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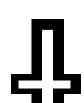
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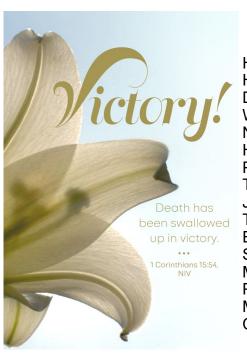
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### Flowers NEEDED to Decorate the Outside Cross for Easter

Bring cut flowers to Emanuel by 9 am Saturday, April 8 be decorating! Help "dress" the Easter cross. For our resurrection celebration! Questions? Contact Robyn Ospital or call the church office.





#### Help Needed with Easter Continental Breakfast

Let's get back to some fellowship fun!! A planning team is forming to offer a "continental breakfast" Easter morning that would begin after 6:30 sunrise worship and end before 10:45 worship starts! We hope to do something simple like hard boiled eggs, fruit salad, pastries, coffee and juice.



April 2 Palm/Passion Sunday Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm 31:9-16 Phil 2:5-11 Matthew 27:11-54

April 6 Maundy Thursday Exodus 12:1-4.11-14 Psalm 116:1-2.12-19 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 John 13:1-17.31b-35

April 7 Good Friday Isaiah 52:13-53:12 Psalm 22 Hebrew 10:16-25 John 18:1-19:42

### ~ SUNDAY BIBLE READINGS ~

### Palm Sunday

April 2 Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm 31:9-16 Phil 2:5-11

# Easter Sunday

April 9 Acts 10:34-43 Psalm 118:1-2,14-24 Colossians 3:1-4 Matthew 27:11-54 Matthew 28:1-10

April 16 Acts 2:14a,22-32 Psalm 16 1 Peter 1:3-9 John 20:19-31

April 23 Acts 2:14a,36-41 Psalm 116:1-4,12-19 1 Peter 1:17-23 Luke 24:13-35

April 30 Acts 2:42-47 Psalm 23

1 Peter 2:19-25 John 10:1-10



# HEART AND HANDS OUTREACH SHARING THE GOOD NEWS!

"Feed My Sheep" – John 21



#### **OPPORTUNITIES ABOUND TO SERVE GOD BY SERVING OUR NEIGHBORS!**

#### FOOD FOR OUR HUNGRY NEIGHBORS

We are now partnering with First Lutheran Church in Fullerton. They sponsor a food bank each week in addition to providing a free meal every Tuesday evening at "THE TABLE". Emanuel is partnering with them on the food bank and will be encouraging our members to provide food directly as well as our purchasing additional items from the monetary gifts given to HAHO. Our plan is deliver these items to First Lutheran on the last week of each month. There is a cart in the Narthex with a big pink sign. We delivered two carts full on March 21.

#### Here are the specific requested items: (Packages designed for families)

1 or 2 pound bags of rice (they use 100 every week) 12 – 16 oz. plastic jars of peanut better (crunchy preferred) 12 – 16 oz. packages of any variety of pasta Canned tuna or chicken Shelf stable milk (almond or soy – no refrigeration required)

Please keep this list handy and consider this when shopping and bring your items the last Sunday of every month and place in the food cart in the narthex.



### CARING FOR OUR SERVICE MEMBERS:

We collected a lot of gifts for our service people in Japan. After packing 11 boxes, we realized that we had not itemized what was in each box. We needed to open them and state specifically each box contents. It was going to be quite expensive to mail at \$22.00 per box.

SOOOOOO...we discovered we could take the items we already have to Patriots and Paws and they would be delivered in person to Camp Pendleton and Fort Irwin, as they make trips there weekly with furniture and household items. We contacted Pastor Shane Frieberg regarding sending funds via VENMO, as he has an account for this, and he could purchase the items at reduced cost at the PX and share them that way.

From a Stewardship perspective, we were able to reach out to and help twice as many people, rather than using funds for the mailing.

Thank you all for your contributions and for the help in sorting and packing.

HAHO is supporting and assisting on the Easter Community Event by subsidizing the animals from LRCC for the petting zoo and with helping on the day of the event.

