

Greetings Saints of Emmanuel!

We are on our way back — see y'all this coming cold Sunday!

+ Pastor Justin Baker

Today, Wednesday, January 21st

There are no scheduled events for Emmanuel today. See below for the many events coming up in the next few weeks!

Newsworthy

Pastor Out of Office | January 12 - 24

Pastor Justin is traveling & visiting family. You can reach out to the office for his cell phone to call him for any reason.

Christianity in Print | January 31, 1PM, The Bakers

We will have our first "Christianity in Print" discussion on January 31st at the Bakers' home. We will be discussing "Live Not By Lies" by Rod Dreher, which you can order [here](#). The office also has a limited number of books available for \$12 each. Please reach out if you would like to purchase one! Either way, please read the book before the meeting on January 31st. Whether or not you've been a part of the Live Not By Lies Sunday school, this will be a rich discussion and a great opportunity to continue wrestling with the content.

ELCW Breakfast | February 3rd, 10AM

On February 3rd at 10am, the ELC Women will be meeting in Luther Hall for breakfast and a presentation by Nella Baker. All women are invited to join! More information is available at the end of the eNews.

Game Day | February 4th, Noon

The Fellowship and Evangelism team will be hosting a game day on Wednesday, February 4th starting at noon in the Luther Hall. See the flyer [here](#) and at the end of the eNews for more information! A sign-up sheet is posted in the Narthex.

Quilting | Knotters Needed!

The quilters are ready to knot the quilts they've been working on this season, and need help knotting on Monday the 26th starting at 2pm (right after Daniel Bible Study)!

Please Read: Worship Volunteers

All volunteers have been emailed the schedules for January, February and March. If you did not receive those emails, please let the office know! Schedules are also posted in the sacristy, the library, and the Narthex.

To see the January schedule, click [here](#).

To see the updated February schedule, click [here](#).

There have already been some updates to the March schedule. To see the new one, click [here](#).

United Together, We Pray

Prayers for Mission Workers

For the Omars and their ministry among Muslims in the Atlanta region; for the Thorstads in their work in Laos & Thailand; and for Dure Negassa and the Rev. Gemachu in their ministry in Kenya among the Oromos.

Prayers for those in need of Intercession:

Danette Hunter, Linda Casper, May Hill, Jim Troxell, David Weihe, Vince Berardinelli, Gayle Wertz, June Ugen, Cassandra, Nojia, John, Kevin, Jim, Frances, Julie and family, Trudy, Linda, Frances and family, Brylee, Sandra, Zachary, Kevin, David, Kathy, Asa, Jerry, Jack, Al & family, Beth, Colleen, Rachael, Leila, Darin, Les & Cathy, Tony, Sarah, and Harry

Prayers of Bereavement

Most Blessed and Holy God, we implore you to remember *the family of Debbie Pritts*. Fill all families who mourn with the strength to grieve, the comfort of your presence, and faith unto life everlasting.

Prayer for this Church

We pray that you will fill this congregation with the faith that endures unto life eternal. We pray that you make us one people united in prayer. We pray that you will send families, children, widows & widowers, the elderly, and any others into our midst, that they may also be filled with faith, encourage this congregation, and bring honor and glory and praise to your name.

Worship

From Sunday's Sermon

Every one of the gospel writers who records the Transfiguration intends for us to see it as a preview of the Kingdom and Glory of God. For the Transfiguration comes immediately after these words:

"And he said to them, "Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the kingdom of God after it has come with power."

This is the fulfillment of Christ's words, a fulfillment pointing forward still to the greater and full fulfillment when Christ returns in glory to judge the living and the dead.

Peter, James, and John saw this preview of Christ's glory. For suffering is not the whole message. There is the cross, yes. And there is the resurrection. And then there is the ascension. Christ ascended, is now in glory, and through suffering, he beckons his disciples — you and me — into this same glory, the glory of the Father in heaven.

