



# The Star

April 14, 2019 – April 20, 2019



**Sunday Prayers:** Millie Cedefeldt, Linda Goldberg and Garry Coleman.



**Continuing Prayers:** Raymond Perron, Rita Duwe, Jeanette O'Connor, Marbury Anderson, Joy Jensen, Alison Grimes, Doug Gillespie, Olga Nicholson, Carolyn Gehrman, Rick Bethem and Jacquelyn Kittinger.

**Remember:** Family and friends of Arvis Kraetsch upon his passing on April 7, 2019.



**Become Part of Our Church Family**

Today, April 14, we will have a **class to Discover Emmanuel at 8:30 am (between 7:45 and 9:30 am services)** in the **Media Center**. Pastor Rick Bliese will go over the basic principles of the church and offer other educational opportunities to grow in understanding of the Lutheran Church. *Come and find out all about the different programs and groups we have here at Emmanuel.*

**We will receive new members on April 28 at all services.**

**Our Mooring Line Drive Holy Week Services:**

**Maunder Thursday, April 18:** 5:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

**Good Friday, April 19:** 5:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

**Easter Sunday, April 21:** 7:45 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary; 10:00 a.m. in the Family Life Center



**Our Emmanuel Communities Easter Services:**

**Easter Sunday, April 21:** 7:00 a.m.-- Bilingual Sunrise Service and Butterfly release (2730 Oil Well Road, Naples, FL 34120) *Please bring your own chair*

**Easter Sunday, April 21:** 11:00 a.m.-- Bilingual Worship Service- 11:00 a.m. (Pebblebrooke Center, 15205 Collier Blvd. Suite 201 & 202, Naples 34119)

**There will *not* be a Bible Study on Thursday, April 18 at 9:30 am Readings for Sunday, April 21**



Acts 10:34-43  
1 Corinthians 15:19-26  
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24  
Luke 24:1-12  
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Nursery available for 9:30, 10:00 and 11:00 am services. Please see an usher if you need further information.

**Join our Weekly Activities:**

**Mondays 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.**

**Quilters** - Community Room  
Call Jane Hauck at 605-366-4338

**1st & 3rd Wednesdays 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.**

**Paper Beading** - Bible Study Room  
Call Carol Duncan at 239-777-3213

**1st & 3rd Wednesday - 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.**

**Grief Group** - Chapel  
Call Carol Hartman at 239-261-0894

**Wednesdays 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.**

**Choir** - Choir Room  
Call Joyce Finlay at 239-261-0894

**Fridays 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.**

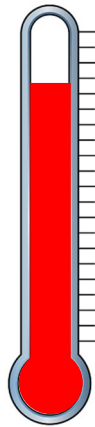
**Mahjong** - Chapel  
call Carol Duncan at 239-777-3213

**Saturdays 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.**

**Yoga**- Pebblebrooke Center, suite 202  
Call Dee Schleutker at 239-213-0535

**GOAL!**

**Pledge Tracker**



- \$ 1,417,000 \*
- \$1,151,179 - 223 pledges - 9th week
- \$1,131,919 - 216 pledges - 8th week
- \$1,121,519 - 214 pledges - 7thweek
- \$1,017,519 - 212 pledges - 6th week
- \$1,005,519 - 208 pledges - 5th week
- \$993,019 - 205 pledges - 4th week
- \$ 979,319 - 200 pledges - 3rd week
- \$ 875,339 - 185 pledges - 2<sup>nd</sup> week
- \$ 793,129 - 174 pledges - 1<sup>st</sup> week

We greatly appreciate your gifts. Keep up the momentum.

*\* Note: this is only the pledge tracker not the total budget as income comes from other sources, not just pledges.*



Thank you to all those who purchased jewelry and donated money to Village of Hope Haiti. Our beading group was able to raise \$2000 to help Village of Hope.

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Growing

In

Faith

Together

**Easter Egg Hunt**

This year's annual children's Easter egg hunt will be held at **Emmanuel Community Park on Saturday, April 20th at 10:00 am.** *This year our egg hunt will be open to the community ages preschool - 5th grade. We are seeking donations of candy to put*



*into plastic eggs.* A labeled bin has been placed in the narthex or you can bring donations in to the church office. We also need volunteers to help the day of the event. We will have a special egg hunt for all Youth helpers. Please contact Deacon Dee to volunteer. *Thank You!*

**EASTER LILIES**

If you would like to beautify our Altar on Easter Morning, you may donate an Easter Lily. **One plant per family, please. You may put multiple names on one plant.** *Please put a check in the offering plate, or you may call the office, 261-0894 and ask for Gina* (gina@naplesemmanuel.org).

**The cost is \$30. Deadline is TODAY, Sunday, April 14.**



*Easter Lilies*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Envelope # \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

# SERVING OTHERS MINISTRY TEAM



**VOLUNTEERS - THE HEART AND SOUL  
OF ST. MATTHEW'S HOUSE**

St. Matthew's House relies on the volunteers and the thousands of hours they give every year to make our mission a success. We couldn't do what we do in support of our programs without these amazing people. Our volunteers unselfishly come together for a great cause to support those we serve in a spiritual, Christian, faith-based environment. If you would like to make an impact through your volunteerism, please contact Ronnie Sopena, Volunteer Coordinator, at [rsopena@stmatthewshouse.org](mailto:rsopena@stmatthewshouse.org), or Michelle Mendoza, Volunteer Coordinator, at [mmendoza@stmatthewshouse.org](mailto:mmendoza@stmatthewshouse.org).

