

What is something you father taught you



(Pastor Todd's father and great grandfather)

or did for you that you are grateful for?

This **Father's Day** at Emanuel we will be giving thanks our fathers and father-like-figures in our lives. You will be invited to write down something you father taught you or did for you or passed down to you that you are grateful for. The pastor and deacon will read these things during the prayers of the people and we will give thanks to God for them.

Father's Day Sunday June 18th

Summer Drama Camp at Emanuel



June 26th – June 30th at Emanuel 8:30am to 12:30pm
Ages 5 to 14
friends are welcome!

Cost - \$20 for first child, \$10 for second child, \$5 for additional children (\$35 max per family). Scholarships are available.

Register at the door on Monday morning June 26th 8:00am - 8:30am

Call or email for more information or to pre-register:

pastor@emanuelww.org

(401) 821-8888

Your Input is Requested



as the New England Synod prepares to elect another Bishop

Bishop James Hazelwood announced that he will be stepping down as bishop of the New England Synod in June 2024. At next year's synod assembly a new bishop will be elected. In preparation of that selection process the synod is taking a landscape survey of how people are feeling in the synod, what challenges we face, and what qualities do we think the next bishop should have.

Please consider taking the online survey at the link below. The survey will be up until June 30th. Thank you.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NewEnglandSynod>

Live Laugh & Learn Lunch



The next lunch will be held:

Thursday, June 22nd 12:30PM to 2PM

The Olde Theater Diner

33 Sandy Bottom Rd, Coventry, RI 02816

Estimated cost \$8 to \$20

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

Cell: 401-465-5021

Email: MichaelKGroleau@gmail.com

Friends welcome!

Thank you Sunday school teachers, parents & children!



Sunday school wrapped up the school year last Sunday 6/11. Thank you to our Sunday school teachers Sue Meriano, Lynne Wolff, Kathy Marco and Danielle David. Thank you to the snack lady Jim Meiano and the helpers throughout the year like Kelly Cabral. Thank you as well to all the parents and the children too. It was a great year. Have a wonderful summer. Sunday school will kick-off again on Sunday September 10th at 9:15AM.

