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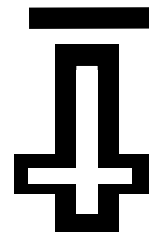
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Post It Notes from Pastor Luehr



A few years ago when I first heard that our local ELCA camp, Luther Glen, was putting in a farm, I thought it was a terrible idea. I remember thinking, “What are they doing that for? What do farm animals have to do with teaching kids about Jesus?!?” Lucky for me, I was very, very wrong. About five years ago, the staff at Lutheran Retreats, Camps and Conferences decided to put a small teaching farm in between their two nearby properties of Luther Glen Conference Center and what was then Yoliwja Camp in Oak Glen, CA. Shortly thereafter, they also renamed the entire facility Luther Glen.

As you may have guessed, running a farm, even a small one, takes a lot of work. So whenever our youth go there for our Emanuel Summer Weekend or for the Winter Retreats, farm chores are part of the weekend. Suddenly the weekends spent up there are not just about “what I can get out of it,” rather they began to be focused on “what I can give back.” The realization that God’s creation is much bigger than just my own home or school or friend group becomes very real when you are put in charge of the care of animals and crops that need your attention.

Luther Glen has blessed many of our young people at Emanuel, and a few adults too! On June 9, we have an opportunity to bless them back. They are holding a Barn (Fund) Raising Event. They would like to build a barn for their animals, the feed supply and for the many kids and youth that come through their campus and they are holding a fundraising event on June 9 at the farm. More information is on page 8, however, **I will be driving the church van to this event for any who would like to attend and do not wish to drive themselves (including youth who wish to attend). If you ever wondered what Luther Glen was like or would like to join us, please let me know by Wednesday, June 6.** I know our young people would love to show you why this place is special.



Pastor
Cate
Luehr





From the Board of Parish Education

Sunday School Class Schedule: Sunday School classes are held weekly. Join us on Sunday mornings for classes for all age groups starting at age three. Visitors are always welcome!

- **Classes for Preschool to 5th grade** meet at 10:00 AM in Moerer Hall. We will culminate our study about the adventures of Daniel and Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego in Babylon. We will make connections to our lives today about how God calls each of us to have courage and take a stand for what is right.
- **Middle School / Sr. High:** This class meets in the Youth Room at 10:00 AM with Janine Ward and Denise Whitcher. We encourage all middle school and high school youth to come whenever they can. Summer is here! It's time to study God's Word through an amazing Bible study.

Offerings: Our weekly offerings will continue to go to the Good Samaritan Fund this month as we help the families in La Habra. We pray each week reflecting on the many "Hopes and Prayers" that our youth wrote in January. This month we hope and pray that people will treat others how they want to be treated.

Seekers: School will soon be ending for the summer and Seekers youth will not be meeting in June, July, and August. See you in September!

VBS — A Three Day Adventure: "Polar Blast—Where Jesus' Love Is Cool"

This year, VBS will be Friday evening, July 13 (5:30-8:15PM), Saturday, July 14 (10:00AM-1:00PM), and will end Sunday, July 15, with a 10:00AM brunch and slideshow. Don't miss out! Mark your calendars! Thanks to Cheska Cuyno and Chris DeLaTorre for taking on the Director's role. Please pray for the VBS program. Watch for more details!



It's Play Time!!! The play "Danny and the Shacks" will be performed on **Sunday, June 3, at the 10:45 AM Worship Service**. We thank all the parents who have supported their students as they prepared to present this play to our congregation. Our kids have learned that their effort to learn the script is a service that honors God. We have learned a lot through the retelling of the faith adventures of Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego in Babylon. We especially thank Denyelle Villicano and Francis Cuyno for assisting each week with our rehearsals.



Please continue to pray for the spiritual growth of the youth and adults.

Board of Parish Education



Heart And Hands Outreach Sharing the Good News!

"Feed My Sheep" – John 21

COMMUNITY SHARING AND CARING OUTREACH:

WINGS:

Dozens of sweat shirts, sweat pants, and pajamas for adults and children, along with hygiene items were collected in May and given to the WINGS Shelter Ministry for victims of domestic violence.

DANIEL ALVAREZ CENTER:

Men's socks and household cleaning items will go to the Daniel Alvarez Center on June 17 for men in addiction recovery. Mops, brooms, dust cloths, paper towels, and cleaning items such as 409 or Windex are needed.

Thanks to Andy Zambrano for leading this ministry for men who are seeking recovery from addiction in this Christian environment.



WHAT'S YOUR PRIORITY OUTREACH?

Do you have a heart for . . .

- . . . Women and Children of domestic violence?
WINGS Shelter Opportunities — Angel Tree and Clothing
- . . . Caring for small children and their moms?
FRISTERS — Angel Tree, Books, Diapers & Wipes
- . . . Helping men in addiction recovery?
Daniel Alvarez Center — Socks, household items (all year round)
- . . . Feeding our La Habra neighbors?
La Habra Community Resource Care Center — Food items (all year round)
- . . . Helping students learn?
Study Buddies (new ministry at Emanuel) — School supplies and tutoring help
- . . . Assisting returning vets?
Patriots & Paws — Household items, furniture, Thanksgiving baskets
- . . . Emanuel Good Samaritan Fund?
Through LHCRCC, provides vouchers for emergency shelter.
- . . . People who are visually impaired and need glasses?
Donation of used glasses and cases to Lion's Club.
- . . . Helping children learn more about God?
Donation for preschool and third grade Bibles.
- . . . Something else? LET US KNOW!

