

# NEW Walking Bible Study

Happier More Energetic Live Longer



## Wednesdays at 3PM starting on April 24<sup>th</sup>

"If exercise could be packaged in a pill, it would be the single most widely prescribed and beneficial medicine in the nation." -Robert Butler, National Institute on Aging

This spring we are trying something different – a walking Bible Study. We will be discussing questions about God, the Bible and life as we walk for about an hour. The plan is to walk in a new location each week.

On Wednesday April 24<sup>th</sup> at 3PM we will meet at Riverpoint Park in West Warwick in the parking lot by the tennis courts.

***In case of heavy rain and/or lightning we will meet at the church. A notice will be posted on Emanuel's website: [www.emanuelww.org](http://www.emanuelww.org)***

If you have any questions or ride, please reach out to Pastor Todd.  
Thank you!

[pastor@emanuelww.org](mailto:pastor@emanuelww.org)

# Live Laugh & Learn Lunch



The next lunch will be held:

**Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup>** 12:30PM to 2PM

the **Crow's Nest**

288 Arnolds Neck Dr, Warwick, RI 02886

Estimated cost \$15 to \$30

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)

# Used Paschal Candles

~2007 - 2023



Pastor has a bunch of used beeswax paschal candles from years past. If you can make use of them, please let pastor know. Thank you.



# FREE Ping Pong Table



Emanuel's ping pong table is looking for a new home. Please let Pastor Todd know if you or someone you know is interested.

[pastor@emanuelww.org](mailto:pastor@emanuelww.org)

# Something New



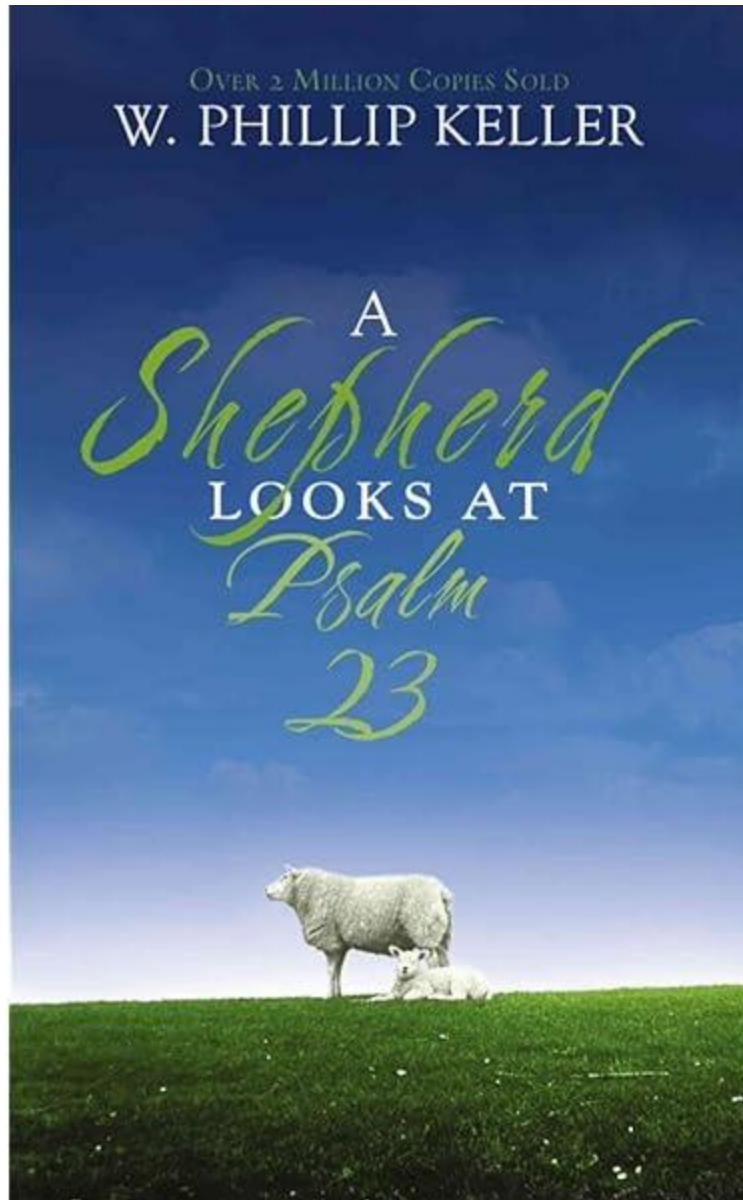
## Sharing Our Stories of God

We are inviting people to share stories of how God has shown up in their lives. This coming Sunday April 21<sup>st</sup> Diane Gadoury will be sharing a story from her life during Sunday worship 10:30am.

