

Announcements for January 19, 2025

A warm welcome to all our visitors and guests, friends both old and new. We pray that God has blessed your time among us with His Word and Holy Spirit. We cordially invite you to join us this morning for coffee and other refreshments downstairs following the Divine Service; and we ask that you please sign the guest book at the back of the church.

- ♦ **Bible Class:** Pastor Stephens will continue our study on the Gospel of Saint Matthew. Sunday School Classes are in session. Children should gather in Mr. Sick's room for Treats and Opening before heading to your separate classes.
- ♦ **Voter's Assembly: TODAY during Bible Study.**
- ♦ **Food Pantry:** Please see Joscelynn Tomaw if you can help with the Food Bank. Especially, shopping at the Food Bank, unloading and distributing food (preparing boxes) for families at Emmaus. I am striving to be more proactive about soliciting help. In particular, it is important for me to have a few (2 or more) helpers available, at least one with a large vehicle for the next shopping time on 2/7/25 because I will be out of town on that date.
Here is a list of dates for you to consider volunteering in the next two months (the number of volunteers are in parentheses): February 7th (2 or more), February 21st (1 or 2), March 7th (1 or 2), and March 21st (1 or 2).
Our scheduled shopping time is 8:30 a.m. on the first and third Fridays of each month at The Food Bank of Northern Indiana on Chapin Street, South Bend. The Food Pantry of St. Joe County is part of the same facility, but there is no reason for you to pull into the lineup of cars there, we will meet in the parking lot, park, and buzz into the Food Bank together. You must wear close-toe shoes.
- ♦ **Voices for Life** will be hosting a free sidewalk advocacy training session, on Saturday, January 25th from 10:00am-12:30pm, here at Emmaus. This will better equip you to discuss abortion in crisis situations and pray for the unborn. Lunch and materials provided. Register by emailing Melanie at melanie@voicesforlife.com
- ♦ **Symposia Week:** Pastor will be in Fort Wayne attending Symposia at the Seminary, leaving after Bible class today – Friday evening, January 24. Should you need Pastoral care, please call his cell (201) 572-6962.
- ♦ **Altar Flowers:** There are open spots on the flower calendar, look and see if there is a Sunday you would like to have flowers for.
- ♦ **Collection for: Jan. 12, 2025:** \$1,975.22 (Average needed each week~\$3,347.00)

Walking with Our Savior this Week

TODAY	<i>Divine Service of Communion</i>	9a
	Coffee & Refreshments	10:30 a
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	SS: Opening/Treats/Class Promptly	After Service
	Voter's Assembly	10:45a
MONDAY	NO Vespers	6:30p
WEDNESDAY	NO Greek Class	3-4p
	NO Catechesis	4-5p
	NO Children's Choir/Youth Bible	5-5:40p
	NO Meal:	5:45-6:30p
	NO Evening Prayer	6:30p
SATURDAY	Private Conf. & Absolution	11a-12n
	Voices for Life Sidewalk Training	10a-12:30p
NEXT SUNDAY	<i>Divine Service of Communion</i>	9a
	Coffee & Refreshments	10:30a
(Jan. 26)	Rose/Jordan	
J. Tomaw	SS: Treats/Opening/Class Promptly	After Service
	Bible Study	10:45a

You may also want to keep in mind, in your observance of daily prayer at home readings for next Sunday:

January 26: The Third Sunday After Epiphany

2 Kings 5:1-15b, Romans 12:16b-21, Matthew 8:1-13

Pastor Stephens' office hours: Wednesday, 9:30-noon.

In need of Pastoral Care call/text anytime, day, or night (201)572-6832.

*Private Confession and Absolution available anytime by appointment.

Weekly/Monthly Announcements can be sent to Rebecca Stephens by email at emmaus1923secretary@gmail.com or by phone/text at (201) 572-6962.