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO JOIN US WHEN WE MEET ON SATURDAY, JUNE 30, AT 10:00 AM IN THE LIBRARY.

EVANGELISM: “Take It To The Lord In Prayer” — prayers for our church, our pastor, our world, and any special needs, in the Chapel or wherever you are at 8:30 on Saturday mornings. We now have seven people praying every week. Join us. We are hoping to run out of space in the Chapel and move to a larger prayer space. If you have a prayer request, please let the Pastor know and it will be lifted up. We have met and prayed weekly for over five years and we have seen miracles.

Thank you for your generous Hearts and Hands!

Jeanette Parr
Facilitator



HAHO OPPORTUNITY CALENDAR

THESE MINISTRIES ARE OFFERED AS OPTIONS FOR YOU. PLEASE DO NOT FEEL OBLIGATED TO PARTICIPATE. DO ONLY WHAT GOD CALLS YOU TO DO.

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| June: | Daniel Alvarez Center – Household Cleaning and Maintenance Items |
| July/August: | Support VBS, Parish Ed and Children’s Ministries |
| September: | FRISTERS/KIDSTERS Books |
| October: | Bibles for Preschool & Third Graders
Collect unneeded eyeglasses for the Lion’s Club. |
| November: | Veteran’s Outreach |
| December: | Angel Tree(s) |

All opportunities will be highlighted with more information in the “Good News” and the weekly bulletin.

*****Subject To Adjustment*****



STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE CARDS

Following Stewardship Sunday (April 29), pledge cards were mailed to the congregation for this year's commitment to giving of your time, talents and treasures. You were encouraged to keep the cards for a time and prayerfully consider your response to what Jesus did for each of us.

We are asking that you return your cards now if you have not already done so. We thank you for your commitment to the work of the Lord at Emanuel and pray you are blessed in your commitment. There are more cards available on the table in the Narthex.

The Stewardship Committee



ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Our Annual Congregational Meeting will be held Sunday, **June 24, 2018**, at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Be sure and pick up your copy of the Annual Report. They will be available in the Narthex on Sunday, June 10, or you can pick one up in the Church Office during the week of June 11.

Please plan to attend!



SCHOPPA SCHOLARSHIPS

The Elroy Schoppa Scholarship Fund is provided by Emanuel Lutheran Church for scholarships to members of Emanuel, who are, or will be attending in the next academic year, an accredited college or vocational school.

To be eligible the student must attend approximately fifty percent (50%) of the Sunday worship services and fifty percent (50%) of the scheduled youth meetings for at least two years within four years of applying for this award. They must also maintain a grade point average of at least 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale. In each subsequent year, for a maximum of four years, the recipient must provide a copy of their transcripts to continue the scholarship.

We currently have three recipients of Schoppa scholarships. **Erika Reyes**, graduating Franklin University in Lugano, and **Jamie Whitcher**, graduating Westmont College in Santa Barbara, are both in their fourth year of receiving Schoppa scholarships. **Jessica Mora**, attending Cal State Fullerton, is in her first year of receiving a Schoppa scholarship. If you would like more information or an application, please contact Warren Parr, Wolfgang Hessel, or Dwight Carey.



PRESCHOOL PROMOTION CEREMONY

**TUESDAY, JUNE 12 AT 6:00 PM IN THE SANCTUARY
FOLLOWED BY A RECEPTION ON MOERER HALL**



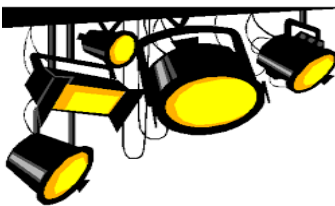
“DANNY & THE SHACKS”

**Spring Play
Sunday, June 3 at 10:45 AM**

All children are invited to join us as we present our Spring Play.

The play is a retelling of the faith adventures of Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego in Babylon. They are faced with competing in a Babylonian Warrior Challenge but they never forget the source of their strength. Faced with dangerous situations, they refused to compromise their beliefs.

Practices are on Sunday mornings at 10:00 AM and Thursdays from 5:30-7:00 PM. The Spring Play will be presented on Sunday, June 3, at the 10:45 AM Praise Worship Service. There will be a potluck luncheon following the service. All are invited to attend!



SPRING TALENT SHOW

**Sunday, June 10, 5:00 PM
Emanuel Lutheran Church**

Emanuel is planning a Spring Talent Show on Sunday, June 10, at 5:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. All are invited to participate and attend.

If you wish to participate, please contact the church office at churchinfo@elclh.org or Stephanie Young at stephanieyoungsings@gmail.com. Also, you can speak with the pastor, or put your information on one of the blue pew cards and return it in the offering plate. Please consider getting involved in this fun activity.

There will be an ice cream social following the concert. Invite your family and friends!



