



EMAUS ELCA VISITOR

Caminando Juntos + We Walk Together

December 2021
January 2022

<u>EmausELCA Staff & Worship Times</u>	
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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.	

We are now streaming live on Sunday mornings!

Both the 9 AM service in English and the 11 AM service in Spanish are broadcast live. The English service is broadcast on Emaus ELCA's YouTube channel ([Emaus ELCA](#)). The Spanish service is broadcast on the [Parroquia Emaus \(elca\) Racine](#) Facebook page. A link to the English recordings can be found on this website under "[Sermons and Videos](#)".

In the event of severe winter weather, Saturday services will be cancelled and Sunday morning services will be held via Zoom. Pastor Marcy will send an email with the link. Please be sure the church office and Pastor Marcy have your correct email address.

December Calendar

Saturday Worship (English) -		4:30 pm	
Sunday Worship (English)-		9:00 am	
Sunday Worship (Spanish) -		11:00 am	
Spanish First Communion	Saturday,	10:00-11:30 am	
Spanish Confirmation	Saturday,	12:00-2:00 pm	
English Confirmation	Wednesday,	5:00-6:30 pm	Dec. 1 & 15
Dec. 1	Stitchers	10:00 am	
1	Bible Study	1:00 pm	
2	Community Meals		
8	Stitchers	10:00 am	
8	Book Group	1:00 pm	
11	Virgen De Guadalupe	11:00 pm	
15	Stitchers	10:00 am	
16-24	Posadas	6:00 pm	
22	Stitchers	10:00 am	
23	Food Pantry	1:30-4:00 pm	
24	Christmas Eve Service (English)	4:30 pm	
24	Christmas Eve Service (Spanish)	6:00 pm	
29	Stitchers	10:00 am	

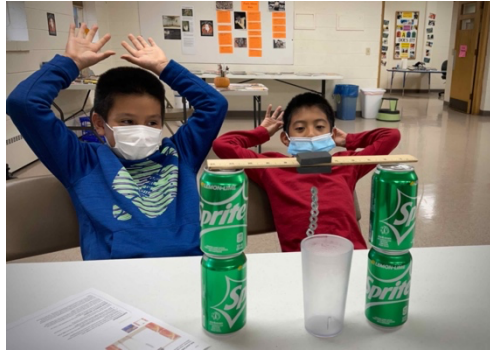
January Calendar

Jan. 5	Stitchers	10:00 am	
5	Bible Study	1:00 pm	
12	Stitchers	10:00 am	
18	Council	6:30 pm	
19	Stitchers	10:00 am	
26	Stitchers	10:00 am	
26	Book Group	1:00 pm	
27	Food Pantry	1:30-4:00 pm	
30	Congregation Meeting	10:00 am	

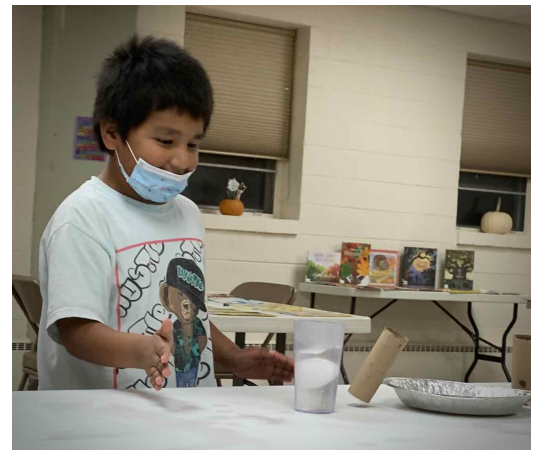
EASY

Fall pumpkin art project, science activities, celebrating native American Heritage month, and the delivery of new tables highlighted this past month. (The tables are dry erase.) The staff also had parent conferences to help us learn how we can better serve our kids.

