### **Worship Service time Change:**



# this Sunday September 8<sup>th</sup> Worship will be at 10:30AM

(Note – the 8AM service & choir will start back up after Nancy, our minister of music, returns from her surgery.)

# **Church Picnic**



# You are invited – Free Lunch! Sunday September 8<sup>th</sup> at 12 Noon

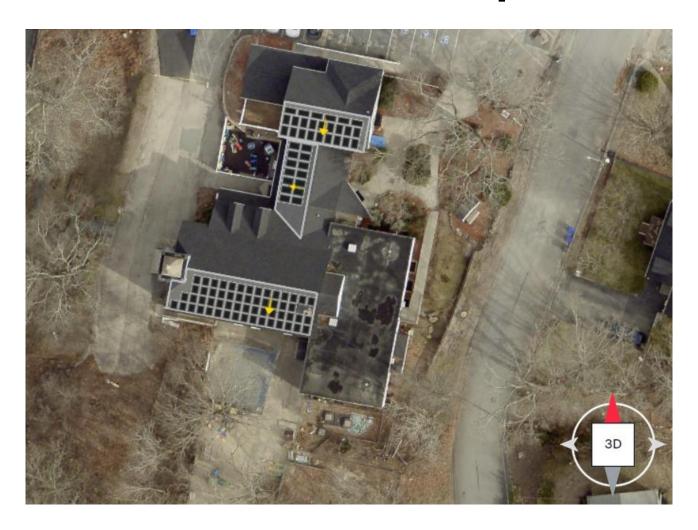
(rain date September 22<sup>nd</sup>)

Hot dogs, Hamburgers, Drinks, Bouncy House, Corn Hole Tournament, Limbo Contest, fun

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

Bring your friends & family!

# Solar at Emanuel Update



The Finance Committee and part of the property committee met with the company Sol Power last Wednesday to get questions answered. Things are progressing and are looking good so far. Next step is for Finance to make a recommendation to Council. If council recommends moving forward, then we will then have a Congregational meeting to vote on final approval. The project would potentially save thousands of dollars on Emanuel's electric bill over the years.

# **Sunday school & Confirmation**



# Starting Up September 8th

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

If you have questions, please contact our Superintendent Sue Meriano - tea4sue@gmail.com or Pastor Todd - pastor@emanuelww.org

## **Looking for Helping Hands**



### September 7th at 9AM

September 7th at 9am we will resume our wall project. Two sections are done so far. We have 32 more RR Ties to replace and are looking for some strong men to remove and replace. RR Ties have been delivered and exterminator has killed the wasp nest in the wall.

Let Myron Gadoury know if you can help.

mig-ABB@atlanticbb.net

# Live Laugh & Learn Lunch



The next lunch will be held:

### Thursday, September 19th 12:30PM to 2PM

#### Bill's Place

707 Main St. West Warwick, RI 02893 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!

### **Emanuel Movie Outing**

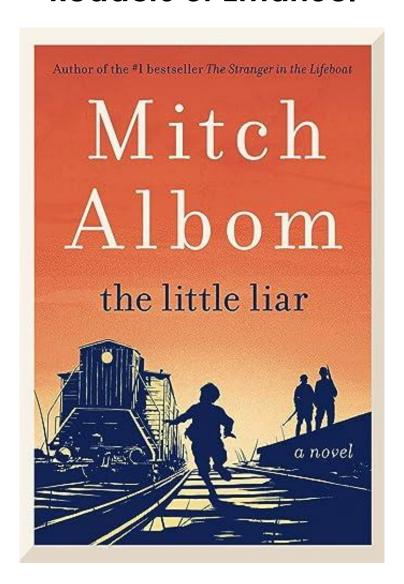


# Sunday September 15<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon after book club.

Earlier this year Emanuel's book club read Colleen Hoover's "It Ends with Us". We will now be going to check out the movie. Note, the book/movie deals with domestic violence. The movie is rated PG-13.

