

Humbled & Exalted

Luke 14:1, 7-14



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Pentecost XII

August 31, 2025

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***"Welcoming all people, Emmanuel Lutheran Church and schools
love, teach, and serve through Christ."***

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WELCOME PASTOR RICK!!

We are excited to welcome Pastor Rick and his family with open arms, hearts, and minds. We look forward to growing together, as his leadership and guidance helps shape our future. We ask that God bless Pastor Rick, his family, and his ministry here at our church and schools. May the Holy Spirit guide him as he shares the teachings of Jesus Christ.

***Tom Reilly
ELC Council President***



Hello All,

My name is Pastor Rick Hall, and I am delighted to have been called to Emmanuel to serve as your pastor. I am excited to walk with you all in God's mission and ministry, to include Laurel Hall, Laurel Hall Preschool, the community and beyond. I believe that the Holy Spirit has been moving throughout this process and that God has big plans for the church, the schools, and our community. I have been in the office for the last few days setting up my desk and getting

acquainted with things, spending some time with the LH staff and am looking forward to back-to-school night. Thank you all for your support as our housing plans have shifted a bit.

Jesus started his ministry with an invitation, "Come and See". Now I would never purport to be on the same level with or even close to Jesus, but I want to extend an invitation to you: Let's get to know each other, let's build relationships and let's build on the ministry God began here 80 years ago. I am eager to start building relationships with you all. To do this we will have to communicate. I am usually available by email, phone, text, or in person. If you're in the area stop by my office, we can have a chat. If you would rather meet off site, call me, we can get a cup of coffee or beverage somewhere. If you need a horrible 4th for golf, I do "play". If you are in need of a visit please reach out to me. If you need prayer let me know. If you just need someone to listen, I can do that too.

I look forward to meeting, worshiping, working, praying, and building God's kingdom with you. Blessings as we begin a new school year and a new adventure together as one team.

***Peace,
Pastor Rick Hall***

Pastor Rick is officially in his Hornets Era!



Emmanuel Lutheran Church School Committee is looking for two members willing to serve a one and two year term. We meet monthly via zoom for one hour. School experience is a plus but not required. For more information message Mark Rickertsen at mark.rickertsen@yahoo.com or 818-469-9455."

Thanks
Mark Rickertsen
School Committee Chair





God's Work Our Hands Sunday, September 14

Sunday, September 14: Come help us make quilts for the unhoused directly after worship.

This is also the day we collect donations for Central Lutheran Food Distribution and NoHo Home Alliance. Start now by gathering items from the following list:

Regular Canned Goods for Housed– NO GLASS or EXPIRED FOODS, please:

• Fruits • Vegetables • Meats & Tuna • Peanut butter (large or small)

Dry goods: Beans • Rice • Pasta • Cereal & cereal bars

Pop Top Food Cans for Unhoused:

Fruits • Vegetables • Meats & Tuna • Soups – stews

Foods Easily Hydrated w/Hot Water:

Cup Noodles • Instant single serve Mac'N'Cheese • Instant single serve Oatmeal

Snacks:

Breakfast bars – preferably chewy bars • Chips – snack size bags • Crackers – snack size bags • Gummies – Fruit Chews

Toiletries:

Toothpaste, soap bars, shampoo, conditioner, lotion and toothbrushes, disposable razors & shaving cream, dental floss, body wash, deodorant, Hand sanitizer, ChapSticks, Skin lotion, Q-tips, Suntan lotion, wet wipes.



Download the [Prayer Ventures here](#) for **August 2025**. These petitions are offered as guides to prayer each day of the month for global, social and outreach ministries of the ELCA, as well as for the needs and circumstances of our neighbors, communities and world. Thank you for your continued prayers for the life and mission of this church



Worship Leaders

Message

Pastor Rick Hall

Minister of Music

Mark Longfield

Greeter

Shirley Heidersbach

Communion

Assistants

Mark Longfield

Debby Semel

Liz Rickertsen

George Watson

Gail Bohannon

Lector

Barbara Reilly

Usher

Kurt Marsden

Debi Marsden

Gaffer

Marshall Bowen

Sound

Stephen Howison

Live Stream

Jessie Tobey

hos·pi·tal·i·ty
noun

- the friendly and generous reception and entertainment of guests, visitors, or strangers

Birthdays

30) Loren Lemmerman

31) John Evan

September

3) Gabriella Evans

August

31 - Pastor Rick's first Sunday is Labor Day weekend, Sunday, August 31.

We will welcome Pastor Rick with a cake and ice cream reception after church. His formal installation will be later this fall. Come celebrate with us!



The Handcrafts Group is meeting this Sunday, August 31, 2025. Please join us in the conference room at Emmanuel Lutheran Church at 1:00 pm for fellowship and fun! If you have questions, please contact Diana Howison at diana_howison@sbcglobal.net

Charleen Stegman

July 15, 1930 - April 7, 2025

Charleen was a longtime and vital member of Emmanuel. She joined Emmanuel with her husband Linc and children, Jolinda, Sheralyn, Mark and Scott.

