



## Emanuel Lutheran Church

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## Sunday Worship:

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.  
Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

*Pastor Mark Werner*

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## **LCW Meeting**

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 7 PM

IN THE SOCIAL HALL

Come on out and see what the ladies of Emanuel are doing for God. And with more hands and hearts we could do so much more. WE NEED YOU!

We will also soon be selling Wawa Shorty sandwich tickets again. The cost is \$5 each. Great stocking stuffers or for a friend who has done something special for you. Cindy Cairone and Brenda Mace will have all the information you need. The more we sell, the more God's work we can do.

## **Toys For Salvation Army**

LCW is sponsoring a toy drive for the Bridgeton Salvation Army. They will be purchasing toys and are welcoming anyone who would like to contribute. Toys should be new and not wrapped. There will be a corral in the downstairs to receive the toys. The last day for donations is Sunday, December 15.

## **LCW Christmas Luncheon**

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2019 AT NOON

CREEKSIDE INN RESTAURANT, WOODSTOWN

We would like to welcome all ladies to join us for our Christmas gathering (weather permitting). You can order from the menu. Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex so they know how to prepare.

If you have any questions, see Brenda Mace

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## **Thanksgiving Eve Service at Aldine Methodist Church**

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27TH; 7 PM AT ALDINE UMC

"Come Ye Thankful People, Come" ... and celebrate the goodness of the Lord at our annual Community Thanksgiving Service on Wednesday, November 27th at 7:00 PM! Music and the message will be provided by our friends from Daretown Presbyterian Church. Refreshments will be served in the Social Hall following the service.

## **Christmas Cookies**



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22

The Worship service this day will be a special one for the children (and young at heart). We will be serving refreshments following the service and are asking for cookie donations. There will be a sign up sheet in the narthex beginning December 1.

## **Harvest Home Food Collection**

Items needed for the Harvest Home Food Collection on November 10 are gift cards to purchase chickens and hot dogs, bags of potatoes and canned goods.

## **Church Directory Photos**

We will be taking family photos for our online church directory. Photos will be held in the Social Hall on November 23, 24, 30 and December 1. Sign-ups and more information will be coming out over the next few weeks.

## **PRAYER LIST**

|                 |                    |
|-----------------|--------------------|
| Bobby Hiles     | Sarah Romig        |
| Bill Bollentino | Leona Knerr        |
| Marion Layton   | Ed Gheysens, Sr    |
| Elaine Williams | Mona Hess          |
| Edna Halter     | Barbara Welsh      |
| Nancy Heck      | Betty Heil         |
| Jennie Lillie   | Pauline Benjamin   |
| Walt Plummer    | Betty Lowery       |
| Harry Heck      | Holly Hall         |
| Jillian Sayre   | Steve Pierangeli   |
| Cookie Weaver   | Ron Roedell        |
| Rick Pfeffer    | Julie Dodge        |
| Pete Toner      | Ed Wiker           |
| Margaret Law    | Emma Rutherford    |
| George Moore    | Norma Miley        |
| Pastor David    | Ruth Peterson      |
| Laurie Betts    | Katie Robbins      |
| Kelly Thistle   | Dolores McLaughlin |

### **Offering Envelopes**

Please don't forget Offering Envelopes are convenient, mail-in envelopes in the event you are away from Sunday Worship or you would like to catch up on offering.

Offering needed to date \$ 92,195.83  
Offering collected to date \$ 82,306.00

## **A Note of Thanks**

*"Dear Emanuel Members: The Family and I want to express our sincere thanks to all who sent cards, made phone calls & visits and offered prayers during Otto's long illness and final passing."*

*"The funeral luncheon was wonderful as usual & we thank everyone who helped & prepared the delicious food."*

*"Finally, thank you to Pastor Mark for delivering a beautiful funeral liturgy and sermon."*

Sincerely,  
Karen & Family

A note of thanks from Anne Richard and Garry Bostwick:

*"On behalf of the Bostwick and Richard families, I wanted to thank you and the congregation for the many ways that you supported Mom. When it became evident that she needed help with cooking, you guys coordinated dinners 3 nights each week; Nancy visited almost daily and took her to countless doctor's appointments; you and church members visited her at home, in the hospital, and while she was in rehab. And finally, the church family provided the delicious luncheon after her service. There were countless offers of help throughout the entire process.*

*"Thank you for these many acts of kindness, and for the decades that she was welcomed and accepted as part of the Friesburg church family."*

## **Anniversary Planning Committee**

If anyone is interested in serving on the planning committee for the 300<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Emanuel Lutheran Church, please speak to a council member. While it is seven years away, and that may seem like a long time, careful work is needed so that the story of our ministry may be told well.

