



Emmanuel Lutheran Church

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July 2019 Newsletter



Mooring Line Drive Campus

777 Mooring Line Dr.
Naples, FL 34102
239-261-0894

Sunday Services with Holy Communion

9:00 & 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Alive Contemporary Service

at 10:00 a.m. in the Family Life Center

✠Email: elc@naplesemmanuel.org ✠



Pebblebrooke Campus

15205 Collier Blvd., Suite 201 & 202
Naples, FL 34119
239-213-0535

Sunday Bilingual Service with Holy Communion

11:00 a.m.

✠Email: frine@naplesemmanuel.org ✠

Church Office Hours: (Mooring Line Campus)

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.



Our Mission:

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

Staff and Church Council

Our Staff:

Rev. Steven E Wigdahl, Senior Pastor - pastorsteve@naples Emmanuel.org
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Jennifer Ziegelmaier, Publication Coordinator - jennifer@naples Emmanuel.org

Church Council:

The Church Council is made up of nine dedicated people who act on behalf of the church membership. According to Emmanuel Lutheran's Constitution, "The Congregation Council shall have general oversight of the life and activities of this congregation, and in particular its worship life, to the end that everything be done in accordance with the Word of God and the faith and practice of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America."

Please do not hesitate to contact a council member if you have any questions or concerns. They are here to involve all members of the congregation in worship, learning, witness, service, and support. If you would like to communicate with the members of the Emmanuel Church Council, you will find their names and e-mail addresses below:

Here is your Council for 2019-2020:

Executive Board:

Michael Puchalla (President) - michael@collierhousing.com
Tom Jackson (Vice-President) - tom@tomjacksonresources.com
Ann Jones (Treasurer) - annjonesinfl@aol.com
Carlos Dominguez (Secretary) - joshuaandjacobsmom@yahoo.com

The other board members are:

Nancy Dick - nancyjdd@aol.com
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Steve Esala - steve.esala@thrivent.com
Sylvia Boynton - sboynton@coe.ufl.edu

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE COUNCIL MEETING IN JUNE:

1. Pastor Steve and several staff will continue to visit members of the congregation with the goal to further "engage" with the congregation and discover gifts of ministry/vocation.
2. A new Stewardship Committee will be formed by October.
3. Several staff including Pastor Steve attended the Florida-Bahamas Synod Assembly communicating our new ventures of ECI and EA throughout the synod.
4. Will Kittinger's ordination is July 20th at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Venice, FL.

August Newsletter deadline is July 20th.

Please e-mail Jennifer, jennifer@naples Emmanuel.org, with any information by this date.

Upcoming Events



You're Invited to Will's Ordination Saturday, July 20, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Venice

Called by God and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, **William Albert Kittinger, Jr. will be ordained to the office of Minister of Word and Sacrament on Saturday, July 20, 2019, 11:00 a.m. at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in the city of Venice.** *The address is 790 S. Tamiami Trail, Venice, FL 34285.* The Rev. Pedro M. Suárez, Bishop of the Florida-Bahamas Synod, will be presiding minister. The Rev. Robert O. Hall, Senior Pastor of Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Venice, will be the preaching minister.

Your prayers and presence are requested. All rostered ministers are invited to vest and process. Red is the color of the day. A lunch reception will follow the service in the fellowship hall.

William has accepted a call to serve as Associate Pastor for Mission Development at Emmanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church in Naples, FL.

There is no RSVP to attend the ordination service. However, if you are planning to attend the luncheon after the service please RSVP to Gina at 239-261-0894 or Gina@naplesemmanuel.org so that Will can have an accurate headcount for the lunch. Thank you!



Emmanuel Community Church at Pebblebrooke

Family Game Night

Summer Family game night has returned. We invite you to join us, Friday, July 26th at 7:00 pm for an evening of fun. This month our game will be Bingo. We ask each participant to bring an item from the Dollar Store to serve as our prizes. Snacks will be provided.

For more information please call Frine at 231-0535

Emmanuel Community Church at Pebblebrooke is located at 15205 Collier Blvd. Suite 202.



Do you like baseball?

**Grab some friends and
head out to the ball park!**



Thrivent Financial Night with the Fort Myers Miracle

When: Monday, July 8th, 2019 at 7:00 pm

Where: Hammond Stadium at CentruyLink Sports Complex

\$1.00 hot dogs all game long!