\*\*\*IF YOU WANT TO HELP WITH THESE COLLECTIONS OR DELIVERIES, PLEASE LET US KNOW. WE'D LOVE TO HAVE YOU. THE JOY AND SATISFACTION OF HELPING OUR NEIGHBORS IS THE BEST GIFT\*\*\*

Jeanette Parr Facilitator The next HAHO meeting is 10 am SATURDAY, April 15. \*\*\* We would love to have you there! \*\*\*

# FROM THE BOARD OF PARISH EDUCATION

#### Come join Sunday School in-person each Sunday at 10:00 AM!

#### Sunday School

Kids three years through sixth grade meet in Moerer Hall at 10:00. Visitors are always welcome! We are continuing learning about the importance of prayer in our lives and encouraging the kids to be an active participant during worship in church. Our youth will join the Emanuel choir singing on Palm Sunday. Here we are practicing with Stephanie.

#### **Offerings**

Planting trees in California. The youth are enthusiastic about this project

of helping God's creation by planting trees in fire and drought damaged areas. It only takes a dollar to plant one tree sapling.

#### Study Buddies FREE Tutoring

We now have 12 tutors that are helping the youth each week. Study Buddies will not meet during Holy Week on April 4 and April 6. The program is open to all children in our surrounding neighborhood as well as our Emanuel Lutheran families on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:00-4:30 PM.

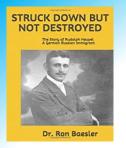
#### Community Egg Hunt and Craft Event:

At this writing, plans are being finalized for a Neighborhood Easter Egg Hunt and Craft Event on April 1st. We thank HAHO and everyone who have supported this event. We will share pictures next month.

#### Please pray for the spiritual growth of our youth and adults.

Parish Ed Team





# NEW BOOK STUDY IN CLASSROOM & ZOOM THURSDAY, APRIL 20TH AT 10 AM

Join us as we begin <u>STRUCK</u> <u>DOWN BUT NOT DESTROYED</u>

by Ron Baesler. Pastor Ron will join us in person to give an introductory overview of his biographical novel! Join us in this SPECIAL EVENT! **ALL are Invited!** 

You can purchase a copy at Amazon for \$10.

Call or email the church office at churchinfo@elclh.org (562) 691-0656 to receive the weekly zoom link.



Flowers Needed

Each year we decorate the Sanctuary and the outside patio cross on the Saturday before Easter. We are asking for flower donations for our *OUTSIDE* cros Bring cut flowers to Emanuel by 9 am Saturday, April 8 be decorating! Help "dress" the Easter cross. For our resurrection celebration! Questions? Contact Robyn Ospital or call the church office.







# JOY CIRCLE WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY 9:30 – 11 AM MONTHLY ON 3RD MONDAY

# WINTER STUDY MONDAY, APRIL 17

## "The Ten Commandments" by the Rev. Christa von Zychilin

#### Winter Bible Study



These commandments are more than they appear at first glance. Get ready to explore old and new interpretations of God's laws, using Luther's Small and Large Catechism and more!

#### We will continue our study of – Session 3 "The sanctity of life and love" (Commandments 5 & 6)

Remember the Sabbath and Honor Your Folks. Find out how these commands offer a source of peace and inspiration in today's often hectic and generationally segregated society and church.

- Bring your Bible and join us the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month in Moerer Hall.
- New to the group?? Email the church office <u>churchinfo@elclh.org</u>. A copy of the study is emailed the week before.
- If you prefer to join us via Zoom, be sure to call/email the church office ahead of time.

NOTE: refreshments start at 9:30 & we stop for prayer at 11 am

#### TAKE IT TO THE LORD IN PRAYER

Have you ever wondered about this Prayer Group and what they do? Have you ever asked for prayers? And were they answered?

Take It To The Lord in Prayer has been meeting every week for 10 years, and praying online for our Church, our members who need prayers, others who request prayer, our country, our world, and other needs.



Hundreds of prayers have been offered and answered.

