Emanuel Lutheran Church

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NEWS AND NOTES - Sunday, November 6, 2011

PRAYERS for Members, Family, and Friends: Wesley Wheatley (Marian Hartley's brother), Evelyn Stoerzinger, Karen Soine, Alice Tennis, Denise Ohmann, Ron Yeager, Al Hite, Cindy Alsip, Hilda Fischer, Lynn Anderson, Margaret Schmidt, Linda Falls, Wayne Stoerzinger, Don Bohrer. Remember those who are ill and hospitalized in prayer. ***Please keep the church office updated as to how your family & friends are doing so that we can keep the prayer list updated.***

PRAYERS FOR THOSE SERVING IN OUR ARMED FORCES: Zachary Poquette, Trent Hawes (deployed), Tim Nace, Becky Meyer, Michael Erickson, Stephen Benci, Derek Quade, John Sadlovsky, Jake Wueste, Bryan Loesch (Kuwait) - Dave and Liz Ziebarth's nephew. *(If you have a family member that is serving in the military, please submit on a blue card and they will be added to our prayer list.)*

VISITORS: Please check out our Visitor's Center! There is information about our church and how to become a member...and a gift for "popping in!"

MARRIAGE RENEWAL SUNDAY: Please take a flower if you're celebrating today..and if your spouse couldn't make it, take a flower home for them! Let's celebrate you and the marriage you've worked so hard to make a success! God bless all!

TODAY "FIRST SUNDAY JUICE AND DONUTS" down in the Social Hall from 8:45-9:15!

REFORMATION PARTY TODAY during the Education Hour...begins at 9:15. Parents please join your children downstairs for food, fun, crafts and some learning!

"MITEY MUFFIN SALE" TODAY! Please stop by the LWML bake sale downstairs in the social hall. Lots of wonderful homemade treats baked and sold to support mission projects here at Emanuel — Midwife Kits and Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes. Thanks to all who baked, sold and are purchasing to support these important projects...sharing the love of Jesus!

COOKIE EXCHANGE VOLUNTEER NEEDED: It is time to start thinking about Emanuel's 3rd cookie exchange. A chairman is needed to make this event happen. There are flyer examples and a "Cookie Exchange" file to help you out. If you are interested, please contact Lee Ann Evans @ 651.500.6396 by Monday, November 7th.

OUT AND ABOUT: Meeting at Old World Pizza, IGH, on Monday, Nov 7 at 12:00pm. This group is open to anyone who has lost a loved one, either lately or in times past. We welcome male and female to a social luncheon and good fellowship. If you have any questions, please call Marian Hartley (455.6337) or Betty Krech (457.6667). A schedule of meeting places for 2011 is listed on the church website under Christian Groups.

MIRIAM CIRCLE meets Thurs, Nov 10, at E. Liberacki's at 1 PM. We are on Lesson 3. Bring paper cutting scissors.

CAFÉ Great River Winery Tour: Saturday, November 12 @ 10am-7pm. The cost is $20. Please RSVP to Amy Ohmann by the 5th of November. $20 includes wine & food at 10 different wineries and a collector's glass.

POLKA SERVICE IS COMING TO EMANUEL! Sunday, November 13 at both the 8AM and 10:30AM services. Music is by Chuck Thiel and the Jolly Ramblers! Join us and bring a friend!

NEW BIBLE STUDY STARTING THIS MORNING: Prayer — We Speak to God — 9:15AM with Frank Rekow in the Social Hall — Our praying has to do with our ongoing reception from the God who interacts with us in Word and deed in His means of grace. In His three years with them, Jesus taught His disciples, and us, about the close connection between faith in Him and prayer. Before He healed them, He commended the faith of those who asked Him for help. From this they learned that faith was something like the empty hands of a beggar that had nothing to give, but everything to receive from Jesus. Faith in Him, they discovered, led to prayer that received what He promised to give. So when we pray, we live by faith, we act in faith, we exercise our faith in Jesus. We, who are justified by faith in Jesus, have access to the grace of God the Father through Him. We use our faith and our access to God's grace to pray for ourselves and for others. As disciples of Jesus, we therefore are called to live by faith in a life of prayer. If we stop praying we fall asleep spiritually. We may still be spiritually alive, but we become unaware of God's gracious dealings with us. So He does His best to keep us awake and watchful in prayer. In everything that happens to us God is training us to become people of prayer, wakeful people who take Him at His Word and receive from Him His gifts.