### **Everyone is invited!**

#### **Readers of Emanuel**



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

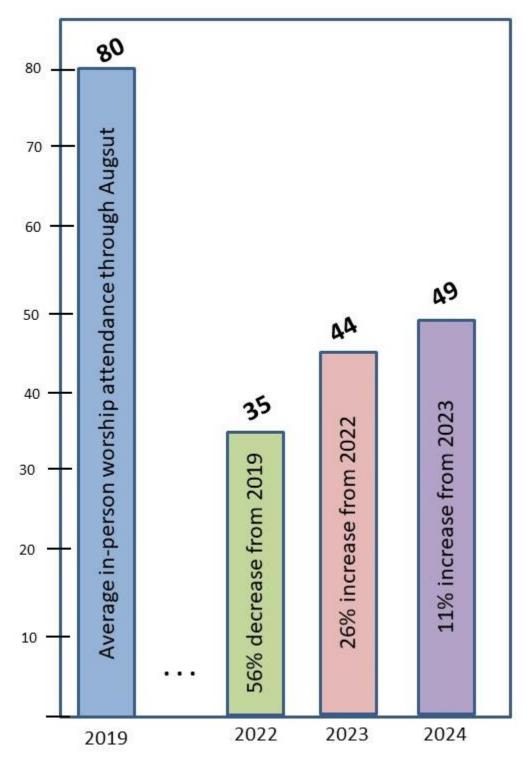
The Readers of Emanuel book club is reading "The Little Liar" by Mitch Albom.

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.

# **Worship Attendance Trending Upward**



Average in-person attendance at Emanuel.



# **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 September 8th

#### First Reading

Genesis 2:4b-7, 15-25

God created man, placed him in a garden with everything he needed, and gave him a job - to "till and keep it." Man's job is to help continue the creative, life producing process that God began. And God created a partner, because people are not meant to live in isolation.

In the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens, 5when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field had yet sprung up—for the Lord God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground; 6but a stream would rise from the earth, and water the whole face of the ground—7then the Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being.

<sup>15</sup> The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. <sup>16</sup>And the Lord God commanded the man, 'You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; <sup>17</sup>but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.'

<sup>18</sup> Then the Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner.' <sup>19</sup>So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. <sup>20</sup>The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. <sup>21</sup>So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. <sup>22</sup>And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. <sup>23</sup>Then the man said.

'This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh;

this one shall be called Woman,

for out of Man this one was taken.'

<sup>24</sup>Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh. <sup>25</sup>And the man and his wife were both naked, and were not ashamed.

#### Second Reading

**Genesis 3:1-19** 

The serpent gets the woman talking about the forbidden tree and opens up the possibility of eating its fruit. Immediately after the woman and man eat the forbidden fruit, they hide from God. Neither takes responsibility for their sin, instead blaming each other, the serpent, and even God. There are consequences.

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, 'Did God say, "You shall not eat from any tree in the garden"?' <sup>2</sup>The woman said to the serpent, 'We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; <sup>3</sup>but God said, "You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die." ' <sup>4</sup>But the serpent said to the woman, 'You will not die; <sup>5</sup>for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.' <sup>6</sup>So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. <sup>7</sup>Then the

eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

8 They heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening

breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. <sup>9</sup>But the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, 'Where are you?' 10He said, 'I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.' 11He said, 'Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?' 12The man said, 'The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate.' 13Then the Lord God said to the woman, 'What is this that you have done?' The woman said, 'The serpent tricked me, and I ate.' 14The Lord God said to the serpent, 'Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. 15 I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel.' <sup>16</sup>To the woman he said, 'I will greatly increase your pangs in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children, yet your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you.' <sup>17</sup>And to the man he said, 'Because you have listened to the voice of your wife, and have eaten of the tree about which I commanded you, "You shall not eat of it", cursed is the ground because of you; in toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life; 18 thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. <sup>19</sup> By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread until you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; you are dust,

and to dust you shall return.'

