

## Ash Wednesday

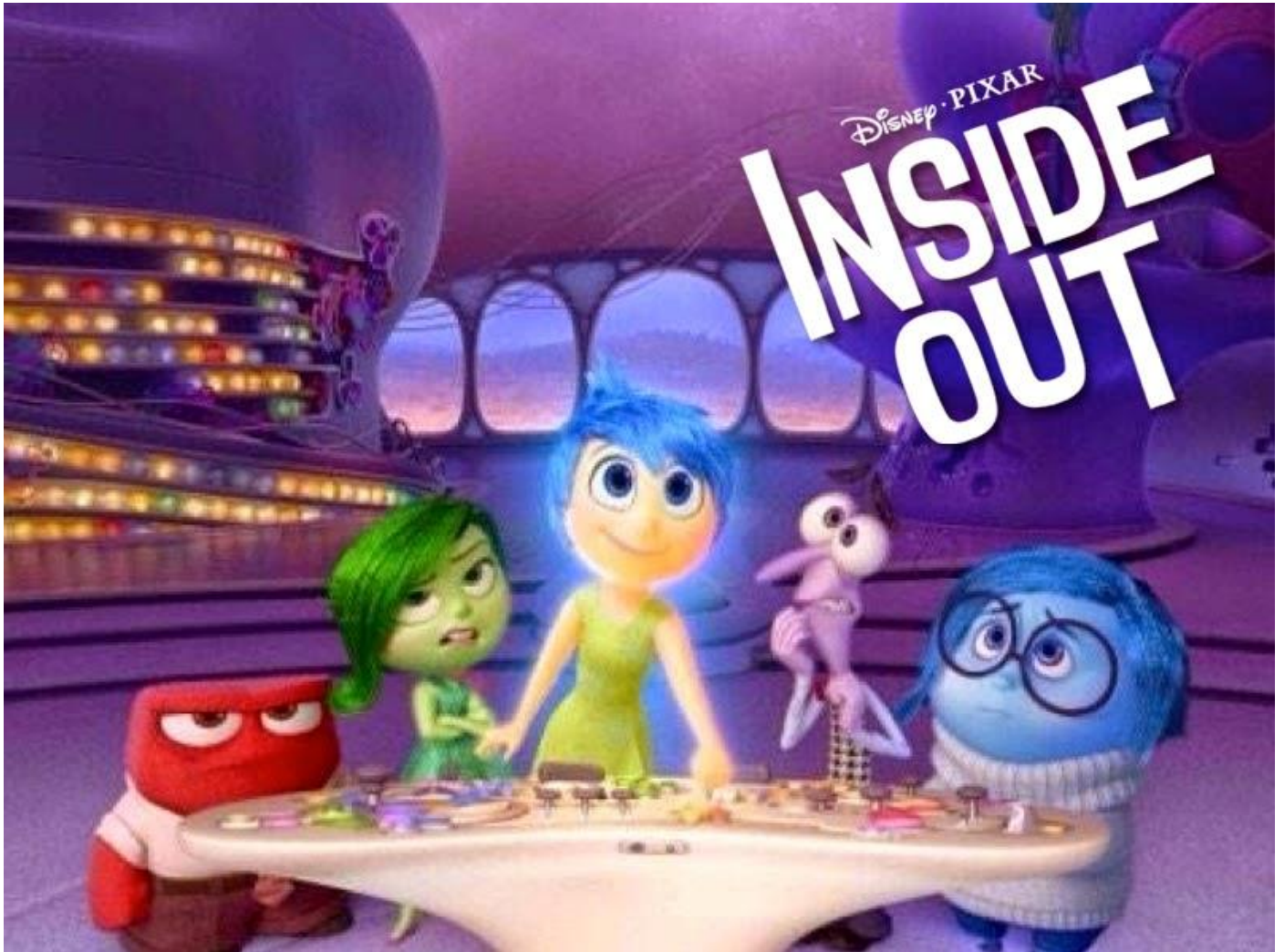


*"From dust you come, and to dust you shall return." Genesis 3:19*

## **Ash Wednesday Service February 14<sup>th</sup> at 7PM**

**Dispensation of Ashes at 12PM to 1PM parking lot  
Service & Dispensation of Ashes 7PM**

**Movie Night at Emanuel**  
**Saturday February 10<sup>th</sup> 5PM to 7PM**  
in the fellowship hall



**Movie “Inside Out”**

Oscar winner for Best Animated Feature. *Inside Out* follows the inner workings of the mind of Riley, a young girl who adapts to her family's relocation as five personified emotions administer her thoughts and actions.