KEEN AGERS: "Plaid Tidings" presented by Forever Plaid at Chanhassen Dinner Theatre we have scheduled for Dec 8th (Thurs). The cost $40 includes the Musical, Lunch, Tax and Tip. **Today** is the **last day** to sign up and pay. Please indicate if you can drive.

LIBRARY USERS: Three Karen Kingsbury books have been borrowed from the church library 'Found', 'Family', and 'Forever'. If you borrowed them without filling out the card, please return them to the library and sign them out before taking them. Thanks.

IT'S HERE THIS FRIDAY!!!! EMANUEL'S FALL LADIES' NIGHT OUT/HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE! Please join us downstairs this Friday between 6-10PM! It's going to be a fun night with a variety of local vendors for holiday and personal shopping including Stampin Up, Scentsy, Mary Kay, Discovery Toys, Norwex, Silpada Jewelry, Daisy Blue skin care, Tastefully Simple, Tupperware, Miche, Jockey, Beauti Control, Flip Flop Kid Swap, Pampered Chef, Ribbon Gift Albums, Simply Said Décor, Thirty-one bags, Grace Centre, End of the Trail Candy Shoppe, Blessings Unlimited, Usborne Books, $5 eyebrow waxing, free seated chair massage **AND a Goldswap consultant will be there** (bring your old gold and silver) in addition to many homemade crafts and more! Hot cider, treats to enjoy, drawings every 15 minutes!!! Bring a neighbor or friend and join us Friday!

LAY DELEGATE: Would you like to be our Lay Delegate for next summer's Minnesota South District Convention? Date/Location: June 14 -16, 2012 at Concordia University. You would also be our circuit forum representative (those meeting dates have not been set). There have been new bylaw changes, and as our Delegate you would also be placing our choice of President for the Synodical Elections by internet voting. If you have questions, talk to Pastor.

BEATITUDES ADULT BIBLE STUDY..continues each Thursday at **9:30AM**. Upcoming **non-meeting** dates: Nov 17, 24, Dec 8, 22, 29. Any questions? Contact Vera Kopp at 651-554-3651.

THANKSGIVING FOR SENIORS: Be sure to return your RSVP to the Church Office for the Thanksgiving for Seniors Dinner being held next Sun, Nov 13 at 1PM. Lots of planning goes into this! Thank you!

YES, YOU ARE GIFTED! Each and every one of us has God-given talents. Do you know what yours are? If not, you can easily find out! Simply go to Emanuel's website (www.emanuellutheranchurch.org) to the Christian Growth tab under Ministry Teams. This online test is easy and will give you all the answers you need. Remember, when you take the test, use your gut reaction for an answer, don't over-think it. The test will take less than 10 minutes of your time. Once you know how God has gifted you, it will be easy to find a way to serve Him here at Emanuel. Go ahead, take the test today!

CEMETERY WATER HOOKUP: Water has been turned off for the winter.

FAST BEFORE THE FEAST: Runners looking for a 5K or 10K to run? Join Pastor and Ann on Nov 24, Thanksgiving Day. Run the 5K with Ann or the 10K with Pastor. More information at www.trifitnesswbl.com.

EMANUELWEAR: Take a look at the display in the Narthex. You can order these items in any color, and wear your church logo with pride!

PRAYER CHAPEL: We moved our prayer chapel to the back corner of our Sanctuary. If you want some quiet time for prayer or devotion, please use our Chapel! Open whenever the church is open. Why did we move it? We needed more classrooms for all the children here at Emanuel! So the old chapel is now the Jr. High Room!

Stewardship Corner: Thanksgiving is a culmination of all the labor of the preceding year -- the tilling of the soil, the planting of the seed, the rain and sunshine nourishing the crop, and then the harvest!
The same principle of hard work followed by a reward holds true in the spiritual realm. *"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up"* (Galatians 6:9). *"For the Lord your God will bless you in all your harvest and in all the work of your hands, and your joy will be complete"* (Deuteronomy 16:15b).

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THANKSGIVING EVE WORSHIP:
Wednesday, Nov 23 at 7:00PM.

CHURCH OFFICE will be closed Thurs, Nov 24—Thanksgiving Day and Fri, Nov 25.

CELEBRATING OUR WEDDING RENEWAL COUPLES TODAY!

