROUP HALLOWEEN PARTY**

## **Saturday OCTOBER 22, 2022**

### **5PM**



**We will start off in Fellowship Hall with plenty of Pizza and refreshments.**

**Youth in small groups will be led to view the Witches Kitchen where they will get to feel all the body parts the witches use in their brews.**

**Then on to Dracula's Dining room where they will see what he has prepared for supper.**

**On to the Dungeon downstairs where they will witness souls of the night in a walk through.**

**Then all will go room to room for trick or treats. Ending in Fellowship Hall for more Refreshments. All youth ages welcome and bring a friend.**

# Live Laugh & Learn Lunch



The next lunch will be held:

**Wednesday October 26<sup>th</sup>** 12:30PM to 2PM

at **BJ's Restaurant & Brewhouse**

650 Bald Hill Road Suite C, Warwick, RI 02886

*(RI Mall parking lot)*

Estimated cost \$10 to \$25

If you would like to go, please email, text or call  
Michael Groleau at

Cell: 401-465-5021

Email: [MichaelKGroleau@gmail.com](mailto:MichaelKGroleau@gmail.com)

Friends are welcome!

# Emanuel Church Bazaar November 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>



## Emanuel Lutheran Church

9 New London Ave, West Warwick RI 02893

Saturday, November 12, 2022 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Sunday, November 13, 2022 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Unique hand-made items, local vendors, lots of baked goods,  
our wonderful raffle baskets, refreshments and so much more.

Take a Christmas photo with an antique truck (weather permitting).



**Don't miss this special holiday shopping event.**

If you would like to donate a baked good for Emanuel's baked goods table, please sign-up on the bulletin board at church.

For more information, contact:

Sue Wieboldt at 397-9845 & [susieq3380@gmail.com](mailto:susieq3380@gmail.com)

or

Carol Johnson at 323-9542 & [cmjohnson1220@gmail.com](mailto:cmjohnson1220@gmail.com).

Thank you.

# Confirmation Hike



Last week the confirmation class was held outside at the Fisherville Brook Wildlife Refuge in Exeter.

## **Emanuel Lutheran Church Council Meeting- September 14, 2022**

Attendees: Myron Gaboury, Bruce Johnston, Glenn Johnson, Ray Nunez, Pastor Todd Stange, Ken Wieboldt, Sue Wieboldt

Not in attendance: Elaine Marsh, Kathleen Plante

**Opening Devotions** – Pastor Todd spoke about Martin Luther's interpretation of the 8<sup>th</sup> commandment – You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

This at a base level means we should not tell lies about our neighbor. However, in Luther's Small Catechism he extends this and says it means not only should we not tell lies about our neighbor, but that we should defend them, and speak well of them, and explain their actions in the kindest way. This means that if we hear of someone doing something that we don't like, that we should give the person the benefit of the doubt. We should think – they may have a good reason for doing that. Until we know all the facts, we should assume the best about people. This is especially true for our brothers and sisters in the church.

**Review and approve August Council Minutes** – Approved unanimously.

### **Treasurer's report**

- Financially we are doing pretty well, especially coming out of summer – a time when giving sometimes goes down. Many people are giving through automatic means Simply Giving and Givelify now and this really helps.

### **Christian Education** –

- Confirmation and Sunday school kicked off last Sunday 9/11.
- Confirmation we have 6 students.
- We have teachers in place for Sunday school and confirmation.
- See the Christian Ed. Committee minutes for September for more information.

### **Finance**

- Please submit budget requests to the Finance Committee by October 7<sup>th</sup>. The Finance Committee will begin working on the 2023 budget at the October meeting.
- Finance will be meeting with Sarah Groleau our Thrivent Representative in October.
- Financial Secretary job description
  - The Finance Committee put together a draft of a job description for Financial Secretary job.
  - Not everyone on the council received the description before the council meeting. The job description was read at the council meeting.
  - Danielle David is considering taking on this role. Danielle is already doing many of the items on the job description. Walter Phaneuf has stepped down from this role in July.
  - Council needs to approve the job description and add to the constitution's bylaws.
  - Question raised - Who compares counter tally sheet with what has been deposited in the bank? This is something the Financial Secretary should do. Should this be added to the job description – Compare and verify that the counter tally sheets amount equals the amount deposited in the bank. Finance

Committee will discuss and possibly update the job description at their next meeting. Council will review at the October meeting.

