

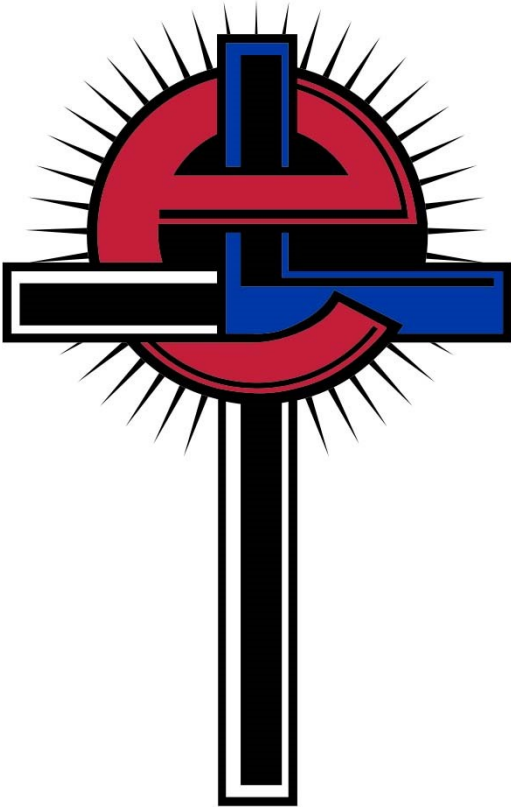
Alpha Pregnancy Resource Center - would like to thank all of you at Emmaus for the generous gifts once again. If you need a donation receipt please ask Kay Retberg or Bev Stellmacher. May you have a Blessed New Year.

Worship Attendance

Sunday, January 6 - 117 (77 - 8:00 am, 40 - 10:30am)
New Year's Eve - 39

<u>Income from week ending Jan. 6, 2018</u>	<u>Month Total</u>	<u>Monthly Budget</u>
First Fruits Offering	\$5642.50	\$5642.50
School	\$1455	\$1455
Preschool/Extended Care	\$1000	\$1000
Mortgage	\$170	\$170

“The Baptism of our Lord”



Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Church
January 13, 2019
Epiphany 1

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE BEFORE HIM

OPENING HYMN “Hail O Source of Every Blessing” (CW #87)

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

P: Beloved in the Lord, let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, pleading with Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord

C: Who made heaven and earth.

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.

C: And you forgave the guilt of my sin.

P: Almighty God our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess to You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and action. Therefore, we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: O most merciful God, who has given Your only begotten Son to die for us, have mercy on us and for His sake grant us forgiveness of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, for this purpose, that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those that believe on His name He gives power to become the sons of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this Lord to us all.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

C: Sings “Arise and Shine in Splendor” (CW #81)

Arise and shine in splendor; Let night to day surrender.
Your light is drawing near. Above, the day is beaming,
In matchless beauty gleaming; The glory of the Lord is here.

Giving Opportunities – On the list of approved projects from our Board of Church Properties is the need to replace our church windows. Recently \$600 was given toward that project in memory of Kathy Boyd. If you would like to give toward that endeavor, or some of the other projects on the Properties’ list (e.g. the A/C units, the mortgage, the fellowship hall roof, resurfacing the parking lot) you are welcome to do so. If you have any questions about these, please speak with Nate Brekken. Thank you.

Quarterly Voters’ Meeting and Call Meeting – will be held today, January 13, after the 10:30 am worship service. At this meeting we will be calling a full time teacher for grades 5 & 6 and to be athletic director. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

AZ Tuition Tax Credit Program - Is a great way to help students at Emmaus Lutheran School. A donation made to ACSTO before April 15th will serve as a 2018 Arizona tax credit! Don’t forget to name Emmaus Lutheran as the recipient school, and you may also name a specific student as a recipient, as long as the student is not your own dependent.

Check Line 48 of 2017 AZ Tax Form 140. The figure that appears on Line 48 is the amount of your tax liability from your 2017 taxes. The maximum AZ Tuition Tax Credit donation for private schools is \$2177 (married) or \$1089 (single).

Questions? Contact ACSTO via email social@acsto.org or call the ACSTO office: 480-820-0403 or call or email the Emmaus office office@emmauslutheran.com 602-843-3853.

Passion Play Trip - Retired WELS pastor, James Humann, invites you to join him in 2020 as he hosts his sixth tour to the world-famous Passion Play in Oberammergau, Germany. The Oberammergau Passion Play depicts the life of Christ from Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday. This afternoon and evening long performance is presented only once every ten years, in keeping with a promise the people of Oberammergau made in 1634 AD during the Black Plague.