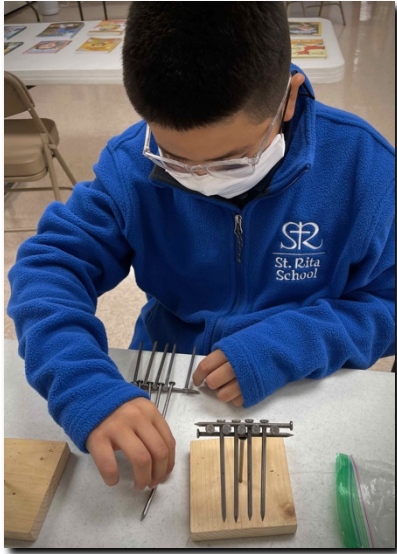
How would you do at trying your hand with these science “tricks”?
Do you think you could balance hex nuts on the side of a glass?



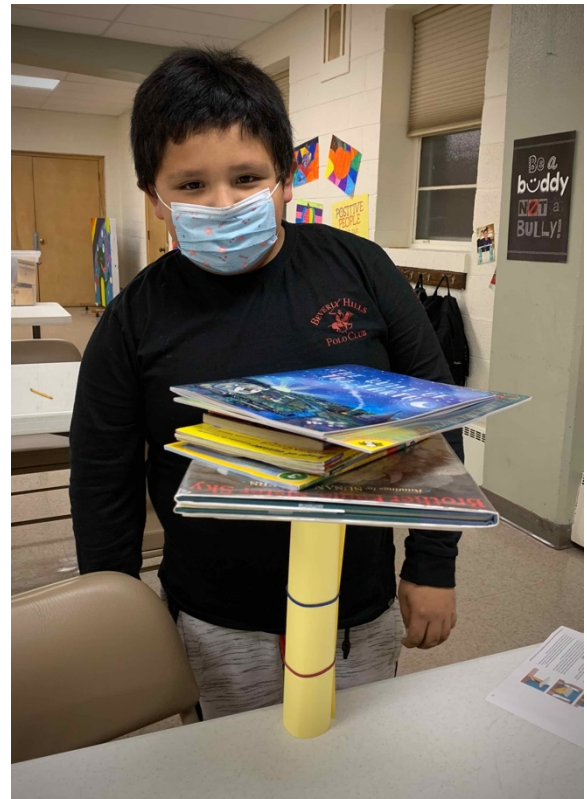
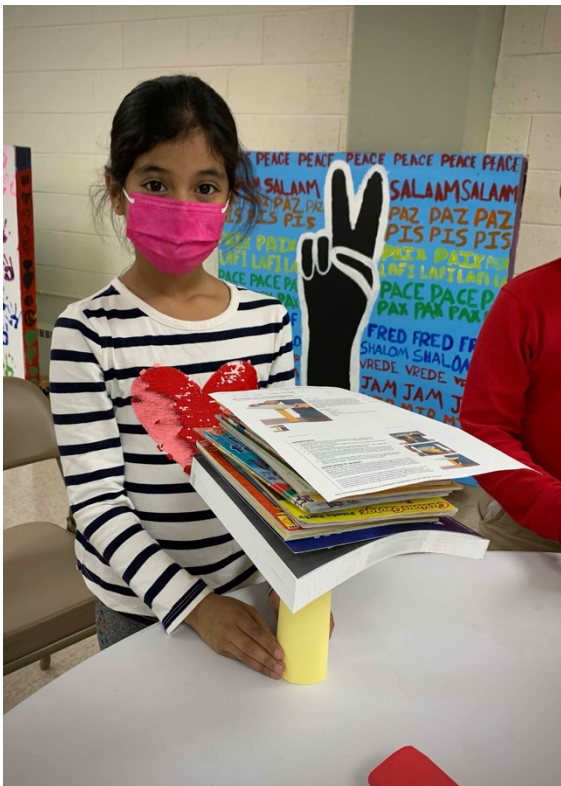
Squeals of delight could be heard throughout the room as the kids tried to get their egg into a glass of water. All were successful though we did end up with a few broken eggs!