## Food for the Needy



Unlike many cities and counties in other parts of the country, **Collier County has no welfare department.** Thus, many of the hungry and homeless among us have nowhere to turn except to local charities. Nearly 1,000 children in the Collier County School District are currently confirmed to be homeless, and officials believe the actual number is much higher.

Please continue to give. During the summer months, the food pantry shelves are almost empty. **Your donations make a difference!** Please make checks payable to *Emmanuel* and designate *Food for the Needy*.

## WHAT IS STEPHEN MINISTRY?

Galatians 6:2 tells us to "Bear one another's burdens and in this way you will fulfill the Law of Christ" Stephen Ministers are carefully trained and empowered lay caregivers enabled to provide high quality, confidential, and Christ centered care to people who are dealing with one or more of life's difficulties. If you such a person and wish to have a Stephen Minister walk with you please call Carol Hartman at church 261-0894.



We love that so many of you are bringing communion to those who can not make it to church. However it seems as though all of our kits are out and we have others who wish to receive communion. If you have a communion kit, can you please bring it back to the office?

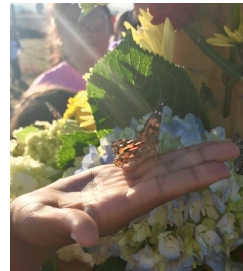


There will be a **Farmer's Market** every Friday, from noon - 6 pm, through June 7 at Emmanuel Park. Come check out the food trucks and other vendors.

# Children & Youth Ministry



Come join the *Alive Service* on **Easter Sunday, April 21**, in the **Family Life Center at 10:00 am.** Help us decorate our flowering cross and then help release the butterflies after service.



## Caloosa Conference Golf Challenge

All Golfers Welcome - any skill level!!!

Saturday, May 11, 2019  
Cypress Woods Golf & Country Club North Naples  
8:30 am scramble format

Entry Fee is \$90 per player or \$340 per foursome.



Funds generated will go towards transportation cost to send ALL Caloosa Conference Youth to the 2021 Nation Youth Gathering along with other conference mission trips and projects over the next year.

To sign up contact Deacon Jim Cooper at 239-261-0894 or [Jim@NaplesEmmanuel.org](mailto:Jim@NaplesEmmanuel.org)

**Calling all children and youth...** Christian faith formation classes for children and youth are as followed:

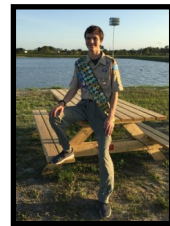


- ⇒ K - 5th grades will meet upstairs in the Children's Ministry classroom
- ⇒ 6th - 12th grades will meet upstairs in the Oasis

Classes are from **11:00 AM to 12:00 PM.** This educational hour follows the Alive contemporary service and takes place during the 11:00 AM traditional worship service. Any questions, please contact Jim Cooper. Email: [Jim@naplesemmanuel.org](mailto:Jim@naplesemmanuel.org). Also, **we need loving volunteers and parents to help with these programs. Please consider joining the team. We will not have Sunday School on Easter Sunday, but please join us the following week.**

Zachary Dawson will be getting his Eagle Scout designation on Monday, April 15. As a part of his Eagle Scout project he made picnic tables for Emmanuel Park.

Congratulations, Zach! We are proud of you!



**JUNE 3 - 7**

Bible Camp this year is scheduled the week of June 3-7 here at Emmanuel. It's open to all children who have finished kindergarten through fifth grade and for middle school students grades 6-8. Registration opens March 15. Call (239) 261-0894 to sign up.

## Our Mission:

*A Christ-centered community where God's Spirit guides our lives as we worship, learn, love, share and serve.*



EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH (ELCA)  
777 Mooring Line Drive, Naples, FL 34102

Sunday Services with Holy Communion 7:45, 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.; Alive Service at 10:00 a.m.  
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Email: [elc@naplesemmanuel.org](mailto:elc@naplesemmanuel.org)

Rev. Steven E Wigdahl, *Senior Pastor*  
Rev. José Lebrón, *Associate Pastor for Mission Development*  
Rev. Dr. Rick Bliese, *Associate Pastor*  
Will Kittinger, *Resident Pastor*  
Ian McMichael, *Resident Pastor*

Jim Cooper, *ELCA Deacon, Youth & Family*  
Joyce Finlay, *ELCA Deacon, Music & Worship*  
Carol Hartman, *Parish Nurse*  
Dee Schleitker, *ELCA Deacon, Service & Outreach*  
Vivian Shea, *Business Administrator*  
Theresa Shaw, *Director of Engagement and Development*



*Living in God's amazing grace*

If you need any information about Emmanuel Lutheran Church, please visit our website [www.naplesemmanuel.org](http://www.naplesemmanuel.org)