



# EMAUS ELCA VISITOR

Caminando Juntos + We Walk Together

## May 2021

### EmausELCA Staff & Worship Times

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English-spoken worship services are held at Emaus every Saturday evening at 4:30 and Sunday mornings at 9:00.		
Spanish-spoken worship services are held at Emaus every Sunday morning at 11:00.		
Emaus office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday.		

### May Calendar

Sunday Worship (English) - Zoom, 9:00 am. In Person starting May 23

Saturday Worship (English) - 4:30 pm, In Person starting May 22

Sunday Worship (Spanish) - 11:00 am

#### English

May 2	Sunday Worship	Zoom, 9:00 am
May 2	First Communion and Confirmation	11:00 am Spanish Worship
May 5	Bible Study	Zoom, 1:00 pm
May 9	Sunday Worship	Zoom, 9:00 am
May 10	Communion Assistants Meeting	2:00 pm
May 12	Pew Sisters	Zoom, 1:00 pm
May 16	Sunday Worship	Zoom, 9:00 am
May 19	Pew Sisters	Zoom, 1:00 pm

May 22	Saturday Worship	In Person, 4:30 pm
May 23	Sunday Worship Pentecost, Wear Red	In Person, 9:00 am
May 26	Book Club	In Person, 1:00 pm
May 27	Northside Food Pantry	1:30 pm
May 29	Saturday Worship	In Person, 4:30 pm
May 30	Sunday Worship	In Person, 9:00 am

## From Pastor Marcy

Just two quick notes from me this month:

1. Barring any major changes in the COVID numbers, the Saturday night services will resume in person at 4:30 pm on May 22, 2021. The 9:00 am Sunday services will resume in person on May 23, 2021, with a Pentecost celebration (wear red) and First Communion. You will find details regarding new policies and procedures elsewhere in this newsletter.

If you are not comfortable returning in person at this time, we will still make the service available online. (Contact me at 262-635-1898 or [wieties@sbcglobal.net](mailto:wieties@sbcglobal.net) for more information.)

2. A great big thank you to everyone who sent cards, dropped off gifts, and/or participated in the drive-by for my birthday! You guys are amazing and I never stop thanking God for your presence in my life!

## Emaus Reopening Proposal

The following Reopening Proposal was approved at the EmausELCA Council meeting on Tuesday, March 16, 2021.

### Current worship with Emaus:

- Saturday 4:30 p.m. and Sunday 9:00 a.m. worshipers will continue online worship service via Zoom 9:00 a.m. Sunday mornings or pre-recorded services on YouTube. Pastor Marcy emails link.
- The 11:00 am Facebook live worship will continue Pastor Jaime leads worship.
- All worship services are available to view after on the Emaus ELCA website ([emauselca1.org](http://emauselca1.org)).

## **Tentative Starting Dates 2021**

April 25, 2021 for 11 am Spanish worship.

- May 2, 2021 for First Communion and Confirmation (11 am Spanish worship).
- May 22, 2021 for Saturday 4:30 pm English worship.
- May 23, 2021 for Sunday 9:00 am English worship and English First Communion.
- Baptisms can be held during worship services only.
- Building will remain closed for other groups (Pew Sisters , TOPS) and Hall use for events until at least August 2021.

## **Registration requirements**

- Person/s must register to attend in-person worship to ensure safe practice of social distancing and to prevent having to turn people away at the door. Limit of 100 people. There will be a wait list for the next worship service.
- Please call Maribel Madrid to register between 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. or 5:30 p.m. - 8p.m. at 262-884-5284. Please no text message. Maribel must ask for information.
- Ramiro Flores will call families to remind them of the in-person worship and to verify attendance.