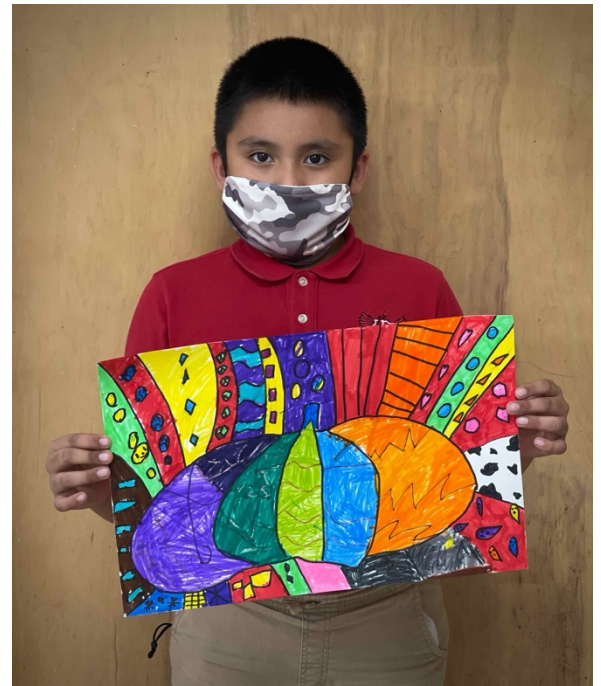
You could see the concentration etched on their faces as they tried to balance the nails.



How many books can you stack on a rolled piece of paper before they collapse?



The Britto pumpkins really add a splash of color to the walls in Fellowship Hall. Britto is a Brazilian artist who uses vibrant colors and bold patterns to express hope, dreams, and happiness. Each of the kids created their own look in their creations.



We learned more about Native American culture and traditions through videos, books, and the “Heritage Wall”. They tried their hand at drumming and became familiar with the traditional powwow, and jingle dancing. Did you know that buffalo are really bison? Native Americans believe the eagle is sacred; they believe that the eagle flies closest to God. We also talked about how our government forced the Native Americans off their lands and onto reservations.



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Yes, we can really draw on these tables!!!



Time, Talent And Treasure = Stewardship

Anyone who has not filled out a Commitment Form or a Time and Talent Opportunities form there is still time to turn them in. These forms are available in the office, on the tables in front of the office, and at the worship services on Saturday and Sunday. Please consider participating in filling out one or both of the forms so Emaus can plan for the year of 2022.

Thank you for all everyone does to sustain the mission of Emaus.
Sandy Strini, Stewardship Committee

Scrip

Scrip gift cards make great holiday presents. Orders will be taken December 5 and 12. The Scrip company has notified us that no orders will be taken after December 13 because UPS will not guarantee delivery before Christmas. So send your orders to Cathy Meyer via email (cjanemeyer@yahoo.com) or text her (262-498-4931) as soon as possible!

Congregation Meeting

The annual congregation meeting will be held Sunday, January 30, at 10:00 a.m. in the Emaus ELCA sanctuary. Please make plans now to attend.

New Opportunities Are Available Through Thrivent

Thanks to coordination and encouragement from Chris Manke, Director of Outreach for Hope, several new opportunities are available through Thrivent action team startup funds. Emaus has already been approved to receive \$250 for Christmas gifts for the EASY program kids. An additional \$250 gift is being applied for to sponsor a catered lunch for the stitchers and staff on December 15th as they celebrate volunteers and share an Advent lunch together. In addition, another action item being applied for will be for expenses for the December 24th final posada at 6:00 PM. Additional action items are being considered for January. If you have questions or ideas, please contact Barb McCloskey or Pastor Mary.

Emaus Book Group

The Emaus Book Group has changed their meeting date from November 24th to Wednesday, December 8th, at 1:00. The book we will be discussing is The Red Address Book by Sofia Lundberg. The book for January 26, 2022 is Grandma Gatewood's Walk by Ben Montgomery. Newcomers are always welcome.

Community Meals

Kathy Christensen

December 2nd is Emaus turn to, once again, provide food for the Community Meals Program at St. Patrick's Church. Several Emaus members have been faithfully contributing food for this program every other month for many years. I recently spoke with Mary Jenkins, coordinator, who asked me to convey the thanks and gratitude of the guests who are fed on Thursday evenings. There are many people in our community who need a warm meal. She added that the green bean/tater tot casserole is still a favorite.