Tickets start at \$6.00 (plus online fee)

Use this link to purchase: <https://www.fevo.com/edp/Thrivent-Night--the-Fort-Myers-Miracle-qa4fMKEg>

Have questions? Contact Kyle Hamer at 239-533-7661 or khamer@miraclebaseball.com

EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH, NAPLES

May 19 to May 29, 2020

Hosted by Pastor Steve and Maria Wigdahl

OUR TOUR INCLUDES:

Treasures of the Adriatic and the Alps

The highlights - Vienna, Graz, Zagreb, Ljubljana, Lake Bled, Venice, the Iceman Museum, Oberammergau – for a lifetime of memories!



For a brochure and more information, contact Pastor Wigdahl or Trans World Travel, Inc. on 847-432-2400.

Introducing Resident Pastor Karole Langset

Greetings Emmanuel Lutheran Church,

Grace to you and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. My name is Karole Langset, and I will be with you the next two years as your resident pastor. I cannot truly express how grateful I am for you. I give thanks to God for you for it is truly evident that the Spirit is among you. I have spent a lot of time in prayer waiting in eager anticipation to be with you all. Before I even knew the name of the congregation, I was praying for you. I will continue to lift up prayers of thanksgiving, for you truly reflect the grace of God through Jesus the Christ.



There is much to learn about each other and I look forward to our conversations together. I wanted to take a little time to introduce myself. I grew up in Southeast Michigan. My father, Roy, was a parish pastor in the Lutheran Church for over 30 years before he died in 2012 of glioblastoma. My mother, Merry, is a teacher in K-8 education. Their faith and their vocations have positively influenced my life in ways too numerous to talk about in an introduction newsletter. I am the youngest in my family. My siblings are my closest companions and support.

I was raised by people of Christian faith in the ELCA. Growing up in the church, I always felt the church was my adopted family. Witnessing the Spirit work through church congregations and their active faith has nurtured my faith and sense of call. I am inspired by music ministers, Sunday school teachers, clergy, and by all God's people that offer their many gifts to point to the reign of God. Growing up I was little bit of a church mouse and it was hard to keep me away.

I graduated from Eastern Michigan University with a Bachelor in Science. I majored in Professional Written Communications and minored in Creative Writing. After I graduated, I was committed to being my father's caregiver who had been diagnosed with cancer at the time. After he died I felt a call to be a caregiver for others. I applied to be a home caregiver for Affinity Private Care, a company based in Commerce Twp, MI. The people I cared for changed my life in many ways. Throughout my life, I had a felt a call to ministry and during this time it was becoming louder. In every home I went into I felt Christ's presence with me. I found myself, without initiating it, hearing my client's faith joys and struggles. I found the healing I was called to be part of was more spiritual than medical.

All of my experiences throughout my life have built a foundation of faith and made me want to be a minister who walks with people on their faith journeys. After considerable prayer and discernment, I entered into candidacy through the ELCA Southeast Michigan Synod. To work towards my Master of Divinity, I studied at Trinity Lutheran Seminary in Columbus, Ohio. Since entering candidacy, I have completed two CPE (Clinical Pastoral Education) units. I served as an intern chaplain. At Miravida Living in Oshkosh, WI, I developed my pastoral response to people in various levels of health and stages of life. I have enjoyed voluntarily working with various congregations, and serving as pulpit supply throughout the Southeast Michigan synod. I find great joy in proclaiming the good news, teaching, and walking alongside congregations in their discipleship. I look forward to walking our journey in faith together.

Your Sister in Christ,

Karole Langset
Resident Pastor

Emmanuel Academies



Emmanuel Represents in Grand Rapids!

Members of Emmanuel were invited to join Emmanuel Academies, Inc. at **Acton University** in Grand Rapids, Michigan in June. Each summer, the Acton Institute holds this flagship conference, which seeks to bring together over 1000 people from over 90 countries from varying Christian traditions for a unique exploration of the ways that the Christian faith impacts engagement, community and flourishing in the world.