### **Property**

- See Property Committee report
- Joyful Noise requested replacing the rubber flooring in the big classroom with wood laminate. This is the \$30K floor that was put down several years ago. Property committee will not allow this. The rubber floor was selected for safety reasons.

### **Worship and Music**

- See Worship & Music Committee report.
- Blessing of Animals on Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> – people will be invited to bring a picture of their favorite animal(s).
- Nancy Kennedy hasn't taken any days off yet. Is she planning on taking vacation. Finance is curious for budgeting purposes. We would need to pay for a substitute.

### **Church Picnic**

- Picnic planned for October 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- We have a Thrivent grant to help pay for bouncy house and food.
- Planning on having face painting, corn hole tournament.
- No rain date has been planned.
- Myron will be in charge of food.
- People from the neighborhood will be invited.
- Bruce will apply for a Thrivent grant for food for the Fall Bazaar in November.

### **Constitution Proposed Changes**

- Special congregational meeting Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> to consider adopting the required clauses from the 2019 ELCA model constitution.
- A new updated 2022 ELCA model constitution came out at the end of August. It was determined that it would be too rushed to try and consider these new changes at the 11/6 meeting. These will be considered at a future date.
- The congregation needs to be notified at least 30 days before the 11/6 meeting – by October 7<sup>th</sup>. A letter will be sent to members that includes the comparison of Emanuel's constitution to what the constitution would look like if we adopt the required clauses from the ELCA model constitution. This comparison highlights the changes we will be considering. Ken Wieboldt will help in getting the mailing out.

### **Contacting Members We Haven't Seen**

- What is the status of calling the people we haven't seen in a while?
- The list of people was given to Kym, the office admin to call.
- Pr. Todd will follow up with Kym and get a status on who has been contacted.

### **Youth Group**

- Dina Andersen & Rebecca Nunez have agreed to be co-advisors of the youth group.
- A Youth Group Halloween party will be held on Saturday October 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- A list of about 80 youth connected to Emanuel was given to Myron.

### **Picture Copyrights**

- Emanuel received a letter from Pic Rights International. They enforce copy right laws for companies like Reuters news. Their letter included a photo that Emanuel used on its Facebook page. Pastor Todd copied the picture from the internet not realizing that it was from Reuters or copyrighted. The letter requested \$350 payment for use of the picture and threatened court action.
- After looking into this we believe that Pic Rights International is a legitimate company. There are lots of people on the internet that are not happy with them with stories similar to ours some with much bigger fees/fines.
- Pastor Todd has deleted this picture from our Facebook page. He also deleted any other picture that might have been copyrighted. In the future Pastor Todd will be much more careful about using pictures from the internet.
- Carol Johnson is reaching out to Pic Rights International to see if she can get the fee to be dropped or lowered.

### **Jane Wahl Gift Part 2**

- Emanuel was contacted by Jane Wahl's account. They told us that we will be receiving another distribution of \$60,000 from Jane's estate. Thank you Jane!
- We will consider how best to use this money at the October council meeting. Use the next month to think about how God would want Emanuel to use the money. Speak with other people in the congregation and get people's thoughts and ideas.

### **Council replacement for Walter Phaneuf**

- Should we find a replacement for Walter on the council? Yes, if there's anyone who would like to serve on council for the remainder of the year, they would be enthusiastically welcomed.

