

# Rally Day @ Emanuel



**Sunday September 8<sup>th</sup>**

**Sunday school & Confirmation 9:15AM**

**Worship 10:30AM**

NOTE – The 8AM worship service & Choir will startup on Sunday September 22<sup>nd</sup>.  
Our Minister of Music, Nancy Kennedy, will be out 9/1 – 9/15 recovering.

**Church Picnic 11:30AM**



# Retaining Wall Rebuild In-Progress



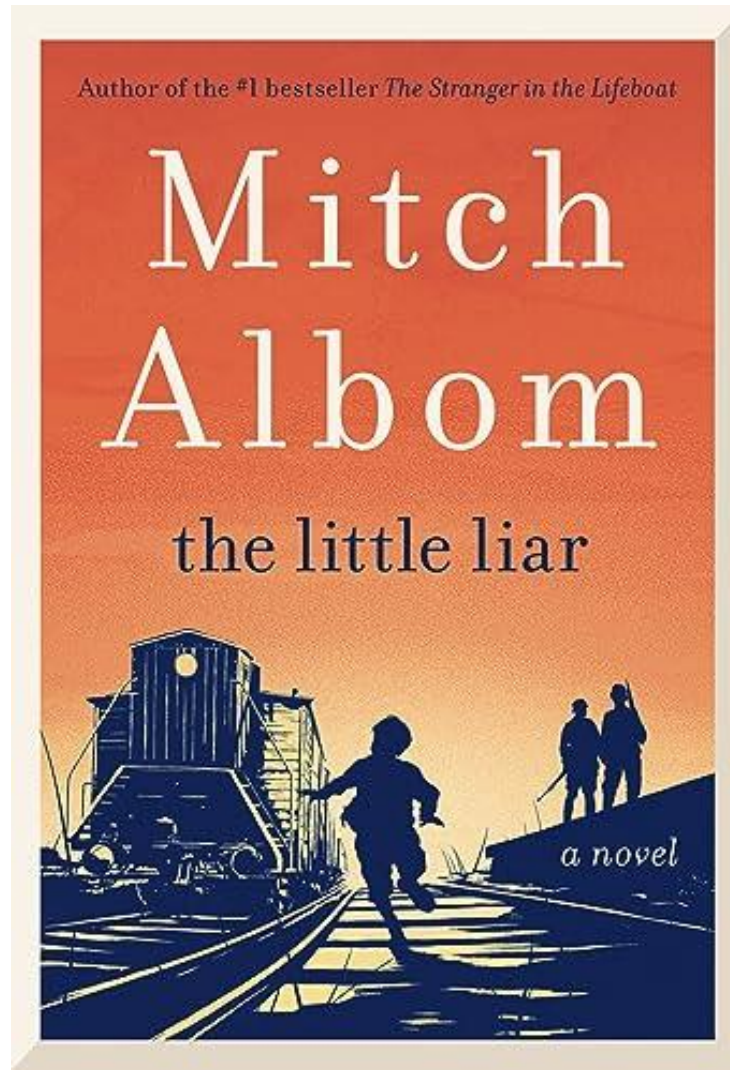
Thank you to Myron, Ray, Jack & Ken for doing a great job rebuilding 2 sections of the Leaf Street retaining wall. All survived multiple yellow jacket stings along the way. It turns out the retaining wall was home to not just yellow jackets but a nest of bunnies.

These two were taken to the Wildlife Rehabilitators Assoc. in Saunderstown.

The remaining sections of the retaining wall will be rebuilt in the coming weeks.



# Readers of Emanuel



**Sunday September 15<sup>th</sup>**

The Readers of Emanuel book club is reading  
"The Little Liar" by Mitch Albom.

Beloved bestselling author Mitch Albom returns  
with a powerful novel of hope and forgiveness

We will meet after worship on Sunday September 15<sup>th</sup>  
at ~12pm in Jacobs Hall.

Everyone is invited for good fellowship and food.

# Live Laugh & Learn Lunch



The next lunch will be held:

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

## **The Cozy Grill**

473 Tiogue Ave, Coventry, RI 02816

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 welcome!