5 years
Louis and Krista Medina
Jed and Jessica Weise
Mark and Lesley Stueven
TJ and Vicki Lucas
Paul and Amanda Sullivan
Jim and Miranda Donkersgoed

10 years
Dave and Carrie DuVal

15 years
Gerry and Colleen Thomas
Gary and Barb Harbo
Richard and Carole Martin
Roger and Tanya Foote
John and Anne Toomey

20 years
Larry and Audrey Inman
Robert and Janet Murphy
Jim and Kris Carpenter

25 years
John and Mary Gadow
Pat and LuAnn Jungmann
Scott and Diane Paulson
Larry and Nancy Schindeldecker

30 years
Bob and Gretchen Fett
Tom and Bev Meyer
Steve and Paula Buchholz
Doug and Jane Steenberg
Bob and Virginia Kerfeld
Brian and Mary Biermeier
Ron and Lonnie Pietsch
Diane Sobaszkiewicz
Linda Zitur
David Schmidt

35 years
Larry and Miriam Heinert
Joni Turbes
Kathy Shuppert

40 years
Ken and Jan Danner
John and Rayme Schlichenmayer

45 years
Marilyn Schmidt

50 years
Dale and Elaine Kain
Gil and Joanne VonOhlen
Lloyd and Karen Soine

55 years
Elmer and Carol Kromschroeder
Dave and Liz Ziebarth
Frank and Mae Walden

60 years
Reuben and Vernice Alitz

This Week With the Lord

Sunday, Nov 6
Marriage Renewal at both services today!
8:00 High Church/Communion Service
9:15 Sunday School Reformation Party!
LWML Mitey Muffin Sale downstairs
10:30 Worship
7:00 Men's Bible Study (Pastor)

Monday
Noon Out and About
1:00 Election—Room Setup
5:30 Women's Bible Study

Tuesday
7AM IGH Dist 199 Elections
5:00 Petite Praisers
6:15 Evangelism Meeting
6:30 Emanubells
8PM Elections Closed

Wednesday
AM Election—Takedown
5:15 JoyFul Noize
6:00 Confirmation
6:00 Emanuel Choir

Thursday
8:30A Pr Circuit Meeting
9:30 Beatitudes Adult Bible Study
1:00 Miriam Circle (E.Liberacki's)
7:00 Council

Friday
6-10PM Ladies' Night Out/Holiday Boutique
Social Hall

Saturday
10AM Café Great River Winery Tour
1PM Setup for Thanksgiving for Seniors
Dinner

NEWS/NOTES DEADLINE: If you have anything to share through the weekly news/notes, please email or call in to Donna by Wednesday Noon. dtaranto3@yahoo.com or 651-457-3929. Thanks!

PARENTS OF SMALL CHILDREN: We encourage families to worship together, and we have some options available for your use if your children need attention during the church service — the rockers in the narthex; the cry room (across from the nursery) are available to you. Also, the nursery is available to children ages 6 weeks thru 4 yrs. If you'd like to drop off your child during worship, please see the nursery attendant. The Nursery is staffed from 7:45-11:45AM.

SICK, HOSPITALIZED, HOMEBOUND: Please let Pastor Evans or Donna Taranto know if you or a family member is sick, hospitalized or homebound and unable to get to church. We'd like to pray for you and Pastor Evans will make a home visit. We are a family in Christ; let us help you.

EMANUEL NEWS: Please read the news/notes weekly, check out the bulletin boards in the narthex & downstairs in the office hallway, or view info at w**ww.emanuellutheranchurch.org**

CABLE TIMES: Our worship services are shown on Cable TV channel 16 on **Wed at 7pm;** current monthly calendar available at **townsquare.tv/TV schedule/Ch 16.**

UPDATED MEMBER DIRECTORIES: There are updated member directories available from the church office or request one be emailed to you from dtaranto3@yahoo.com.

ADDRESS/PHONE/EMAIL: Give updates to Donna via yellow card or email at dtaranto3@yahoo.com.

INK CARTRIDGES/CELL PHONES: Drop off in recycling box in the Narthex or at the church office.

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Attendance-10/30/11:	**341**	**General Fund-10/30/11:**	**$ 7,431**
Total Membership:	709	Weekly Budget Need:	$ 10,041
(membership # updated quarterly)		YTD Giving	$ 40,291
		YTD Budget Need:	$ 50,205