The Kern Family Foundation awarded Emmanuel Academies 5 scholarships to the conference that covered the full cost of attendance including travel,

lodging, and all registration costs. Our team, which included Executive Director Theresa Shaw and Council Member Tom Jackson, left Acton University informed, inspired, and renewed with energy to advance an understanding of the Judeo-Christian view of liberty, morality and the foundations of how faith and vocation connect. The opportunity to attend Acton gave our team the unique opportunity to not only learn but network with others in order to promote principles that connect Sunday to Monday, something many in our congregation are very passionate about! We also had multiple opportunities to share information about our [5-Year Program](#) and our vision to raise up skilled leaders within the Church. The week was valuable on many fronts, and we thank Pastor Rick Bliese for including Emmanuel as part of the Lutheran Fellowship Cohort!

Serving Others Ministry



Serving Others Ministry Team - Looking for New Members!

Are you interested in learning about our team? Would you like to explore how you could be involved with Emmanuel Lutheran Church and support our faith based Ministry Partners at the same time? If so, contact the church office at 239-261-0894.

Grace Place for Children and Families is seeking volunteers for the summer. Our Friday Food Pantry needs your help! Demand for food is at its highest June-August, as many of the families we serve have their work hours cut and their children are no longer receiving free or reduced-price meals at school. Our volunteer workforce is also strained, since many of our volunteers go North for the summer, just as distribution is reaching its peak.



Consider spending your Fridays at Grace Place helping us unpack and sort food, greeting our families, and distributing food. This is a great opportunity to come out with family or friends!

For more information, please call Arlene Mendez, Human Resource and Talent Manager, at 239.234.2467 or email arlene@graceplacenaples.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! So far this year we have collected and distributed \$4,800 to local food banks.** Please make checks payable to *Emmanuel* and designate *Food for the Needy*.



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, or Michelle Mendoza, Volunteer Coordinator, at mmendoza@stmatthewshouse.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!



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.)

As many of you know, our **Good Samaritan Fund** assists in helping people in need, whether they are members, friends or acquaintances. If anyone has a desire to give toward that fund, *please make your checks payable to Emmanuel Lutheran Church and put Good Samaritan Fund in the memo line.*



HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF COLLIER COUNTY



While we enjoy the riches of a thriving paradise here in Collier County, many working families **who are here legally** are barely getting by and living in squalor. Deplorable and unsafe living conditions are a dangerous reality for thousands right here in our area.

The deserving families who come to Habitat for Humanity hoping for a hand up are desperate to escape the violence, drugs, overcrowding, and illness that results from the inability to find decent and affordable housing. Indeed, Habitat is receiving 19 applications for every house we are able to build.

The families helped by your donations to Habitat are people *we all* spend time with - - managers at our drug stores, greens-keepers at our golf courses, servers at our restaurants, staff at our hotels, grocers at our supermarkets - - people who perform the necessary jobs that allow our paradise to thrive. Helped by Habitat their children grow up to become teachers, sports stars, and, yes, rocket scientists! Their families are given a shot at the American dream and allowed to succeed when they had little hope of getting ahead. When a family partners with Habitat for Humanity, we all win.

Please join us in with us in offering these hardworking, deserving families a chance for a life-changing opportunity. **100% of your dollars go toward building homes and serving families.** Materials to build one house cost \$50,000. **This year Emmanuel is off to a slow start - - thus far we have only received sufficient donations to build one home!**

Please make a check, large or small, payable to Emmanuel, and indicate Habitat for Humanity. Or call Habitat at 239-775-0036.

Music and Worship



Joyce Finlay has recently returned from the ALCM (Association of Lutheran Church Musicians) Conference in Portland, Oregon. Look for a detailed summary in next month's Newsletter.

Stay tuned!

Soli Deo Gloria,

Joyce
ELCA Deacon for Music & Worship





Carol Calling:

Please remember **to keep yourself hydrated** this summer. Make sure you are getting enough liquids – and the right relief from the heat. Here is some expert advice from Consumer Reports ON HEALTH , June 2019:

Make Water Tastier- You might be tempted to reach for soda and sports drinks to help you stay hydrated, but these often contain sugars plus artificial flavors and other ingredients with no health benefits. Fill a large pitcher or large bottle with water and sip on it all day. If plain water is not appealing for you, add a splash of fruit juice or chop up some strawberries or melon or cucumber to add to the water. And you can drink your water either cold or lukewarm- whichever is better for you.

Dress To Stay Cool – Opt for light-colored clothing that is loose and light-weight to allow air to flow freely around your body.

Choose Fruits and Veggies – We know the benefits of eating our fruits and veggies, but did you know these foods also help keep you hydrated? Watermelon is a great choice, but so are strawberries, lettuce, celery, spinach, tomatoes and cooked squash. They all contain 90% water or more.

