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**Worship Schedule**

Sunday 8:00 am Service

Holy Communion 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Weeks

Sunday School/Bible Study 9:15 AM

Midweek Wednesday 5:30 pm

All services livestreamed on YouTube

## Pastor's Post

Processions, Pomp and Circumstance.... There is no doubt that our former colonial masters, the British, know how to put a parade together. It has been incredible to watch over the last days all they did in order to remember and mourn the queen. But at the end of all the going back and forth, the soldiers and the sailors, the horsemen and the fancy coaches it came down to people gathered in a chapel for grief.

While we may not understand or even comprehend what was going on in Great Britain the last part we get—grief at the time of death. Many times after a funeral someone will ask me: “Was it a big funeral?” I think what they are trying to ask is: Where there a lot of people there? Every funeral is big. Every death is hard. .. for everyone is important. So important that he sent his only Son to die for each and every one of us.

The real question is: Where are our loved ones now! In the Queen's case there are many things that point to her faith. She regularly attended church wherever she was. She gave speeches encouraging and defending the faith. She had a hand in putting together her funeral where she picked the hymns and psalms to comfort her family, friends, and nation in grief. She pointed others to Christ.

We may not have the same houses, the same staff, the soldiers and all the rest but we do have the same calling—to point others to Christ. John, Jesus' relative, the Baptist was given the same job. He said to his friends: “Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!” He also said to his friends: “You yourselves bear me witness, that I said, ‘I am not the Christ, but I have been sent before him.’ The one who has the bride is the bridegroom. The friend of the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly at the bridegroom's voice. Therefore this joy of mine is now complete. He must increase, but I must decrease.” What a great way to point to Jesus.

How do you point to the one who saved you? How do others know what really matters to you—your life in Christ? How do we do this? Maybe it's preparing our own funerals. Maybe it's through inviting someone to join us in church. Maybe it's our prayers for our family and friends who don't know him. Maybe it's a call, a letter, an email, a text. Whatever way we are still called to point to him.

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## Offical Acts

### **Baptism**

Vivian June Wilde

### **Transfer Out**

Tom and Bobbie Mueller

### **Peaceful Release**

Peter, Hannah, & Annalyn Barthel

Kyle, Katelyn, Kasen, Kinley, and Kamden

Thibeault

## **READINGS FOR OCTOBER 2022**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Festival</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Reading</b>	<b>Psalm</b>	<b>Epistle</b>	<b>Gospel</b>
Oct. 2 (Prop. 22)	Seventeenth S. a. Pentecost	Hab. 1:1-4; 2:1-4	Psalm 62	2 Tim. 1:1-14	Luke 17:1-10
Oct. 9 (Prop. 23)	Eighteenth S. a. Pentecost	Ruth 1:1-19a	Psalm 111	2 Tim. 2:1-13	Luke 17:11-19
Oct. 16 (Prop. 24)	Nineteenth S. a. Pentecost	Gen. 32:22-30	Psalm 121	2 Tim. 3:14-4:5	Luke 18:1-8
Oct. 23 (Proper 25)	Twentieth S. a. Pentecost	Gen. 4:1-15	Psalm 5	2 Tim. 4:6-8, 16-18	Luke 18:9-17
Oct. 30 (observed)	Reformation Day(Oct. 31)	Rev. 14:6-7	Psalm 46	Rom. 3:19-28	John 8:31-36 <i>or</i> Matt. 11:12-19
Or (Prop. 26)	Twenty-first S. a. Pentecost	Is. 1:10-18	Psalm 130	2 Thess. 1:1-5 (6-10) 11-12	Luke 19:1-10

## LOE

The Ladies of Emanuel will meet in the Fellowship Hall on Tuesday, Oct. 4 at 1 PM. Diann Dauwen will lead the topic from the Fall Quarterly, "Lord, Teach Us to Pray", on page 16. After a short business meeting, Diann and Donna Zubke will serve refreshments. All women in the congregation are invited to attend Bible study.