### **Is it Valid for the Council or Congregation to vote over Zoom?**

- The question was raised whether or not it is valid for the council or congregation to vote over zoom. This September Council meeting was held over zoom because 4 members of the council tested positive for COVID. It would have been difficult, perhaps not possible to get a quorum otherwise.
- Where in the constitution does it say voting over Zoom is not allowed? Look at C17.02 a and b

\*C17.02.A proposed amendment to this constitution shall:

- a. be approved at a legally called meeting according to this constitution by a majority vote of those present and voting;
- b. be ratified without change at the next annual meeting by a two-thirds majority vote of those present and voting; and

- It states "by a majority of those present and voting" Are people attending over Zoom "present"?
- Under Congregational Meetings the constitution says C10.07 that we need to follow Robert's Rules

C10.07. Robert's Rules of Order, latest edition, shall govern parliamentary procedure of all meetings of this congregation.

- Myron says Robert's Rules only allows in person voting. What does the latest edition of Robert's Rules say about voting over Zoom?
- During the COVID pandemic the council decided that we would meet and vote over Zoom. We did this for almost 2 years with council meetings. Two congregational meetings were held both with people in-person and people over Zoom. Much care was taken to include people and keep people safe.
- Myron requests under Emanuel's constitution clause C15.11 a meeting with the synod Consultation Committee to get their ruling on whether or not Zoom voting is allowed or not.

\*C15.11. When there is disagreement among factions within this congregation on a substantive issue that cannot be resolved by the parties, members of this congregation shall have access to the synodical bishop for consultation after informing the chair of the Congregation Council of their intent. If the consultation fails to resolve the issue(s), the Consultation Committee of the synod shall consider the matter. If the Consultation Committee of the synod shall fail to resolve the issue(s), the matter shall be referred to the Synod Council, whose decision shall be final.

- Pr. Todd will reach out to our synod representative Kim Bergstrand and request this.

**Next Meeting October 13, 2022**

**Closing Prayer**

7:56pm meeting ended

# Beautiful Flowers



Thank you to Sue Wieboldt for leading the flower arranging class last Saturday and for everyone who participated!

# Craft Night at Emanuel



**Tuesdays at 6:30PM**  
in the **Fellowship Hall**

Come help make crafts to sell at Emanuel's  
Fall Bazaar table.

Fun fellowship too!

# Pot Luck Lunch

## Sunday November 6<sup>th</sup>



Starting November 6, 2022 we will have our first Pot Luck Dinner right after Church services. Bring one of your favorite Entrée's to share with as we all dine together. If you don't care to cook, come anyway as there will be plenty for all. Even if you are not hungry for a meal grab a pastry and coffee and enjoy the fellowship. We will have Pot Luck Dinners the first Sunday of each month except for January which will be the second Sunday.

# If You Could Ask God One Question what would you ask?



## **Adult Forum Wednesdays at 7PM**

The Living the Questions course grew out of two United Methodist congregations in Arizona. It was designed to help people wrestle with the relevance of Christianity in the 21st century and to help people discover what a meaningful faith can look like in today's world. Contributors include: John Bell, Marcus Borg, Walter Brueggemann, Diana Butler Bass, Dominic Crossan, Matthew Fox, Lloyd Geering, Hans Küng, Brian McLaren, Robin Meyers, Bernard Brandon Scott & John Shelby Spong.

## **Wednesday Evenings at 7PM in Jacobs Hall**

**Oct. 26** — Stories of Creation

**Nov. 2** — Lives of Jesus

**Nov. 9** — A Passion for Christ: Paul the  
Apostle

**Nov. 16** — Out into the World: Challenges  
Facing Progressive Christians

Each session will include an ~20 min. video and then discussion of the issues/concepts, some of which may be challenging.

# Special Congregational Meeting



**Sunday November 6<sup>th</sup> @ 11:30AM**

We will be voting on adopting ELCA model constitution changes into Emanuel's constitution.

A document showing all the proposed ELCA model constitution changes that we will vote on Sunday November 6<sup>th</sup> is available and attached to the same email this herald was sent in.

If you have any questions, please ask Pastor Todd, Linda Nunez or Bob Maine. Thank you.

# What is the ELCA Model Constitution?



## Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.

Emanuel is a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America - the ELCA.