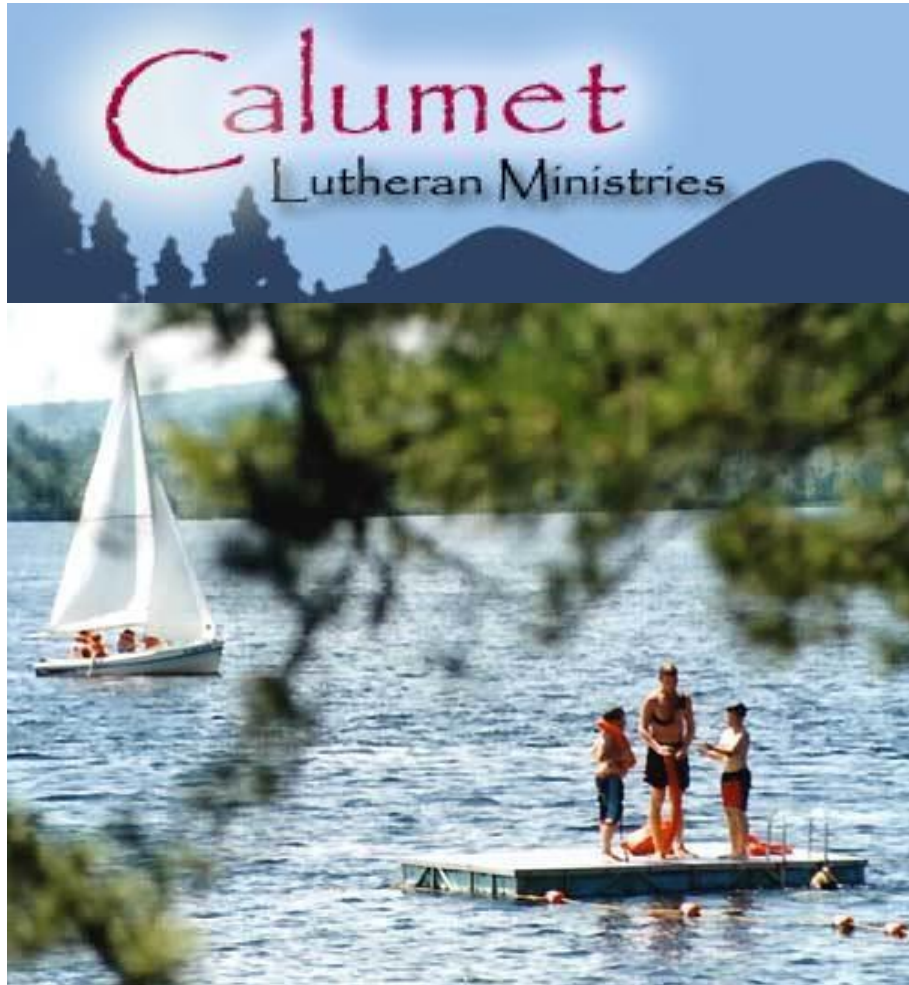
Looking for a ride to church



Some of you may remember Scott Watson. He used to come to Emanuel with his mother Jane. He hasn't been to church since the pandemic. Scott lives at Wescott Terrace (about 2 miles from Emanuel) and would like to come to church some Sunday, but needs a ride.

If you could give Scott a ride some Sunday, please let Pastor Todd know. Thank you.

Emanuel Camp Scholarships



If you know a child 8 years old to 16 years old, we'd like to help send them for a week of camp. The Wallace Anderson & John Carlson Campership funds are being given away now for Camp Calumet.

Camp Calumet is in West Ossipee, New Hampshire and sits on beautiful Lake Ossipee. For over 50 years people have been making friends, getting closer to God, and having fun at Calumet.

www.calumet.org

For more information speak with Pastor Todd
pastor@emanuelww.org (401) 821-8888

Looking for help setting up for



Holy Communion

One victim of the COVID pandemic was Emanuel's altar guild. With remote worship there wasn't a need to setup for Holy Communion on a regular basis. Pastor Todd took on these duties when there were needed.

Now that we are having Holy Communion each Sunday, there's a need once again for an altar guild at Emanuel. Pastor Todd would appreciate the help in setting up for Holy Communion (it takes about 15 minutes) and would be happy to show what's needed and how to do it.

If you are interested in helping, please let Pastor Todd or Bruce Johnson know. Thank you.

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Thank you!



Thanks to all who participated and brought laughter and fellowship to the Tuesday craft nights!

We will startup again in the fall.

**Emanuel's Holiday Bazaar will be on
November 11th & 12th**

Free money for Emanuel



If you have a Thrivent Financial account

Please check your Thrivent account to see if you have any **free** Thrivent Choice dollars available. If so, you can direct Thrivent to donate them to help out Emanuel.

There are thousands of dollars available. But you need to direct them to Emanuel, so they'll benefit our congregation!

You can check by going:

- Online at www.Thrivent.com/thriventchoice.

OR

- Phone: [800-847-4836](tel:800-847-4836) and say "Thrivent Choice" at the prompt. The Member Connection Center is open until 6 p.m. Central time, Monday – Friday.

If you're not familiar with the Thrivent Choice program, just ask your Thrivent Representative. Or send an e mail to Pastor Todd, or Emanuel's Treasurer, Carol Johnson for help.

Thank you to all who've designated their free Thrivent Choice dollars to help Emanuel.

Please consider donating your 2023 Thrivent Choice dollars.

Emanuel Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes May 11, 2023

Members present: Myron Gadoury , Jack Gibbs, Bruce Johnson, Marcia Melanson, Mark Melanson, Ray Nunez, Donna Sennett, Pastor Todd Stange, Ken Wieboldt, Sue Wieboldt

Opening Devotions

We broke into pairs to discuss how we've seen God work in our lives. Members shared in an open forum. Sue expressed how it's not just God's shoulders, it's also the church's shoulders.

Last month's Council minutes were accepted. Motion made to accept by Pastor. Mark seconded.