## Mission Sewing

Mission Sewing will meet on October 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM. On October 9<sup>th</sup> we will offer quilts for sale during the Orphan Grain Train German Sausage feed. We are asking the base price of \$50.00. All proceeds will be given to the boiler fund. We are still offering free pillows in the Fellowship Hall.

## SPECIAL MISSION ENVELOPE

For October, the Special Mission envelope contributions will go towards:

### **Grant County Food Pantry**

The Food Pantry is open every weekday to provide Grant County families in need with basic groceries. They provide a few days of basic groceries. This is a free program to any Grant County residents. This is a busy time heading into the holiday months so please consider your gifts to this special mission.

## Treasurer Report

August 2022 Income: \$ 29,333.28	YTD 2022 Income: \$199,180.33
August 2022 Expense: \$ 26,623.25	YTD 2022 Expense: \$269,627.33
Difference: \$ 2,710.03	Difference: -\$ 70,447.00

Last month we had to borrow \$50,000 from our Line of Credit at the bank to cover our expenses. This will be a bill which needs to be paid back (current interest rate is 6%). Please pray for our church and our finances. May God bless everything we are doing here at Emanuel which we do in His name.

The Dedicated Boiler Fund currently is at \$40,835. The needed funds are roughly \$90,000 so we still need another \$50,000 and we are trying to get this project for completion next summer (2023). The October Council Meeting we will be discussing the proposed budget we will be submitting to the Voters' meeting for 2023.

### Stewardship Newsletter Reading for October 2022

#### THANKSGIVING

Philippians 4:6

Fold a piece of paper down the middle. On the right side, list things in your life that you consider blessings. On the left side, list things that you consider to be bad. I pray that your "blessings" list is much longer than your "bad" list.

Paul encourages us to make our requests known to our Father with prayer and thanksgiving. For the good things, that is easy. For the uncomfortable things we do not understand, prayer with thanksgiving is more of a challenge. When prayer is difficult, we look to Jesus as the author and finisher of our faith.

We look to Jesus, who prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane three times that the cup would be removed from Him according to the will of our Father but was willing to suffer with thanksgiving for our salvation. This faithfulness of the Father enables Jesus to suffer, die, and rise with thanksgiving.

We can face all our circumstances without anxiety but with thanksgiving because we understand it all serves the purpose of our Father.

*\*\*\*\*\*Hear our prayers of thanksgiving for all the events of our life, Lord, because You use us as witnesses to release Your love and blessing into the lives of others. In Jesus' name. Amen.*

*(Aug. Portals of Prayer)*

**Emanuel Sunday School Programs Started Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>. Our new format presents Bible events, but focuses on simple themes that our younger students can understand: God is real, God is our Creator, God is kind, God is faithful, and many more aspects of our loving God.** Students explore who God is, how God sees us, how we fit in God's family, and how we live the Christian life. Multisensory activities help these concepts sink in for students!

Teachers for our younger grades include Talia Athey, Ryan Barthel, Abby Heisinger, Cydney Hunt, Jen Hunt, Devon Mueller, and Lydia Street. Please thank these folks for teaching

the next time you see them! **We still need a few more youth or adult volunteers for this younger group of students! Ask God if this is you!** 😊

**Grades 5 through 8 often need to see how faith relates to and can be applied to their everyday life.** How can their faith help them through difficult times? How can they grow in their faith and lead others? Our new, practical class allows our upper grade levels to explore, discuss, and examine what their faith means to them and how to draw from that faith in their everyday lives. **Our high school church members in grades 9 through 12 are invited to attend this class, too—either as participants or helpers.** Teachers of this group include Lisa Miller, Melissa Mueller, Jada Schmieg, and Kristy Tostenson. When you see them around, please extend your thanks to them on behalf of our church family!



**Choir Rehearsals:**  
**Wed. 5:30 HANDBELLS - Balcony**  
**6:30 JOY - Chapel**  
**Hope you will join Joy choir!!**

Last fall, I asked music members, **“Why they come to do music”?**

- 1) “I love it. I love the group and I love playing handbells.”
- 2) “I love to have fun with the people I play with. Getting to know them.”