Two different opportunities to see the Oberammergau Passion Play will be offered. The first tour is an eleven day tour, June 12 - 22, 2020. It includes the Rhine Valley, Heidelberg, Rothenburg, Oberammergau and Munich in Germany, plus Lucerne in Switzerland and Paris in France. The second tour is an eleven day tour, September 23 - October 3, 2020. It includes Athens and Corinth in Greece, a three day Greek Isles cruise visiting Mykonos, Ephesus, Patmos, Crete and Santorini, plus Oberammergau and Munich in Germany and Salzburg in Austria.

The Passion Play in Oberammergau is very popular and sells out quickly. For the price and daily itinerary, e-mail Pastor Humann at jhumann383@aol.com. If you would prefer a hard copy, be sure to include your name and mailing address.

Children’s Bulletins and Books - We have special bulletins for our children each Sunday. The ushers will have them when they are handing out the weekly bulletins. Please feel free to ask them for this bulletin. Crayons are also available from the ushers. Christian books are also available for ages 0 to 10 + to look at or read during the service! Please ask an usher to direct you to the books so you or your child may pick out an age appropriate book bag or book.

Bathrooms/Baby Changing Tables - are located in the Fellowship Hall, which is the large building in front of the church. (The building closest to the parking lot) There are changing tables in both bathrooms for your convenience. The bathrooms are located on the east end of the building.

Organist: Mrs. Janean Plocher
Worship leader: Pastor Ross Else

This Week at Emmaus

TODAY	Worship	8:00 am
	Bible Study and Sunday School	9:15 am
	Worship w/Lord’s Supper	10:30 am
	Quarterly Voters’ and Call Meeting	11:45 am
TUESDAY	Church Council Meeting	6:30 pm
WEDNESDAY	Bible Class	6:30 pm
NEXT SUNDAY	Worship w/Lord’s Supper	8:00 am
	Bible Study and Sunday School	9:15 am
	Worship	10:30 am

Announcements

Those with ongoing health and other struggles - Kay Retberg; Darwin Stellmacher; Lilly Ventura; Barb Wendt; Nancy MacDonald; Barb Osborn; Barb Widmann; Brad Anderson’s cousin Butch Fahler; Rich Tollefson; Pastor Retberg; David Conklin; Jean Bagley; Kimberly Fritz (cancer); Shaun Eversole (cancer); Chuck Widmann; Brad Anderson; Roger Wilde’s wife, Carol; Polly Mackenzie; Vince Wallenberg; Ellen King; Diane Scheel; Linda Thompson’s friend Kathy Desch (cancer);

Those who are - sick, unemployed, traveling, celebrating birthdays and anniversaries, serving in the military, single, married, parents, children.

Thank you - from the staff at Emmaus Lutheran Church and School for all of the prayers, cards, goodies and gifts during the Christmas season. They are all very much appreciated.

New Members –The past two weeks we welcomed into our church family by adult confirmation Mr. Hernan Ruiz-Tagle, Mr. Nathan Sungino, and Miss Natalie Sungino. It’s a joy to have all of you as part of our church family! May the Lord of the Church continue to strengthen all three of you and your families through Word and Sacrament as you continue serving Him together with us in His kingdom. Jesus be with you all.

Congregational counseling services - from Wisconsin Lutheran Child and Family Services will possibly soon be available through a program being provided in partnership with our congregation. Our congregation is able to partner with WLCFS to offer licensed Lutheran Christian video counseling to our members. The congregation pays up front for a number of counseling sessions so that there is no cost to the individual member. We have had two members offer seed money to get this program started. Pending voter approval at today’s voters’ meeting, we would be able to begin offering this service shortly. If you have questions about this program, are interested in helping support this program financially, or would be interested in making use of this service if it is available, please speak with Pastor Else.


See earth in darkness lying, The heathen nations dying
In hopeless gloom and night. To you the Lord of heaven—
Your life, your hope—has given Great glory, honor, and delight.

Lift up your eyes in wonder—See, nations gather yonder
From sin to be set free. The world has heard your story;
Your sons come to your glory, And daughters haste your light to see.

Your heart will leap for gladness When from the realms of sadness
They come from near and far. Your eyes will wake from slumber
As people without number Rejoice to see the Morning Star.

P: The LORD be with you.
C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. Father in heaven, at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan You proclaimed Him Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Keep us who are baptized into Christ faithful in our calling as Your children and make us heirs with Him of everlasting life; through Your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - - - men.

