



Emmanuel Lutheran Church

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October 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

Sunday Bilingual Service with Holy Communion

11:00 a.m. In the Family Life Center

✠Email: elc@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:

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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:

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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE COUNCIL MEETING IN AUGUST:

1. We are going to have volunteers to welcome the ECC congregation when they begin worshipping at MLD on Oct. 6, 13 and 20. We are going to have a slide in English and Spanish that says, "Welcome to your new place of worship. We are glad you are here".
2. Michael Puchalla will be at ECC on Sunday, September 29 to answer any questions that the congregation may have about moving to MLD.
3. Bob Goodin has agreed to be the Chairperson for Stewardship.
4. The following committees and the Council liaison: Serving Others – Michael Puchalla; Finance – Ann Jones; Endowment Fund – Steve Esala; Stewardship – Tom Jackson; Human Resources – Nancy Dick; Security – Carlos Dominguez ; Worship – Sylvia Boynton.

November Newsletter deadline is October 20th.

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

Upcoming Events



Come join us on October 5, 2019

9:00 am in the Breezeway

Bring your pet on a leash, in a carrier or bring a photo! Each pet will be blessed individually by Pastor Will. Tell your friends with pets to come as well.

From **now until October 5** help us donate much needed items for the **Humane Society Naples**.

Most Needed Items: Bath towels, blankets, sheets, cat litter, paper towels, disinfectant wipes, heating pads, pet beds, pill pockets for dogs & cats.

Toys & Treats: Durable dog toys, peanut butter, washable cat toys, cat turbo scratcher refills.

Pet Food: Canned puppy & Adult dog food, canned kitten & adult cat food, KMR milk replacement for kittens, Esbilac formula for puppies.

A promotional graphic for the "A Church for Monday" Conference Simulcast. It features a green suitcase with the text "A CHURCH FOR MONDAY" on it, surrounded by flowers and butterflies. The text "COMMON GOOD CONFERENCE" is at the top. Below the suitcase, it says "OCTOBER 5, 2019 | 10 - 4 P.M. \$39 EARLY BIRD". To the right, there are eight circular portraits of speakers: Bryan Loritts, Larry Osborne, Karen A. Ellis, Thomas Kim, Helen Young Hayes, Robin John, Tom Nelson, and Winnette McIntosh Ambrose. The text "Connect your faith in Christ to your daily work and learn how to be a faithful presence in our community." is on the right. At the bottom right, it says "Register today at commongoodconference.com".

Save the Date

“A Church for Monday” Conference Simulcast

set for October 5, 2019 at Emmanuel Lutheran Church

Emmanuel Lutheran Church will be hosting A Church for Monday: The Common Good Conference on Saturday, October 5, 2019. The event will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Church located at 777 Mooring Line Drive in Naples.

A Church for Monday: The Common Good Conference is a one-day, multi-site gathering to help equip and encourage attendees to more thoughtfully connect their faith and their work, embrace God’s calling in all aspects of life, and explore ways the Church can be a faithful presence in our communities. This conference is opened to the public and will include speakers both local and national.

The conference will address themes such as:

- “How can we understand a sense of God’s calling wherever we work?”
- “How do we become champions of human dignity in our work?”
- “How can the church be a faithful presence in the community?”

Faith based leaders from across the nation scheduled to speak at the interactive video conference include: Tom Nelson, Bryan Loritts, Larry Osborne, Helen Hayes, Thomas Kim, Winnette McIntosh, Robin John and Karen Ellis.

Tickets may be purchased for \$59. **For registration scholarship call Gina at 239-261-0894.** To register please visit <https://commongoodconference.com/#registration> .

Emmanuel Academies, Inc. is a non-profit organization that was founded by Emmanuel Lutheran Church of Naples to create leaders for Christian service within diversified communities, providing opportunities for faith formation, theological understanding, vocational practice, preaching, and pastoral leadership leading to ordination.

For information regarding this event call (239) 261-0894 or visit www.naplesemmanuel.org. For more information about Emmanuel Academies, Inc. visit www.emmanueled.org.

EMMANUEL COMMUNITY PARK

SCAN ME



FALL FEST

FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19TH - 10:00AM - 3:00PM

2770 Oil Well Rd. Naples (West of Everglades Blvd)

- Pumpkin Patch
- Food
- Live Music
- Games
- Pumpkin Painting
- Candy
- Story Time
- Shy Wolf Sanctuary Tent
- Bounce House
- Food Trucks
- Contests
- Prizes & More!

Bring the kids in costume and join us for a day of FREE family friendly fun!