Charleen served the church in many ways, as greeter, usher, and major supporter of ELATE.

Charleen's Celebration of life will take place August 30, 10:30 am at Emmanuel Lutheran Church. Food and Fellowship will take place directly following the service in the Reception Room. All are welcome to join us in remembering Charleen.





Piers Bath
Nesbitt Blaisdell,
Bob Boehman
Mike Cosenza
Ruthanne Henderson
The Hodge Family
Rick Holt
Dick Krussow
Kimberly Laux
Samuel Lee
Lillie Lim
Leo Lujan
Lumina Padron-Sanchez
Andrew Piecka
Donna Stenberg & family
Pam Sullivan
Denise Vanzago
Muriel Waugh

***..Recently Added to our
Prayer List ...***

Jim & Karen Ohrt
Virginia Tweedy

..Shut-ins:

Karen Bollesen;
Gloria Blackman;
Jim & Marie Crawford
Bill Hoffman;
Ernine Larson;
Bernadine Poulsen;
Mavien Ready;
Thorsen Family

***We Mourn the Victims of
the recent shooting in
Minneapolis and keep their
families in our prayers.***

...Mission Concerns:

ELC sponsored
missionaries around
the world;
California Lutheran University;
ELCA World Relief

... in Military

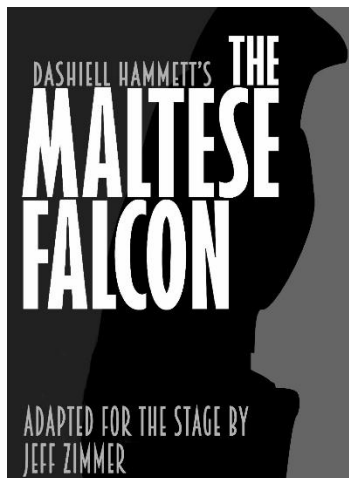
Service: Bryce Anderson;

Joshua Camarena
Aaron Carpenter;
Marc Gonsalves;
Curtis Haines;
Daniel Lukavsky;
David Lukavsky;
Austin Swanson;
Jeremy Stephens;
Keaton Wriedt

Prayer of the Day: O God, you resist those who are proud and give grace to those who are humble. Give us the humility of your Son, that we may embody the generosity of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

ELATE Show

Rehearsals for "The Maltese Falcon" have begun! The show opens October 10th!



Special Grant for Fire Victims



This application is to distribute funds raised in the January 2025 Los Angeles Wildfire Emergency appeal by our Synod. Our priority is to support congregations and ministries that are meeting the urgent humanitarian needs caused by the Easton and Palisades fires. We also take requests from congregations on behalf of families and individuals within their care. We offer grants to help congregations repair their

property, expand their outreach ministries, and help their members recover. [Los Angeles Fire Recovery Grant 2025](#)

Next Quarter Devotionals Available

Devotional booklets are available in the literature rack in the church narthex, ***Portals of Prayer*** and ***Christ in our Home*** each covering one quarter of 2025. ***Spark*** is available in limited number. In this magazine style devotional book ***Spark***, there are activities and stories to lead everyone in the family through the season. Finally, ***The Word in Season*** is also available. Pick up any of these in the narthex today! Pick these up at no charge. They are our gift to help you.



You Can Help

[Attendance Form](#)

[ELCA GLocal Mission News](#)

[Visit our Laurel Hall School Website](#)

[Give Now](#)



[LSS](#)

The link takes you directly to our giving page. If you have questions about any giving options, you may benefit from watching this tutorial on safely donating online: [Online Giving](#)

Please feel free to call the business office:
(818) 763-5434.

[SoCalSynod](#)

Visit the synod website to check out upcoming events. Sign up to receive newsletters from the synod office.



See how [Lutheran Social Services](#) works and how you can make a donation. Your donations are essential. See a complete list of urgent local needs in this time of covid [here](#).

YOUR COUNCIL

President: Tom Reilly

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Treasurer: Robert Akin

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Secretary: Diana Howison



For the Kids

+ Download Children's pages with stories, puzzles and quizzes based on the lessons for the week.

[Gospel page for 7+](#)
[Gospel pages 3-7](#)

[Gather Bible Study](#)

for

Women of the ELCA at Emmanuel Lutheran

Members at Large:

Marshall Bowen;

Aaron Kraft;

Michael Madolora

Angela Wiegand

[Church Website](#)

EMMANUEL'S PASTOR SEARCH Call Committee

Marshall Bowen - Chairperson; Alex Reilly: secretary;
Members: Jamie Hitchcock, Karon Jones and Jim Ohrt,
Aaron Kraft and Casey Williams Krubiner are alternates

There are several links in these online newsletters. Please let me know if any of them don't work for you. THANK YOU for your positive comments. I always welcome your input.

Sincerely,

[Marty McCambridge](#)

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