# Did You Know



**Emanuel's Food Pantry has a new logo.**

**Looking Good!**



# 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](mailto:pastor@emanuelww.org)

# Bible Readings for Sunday August 18<sup>th</sup>

## First Reading

## Revelation 21:1-6

*John's vision shows us that in the resurrection the new age has dawned; God dwells with us already. Yet we wait for the time when the tears that cloud our vision will be wiped away. Then we will see the new heaven, new earth, and new Jerusalem.*

<sup>1</sup>I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. <sup>2</sup>And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup>And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

“See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them;

they will be his peoples,

and God himself will be with them;

<sup>4</sup>he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;

mourning and crying and pain will be no more,

for the first things have passed away.”

<sup>5</sup>And the one who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.” <sup>6</sup>Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.”

## Gospel Reading

## Matthew 24:1-8, 29-44

*In the last week of his life, Jesus warned his disciples concerning trials that were to come upon them and upon the world. He tells his disciples and us that not even he knows when the day of judgement is coming, but that we should not be alarmed, but rather keep awake and be ready whenever it may come.*

<sup>1</sup> As Jesus came out of the temple and was going away, his disciples came to point out to him the buildings of the temple. <sup>2</sup>Then he asked them, ‘You see all these, do you not? Truly I tell you, not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.’

<sup>3</sup> When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately, saying, ‘Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?’

<sup>4</sup>Jesus answered them, ‘Beware that no one leads you astray. <sup>5</sup>For many will come in my name, saying, “I am the Messiah!” and they will lead many astray. <sup>6</sup>And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars; see that you are not alarmed; for this must take place, but the end is not yet. <sup>7</sup>For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and there will be famines and earthquakes in various places: <sup>8</sup>all this is but the beginning of the birth pangs.

<sup>29</sup> ‘Immediately after the suffering of those days

the sun will be darkened,

and the moon will not give its light;

the stars will fall from heaven,

and the powers of heaven will be shaken.

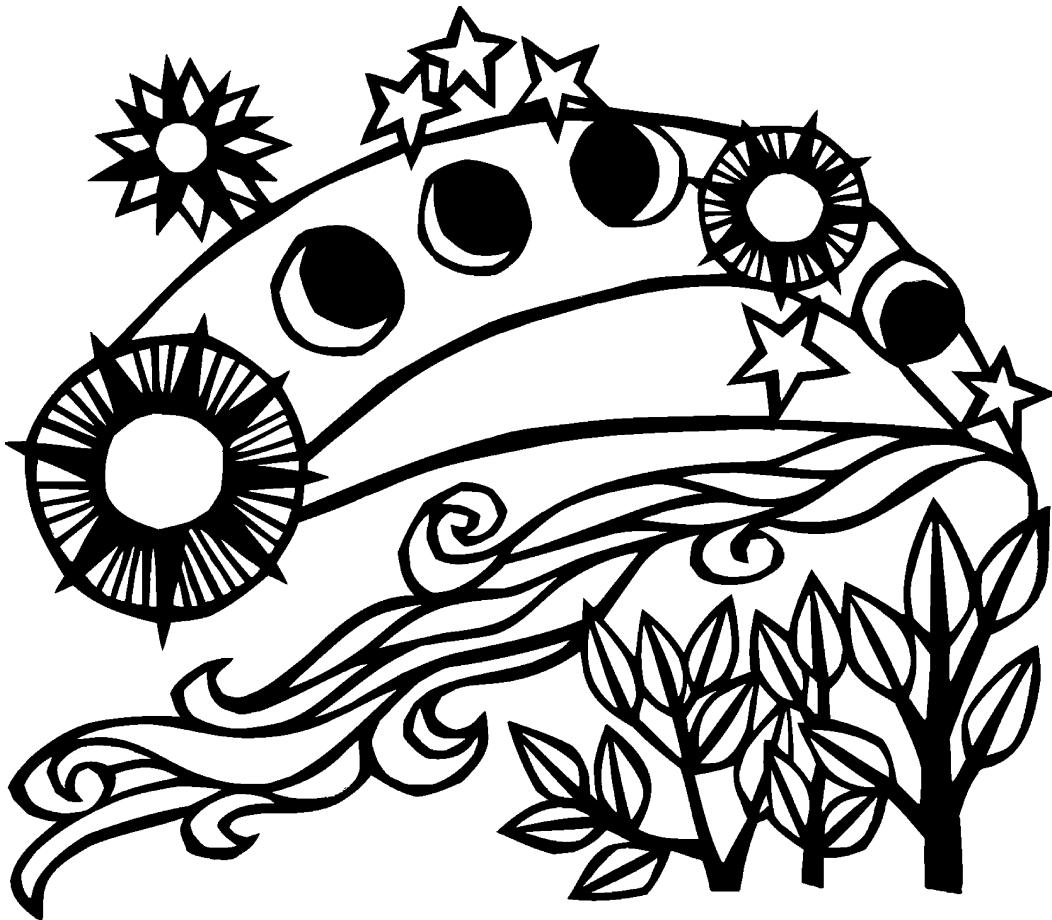
<sup>30</sup>Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see “the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven” with power