For more info: call: (239) 261-0894 ext.315 or email: management@emmanuelpark.org
visit our website www.EmmanuelPark.org

Calling All Veterans ...

In an effort to acknowledge all of our Veterans, please contact the church office (239-261-0894) and let us know what branch of the service you were in and your time of service.

We want to thank all of you for your service.



Upcoming Events

Save the Date – October 27, 2019



Combined Worship Service at 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary followed by our annual church picnic.

Emmanuel Community Church and Emmanuel Lutheran Church will have a combined worship service at 11:00 a.m. on October 27, 2019. This service will celebrate confirmation and Reformation.

CHURCH PICNIC

We will also celebrate with fellowship after the service with our annual church picnic. Emmanuel will provide brats and drinks for the picnic. **Please bring a favorite side dish to share.**



We will have a bounce house and other fun activities for the children.

(There will be a traditional service at 9:00 a.m. in the sanctuary. We will not have a 10:00 a.m. Contemporary Alive service or Emmanuel Community Church bilingual service at 11:15 a.m.)

For the past 13 years Emmanuel's Youth Ministry has helped to mobilize funds to support the Boys & Girls Club of Collier County. We do this by participating in their annual "Fore-the Kids" golf fundraiser.

This year Emmanuel's Sponsor Team is:

Deacon Jim Cooper **Ray Schrader**
Dennis Reustle **Michael Puchalla**

The event will be held on Saturday, November 9, at Fiddler's Creek. We need your help to reach our church goal of \$8,000.

Please make all donations out to the

Boys & Girls Club of Collier County.

Please put in the memo line **ELCA.**

Help Support the Emmanuel Team

BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF COLLIER COUNTY

18th Annual FORE-the-Kids Golf Tournament

Saturday November 9, 2019

Team Emmanuel

- * Jim Cooper
- * Ray Schrader
- * Dennis Reustle
- * Michael Puchalla

Our Church goal \$8000

The Boys & Girls Club of Collier County serves 3,000 children and teens, ages 6 to 18, in their clubs and afterschool programs, and through their partnership with the Naples Children & Education Foundation and Florida's 21st Century. They offer a safe place for young people to learn, grow and develop ongoing relationships with caring, adult professionals who support the educational, emotional, physical and social development of the youth and provide them with the resources needed to become successful adults.

Donations can be dropped off at the Church Office anytime during normal business hours, or can be dropped off on Sunday morning into the offering plate. They can also be mailed directly to the **Boys & Girls Club, 7500 Davis Blvd., Naples, FL 34104.**

A donation card and envelope will also be available on Sunday, October 13 at all worship services.

THANKS FOR YOUR LOVING SUPPORT OF THIS VITAL COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION!

If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Jim Cooper, Jim@NaplesEmmanuel.org, 239-261-0894

Serving Others Ministry

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF COLLIER COUNTY



Now.....in the height of another hurricane season, it's time to remember the damage that can be inflicted on homes that are not built to last. Many families in Collier County are living in substandard housing. They are the ones most at-risk the next time we find ourselves on the brink of hurricane-force winds, rain, and flooding.

By opening the pathway to affordable home ownership, we can offer those families a chance.

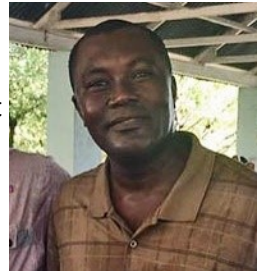
With **your** help, Habitat Collier is building affordable homes that provide families both a strong foundation for the future and the security of knowing that they have a solid roof overhead. As proven during Hurricane Irma, Habitat builds strong, rugged homes that comply with all hurricane standards! Join us as part of a fresh start for a local family in need.

Thus far, Emmanuel gifts to Habitat are *almost* sufficient to provide materials for two Habitat homes. **But we can do better!** Make your gift today! To donate by credit card, please phone Habitat at 239-775-0036 (be sure to mention Emmanuel). Or use the envelope in your pew, make your check out to *Emmanuel*, and designate *Habitat*.

100% of your dollars go toward building homes and serving families!