If you would be willing to share a story from your life, please let Pastor Todd know. Thank you.

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# Readers of Emanuel



## Next Meeting Sunday April 28<sup>th</sup>

The Readers of Emanuel book club is reading "A Shepherd Looks at Psalm 23" by W. Phillip Keller.

We will meet after worship ~**12pm** in **Jacobs Hall**.

Everyone is invited for good fellowship and food.



## Daily Devotion from Tuesday April 2, 2024

TUESDAY  
April 2, 2024

### Pet Blessing

With gratitude and love,  
I bless the world's pets.

**C**ompanionship, affection, loyalty, fun—these are just some of the wonderful ways pets enrich our lives.

I feel the love, life, and light of God through my relationship with pets. They ask so little, and they give so much. They are my comfort during dark times and my joy during lighter times. My life would not be as rich and full were it not for animal companions.

As I care for pets, I grow in compassion and love. The love and care of God flows from me as I tenderly nurture the pets in my life.

Holding all the animals and pets of the world in prayer, I bless them with thoughts of love, protection, and gratitude.


“And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so.—Genesis 1:30

Visit [dailyword.com](http://dailyword.com)

Daily Word 49

Shared by Glenn Johnson

# FEMA Funds Available in Rhode Island



## DISASTER ASSISTANCE

To apply and get answers to your questions, call:

# 1-800-621-3362



711 or Video Relay Service (VRS): 1-800-621-3362

**Please have the following available:**

- Your address with zip code
- Condition of your damaged home
- Insurance information, if available
- Social Security number
- Phone number where you can be contacted
- Address where you can get mail or email address to receive electronic notifications

**Direct Deposit:** Disaster assistance funds can be sent directly to your bank account. Please provide your bank account type, account number and bank routing number.

**Stay in touch with FEMA:** When you apply, you will receive a FEMA registration number. Save it. You will need the number whenever you contact FEMA.

 **Online registration also available**  **DisasterAssistance.gov**  
ACCESS TO DISASTER HELP AND RESOURCES

Disaster assistance is available without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, disability, English proficiency or economic status.

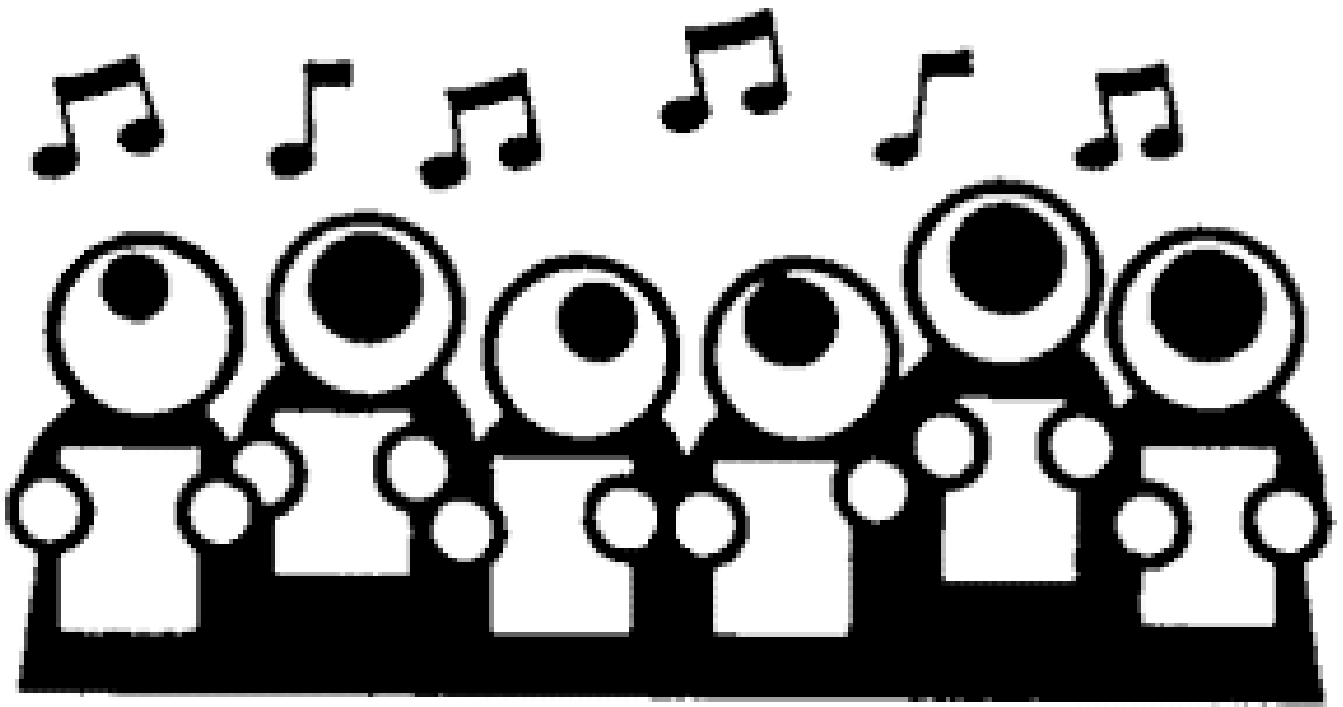
Residents and businesses hurt by two recent rounds of severe flooding now have access to federal grants and low-interest loans.

People in Providence, Kent and Washington counties may receive federal funding if they or their properties were affected by either of the disaster designation periods: Dec. 17-19, 2023, and Jan. 9-13, 2024.

For more information call 1-800-621-3362 or visit the FEMA disaster recovery center at the Coventry Town Hall Annex, 1675 Flat River Road.