#### 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: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/93690864460?pwd=cHZ5RVNsdnFYcDhhNVdMKzA2VEN1QT09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/93690864460?pwd=cHZ5RVNsdnFYcDhhNVdMKzA2VEN1QT09</a>

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

# **Sermon Topics**



Narrative Lectionary September 8 – June 8

9/8 Creation & Humanity's Fall

9/15 God's Promise to Abraham

9/22 Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat

9/29 The Promise of Passover

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

For Healing & Comfort: Zachary Lawrence (friend of the food pantry), Charlene Aylsworth (Wendy's mother)

#### **Worship Assistants**

	Rally Day! September 8	September 15
Counter:	Glenn Johnson	Ken Wieboldt
	10:30AM	9:15AM
Lay Minister:	Bruce Johnson	Donna Sennett
Acolyte	-	-
Ushers	Brandee Muncey & Pauline LaVallee	Donna Lucier & Alex
Lector:	Glenn Johnson	Ray Nunez
Coffee Hour	Church Picnic	volunteer needed

#### September's Memorial Candle



The Memorial Candle for September is given by Phyllis Gustafson in loving memory of **John Gustafson**.

#### This Week at Emanuel

Monday, August 26	10:00am 7:00pm	. , ,
Monday, September 2 Labor Day	10:00am 7:00pm	Deliveries to food pantry (10AM – 1PM) Al-Anon (Jacobs Hall)
Tuesday, September 3		Food Pantry 10AM - 12PM Pastor Office Hours 10AM – 2PM Worship Committee ONLINE
Wednesday, September 4	10:00am	Ellie's Circle (JH)
Thursday, September 5	•	Funeral Christian Education Committee ONLINE Finance Committee ONLINE
Friday, September 6		Sue Office Hours 9-1:00
Saturday, September 7	9:00am	Retaining Wall rebuild project
Sunday, September 8 16 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Rally Day!	9:15am 10:30am 12:00pm	Sunday School (FH) & Confirmation (JH) Worship in Person & Online Emanuel Church Picnic

#### **Next Week at Emanuel**

Monday, September 9	10:00am 7:00pm	Deliveries to food pantry (10AM – 1PM) Al-Anon (Jacobs Hall)
Tuesday, September 10	10:00am	Food Pantry 10AM - 12PM Pastor Office Hours 10AM – 2PM
Wednesday, September 11	10:00am	Ellie's Circle (JH)
Thursday, September 12	7:00pm	Council Meeting (JH)
Friday, September 13		Sue Office Hours 9-1:00
Saturday, September 14		
Sunday, September 15 17 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost	9:15am 10:30am 11:30am 12:00pm ~1:00pm	Sunday School (FH) & Confirmation (JH) Worship in Person & Online Coffee Hour Readers of Emanuel (JH) "It Ends with Us" Movie Outing

#### **Upcoming Commemorations**

#### Peter Claver, priest, missionary to Colombia, died 1654 Monday, September 9, 2024

Born into Spanish nobility, Claver became a Jesuit missionary, and served in present-day Colombia. His ministry was focused on the enslaved people who arrived there. He gave them food and medicine, learned their dialects, and taught them Christianity.

# John Chrysostom, Bishop of Constantinople, died 407 Friday, September 13, 2024

John was a priest in Antioch and an outstanding preacher. His eloquence earned him the nickname "Chrysostom" ("golden mouth"). Appointed bishop of Constantinople, seat of the empire, he criticized corruption in the court. As a result, he was exiled by the empress.

#### Holy Cross Day Saturday, September 14, 2024

Helena, mother of Constantine, made a pilgrimage to the Holy Land and found what may be the actual site of Jesus' crucifixion. Her son built two churches there, and the dedication of one of them gave rise to this celebration of our Lord's victory on the cross.

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

#### **Emanuel's Online Calendar**

The calendar is on Emanuel's web site.