

Church Decorating - On Saturday, December 1st, at 9:00 am, we will be decorating the church and Fellowship Hall for Christmas. If you can spare an hour or so it would be greatly appreciated.

Christmas Caroling - You are invited to join us for Christmas Caroling next Sunday, December 2nd. We will meet in the parking lot at 4:30 pm. We will load up on trailers and drive through the neighborhood caroling and handing out flyers for our A Night in Bethlehem event. We hope you can come help us tell of our Savior's birth through song.

A Night in Bethlehem - Our annual outreach event is coming up on Saturday, December 8th, from 6:00 - 7:30 pm. We need your help! Each year we need over 60 volunteers to make this night happen. On the table outside of the Fellowship Hall is a list of items that we need donated or you can donate money to buy the items. There is also a sign-up list for people willing to work in the shops, actors, builders, greeters and more. Please stop and sign up to help wherever you are able. All items that are being purchased need to be at church by Thursday, December 6. If you have any questions, please speak with Angie Hintz.

The congregation is invited - to attend the wedding ceremony of Daryll Wondrak and Maribeth Traveler on Sunday, December 9th at noon. Cake and refreshments will follow immediately in the Fellowship Hall.

Church Directory - The revised member directory is finished and in your mailbox. Please stop after church and check your mailbox. If you do not have a mailbox, please let Mrs. Conklin know and she will make sure you get one. You can reach her by email at office@emmauslutheran.com or by phone at 602-843-3853.

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.

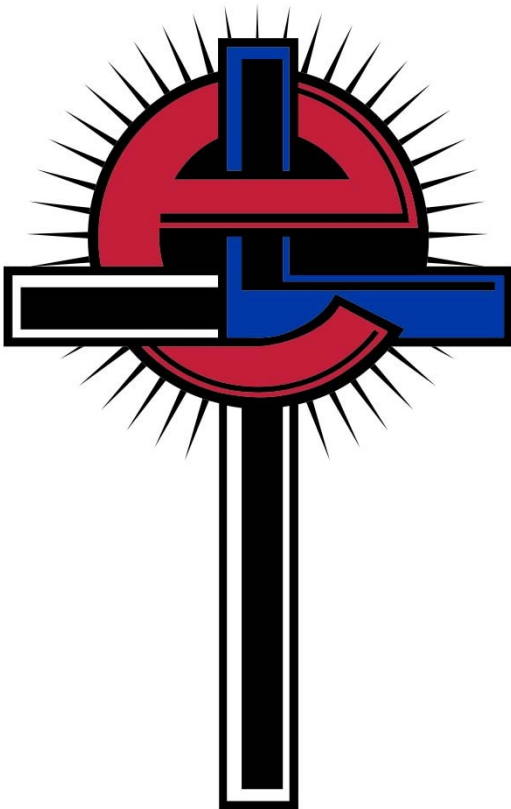
Bathrooms/Baby Changing Tables - are located in the Fellowship Hall, which is the large building in front of the church. (The building closest to the parking lot) There are changing tables in both bathrooms for your convenience. The bathrooms are located on the east end of the building.

Worship Attendance

Sunday, November 18 - 124 (67 - 8:00 am, 57 - 10:30 am)

<u>Income from week ending Nov. 18, 2018</u>	<u>Month Total</u>	<u>Monthly Budget</u>
First Fruits Offering	\$2950	\$12,080
School	\$3108.71	\$17,798.90
Preschool/Extended Care	\$432.08	\$2101.82
Mortgage	\$185	\$525
		\$5439

“By faith we are prepared
for Christ’s return”



Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Church
November 25, 2018
End Times

THE GATHERING OF GOD’S PEOPLE BEFORE HIM

OPENING HYMN “O’er the Distant Mountains Breaking” (CW #220)

STAND

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.
C: *(spoken)* Amen.

CONFESSION OF SINS

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

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Kyrie

Lord, have mer-cy on us. Christ, have mer-cy on us. Lord, have mer-cy on us. A - men.

P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: *(spoken)* Amen.

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

Organist: Mrs. Marilyn Feliciano
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
WEDNESDAY	Bible Class	6:30 pm
SATURDAY	Church Decorating	9:00 am
	Information Class	11:00 am
NEXT SUNDAY	Worship w/Lord’s Supper	8:00 am
	Bible Study and Sunday School	9:15 am
	Worship	10:30 am
	Caroling	4:30 pm

Lord's Supper - is celebrated today in the 10:30 am service. Our Savior gives us his body and blood along with the bread and wine for our forgiveness in this Blessed Sacrament. Because he also wants us to examine ourselves prior to communing (1 Corinthians 11:23-29), and that those who commune with one another be united in doctrine and practice (1 Corinthians 10:16-17; Romans 16:1-17; 2 John 9-11), we respectfully ask that those who commune with us this morning are members of Emmaus, or members of congregations in fellowship with the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod. If you are not a member and would like to join us for communion, please speak with Pastor Else, so we can set up a time to study what God’s Word has to say to us concerning Lord’s Supper and church fellowship. Thank you for your understanding.

