



Emmanuel's Voice

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From Our Pastor:

Grace and peace to you from Almighty God and our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

“Your word is a lamp to my feet, a light for my path” (Psalm 119:105).

I would like to direct this message to the children of Emmanuel Lutheran Church:

I thank God for you and your achievements in this academic school year. I know many of you are looking forward to time away from school. Who would not?! You have worked long and hard and as the old McDonald's saying goes, “You deserve a break today.” Just know that it does not have to be McDonald's!

I pray that you will have a tremendous amount of fun spending time with family and friends. I also pray that you will continue to grow and learn. Learning does not stop simply because you are not in school. Maybe you will spend time on vacation this summer. Going somewhere exciting and adventurous is always awesome. Summers are often meant for this. But whatever you do, do not ever vacation from God! Whatever you do, spend time in prayer and reflecting upon how good God is. Take with you, the things you have learned in Sunday School. Take with you the devotions we share time and again at our youth group meetings. Continue to attend church. Continue to give of your time, money and talents to God. Continue to be a blessing to others.

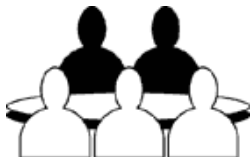
The writer who wrote Psalm 119 knew the importance of God's Word. That word gave direction and purpose. So much so that the psalmist declared that God's Word was a lamp to the feet and a light for the path. Knowing God's Word gives us a good step even when things are not so great. Knowing God's Word teaches us how to love, forgive, be kind and generous and grow. We believe God's Word is Jesus. And we need Jesus each and every day of our lives. I pray that you remember the time we spent in the dark in the fellowship hall and what happened when we lit that candle. How that light shined upon your faces! The light helped us to see in the dark. Jesus, my little sisters and brothers, is that light. The light shines in the darkness. The darkness cannot overcome it! Jesus is the light of the world!

Enjoy your vacation. Enjoy spending time learning. Enjoy spending time with God and the light of Jesus!

My love is with you always,

Pastor Dave

Council Highlights



April 14, 2009

7:20 p.m.

Present: Pastor Maddox, Harriet Demorest, Cindy

Moilanen, Barbara Klimkowski, Darin Page and Richard Chavanak. Absent: Pat Ochodnicki, Kokulo Kaazaku.

Pastor's Report

- Report of March pastoral acts presented.
- Pat Ochodnicki due back from the Holy Land on April 19th.
- Pastor David will attend a retreat from April 26th to 28th, "First Call Theological Education". He will leave after services on April 26th.
- Book of Faith Initiative sessions move to June, date to be announced.

Vice-President's Report

- Pasty Bake on May 9th & 10th-signup sheet to be posted-money will be use to ship clothes to Liberia-price increase to \$4.50 for each pasty.
- Naomi Milan sent a "Thank You" note to the congregation for a quilt sent for the birth of her baby.
- Barbara is leaving council in June. New members and a new Vice President will be needed.

Christian Education

Our Sunday School will end for the summer with a special breakfast on May 17th. For our remaining sessions, we will do lesson 14 on April 26th, 15 on May 3rd and Supplement #1 on May 10th.

Worship and Music

There will be a meeting May 3rd, after services.

Property

Darin is researching sound systems to replace our current system.

Outreach

A list of clothing items needed to go to Liberia with Kokulo will be printed in the church bulletin.

Unfinished Business

Representatives to the Synod Assembly will be Sharon Hall, Richard Chavanak, and Kokulo Kaazaku along with Pastor Maddox. The Assembly is May 1st and 2nd at First English Lutheran Church in Grosse Pointe Woods.

New Business

- Annual Congregational Meeting will be held Sunday, June 7th following worship services.
- The summer schedule will start June 21st which is also Father's Day.

For the Good of the Church

Discussion on church leader's spiritual health.

Adjournment and prayer: 9:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard Chavanak
Council Secretary

Congratulations Kokulo!

Kokulo received an MBA in Finance from Lawrence Technological University in Southfield, Michigan on Sunday May 17, 2009.



Thank You Emmanuel!

We want to thank our church family and friends for helping us celebrate our 50th wedding anniversary.

The dinner was a nice surprise. The food was delicious, as is the usual "Emmanuel style." We feel blessed to have such loving, faithful friends. We thank the Lord for all of you!

Janet & Ed

To the Knitters and Crotchetiers of Emmanuel

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for Cy's quilt. It's beautiful and so cuddly, but what makes it the most precious gift he has received is the love and prayers woven into its every fiber. What an amazing gift! Just looking at it brings tears to my eyes. Some of you have known me since I was a little kid and now my kid will be wrapped up in your love. I can not thank you enough for your prayers and good wishes. I can only say that we feel deeply blessed. I promise to send you a picture with Cy and his quilt.

Love,
Naomi, Ben and Cyrus

Quilts



Hello,
On the morning of May 23rd this blanket was delivered to Lola and Betty. Lola is on a ventilator and a feeding tube and Betty is taking care of her at home. Lola is in kidney failure so it is touch and go every day. A great blessing is that there is a family reunion for the family in Flint today, so granddaughter, Jeri, who lives in Philadelphia came home to be with Lola and Betty for the weekend. Betty was touched by the giving of the blanket and the card and also hearing that Pastor Maddox blessed the blanket on Thursday evening. There is thanksgiving for Margaret Laurila who walked the walk and was in prayer and continues to be in prayer that Lola will have no pain and has peace and for Betty to continue to be strengthened in accepting God's Will for their lives. Emmanuel can have much, much thanksgiving for the people that turn their praying hands towards making these tangible coverings that continue to show love and care to so

many people who have needs--we don't know the full results of our prayers, we don't know the full results of the needs we are helping to fill, we don't know the full results of reconciliations that may be happening, but we do know that God is working in our midst and through us.

God bless,
Sharon



Helen Kaino Lampi

(December 4, 1917 - May 4, 2009)

Age 91. Born in Canonsburg, Pennsylvania.

Beloved wife of the late John I. Lampi. Loving mother of David (Deanna)

Lampi, Arlene (Jeffrey) Bidigare and Richard (Debra) Lampi. Cherished grandmother of Heidi, Kevin, Wendy, Kathryn and Joe; great-grandmother of Jake, Alex and Amelia. Dear sister of Raymond Lindeman.

Her funeral was held Thursday, May 7 at 11 a.m. at Thayer-Rock Funeral Home.



CROP Walk News

This year's Southfield-Lathrup CROP Hunger Walk garnered 226 people pledging. These people's generosity is the backbone of our Walk to end hunger.

Ten churches were involved. Sue Condino (Southfield Presbyterian), Dorothy Wright (Community Congregational), Pastor David and Sharon Hall recruited churches.

The hearts and soles from Emmanuel who walked were Richard Bryant, Pastor David, Billy, Jodi, Todd, Harriet, Roger, Jeff Demorest, Michele Portwood, Rachel Gutenberg, Brandon Preblich, Jerry, Sharon Hall, Barbara Klimkowski, Jack Klein, Barb Laho, Comique, Eddie, LaDonn People, Christina, Ed, Jennifer, Maria Wardell. We were especially honored that Bob Barnhart of Church World Service chose to walk with us this year. Emmanuel's 23 walkers collected \$1,971 thus far with a couple of envelopes still outstanding.

Jerry Hall put the signs up along the route.

Joyce Keskitalo and Donna Page registered walkers.

The Matigian family provided a rest stop at their house.

Christina Wardell drove the route, assisting people with water, umbrellas and a lift if they needed one.

Jon Adams and his crew worked in the Farm and answered questions. This year

a Northern Spy apple tree and a Spring Snow Fameuse apple tree, plus a strawberry bed, two raspberry bushes and Carl Kiehler's rhubarb seeds have been planted. Jon and also Jerry Hall started a great amount of vegetable seeds inside their houses early April which dramatically cut the cost to the

Farm budget. All the vegetables, fruits, and herbs grown at the Farm are donated to Forgotten Harvest.

Barbara Klimkowski took care of publicity. A wonderful article from the Southfield Eccentric is on the bulletin board in the narthex.

Harriet Demorest took care of all the Treasurer's responsibilities.

We went in peace, we served the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Sharon Hall

Annual Congregational Meeting

It is hard to believe that a year has passed so readily. Yes, it is that time again! The date of our annual congregational meeting is set for Sunday, June 7, immediately following worship. During the meeting, we will be electing new members to Church Council.

It's A Boy!



Congratulations to Charles and Yarma Crawford on the birth of their son, Ephraim. He was born on May 9th at 2:07 a.m. and weighed 8 pounds, 6 ounces.