Emanuel is governed by a constitution. The ELCA provides a model constitution for all its members as a guide. Some provisions of the model constitution are required to be followed by all congregations who are members of the ELCA. Specifically:

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Chapter 2. CONFESSION OF FAITH

\*C2.01., \*C2.02., \*C2.03., \*C2.04., \*C2.05., \*C2.06. and \*C2.07.

Chapter 3. NATURE OF THE CHURCH

\*C3.01., \*C3.02., \*C3.03., \*C3.04. and \*C3.05.

Chapter 4. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

\*C4.01., \*C4.02., \*C4.03., \*C4.04., \*C4.05. and \*C4.06.

Chapter 5. POWERS OF THE CONGREGATION

\*C5.01., \*C5.02., \*C5.03. and \*C5.04.

Chapter 6. CHURCH AFFILIATION

\*C6.01., \*C6.02., \*C6.03., \*C6.04., \*C6.05., \*C6.06. and \*C6.07.

Chapter 7. PROPERTY OWNERSHIP

\*C7.01., \*C7.02., \*C7.03. and \*C7.04.

Chapter 8. MEMBERSHIP

\*C8.01., \*C8.02., \*C8.03., \*C8.04. and \*C8.05.

Chapter 9. ROSTERED MINISTER

\*C9.01., \*C9.02., \*C9.03., \*C9.04., \*C9.05., \*C9.06., \*C9.07., \*C9.08.,  
\*C9.09., \*C9.11., \*C9.12., \*C9.13., \*C9.14., \*C9.21., \*C9.22., \*C9.23.,  
\*C9.24., \*C9.25., \*C9.26., \*C9.27., \*C9.28., \*C9.29. and \*C9.31.

Chapter 15. DISCIPLINE OF MEMBERS AND ADJUDICATION

\*C15.01., \*C15.02., \*C15.03., \*C15.04., \*C15.05., \*C15.06., \*C15.07.,  
\*C15.10. and \*C15.11.

Chapter 16. AMENDMENTS

\*C16.01., \*C16.02., \*C16.03. and \*C16.04.  
Chapter 17. BYLAWS  
\*C17.01., \*C17.02., \*C17.03. and \*C17.04.  
Chapter 18. CONTINUING RESOLUTIONS  
\*C18.01. and \*C18.02.  
Chapter 19. INDEMNIFICATION  
\*C19.01.  
Chapter 20. PARISH AUTHORIZATION  
(Required only for a congregation that is part of a parish)  
\*C20.01., \*C20.02., \*C20.03., \*C20.04., \*C20.05. and \*C20.06.

According to the ELCA constitution these provisions need to be adopted by all congregations who wish to be members of the ELCA.

Normally changes to a congregation's constitution require 2 approving votes by the congregation with the 2<sup>nd</sup> vote passing by a 2/3 majority before a change is officially adopted. However there are specific rules in Emanuel's constitution that make it easier to adopt changes that come from the ELCA's model constitution. Only 1 vote passing by a simple majority is required.

Every 3 years there is a churchwide assembly of the ELCA. All the synods from across the country send representatives to the churchwide assembly including the New England Synod, which Emanuel is a part of.

Sometimes at the churchwide assembly changes are proposed to the ELCA model constitution. Sometimes the changes are substantial. Sometimes they are small corrections. If the proposed changes are

approved, then the ELCA model constitution is updated and all member congregations of the ELCA need to vote on adopting the changes.

It has been many years since Emanuel has incorporated ELCA model constitution changes into our constitution. We hope to do that this year. There will be a special congregational meeting on **Sunday November 6<sup>th</sup>** after worship to vote on adopting all the required updates from the ELCA model constitution into Emanuel's constitution.

If you have any questions, comments or ideas about Emanuel's current constitution, the ELCA model constitution and/or the new updates that we will be voting on Sunday November 6, please let Pastor Todd, Linda Nunez, or Bob Maine know.