For anyone willing to contribute food, there is a sign-up sheet in the narthex or you can let me know. The categories are casseroles, Jello salads and wrapped desserts. Contributions can be delivered to Emaus kitchenette before noon on Thursday and we will deliver them, or they can be taken to St. Patrick's Church after 12:00 noon. Casseroles can be prebaked to be warmed up or unbaked. Please label accordingly. More help is always welcomed.

Updates

- The new boilers have been completely installed and are working properly.
- November 14th was Stewardship Sunday at Emaus. Below is a link to the message given by Barbara McCluskey. Thanks for a great message, Barb.
- <https://youtu.be/69lephdUzVU>
- Emaus held a second vaccine clinic on Sunday, November 7th. 18 people were vaccinated that day. Another clinic will, hopefully, be held in December. Children will be able to be vaccinated at that time and all vaccines will be available.
- Mario and Nancy Posadas are the custodians at Emaus. Their hours are Sunday - Thursday, 11:00 - 3:00.
- The Sunset Room is now available for gathering and conversation after the worship services. No refreshments will be served.

Lights Out

Please remember to turn the lights off when you leave a room without an automatic light switch. Doing so will save energy and reduce our costs.

Virgen De Guadalupe And Posadas Upcoming Events In The Latino Community:

- December 11, 11:00 p.m. - Mananitas honoring Virgin of Guadalupe with Mariachis! . This is a ceremony that celebrates Mary's role as the Mother of God and as a symbol of hope, comfort, and pride in heritage. Mary opens her arms to all people, enveloping the faithful in her maternal embrace.
- From December 16 to 24. December 16 marks the beginning of the annual Christmas Posadas in Mexico and other Latin countries. Posada is a Spanish word for "posada," and Posadas Navidenas, reminiscent of the events leading up to the Nativity of Jesus, are a centerpiece of Christmas traditions in Mexico. At Emmaus, the Inns will be observed once again every evening and will be welcomed by various Emmaus members / groups, either in homes or in church. We will remember the trip of Mary and Joseph to Bethlehem with a time of readings, dialogues and songs.

Blessings,
Marisol
Emaus ELCA office.



Te invitamos a celebrar y recordar el camino de José y María hacia Belén./ We invite you to celebrate and remember the journey of Joseph and Mary to Bethlehem.

Lugar/ Place: Emaus ELCA
1925 Summit Ave, Racine

Hora/ Time: 6:00pm

Fecha/ Date: Desde el 16 hasta 24 de diciembre.

Las Posadas patrocinadas por la Iglesia seguirán los protocolos de Covid. Siempre se deben usar máscaras faciales, y no habrá comida ni compañerismo después del servicio para la seguridad de todos los que asistan. / Church sponsored Posadas will follow Covid protocols. Face masks must be always worn, and there will be no food & fellowship after service for the safety of all who attend.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Date	Altar Guild	Assisting Minister	Communion Assistants	Reader	Ushers
12/4 4:30	Barb Toslek Jamie Toslek				
12/5 9:00	Audrey Villalobos	Cindi Larsen	Chris Lamberton Cindi Larsen	Carol Yust	Cathy Knuteson Denis Kreimer Cheryl Dexter
12/11 4:30	Missy Porcaro				
12/12 9:00	Joy Lippmann	Carol Yust	Joy Lippmann Nancy Smith	Sandy Strini	Loren Larsen
12/18 4:30	Cathy Meyer Linda Clinton				
12/19 9:00	Caren Lamberton	Kathy Christensen	Karen Sedgwick Carol Eschmann	Chris Lamberton	Diane Melander
12/24 4:30	Cathy Meyer Kathy Christensen		Joy Lippmann Kathy Christensen	Cindi Larsen Barb McCloskey Cathy Meyer Kathy Martin Carol Yust Kathy Christensen Sandy Strini	Cheryl Dexter Loren Larsen
12/26 9:00	Cindi Larsen	Karen Sedgwick	Karen Sedgwick Carol Eschmann	Kathy Christensen	Chris Lamberton
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