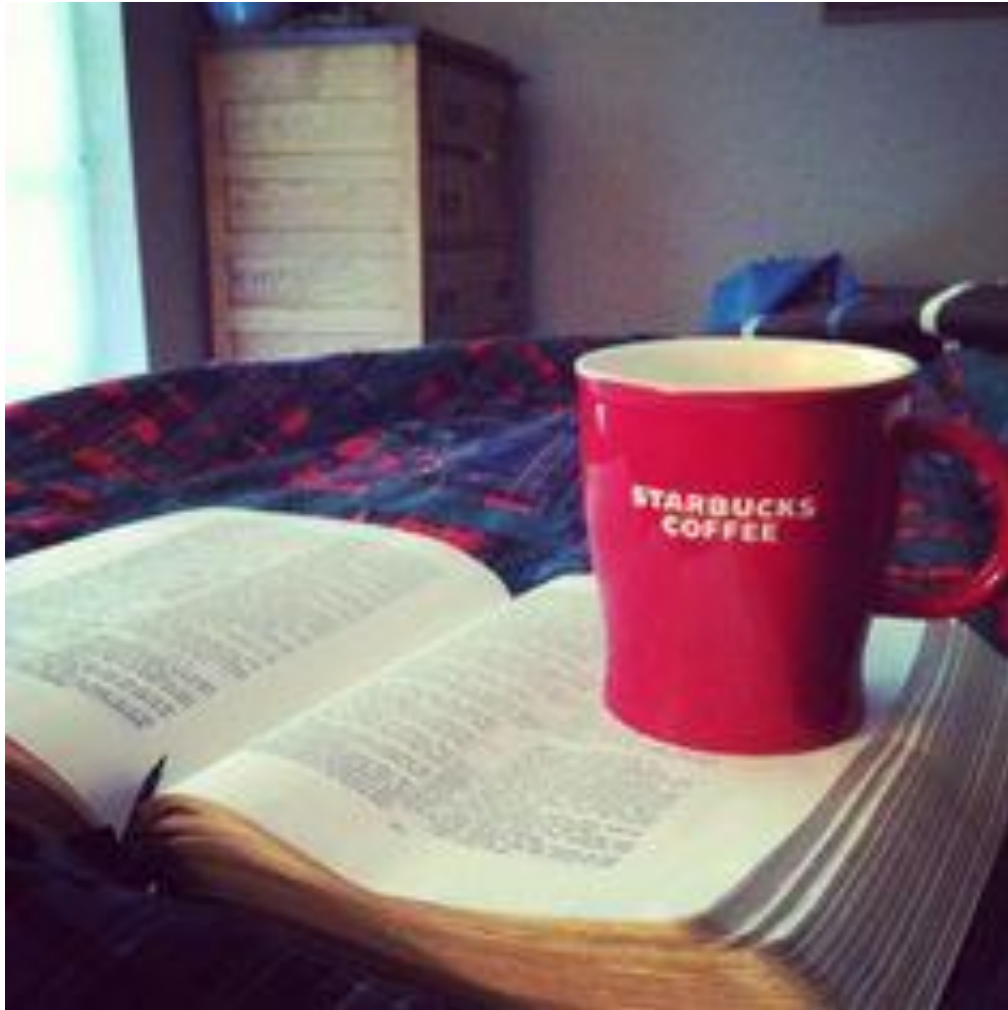
# Choir at Emanuel



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

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

# **Tuesday Morning Bible Study**



**Join us Tuesdays 9AM to 10AM at Emanuel  
in Jacobs Hall for**

## **Bible Study**

**Let's explore the Bible together.  
Everyone welcome.**

**Emanuel Lutheran Church,  
20 Leaf Street,  
West Warwick, RI 02893**

# Bible Readings for Sunday April 21<sup>st</sup>

## First Reading

## Acts 17:1-9

*Paul and Silas come to Thessalonica, Greece for the first time. Here they proclaim Jesus as the Messiah. Some are persuaded, but others feel threatened and cause trouble for them.*

<sup>1</sup> After Paul and Silas had passed through Amphipolis and Apollonia, they came to Thessalonica, where there was a synagogue of the Jews. <sup>2</sup>And Paul went in, as was his custom, and on three sabbath days argued with them from the scriptures, <sup>3</sup>explaining and proving that it was necessary for the Messiah to suffer and to rise from the dead, and saying, 'This is the Messiah, Jesus whom I am proclaiming to you.' <sup>4</sup>Some of them were persuaded and joined Paul and Silas, as did a great many of the devout Greeks and not a few of the leading women. <sup>5</sup>But the Jews became jealous, and with the help of some ruffians in the market-places they formed a mob and set the city in an uproar. While they were searching for Paul and Silas to bring them out to the assembly, they attacked Jason's house. <sup>6</sup>When they could not find them, they dragged Jason and some believers before the city authorities, shouting, 'These people who have been turning the world upside down have come here also, <sup>7</sup>and Jason has entertained them as guests. They are all acting contrary to the decrees of the emperor, saying that there is another king named Jesus.' <sup>8</sup>The people and the city officials were disturbed when they heard this, <sup>9</sup>and after they had taken bail from Jason and the others, they let them go.

## Second Reading

## 1<sup>st</sup> Thessalonians 1:1-10

*This is a letter from Paul, Silvanus and Timothy to the church in Thessalonica. Despite encountering resistance and trouble during their visit to Thessalonica, a church community took hold there.*

<sup>1</sup> Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

<sup>2</sup> We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly <sup>3</sup>remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, <sup>5</sup>because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of people we proved to be among you for your sake. <sup>6</sup>And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, <sup>7</sup>so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. <sup>8</sup>For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place where your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. <sup>9</sup>For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, <sup>10</sup>and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

**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 Grieving: Ann Maher (Lester Lewis' daughter & Marcia Melanson's cousin)

<https://www.autenrithfuneral.com/obituaries/Barbara-Ann-Maher?obId=31166988>

**Worship Assistants**

	<i>April 21</i>	<i>April 28</i>
<b>Counter:</b>	Kathy Marco	Ken Wiebodt
	8:00AM	8:00AM
<b>Lector</b>	Kathy Garriott	Kathy Marco
	10:30AM	10:30AM
<b>Lay Minister:</b>	Donna Sennett	Bruce Johnson
<b>Acolyte</b>	-	-
<b>Ushers</b>	Joanne Powers & Brandee Muncey	Sue & Ken Wieboldt
<b>Lector:</b>	Diane Gadoury	Sue Wieboldt
<b>Coffee Hour</b>	Elaine Marsh & Carol Swanson	volunteer needed