Meet VOH Principal Clovis Elias. The son of a farmer, Clovis, attended school at the College Dominique Savio in Petionville, just south of Port au Prince. During subsequent attendance at a



school of agriculture, his teaching skills were recognized, and he discovered his love of teaching. He quickly focused on education as a profession, earning both bachelor's and master's degrees in school management. Clovis joined VOH in 2003, eventually taking over as Principal. Under Clovis' leadership, the school has grown to maturity, with nearly 700 students and a faculty of 50 high quality teachers. Clovis and his team have successfully implemented the most rigorous Ministry of Education academic curriculum and student performance continues to improve, with over 90% achieving passing scores on national examinations on their first attempt (compared to the national average of less than 30%). The VOH school was recently ranked #7 academically among 350 schools in the District. Clovis says he likes VOH because of the "loving hearts" of the many donors and supporters, and he feels God is calling us all together in this mission of education. Further, "VOH is a place of action, continually making progress. We are a highly respected member of the Ganthier community and its largest single employer. In his early days at VOH Clovis met, and eventually married his wife, Helene. They have two daughters, ages 9 and 11, and reside in Petionville.

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.*



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.)

These meals make a huge difference to the people receiving them. They get excited to see our casseroles arrive at St. Matthew's. **You can really make a difference in someone's day by making a casserole.**

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*.

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

Volunteer in our Bright Beginnings Early Childhood Education classrooms with our one-, two-, three-, and four-year-olds. Assist in the classroom alongside a teacher and other volunteers. Volunteers are needed in the morning and are welcomed once-a-week or several times a week.



We are looking for volunteers to teach English to our adult English Language Learning students. Classes are held in the evening. We are looking for volunteers to commit once-a-week. The program runs year-round and volunteers both full-time and part-time are welcomed throughout the year. You do not need to speak Spanish to volunteer, nor do you need experience teaching English. Training is provided throughout the year, in addition to lots of resources and support.

The Academy of Leaders K–12 afterschool program needs tutors for all grade levels and subjects. Share your knowledge with a small group of our students in a classroom setting. Tutors are needed Monday–Thursday. Times vary depending on grade level.



Food Pantry and Receptionist Volunteer Opportunities

Grace Place can use your help on Fridays throughout the day in our Food Pantry. Our Food Pantry needs volunteers to unpack and sort food, and to greet families and provide customer service. This is a great opportunity to come with a friend or a group and volunteer together!

Become a Grace Place receptionist! Receptionists are needed Monday–Friday, 9am – 12pm.

As a receptionist at Grace Place, you will welcome families, volunteers, and visitors; answer incoming calls; and respond to inquiries by providing information and directing visitors to appropriate staff.

The receptionist will also be responsible for ensuring that all volunteers and visitors are properly signed in, and will help with office projects.

For more information, please call Arlene Mendez, Human Resource and Talent Manager, at 239.234.2467 or email arlene@graceplacenaples.org.

Grace Place Volunteer Opportunity

Our congregation has long been a supporter of the mission and ministry of Grace Place in Golden Gate City. One of their growing programs is the **AP Leaders Program for high school students**, many of whom have been involved in Grace Place programs since their pre-school and elementary years.

Tom Gemmer is now the Grace Place College Access Counselor, working with juniors and seniors in high school to make their way through the tricky path of college searches, applications and more. In many cases these students are the first in their family to pursue the goal of higher education.

Grace Place is **seeking adults of all ages and backgrounds to serve as mentors** to be paired with one of these college-bound students. Mentors are asked to get to know their mentee through monthly dinner meetings, as well as communication via phone, text, etc. Mentors serve as a role model, provide support and encouragement, and offer help with questions as the process moves along.

If this volunteer role as a mentor sounds appealing to you, would you reach out to Tom to learn more? His email is tomg@graceplacenaples.org, and his phone number is 239-255-7212.

Emmanuel Park Community



As we officially begin the mission development at Emmanuel Community Park, we are writing to request that you prayerfully discern whether God may be calling you to serve as a Launch Team Member of this exciting new ministry.

A Launch Team Member is someone called to serve along side us as we build the ministry of the mission development at Emmanuel Community Park. Launch Team Members will make a commitment to serve the next 9 months as a “member” of the new mission development. As a part of the development, Launch Team members will make the effort to attend meetings, worship services, Park Events, Community Meet & Greets, and various events leading up to the “grand opening” of our congregation on Easter Sunday, 2020. This responsibility includes a stewardship of your time, talent, and treasure as a “member” of the



Emmanuel Park Community (EPC).

Now, what we are not asking you to do is to abandon your membership at Emmanuel Lutheran Church or Emmanuel Community Church! On the contrary, we are asking for your help in developing the next congregation of the Emmanuel Family. That is why this commitment is not open-ended, but until our Easter grand opening.

However, if you do decide after Easter to continue worshipping and giving to EPC, then great! We welcome you with open arms. Just remember that no matter which congregation you call “home,” ELC, ECC, or the new EPC, you are a member of Emmanuel.

