

Announcements for July 7, 2024

- ♦ *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.*
- ♦ **Family Bible Class:** Pastor Stephens will continue our study on the Gospel of Saint Matthew. Sunday School Classes are in session. Children should gather in Mrs. Rhein's room for Treats and Opening before heading to your separate classes.
- ♦ **A SPECIAL** announcement from Dcs. Rhein: ***The LCMS Institute on Liturgy, Preaching, and Church Music*** hosts a synod-wide conference every three years. This year's conference is **July 9–12 at Concordia University Nebraska**. *Jen Siek and Rob and Sandra Rhein* will be attending. A new feature of the conference is a **Youth Choir Program**. This choir will be a demonstration choir for presentations and will sing at the services. It is audition only, and **four Emmaus youth have the honor of participating: John Siek, Evie Stephens, Cyprian and Gwen Rhein**. We rejoice that Emmaus has such a strong representation at this important synodical event.
- ♦ It is far less than ideal to be without an organist for a Sunday morning Divine Service. Please know that it is not for want of trying. Substitute organists are tough to come by. Whenever possible, I arrange my travels to include a maximum of Sundays at Emmaus. The fact is, however, that my call as a fulltime missionary simply takes me away from my home church. My absence in June has not been for a trip to Asia, but for support-building, which is part of every missionary's job description. Funds to do the work are a fact of life. Kudos to the great singers at Emmaus, that you can manage even without an organist. Thank you for your support. See you July 14, when I get to be back on the organ bench. Deaconess Sandra Rhein, Sacred Music Educator in Asia
- ♦ **Emmaus Neighborhood Picnic: Friday, July 19 @ 6-8pm** An opportunity to bless our neighbors with food & fellowship! Please bring a side or dessert to share w/ a cover (foil or plastic is fine) and serving utensil w/ name on it. The Hospitality Committee will provide brats, dogs, buns, condiments, chips, water, lemonade, & paper products. Please, park on side street or at St. Matt's. If it rains, we will move to the basement. **Volunteer Needs for:** Flyer distributors July 14 after Bible study, Set-up July 19 @ 5:30pm, and Tear Down July 19 @ 8p. see Kristen Senne 574-612-1056. Thank you!
- ♦ ***A Complete Guide to Christian Symbols:*** The books are in and on the table in the Narthex. If you ordered a book, **the amount due per book is \$44.00**. Please give cash or check (made out to Rebecca Stephens) to Becky. Enjoy!
- ♦ **The Board of Christian Edu:** Is seeking individuals to serve on a monthly rotation as a helper during Bible Study in the Nursery, the Beginner Sunday School, and the Intermediate Sunday School. For more info, call or text Kristen Senne @ 574-612-1056.

- ♦ **Altar Flowers:** Today's Altar flowers are given in Celebration of Evan Horner's Birthday! Happy Birthday! & In Celebration of Anna and Ben Hart's 11th Wedding Anniversary! Happy Anniversary!
- ♦ **Help Needed with Altar Flowers:** Thank you to ALL who have been helping with the Altar Flowers. However, Sharron has become the last flower standing. She is having hip surgery in early August and is calling for **continued** help. We need more help with dropping off the empty vases/holder, then picking everything up at Kroger on Saturday, and setting them up on the Altar at Church. Please see Sharron if you can help. It will be greatly appreciated. Thank you!
- ♦ **Next Voters' Assembly:** Sunday, July 21 - During Bible Study
- ♦ **Collection for: June 30:** \$3,405.60. (Average needed each week~\$3,347.00)
- ♦ **Baby Sprinkle and Meal Trains:** The link can be found on the Emmaus FB group page. If you have any questions, or need help to sign up for a meal, I can assist with that, please email me at emmaus1923secretary@gmail.com.

Walking with Our Savior this Week

TODAY	<i>Divine Service of Communion</i>	9:00 a.m.
	Coffee & Refreshments	10:30 a.m.
	-/Stephens	
	SS: Opening/Treats/Class Promptly	After Service
	Bible Class	10:45 a.m.
MONDAY	Vespers	6:30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY	Evening Prayer	6:00 p.m.
FRIDAY	Church Council Meeting	7:00 p.m.
SATURDAY	Trustee Workday	9:00 a.m.
	Private Confession & Absolution	11-12:00 p.m.
NEXT SUNDAY	<i>Divine Service of Communion</i>	9:00 a.m.
	Coffee & Refreshments	10:30 a.m.
(July 14)	M&A Horner/Siek	
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	Bible Study	10:45 a.m.

You may also want to keep in mind, in your observance of daily prayer at home:
 Readings for next Sunday: The Third Sunday of Apostles' Tide (*Seventh Sunday of Trinity*)
Isaiah 62:6-12, Romans 6: 19-23, and St. Mark 8:1-9.