Thank you

# On-line Worship at Emanuel Sundays at 10:30AM



## What to Do - if You would Like to Come to On-line Worship

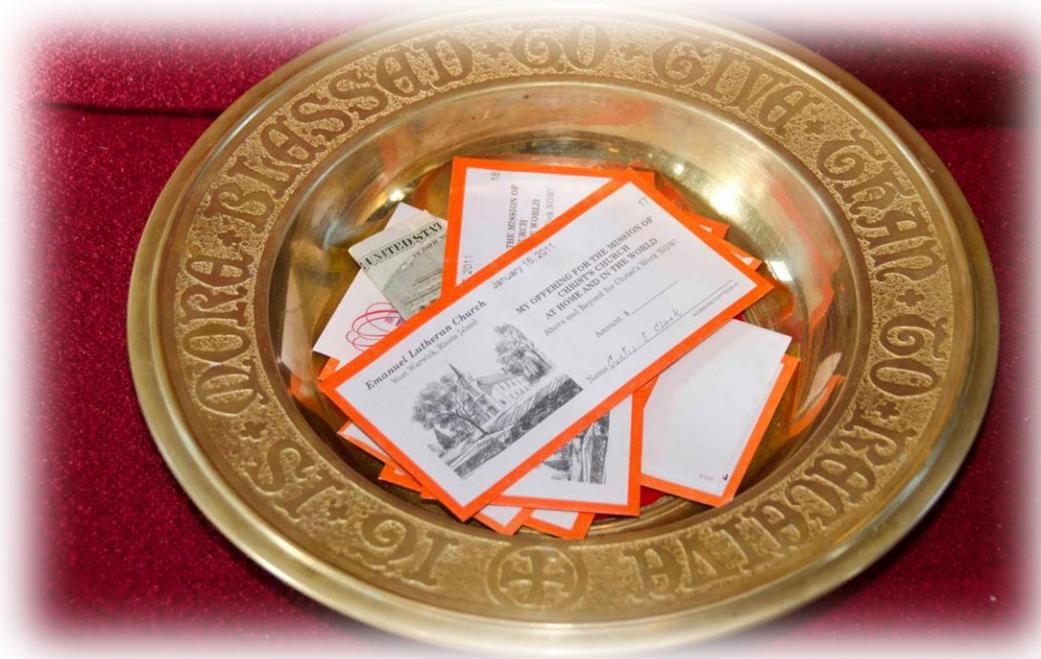
Just click on the Zoom link below on Sunday at 10:30AM:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/93690864460?pwd=cHZ5RVNsdnFYcDhhNVdMKzA2VENlQT09>

You can also join us by phone by calling (929) 205-6099 and entering Meeting ID: 936 9086 4460 and Password: 933328

A video of the service will be posted on Emanuel's website and Facebook group page later in the day.

# Offerings to Emanuel



## Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who has been mailing in their offering or giving through Simply Giving and Givelify.

Offerings can be mailed to:

Emanuel Lutheran Church  
9 New London Avenue  
West Warwick, RI 02893

OR you can use either the Simply Giving program, which allows you to automate the giving of an offering from a checking account, or Givelify, which is online app that allows giving through a debit or credit card.

If you would like to find out more about either of these, please let Emanuel's Treasurer, Carol Johnson, or Pastor Todd know. Thank you.

**You can give to Emanuel through Givelify by clicking on the DONATE button on Emanuel's website OR by clicking here: [Donate](#)**

[www.emanuelww.org](http://www.emanuelww.org)

**Please keep these children of God  
in your prayers this week:**

**For Healing & Comfort:** *Emma & Dianne (Linda Read's sister and niece)*

**Worship Assistants**

	<i>Serving October 23:</i>	<i>Serving October 30:</i>
<b>Counter:</b>	<b>Glenn Johnson</b>	<b>Glenn Johnson</b>
	<b>8:00AM</b>	<b>8:00AM</b>
<b>Lector</b>	<b>Kathy Garriott</b>	<b>Kathy Marco</b>
	<b>10:30AM</b>	<b>10:30AM</b>
<b>Deacon:</b>	<b>Sue Wieboldt</b>	<b>Carolyn Duprey</b>
<b>Anthem:</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Ushers</b>	<b>Donna Sennett &amp; Mary Schabek</b>	<b>Bruce Johnson &amp; Pauline LaVallee</b>
<b>Lector:</b>	<b>Song Edwards</b>	<b>Glenn Johnson</b>
<b>Coffee Hour</b>	<b>Lynne Wolff</b>	<b>Carol Swanson &amp; Elaine Marsh</b>

**October's Memorial Candle**



The Memorial Candle for October is given in loving memory  
of **Donald Schabek** from the Schabek family.