In Christ’s Love, Kristy 949-1372



### **Jesus Door-2-Door**

As many of you are aware, Jesus Door-2-Door (JD2D) is a door-to-door evangelism program started in the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod by Rev. Tim Koch. Jesus Door-2-Door trains people on how to share their faith in Jesus Christ with others and then travels door-to-door in order to put their training into action.

This was the JD2D event on September 17<sup>th</sup> at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Aberdeen.

Next event is **October 15, 2022** Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Gettysburg, SD – We will leave from Milbank at 6:00 AM! Please contact Pat Blauert if you plan to attend so that adequate transportation can be arranged!

If you have questions about JD2D or want more information, please contact Pat Blauert at (605) 695-6067. [www.JD2D.org](http://www.JD2D.org).



## Preschool News by Karen Tillma

Blessings to everyone reading this! I have just attended the most amazing women's conference in Sioux Falls. The theme was Fully Surrendered. The speakers talked about how we worry about so many things, when we should be fully surrendered to God. He is in control. We need to step out in faith and surrender our burdens to him, trusting in Him, who created us, to change the hearts and minds of those around us and ourselves! Share your heart with Him then trust that He knows best and will work it all out for good. The enemy wants us to fret and lay awake at night. The enemy wants us to lose sleep so that we will be tired and crabby the next day. **Isaiah 26:3** You will keep in perfect peace all who trust in you, all whose thoughts are fixed on you! (NLT)

The school year is off to a great start! Yes, we have had our trying days, but the children and families are wonderful! We have our busy little threes in the mornings on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. If you have a heart for littles and an hour here and there that you could spare, we would love to have you volunteer! Between 8-9:30 we are playing and doing crafts and would love an extra set of hands! The children love to hear stories and would gather around if you would like to read to a few or sit and play a memory game, etc.

The fours meet on Monday through Thursday each week (unless there is a holiday on Monday, then we come on Friday instead). There are 18 in this class and it gets to be a bit of a challenge at the beginning of the year when they are learning to cut, write their names, share with each other and just follow school rules. This group of children are getting ready for kindergarten. If you volunteer in this group we have open play time when they first arrive at noon. At 12:30 we do a group project and then we divide up into small groups by 1:15. From 1:15-2:30 we could use an extra set of hands. If you could help even occasionally, it would be so helpful now at the beginning of the year. You don't have to get on the floor or have a degree! If you have a genuine love for children and have a couple hours to spare, this may be a great way to serve!

I will have a calendar posted by the preschool door. If you know of a day that would work, please print your name and number on the calendar. You can also call or text me at 605-880-2825. Please wait with calls until after 3:05pm as I will be busy with children on M-Th. Drop in volunteers are welcome Tuesday-Thursday mornings, but it would be most helpful for the afternoon class if I knew you were coming so that I could plan for extra hands!

Now I surrender this to God and trust that He knows who reads this and He will nudge at the hearts of those who are thinking "maybe, but I wonder if I could do it. Do they really want me?" The answer is yes!

Hope to see you soon!

Karen Tillma

## **EMANUEL YOUTH GROUP--How can I get my child involved in the Youth Group?**

If you would like more information about Youth Group, please reach out to any Youth Board member listed below, or contact the church office.

### **Who helps our Youth Group?**

**Parents** Thank you for prioritizing your child's spiritual health and well-being by encouraging them to attend our youth group and associated events.