Whip Up A Smoothie – If you make your smoothies at home, you can skip the sugars and pack your drink with healthy ingredients- and some of the ingredients listed above which can provide extra water for your system.

Prevent Overheating – If you are uncomfortably warm, get into air-conditioning or take a swim or a cool shower. If you are feeling dizzy, weak or nauseated, get medical help and be sure you call 911 if you or anyone with you have any signs of heat-stroke such as passing out, confusion or agitation or failure to sweat. Protect yourself!!

Have a great and healthy summer!



If you are in Physicians Regional Hospital, please give the church office a call to let us know. We would be happy to visit with you.

If you would like to have a prayer added to the prayer chain, please contact Joyce O’Neill. You may contact Joyce at 239-566-3373 or email her at KSONaples@comcast.net



Grieving Group

Have you lost someone close to you? If you are interested in participating we would love to hear from you. Please call Carol Hartman at 239-261-0894. We meet Wednesdays in the Chapel at 1:00 pm the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month.

FINANCIAL UPDATE (as of May 31, 2019)

TOTAL INCOME FROM ALL SOURCES	Budget Year to Date \$937,184	Actual Year to Date \$879,947
TOTAL OVERALL EXPENSES	Budget Year to Date \$833,402	Actual Year to Date \$747,256
AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	May 2018 319	May 2019 365



Prime Day is a two-day parade of epic deals and it's coming soon! Prime members can shop deals starting Monday, July 15 at 12:01am PT through Tuesday, July 16 at 11:59pm PT. AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon with the same products, prices, and shopping features as Amazon.com. The difference is that when you shop on AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to the charitable organization of your choice.

On your first visit to AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com), you are prompted to select a charitable organization. Emmanuel Lutheran Evangelical Church is one of those organizations. **So, if you shop with Amazon, remember to go through AmazonSmile and select Emmanuel Lutheran Evangelical Church.** (Tell your family and friends to do the same.) The direct link is <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/59-1377616>



Consider this:

As believers, stewardship of our time, talents, and treasure shows the importance we place on sharing what God has given us. Since we only have a limited amount of time on this earth, using our time wisely, along with wise management of our talents and treasure demonstrates to God our love for Him.

We are taught how our stewardship and willingness to give of what we have for the benefit of others should come from our heart, not the pressure to give by others. When it is God's will, He makes a way. Nowhere in scripture do we find that giving should be motivated by what we will receive in return. Exercising faithful stewardship demonstrates our love for God and our neighbor.

It is not about the money but what the money can do.

G.I.F.T.

Growing

In

Faith

Together



Financial Update:

Income for May was \$1,916 over budget for the month. Year to date income is under budget by \$57,237. On the expense side, the children's budget was over because of paying off the balance for Vacation Bible Camp and adult budget was over budget as we paid for the Easter ads. Attendance is up compared to last May and year to date.

Kaitlyn Ziegelmaier - One of our youth will be participating in ELCA Young Adults in Global Mission (YAGM)



Kaitlyn has been a member of Emmanuel all of her life. She started going to Sunday School at the age of two. At four she attended Emmanuel Day School and loved going to our Growing Together Wednesday night program. Emmanuel was a second home for her and a second family.

This coming year instead of attending her Senior year of college she is taking a year off to be a part of ELCA's Young Adults in Global Mission (YAGM). In August she will be leaving to go to Senegal, Africa for a year. In Senegal she will live with a host family. Throughout the year of service, she will grow in faith and self-understanding as she engages in relationships and service with local host communities. Service varies widely from education, health and development projects

Kaitlyn is the first student from Emmanuel who will participate in YAGM. Part of the requirement to attend this mission trip is to raise \$15,000 for the program. This money will help Kaitlyn and others in the program. This year there are four Young Adults coming from the Florida Bahamas Synod. Any gifts you donate to Emmanuel will help support Sarah Henning who will be serving in Mexico; Macy Kennedy will be serving in Australia; Lee Setzer will be serving in Madagascar; and finally Emmanuel's very own Kaitlyn Ziegelmaier will be serving in Senegal.