### This Week at Emanuel

<b>Sunday, October 16</b> 19 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost	8:00am	Worship
	9:15am	Sunday school, Choir
	10:30am	Worship IN Person & Online
	11:30am	Coffee Hour
	12:00pm	Confirmation Hike & Picnic
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<b>Monday, October 17</b>	10:00am	Deliveries to food pantry (10AM – 1PM)
	7:00pm	Al-Anon (Jacobs Hall)
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<b>Tuesday, October 18</b>	10:00am	Food Pantry 10AM - 12PM Pastor's Office Hours
	6:30pm	Craft Night at Emanuel (FH)
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<b>Wednesday, October 19</b>	10:00am	Ellie's Circle 10AM - 12PM (JH)
	7:00pm	Adult Forum Living the Questions (JH)
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<b>Thursday, October 20</b>	10:00am	Al-Anon (Jacobs Hall)
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<b>Friday, October 21</b>	10:00am	Mabel Lewis funeral
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<b>Saturday, October 22</b>	5:00pm	Youth Group Halloween Party
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<b>Sunday, October 23</b> 20 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost	8:00am	Worship
	9:15am	Sunday school, Choir
	10:30am	Worship IN Person & Online
	11:30am	Coffee Hour

### Next Week at Emanuel

<b>Monday, October 24</b>	10:00am	Deliveries to food pantry (10AM – 1PM)
	7:00pm	Al-Anon (Jacobs Hall)
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<b>Tuesday, October 25</b>	10:00am	Food Pantry 10AM - 12PM Pastor's Office Hours
	6:30pm	Craft Night at Emanuel (FH)
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<b>Wednesday, October 26</b>	10:00am	Ellie's Circle 10AM - 12PM (JH)
	12:30pm	Live, Laugh & Learn Lunch (BJ's restaurant)
	7:00pm	Adult Forum Living the Questions (JH)
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<b>Thursday, October 27</b>	10:00am	Al-Anon (Jacobs Hall)
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<b>Friday, October 28</b>	-----	
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<b>Saturday, October 29</b>	-----	
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<b>Sunday, October 30</b> 21 <sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Reformation Sunday	8:00am	Worship
	9:15am	Sunday school, Choir, Confirmation
	10:30am	Worship IN Person & Online
	11:30am	Coffee Hour

## **Upcoming Commemorations**

### **James of Jerusalem, martyr, died around 62**

**Sunday, October 23, 2022**

One of three early-church leaders named James, this man is identified in the New Testament and by a historian of the time as a brother of Jesus. Scholars are uncertain whether this means a blood brother. He was a leader of the church in Jerusalem.

### **Philipp Nicolai, died 1608; Johann Heermann, died 1647; Paul Gerhardt, died 1676; hymnwriters**

**Wednesday, October 26, 2022**

These great hymnwriters all worked in seventeenth-century Germany in times of war and plague. Nicolai, a pastor, lost 1,300 parishioners to plague, 170 in one week. He wrote "O Morning Star, how fair and bright" and "Wake, awake, for night is flying." Heermann's hymns, including "Ah, holy Jesus," often express the emotions of faith. Gerhardt, perhaps the greatest Lutheran hymnwriter, was a pastor in Berlin.

### **Simon and Jude, Apostles**

**Friday, October 28, 2022**

We know little about these apostles. Simon is listed as "the zealot" or Cananean in New Testament lists. Jude, also called Thaddeus, asked Jesus at the last supper why he had revealed himself to the disciples but not to the world.

Double click on link below to see Emanuel's online calendar:

**[Emanuel's Online Calendar](#)**

The calendar is on Emanuel's web site.