Announcements

Those with ongoing health and other struggles - Gary Boyd; David Conklin (upcoming surgery); Pastor Retberg; Darwin Stellmacher; Jean Bagley; Jennifer Roger Wilde (surgery); Soriano; Barb Wendt; Sandy Griffiths’ nephew, Riley Ernst; Kimberly Fritz (cancer); Shaun Eversole (cancer); Chuck Widmann; Barb Widmann; Barb Osborn; Judy Frank; Brad Anderson; Roger Wilde's wife, Carol; Polly Mackenzie; Vince Wallenberg; Ellen King; Diane Scheel; Linda Thompson's friend Kathy Desch (cancer); our brothers and sisters at Paradise Valley Lutheran Church

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

*FIRST SERVICE continues here

P: Blessed Lord, grant to Your Church the Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes down from above. Let nothing hinder Your Word from being freely proclaimed to the joy and edifying of Christ’s holy people, so that we may serve You in steadfast faith and confess Your Name as long as we live, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: (spoken) Amen.

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: (spoken) Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

#728 – “Jerusalem the Golden”

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GLORY TO GOD

Gloria in Excelsis

Glo - ry to God in the

high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and

Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we

praise you for your glo - ry! Glo - ry to God in the

high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly

Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world; have mer - cy on us.

You are seat - ed at the right hand of the
Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer, re -
ceive our prayer. Glo - ry to God in the
high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth. For
you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the
Lord, you a - lone are the Most High,
Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. Glo - ry to God in the
high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.
Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God!

PLEASE STAND

THANKSGIVING

SONG OF SIMEON

Nunc Dimittis

In peace, Lord, you let your
ser - vant now de - part ac - cord - ing to your word. For my
eyes have seen your sal - va - tion, which you have pre - pared for
ev - 'ry peo - ple, a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the
glo - ry, 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 forever.**

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: **(spoken) Amen.**

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: **(spoken) Amen.**

312 Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared

1 Lord Je - sus Christ, you have pre - pared This feast for
2 Al - though you did to heav'n as - cend, Where an - gel
3 Yet, Sav - ior, you are not con - fined To an - y
4 We eat this bread and drink this cup, Your pre - cious
5 Though rea - son can - not un - der - stand, Yet faith this

our sal - va - tion; It is your bod - y
hosts are dwell - ing, And in your pres - ence
hab - i - ta - tion, But you are pres - ent
Word be - liev - ing That your true bod - y
truth em - brac - es: Your bod - y, Lord, is

and your blood, And at your in - vi - ta - tion
they be - hold Your glo - ry, all ex - cel - ling,
ev - 'ry - where And with your con - gre - ga - tion.
and your blood Our lips are here re - ceiv - ing.
ev - 'ry - where At once in man - y plac - es.

As wea - ry souls, with sin op - pressed, We come to
And though your peo - ple shall not see Your glo - ry
Firm as a rock this truth shall stand, Un - moved by
This Word re - mains for - ev - er true, And there is
I leave to you how this can be; Your Word a -

you for need - ed rest, For com - fort, and for par - don.
and your maj - es - ty Till dawns the judg - ment morn - ing,
an - y dar - ing hand Or sub - tle craft and cun - ning.
naught you can - not do, For you, Lord, are al - might - y.
lone suf - fic - es me; I trust its truth un - fail - ing.

6 Lord, I believe what you have said;
Help me when doubts assail me.
Remember that I am but dust,
And let my faith not fail me.
Your supper in this vale of tears
Refreshes me and stills my fears
And is my priceless treasure.

7 Grant that we worthily receive
Your supper, Lord, our Savior,
And, truly grieving for our sins,
May prove by our behavior
That we are thankful for your grace
And day by day may run our race,
In holiness increasing.

8 For your consoling supper, Lord,
Be praised throughout all ages!
Preserve it, for in ev'ry place
The world against it rages.
Grant that this sacrament may be
A blessed comfort unto me
When living and when dying.

Text: Samuel Kinner, 1603–68; tr. Emanuel Cronenwett, 1841–1931, alt.
Tune: DU LEBENSBRÖT, HERR JESU CHRIST (87 87 887) Peter Sohren, c. 1630–c. 1692, alt.

P: The Lord be with you.
C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. Almighty God and Savior, You have set the final day and hour when we shall be delivered from this world of sin and death. Keep us ever watchful for the coming of Your Son that we may sit with Him and all Your holy ones at the marriage feast in heaven; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: (spoken) Amen.