Annual Meeting minutes

Pastor had some changes. He will send out the changes he would like to be considered, for Council members to review and offer comment on.

Treasurer's Report

Questions were raised about the how the Food Pantry monies were listed, which Carol will answer at the next Council meeting.

We have \$5,378.00 available funds, which reflects Easter Sunday giving. There were also five Sundays in April.

Christian Education

We are finishing up Confirmation and Sunday School this year.

Jill Stange will be directing the play, "Davy and Goliath" in music camp this year.. We are looking for volunteers. Reilly Chabot and Meghan will be helping again this year. Jack Gibbs will ask his wife to assist the day that Jill cannot be present.

Kathy Marco may be stepping down as a Sunday School teacher due to familial obligations.

We participated in Church Without Walls. There were a total of 14 people participating.

Glenn will use his Thrivent Grant to purchase snacks for music camp. We may need another script, shirts, etc. out of that grant. Sue will purchase the snacks the Sunday before.

Finance

Mike Ricci would like approval from the Council for the patch for the parking lot. Approval was granted through previously sent emails.

Carol would like a separate account for the cemetery.

Finances are doing well going into the summer season.

Property Report

Myron needs some emergency exit and entrance lights replaced. Some of the violations need to be addressed with private contractors (electrical). The front doors and stair door need to be planed down. Myron will need some help getting the doors down to be planed. Jack and Ken will assist with this. Myron stated that some of the violations were verbal only, but still need to be addressed. Myron stated that the inspectors come to the Day Care every

spring . Myron informed the Council that the playground sand needs to be removed, if the rubber mulch project proceeds. The Day Care would like to rubberize the playground to deal with the sand issues. This will cost approximately \$20,000. The Day Care has requested more information before committing to this project. There will be a deck put in the playground to cover all the boulders. That will cost approximately \$10,000. Myron is going to hire a contractor to do the landscaping, to ensure it is done. Chris Anderson is not going to do the lawn next year. If no one volunteers, we will need to hire someone. There will be a church cleanup on May 20th. It will include the church grounds and the church cemetery. The clean-up will be announced in the Herald and on our Facebook page.

Worship & Music

Pastor has asked for photos of people who have served or are currently serving in the military. For Father's Day, people will be asked to say something that they are thankful for from their fathers on a slip of paper. Pie coffee hour is being considered.

Pastor is considering possibly using the Narrative lectionary. It came out in 2004. We have done the cycle for the Common Lectionary (3 year cycle). The Narrative Lectionary (4 year cycle)– starts in Genesis in September. Then in December, it starts with the birth of Christ and highlights one of the Gospels.

Possible performance of the Jazz Mass in the Fall.

Also possibly teaching harmony parts during the service. Or doing a round during the service.

The committee also discussed the possibility of doing away with Zoom for the service. The numbers of people watching on Zoom have decreased. However, there were people on Council who felt that it is important to still provide that option.

There was some discussion about using a centralized microphone in the church to capture speakers and general congregation.

Review of spreadsheet highlighting in-person/Zoom attendance and overall comparison of attendance pre-Covid through the current year (2023). We are at 58% of the number we had in 2019 (in-person attendance only).

Other topics

Pastor has been outreaching those who have not been attending church to see why they have not been attending. Pastor has been outreaching these members, and 23 out of 64 have been outreached. Pastor has spoken with six of them.

Some reasons for decreased attendance include:

Increased age, extremely busy schedules, people out of the habit of going, out of state on the weekends, familial obligations. A few indicated that they would like to come back to church. Some of the contact information needs to be updated. Pastor will continue to outreach people

A closing prayer was offered and the meeting was adjourned.

Meeting minutes are respectfully submitted by Donna Sennett, Church Council Secretary

Last week's New England Synod Assembly



Jack Gibbs and Pastor Todd attending last week's synod assembly in Worcester, MA.