## **TELEPHONE CHAIN**

Patsy Madden  
(856) 935-5552



## **SPECIAL DATES**

*The following folks will celebrate birthdays in November.*

- 3 George Shimp
- 25 Scott Smith
- 29 Mona Hess
- 30 Joan Bell

Wishing all a happy birthday and a blessed year to follow.

## Pastor's Perspective

“Father, providing food for your children  
By your wise guiding Teach us to share  
One with another, So that, rejoicing  
With us, all others May know your care”

This is the third stanza of the hymn “Praise and Thanksgiving”, number 409 in the Lutheran Book of Worship. It falls under the heading of Stewardship. Indeed, as stewards it is our God-given responsibility to wisely use what we call our own. I say, “what we call our own” because the truth is that all we have comes from God. “I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen” (First article of the Nicene Creed).

Throughout the life of the church, disciples have practiced good stewardship by providing for the needs of people. Collections were taken for the poor. When the early church gathered, they shared what they had in common. (Acts 4:32-35) In Acts 6, Luke records the pressing concern that neither the word of God nor the care of the widows should suffer, that both are necessary. The result was to call individuals who would focus on providing needed care for widows as the Apostles continued to preach the word of God.

One way in which congregations have responded to the needs of the poor in their communities is to make special appeals. In the fall, for many this has taken the form of a Harvest Home service. The idea is that on a specific Sunday there would be a special appeal that emphasizes giving thanks for a fruitful harvest and sharing a portion of that harvest with those in need through food pantries, soup kitchens or food boxes. This would be in conjunction with or in addition to other such collections throughout the year.

Here at Emanuel, the Worship and Music Committee has designated that on November 10<sup>th</sup> we will observe a Harvest Home Sunday. As many of you likely know, Terry and Judy Cellmer see that the food we collect throughout the year goes to the food pantry in Bridgeton. For this Harvest Home Sunday, we are asking members of Emanuel to bring in specific items that will be used to provide Thanksgiving baskets to those in need. Participation is easy.

Simply donate something from the list included in this issue of the Acolyte and bring it with you on Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. We will have a place in the sanctuary where the items can be placed. Why put this in the sanctuary? Because what we give, be it money or be it materials such as school kits, health kits, blankets, etc. are part of our offering to God.

If you cannot be a church on the 10<sup>th</sup>, you can bring your items a week before or a week after and it will be included in the food we send to the food bank.

As always, thank you for your love for our neighbors as it is expressed in this one specific way. To quote Jesus, “For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you. A new commandment I give to you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.” John 13:15, 34-35.

God bless,  
Pastor Mark

## HOSPITAL/PASTORAL CARE

If you or a family member has been admitted to the hospital, please contact Pastor Mark at 856-521-0771 or 724-244-4248. As a result of HIPPA Privacy Rules, most hospitals no longer inform churches of admissions, even if you specify a church affiliation on your paperwork. A call from you or a family member is the only way we will know.

## FUNERAL LUNCHEONS

If you are in need of a luncheon following a loved one's funeral at Emanuel, contact any member of LCW and we will help coordinate it for you.

## NOVEMBER ALTAR GUILD

Nancy Wilson

## NOVEMBER USHER

George Shimp

Wayne May

**MARK YOUR  
CALENDAR!**

**November 8-** Game Night 7pm in Social Hall

**November 10-** Harvest Home Food Collection

**November 12-** LCW Meeting 7pm in Social Hall

**November 17-** 11am 1st Communion Class

## CHURCH COUNCIL

Wayne Knerr, President.....2020  
Patsy Madden, Vice-President.....2022  
Cindy Cairone, Corporate Secretary.....2022  
Anette Manno.....2020  
Jason Cobb.....2020  
Wayne May.....2021  
Brenda Mace.....2022  
Elizabeth Brooks, Recording Secretary, Bookkeeper  
Dianne Hermanson, Financial Secretary  
Elizabeth Brooks, Church Secretary

## COMMITTEES

**Christian Education**.....Helen Cobb, Wayne Knerr  
**Fellowship**.....Brenda Mace, Anette Manno  
**Finance**.....Terry Cellmer  
**Mutual Ministry**.....Judy Cellmer  
**Property**.....Wayne May, Jason Cobb  
**Stewardship**.....Wayne Knerr  
**Witness/Outreach/Evangelism**.....Judy Cellmer  
Patsy Madden, Cindy Cairone  
**Worship/Music**.....Patsy Madden  
**Cemetery**.....Wayne May

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