



# The Star

July 28, 2019 – August 3, 2019



*Sunday Prayers:* Alice Krautsack, Bethany Rabenold, John Guddie, Noel Estenson, Colby VanEstvelde, Gary Karr and Kathryn Cederstrom.

*Continuing Prayers:* Gary Boe, Linda Goldberg, Victoria Warrenfelz, Pedro Wasmer, Barbara Stohler, Flo Wing, Rick Bethem, and Jacquelyn Kittinger.

## SERVICES AT PEBBLEBROOKE CENTER

11:00 AM SUNDAY- BILINGUAL SERVICE  
15205 Collier Blvd , Suite 201 & 202  
Naples, FL 34119  
239-213-0535

**There will be a Bible Study on Thursday, August 1 at 9:30 am**  
Readings for Sunday, August 4



Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23  
Psalm 49:1-12  
Colossians 3:1-11  
Luke 12:13-21  
Color: **GREEN**



### OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE FLOWERS

If you would like to give flowers for our weekly worship services in honor, memory, or appreciation of someone, please call the office (261-0894).

**August 4, 18; Sept. 1, 29, Oct. 6, 27;  
Nov. 10, 17, 24; December 1, 8, 22**

### Join our Weekly Activities:

**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

**Fridays 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.**  
**Mahjong** - Chapel  
call Carol Duncan at 239-777-3213



Nursery available for 9:00, 10:00 and 11:00 am services. Please see an usher if you need further information.

## Discover Emmanuel will continue through August

*The Bonus Sundays - education classes continued !*  
**Sundays 10:15 - 10:45 am in the Chapel**



**Mary and Martha Ballot Results are in the bulletin for you to review.**



On **August 11**, we will be  **blessing the backpacks** of all the children and youth starting the new school year. *We will also be providing school supplies to the children of Emmanuel Community Church as well as the children of Little Wonders Daycare who will be transitioning to Kindergarten.* If you wish to contribute with the Ministry of **Blessing of Backpacks, you can donate school supplies such as:** glue, glue sticks, scissors, colored pencils, markers, highlighters, erasers, folders, hand sanitizer, and sharpeners (NO pencils or paper).

Beginning on **August 5** we will be locking the front door to the offices for safety reasons. If you need to come to the church during business hours, (Monday - Thursday 9 am - 5 pm and Friday 9 am—12 pm) **please ring our doorbell and we will come let you in.**



We will be collecting children's underwear and socks on August 11th & 18th for Catholic Charities. There will be a box in the Narthex and Family Life Center for your donations. This will be a blessing for many students as they go back to school in Collier County.



The hospitals no longer notify us of your admission. If you are in hospital, please give the church office a call to let us know. We would be happy to visit with you.



*Congratulations to Pastor Will Kittinger who was ordained on July 20, 2019 at Emmanuel Lutheran in Venice, FL.*



Our Chapel will be open during work hours if you would like to light a candle or need a few minutes of quiet prayer time.

### Faith, Work and Economic Initiative for Education at Emmanuel:



Last year we received a \$25, 000 grant from the Kern Foundation for educational purposes. The expectation from Kern was that we match the funds so that we might receive another \$25, 000 grant. To date we have collected just under \$20,000 in cash and in-kind donations. Help us meet our goal!

The money we received last year enabled us to bring in speakers for Mondays with Emmanuel. We had a huge positive response to these classes on Sunday and Monday. With your assistance, we will continue this vital program. Please make checks to Emmanuel Lutheran Church and put "Kern Foundation" in the memo. Thank you for your continued support to our education program. For more information connect with Howard Isaacson or Pastor Rick.



# SERVING OTHERS MINISTRY TEAM

## Help Our Students Get Ready to Return to School!



Grace Place for Children and Families is seeking volunteers for our Backpack distribution. Join us on July 31st throughout the day as we distribute backpacks and school supplies to our Grace Place students and families. Volunteers are needed throughout the day from 10am – 6:30pm in various shifts to help organize, set up, distribute and clean up all backpacks and school supplies.

This is a great opportunity to come out with family or friends! Not able to volunteer? You can still help! Check out our Amazon Wishlist to help us purchase the supplies our students need to be ready for school!

For more information, please call Arlene Mendez, Human Resource and Talent Manager, at 239-234-2467 or email [arlene@graceplacenaples.org](mailto:arlene@graceplacenaples.org).

### **Casseroles for St. Matthew's House**

**C'mon! You can do it! Can you prepare a casserole?** Emmanuel provides casseroles for the emergency feeding mission at St. Matthew's House. All you need to do is: 1.) Pick up an aluminum pan or two at the welcome table outside the narthex after church. 2.) Follow the instructions that come with the pans, and 3.) Bring the casseroles to the welcome table at church. We'll take care of the rest! And, **Thank You** to everyone who participates in this ministry program!

The recipients of the casseroles are always grateful for the food. They get excited when they see our volunteers coming.



Please put all casseroles for St. Matthew's House in the designated freezer chest located in the kitchen. (It's across from the coffee makers.)

### **God as our Parent**

Jesus shows us how to pray by addressing God as "Abba" in Aramaic. This is a true gift. Did you know that "Abba" which we often translate in English as "father" may also be translated as "daddy"? The address is so intimate and reminds us that we truly are children dependent on our Lord. Jesus gives us a gift by this address, for it allows us to come to our heavenly parent with all sorts of prayerful questions and all our emotions, including anger. The Bible doesn't only give images of God as the father but God as a mother. The book of Isaiah gives several references to God as mother (42:14, 49:15, 66:13). Our Biblical witnesses reveal to us God as our true heavenly parent. We may turn to God for our heavenly parent hears our prayers, knows us, and cares for us.

Blessings, Karole Langset  
Resident Pastor



# Children & Youth Ministry



## Peace be with you!

And may the **PEACE** of God, which surpasses all understanding, guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

*Philippians 4:7*



Over the past nine days twelve of our wonderful young people got to experience an amazing trip to our Lutheran summer camp in North Carolina. The theme for the week was GOD'S PEACE. Every day they dug into God's word, learning, discussing and doing activities that stretch their body, mind and soul around the idea of receiving God's peace and being God's peace in the world. In addition, they soaked up the beauty of the mountains and got to experience mountain biking, rock climbing, zip-lining, camping out under the stars and white water rafting. As a bonus, they also went to one of the best amusement parks in the Southeast... Carowinds. Thanks to everyone for keeping us in your prayers, God is so good!



### **Kaitlyn Ziegelmaier - Leaving in August to participate in ELCA Young Adults in Global Mission (YAGM)**

This coming year Kaitlyn will be going to Senegal, Africa for a year to do mission work to help the community in education, health and development projects. She will live with a host family.



Part of the requirement to attend this mission trip is to raise \$15,000 for the program. The money will help Kaitlyn and others in the program. This year there are four young adults from the Florida Bahama Synod.

**Thank you for the donations so far - she is about two-thirds of reaching her goal!** Please make checks out to **Emmanuel Lutheran Church** and put **Kaitlyn—Mission Trip** in the memo. (For more information about Kaitlyn and her trip go to the July Newsletter for a full article).

*This summer Kaitlyn has been doing mission work in South Chicago for Youthworks, a Christian faith-based company. She returns August 7th for five days before leaving for ELCA training and then to Africa.*

### **Our Mission:**

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



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