Mission work is not new to Kaitlyn. She first got involved when Jim Cooper sent a select group of Emmanuel's Youth Group to North Carolina to participate in Youthworks. (Youthworks provides Christ-centered mission trips to teenagers and adult leaders in 45 communities in the U.S. and beyond.) Three years later she went to Birmingham, AL on another Youthworks mission trip with Emmanuel's Youth Group. She has spent the last two summers working for Youthworks in Cairo, IL and Jamaica Queens, NY where she ran a Kids Club for the youth in those communities. In May she will head to her third summer working with Youthworks. This year she will be in Chicago, IL and will be in charge of leading worship for the Youth Groups that participate in the mission work.

On August 4th she will return home for one week to prepare for her year away in Senegal. On August 13th she will go to ELCA's main headquarters in Chicago for training and orientation. From there she will leave on August 21 to go to Senegal with her group of six people.

Any gifts you donate to Emmanuel will first and foremost go to support Kaitlyn and then the three others. *Please make your check out to Emmanuel Lutheran and put Kaitlyn - Mission Trip in the memo.*



Emmanuel Communities at Pebblebrooke

On June 22, ECC leaders continued their online leadership classes through The Ecumenical Leadership Academy (<http://academialuterana.org/>) at Pebblebrooke. The goal of these classes is to identify and train healthy leaders to strengthen the ministerial capacity of our congregations.



Youth and Family Ministry



Bible camp

We celebrated another week of Bible Camp the week of June 3rd. We were blessed to have 37 elementary and middle school children attend this year. This year's theme was *Peace Works*; the children learned that balancing our love of God, love of neighbor and love of self is not easy but it is the core of Christian living. As we strive to live in harmony, scripture reminds us that brokenness is real, and there is work to be done by all people.



Youth and Family Ministry



On July 13 we have fifteen students and leaders traveling to North Carolina to attend Lutherock. They will be attending an Adventure Camp where they will be mountain biking, zip lining and white water rafting while learning and growing in faith. Please keep them in your prayers as they prepare for their trip.



Emmanuel's summer trip to:



The purpose of this trip is to invite children, youth families and friends to a wonderful time together. A great day of having fun, riding water rides, swimming, chillin' in the lagoon and deepening friendships. *It will be a trip to remember!*

When? Saturday, August 3, 2019

Cost is \$39 per person (includes ticket & transportation)

Registration deadline is Monday, July 29, 2019 or when seats are filled.

Any questions, please call or text Jim Cooper 239-451-1033 or email him at Jim@naplesemmanuel.org

Registration forms are in the Family Life Center and the church office or download the form from our website (NaplesEmmanuel.org) under the "News" tab.

Book Club List for 2019 - 2020

Lit and Latte Book Club

Everyone in the community is invited to join our group. Please feel free to bring houseguests and friends, as all are welcome. If you have any questions, please contact Bonnie Kischer at bkischer@yahoo.com. We meet in the WELCA room (above the church offices) monthly from 2:00-3:30 PM.



Emmanuel Lutheran Book Club 2019-2020

October 14: Mrs. Lincolns Dressmaker by Jennifer Chiaverini

Presented by Carol Hartman

November 11: Educated by Tara Westover

Presented by Ardith Tofteland

An unforgettable memoir about a young girl who, kept out of school, leaves her survivalist family and goes to earn a PhD from Cambridge.

December 9: The 13th Gift by Joanne Huist Smith

Presented by Bonnie Kischer True story about random acts of kindness during Christmas season for a family struggling after death of her husband.

January 13: The Rosie Project by Graeme Simsion

Presented by Debbie Lawson Romantic and comedic story about an undiagnosed Asperger syndrome man as he looks for a wife.

February 10: The Favored Daughter by Fawia Koofi and Nadine Ghouri

Presented by Bev Ranstrom One woman's fight to lead Afghanistan into the future. Fawzia was left to die in the sun after birth, but she survived and defined her life ever since.

March 9: Britt-Marie Was Here by Fredrik Backman

Presented by Jamie Thompson.

April 13: Matriarch: Barbara Bush and the Making of an American Dynasty by Susan Page

Presented by Edie Cole A vivid biography of former First Lady, one of the most influential and under appreciated women in our history.

May 11:

Everyone brings a book they would recommend to others to read. Be prepared to discuss for 5-10 minutes.

Did you know?



THE EMMANUEL LOGO

This is the “color meaning” description used in designing the Emmanuel logo. It was based on Biblical color meaning research, and included are other symbolic references.