If you'd like to know more, please join us at 9:30 AM every Saturday in Moerer Hall. We will pray together (no one will ask you to pray if you don't want to!)

YOUR PRAYER TEAM





# THANK YOU FOR SERVING CHRIST THROUGH EMANUEL!

Scripture says that we ARE Christ's body in the world, God's hands and feet. God has given ALL of us gifts for ministry and when we use those gifts together, God is glorified!

Each month we want to lift up a few people in our congregation that have gone "the extra mile" in helping us be Christ's Church. Please call or email the church office (<u>churchinfo@elclh.org</u>) to suggest others who might be thanked in future newsletters!

#### Тнапк уои то ...

- ~ All serving as ushers, greeters, readers and communion servers
- ~ For the Prayer Team for putting together the Lenten Vespers, "Were You There?" and for Sabrina who assisted with the technical and communication needs
- ~The Presenters at the Lenten Vespers for Prayers, Scriptures, Lessons, and Music: Cindy Reyes, Kevin Garcia, Cici Schnakenberg, John Mathieson, Mary Ann Carlson, Carl Pulley, Susan Fallon, Jeff Ward, Denise Whitcher, Geoff Roberts, and Stephanie Young
- ~Jack Ward, Jeff Ward, Jerry Schnakenberg, Mary Ann Carlson, Jonine Sodders, and Sabrina Rubio who continuously struggle with the roof leaks, and work on solutions
- Robyn Ospital who has spearheaded numerous potluck events and made them perfect for the attendees
- Pastor Ron Baesler and Pastor Steve Bieghler who helped lead worship while we search for a settle pastor
- The Prayer Team and Stephen Ministers who faithfully care for and visit those who are unable to attend worship in person
- ~ To Jill Drummond for coordinating our free study buddies tutoring program
- ~ The Call Team who continuously gave their effort to help find our settle pastor
- ~ Special thanks to ALL who donated for Food Bank Sunday
- ~ Jack Ward and Geoff Roberts who work in the sound and video booth to make sure there is worship availability and both in the sanctuary and on-line
- ~ Stephanie Young for coordinating the wonderful baby shower for Amy Nuss
- ~Jeanette Parr, Jack Ward, Jerry Schnakenberg and John Ospital for helping to search for the office's new phone system
- ~Chip Whitcher for hanging the Easter banner outside
- ~ Volunteers counters who help process and deposit all offering each week
- ~ Jerry Schnakenberg for organizing worship leaders each week as we look for our settle pastor
- ~ Study buddies dad Randy Squires for the new clock in the Library

## EASY WAYS TO SUPPORT EMANUEL FINANCIALLY

Thank you for your financial gifts to God through Emanuel Lutheran Church!!! Below are 4 ways to give:

- Entryway offering plate
- Mail to the Church Office
- "Giving" link online at <u>www.elclh.org</u>
- Text dollar amount to 562-210-0007

Our bank has recently notified us how checks must be written in order to be accepted. We are asking for your assistance to avoid future checks being refused.

- Checks must be made payable to **EMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH** (full name written out)
- Checks are to be written using **blue or black ink only** (other colors not acceptable)
- Make sure the **number in the amount is the same as the amount written in words** (\$100.00 = one-hundred and no/100 dollars)
- Sign Your Check
- Please indicate in the memo line if the check is for a specific ministry.

Thank you SO MUCH for your assistance. If more convenient, you may also give online through our website (www.elclh.org) under the Giving tab or through text message (see above). Thank you for your continued generous support through your offerings.

> FREE STUDY BUDDIES TUTORING 3-4:30 PM TUESDAY & THURSDAY

# Study Buddies, our FREE tutoring program for grades 1-6, meets at Emanuel on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3-4:30 PM in the Hope Center Library.



Invite a friend or neighbor! Flyers are available at Sunday's Welcome Table.

Questions? Call Jill Drummond (714-403-0956)

If you'd like to contribute to the fun, they are always in need of snacks for the kids. Lunch box size bags of chips, water and drink boxes are supplied to our students while they study.