Please be seated

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 42:1-7

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom I delight. I am placing my Spirit upon him. He will bring forth the verdict for the nations. 2 He will not cry out. He will not raise his voice. He will not make his voice heard in the street. 3 A bent reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not snuff out. He will faithfully bring forth the verdict. 4 He will not grow dim, and he will not be crushed until he establishes the verdict on the earth. The coastlands will wait for his teaching. 5 This is what the true God says, the LORD, who creates the heavens and stretches them out, who spreads out the earth and everything that comes out of it, who gives breath to the people upon it and life to those who walk on it. 6 “I am the LORD. I am calling you in righteousness. I will grasp your hand, and I will guard you. I will

appoint you to be a covenant for the people, to be a light for the nations, 7 to open blind eyes, to bring the prisoners out of the dungeon and to bring those who live in darkness out of prison. (EHV)

PSALM 89 (p.98 in front section of hymnal)

SECOND LESSON

Acts 10:34-38

34 Then Peter began to speak: “Now I really am beginning to understand that God does not show favoritism, 35 but in every nation, anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. 36 He sent his word to the people of Israel, proclaiming the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all. 37 “You know what happened throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached. 38 God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went around doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the Devil, because God was with him. (EHV)

VERSE OF THE DAY

P: Alleluia. You are my Son, whom I love; with You I am well pleased. Alleluia.
(Mark 1:11b)

C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Please stand for the reading of the Gospel

FIRST SERVICE continues here after the Lord's Prayer

THE PRAYER FOR THE WORD

P: Blessed Lord, who has caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may thus hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience and comfort of your holy Word we may embrace, and ever hold fast, the blessed hope of everlasting life, which You have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - - - men.

THE BLESSING

P: Brothers and sisters, go in peace, Live in harmony with one another.
Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon on you with favor and give you (+) peace.

C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

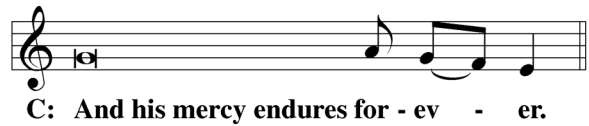
CLOSING HYMN

“O Jesus, King of Glory” (CW #94)



C: Lord, now you let your servant de - part in peace ac-cord-ing
to your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have pre-
pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the
Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of your peo-ple Is - ra - el.

P: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



C: And his mercy endures for - ev - er.

P: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this Holy Supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 3:13-17

13 Then Jesus came from Galilee to be baptized by John at the Jordan. 14 But John tried to stop him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and yet you come to me?” 15 But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now, because it is proper for us to fulfill all righteousness.” Then John let him. 16 After Jesus was baptized, he immediately went up out of the water. Suddenly, the heavens were opened for him! He saw the Spirit of God, descending like a dove and landing on him, 17 and a voice out of the heavens said, “This is my Son, whom I love. I am well pleased with him.” (EHV)



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

THE APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

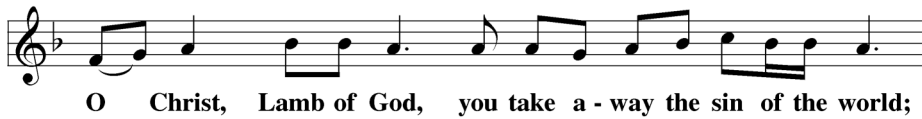
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Then He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in my blood, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



DISTRIBUTION (*During the distribution the congregation will sing Hymn 310*)

HYMNS OF THE LITURGY

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Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God



Text: Psalm 51:10-12.

Tune: SCHAFFE IN MIR, GOTT (PM) Johann G. Winer, 1583–1651, adapt.

OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God and Mary's son, in the fullness of time you came into our world to save us from sin and death:

C: **You ushered in the day of grace so long foretold.**

P: Beloved Son of the Father, revered by the Magi, baptized by John, you came preaching and teaching, healing and comforting, forgiving and encouraging:

C: **You brought the light of life to those walking in darkness, and the joy of salvation to those doomed to death.**

P: Prince of Peace, shine like a beacon for us and the people of our world. Let the good news of salvation be heard in the remotest corners of the earth. Open our own lips to speak your name to those around us who still live without faith or hope:

C: Arouse us and our missionaries to flood the world with the light of your gospel.

P: Lord of the Church, let your peace rule our hearts that we may use our gifts to serve you and each other in willing gratitude and joy. Watch over our loved ones near and far, that they may remember your love and rejoice in your salvation. Strengthen the faith of the sick and the disheartened. Give hope to those in despair and comfort those who mourn:

C: Be gracious to all and lead us to reflect your love in everything we say and do.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

P: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

P: Finally, bring us and all your believers to the heavenly home where we will stand in the full light of your glory and with all your saints and angels sing the everlasting song of triumph.

C: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SECOND SERVICE continues with the Sacrament; **FIRST SERVICE** concludes with closing prayer and hymn on page 13.

THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



C: It is good and right so to do.

P: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lived among us as a human being and revealed His glory as Your only Son, full of grace and truth. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san -



na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -



na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.