Symbols:

- Circles- Infinity, God, Perfection, Never-ending Seven Circles.
- 7 days of creation.
- Used 735 times (54 times in the book of Revelation alone), the number 7 is the foundation of God's word. If we include with this count how many times 'sevenfold' (6) and 'seventh' (119) is used, our total jumps to 860 references.

Seven is the number of completeness and perfection (both physical and spiritual). It derives much of its meaning from being tied directly to God's creation of all things. According to some Jewish traditions, the creation of Adam occurred on September 26, 3760 B.C. (or the first day of Tishri, which is the seventh month on the Hebrew calendar). The word 'created' is used 7 times describing God's creative work (Genesis 1:1, 21, 27 three times; 2:3; 2:4). There are 7 days in a week and God's Sabbath is on the 7th day.

The Bible, as a whole, was originally divided into 7 major divisions. They are 1) the Law; 2) the Prophets; 3) the Writings, or Psalms; 4) the Gospels and Acts; 5) the General Epistles; 6) the Epistles of Paul; and 7) the book of Revelation. The total number of originally inspired books was forty-nine, or 7 x 7, demonstrating the absolute perfection of the Word of God.

Colors:

Center-The Cross-White: Bride of Christ, Peace, Joy

The Circle-Gold: Glory of God, Foundation, Divinity

- 1. Partnerships-Purple: Meditation, Wealth, Royalty**
- 2. Institutes-Blue: Law, Commandments**
- 3. Communities-Red: Heart, Salvation, Blood of Jesus**
- 4. Enterprise-Lavender: Transformation, Wisdom**
- 5. Park-Green: Restoration, New Growth, Nature**
- 6. Church: Gold- Foundation, Altar, Holiness**
- 7. Future: Turquoise- River of God, Sanctification, New Jerusalem**

Black line: Earth, Power, Sin

Stephen Ministry

“PULL YOURSELF TOGETHER”

You've heard it a million times or even said it to yourself. But it's not working, you're lost and still hurting. Our Stephen Ministers are trained caregivers who are eager to walk with you in confidence, listen, and provide one-to-one care as you search through the pieces and find your way. If you would like a Christian friend to walk with you during this difficult time call Carol Hartman at 261-0894.



Deaths



Robert Semsel passed away on June 13, 2019

Please keep his family and friends in your prayers.

Upcoming Events / Clubs

WOMEN WITH WOMEN - will not be meeting this summer but start again in October.



Mah Jongg is still alive at Emmanuel - join us on Fridays at 1:00 in the Chapel. If you have any questions, please call Carol Duncan at 239-777-3213.

Beading for Haiti Project Paperbead Jewelry

YOU can make a tremendous difference in the lives of the Haitian children at the Village of Hope! Come to Emmanuel, every **Wednesday** from **1 pm to 3 pm** and learn to make colorful and stylish paper beads and to assemble them into gorgeous designer necklaces, bracelets, and earrings.

We would like to extend an invitation to all to come and express their creativity designing jewelry and learning to roll paper into beads. New ideas are always welcome.

We would like to thank everyone for the tremendous support we received on our beading sale. Also we would like to honor Marla Gadsby and keep her in our memories since she started our group in Emmanuel.

Interested? Contact Carol Duncan at 239-777-3213

Check out our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/beadingforhaiti

Village of Hope Webpage www.villageofhopehaiti.org



Stitchers

The **Tuesday Stitchers** are done for the season and will start quilting again in October. Call Jane Hauck, 605-366-4338, with any questions.

Volunteers Needed: **We desperately need your help!**

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS



Joyce is always looking for more **Worship Participants**: Greeters, Ushers, Assisting Ministers, Lectors, and Acolytes. If you are interested, we will train you—just email Joyce at joyce@naplesemmanuel.org.



**Get Involved
in Worship**

ALTAR GUILD

Would you like to help in one of the most important ministries of the church? **Join the Altar Guild!** Setting the Table for Holy Communion is a most rewarding experience—there is much more to it than meets the eye. If you would like to try it, contact Joyce or Diedre Milligan, head of the Altar Guild, at nellefl@embarqmail.com.