Cartoon Corner

Emmanuel Lutheran Church

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June 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
May 31 Day of Pentecost Service of Word and Sacrament 10:30 am Coffee/Tea Fellowship 12:00 noon Alcoholics Anonymous 8:30 pm	1 Clergy Meeting 10 a.m. Bible Study Book of Faith 7 p.m.	2 Prayer Meeting 7 pm	3 Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm AA Meeting 8:30 pm	4 Clergy Cluster Meetings 9:30 am Acts in Common Meeting 6 p.m.	5	6 Men's Breakfast at Stackerz 8:30 am Ministry at The Fountains 2 pm
7 2 Pentecost Service of Word and Sacrament 10:30 am Coffee/Tea Fellowship 12:00 noon Youth Choir practice 12:15 pm Alcoholics Anonymous 8:30 pm	8 Clergy Meeting 10 a.m. Bible Study Book of Faith 7 p.m.	9 Church Council Meeting 7 pm	10 Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm AA Meeting 8:30 pm	11 Clergy Cluster Meetings 9:30 am	12 Youth Group 6:30 pm	13 Ministry at The Fountains 2 pm
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21 4 Pentecost <u>Summer Schedule Begins</u> Service of Word and Sacrament 10:00 am Coffee/Tea Fellowship 11:30 am Alcoholics Anonymous 8:30 pm	22 Clergy Meeting 10 a.m. Bible Study Book of Faith 7 p.m.	23 Prayer Meeting 7 pm	24 AA Meeting 8:30 pm	25 Clergy Cluster Meetings 9:30 am	26	27 Ministry at The Fountains 2 pm
28 5 Pentecost Service of Word and Sacrament 10:00 am Coffee/Tea Fellowship 11:30 am Birthday Sunday Alcoholics Anonymous 8:30 pm	29 Clergy Meeting 10 a.m.	30 Prayer Meeting 7 pm	July 1 AA Meeting 8:30 pm	July 2 Clergy Cluster Meetings 9:30 am	July 3	July 4 Men's Breakfast at Stackerz 8:30 am Ministry at The Fountains 2 pm

Sunday Servants • June 2009

	June 7	June 14	June 21	June 28
Day	Holy Trinity	2 Pentecost	3 Pentecost	4 Pentecost
Color	White	Green	Green	Green
Special		Children's Sermon		
Liturgy	Evangelical Lutheran Worship – Setting 6	Evangelical Lutheran Worship – Setting 6	Evangelical Lutheran Worship – Setting 6	Evangelical Lutheran Worship – Setting 6
Readings	Isaiah 6:1-8 Psalm 29 Romans 8:12-17 John 3:1-17	Ezekiel 17:22-24 Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15 2 Corinthians 5:6-10 [11-13] 14-17 Mark 4:26-34	Job 38:1-11 Psalm 107 1-3, 23-32 2 Corinthians 6:1-13 Mark 4:35-41	Lamentations 3:22-33 Psalm 30 2 Corinthians 8:7-15 Mark 5:21-43
Presiding	Pastor David O. Maddox II			
Assisting and Lector Christina Wardell	Maggie Vore	Darin Page	Pewu Bah-deh	Richard Chavanak
Director of Music	Jody Doktor			
Cantors	Jody Doktor	Barb Klimkowski	Richard Chavanak	Donna Page
Ushers Roger Demorest	Irene Karna Doris Gaston Barb Laho	Jerry Hall Bruce Ricketts Michael Wright Roger Demorest	Youth Group	Christina Wardell Geraldine Henze Joyce Keskitalo Cindy Anderson
Greeters Tracee Robinson	Earl and Helen Lampi	Cindy Anderson	Margaret Vore and Pat Ochodnick	Toini Kesti and Erick Kyro
Acolytes Christina Wardell	Michael Wright Jamie Maximore	Jessica and Emily Moilanen	Maria Wardell Lorpu Johnson	Aryelle and Lyndsay Edmonds
Altar Care Tracee Robinson	Tracee Robinson and Darin Page			
Tellers Harriet Demorest	Richard Chavanak Jerry Hall and Erick Kyro	Richard Chavanak Jerry Hall and Erick Kyro	Ernie and Doris Gaston Dean Lemponen Ed Kotajarvi	Ernie and Doris Gaston Dean Lemponen Ed Kotajarvi
Fellowship Hour Janet Kotajarvi Shirley Pulley	Congregational Meeting	Young at Heart	Women of the ELCA	June Birthdays
Audio Recording	Ed Wardell			Jerry Hall
Flowers Sharon Hall				
Worship Folder and Bulletin	Christina Wardell			

If you cannot serve on your appointed day, please arrange for a substitute and call the church office at (248) 357-1848.