**Further changes or additions will be determined by the Re-opening Committee.**

## **Requirements for in-person worship**

- Masks are REQUIRED.
- Temperatures will be taken
- 100-person limit.
- Follow directions from the Ushers and the posted signs.
- Persons **MUST** register to attend worship service.
- Families may sit together in the same group but maintain 6 feet apart from other worshipers.
- Worshipers need to stay seated in the marked areas. Children **MUST** always remain with their parents.
- No congregational singing. Music will be provided.
- No "Peace" handshake. Maybe a head nod to show "Peace".
- Directions will be given for Communion.
- When worship service concludes, offerings can be dropped into the designated boxes.

**Re-Opening Committee:** Pastor Jaime Dubón, Ramiro Flores, Cindi Larsen, Maribel Madrid, Cathy Meyer, Jess Sedgwick, and Pastor Marcy Wieties.

## April 2021 Pre-opening report

- 25 monetary gifts totaling \$20,592.04 (thank you letters mailed 4/12/21)
- Purchases made: \$3,848.60
  1. Commercial vacuum cleaner
  2. Washer and dryer
  3. Cleaning supplies
  4. 3 Hand sanitizer stations
  5. Refrigerator
  6. 3 Air Purifiers
- In-kind donations - face masks, Insinkerator garbage disposal, thermometers, filter for ice machine, 3 hand sanitizing stations, cleaning supplies, 2 janitor carts
- Upgrades, repairs made - painting, repair of Rug Doctor, piano tuning, repair of tile flooring, upgrade of internet, main floor utility closets
- Extra hourly help as of March 31 - \$1010
- 200 chairs have been cleaned and 50 have been removed from sanctuary
- To be completed - organ repair and tuning, plumbing/installation, cleaning, purchase of air purifiers, purchase of plexiglass for food handling, purchase of additional tables and chairs, upgrades in technology



Many thanks to Soledad Beltran for installing the new Insinkerator



Rich Christensen looks on as Soledad works

## **Confirmation and First Communion Classes**

Despite the Covid-19 Pandemic we are happy to honor the Emaus Confirmation Class and First Communion Classes who have recently completed their studies remotely.

On May 2, 2021, at the 11AM Worship Service, the Spanish First Communion Class will celebrate their First Communion. May 2nd is also the day that the Confirmation Class, having successfully completed their studies and understanding of the Lutheran Church, will be confirmed into our church.

On May 23, at the 9AM Worship Service, The English First Communion Class will celebrate their First Communion. We joyfully welcome all of these young people into our church family!

These students have been working toward this day for some time. They began in the Fall of 2019. They studied until March of 2020, when the church was forced to close due to the pandemic. Then, were able to resume their studies remotely early in 2021, and recently completed their work.

The devoted teachers for these classes have done a wonderful job in helping the students to understand and love their church. We are so grateful to Romero Flores, for teaching the Confirmation Class, to Imelda Flores for teaching the Spanish First Communion Class, and to Jamie Toslek for teaching the English First Communion Class. We thank them for their commitment to these young people and to our church and its future. We are truly Blessed for your work. Thank You.

## **Geraniums For Pentecost**

We are offering an opportunity to purchase geraniums which will be used to decorate the sanctuary for Pentecost. The cost per plant will be \$5.00. The deadline for ordering is May 8<sup>th</sup>.

Payment can be made by cash or check to EmausELCA or you can make your payment online designating "Geraniums" on the "Other" line.

Please respond by calling or emailing Kathy Christensen at 262-909-4799 or [rdckic63@yahoo.com](mailto:rdckic63@yahoo.com).

How many?

In memory or in honor of \_\_\_\_\_.

I wish to take my plant(s) home.

I wish to donate my plant to be planted on the church grounds.

## Care for the Caregiver

At some time in our lives, each of us may become caregivers. Caregiving is the regular provision of care to someone. Care will vary depending on the need of the recipient. The reasons may be dementia, serious illness, or debilitation following traumatic illness. While there are specific suggestions for providing care for every condition, it is necessary for those providing care to take care of themselves.