**Children & families welcome!**

**Bring your old palms  
from last year's Palm Sunday to church**



**on Sunday February 11<sup>th</sup>  
we will present them in worship  
later they will be burned to make ashes  
for Ash Wednesday**

**“..and a child shall lead them.”** Isaiah 11:6



Thank you to the Sunday school children for helping to lead worship last Sunday.

# Looking for help/contributions



## for this year's Easter Egg Hunt

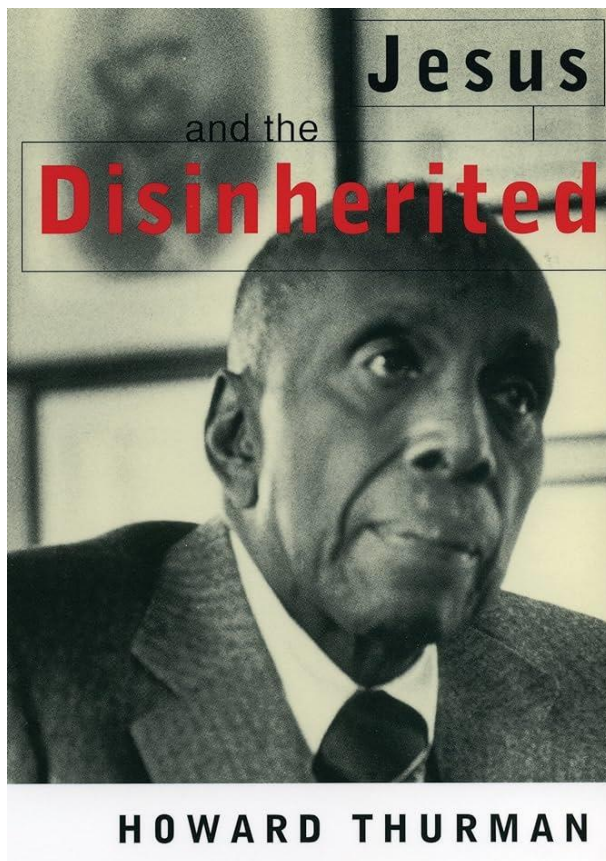
*the Saturday before Palm Sunday*

**Saturday March 23<sup>rd</sup> at Emanuel**

Jen Hadden and Margaret Teehan are looking for helpers for the Easter Egg Hunt, which will be on Saturday March 23<sup>rd</sup> (the Saturday before Palm Sunday).

They are also looking for contributions of candy or anything else that would be helpful at an Easter Egg Hunt. Thank you.

# Adult Forum – Wednesdays in Lent “Jesus and the Disinherited”



This Lent we will discover who Howard Thurman was and listen to and discuss his small, but powerful book “Jesus and the Disinherited”. This book is still read and taught in seminaries. Martin Luther King Jr. often carried a copy of it with him.

## **Wednesday Evenings at 7PM**

February 14 – Ash Wednesday service

February 21, 28, March 6, 13 & 20 – Jesus and the Disinherited.

We will meet in person in Jacobs Hall and over Zoom:

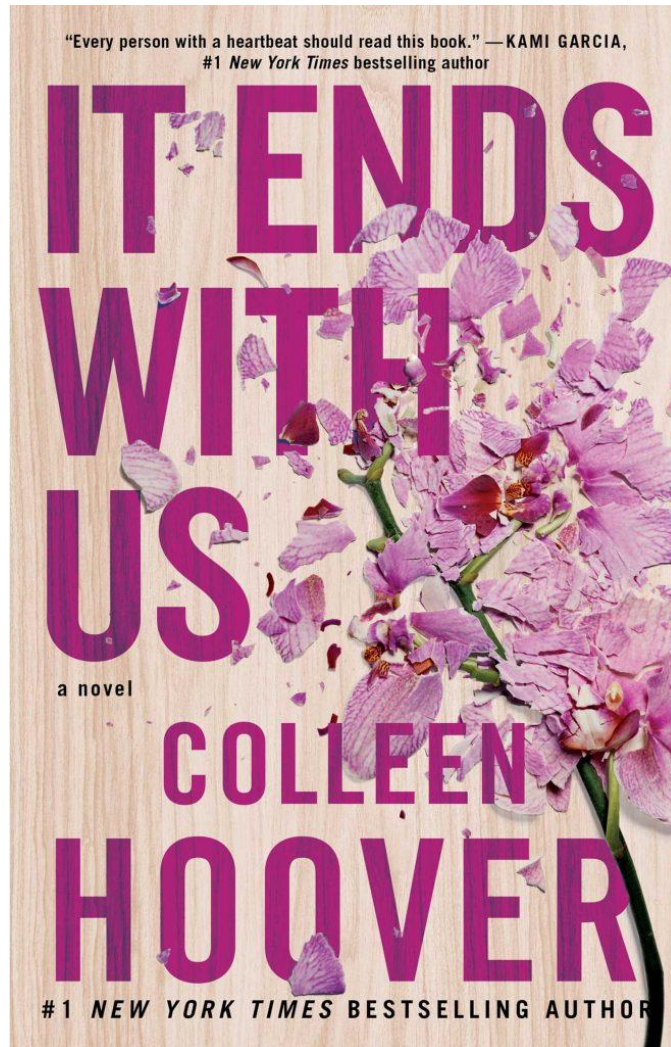
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Meeting ID: **894 0274 3938**      Passcode: **258717**

**A FREE online copy of the book can be found here:**

<https://archive.org/details/in.ernet.dli.2015.260684>

# Readers of Emanuel



## Next Meeting Sunday February 18<sup>th</sup>

The Readers of Emanuel book club is reading "It Ends with Us" by Colleen Hoover – #1 NYT best seller and winner of the 2016 Goodreads Choice Award.

This book is based on the relationship between Hoover's mother and father, Hoover described it as "the hardest book I've ever written."

We will meet after worship ~**11:45am** in **Jacobs Hall** on **Sunday February 18<sup>th</sup>**

Everyone is invited for good fellowship and food.

# Live Laugh & Learn Lunch



The next lunch will be held:

**Thursday, February 29<sup>th</sup>** 12:30PM to 2PM

at **Olive Garden**

31 Universal Blvd, Warwick, RI

Estimated cost \$12 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 welcome!



# You can nominate someone to be our next bishop

Bishop Election 2024



Pre-Identification Form now available

The pre-identification form is now available for those individuals interested in offering the name of a rostered minister of Word and Sacrament (a pastor) in the ELCA for consideration for call to be elected Bishop of the New England Synod. Any pastor in good standing on the ELCA roster in the United States is eligible to be named.

The form will be available from February 1-29, 2024. Individuals whose names are provided will be contacted to determine if they'd like to discern a call to bishop, and if so, will provide biographical information that will be made available on the synod website in April.