**Our Congregational Family** Thank you for your continued support and prayers.

#### **Youth Board Members:**

**Angie Bowen** (605) 924-0555

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**Melissa Mueller** (320) 760-9613

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**Tim Krause** (605) 949-9180

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**Brandy Blauert** (605) 467-1542

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#### **Helpful Youth Ministry Links:**

<https://www.lcms.org/how-we-serve/national/youth-ministry>

<https://www.kfuo.org/category/lcms-youth-ministry-end-goals/>

<https://www.facebook.com/EmanuelMilbankEducation/>

#### **SOUND/RADIO BROADCAST FOR OCTOBER**

**8:00 AM**

**Oct 2 Harlan Monson**

**Oct 9 Larry Underwood**

**Oct 16 Tracy Pinkert**

**Oct 23 Charles Schamber**

**Oct 30 Dave Schamber**

#### **ACOLYTES FOR OCTOBER**

**8:00 AM**

**Oct 2 Bennett Hunt**

**Oct 9 Kylynn Schwandt**

**Oct 16 Evan Henderson**

**Oct 23 Peyton Bauer**

**Oct 30 Zackary Karges**

**The Current BYD Group is 5---Elder, Larry Underwood**

**October 2<sup>nd</sup> 8 AM Service w/ Communion**

Ushers: Leslie Rethke, Larry Underwood

Greeters: Vonnie Forman, Gloria Selchert

Communion Set-up/Clean-Up:

Vonnies Forman and Gloria Selchert

**October 9<sup>th</sup> 8 AM Service of the Word**

Ushers: Leslie Rethke, Dean Hanson

Greeters: Bev Hanson, Regina Rethke

**October 23<sup>rd</sup> 8 AM Service of the Word**

Ushers: Leslie Rethke, Tracy Pinkert

Greeters: Kim Pinkert, Annie Underwood

**October 30<sup>th</sup> 8 AM Service w/ Communion**

Ushers: Leslie Rethke, Tracy Pinkert

Greeters: Vonnie Forman, Kim Pinkert

Communion Set-up/Clean-Up: Vonnie Forman

**October 16<sup>th</sup> 8 AM Service w/ Communion**

Ushers: Leslie Rethke, Larry Underwood

Greeters: Gloria Selchert, Regina Rethke

Communion Set-up/Clean-Up: Gloria Selchert

**FLOWERS:** Regina Rethke

**BANNERS:** Linnea Schwandt



Orphan Grain Train  
German Sausage  
Dinner

Featuring Waldner's sausage,  
battered potatoes, sauerkraut  
and assorted fall desserts

*Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup>*

Serving 11:00-1:00

Emanuel Lutheran Church  
Milbank, SD

Free will offering designated to defer shipping costs  
**Milbank Collection Center for Orphan Grain Train**  
**Relief for human need worldwide**

*Create* in me a clean  
heart, *O* God;  
and *renew* a *right spirit*  
within me.

Psalm 51:10

*Eric and I want to thank everyone that pitch in to allow us both to take a vacation! We know it's much to ask for us both to be gone. Thank you especially to Howard Mueller, for picking up the necessary tasks while we are gone. If you see*

*Howard thank him for all the unseen works he does in the church every day of the year that most may not even know! We hope you see us (especially Lisa) being refreshed, rejuvenated, and full of God's graces on our return!*

## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Bogenreif Sharon J.	1-Oct
Meeker Ryan	1-Oct
Whiting Mary J.	1-Oct
Dragt Kathryn A.	2-Oct
Vogel Alanna	2-Oct
Hyatt Teresa E.	3-Oct
Wagner Daniel	3-Oct
Greiner Brian A.	4-Oct
Krause Rita J.	5-Oct
Berkner Charles	6-Oct
Bloom Jaime L.	6-Oct
Stemsrud Shawn R.	6-Oct
Gilliland Damien J.	7-Oct
Koch Clifford L. (Kip)	7-Oct
Schellberg Rueben F.	7-Oct
Weyh John	7-Oct
Barthel Daniel J.	8-Oct
Borchert Marie	8-Oct
Zemlicka Trent A.	8-Oct
Peiker Heather L.	9-Oct
Poel Leone	9-Oct

