

**Organist:** Mrs. Marilyn Feliciano/Miss Leah Else  
**Worship leader:** Pastor Ross Else

**This Week at Emmaus**

TODAY	Worship	8:00/10:30 am
	Bible Study & Sunday School	9:15 am
WEDNESDAY	NO Bible Class	
NEXT SUNDAY	Worship w/Lord’s Supper	8:00/10:30 am
	Bible Study & Sunday School	9:15 am

**Announcements**

**In Our Prayers -**

**Those who mourn** - Paradise Tegan and family as they mourn the death of her sister, Cathy Porper. Also, Rachel Kramer and the Plocher family, as they mourn the death of Rachel’s brother, Joshua. Thankfully, the families can all rejoice in the sure hope of the life they both now enjoy with their Savior in heaven, and the sure hope of resurrection of all on the Last Day!

**Those with ongoing health and other struggles** - Elena Suhonen, Gordy Klassa, heart, (Brad Anderson’s brother in-law) Erin Plocher, Margie Habben, Sandy Bauer, Sarah Eversole, Barb Osborn, Brad Anderson, Vince Wallenberg, Ellen King, Diane Scheel

**Those affected** by the recent hurricanes

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

**Thank you** - to our Emmaus School children for singing in the 10:30 am service this morning. The words for “Where Your Treasure Is” are on the back of this page.

**Pastor Else** - will be out of town Wednesday - Friday this week. If you have a pastoral emergency you can reach him on his cell phone (602-579-8805) or contact Pastor Casmer (602-992-4981).

**Welcome new members** - Last Sunday we welcomed into communicant membership by adult confirmation Mr. Tim Rooney and Mrs. Diane Johnson. We rejoice together with both of them for the working of his Word in their hearts and lives; and we ask his continued blessing through Word and Sacrament as we fight the good fight of the faith together. Jesus be with you both.

**Mortgage Update** - I want to take this opportunity to say thank you to the members of Emmaus.. As a congregation, Approximately 3 years ago, we took on the very daunting task of reducing our mortgage debt. At the beginning of the journey, our mortgage stood at approximately \$355,000. The board proposed and assured our members that any gift designated for our mortgage would go directly to the mortgage reduction. I am truly humbled to announce that we have been able to reduce our mortgage to just over \$195,500. That is about a \$160,000 reduction in principal. We have truly been blessed as a congregation. We have come a long way but still have some work left. If you would like designate a gift to the reduction, Please write mortgage on the envelope and that gift will go directly to the principal for that month.

**Fry’s, Box Tops, Ink Cartridges** - Please link your Fry’s VIP card to Emmaus for the Fry’s Community Partners Program. Go to Frysfood.com to sign up. Our school is NPO # is 80260. Last year we

received over \$1,200 from this program! Pass on this information to family and friends. The more people who sign up to support Emmaus, the more earning potential we will have. Please save your Box Tops for Education for us too. Last year we received \$566.40. We are **not** recycling ink cartridges or cell phones any longer. It was not profitable.

**Hurricane Relief** - WELS Christian Aid and Relief is mobilizing efforts to help our WELS brothers and sisters and their communities who are affected by the recent hurricanes. Prayers, volunteers, and donations will be needed as Christian Aid and Relief reaches out with a helping hand and the saving gospel message. If you would like to support the relief efforts or sign up to volunteer, visit [wels.net/relief](http://wels.net/relief).

Visit [wels.net](http://wels.net) and subscribe to the WELS Together e-newsletter at [wels.net/subscribe](http://wels.net/subscribe) for regular updates.

**JOIN US!** The 2017-18 Sunday School year started last Sunday for children in Preschool - grade 6, Class will be held in Room 3 and start between 9:15-9:20 am. Class will be excused at 10:10 am. JOIN US for songs, stories and snacks! Bible Study for grade 7 - high school is held in room 7.

**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, you or your child may pick out an age appropriate book bag or book.

**Worship Attendance**

Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup> - 123 (79 - 8:00 am, 44 - 10:30 am)

<b><u>Income from week ending Sept. 17, 2017</u></b>	<b><u>Month Total</u></b>	<b><u>Monthly Budget</u></b>
First Fruits Offering	\$3658	\$12,571
School	\$7135.98	\$10,131.32
Preschool/Extended Care	\$4924.20	\$6061.20
Mortgage	\$120	\$270

***Where Your Treasure Is***

**Refrain:**

Where your treasure is, there your heart shall be. All that you possess will never set you free. Seek the things that last; come and learn from me. Where your treasure is your heart shall be.

What do you gain from all your worry, What you should eat or what to wear?  
There is no peace in stress or hurry. Do you not know that you are held within God’s care?

**Refrain**

Look at the ravens high above you. They do not work their whole life through,  
And yet God feeds them and protects them. So how much more will God protect and care for you.

**Refrain**

Behold the lilies in their splendor; In grace and beauty they are dressed,  
And yet so soon their bloom is faded. So how much more will those who look to God be blessed?

**Refrain**