## Looking Good!



Thank you to everyone who helped with the church cleanup! Special thanks to Jack Gibbs and Ken Wieboldt for spreading about a ton of rocks on the area behind Jacobs Hall!

## **Help Needed**



(retaining wall with kids on it)

Looking for a few good men (or women) to work on the retaining wall outside the fellowship Hall.

# Saturday August 10<sup>th</sup> at 9AM

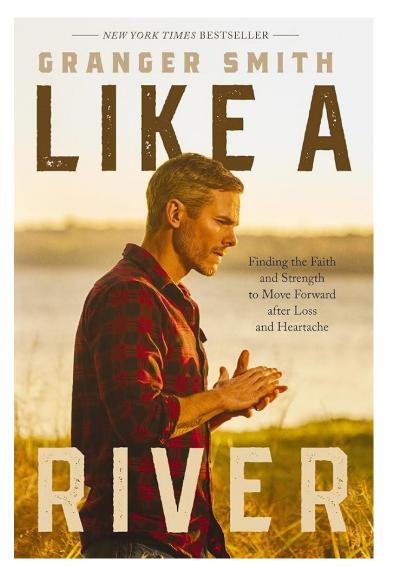
# DVD's Looking for a Home



A box of movie DVD's were donated. We are looking for a home for them. If you like movies and have a DVD player, there are some good ones included in the box – Erin Brockovich, 6<sup>th</sup> Sense, Sandlot!

Let pastor know if you can give them a home. Thank you.

# **Readers of Emanuel**



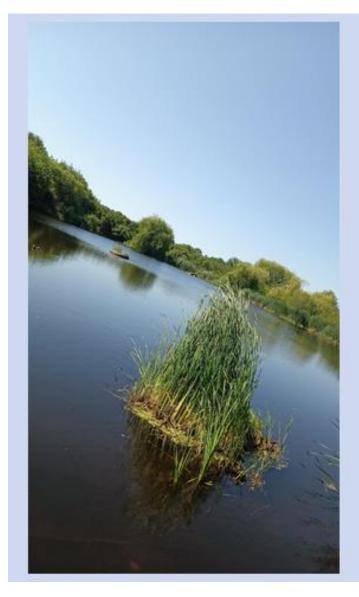
# Next Gathering Sunday August 11<sup>th</sup>

The Readers of Emanuel book club is reading "Like a River" by Granger Smith.

New York Times bestseller "Like a River" is a triumphant story of new life birthed out of tragedy.

We will meet after worship on Sunday August 11<sup>th</sup> at ~10:30am in Jacobs Hall.

Everyone is invited for good fellowship and food.



### **Weekly Prayer**

Why are you waiting to begin your life?...

When you finally dare open the door your life will begin arriving Cautiously at first unbelieving that the gate So long locked against the tide has finally been opened Then with swells of neglected dreams Then with waves of joyful revelation the sea will follow You will be swept by the full and magnificent tides of your own longing That no one else can give you That no one else can claim.

written by Judith Gass

(Langdon Clough shared this poem with me, and I wanted to share it with you.)

### What's your story?



# Sharing Our Stories of God

We are inviting people to share stories of how God has shown up in their lives.

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

pastor@emanuelww.org

### Bible Readings for Sunday July 28<sup>th</sup>

#### **First Reading**

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 17:32-40

David, still a teenager, volunteers to fight Goliath. King Saul dresses David in his armor, but David has no experience with it. David faces Goliath with the tools he knows and the experiences that God has shaped him with.

<sup>32</sup> David said to Saul, "Let no one lose heart on account of this Philistine; your servant will go and fight him."

<sup>33</sup> Saul replied, "You are not able to go out against this Philistine and fight him; you are only a young man, and he has been a warrior from his youth."

<sup>34</sup> But David said to Saul, "Your servant has been keeping his father's sheep. When a lion or a bear came and carried off a sheep from the flock, <sup>35</sup>I went after it, struck it and rescued the sheep from its mouth. When it turned on me, I seized it by its hair, struck it and killed it. <sup>36</sup> Your servant has killed both the lion and the bear; this uncircumcised Philistine will be like one of them, because he has defied the armies of the living God. <sup>37</sup> The LORD who rescued me from the paw of the lion and the bear will rescue me from the hand of this Philistine."