This is an exciting time for Emmanuel, as we continue to go deep and wide in our faith of Jesus, and follow him in the Way of being better neighbors in our community. We are developing a congregation in one of the fastest growing areas of our nation, and we have the opportunity to show the world what living out the gospel looks like here in Collier County.

Along with the Holy Spirit, we need *your* help in making this ministry a possibility. **Our goal for the months of August and September is to have 40 Launch Team Members.** (So far we have 28 members!) Marked with the cross of Christ forever, we are claimed, gathered and sent for the sake of the world. Might God be sending you to the park? If you believe so, reach out to us at pastorwill@naplesemmanuel.org or dee@naplesemmanuel.org, or give Gina at the church office a call at 239-261-0894 and tell her, “I want to be a Launch Team Member!”

And thanks be to God, for you.

Gratefully,

+ Pastor Will and Deacon Dee



God's Work Our Hands Day was a great success!

Thank You to all who endured the heat this Saturday, September 7, to participate in this annual church wide event at Emmanuel Community Park. Part of the Emmanuel Park Community's vision is to “Serve and Preserve,” that is exactly what took place.

We had 20 people serving our community picking up trash along Oil Well Road and the Park. Ask Pastor Will what he found? We also had individuals planting flower beds, trees, mulching and fire ant control, preserving our beautiful Park and most importantly preserving God's creation.



Music and Worship

Joyce is on sabbatical at the time of this printing. However, she wanted to share this poem that was sent to her by Jeri and Gary Karr, both members of the Emmanuel Choir.

I GO TO SING

I might be exhausted and the children might be cranky,
but I will be going to church on Sunday.

it's the singing.
I go to sing.

I get up,
get clean,
get dressed,
possibly get mad (at not-ready kids, at empty coffee pot, at traffic)
get going,
get there,
get seated,
get comfortable,
get focused
and the music starts.

It's the singing.
I go to sing.

It's the willingness to *stand if you are able*,
the common agreement on page number,
the voluntary sharing of songbooks with people on your row,
even ones you rode there with –

but most of all,
it's the collective in-breath before the first sound is made,
the collective drawing upon the grace of God,
the collective, if inadvertent, admission
that we are all human,
all fragile,
all in need of the sustaining air, freely dispensed,
all in need of each other to get the key right and not sound discordant –
it's the hidden life-celebration
in the act of making a joyful noise,
all together.

We don't even have to sound that good.
Singing together still brings home
the *weness* of worship,
the *not-aloneness* of life in God,
the best of all we have to offer each other.

When we are singing, I think that I might actually be able to forgive you
for being so terribly human,
and you might be able to forgive me
for being so terribly not there yet,
and we might be able to find peace *now*,
not postpone it for some heavenly hereafter
but live and breathe it today,
drawing in the grace of God,
voicing out our need and hope and gratitude and longing.

When we are singing, I can feel the better world coming,
and if I get to be a part of it, you do too . . .

so sing with me,
and we'll make our way down that blessed road together,
collectively better
than we ever thought
possible.

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing.
(Psalm 100:1)



Music and Worship

EMMANUEL CHOIR RECONVENES IN OCTOBER!

The Emmanuel Choir will begin its season on Wednesday, October 2, at 7:00 p.m. in the Choir Room. (Rehearsal will be from 7:00-8:15/8:30 p.m.).

The Choir will sing its first anthem of the year on Sunday, October 6, at the 9:00 service.

If you enjoy music and like to sing, then you are welcome to join us! We will be welcoming our new Choir Director, Ken Wistrom, in mid-October.

Contact Joyce Finlay at joyce@naplesemmanuel.org or Ken Wistrom at k.wistrom@comcast.net if you have any questions. You can also contact Gina in the front office (239-261-0894) and she will spread the word.

Now here are some more good reasons for you to consider joining the Choir:

- MUSIC STIMULATES ACTIVITY THROUGHOUT THE BRAIN.
- MUSIC ACTIVATES EXISTING CONNECTIONS AND RESTORES MANY LOST CONNECTIONS.
- DUE TO THE CALMING EFFECTS OF MUSIC, LESS CORTISOL (MEANING LESS STRESS) IS DETECTED BY RECEPTORS ON WHITE BLOOD CELLS.
- MUSIC ACTIVATES THE WHOLE BRAIN.

(So why wouldn't *EVERYBODY* want to join the Choir?)



