



# Emmanuel News



Join us for

"God's work. Our hands." Sunday  
Sept. 9, 2018



**"God's work. Our hands."** Sunday is Sunday, **September 9, 2018**. This day is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America – one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor.

Service activities offer an opportunity for us to explore one of our most basic convictions as Lutherans: that all of life in Jesus Christ – every act of service, in every daily calling, in every corner of life – flows freely from a living, daring confidence in God's grace.

This year we will gather following worship for a potluck dinner in the basement. We will then go out to Scandia Cemetery to help plot the cemetery. We have been given permission to park on the west side of the Feed Lot parking lot. Water and other needed items will be provided. Please bring your own pair of gloves.

New T-shirts are available for \$10.00 each.

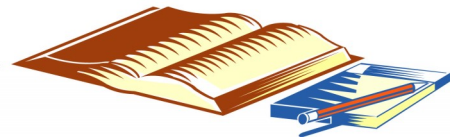
## Children's Sunday School

begins a new year on September 9<sup>th</sup>. We will start Sunday School again this year at 9:30 a.m. This allows more time for teaching and music. The children will join the congregation for worship when we begin the Holy Communion portion of the service.



**SEE YOU IN SUNDAY SCHOOL!**

## Confirmation Class



Confirmation Classes will begin on Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup>. The classes will meet at 11:15 a.m. and last about 1 hour. This year Maryann Morgenstern will be teaching the 6<sup>th</sup> grade Bible Survey class. Pastor Mark will teach the 7<sup>th</sup> grade Catechism Class.

Be watching for the location of where the classes will meet.

If parents have any questions, please feel free to call Pastor Mark or contact him at his email: [pastormarkmt@gmail.com](mailto:pastormarkmt@gmail.com).

Dear Friends at Emmanuel,

Due to the large amount of information that needed to be shared this month, I'm keeping my monthly pontification short. How's that for a change?!



*From the  
Pastor's  
Desk*

With the beginning of school and the coming of Fall, there always seems to be an increase in activities vying for our attention. I encourage you to try and not let the "busyness" of your life interfere with your need for Sabbath Time—that is, rest and worship. I will try and do likewise!

See you in Church!

*Pastor Mark*



Ladies....our annual dinner will be held on Sunday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, from 11:30 AM until 2:30 PM. It's not too early

to be thinking of what we can make to sell at the Bazaar, what contributions we can bring for the Auction, and how we can help make this our women's largest fund raiser of the year. We will have a quilt raffle again, and our menu will be our "famous" roast beef dinner, with all the trimmings and pies for dessert. We need the help and ingenuity of every woman here at Emmanuel to make this a big success! Mark your calendars!

## EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH WOMEN

We are invited to attend the Fall Gathering of the Montana Synodical Women's Organization, which will be held on September 29, 2018 at the Shepherd of the Valley Church, 301N. Cherry St., Townsend, Mt. This is a one day event which will include Bible study, personal growth, faith building, fellowship and worship. The Theme for the event is "Empowered by the Holy Spirit".....in Acts 1:8, we read "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you and you will be my witnesses"..... The featured speaker for the day is Margie Neugebauer, MA, LPC, a Licensed Professional Counselor from Hermosa, South Dakota, where she has served for 30 years in a variety of educational settings. She has been a racial justice trainer and process builder for the Women of the ELCA, as well as a supply preacher in Eastern North Dakota and South Dakota Synods. Margie offers a two part presentation focusing on the work of the Holy Spirit and Empowerment. Registration for this event will be from 9:00 to 9:30 AM on Saturday, the 29<sup>th</sup>, with the opening and welcoming beginning at 9:30

AM. If any of our ladies want to join Sharon Wolske and Dawn Petty, who are already planning to attend, registration forms need to be sent in by September 10<sup>th</sup>. The fee is \$50.00 per person, which includes inspirational fellowship, learning and worship, lunch and parting snacks for the drive home. Your registration fee will be paid by our own Emmanuel Women's Group. We plan to drive part of the way on Friday afternoon, stay overnight in Wilsall at Dawn's cabin, and continue on to Townsend on Saturday morning. Then we will drive back to Billings after the event closes at 4:00 PM.



Women  
of the  
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For our in kind offering, we are asked to bring food for the Townsend Food Pantry. Our offering during the church service will be 1/2 to Women of the ELCA and 1/2 to the Townsend Food Pantry. There will be a silent auction of Theme Baskets, so be thinking of what we ladies can make for baskets to bring to this event. For more information, call Dawn Petty at 373-6673, and get your registration forms. We will car pool to this gathering...."the more, the merrier".

