



EMAUS ELCA VISITOR

Caminando Juntos + We Walk Together

AUGUST 2025

<u>EmausELCA Staff & Worship Time</u>	
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English-spoken worship services are held at Emaus every Saturday afternoon at 3:30 and Sunday mornings at 8:30.	
Spanish-spoken worship services are held at Emaus every Sunday morning at 10:00	
Emaus office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday.	

August Calendar

Sunday Worship (English)	8:30 am
(First Sunday - Breakfast)	
Sunday Worship (Spanish)	11:00 am
Coffee and Conversation Sundays, Sunset Room	9:30 am
August 3 Sunday Breakfast	10:00 am
6 Stitchers	10:00 am
Bible Study	1:00 pm
10 Blood Pressure Checks	
Scrip Due	

13	Stitchers	10:00 am
20	Stitchers	10:00 am
21	No Council Meeting	
24	Scrip Due	
27	Stitchers	10:00 am
	Book Club	1:00 pm

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR MARCY

A heartfelt thank you to all of you for your cards, prayers, and meals for my family as I await surgery. It's a true gift to be surrounded by such a loving group of people!

Pastor Marcy

During Pastor Marcy's absence, many of the sermon times will be filled by members of the congregation telling their faith stories about hope.

This can be an appropriate time for each of us to give some thought to our own experiences of hope. Pastor Marcy suggested thinking about:

Where do you find hope?

How do you find hope?

What have you learned about Hope?

What does hope mean to you?

Please join us for worship on Sunday mornings and hear stories of hope from your Emaus Family.

* During the month of August, the Sunday morning 8:30 worship services will be held in the Sunset Room.

* There will be no Saturday afternoon worship services during Pastor Marcy's absence.

- * There will be a church rummage sale held in September and items to be donated may be brought to church once camp is finished. (If you need more information on this, contact Nina.)
- * Blood pressures will be taken after service on the second Sunday of the month.
- * The next breakfast will be August 3 after the Sunday service.
- * There will be no council meeting in August.

July 5, 2025

Sisters and brothers in Christ,

"In their hearts, humans plan their course, but the LORD establishes their steps."

Proverbs 16:9

Truer words were never spoken.

We often plan and prepare for future events and eventualities, but ultimately, we are not in control.

I'm sure by now the majority of you are aware of my current health issues. By a truly unexpected turn of events, it was discovered this week that I have a very large mass in my abdomen. Diagnosis remains uncertain at this time, depending on biopsies after surgery.

Which brings me to the point of this letter (in addition to asking for your prayers!)...

My surgery is scheduled for next Thursday. I will be at home recovering for six-eight weeks after that. I want you to rest assured that there is a team of people working on planning for that time period. As it stands right now, these people have agreed to take on these responsibilities in my absence:

Scheduling worship leaders	Point person= Cathy Knuteson	262-672-3614
Weekly Communion leadership during worship	Pastor Miguel Perez	786-915-2678

Pastoral care	Pastor John Anderson, Pastor Ryan Gerlach, Pastor Steve Wohlfeil	Cathy Knuteson 262-672-3614
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(Call Cathy Knuteson w/ needs or emergencies and she will touch base with Pastor John, Pastor Ryan, or Pastor Steve.)

Bible Study	Kathy Christensen	262-909-4799
Worship Slides	Sol Art	262-672-1011 262-721-7051
Announcement Slides	Sol Art	262-672-1011 262-721-7051
<i>This Week at Emaus</i> email	Sol Carol	262-672-1011 414-208-9083
Weekly announcement handout	Sol Carol	262-672-1011 414-208-9083

As always, when in doubt or if you have general questions,
Carol Beltran is available at 414-208-9083.

Please be aware that we have come to a group decision that Saturday afternoon worship services will be put on hiatus for the meantime. There will be no Saturday afternoon worship until further notice.

We have come together and made it through so many things in the past and I have no doubt that every last one of you will step up and help out to make sure things run smoothly in the coming days.

Know that every ounce of my strength and resolve right now is a direct result of my own faith in our Lord and Savior and the fact that indeed He walks with us every step of the way. Do me a favor and examine your own faith and see what YOU find before you're confronted with a reason to wonder...!

In His love,
Pastor Marcy

Blood Pressure Checks

Carol Eschmann will resume checking blood pressures on Sunday mornings after the 8:30 service. Cards recording the values will be provided if you choose to share the records with your health care providers.

Community Meals

Thursday, August 7th, is Emaus' turn to provide food for the Community Meals Program. We will continue using the summer menu of salads, baked beans and desserts. A sign-up sheet will be available in the narthex.

You can bring your donations to Emaus before noon on Thursday and it will be delivered to St. Patrick's Church, or you can take it to St. Patrick's before 2:00.

Thanks to everyone who so generously supports this ministry.