Saul said to David, "Go, and the LORD be with you."

<sup>39</sup> Then Saul dressed David in his own tunic. He put a coat of armor on him and a bronze helmet on his head. 39 David fastened on his sword over the tunic and tried walking around, because he was not used to them.

"I cannot go in these," he said to Saul, "because I am not used to them." So he took them off. <sup>40</sup> Then he took his staff in his hand, chose five smooth stones from the stream, put them in the pouch of his shepherd's bag and, with his sling in his hand, approached the Philistine.

#### **Gospel Reading**

#### Romans 12:1-8

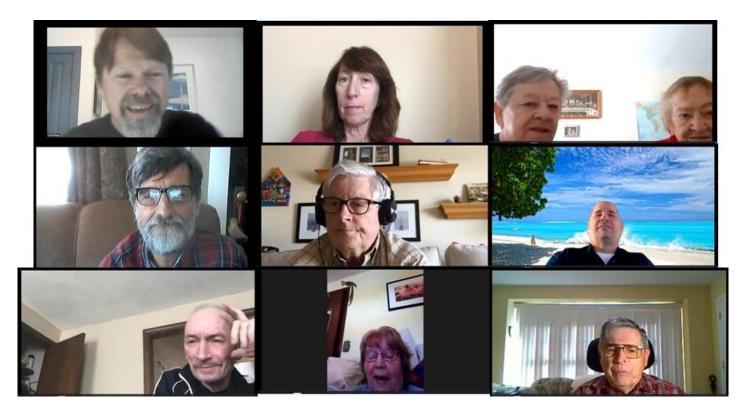
In response to God's merciful activity, we are to worship by living holistic, God-pleasing lives. Our values and viewpoints are not molded by the time in which we live but are transformed by the Spirit's renewing work. God's grace empowers different forms of service among us, but all are forms of ministry and all are for the glory of God and work to further the kingdom of God.

<sup>1</sup> I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. <sup>2</sup>Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

<sup>3</sup> For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. <sup>4</sup> For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, <sup>5</sup> so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. <sup>6</sup> We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; <sup>7</sup> if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; <sup>8</sup> if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.

### How do the Bible readings speak to you?

### On-line Worship at Emanuel Sundays during the Summer at 9:15AM



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

Just click on the Zoom link below on Sunday at 9:15AM: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/93690864460?pwd=cHZ5RVNsdnFYcDhhNVdMKzA2VEN1QT09

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

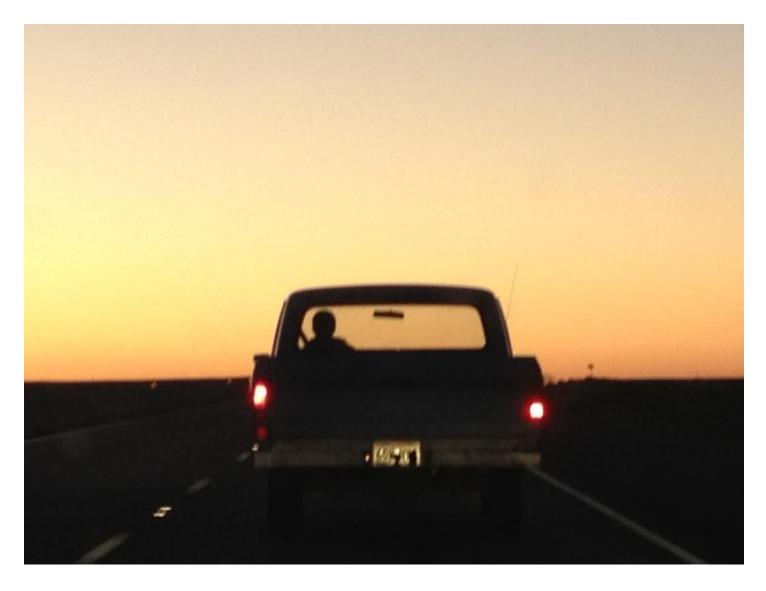
OR you can use either the Simply Giving program, which allows you to automate the giving of an offering from a checking account, or Givelify, which is online app that allows giving through a debit or credit card.