and great glory. <sup>31</sup>And he will send out his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

<sup>32</sup> 'From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. <sup>33</sup>So also, when you see all these things, you know that he is near, at the very gates. <sup>34</sup>Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. <sup>35</sup>Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

<sup>36</sup> 'But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. <sup>37</sup>For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. <sup>38</sup>For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, <sup>39</sup>and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. <sup>40</sup>Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. <sup>41</sup>Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. <sup>42</sup>Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. <sup>43</sup>But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. <sup>44</sup>Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.

## 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.

# You Are Invited



The New England Synod invites you to a Festival Celebration of the Holy Eucharist at the Installation of

The Rev. Nathan D. Piphio

as the Fourth Bishop of the New England Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Saturday, **September 7, 2024**, 1:00 p.m. Trinity Lutheran Church  
73 Lancaster Street Worcester, MA 01609

Service to be livestreamed at [www.vimeo.com/trinityworchester](http://www.vimeo.com/trinityworchester)

Childcare provided. Please contact Christy Fyfe to RSVP no later than August 30, 2024 at [youthministry@trinityware.org](mailto:youthministry@trinityware.org)

A reception will follow at Trinity.

Additional information is available at [www.nelutherans.org](http://www.nelutherans.org)

# The Rev. Nathan D. Piphó



The Rev. Nathan D. Piphó will be installed as the fourth bishop of the New England Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) at a Festive Holy Eucharist on Saturday, September 7, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church, 73 Lancaster Street, Worcester, MA. The Rev. Elizabeth Eaton, Presiding Bishop of the ELCA will preside and a reception in Trinity's Jeppson Hall will follow. The public is invited to attend. The liturgy will also be livestreamed at [www.vimeo.com/trinityworchester](http://www.vimeo.com/trinityworchester).

Bishop Piphó was elected to a six-year term on June 7 by the New England Synod Assembly meeting at the DCU Center in Worcester. At the time of his election, he had been serving as the pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Worcester, Massachusetts. He began ministry at Trinity on All Saints Day in 2016. In addition to all aspects of parish ministry, he served as Secretary of the Board of Worcester Interfaith and as Protestant Chaplain at Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI).

Prior to his ministry in Worcester, he served as pastor of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in North Quincy, Massachusetts from 2002 to 2015. He helped establish a Chinese outreach ministry under the direction of the Rev. Ryan Lun, served as internship supervisor for the Rev. Tiffany Chaney and was a founding member and first President of Quincycles Bicycle advocacy group. He also served as President of the Interchurch Council of Wollaston and North Quincy.

He has been active in the life New England Synod by serving as a member of the Antiracism Advisory Board, the New England Synod Candidacy Committee, Chair of the Synod Team for Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Inclusion, and Dean of the Boston Metro Conference. He was a voting member of the 2009 ELCA Churchwide Assembly and was elected at the 2019 ELCA Churchwide Assembly to serve a six-year term on the ELCA Committee on Discipline.

He was ordained on St. Michael & All Angels Day in 2002 at St. John Lutheran Church, Sudbury, Massachusetts by the Rev. Margaret Payne, 2nd Bishop of the New England Synod. He completed his internship at the Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Woburn, Massachusetts. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Wartburg College, Waverly, Iowa in 1998 and a Master of Divinity degree from the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia (now United Lutheran Seminary) in 2002. He earned a Master in Public Administration degree from the Harvard Kennedy School in Cambridge, Massachusetts in 2016.