Watch this past Sunday's sermon [here](#) or read it [here](#).

Discipleship

Sunday School, 9AM

January 25 Fellowship Hour (this Sunday): Bible Trivia!

Starting February: Beginning on February 1st, we will begin a series titled "The Gospel Twisted: The Heresies of Our Day." Please plan to join us!

Bible Study on the Book of Daniel | Resumes This Monday

Our Bible Study on Daniel will resume this coming Monday, January 26th, at 1pm and 6:30pm. Please join us then and bring a friend!

Stewardship

Please reach out the church office if there are any projects around your home that other church members could assist you with!

Fellowship and Evangelism

Shrove Tuesday Potluck | February 17th

We will be holding a Shrove Tuesday potluck on February 17th at 6pm! See more information [here](#) and in the flyer at the end of the eNews. A sign-up sheet is posted in the Narthex.

More This Week

January 21st

Pastor Out-Of-Office
6PM: Steps and Stories

January 22nd

Pastor Out-Of-Office
7PM: Boy Scouts
7:30PM: Al-Anon

January 23rd

Pastor Out-Of-Office
5:30PM: Girl Scouts

January 24th

Pastor Out-Of-Office

January 25th

9AM Sunday School Fellowship Hour: Bible Trivia

10:15AM Worship on the Third Sunday After Epiphany

January 26th

1PM: Daniel Bible Study

2PM: Quilting

6:30PM: Daniel Bible Study

6:30PM: Start the Week

January 27th

9AM: Bell Choir

10AM: Bell Choir Subset

5:30PM: Champion Cheerleading

January 28th

11AM: Prayer Group (Zoom)

6PM: Steps and Stories

Upcoming Birthdays & Anniversaries

January Birthdays:

1/25 Amanda Wertz

1/28 Carol Wilson

January Anniversaries:

1/24 Ed & Dorothy Datasch (50 years)

February Birthdays:

2/06 Lisa Pepka

2/09 Joe Ugen

2/10 Dana Visnic Ford

2/11 Jeff Pelusi

2/17 Jordan Pelusi

2/21 Peggy Lewis

2/25 Stephen Cehovin

February Anniversaries:

2/09 Mark & Alma Heyl (44 years)

2/28 Jim & Peggy Lewis (65 years)

Photo Gallery on Our Website!

We've added a photo gallery to our website to make pictures easier to access and view (and to make the newsletter clearer). Contact the office to add pictures of events to the gallery! (We will feature fewer photos in the newsletters so that we can include more on the website.) View the website photos [here](#).

Emmanuel Lutheran Church Women

Tuesday Morning

February 3, 2026

Luther Hall

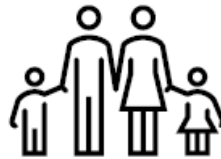
10:00 AM Breakfast

&

Nella Baker presenting

“The CODA Life:

Growing Up in a Deaf Family”



Devotions: Danette Hunter

Hostesses: Karen Kuczek
Peggy Lewis

Program Rep.: Julie Schamber

Game Day

Wednesday, February 4, 2025
Starting at Noon



Bring a snack or appetizer to share.

Skip lunch at home and enjoy munching together.

We will be playing cards and favorite games.

Try your hand at Uno, Hand & Foot, Pinochle, Mexican Train and more.

Don't worry if you have never played before, we have directions.

Or you can bring your favorite game to add to the fun.

Shrove Tuesday Potluck



Plans are being made for a Shrove Tuesday Potluck to be held on **Tuesday, February 17, at 6 PM.** With Ash Wednesday the following day, Shrove Tuesday is meant to serve as the final day of celebration and feasting before the beginning of Lent.

Your Fellowship and Evangelism Ministry Team encourages you to plan to attend and enjoy some great food and wonderful fellowship! Please sign up on the narthex bulletin board indicating the number attending and whether you will bring a main dish, salad, side dish, or dessert.

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