Finance

FINANCIAL UPDATE (as of August 31, 2019)

TOTAL INCOME FROM ALL SOURCES	Budget Year to Date \$1,296,551	Actual Year to Date \$1,229,380
TOTAL OVERALL EXPENSES	Budget Year to Date \$1,333,441	Actual Year to Date \$1,267,108
AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	August 2018 268	August 2019 307



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>

Financial Update:

We still have some work to do before year-end to reach our budget of \$2,000,160.

Many of us travel in the summer and are not here yet our monthly expenses continue.

Please remember to continue to fulfill your pledge.

Parish Nurse



Carol Calling:

First, let me remind everyone to give us your name and email address so we can add it to our list of supporters for the Blue Zone certification. We are planning to be a Faith Based Organization which is registered as a supporter of the Blue Zone principles. These principles include: MOVE NATURALLY, PORPOSE, DOWN SHIIFT, 80% RULE, PLANT SLANT, FRIENDS/WINE @ FIVE, FAMILY FIRST, BELONG and RIGHT TRIBE. We will talk more about all these principles in future news letters and in the STAR.

And here is the Blue Zone food tip for this October Newsletter – heart healthy foods mean a diet which is rich in fresh fruits and veggies, whole grains, low fat dairy, lean meat, fish, nuts and legumes. Reduce your intake of processed food which can be high in sodium. This will do your heart a favor.

Remember that October is Breast Cancer and Liver Cancer Awareness month. Pink and Dark Green.

If you eat a Vegan diet (plant only diet that excludes all animal – derived foods), be aware that most of the foods can meet the nutritional needs, but some nutrients may be tougher to get. Vitamin B12 can be found in soy products, cereal and meat substitutes but there might be a need for a B12 supplement especially in older adults. Testing B12 levels is recommended periodically. Vitamin D is found in some soy and rice milk and ready to eat cereals. Calcium is found in a wide variety of plant foods and fortified almond, rice or soy milk. Older adults should check with their physicians about the need for calcium supplementation. Iodine is needed for proper thyroid function. It is found in iodized salt and sea vegetables. Be careful that your diet includes enough iodine.

Consumer Reports ON HEALTH for October 2019 tells us that there are many brain boosting activities we can participate in to keep our minds activecrafting, playing games, using a computer and reading top the list of activities associated with a lower risk of thinking and memory problems in adults 70 and older. Those engaging in these activities five to six times a week were up to 50 percent less likely to develop mild cognitive impairment .



The hospitals no longer notify us of your admission. If you have a planned hospital admission and would like a visit from our pastoral staff, please let us know ahead of time. If you have an unexpected hospital admission, please ask a family member or friend to contact the church office. We would be happy to visit with you. Thank you. Parish Nurse Carol Hartman at 239-261-0894 or carol@naplesemmanuel.org

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.



Stephen Ministry

Stephen Ministers are congregation members trained to offer high quality one to one care to people going through tough times. If you think you would like to talk to a Stephen Minister about a problem you are having or to refer someone you know to the care of a Stephen Minister, please contact Carol Hartman, RN by email at carol@naplesemmanuel.org or 239-261-0894



Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you.

John 14:27

Sunday Morning Children & Youth Faith Connection



All students K-5th grade are invited to meet upstairs in the Children’s Ministry classroom, across from the elevator, at 11:00 a.m. Susan Kober and her adult helpers will be leading the children.

All middle and high school students (grades 6-12) will meet in the Oasis Student Center at 11:00 following the Alive Service. During our time together we will focus on the lectionary Gospel message for that particular Sunday with relevant conversation and practical ways we can live out God’s call in our daily lives. The class will be led by Jim Cooper, ELCA Deacon, Youth and Family.

YOUNG ADULTS IN GLOBAL MISSION (YAGM) - Kaitlyn Ziegelmaier’s mission trip to Senegal, Africa.



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). She left for Senegal, Africa in August. She spent her first three weeks with the four other YAGM’s and Pastor Kristin learning about the history, language and culture of Senegal. She is now with her host family with whom she will live with until July 2020. She has started her journey of how she is supposed to walk and work within the community of Yeumbeul. It has been a learning process which will continue to change as the needs of the people change. At the community center she has been working in the library and helping out with sports. She also spends part of her day at a school. Since they do not have school during the rainy season, school will begin October 3 and another adventure in walking with the community will begin.



Over the past several months we have asked the congregation to help raise money to assist Kaitlyn and the other three Young Adults from the Florida Bahamas Synod with their journey with ELCA’s YAGM program. (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.) We are very proud to announce that we have raised close to \$12,000. Thank you so much for your generosity!

Any gifts you donate to Emmanuel Global Mission Trip 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.

Also, please visit our website, www.naplesemmanuel.org, click on News, then Church News, then click on Kaitlyn’s September Newsletter – Walking in Senegal. She would love for everyone to share her journey in Africa.

Emmanuel Communities

Thank you very much for welcoming Emmanuel Community Church to your location at Mooring Line Dr.

One more chapter of our journey together is starting today, Sunday, October 6, 2019.

We are so blessed!

Pastor José & Nieves and the Emmanuel Community staff & congregation.

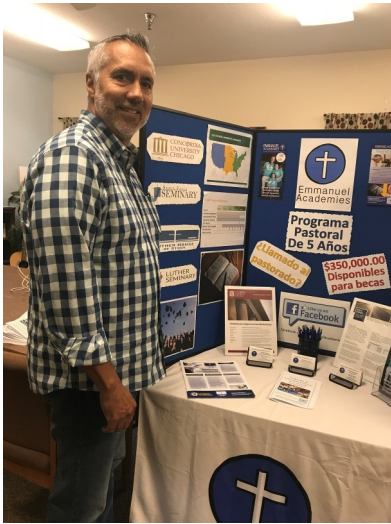


Emmanuel Communities Engages DPZ CoDesign for Emmanuel Community Park Design Charrette

Over the course of two days (September 16-17) of Design Charrettes and Planning Workshops, Emmanuel Communities and DPZ CoDesign brought together members of the congregation, community partners, county growth management planners, key developers and members of staff to further the design of our 40-acre site on Oil Well Road. Extremely fruitful discussions resulted in some breakthrough drawings and concepts. Outcomes of the workshop and drafts of the revised plans will be shared as soon as they are available. Thank you to all who contributed their time and talent to refine the vision of Emmanuel Community Park!



Above photo from left to right: Deirdre Lapp, Paul Genovesi, Galina Tachieva, Michael Huston, Xavier Iglesias, Pastor Steven Wigdahl, Dee Schleutker, Janet Anderson, Howard Isaacson.



Asociación de Ministerios Latinos de la ELCA

Emmanuel Academies will be well represented at this year's Asociación de Ministerios Latinos de la ELCA Conference in Tampa, Florida. A National Organization for Lutheran Latinos in the United States and in Puerto Rico, Pastor Jose LeBron along with EA students Ana Cabrera and Frine Donadelli, spent considerable time sharing information about our 5-Year Pastoral Leadership Degree Program.

A Church for Monday

Come join us for a great day of learning! This one-day, multisite gathering will help equip and encourage attendees to more thoughtfully connect their faith and their work.

In addition to the conference's dynamic line-up of [national speakers](#), you will have the opportunity to ask questions and interact with fellow conference attendees around multiple topics. For all the details, see page 3 of the newsletter.

First Annual Emmanuel Community Park Fall Fest

Please see page 4 for details about the event. However, **we really need Emmanuel to participate in volunteering to help run the event.** This is an event we are doing for the community and we need the support from our congregation to make this event a success.

Volunteers needed for two hour shifts for the following:

Registration: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Parking and greeting : 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Set-up crew: 7:30a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Clean-up crew: 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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

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.

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



Mah Jongg is still alive at Emmanuel - join us on Fridays at 1:00. 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.

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 Stitchers are done for the season and will start quilting again in November. 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. No previous experience necessary, we will train you. If you would like to try it, contact 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.

PEOPLE TO WELCOME VISITORS NEEDED:

We are looking for volunteers to start in October to help direct people in the parking lot. You would welcome visitors and church members and give directions as people enter the parking lot and building. Time commitment is 15-20 minutes on a Sunday morning. Please call Gina at 239-261-0894 for more information.