# Emanuel Lutheran Preschool Now Enrolling



Emanuel Lutheran Preschool is enrolling students!

- Our preschool is open all year-round.
- We are a state licensed, non-profit organization dedicated to providing an atmosphere of love and acceptance in which all children are encouraged to develop to their fullest potential.
- Our teachers are dedicated to support and inspire your child's progress.
- Daily activities include motor development, social skills, and language skills to benefit your child at their appropriate level.

If you or someone you know is looking for child care reach out to preschool director Jonine Sodders (562)694-5316 or email EmanuelPreschoolLaHabra@hotmail.com ~ PRAYER ~ God's Word tells us It is the most POWERFUL FORCE GOD HAS ENTRUSTED TO US!



*Have a prayer request for yourself or others?* Call or email the church office and we will share it with the Prayer Team.

# Want to make time to pray with others?

Consider joining the Prayer Group in person in the Youth Room or via Zoom 8:30-9:30 AM Saturday mornings.

Want to be part of the Prayer Team? Contact the church office.

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# **PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER ~ APRIL 2023**

### \*\*\* Save this for reference throughout the month. \*\*\*

& Prayers "Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, and faithful in prayer." Romans 12:12

### **Special Prayer Focus for This Month**

In Our

Hearts

- ~ God's Holy Spirit would be stirred in every one of God's children at Emanuel that we would each find new ways to share God's love with the people around us with courage and boldness
- ~ God's wisdom, timing and direction for Emanuel's Call Team and Council to bring us together with the pastor God desires at Emanuel

#### **Continuing Prayers**

- ~ Ruth Fehr
- ~ Sharon Frazier
- ~ Mischelle and John Uhlman
  - an ~ Jerry Schnakenberg el ~ Chuck Holtzendorff

~ Dan Toussaint

~ V.J.

~ Maiju and Wolfgang Hessel

#### **Assisted Living Centers/Homebound**

- ~ Shirley Jordan Park Vista
- ~ Margaret Roberts Addie's Cottage Anaheim
- ~ Betty Gould St. Elizabeth's Rehab, Fullerton

#### Friends and Family to Remember

- ~ Ruth Ann Kiszka (Celeste Templeton cousin)
- ~ Mike Petrelli (Doris Rossoni son)
- ~ Jay recovering after heart transplant
- ~ George Templeton (Celeste Templeton brother)
- ~ Dani, Luke, Jane & family
- ~ "Mo" & Andy

### Prayers of Thanksgiving

~ Emanuel's staff, for all the musicians, worship assistants, altar care, sound, video and other volunteers who make it possible for us to worship God in person and online

~For the families affected by the Nashville tragedy

~Thanks for the all of Emanuel's friends, members who help find our new settle Pastor Laherty

~ For Emanuel's church and preschool staff who support all of us in sharing our gifts as we serve Christ and our neighbor and lead ministry together

~ For Church Council, Call Team, ministry leaders throughout Emanuel who often serve God quietly, humbly and sacrificially, always seeking to glorify God and not themselves

~For the gift of prayer and never-ending conversations where God listens and speaks into our lives and our world.

If you have prayer concerns to add to Emanuel's list, please contact the church office at (562) 691-0656. Once a month, names will be removed from the list that have been in print at least eight consecutive weeks (except those who request extended prayer). You are welcome to re-submit any names removed from the list, or you may remove a name at any time by contacting the church office. Thank you.

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#### ~ Stephanie Young ~ Shelley Reesman

- ~ Charlotte
- ~ Cathy Spangler

~ Jose

~ Adam

~ Bobby

~ Diana

~ Jean Arata

- ~ Eric Sessing Mirada Hills
- ~ Lee Reitzel Emerald Court
- ~ Ruth Wolfarth Emerald Court
- ~ Matt Rossoni (Doris Rossoni stepson)
- ~ Jesse Valdez
- ~ Abigail and Belinda and her family
- ~ Diana Holzendorff and family





- 2 Carl Crabb
- 2 Don Daucher
- 7 Susan Wright
- 11 Evan Reyes 13 Liam Williamson
- 15 Alexis Beiderwell
- 21 Mary Ann Carlson
- 21 Heidi Hemsley
- 24 Charlotte Pulley