ALTAR GUILD

HOSPITALITY BAKERS NEEDED:

We need bakers to make treats (cookies, muffins...) for Sunday mornings. If you are interested, call the church office at 239-261-0894.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED:

We are looking for volunteers to serve on the following committees: **Endowment, Property, Maintenance, Welcome Ministry and Serving Others.**

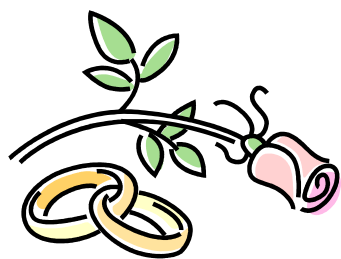
If you are interested, please contact Gina at gina@naplesemmanuel.org or you can also call the office at 239-261-0894.



Emmanuel Lutheran Church

July Baptisms

<i>Member</i>	<i>Date</i>
<i>Carol Hanke</i>	<i>07/00</i>
<i>Gordon Sprenger</i>	<i>07/00</i>
<i>Paul Reicher</i>	<i>07/00</i>
<i>Carolyn Reichert</i>	<i>07/00</i>
<i>Dan Mjolsness</i>	<i>07/00</i>
<i>John Leikhim</i>	<i>07/00</i>
<i>Ann Jones</i>	<i>07/00</i>
<i>Alex Lyberg</i>	<i>07/00</i>
<i>B Alexandra Barton</i>	<i>07/01</i>
<i>James Carino</i>	<i>07/01</i>
<i>Joyce Gustavson</i>	<i>07/01</i>
<i>Mary Esala</i>	<i>07/04</i>
<i>Ronald Sabol</i>	<i>07/06</i>
<i>Miriam Geist</i>	<i>07/10</i>
<i>Nicolas Castillo</i>	<i>07/12</i>
<i>Elaine Zawodny</i>	<i>07/12</i>
<i>Jennifer Ziegelmaier</i>	<i>07/16</i>
<i>James Geist</i>	<i>07/17</i>
<i>Carol Waters</i>	<i>07/18</i>
<i>Christina Muller</i>	<i>07/19</i>
<i>Caleb Kimble</i>	<i>07/23</i>
<i>Aria Kroge</i>	<i>07/25</i>
<i>America Marble</i>	<i>07/30</i>
<i>Elijah Marble</i>	<i>04/30</i>
<i>Isaac Marble</i>	<i>04/30</i>
<i>Karen Hilliard</i>	<i>07/31</i>



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July Anniversaries

Member

Date

<i>Dr. Roger & Joyce Gustavson</i>	<i>07 01</i>
<i>Denise & Kevin Larson</i>	<i>07 01</i>
<i>Paulus & Christina Muller</i>	<i>07 01</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. James Cooper</i>	<i>07 05</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. Doug Denisen</i>	<i>07 07</i>
<i>Robert & Carolyn Bordner</i>	<i>07 08</i>
<i>Luzmila Dubuc & Victor Morales</i>	<i>07 09</i>
<i>Kathy & David Selland</i>	<i>07 10</i>
<i>Paul and Judie Clarey</i>	<i>07 11</i>
<i>Steve and Mary Esala</i>	<i>07 14</i>
<i>James & Vicki Capadona</i>	<i>07 15</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. David Gardner</i>	<i>07 18</i>
<i>Pete & Robyn Gibson</i>	<i>07 18</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. Edward McCaffrey</i>	<i>07 21</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. Ray Schrader</i>	<i>07 22</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. Michael Maslowski</i>	<i>07 24</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. Richard Faust</i>	<i>07 27</i>
<i>Ruben Teran & Alegna Vargas</i>	<i>07 27</i>
<i>Lorraine & Ken Wistrom</i>	<i>07 27</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. Gilbert Clark</i>	<i>07 30</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. Darrel Schwenn</i>	<i>07 31</i>