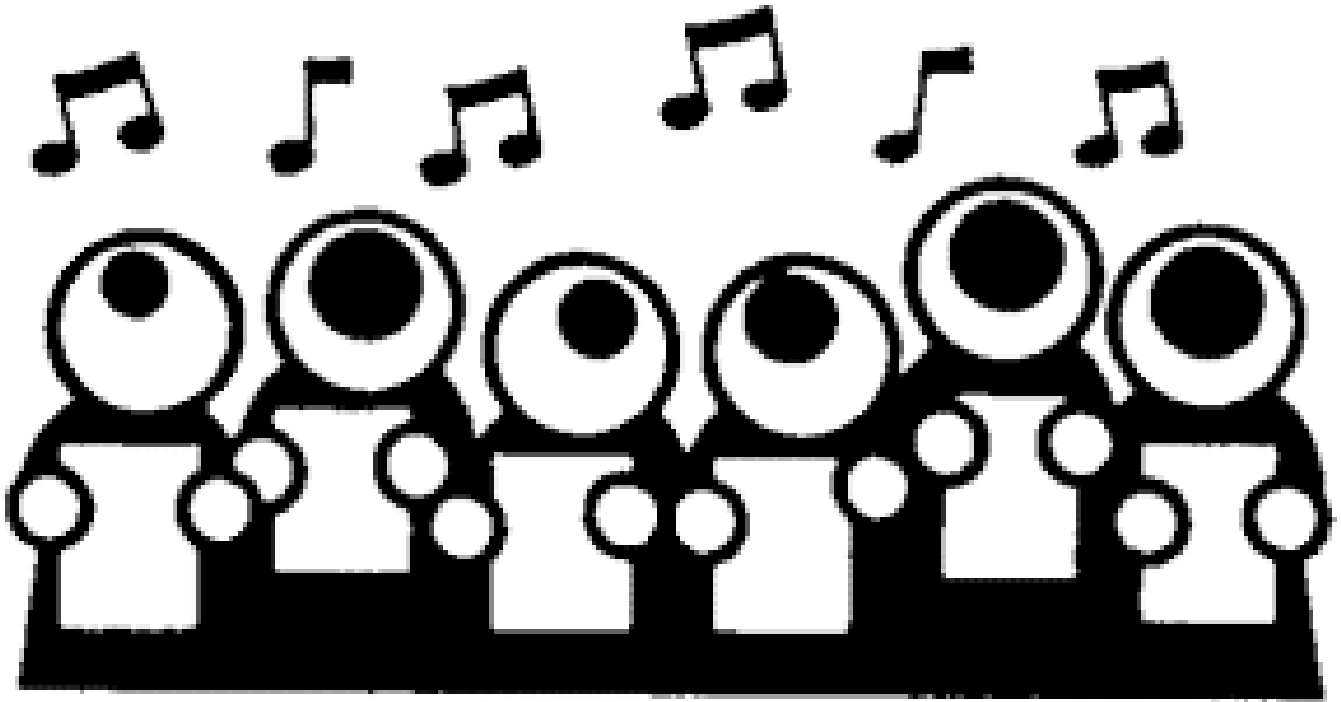
At the start of Synod Assembly on June 6, 2024, the names of these pre-identified persons will be included on the first ballot for the bishop election, along with the opportunity for an alternative candidate's name to be written in. The remainder of the election process will follow the guidelines outlined in our synod constitution, which may be found on the synod website [here](#).

**Go to**

**<https://www.nelutherans.org/bishopelection>**

**to nominate someone for bishop of the New England Synod or  
to find out more information.**

# Choir at Emanuel



**Sundays at 9AM  
in the sanctuary.**

**All who like to make  
music are welcome.**

# Bible Readings for Sunday February 11<sup>th</sup>

## First Reading

## Mark 8:22-33

*This story provides the turning point in Mark's gospel. Peter is the first human being in Mark's gospel to acknowledge Jesus as the Messiah, but he doesn't quite see clearly what that means. He cannot accept that as the Messiah Jesus will suffer.*

<sup>22</sup> They came to Bethsaida. Some people brought a blind man to [Jesus] and begged him to touch him. <sup>23</sup>He took the blind man by the hand and led him out of the village; and when he had put saliva on his eyes and laid his hands on him, he asked him, 'Can you see anything?' <sup>24</sup>And the man looked up and said, 'I can see people, but they look like trees, walking.'  
<sup>25</sup>Then Jesus laid his hands on his eyes again; and he looked intently and his sight was restored, and he saw everything clearly. <sup>26</sup>Then he sent him away to his home, saying, 'Do not even go into the village.'

<sup>27</sup> Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that I am?' <sup>28</sup>And they answered him, 'John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.'  
<sup>29</sup>He asked them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Peter answered him, 'You are the Messiah.'  
<sup>30</sup>And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

<sup>31</sup> he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. <sup>32</sup>He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. <sup>33</sup>But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.'

