

# Emmanuel Lutheran Church & School (Missouri Synod)



May 4, 2025

## EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH (Missouri Synod)

Emmanuel "God With Us"

***Our Mission: Equipping believers to reach the lost and comfort the hurting with the "Good News" about Jesus.***

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**WELCOME!** *We are glad you are worshiping with us today! It is our desire to have a welcoming and safe worship atmosphere. Please silence your cell phone.*

**HOLY COMMUNION** is celebrated on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month in the confidence of receiving from the Lord of the Church all He promises when he gives His body and blood in, with, and under the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins. If you commune with us, we ask that you be in confessional agreement with the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod and that the following be your belief:

- I believe that I am a sinful human being without hope of eternal life except for God's mercy in Christ.
- I believe that Jesus is God's Son, my personal Savior and together with the bread and wine I receive the true Body and Blood of Christ.
- I dedicate myself anew to the Lord through regular worship, the study of His Word, faithful witness, fervent prayer and loving service.

[Non-alcoholic drink is offered in the middle section of each tray. Notify the pastor if you desire a gluten-free communion wafer.]

**NURSERY** - Family Room

**HEARING DEVICES** - west wall next to the steps to the balcony

**STEPHEN MINISTRY** - Every day you see people who are hurting - those who have lost a job, lost a loved one, going through divorce...Stephen Ministers are God's Ministry and can help you through a difficult time. Contact Jim Fehringer if you or someone you know could be helped by this ministry.

### JOIN US TODAY

**Worship Services Today - 8:00 & 10:00 am**

**NURSERY** - Family Room

*May 4, 2025*

**ORDER OF SERVICE**

**SONG .....Shine, Jesus, Shine.....(Page 10-11)**

**(Please rise)**

**INVOCATION**

P: Holy Spirit, You move the hearts of Your people to praise and thanksgiving. You have gathered us on this day in this place of worship to offer up gratitude and praise for Your endless gifts to us; to acknowledge our needs and Your faithfulness; to receive from Your hand and to offer our sincere worship; to affirm and confirm our faith in You, O God, and Your Word. We ask that You would be present among us, together with our Lord Jesus Christ, and our heavenly Father who created and still preserves us, one Lord, our God, world without end.

**C: Amen.**

P: This is the day that the Lord has made.

**C: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

P: God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness,"

**C: made His light shine in our hearts, to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.**

P: It is written, "I believed; therefore I have spoken."

**C: With that same spirit of faith we also believe and therefore speak,**

P: because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus from the dead

**C: will also raise us with Jesus and present us with you in His presence.**

P: On this day we make our beginning in the name of God the Father

**C: our Creator and the Preserver of our lives.**

P: In the name of God the Son

**C: Jesus, our Risen Savior and Lord.**

P: And in the name of God the Holy Spirit

**C: our Comforter and Counselor, who leads us in the truth of His Word. Amen.**

**HYMN .....Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven.....LSB 793**

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

P: Almighty God, before whose presence the angels veil their faces, with reverence and love we acknowledge Your glory and worship You, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Eternal Trinity. Blessing and honor and glory and power be unto our God, forever and ever. Please hear now our sincere confession in Your great and holy presence.

**C: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess to You that we have sinned against You in our thoughts, with our words and in our actions. There is no other place to go but to You. Lord, show us Your mercy for Jesus' sake. Send us Your Holy Spirit so that we may be empowered to live our lives to Your glory and honor, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

P: Brothers and sisters, be of good cheer. Your sins are forgiven. There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, for Christ, having atoned for the sins of the whole world, makes us clean and holy before our Father in heaven. Blessed are we whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered, and blessed is Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away our sins, and the sins of the whole world! Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

**C: Amen.**

**MUSIC - On Eagle's Wings**

**Adult Choir**

**CONFESSION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed**

8:00 am service

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING 2 Chronicles 32:1-23**

**EPISTLE 2 Timothy 2:1-13**

**HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 24:1-14**

P: The Holy Gospel, according to St. Matthew, the 24th chapter.

C: **(spoken) Glory to You, O Lord.**

*Following reading:*

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**(spoken) Praise to You, O Christ.**

**HYMN .....O Blessed, Holy Trinity.....LSB 876**

**SERMON**

**HYMN .....O Gracious Lord, with Love Draw Near.....LSB 599**

\_\_\_\_\_ **10:00 a.m. Service** \_\_\_\_\_

**RITE OF CONFIRMATION**

**Hymnal Page 272**

**Stella Daisy Berthold  
Clayton Alexander Branz  
Kannon Michael Cool  
Owen Scott Hoffman  
Brianna Leigh Johnson  
Adelyn Presley Kadavy**

**Oliver Lee Palmertree  
Owen Nicholas Pieper  
Evelyn Marie Robinson  
Krayton William Schoch  
Keaton Cook Sorgenfrei  
Jaelynn Marie Wittgren**

**Addison Renee Kush**

\_\_\_\_\_ **8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m. Service** \_\_\_\_\_

**BRINGING FORTH OUR OFFERINGS**

**PRAYERS/LORD'S PRAYER**

\_\_\_\_\_ **10:00 a.m. Service** \_\_\_\_\_

**HYMN .....Thine Forever, God of Love.....LSB 687**

(Parents of confirmands are asked to go to the back of the Sanctuary to meet their confirmand and escort them to communion)

## COMMUNION FOR CONFIRMANDS AND THEIR PARENTS

### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

#### DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

**Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord**.....LSB 637  
**What is This Bread**.....LSB 629

#### BENEDICTION

**P:** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.  
**C:** **Amen.**

### OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE AND SUPPORT

**HYMN** ..... **Let Me Be Thine Forever**.....LSB 689

***Congratulations to the 2025 Confirmation Class!***  
***We welcome you into communicant membership.***

RADIO MINISTRY - KAWL Radio - 1370 AM & KOOL 103.5 FM- 10:30 am Service  
LUTHERAN HOUR - KAWL Radio - 1370 AM & KOOL 103.5 FM- 7:30 am on Sundays  
Our church services online - [www.emmanuelnyork.com](http://www.emmanuelnyork.com), "Join us online", Livestream

**Flowers** on the altar are in honor of the 2025 Confirmation Class.

**Birthdays this week:** Izzabella Gerken, Wylder Homolka, Tonia Rutten, Linda Brahmsteadt, Barbara Driewer Spar, Ryan Lambert, Beth Miller, Gary Bredenkamp, Logan Nicolaus, Danielle Samson, Betty Pohl, Jo Richert, Ethan Robinson, Deb Staehr, Duane Bodtke, Lilianna Hubert, Payten Buller, Kolton Foreman, Hendrix Davis, Destiny Shepherd, Kanyon Skaggs, Scott Staehr.

**Wedding Anniversaries this week:** Bryan & Diane Buss, Mike & Glenda Vorderstrasse, Russ & Jenny Obermier, Justin & Brianne Schoch, Russell & Donna Rice, Kevin & Nichole Lawrence, Robert & Shelby Stolley.

#### SERVING TODAY

**Elders-** Jim Fehringer, Ryan Koch, Bryan Buss

**Organist-** Jerrita Staehr

**Lay Readers-** Dave Sjuts, Steve Ragoss

**Ushers-** Kent Chrisman, Kelly Driewer, Ladd Goff, Darrel Branz, Craig Bethune, Dan Brahmsteadt, Charlie Hoffman, Nate Steever

**Acolytes** - Kain Foreman, Pitch Richards, Olivia Holoch, Noah Kaiser

#### THIS MONTH'S BIBLE VERSE

"And because lawlessness will be increased, the love of many will

grow cold. But the one who endures to the end will be saved."  
*Matthew 24:12-13*

#### Financial Stewardship

Needed weekly.....	\$28,500.00
Received Last Week - envelopes & loose plate, online.....	\$12,165.00

#### Summary through March 2025

Offerings received.....	\$229,737.02
School funds received.....	\$82,772.36
Debt retirement received.....	\$28,460.08
Other receipts.....	\$5,881.63
Total receipts.....	\$346,801.09
Actual expenses.....	\$403,128.61
Net loss.....	\$(56,327.52)
Bank Note Balance as of 04/28/25.....	\$87,500.00

**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK** Worship Services...298.....Bible Class/Sunday School..

## Parish News & Notes

Bulletin announcements deadline - Wednesday at Noon

### PRAYERS

Marietta Thompson, Carolleen Junge, Remi Wiehin, David Buller, Ron Blum, Brent Bredenkamp, Joan Bittinger, Lisa Johnson, Dale Haack, Pete Walbrecht, Pastor Brad Birtell, John Walbrecht, Pat Hoffart, Sandi Cole, Carolyn Sebek, Cynthe Staehr, David Kaul, Tammy Richards, Steve Foster, Karma Yantzie, Brittany Pinneo, Penny Debus, Lynda Kreutzer, Lou Hoffman, Rick Stuhr, Isaac Robertson, Kim Peters, Leslie McKeown, Adrianne Sanderson, April Gay, Connie Loeske, Gail Staehr, Ronda Cloet, St. Peter, Gresham, Armed Forces protecting our Country.

### GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

***If any of your personal information has changed (phone, address, name), please advise the church office so we can update our records.***

Jaelynn Wittgren, daughter of Kit Wittgren was baptized yesterday. May God bless and keep Jaelynn in her baptismal grace.

Volunteers are needed for **York Home Delivery Meals** in June (background paperwork is no longer required). Sign up at the Information Center and call Deb Winchell for more information at 402-366-9716.

**Emmanuel VBS - "True North - Trusting Jesus in a Wild World"** will be June 9-13, 8:30 am - noon. Register at [vbspro.events/p/events/emmanuelnyork2025](https://vbspro.events/p/events/emmanuelnyork2025) to attend or volunteer.

**Mercy Meals**, Heartland Lutheran High School & Thrivent will pack food meals (rice, soy, dried beans, dried vegetables & vitamin/flavor power) in the fight against world hunger on May 31, from 9:00 am - 5:45 pm at Heartland Lutheran High, 3900 W. Husker Highway, Grand Island. Gather your family (ages 10 & up) & friends and register at <https://bit.ly/150000MercyMeals>. If you need help signing up contact Stacia Vawter at 612-844-5673 or [NebraskaTMN@thrivent.com](mailto:NebraskaTMN@thrivent.com).

**Adult Trivia Night**, hosted by ELY, will be May 9 at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Tickets are \$25.00 per person or \$150.00 for a team of 6 and can be purchased in the church office or scan the QR code. Free childcare available if signed up by May 5. Questions? Contact Carly Meers at 402-480-0148. Proceeds to National Youth Gathering.

**Grace Care Circle** needs you! We need drivers to transport members to medical appointments and help in preparing and delivering meals & "stork gifts" to our families with a new baby. Sign up at the Information Center or contact Gaye Nelson.

**Emmanuel-Faith Little Blessings Preschool** is accepting registrations. Contact Preschool Director Libby Brouillette at [lbrouillette@efyork.org](mailto:lbrouillette@efyork.org), [faithlutheranyork.com](http://faithlutheranyork.com), or Faith Lutheran Church at 402-362-3000. They also are in need of **donations** of medium size crates, wood logs and wood logs cut into small pieces for stepping stones. Contact Libby Brouillette if you have any of these items at 402-363-2426.

**Support Emmanuel-Faith School** through the SCRIP Program, Casey's Rewards, Boxtops for Education and Amazon at <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/47-047814>.

**VFW** collects the UPC symbol from Best Choice brand food items. Place in the container at the Information Center.

**Follow Emmanuel-Faith School** on Twitter @EFYork!

If you would like to sponsor either the radio or internet **broadcast of our Sunday service**, contact the church office. The cost is \$73.00 for the radio and \$50.00 for the internet.

**Care Circle** is accepting donations of diapers, size newborn to 2, wipes and monetary donations made payable to Care Circle. Donations may be dropped off at the church office.

Do you have a Thrivent account? Thrivent will donate money in your name to Emmanuel Lutheran Church or Emmanuel Lutheran School. Call Thrivent at 1-800-847-4836 and at the prompt say "Thrivent Choice". If you have problems, call Drew Woodburn at 402-362-3395.

Did you know...Trinity Lutheran Church, Rochester, Minnesota, TLCare ministry offers hospitality to those receiving medical care at Mayo Clinic in Rochester. TLCare has lodging to offer to LCMS brothers and sisters at no cost. Contact Jennifer Jurgensen, [tlcjennifer@charterinternet.com](mailto:tlcjennifer@charterinternet.com) or Trinity Lutheran Church, 507-289-1531.

**KFUO Radio**, the broadcast voice of The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, shares Christ with you anytime, anywhere on [KFUO.org](http://KFUO.org) via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs and sacred music on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) and wherever you get your podcasts and **@KFUOradio** on facebook, twitter and instagram.

**Lutheran Public Radio** streams Sacred Music for the World "live" 24/7 at [lutheranpublicradio.org](http://lutheranpublicradio.org). Also at LPR, access "**Issues, etc.**", Lutheran talk radio for the thinking Christian, examining timely, cultural topics from a Lutheran perspective. Looking for a daily 15-minute, on-demand verse-by-verse study of the Bible? Check out "**The Word of the Lord Endures Forever**" at [thewordendures.org](http://thewordendures.org).

## Emmanuel Lutheran Church Vacation Bible School

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June 9 - 13

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