Tesch Arelee	9-Oct
Campbell Sharon	12-Oct
Henderson Jamie L.	12-Oct
Angerhofer Zachary B.	13-Oct
Dietmeier Micah M.	13-Oct
Toft Lilly M.	14-Oct
Pinkert Scott R.	15-Oct
Skovbo Philip A.	15-Oct
Wittrock Hallie E.	15-Oct
Morton Jesse R.	16-Oct
Hofhenke Trent L.	17-Oct
Kasuske Joyce R.	17-Oct
Underwood Larry A.	17-Oct
Wagner Benjamin M.	17-Oct
Dexter Logan B.	18-Oct
Schwandt Klynn M.	18-Oct
Henderson Naomi R.	19-Oct
Dexter Jacy	20-Oct
Hilbrands Kennedy L.	20-Oct
Rudebusch Clara G.	20-Oct
Schwandt Dick	21-Oct

Smeins Rhonda	22-Oct
Lee Shelby K.	24-Oct
Newman Olivia R.	24-Oct
Schweer Kayla	24-Oct
Barthel Whitney J.	25-Oct
Bogenrief Steven J.	26-Oct
Koch Lois	26-Oct
Wieber Ramsey T.	27-Oct
Mueller Devon E.	28-Oct
Wittrock Emily E.	28-Oct
Newman Isabel E.	29-Oct
Schwandt Linnea M.	29-Oct
Smeins Michael	29-Oct
Smith Joan M.	29-Oct
Schell Peyton D.	30-Oct
Heffron Robert H.	31-Oct
Koch Todd E.	31-Oct
Schell Heidi	31-Oct
Skovbo Kaja R.	31-Oct

## OCTOBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Pinkert Tracy E. and Kimberly	1-Oct
Berkner James (Jim) and Patricia (Pat)	5-Oct
Skovbo Lee R. and June M.	9-Oct
Fish Richard J. and Kerry L.	11-Oct
Rethke Leslie E. and Regina A.	11-Oct
Graf Jackson P. and Caitlyn K.	12-Oct

Lee Amber and Brandon	15-Oct
Morton Jesse R. and Nicole	15-Oct
Schamber John and Eileen	19-Oct
Bowen Daniel L. and Angela M.	20-Oct
Haigh Jessica L. and Ross Haigh	26-Oct
Grabow Wayne L. and Rita	27-Oct

*This is the day*  
**the Lord has made**  
**let us rejoice and be glad.**

**Psalm 118:24**



# October 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2 LWML Sunday 8:00 AM—Service of the Word w/ Holy Communion 9:15 AM—Sunday School/ Adult Bible class 4-H Sunday 4:00 PM Cub Scouts	3  	4 1:00 PM—LOE	5 9:15 AM Mercy Meals at OGT 3:15 PM- Confirmation Class 4:30 PM 5th-8th grade 5:30 PM Adult Handbells 5:30 PM—Midweek Worship Service 6:30 PM Joy Choir (chapel) 7:00 PM Cub Scouts FH 8:00 PM—AA Meeting	6 9:00 AM Mission Sewing 6:00 PM Cub Scouts 6:30 PM—AA Meeting 6:30 PM—AI-anon Meeting	7  	1 5:30 PM—Private Baptism
9 8:00 AM—Service of the Word 9:15 AM—Sunday School/ Adult Bible class 12:00 PM OGT Sausage Feed Annual Fund Raiser 4:00 PM Cub Scouts	10 No Preschool	11 4:30 PM—Board of Ed 5:30 PM—Youth Board 6:00 PM—Evangelism TBA—Stewardship Board	12 3:15 PM- Confirmation Class 4:30 PM 5th-8th grade 5:30 PM Adult Handbells 5:30 PM—Midweek Worship Service 6:30 PM Joy Choir (chapel) 8:00 PM—AA Meeting	13 6:30 PM—AA Meeting 6:30 PM—AI-anon Meeting	14 Preschool Conferences 6:00 PM Koopman/McCowien Wedding Rehearsal	15 6:00 AM JD2D to Geithsburg-meet at Emanuel 3:30 PM Koopman/McCowien Wedding
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