# COMMENTARIES OF THE CHURCH MOUSE

Greetings Friends and Neighbors,

September is here and with it comes the final three day weekend of the summer, as we celebrate Labor Day on the 3<sup>rd</sup>. I hope everyone has a chance to relax, unwind and get together with family and friends. This is another great opportunity to fire up the grill and cook up a feast.

At the last Church barbeque, I watched the Pastor clean up the Church grill prior to cooking up a bunch of chicken. What a great end to the summer tradition of weekly Church barbeques, as there was plenty of chicken and corn on the cob to eat. I kind of over did it, as my eyes were bigger than my stomach. Anyways, this grill clean up reminded me that I too should clean up my own grill while the weather is still nice. A year of use, really tends to build up the grime, since I use my grill all year long. It's the old bachelor mentality. If I grill instead of use a pan on the stove, I don't have to wash as many dishes afterwards.

On the 11<sup>th</sup> we celebrate Patriot Day, so be sure to fly Old Glory proudly at your place in honor of those that we lost. Never forget is the motto for the day. I always think about a T-shirt that I picked up in Hong Kong during my Navy days that had an American Flag on it with the words, "These colors don't run!". We never asked for the events of 9/11 to unfold upon us, but we definitely as a nation responded to the call. A lot of people work tirelessly to keep our nation, community and state safe from all sorts of disasters. I would like to say a big Thank You to all of the Firefighters, First Responders and Military for keeping us safe. Thank You!

I'm going to make a little road trip back to

Wisconsin to visit family and friends while the weather is still nice. It also is a good excuse for me to visit the Cheese factory and stock up on some fresh cheese curds. A couple of years ago, I tried fried cheese curds for the first time and my taste buds almost exploded with delight. It's a good thing that I don't live close to a cheese factory all year long, as I'm sure that I'd be

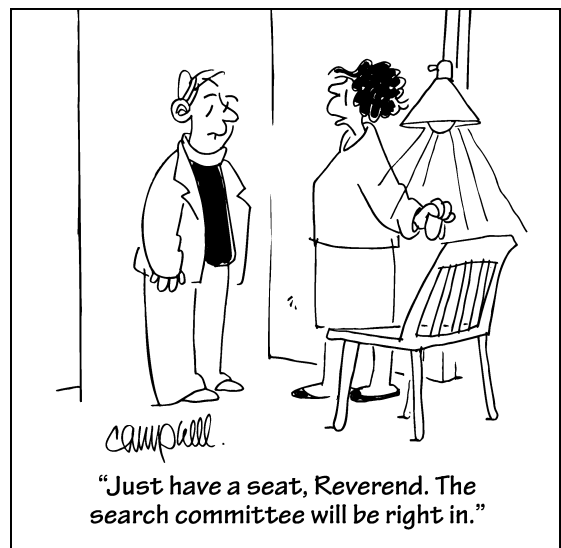
packing on the pounds by over indulging on all the tasty delights. I'll have to see if I can find a Cheese Head hat in my size to buy, so I can show my support for the Packers. In the past I never could find one of the yellow triangle foam cheese pieces to fit my small head, so I may have to just settle for a Packer jersey instead. Football season is fast approaching and I want to support my team. Go Pack Go! Well, I must cut this short, as there is much to do on the fall Honey Do list. It won't be too long and we are back to snow and cold.

See you in Church.

Your Faithful Friend.

In residence at Emmanuel.

T.C. Mouse



**Church Council Meeting Minutes – 8/8/2018 –  
Submitted by Secretary: Brenda Emerick**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by president, Meagan Malchow.

**Members Present:** Meagan, Wade, Brenda, Liz, Carol, Dawn, Laurel and Pastor Mark.

**Members Absent:** Shane, Scott

Pastor led a devotion.

**Meeting Minutes:** The July minutes were approved as written with a motion from Liz and a second from Wade.

**Treasurer's Report:** Laurel provided the July Profit & Loss Statement, along with YTD P&L statement.

For the month of July, we are in the black with net income of \$592.67.

YTD we have net income of \$711.60.

We have obtained the 501(c)3 designation for the Shepherd Area Food Pantry. This will allow us to obtain funding for it through grants, which will relieve the general fund from helping out as much as in the past. The treasurer's report was approved with a motion from Brenda and a second from Carol.

**Deacons Report:** Dawn reported that she and Ricker have donated communion wine. Liz presented some fund raising ideas to raise at least \$2,500 between September 1 – November 30, 2018 in order to receive the matching funds from Town Pump for the Food Pantry. Pastor stated that the Methodist church in Huntley has agreed to do some special offerings during the designated time period to contribute to the fund raising. Laurel will check into setting up a sub account at Western Security Bank for people to donate to in conjunction with the Town Pump grant. Liz will ask Connie Herberg if she would like to create a logo for our food pantry. Liz did a great job composing the stewardship letter and will ask Sharon Wolske for the mailing list. Liz will mail the letters as opposed to using our e-mail list.

**Trustees Report:** Wade gave an update on the work day. There is just one window left to paint and the joints in the parking lot need to be calked. This will be done in September when the weather cools off. The new well was tripping the breaker in the food pantry. The electrician came back to fix the problem. Phil Ehlers volunteered to complete the brick work

around the well.

**Old Business:** The park church service in Huntley was well attended last weekend. The offering will be given to the Food Pantry. Abbey will present her fund raising ideas for the ceiling replacement project to the council in September. Gary Mayes donated a large portion of the cost of drilling the garden well. Meagan will take him a plate of cookies along with a thank you note. There was some concern expressed about "advertising" the food pantry and community garden. The fear is that it would bring people out from Billings, and our current resources could not sustain that amount of demand. The council agreed to only use the YCN and focus on thanking those who have helped with the garden, and food bank – such as Yellowstone Valley Electric Co-op for donating wood



## Council Minutes

chips, Gary Mayes for donating a large portion of the cost of drilling the garden well, Phil Ehlers for cementing the well bricks, Ricker's help with the drip hoses, etc. The article will also stress that the Food Pantry serves the Shepherd, Huntley, Worden, Ballantine area, and that we are always welcoming donations of food, time, and money towards the success of the service. Finally, the article will let people know the Food Pantry has a 501(c)3 designation which allows for more fund raising opportunities. The Food Pantry received 36 boxes of food from the Montana Food Bank out of Missoula. Meagan stated that 12 full boxes were distributed to families in the area, and the rest of the food was put into the pantry. People can sign up for the boxes which will be provided during the spring/summer months.

**Pastor's Report:** Pastor Mark has attended pastor meetings, Wednesday night bar-b-ques, text studies, and prepared the bulletin for the Barkemeyer Park service. He has made several nursing home visits. The Morgensterns had a trip to Nebraska to help celebrate the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Pastor Mark's church there. Pastor stated he received a list of at least five and possibly six sixth graders for confirmation this fall. He will be attending the PLU corporate board meeting in Tacoma on Labor Day weekend. However, he won't leave until Sunday evening, so he will perform the regular church service that day. The council agreed to assist the Shepherd

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# LOVING SERVICE

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Cemetery Board in plotting the Scandia, and possibly the Hoskins cemeteries for our "God's work, our hands" community volunteer day on September 9<sup>th</sup>. Pastor suggested that we order t-shirts for the volunteers. The council agreed, so Pastor will order about 30 shirts of various sizes. They will be available for volunteers to purchase for \$10 each. Pastor also suggested that we have a potluck after church that day before the volunteers go to work. This will give the cemetery caretaker, Bob Wolske an opportunity to organize the work efforts.

**New Business:** Carol moved and Wade seconded to table the new business items until next month. Motion passed.

**Mission Cornerstone:** Need volunteers to help with "God's Work, Our Hands" on September 9<sup>th</sup>.

## Weekly Offering Counters:

8/12/2018 – Wade  
8/19/2018 – Liz  
8/26/2018 – Laurel  
9/02/2018 - Liz  
9/09/2018 - Carol

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm. The meeting ended with The Lord's Prayer.

Next Council Meeting: September 12, 2018 at 7:00 pm.



If you've been in church lately you may have noticed a very tall white candle up by the altar. I asked Pastor about it and he said it is a Paschal candle. It has been donated to the church by Dawn Petty in loving memory of her daughter, Lynn Douglas (The candle will be blessed and dedicated on an upcoming

Sunday in September or October.).

What is a Paschal candle? Well first let's discuss the pronunciation. Paschal is pronounced 'pa-skel (sounds like rascal). Another pronunciation is 'paSHEL. (According to Wikipedia, either pronunciation is correct.). Back to what it is—A Paschal candle is a large, white candle lighted in a church sanctuary on the evening before Easter and kept

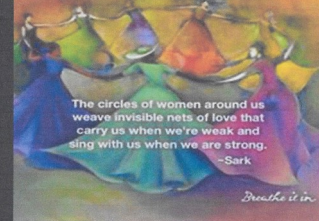
## September 2018



## Christikon Bible Camp



## WOMEN'S NIGHT OUT



SPONSORED BY THE SHEPHERD WOMEN'S ELC

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2018

ALL WOMEN OF SHEPHERD EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH ARE INVITED TO ATTEND TREAT YOURSELF TO AN DELICIOUS SUPPER AND GOOD COMPANY NO CHARGE BUT REGISTRATION REQUIRED FOR HEAD COUNT BY SEPTEMBER 15, 2018

#### MENU

6:00 SOCIAL- HORS D'OEUVRES AND WINE  
6:30 MEAL

SALAD COURSE WITH ARTISAN BREADS

MUSTARD-MAPLE ROASTED SALMON  
RISSOTTO  
MAPLE GLAZED ACORN SQUASH

PEACH CRISP WITH MAPLE ICE CREAM

WINE PAIRINGS AND NA AVAILABLE

TO REGISTER  
COMPLETE  
REGISTRATION FORM  
OR CALL DAWN PETTY  
373-6673

burning throughout the Easter season. According to the internet a new Paschal candle is blessed and lit every year at Easter and used through the Easter season and then during the year on special occasions, such as baptisms and funerals.

I had never heard of a Paschal candle but am glad to have learned about them. Thank you Dawn Petty for your loving donation to our church.

# CARING RELATIONSHIPS

## Prayers of the Church

Call Dawn Petty, 373-6673 with requests and updates

### Members:

Meagan Malchow with various health issues; Monty Mavity, who is quite ill with cancer; Sharon DeRudder, Brenda Emerick's mother, having various health problems; Gary Noland (Charley Noland's brother) treatment for a tumor on his kidney was unsuccessful; Nancy Byxbe, ongoing medical issues; Warren Peterson, nephew of the Osmundson's having medical issues; Linda Welch hospitalized following open heart surgery.

### Friends of the Congregation:

Virjean Steadman is recovering from a stroke; Bessie Millard is being treated aggressively for colon cancer; Brady Rink from Huntley (age 8) now recovering at home; Tonya Sullivan, Bill Biehle's daughter, rehabilitating from a horse accident; Agnes Beddes's great-grand-daughter, Jesslyn Fleming, age 3, was injured in a bad car accident and was air-lifted to Denver Children's Hospital; Clinton Welch, son of Joy and Joe Welch, has extensive health issues; Taylor Hoppel (whose Mom is a friend of Liz White's) who was in a motorcycle accident; Glenn Clark (Georgia Wagenman Clark's husband) who suffered a heart attack and has had by-pass surgery; Austin Schlosser has numerous health issues; Dawn Petty's Neighbor, Jodi Hedrich who is hospitalized following surgery after a serious horse accident; Richard Schottler (friend of Collin Wilson) with health issues; Donna Mullin recovering from a bad fall; Gayle Breeding of Billings, former Montana Synod Women's Oorganization Board member recovering from surgery; Kerry Martin Farnam, Pat Martin's daughter and a former resident of Shepherd, diagnosed with cancer.

### Community Living:

**West Park Village:** Lenora Weist, Esther Bengtson

**Aspen Meadows:** Howard Osmundson

**Tender Nest:** Mary Cossitt

**Yellowstone County Jail:** Chance Mavity

Rob Larson, MN

**Local Youth Serving in the military:** Taylor Green now training at Pensacola, Florida; Jacob Wagenaar serving in the U.S. Navy; Tucker Johnson and Brooke Nebel serving in the U.S. Air Force.

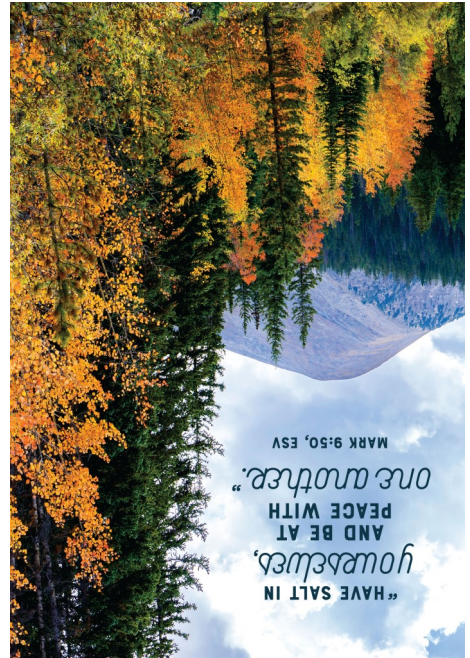


- 01 Ed Oberg
- 13 Chuck Super
- 14 Ron Quanbeck
- 15 Ed Hawthorne
- 17 Kaden Christoferson
- 21 Linda Hinkle
- 21 Melissa Sherseth

3 Joe & Carla Leligdowicz  
15 David & Jill Hoffman







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## **We have a mission . . .**

Emmanuel Lutheran is  
a welcoming church in a rural  
community, called by God  
to joyful worship  
caring relationships and  
loving service.

## **We have a vision . . .**

“We will follow God’s plan for us  
to grow in faith, family,  
and community.”

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