Please be seated

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 65:17-25

17 Watch this, I am about to create new heavens and a new earth, and the former things will not be remembered, and they will not come to mind. 18 Instead, rejoice and celebrate forever because of what I am creating. Watch this, I am about to create Jerusalem to be a source of gladness, and her people will be a source of joy. 19 I also will be glad because of Jerusalem, and I will rejoice over my people. The sound of weeping will not be heard again in her, nor will the sound of crying. 20 There will never again be an infant there who lives for only a few days, or an elderly man who does not fill out all his days, for one who dies at a hundred will be considered a young man, and one who fails to attain a hundred years old will be regarded as cursed. 21 Then they will build houses and inhabit them. They will plant vineyards and eat their fruit. 22 They will not build a house and have another person live in it. They will not plant and have another person eat the crop, for the days of my people will be like the days of a tree, and my chosen ones will enjoy all the work of their hands. 23 They will not toil in vain, and they will not give birth to children doomed to disaster, for they will be offspring who are blessed by the LORD, and their descendants will be with them. 24 Then it will happen that even before they call, I will answer; while they are still speaking, I will hear. 25 The wolf and the lamb will graze together, and the lion will eat straw like cattle, but the serpent will eat dust as its food. They will not harm or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the LORD. (EHV)

PSALM 121 (p.112 in front section of hymnal)

SECOND LESSON

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Concerning the times and dates, brothers, there is no need to write to you, 2 for you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. 3 When people are saying, “Peace and security,” destruction will suddenly come on them, like labor pains on a pregnant woman, and they will certainly not escape. 4

But you, brothers, are not in the dark so that this day takes you by surprise like a thief, 5 for you are all sons of the light and sons of the day. We do not belong to the night or the darkness. 6 So then let us not sleep like everyone else, but rather let us remain alert and sober. 7 To be sure, those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, get drunk at night. 8 But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, putting on faith and love as a breastplate, and the hope of salvation as a helmet. 9 You see, God did not appoint us for wrath, but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. 10 He died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with him. 11 Therefore, encourage one another and build each other up, just as you are also doing. (EHV)

VERSE OF THE DAY

P: Alleluia. The are before the throne of God and serve Him day and night in His temple. Alleluia. (Revelation 7:15a)

Please stand for the reading of the Gospel

GOSPEL

Matthew 25:1-13



Glo-ry be to you, O Lord! Glo-ry be to you, O Lord!

“At that time the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. 2 Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. 3 When the foolish ones took their lamps, they did not take any oil with them; 4 but the wise took oil in their containers with their lamps. 5 While the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and fell asleep. 6 But at midnight there was a shout, ‘Look, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!’ 7 Then all those virgins got up and trimmed their lamps. 8 The foolish ones said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil because our lamps are going out.’ 9 But the wise answered, ‘No, there may not be enough for us and for you. Instead, go to those who sell oil and buy some for yourselves.’ 10 But while they were away buying oil, the bridegroom came. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding banquet, and the door was shut. 11 Later, the other virgins also came and said, ‘Lord, Lord, let us in.’ 12 But he answered, ‘Amen I tell you: I do not know you.’ 13 Therefore, keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour.” (EHV)



Praise be to you, O Christ! Praise be to you, O Christ!

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

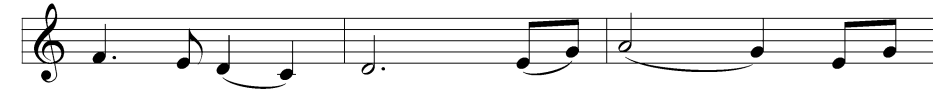
Agnus Dei



O Christ, Lamb of



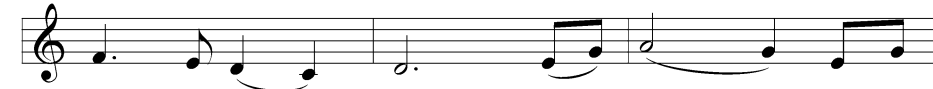
God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of



God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of



God, you take a - way the sin of the world;



grant us your peace. A - men. A - men.

DISTRIBUTION (*During the distribution the congregation will sing Hymn 312*)

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY
Sanctus

Musical score for "HOLY, HOLY, HOLY" (Sanctus). The score is written on six staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er, God of might: heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

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.
C: Amen

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.

THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; And I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please be seated

- HYMN

SERMON
- #206 “Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying”

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

“Your Savior’s Word is the only cure for spiritual drowsiness”

 1. You’re not in the dark about His coming
 2. He’s given you spiritual armor to keep you vigilant

STAND


Cre - ate in me a
pure heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with -
in me. Do not cast me a - way from your
pres - ence or take your Ho - ly Spir - it from
me. Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up -
hold, up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

*BE SEATED***OFFERING***STAND***PRAYER OF THE CHURCH****THE LORD'S PRAYER**

****10:30 service continues with the Sacrament; 8:00 service continues on page 14***

THE SACRAMENT

P: The Lord be with you.
C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.
C: We lift them up 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 preserves His Church to the end of time when He will Come again as king to judge all people and take His own to glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song: