

Emmanuel Ev. Lutheran Church

Sunday Divine Service is at 9:15 a.m.

Sunday School & Bible Class begin at 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday Evening Service is at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel.

Thursday Morning Bible Class is at 9:15 a.m. in Memorial Hall.

## News, Notes & Numbers—Continued

- ◆ **Facebook.** Facebook is another opportunity to get up-to-date information with what is happening at Emmanuel Lutheran. Like us at “Emmanuel Lutheran Church-Mo Synod.”
- ◆ **Website.** Our website has been renovated and updated. Check it out at: [emmanueladell.org](http://emmanueladell.org)
- ◆ **Completed Personal Information forms** can be put in the box labeled “Personal Information forms” on the table in the Narthex.
- ◆ **The congregation continues to be blessed** by our daily Bible reading schedule. Join us for the 30 days of June as we read *1 Samuel* for our chapter-a-day challenge (use the inserted Bible Challenge bookmark to help you keep track).

## HAPPY FATHER’S DAY

*May God continue to reform our church to His Word.  
God bless your June!*

*“And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us, And establish the work of our hands for us; Yes, establish the work of our hands.” Psalm 90:17* (Bible reference inscribed on our church cornerstone, circa 1916)



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# Emmanuel News

## Covid-19 Guidelines

At every Liturgy, Jesus works to shape us into his Community. It is joy! Covid-19 challenges His divine embrace by demanding distance between us. So goes our broken world. The pastoral challenge is to find a calm, factual, reasonable way forward. Given what we know, let's try this.

If your immune system is compromised, please see *an Elder* about receiving the Holy Supper.

- It is highly recommended that everyone wears a mask as recommended by the CDC.
- If you have a cold, cough, are prone to sneezing or are running a fever please refrain from attending church.
- Please do not shake hands, hug, or kiss — but know that we still love each other!
- Please scatter throughout the Sanctuary, leaving at least 6’ between your family and the folks nearby — we have plenty of space for social distancing!
- Every other pew will be blocked off with blue painter’s tape to maintain a safe seating order.
- The communion sign-in sheets have been removed.
- Clorox wipes are available in the narthex for your personal use.
- The offering will be taken in the narthex after the service.
- The complete service will be printed in a service bulletin.
- No hymnals will be in the pews, you may bring your own if you so desire, but please take it home with you.
- Communion will be served at the front of church in family groups. Please step forward in an orderly fashion maintaining the 6’ social distance.
- Please hand sanitize with the available hand sanitizer before communing.
- Please accept the bread of the Holy Supper in your hand only.
- The wine will be in individual cups only. Please pick up the cup, replace it in the return tray and exit down the far east aisle.
- **At the end of distribution, the congregation stands and Pastor will speak the blessing before we sing the Post Communion Canticle (NUNC DIMITIS ~ Song of Simeon).**

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## Highlights

- Divine services will resume June 7, 2020.
- Midweek Divine services will resume June 10, 2020, and will be held in Church.
- Confirmation will be held June 14, 2020, at 11:15 a.m.
- Divine services with Communion will be held the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month.
- The Call Meeting has been scheduled for June 29, 2020, at 6 p.m.

## Thursday Morning Bible Class

Thursday Morning Bible Class will not be held in June.

## Sunday School

NO Sunday School will be held in June.

## Sunday Bible Class

NO Sunday Bible Class will be held in June.

## Worship Attendance

No physical services were conducted the weeks of 5/3, 5/10, 5/17, 5/24 and 5/31.

## Covid-19 Guidelines—Continued

- After the divine service, Pastor Scheblein will NOT greet folks at the door, as that creates a crowd, the **Elders** will be available to you in the common area.
- All Bible studies and Sunday School have been canceled until further notice.

As we learn more, we will adapt. Please check our Facebook page, or contact a church council member if you need further information.

Peace!

## From Your Elders

The Elders (Dan Kaiser, Chris Neumann, Mark Mathe and Alex Ourada) wanted to share a few details about our decisions regarding holding Confirmation during a separate service and holding off on our Pastoral Call Meeting.

**First**, Confirmation will be held during a special confirmation service on June 14, after our normal service at 9:15 a.m. The confirmation service will take place after the church is disinfected and will start roughly at 11:15 a.m. This decision was due to the need to continue to observe social distancing, maintain cleanliness within our church, and knowing that we will have many guests attending the confirmation service. We have also, due to the current situation, decided that only invited family and friends of the confirmands attend this service. The Elders understand that the congregation would love to attend this service, but due to Covid-19 we feel that this is a small sacrifice that we will need to observe. Our goal is to hold the attendance to under 70 to comply with the states recommendation of only allowing 30% occupancy in public buildings.