“STUDY BUDDIES” NEW PROGRAM AT EMANUEL

Beginning this fall, we are expanding our Children’s Ministry by offering a free afterschool tutoring program called “Study Buddies.” This program will be totally run by volunteers and is open to children of the congregation and as an outreach to children in our surrounding neighborhood. It will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:30-5:30 PM for children in grades 1 through 6.

BUT before we can do this, we need to know how many of you might be interested in giving two hours a week (pick either Tuesday or Thursday) to help a child get his/her homework done for the night! We can’t do it without YOU! Typical homework would include vocabulary (word definitions), grammar, math, practice spelling tests, reading aloud to you, help finding current events on the internet, classroom computer homework or remedial work such as flashcards (addition and multiplication) and reading sight words.

The program will be led by Jill Drummond who has led a similar program in Yorba Linda for 10 years. If you would like to join the fun of this pilot program, let Jill know ASAP at (714) 403-0956 or call the church office. You will have FUN! Guaranteed!

What’s a farm without a barn?

*Imagine a school without any classrooms
or a house without a kitchen.*

A farm without a barn
is incomplete.



Luther Glen
Barn

WWW.LRCCHOME.COM/BARNRAISING

We are building a barn at Luther Glen
and we need you to be involved.

BARN RAISING FUNDRAISER
JUNE 9TH 2018 **SAVE
THE
DATE**

EVENT DETAILS

The Barn Raising Fundraiser is your opportunity to see Luther Glen, enjoy fellowship with our community and help raise enough money to begin building the Luther Glen Barn! If you would like to ride in the church van, let Pr. Cate know by June 6.

BARN RAISING FUNDRAISER
Saturday, June 9
3:00pm - 8:00pm

3-5 Activities/Silent Auction
5-5:30 Presentation/Blessing
5:30-6:30 Dinner
6:30 Live Auction



ELFFF'S RESTAURANT GROUP (EMANUEL LUTHERAN FOOD-FUN-FELLOWSHIP)

All adults who enjoy the above are invited to join the ELFFF's on **Saturday, June 2 at 5:00 PM at the Fullerton Sizzler** (1401 N. Harbor Blvd). Everyone orders and pays individually at the counter. The restaurant has reserved a private room for our group.

For more information, contact Ricki Fehr at rickifehr@yahoo.com (714-718-6127) or Jeanette Parr at parr3@roadrunner.com (562-761-9488).

*** HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE ***



PROJECT ROCK BAND BY TRITONE MUSIC ACADEMY

Emanuel will again welcome Project Rock Band this summer from June 11 through July 20. Kids 4th through 9th grade (ideally with at least one year of experience reading music) will have the opportunity to participate in a week-long band camp (10:00AM-4:00PM daily) and choose between Lead-Vocals, Electric Guitar, Bass or Drums! By the end of the week, they will perform two songs in a full band!

Any questions? Visit their website at tritonemusicacademy.wordpress.com or email them at office.tritone@gmail.com.

JOY CIRCLE



The Joy Circle Bible Study will meet on **Monday, June 11, from 9:30-11:00 AM. Please note this is the second Monday, rather than the third Monday of the month.** The Joy Circle is a women's group that normally gathers on the third Monday of each month in the Hope Center Library for fellowship and treats and to participate together in a Bible study taken from *Gather Magazine*, the magazine published by Women of the ELCA.

This month, Joy Circle will be a follow-up to May's study looking at prayer. If you have never been to Joy Circle, I encourage you to come June 11 and try it out!

The Joy Circle will take July and August off and will resume September 17. All women are welcome to join.

Kid's Korner

DADS are a BLESSING

Surprise your dad or another special man with this Father's Day gift.



What you need:

- Photos of you and your loved one (together, if possible)
- Scissors
- 8.5" x 11" paper
- Glue stick
- Marker
- 8.5" x 11" photo frame



What you do:

1. Cut photos into shapes (hearts, circles, etc.).
2. Arrange photos on the paper, leaving room for a message, and glue them down.
3. Write: "I'm blessed as can be. My heavenly Father has given me the best _____ [dad, uncle, friend] in the world, and he belongs to me!"
4. Place your picture message in the frame.
5. Give your gift to show love and appreciation.



Beloved children

God our heavenly Father loves us so much that he calls us his.

Directions: Follow the instructions below. Then read the remaining words, going across the rows from left to right, to complete 2 Corinthians 6:18, NIV.

- Cross out the opposite of blessings.
- Cross out the opposite of found.
- Cross out the disciple who betrayed Jesus.
- Cross out a word for disobeying God.
- Cross out the opposite of love.
- Cross out a word for jail.
- Cross out what happened to Jesus.
- Cross out an animal.
- Cross out the opposite of friends.
- Cross out a place.
- Cross out a book of the Bible.

I	enemies	will	be	Judas
hate	a	Father	to	serpent
you	and	you	will	crucified
cursings	be	my	sons	and
sin	Golgotha	daughters	says	the
Lamentations	prison	Lord	Almighty	lost

Answer: "I will be a Father to you, and you will be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty;" 2 Corinthians 6:18, NIV