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July Birthdays

<i>Member</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Member</i>	<i>Date</i>
<i>Wayne Ramsay</i>	<i>07/01</i>	<i>Cole Tyler</i>	<i>07/18</i>
<i>Kevin Rivera</i>	<i>07/01</i>	<i>Dick Camden</i>	<i>07/19</i>
<i>Gloria Strauss</i>	<i>07/01</i>	<i>Carol Hartman</i>	<i>07/19</i>
<i>Susan Tracy</i>	<i>07/01</i>	<i>Christina Muller</i>	<i>07/19</i>
<i>Matheu Gomez</i>	<i>07/02</i>	<i>Saundra Cole</i>	<i>07/20</i>
<i>Myron Johnson</i>	<i>07/02</i>	<i>Andrew Dick</i>	<i>07/20</i>
<i>James Gayeuski</i>	<i>07/03</i>	<i>Lori Pheasant</i>	<i>07/20</i>
<i>Kaitlin Lutz</i>	<i>07/03</i>	<i>Brooke Vick</i>	<i>07/21</i>
<i>Kathleen Volland</i>	<i>07/04</i>	<i>Andrew Detrick</i>	<i>07/22</i>
<i>Virginia Wright</i>	<i>07/04</i>	<i>Karsten Kroge</i>	<i>07/22</i>
<i>Jennifer Coates</i>	<i>07/05</i>	<i>Ferri Lee Marshall</i>	<i>07/22</i>
<i>Adam Mason</i>	<i>07/06</i>	<i>Jeffrey Rotsch</i>	<i>07/22</i>
<i>Zachary Sonneborn</i>	<i>07/06</i>	<i>Richard Boe</i>	<i>07/23</i>
<i>June Mackling</i>	<i>07/07</i>	<i>Sheila Etelamaki</i>	<i>07/23</i>
<i>Jacquelyn Rosaasen</i>	<i>07/09</i>	<i>Edgardo Calix</i>	<i>07/24</i>
<i>Ken Weber</i>	<i>07/09</i>	<i>Guillermo Fernandez</i>	<i>07/24</i>
<i>Agigail Huml</i>	<i>07/10</i>	<i>Mary Beth Leytze</i>	<i>07/24</i>
<i>Anthony Omonte</i>	<i>07/10</i>	<i>Barbara Ferreri</i>	<i>07/24</i>
<i>Donald Parmelee</i>	<i>07/10</i>	<i>Colleen Ziegelmaier</i>	<i>07/24</i>
<i>Judie Clarey</i>	<i>07/11</i>	<i>Helenny Duran</i>	<i>07/26</i>
<i>Trevor Moen Denny</i>	<i>07/12</i>	<i>Margaret Krueger</i>	<i>07/26</i>
<i>Dolly Scott</i>	<i>07/12</i>	<i>Linda Macartney</i>	<i>07/26</i>
<i>David Smith</i>	<i>07/12</i>	<i>Melissa Schrader</i>	<i>07/26</i>
<i>Linda Cummings</i>	<i>07/13</i>	<i>Alexander Avila</i>	<i>07/27</i>
<i>Janet Donnell</i>	<i>07/13</i>	<i>Mary Ransom</i>	<i>07/27</i>
<i>Richard Faust</i>	<i>07/13</i>	<i>Diane Thormodsgard</i>	<i>07/27</i>
<i>Larry Schwartz</i>	<i>07/13</i>	<i>Jane Borchers</i>	<i>07/28</i>
<i>Mary Ann Brown</i>	<i>07/14</i>	<i>Louise Loebner</i>	<i>07/28</i>
<i>Lucia Colmenares</i>	<i>07/14</i>	<i>Marc Petersen</i>	<i>07/28</i>
<i>Amy Lyberg</i>	<i>07/14</i>	<i>Lucy Ramsay</i>	<i>07/28</i>
<i>Llarrie Nettum</i>	<i>07/14</i>	<i>Arland Waters</i>	<i>07/28</i>
<i>Betty Bethem</i>	<i>07/15</i>	<i>Dolph Leytze</i>	<i>07/29</i>
<i>Bailey Kimble</i>	<i>07/15</i>	<i>Arlene Borman</i>	<i>07/30</i>
<i>Carol Duncan</i>	<i>07/16</i>	<i>Gary Elsesser</i>	<i>07/30</i>
<i>Rose Marie Myers</i>	<i>07/16</i>	<i>Keith Van Norstrand</i>	<i>07/30</i>
<i>Marie Knapp</i>	<i>07/17</i>	<i>Margaret Bachman</i>	<i>07/31</i>
<i>Sheldon Courtney</i>	<i>07/18</i>	<i>Suzane Ehlert</i>	<i>07/31</i>
<i>Beverly Hogan</i>	<i>07/18</i>	<i>Jordan Johnson</i>	<i>07/31</i>
<i>Patrick Steffy</i>	<i>07/18</i>	<i>Sienna Kalb</i>	<i>07/31</i>
<i>Barbara Stohler</i>	<i>07/18</i>		