**Second**, the Pastoral Call Meeting will take place on **Monday June 29 at 6:00 p.m.** The Elders felt that we are in a great place with Pastor Scheblein as our vacancy pastor. However, we need to be conscious of the current congregation of our called pastor. The call meeting states that once a pastoral candidate is voted on and approved, the call request is placed directly after the meeting. Calling a pastor, potentially, within days of his congregation getting back together would add unneeded stress to his congregation. It's understandable that we would love to have our Call Meeting on June 7, but the Elders felt that we need to use caution as we gather back together as a congregation. We will gather and meet to call a pastor that God has chosen for us, it will just take a little more time.

## Common Council News & Actions

The church council has accepted the bids for the hail damage claim from last year. Guide One Insurance has agreed to replace the roofs of the church, fellowship hall and parsonage along with the siding and gutters of the parsonage using Expert Exteriors LLC of West Bend. The total cost to the church is the \$1,000 deductible.

Work on the parsonage continues with the woodwork being cleaned of paint splatters and a new coat of shellac applied. The downstairs floors have been sanded and re-finished. The basement is awaiting bids to rough in a new three-quarter bath and laundry room. All the heating duct work is now in the rafters, plenty of headroom unless your over six and a half feet tall.

We are looking for volunteers to be part of our "Safe Opening Team." We are genuinely concerned for the continued good health of our congregation. Strict, adhered-to cleaning and disinfecting regimens of our buildings must follow the CDC guidelines for large gatherings of people. The *Safe Opening Team* will be responsible for:

- Following the Sheboygan County's guidelines for safe reopening;
- Implementing and maintaining specific cleaning guidelines;
- Following up each week to verify the facility has been properly maintained; and
- Being available to any member to validate our cleaning program.

*If you are willing to step forward, please contact an Elder or Andy Schmitt.*

## Mission of the Month—June

Our mission of the month is *Lutherans in Africa* (LIA) and the work of Rev. James May. LIA trains African pastors, evangelists, and church workers, to be teachers in their own communities. Luther's Small Catechism, and the Book of Concord are translated to provide doctrinal resources in African languages. We continue our prayers each week for this mission as they raise up not only this generation in Africa, but lay the foundations for the next. For more information visit [lutheransin africa.com](http://lutheransin africa.com) and prayerfully consider a financial gift to LIA by designating any amount on the mission line of your June envelope to further the spread of the Gospel in Africa. "Faith comes from hearing and hearing through the Word of Christ." Romans 10:17



**Lutherans IN Africa**  
FORMING AFRICAN LUTHERANS TO BE TEACHERS OF THE FAITH



## Call Meeting on June 29, 2020 at 6 p.m.

## News, Notes & Numbers

♦ \$400.00 was received for the **April Mission**, Rev. David Preus, LCMS Missionary to the Dominican Republic. We thank you for your gifts that supported this mission.

♦ **A Place of Refuge Ministries** thanked us for our recent gift of \$490 and indicated our generous support is deeply appreciated.

♦ **Call Committee.** The Call Committee met on Monday, April 20, to decide on the candidates to be brought forward for a vote at the upcoming Call Meeting scheduled for **June 29, 2020, at 6 p.m.** The list of candidates presented to Emmanuel by Rev. John C. Wille were: Mark Birkholtz of Oak Lawn, IL\*; Dennis Boettcher of Sheboygan, WI; Allan Buss; Daniel Grimmer of Mitchell, SD\*; David Juhl of Momence, IL; Brian Ketelsen of St. Edward, NE; Kevin Mann of Henning, MN\*; Craig Meissner of Crete, IL; Jonathan

Mumme of Grafton, WI\*; Mark Pierson of Costa Mesa, CA; and John Taggatz of Weyauwega, WI\*.

(\* ) Call Committee recommendations.

♦ **Confirmation.** Logan Michaels, Sarah Mitchell, Miranda Mumme and Allyson Neumann will be confirmed on June 14, 2020.

♦ **Offerings.** Please consider that ministry must continue here at Emmanuel, as well as in our Synod. **We need your regular offerings to continue that ministry here in our congregation and beyond.** Please mail your monthly or weekly contributions to **Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 326 Center Ave., Adell, WI 53001**, using the self-addressed, stamped envelope provided in the May Newsletter.

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## Learning from our History

On May 16, 1949, it was Resolved to conduct German services on the 4th Sunday of the month with an English service in the evening.

On January 16, 1950, it was Resolved that no one is to have the privilege of burial from the church without having been formally accepted as a member.

On October 16, 1950, since the dismissal of the student teacher, it was Resolved to call a permanent teacher with a salary set at \$225 per month.

On January 15, 1951, it was Resolved to conduct a Vacation Bible School; Resolved to accept pupils from St. Stephen's Batavia in our school; Resolved to call Frank Warnke as the teacher.

On September 10, 1951, it was Resolved to hold a 35th anniversary celebration on October 14 with German and English services, inviting Pastor Schroth as guest preacher.

On January 21, 1952, Pastor's salary was increased to \$250 per month.