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: <u>Donate</u>

www.emanuelww.org

#### Pastor Todd will be on Vacation (again) from Monday 7/29 – Sunday 8/4



Pastor Hayley Bang from St. Paul Bethany Lutheran Church will be covering in case of emergencies 401-889-4933

#### revhbang@gmail.com

Lay Minister Donna Sennett will be preaching & presiding Sunday August 4<sup>th</sup> with assistance from lay minister Bruce Johnson. Thank you!

# **Summer Worship Schedule**



# One service at 9:15am

June 23<sup>rd</sup> – September 1<sup>st</sup>

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

For Healing & Comfort: The family of Richard Phillips(friends of Laurie Phillips)

#### Worship Assistants

	July 28	August 4
Counter:	Mary Schabek	Song Edwards
	9:15AM	9:15AM
Lay Minister:	Diane Gadoury	Donna Sennett (presiding) Bruce Johnson (lay minister
Acolyte	-	-
Ushers	Donna Sennett & Bruce Johnson	Ken & Sue Wieboldt
Lector:	Ray Nunez	Diane Gadoury
Coffee Hour	volunteer needed	volunteer needed

### July's Memorial Candle



The Memorial Candle for July is given by Lynne Wolff in loving memory of **Henry Hoth**.

#### This Week at Emanuel

Monday, July 22	10:00am 7:00pm	Deliveries to food pantry (10AM – 1PM) Al-Anon (Jacobs Hall)
Tuesday, July 23	10:00am	Food Pantry 10AM - 12PM NO <del>Pastor Office Hours</del> (funeral)
Wednesday, July 24	10:00am	Ellie's Circle (JH)
Thursday, July 25	12:30pm 7:00pm	Live, Laugh & Learn Lunch at Smokey Bones BBQ Constitution Meeting Chapter 12 (FH)
Friday, July 26		
Saturday, July 27		
Sunday, July 28 10 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost	9:15am 10:15am	Worship in Person & Online Coffee Hour

#### Next Week at Emanuel

Monday, July 29		Deliveries to food pantry (10AM – 1PM) Al-Anon (Jacobs Hall)
Tuesday, July 30	10:00am	Food Pantry 10AM - 12PM NO <del>Pastor Office Hours</del> (vacation)
Wednesday, July 31	10:00am	Ellie's Circle (JH)
Thursday, August 1	6:30pm	Finance Committee ONLINE
Friday, August 2		
Saturday, August 3		
Sunday, August 4 11th Sunday after Pentecost		Worship in Person & Online Coffee Hour

#### **Upcoming Commemorations**

#### Johann Sebastian Bach, died 1750; Heinrich Schütz, died 1672; George Frederick Handel, died 1759; musicians

#### Sunday, July 28, 2024

These three German-born musicians have done much to enrich the life of the church. Schütz was an early master who focused on settings of biblical texts. Bach wrote over 300 cantatas along with works for organ and instrumental pieces, and has been called the "fifth evangelist" for the way he proclaimed the gospel in music. Handel's great work, Messiah, is a setting of scriptural texts.

#### Mary, Martha, and Lazarus of Bethany Monday, July 29, 2024

Friends of Jesus, Mary and Martha are remembered for the hospitality of their home that they offered him—Martha focused on serving their guest, and Mary on listening to him. Their brother Lazarus was raised from the dead as a sign of the greater resurrection to come.

#### Olaf, King of Norway, martyr, died 1030 Monday, July 29, 2024

Considered the patron saint of Norway, Olaf went from a life of piracy to becoming Christian and declaring himself king of Norway. He revised the laws and tried to administer them fairly. Driven from Norway in a rebellion, he was killed in battle trying to regain his kingdom.

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

### Emanuel's Online Calendar

The calendar is on Emanuel's web site.