**April's Memorial Candle**



The Memorial Candle for April is given by Susan Auger  
in loving memory of **Douglas Auger.**



### This Week at Emanuel

<b>Monday, April 15</b>	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Deliveries to food pantry (10AM – 1PM)</b>
	<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Al-Anon (Jacobs Hall)</b>
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<b>Tuesday, April 16</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>Bible Study (JH)</b>
	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Food Pantry 10AM - 12PM</b>
		<b>Pastor's Office Hours 10AM – 2PM</b>
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<b>Wednesday, April 17</b>	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Ellie's Circle (JH)</b>
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<b>Thursday, April 18</b>		
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<b>Friday, April 19</b>		
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<b>Saturday, April 20</b>	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Confirmation Earth Day Service Event</b>
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<b>Sunday, April 21</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>Worship In Person</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>Choir</b>
	<b>9:15am</b>	<b>Sunday School</b>
	<b>10:30am</b>	<b>Worship in Person &amp; Online</b>
	<b>11:30am</b>	<b>Coffee Hour</b>

### Next Week at Emanuel

<b>Monday, April 22</b>	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Deliveries to food pantry (10AM – 1PM)</b>
	<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Al-Anon (Jacobs Hall)</b>
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<b>Tuesday, April 23</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>Bible Study (JH)</b>
	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Food Pantry 10AM - 12PM</b>
		<b>Pastor's Office Hours 10AM – 2PM</b>
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<b>Wednesday, April 24</b>	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Ellie's Circle (JH)</b>
	<b>3:00pm</b>	<b>Walking Bible Study (Riverpoint Park)</b>
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<b>Thursday, April 25</b>	<b>12:30pm</b>	<b>Live, Laugh &amp; Learn Lunch at the Crow's Nest</b>
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<b>Friday, April 26</b>		
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<b>Saturday, April 27</b>		
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<b>Sunday, April 28</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>Worship In Person</b>
<b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>Choir</b>
	<b>9:15am</b>	<b>Sunday School &amp; Confirmation</b>
	<b>10:30am</b>	<b>Worship in Person &amp; Online</b>
	<b>11:30am</b>	<b>Coffee Hour</b>
	<b>12:00pm</b>	<b>Readers of Emanuel (JH)</b>

## Upcoming Commemorations

**Olavus Petri, priest, died 1552; Laurentius Petri, Bishop of Uppsala, died 1573; renewers of the church**

**Friday, April 19, 2024**

These two brothers studied with Luther at the University of Wittenberg and then returned to their native Sweden to introduce the Lutheran reforms. Olavus published a catechism and hymnal; Laurentius was a professor who defended the office of bishop and later became one.

**Anselm, Bishop of Canterbury, died 1109**

**Sunday, April 21, 2024**

This eleventh-century monk was one of the greatest theologians of the Middle Ages. He is remembered for emphasizing the maternal aspects of God, and for the theory that the Son of God became human in order to make the necessary payment for our sin.

**Day of the Creation (Día de la Creación) (LLC)**

**Monday, April 22, 2024**

This observance invites us to notice and give God thanks for the wonders of the created universe. As stewards of that creation, we are also challenged to be careful in our use of it.

**Toyohiko Kagawa, renewer of society, died 1960**

**Tuesday, April 23, 2024**

Born in Kobe, Japan, Kagawa was orphaned as a young child. Later, when he became Christian, he was disowned by the rest of his family. Wishing to bring Christian principles into society, he worked among poor people, established schools and hospitals, and worked for peace.

**Mark, Evangelist**

**Thursday, April 25, 2024**

He was not numbered among the twelve apostles, yet Mark was probably a member of the early church community. The gospel that bears his name is the shortest and most direct, and many scholars think it was the first to be written.

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

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

The calendar is on Emanuel's web site.