# 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)



# Sermon Topics



- 8/18 Eschatology (study of the end times)
- 8/25 Hell (and heaven too)
- 9/1 Salvation

# **Summer Worship Schedule**



**One service at 9:15am**

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

## Donna Sennett's Children's Sermon



Thank you to Donna Sennett for preaching and presiding over worship on Sunday August 4<sup>th</sup>. As shown in the picture above Donna's children sermon involved holding a bag of water over a volunteer's head and then poking multiple pencil's through the bag of water. Not only was fun had, but it was a great demonstration of faith.

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

**For Healing & Comfort:** Lucas Brown (Sue Brown's nephew),  
Pamela & Bill Castellone (friends of Melissa Tower)

The flowers this coming Sunday August 18<sup>th</sup> are given by  
Lisa Gibbs in celebration of **Jack Gibbs'** birthday.

**Worship Assistants**

	<i>August 18</i>	<i>August 25</i>
<b>Counter:</b>	<b>Song Edwards</b>	<b>Song Edwards</b>
	<b>9:15AM</b>	<b>9:15AM</b>
<b>Lay Minister:</b>	<b>Donna Sennett</b>	<b>Bruce Johnson</b>
<b>Acolyte</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Ushers</b>	<b>Joanne Powers &amp; Brandee Muncey</b>	<b>Ray &amp; Linda Nunez</b>
<b>Lector:</b>	<b>Jack Gibbs</b>	<b>Donna Sennett</b>
<b>Coffee Hour</b>	<b>Elaine Marsh &amp; Carol Swanson</b>	volunteer needed

**August's Memorial Candle**



The Memorial Candle for August is given by Susan Auger  
in loving memory of **Doug Auger**.



### **This Week at Emanuel**

<b>Monday, August 12</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, August 13</b>	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Food Pantry 10AM - 12PM</b>
		<b>Pastor Office Hours 10AM – 2PM</b>
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<b>Wednesday, August 14</b>	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Ellie's Circle (JH)</b>
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<b>Thursday, August 15</b>		
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<b>Friday, August 16</b>		
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<b>Saturday, August 17</b>		
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<b>Sunday, August 18</b>	<b>9:15am</b>	<b>Worship in Person &amp; Online</b>
<b>13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after</b>	<b>10:15am</b>	<b>Coffee Hour</b>
<b>Pentecost</b>		

### **Next Week at Emanuel**

<b>Monday, August 19</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, August 20</b>	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Food Pantry 10AM - 12PM</b>
		<b>Pastor Office Hours 10AM – 2PM</b>
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<b>Wednesday, August 21</b>	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Ellie's Circle (JH)</b>
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<b>Thursday, August 22</b>		
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<b>Friday, August 23</b>		
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<b>Saturday, August 24</b>		
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<b>Sunday, August 25</b>	<b>9:15am</b>	<b>Worship in Person &amp; Online</b>
<b>14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after</b>	<b>10:15am</b>	<b>Coffee Hour</b>
<b>Pentecost</b>		

## **Upcoming Commemorations**

### **Mary, Mother of Our Lord**

**Thursday, August 15, 2024**

The church (including Martin Luther) honored Mary with the title theotokos, meaning "God-bearer," for her role in giving birth to the Son of God. Her song, the Magnificat, speaks eloquently of God's lifting the lowly and feeding the hungry.

### **Tuesday, August 20, 2024**

Bernard, a Cistercian monk, was a man of great spirituality who wrote mystical works and criticized those whom he thought took an overly intellectual approach to the faith. He became an abbot, and wrote several hymns that are still beloved today.

### **Bartholomew, Apostle**

**Saturday, August 24, 2024**

Mentioned as one of Jesus' disciples in Matthew, Mark, and Luke, Bartholomew's name is replaced in John's gospel by Nathanael, leading many to believe that the two are different names for the same person. Little is known about his work, though some traditions place him later in India or Armenia.

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

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

The calendar is on Emanuel's web site.