## Second Reading

## Mark 8:34 - 9:8

*Peter wants to stay up on the mountain, but Jesus must come down and go to Jerusalem to pick up his cross. Jesus invites his disciples to follow his example and pick up their crosses.*

<sup>34</sup> [Jesus] called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. <sup>35</sup>For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. <sup>36</sup>For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? <sup>37</sup>Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? <sup>38</sup>Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'  
<sup>9</sup><sup>1</sup>And he said to them, 'Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see that the kingdom of God has come with power.'

<sup>2</sup> Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, <sup>3</sup>and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. <sup>4</sup>And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. <sup>5</sup>Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.'  
<sup>6</sup>He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. <sup>7</sup>Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!'  
<sup>8</sup>Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them anymore, but only Jesus.

## How do the Bible readings speak to 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 Comfort & Healing:** Donna Sennett, Joe Berneski & his family, Landon & his family (friends of Shannon Schabek), Michael Groleau, Sue Auger

**For Grieving:** the family & friends of Beverly Grenier

**Worship Assistants**

	<i>Serving February 11</i>	<i>Serving February 18</i>
<b>Counter:</b>	<b>Ken Wieboldt</b>	<b>Linda Mensinger Nunez</b>
	<b>8:00AM</b>	<b>8:00AM</b>
<b>Lector</b>	<b>Kathy Marco</b>	<b>Kathy Garriott</b>
	<b>10:30AM</b>	<b>10:30AM</b>
<b>Lay Minister:</b>	<b>Diane Gadoury</b>	<b>Ida Zecco</b>
<b>Acolyte</b>	-	-
<b>Ushers</b>	<b>Pauline LaVallee &amp; Brandee Muncey</b>	<b>Bruce Johnson &amp; Mary Schabek</b>
<b>Lector:</b>	<b>Disa Johnson</b>	<b>Glenn Johnson</b>
<b>Coffee Hour</b>	volunteer needed	<b>Lynne Wolff</b>

**February's Memorial Candle**



The Memorial Candle for February is given in loving memory of **George Thomas Fekete** from Mary Schabek.

### This Week at Emanuel

Monday, February 5	10:00am	Deliveries to food pantry (10AM – 1PM)
	7:00pm	AI-Anon (Jacobs Hall)
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Tuesday, February 6	10:00am	Food Pantry 10AM - 12PM
		Pastor's Office Hours
	5:00pm	Christian Education Committee ONLINE
	7:00pm	Worship & Music Committee ONLINE
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Wednesday, February 7	10:00am	Ellie's Circle (JH)
	7:00pm	Adult Forum – Jesus and the Disinherited (JH & ONLINE)
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Thursday, February 8	7:00pm	Council Meeting (JH)
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Friday, February 9		
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Saturday, February 10	5:00pm	Movie Night (FH)
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Sunday, February 11	8:00am	Worship In Person
6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday After Epiphany	9:00am	Choir
Transfiguration Sunday	9:15am	Sunday school & Confirmation
	10:30am	Worship in Person & Online
	11:30am	Coffee Hour

### Next Week at Emanuel

Monday, February 12	10:00am	Deliveries to food pantry (10AM – 1PM)
	7:00pm	AI-Anon (Jacobs Hall)
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Tuesday, February 13	10:00am	Food Pantry 10AM - 12PM
		Pastor's Office Hours
	7:00pm	Worship & Music Committee ONLINE
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Wednesday, February 14	10:00am	Ellie's Circle (JH)
Ash Wednesday	12:00pm	Dispensation of Ashes 12PM to 1PM
Valentine's Day	7:00pm	Ash Wednesday Service with dispensation of ashes
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Thursday, February 15		
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Friday, February 16		
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Saturday, February 17		
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Sunday, February 18	8:00am	Worship In Person
First Sunday in Lent	9:00am	Choir
	9:15am	NO Sunday school
	10:30am	Worship in Person & Online
	11:30am	Coffee Hour

## Upcoming Commemorations

**Cyril, monk, died 869; Methodius, bishop, died 885; missionaries to the Slavs  
Wednesday, February 14, 2024**

These two brothers from Thessalonika, Greece, were monks and were sent to bring Christianity to the Slavic people. In the course of their work they created a written language, inventing the Cyrillic alphabet for it, and translated the Bible and the liturgy.

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

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

The calendar is on Emanuel's web site.