It is ideal to be able to share the care with other family members, or to bring in help to assist with personal cares and treatments. Usually one person becomes the primary caregiver and bear more of the burden of organizing and providing care. It is helpful to plan ahead so that changes are less stressful. There will be days when you will need all the patience and love you have.

Because it is stressful, caregiving can have adverse effects on the caregiver's physical and emotional health. Health problems may worsen and anger and depression are common. Emotional support from family and friends provides an important buffer against the stress and burden of caregiving. Social contact is very important.

Many caregivers report feeling physically and emotionally better when successfully managing care giving challenges, but feelings of emotional distress or physical symptoms should be viewed that caregivers may need to take better care of themselves.

Make sure you get regular breaks to restore your energy and sense of self. Allow yourself to take time to do whatever it is that you like to do. Another family member or respite person can cover for the times you are gone. Even if you feel you cannot get away, it is important to pause, and take a moment to refill with the good things. Scripture, prayer, sunshine, worship, song, laughter, friends, hugs. Refill your empty, or you'll find those emotions (tears, anger, snarky words) overflowing with no reason why.

Have a list of suggestions, so that if friends or family offer to help you don't need to think of what may be helpful. If you are a friend offering assistance, you might suggest a specific action such as visiting for the time needed for shopping or haircuts. Bringing a meal that can be heated and served as convenient can also be helpful. Sometimes, caregivers are so overwhelmed that it is almost a greater burden to think of what may be needed.

Physical activity is also helpful in staying healthy and improving mood, so setting a specific time to get out is important.

## **Interested in Growing Your Own Vegetables?**

Racine Urban Garden Network (RUGN) is taking applications for the garden plots at all of the gardens in the city that they operate. Emaus has 19 garden beds that can be used for your personal gardening. Five of the Emaus beds are already assigned.

A donation of \$20.00 is requested per season when you sign up at the D.P. Wigley office. Water, compost, and gardening tools are available at the Emaus site. If interested, please apply at D.P. Wigley, 234 Wisconsin Avenue. Fill out your Registration-Application forms and make your \$20.00 donation.

You can visit the website [www.rugn.org](http://www.rugn.org) for more information. RUGN will notify me after you have completed the paperwork and I will help you choose a garden bed for the season. If you have any questions, you can call me at 262-989-2200 or email [skaye46@hotmail.com](mailto:skaye46@hotmail.com). Social distancing and mask regulations need to be followed. This is a way to get out of the house, get some exercise and harvest your own vegetables. Happy Gardening Happy Life.  
Sandy Strini, Garden Manager at Emaus

## **WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

Date	Altar Guild	Assisting Minister	Communion Assistants	Reader	Ushers
5/22 4:30	Missy Porcaro				
5/23 9:00	Caren Lamberton	Kathy Christensen	Kathy Christensen Carol Yust	Nancy Smith	Team 2 Chris Lamberton Jim Larrabee Rachel Cox
5/29 4:30	Cathy Meyer Linda Clinton				
5/30 9:00	Kathy Christensen	Cindi Larsen	Cindi Larsen Chris Lamberton	Sandy Strini	Team 3 Cathy Knuteson Denis Kreimer Cheryl Dexter

## Historians, Take Note

In the process of cleaning out the files of the church, many old annual reports and newsletters were found. These artifacts are being digitized and can be found on the church's website under "Newsletters". Since these are PDF documents you can easily search these documents for names and/or events.

One of the leading articles in a 1952 newsletter was about the Ten Commandments

# Emmaus Messenger

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## Ten Commandments for Husbands and Wives

### For Husbands

1. Thou shalt have no other woman beside thy wife.
2. Thou shalt be affectionate to thy wife and continue to court her throughout thy married life.
3. Thou shalt not praise thy mother's cooking in the presence of thy wife.
4. Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy by going to church with thy family.
5. Honor thy mother-in-law that thy days might be long and happy.
6. Thou shalt not be grouchy, but shalt always be cheerful, courteous, and pleasant about the home.
7. Thou shalt not commit the religious instruction of thy children to thy wife.
8. Thou shalt never leave the home without loving words for thy wife to think of during thy absence.
9. Thou shalt express appreciation for thy wife, especially for her day-by-day loyalty to the routine tasks of homemaking.
10. Thou shalt be interested in thy home and help to make it neat, clean, and comfortable.