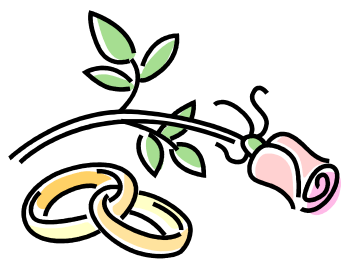




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October Baptisms

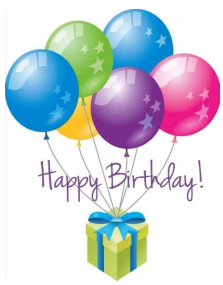
<i>Member</i>	<i>Date</i>
<i>Larry Jacobson</i>	<i>10/00</i>
<i>Kenneth Wistrom</i>	<i>10/00</i>
<i>Carla Reustle</i>	<i>10/00</i>
<i>Samantha Blaes</i>	<i>10/00</i>
<i>Nancy Umbach</i>	<i>10/01</i>
<i>Zachary Sonneborn</i>	<i>10/02</i>
<i>Jackson Nieman</i>	<i>10/04</i>
<i>Phillip Vender</i>	<i>10/05</i>
<i>Linda Knutson</i>	<i>10/06</i>
<i>Anthony Omonte</i>	<i>10/07</i>
<i>Kaitlyn Ziegelmaier</i>	<i>10/08</i>
<i>Teresa Barancik</i>	<i>10/12</i>
<i>Colleen Ziegelmaier</i>	<i>10/12</i>
<i>Ruth Schuler</i>	<i>10/13</i>
<i>Darlene Russell</i>	<i>10/14</i>
<i>Joy Gemmer</i>	<i>10/15</i>
<i>Abigail Huml</i>	<i>10/15</i>
<i>Barbara Ferreri</i>	<i>10/15</i>
<i>George Wardeberg</i>	<i>10/15</i>
<i>Ruth Loney</i>	<i>10/16</i>
<i>Emily Dumouchel</i>	<i>10/18</i>
<i>Kathleen Nelson</i>	<i>10/19</i>
<i>John Neuberry</i>	<i>10/19</i>
<i>Donna Mikkola</i>	<i>10/20</i>
<i>Christopher Sallee</i>	<i>10/21</i>
<i>Savanah Sallee</i>	<i>10/21</i>
<i>Jean Dumouchel</i>	<i>10/22</i>
<i>Victoria Bassett</i>	<i>10/23</i>
<i>Abigail Cooper</i>	<i>10/23</i>
<i>Arland Waters</i>	<i>10/24</i>
<i>Phyllis Hannemann</i>	<i>10/27</i>



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October Anniversaries

<i>Member</i>	<i>Date</i>
<i>Scott & Bonnie Kischer</i>	<i>10/05/1974</i>
<i>Mr & Mrs Eric Svensson</i>	<i>10/06/1962</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Devine</i>	<i>10/07/1995</i>
<i>Donald & Loreeta Canton</i>	<i>10/07/0000</i>
<i>Dan & Cynthia Mjolsness</i>	<i>10/08/0000</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. Bill Cedfeldt</i>	<i>10/09/1955</i>
<i>Mr & Mrs Edgar Wright</i>	<i>10/09/1954</i>
<i>Mr & Mrs Michael Ziegelmaier</i>	<i>10/10/1992</i>
<i>Jim & Fisk Gayeuski</i>	<i>10/11/0000</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. Richard Krautsack</i>	<i>10/13/1962</i>
<i>Carole Shane</i>	<i>10/14/1967</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. Frank Hudson</i>	<i>10/15/1949</i>
<i>Martin and Julie Corbin</i>	<i>10/16/2004</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. Frank Omonte</i>	<i>10/19/1996</i>
<i>Larry and Jennifer Coates</i>	<i>10/20/1979</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. Harold Williams</i>	<i>10/20/1999</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. Frank Loney</i>	<i>10/26/1991</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. Gary Newman</i>	<i>10/26/1984</i>
<i>Gaylord & Diane Thormodsgard</i>	<i>10/26/0000</i>
<i>Larry Wright & Lorna Gauthier</i>	<i>10/26/1996</i>
<i>Brad & Janet Anderson</i>	<i>10/31/1970</i>