Summer Worship Schedule



Begins Sunday June 25th
One service at 9:15am

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

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

For Healing & Comfort: Phil Brooks (friend of Margaret Teehan), Sherry Ponce (friend from the food pantry), Heather, Darly, Kylie, Layla, Summer & Mason Whitaker (family from the food pantry)

Worship Assistants

	<i>Father's Day Serving June 18</i>	<i>Summer Schedule Serving June 25</i>
Counter:	Glenn Johnson	Ken Wieboldt
	8:00AM	
Lector	Disa Johnson	
	10:30AM	9:15AM
Deacon:	Diane Gadoury	Donna Sennett
Ushers	Pauline Lavallee & Mary Schabek	Bruce Johnson
Lector:	Glenn Johnson	March Schabek
Coffee Hour	Linda Mensinger Nunez	Joanne Powers

June's Memorial Candle



The Memorial Candle for June is given in loving memory of
Lilly Froiseth from Jack Teehan.

This Week at Emanuel

Sunday, June 11 2 nd Sunday after Pentecost	8:00am	Worship IN Person
	9:15am	Last day of Sunday School & Choir
	10:30am	Worship IN Person & Online
	11:30am	Coffee Hour

Monday, June 12	10:00am	Deliveries to food pantry (10AM – 1PM)
	7:00pm	Al-Anon (Jacobs Hall)

Tuesday, June 13	10:00am	Food Pantry 10AM - 12PM, Pastor's office hours 10AM – 2PM
	6:30pm	Bazaar Workshop (Fellowship Hall) Scandinavian Women's Chorus

Wednesday, June 14	10:00am	Ellie's Circle 10AM - 12PM (JH)

Thursday, June 15	10:00am	Al-Anon (Jacobs Hall)

Friday, June 16		

Saturday, June 17		

Sunday, June 18 3 rd Sunday after Pentecost Father's Day	8:00am	Worship IN Person
	10:30am	Worship IN Person & Online
	11:30am	Coffee Hour

Next Week at Emanuel

Monday, June 19	10:00am	Deliveries to food pantry (10AM – 1PM)
	7:00pm	Al-Anon (Jacobs Hall)

Tuesday, June 20	10:00am	Food Pantry 10AM - 12PM, Pastor's office hours 10AM – 2PM
	6:30pm	Bazaar Workshop (Fellowship Hall) Scandinavian Women's Chorus

Wednesday, June 21	10:00am	Ellie's Circle 10AM - 12PM (JH)

Thursday, June 22	10:00am	Al-Anon (Jacobs Hall)

Friday, June 23		

Saturday, June 24		

Sunday, June 25 4 th Sunday after Pentecost Summer Schedule	9:15am	Worship IN Person & Online
	10:30am	Coffee Hour

Upcoming Commemorations

Emanuel Nine, martyrs, died 2015

Saturday, June 17, 2023

On June 17, 2015, Clementa C. Pinckney, Cynthia Marie Graham Hurd, Susie Jackson, Ethel Lee Lance, DePayne Middleton-Doctor, Tywanza Sanders, Daniel Lee Simmons, Sharonda Coleman-Singleton, and Myra Thompson were murdered by a self-professed white supremacist while they were gathered for Bible study and prayer at the Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church (often referred to as Mother Emanuel) in Charleston, South Carolina. Pastors Pinckney and Simmons were both graduates of the Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary. A resolution to commemorate June 17 as a day of repentance for the martyrdom of the Emanuel Nine was adopted by the Churchwide Assembly of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America on August 8, 2019. Congregations of the ELCA are encouraged reaffirm their commitment to repenting of the sins of racism and white supremacy which continue to plague this church, to venerate the martyrdom of the Emanuel Nine, and to mark this day of penitence with study and prayer.

Onesimos Nesib, translator, evangelist, died 1931

Wednesday, June 21, 2023

Onesimos was born in Ethiopia. Captured, enslaved, and taken to Eritrea, he was there freed by Swedish missionaries. He translated the Bible into his native Oromo and returned to preach there.

John the Baptist

Saturday, June 24, 2023

John said, "[Jesus] must increase, but I must decrease." And so his birth is celebrated half a year before Jesus', just as the daylight in the northern hemisphere begins to wane. Jesus honored John as being the greatest prophet.

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

[Emanuel's Online Calendar](#)

The calendar is on Emanuel's web site.