### For Wives

1. Thou shalt have no other man beside thy husband.
2. Thou shalt be affectionate to thy husband and sympathetic regarding the stress and strain of making a living in today's world.
3. Thou shalt give attention to the care of the home and to thine own personal appearance so that thy husband can be proud of thee.
4. Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy by going to church with thy family.
5. Thou shalt not be guilty of nagging, for this is the unpardonable sin of marriage."
6. Thou shalt not go to sleep at night with a grudge or bitterness in thy heart.
7. Thou shalt not criticize thy husband in the presence of others or compare him unfavorably with more successful men.
8. Thou shalt not drive the auto from the back seat.
9. Thou shalt live within thy budget and be thankful for what thou hast and not complain about what thou dost not have.
10. Thou shalt make of the place wherein thou dwellest a real home — a haven of rest and happiness for thy husband and thy children.

Gordon H. Schroeder, Lincoln, Nebr.



## EASY

Robots, Earth Day, Spring Cards/  
Painting and Drawing  
YES - EASY Does It!

So much to do and so little time! We changed the hours of EASY to accommodate school schedules which means we are meeting for only 1 and  $\frac{1}{2}$  hours each day. Putting together solar powered robots turned out to be a real challenge. Patience and perseverance were the words of the day!

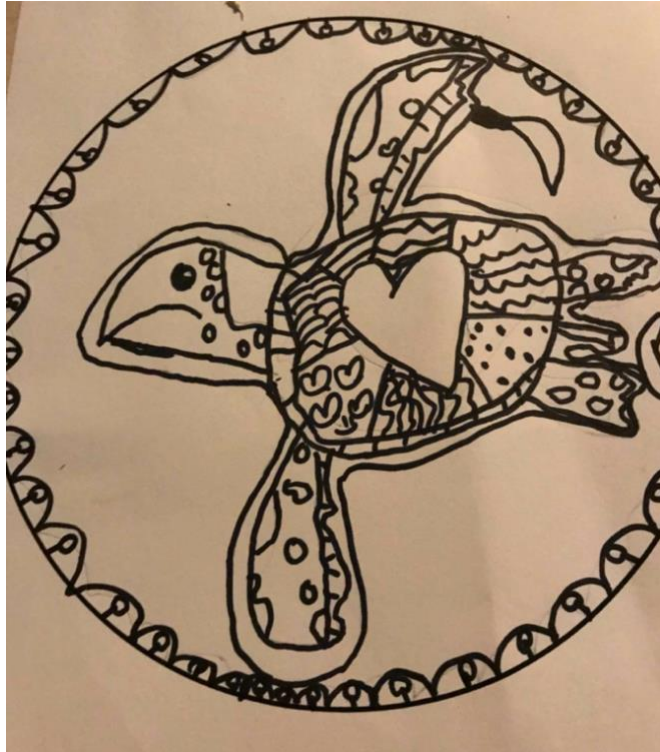
The kids continued to make Spring cards which were delivered recently to the residents of Home Harbor.



Painting by number gave them some quiet time.



We talked about Earth Day putting emphasis on the problem of plastics. They watched a video showing the removal of a 6 inch straw from the nostril of a turtle. (Not easy to watch!) It's hard to understand how a straw could get that far up a turtle's nose. They learned there is also the problem of Covid masks being found all along the shorelines of the world. Turtles are consuming masks thinking they are jellyfish! Please take CARE of our earth!



The kids drew their own turtle free hand - (yes there was a picture); then highlighted it with a Sharpie and colored it.