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October Birthdays

<i>Member</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Member</i>	<i>Date</i>
<i>Carol Harrington</i>	<i>10/01</i>	<i>Phillip Strohm</i>	<i>10/16</i>
<i>Michael McNally</i>	<i>10/01</i>	<i>Bonnie Swartwout</i>	<i>10/16</i>
<i>Becky Ulsh</i>	<i>10/01</i>	<i>Norbert Markowski</i>	<i>10/17</i>
<i>Daniela Quiroga</i>	<i>10/02</i>	<i>Jeffrey Dalia</i>	<i>10/18</i>
<i>Walter Tofteland</i>	<i>10/02</i>	<i>Daniela Hernandez Vale</i>	<i>10/18</i>
<i>Ben Chelini</i>	<i>10/03</i>	<i>Hanna Roppo</i>	<i>10/18</i>
<i>Richard Koch</i>	<i>10/03</i>	<i>Warren Bogle, Jr.</i>	<i>10/19</i>
<i>Jamie Martin</i>	<i>10/04</i>	<i>David Feretti</i>	<i>10/19</i>
<i>Charles Olson</i>	<i>10/04</i>	<i>Valorie Langford Richardson</i>	<i>10/19</i>
<i>Debbie Swanson</i>	<i>10/04</i>	<i>Jean Lee</i>	<i>10/19</i>
<i>Carrall Lodahl</i>	<i>10/05</i>	<i>Diedre Milligan</i>	<i>10/19</i>
<i>Solenny Sanchez</i>	<i>10/05</i>	<i>Nicole Puchalla</i>	<i>10/19</i>
<i>Fran Buske</i>	<i>10/06</i>	<i>Jerry Ransom</i>	<i>10/19</i>
<i>Richard Lee</i>	<i>10/07</i>	<i>Gerhard Strauss</i>	<i>10/19</i>
<i>Brianna Brink</i>	<i>10/08</i>	<i>Shirley Gronlund</i>	<i>10/20</i>
<i>Kathy Cooper</i>	<i>10/08</i>	<i>Carlene Petersen</i>	<i>10/20</i>
<i>Pat Hendricks</i>	<i>10/08</i>	<i>William Hauck</i>	<i>10/21</i>
<i>Vicki Mjoen</i>	<i>10/08</i>	<i>Shirley Hickey</i>	<i>10/21</i>
<i>Eduardo Rivera</i>	<i>10/08</i>	<i>Brianna Joffre</i>	<i>10/21</i>
<i>Noah Kimble</i>	<i>10/09</i>	<i>Linda Lutz</i>	<i>10/21</i>
<i>John Korbel</i>	<i>10/09</i>	<i>Karoll Rosales Ortiz</i>	<i>10/21</i>
<i>Renee Kramer</i>	<i>10/09</i>	<i>Carol Wallen</i>	<i>10/21</i>
<i>Robert Andrews</i>	<i>10/10</i>	<i>Victoria Bassett</i>	<i>10/22</i>
<i>Oscar Benavides</i>	<i>10/10</i>	<i>Casey Dick</i>	<i>10/22</i>
<i>Hildegard Finnegan</i>	<i>10/10</i>	<i>Carol Duncan</i>	<i>10/22</i>
<i>Dan Lyberg</i>	<i>10/10</i>	<i>Ann Ericsson</i>	<i>10/22</i>
<i>Joan Miller</i>	<i>10/10</i>	<i>Amylee Slicko</i>	<i>10/22</i>
<i>Lauren Gibson</i>	<i>10/11</i>	<i>Saundra Spilotro</i>	<i>10/22</i>
<i>Samuel Loney</i>	<i>10/11</i>	<i>Karen Zacho</i>	<i>10/23</i>
<i>Marwin Peterson</i>	<i>10/11</i>	<i>Peter Gibson</i>	<i>10/24</i>
<i>J. Robert Carpenter</i>	<i>10/12</i>	<i>Frank Gomez</i>	<i>10/24</i>
<i>James Dick</i>	<i>10/13</i>	<i>Patricia Guehler</i>	<i>10/24</i>
<i>Marti Frisvold</i>	<i>10/13</i>	<i>Nazareth Ruiz</i>	<i>10/24</i>
<i>Philip A. Hilliard</i>	<i>10/13</i>	<i>Chas Frontz</i>	<i>10/25</i>
<i>Marshall Lewis</i>	<i>10/13</i>	<i>Kathleen Gass</i>	<i>10/25</i>
<i>James O'Brien</i>	<i>10/13</i>	<i>Bruce Ranstrom</i>	<i>10/25</i>
<i>Jeremy Ferwissa</i>	<i>10/14</i>	<i>Harold Williams</i>	<i>10/25</i>
<i>Gary Bassett</i>	<i>10/15</i>	<i>Eduin Swenson</i>	<i>10/26</i>
<i>Olivia Ceilley</i>	<i>10/15</i>	<i>William Cedefeldt</i>	<i>10/27</i>
<i>Kathleen Gillund</i>	<i>10/15</i>	<i>Nathan Hilliard</i>	<i>10/27</i>
<i>Stacey Puchalla</i>	<i>10/15</i>	<i>Stephanie Mastro</i>	<i>10/28</i>
<i>Gail Svensson</i>	<i>10/15</i>	<i>Marcia Puppenon</i>	<i>10/29</i>
<i>Susan Bogle</i>	<i>10/16</i>	<i>Kraig Abraham</i>	<i>10/30</i>
<i>Ethan Hilliard</i>	<i>10/16</i>	<i>Ann Berlam</i>	<i>10/30</i>
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<i>Bonnie Swartwout</i>	<i>10/16</i>	<i>Maria Wigdahl</i>	<i>10/31</i>