Scrip

Scrip gift cards will be ordered this month on August 10 & 24. Please have your order to Cathy Meyer via text (262) 498-4931 or email (cjanemeyer@yahoo.com) by Sunday evening at 9:00 p.m. With your continued support of this program, we were able to donate \$1900.00 to the Emaus general fund in July.

Stitchers

The Emaus Stitchers will resume Wednesday morning meetings on August 6th at 10:00. Our project for this year is to make 50 quilts for foster children who will attend a special camp during the summer of 2026.

We welcome new members. Even if you are not a quilter, there is a job for everyone. Bring a bag lunch and enjoy good fellowship.

Quilts for Veterans

With the help of a grant from Thrivent, the Stitchers group made several quilts to donate to the VA Hospital in Milwaukee as a memorial to Dennis Eschmann.



After several months of designing and sewing, the quilts were delivered on Monday, June 9th.



The following letter was received from the VA:

Dear Emaus ELCA,

On behalf of the Clement J. Zablocki VA Medical Center patients and staff, we would like to extend our appreciation to you for your donation of handmade patriotic blankets for Veterans on the Palliative Care Unit.

It is through the efforts of community partners like you that allow us to continue the quality care and services that we seek to provide for our deserving Veterans. We look forward to the opportunity to work with you again.

Thank you for your continued support and advocacy.

Sincerely,

John F. Rose

Voluntary Service Specialist

Thank You to Elise

A big thank you to Elise Brown for playing piano for Emaus Sunday services while her sister, Aubrey, was working as an intern at the University of Kansas this summer. Aubrey will be returning to play at Emaus in August.

Honoring Aubrey

A coffee hour honoring Aubrey Brown, our accompanist, was held on May 25th. Aubrey is now at the University of Kansas on an intern program called Research Experience for Undergrads. She is working with human-made metals experimenting with the radioactive components. She says the days re busy but fun. She misses us at Emaus and will be back in August.

While she is away, we are fortunate to have her sister, Elise, taking over as our accompanist.





Dear Emaus Congregation,

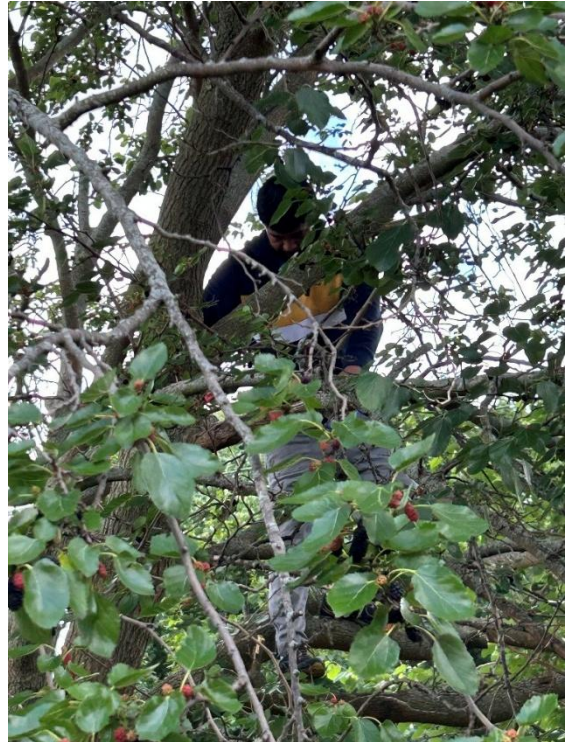
Thank you so much for all of your kind words and wishes! It means so much to me that you wrote me a thoughtful card, gave me gift cards, and threw a party. Your generosity and the way you treat others truly shows God's love. I am so blessed to be a part of this church and play piano for all of you. I will hang your letter up in Kansas with me so I am reminded of you. I can't wait to see all of you again in August!

Sincerely,

Aubrey

Mulberry Tree Trimmed

On Saturday, July 12th, Soledad Beltran and Javier Fuentes trimmed the mulberry tree that stands next to the RUGN gardens. The gardeners had complained that their plants were not getting enough sunshine and the mulberries were making a mess in the garden areas.



They piled the branches along side the garage and, on Sunday afternoon a group of men loaded them into Rich Christensen's trailer.



Thank you to everyone who helped with this project.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Date	Altar Guild	Assisting Minister	Communion Assistant	Reader	Usher
August 2	Missy Porcaro				
August 3	Caren Lamberton	TBA	TBA	Cindi Larsen	Glen Staton
August 9	Cathy Meyer				
August 10	Kathy Christensen	Michaela Wieties	Sol Beltran	Karen Fergus	Cheryl Dexter
August 16	Jamie Toslek				
August 17	Carol Beltran	Cathy Knuteson	Carol Beltran	Kathy Christensen	Denis Kreimer
August 23	Missy Porcaro				
August 24	Cindi Larsen	Cindi Larsen	Cindi Larsen	Sandy Strini	Loren Larsen
August 30	Cathy Meyer				
August 31	Cheryl Dexter	Karen Sedgwick	Chris Lamberton	Carol Beltran	Dan Wooster