- HDAYS
- 9 Peter Carey 16 Janna Haider
- 10 Christina Erickson 18 Ruth Wolfarth





6 Eric & Donna Stogner 10 Greg & Brenda Vrablik 18 Nathan & Brook Diaz 24 Kevin & Carmel Hemsley 29 Jeffrey & Kerry Ospital

# **BIBLE STUDY OF 1 SAMUEL**

**WED 9-10 AM** 



#### \*\*No experience needed!!\*

It's a fascinating book of scandal, betraval, murder and redemption. Through Samuel, God's prophet, priest and judge, we meet David (and Goliath) and see the rise and fall of King Saul, Israel's first king.

Call or email the church office at churchinfo@elclh.org to receive the Zoom link. All you need is a computer, tablet or smartphone.

#### CHRIST IN OUR HOME **APRIL/MAY/JUNE NOW AVAILABLE**

This guarterly devotional resource encourages us to live out our faith daily.

Each reflective reading is accompanied by a daily scripture reference and prayer for the day that follows the Revised Common Lectionary. Booklets are available in the church entryway or office.

Email churchinfo@elclh.org if you would like a copy mailed to you.



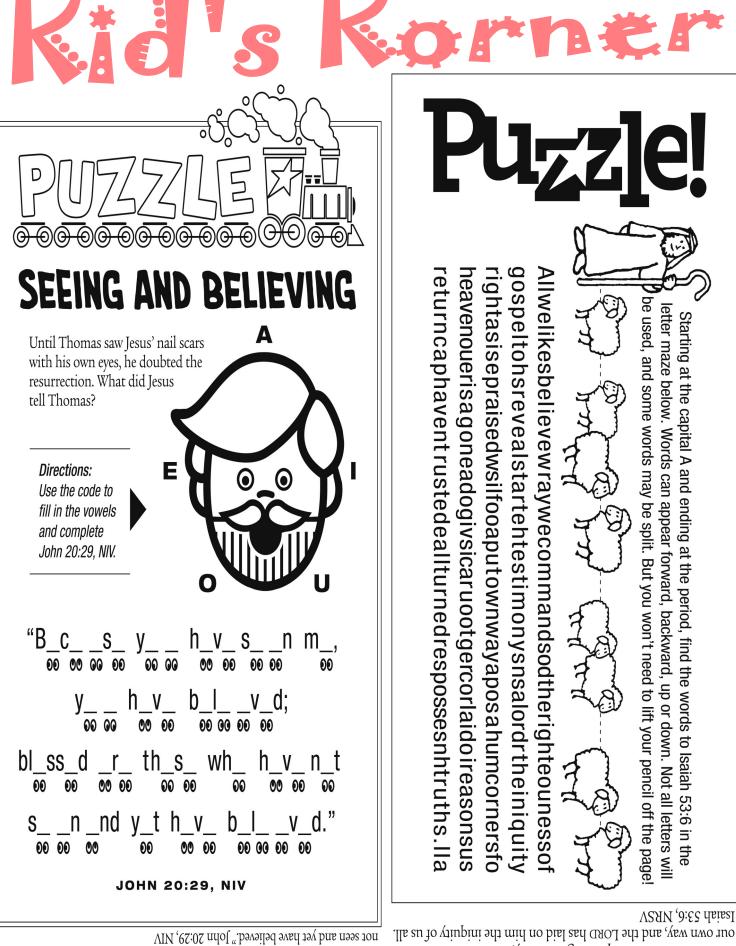
# PALM SUNDAY

April 2 at 9 am & 10:45 worship services

### Emanuel Lutheran Church welcomes Pastor Dennis Laherty as our full time pastor!!

JOIN US AS ....

EASTER SUNDAY 🤗 APRIL 9th Worship at 6:30 am, 9 am & 10:45 am



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Answer: All we like sheep have gone astray, we have all turned to

Answer: "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and ver have believed " John 20:29 MIV