

Our vision for ministry ... **“God calls us to reach out and to grow in Christ’s love”**

Today’s theme: In today’s gospel reading, Jesus tells a vineyard parable, which serves as an image of Israel, the prophets’ mission, and Christ’s death. For Christians, the vineyard also speaks of God’s love poured out in the blood of Christ, given to us for the forgiveness of sin. Grafted onto Christ the vine at baptism, we are nourished with wine and bread so that we may share Christ’s sufferings and know the power of his resurrection.

Traditional Worship

Sanctuary 8:45am

Altar Flowers – Presented to the Glory of God and in honor of Karl & Sue Monroe’s Wedding Anniversary.

Bulletins – Presented to the Glory of God and in memory of Sandy Long by Pete Long.

Helping Today

Altar Care: Karl & Sue Monroe

Ushers: Dan & LeRea Henninger

Reader: Sandy Turtzo

Communion Assistant: Win Miller

Media: Jessie Hnatow

Celebration Worship

Fellowship Hall 10:00am

Altar Flowers – Presented to the Glory of God.

Bulletins – Presented to the Glory of God by the Zulic Family.

Helping Today

Altar Care: Kathy Siegfried & Marsha Kvacky

Greeter: Jan Bourdelle

Prayer Reader: Alyssa Geiger

Communion Assistants: Sue Gerken, Marsha Kvacky, & Kelly Cascario

Please pray for:	Carla Evans	Clara Miller	Paul Honett	Sally Leabold	Chris Kleintop
	David Beil	Sheldon Mann	Sue Witmer	Scott Nicholas	Thelma Silivius
	June Myster	Delores Allogio	Larry Snyder	John Groller	Phyllis Palamaro
	Ray Walker	Vernon Mann	Courtney Crout	Susan Walker	Joe Siekonic
	Dave Farber	Sue Lavenburg	Walter Hass	Dale Muffley	Skip Fairman
	Robert Butz	Pearl Silfies	Dee Orris	Rachel Lebron	
					Mary Ann Christman
					Carol Farole
					Tabitha Walters

Bath Area Food Bank – October We are collecting **Tomato Soup, Canned Vegetables, Rice a Roni, Fruit Cups, Juice Boxes and Granola Bars**. Monetary donations are always gladly accepted.

Blessing of the Animals...Our annual blessing for animals is **TODAY, October 4 at 4:00pm**. We ask that you leash your pet(s) or to bring them in a cage or crate. Please invite neighbors and friends. This is a community activity that is open to any who would like to have their pets blessed.

First Communion Invitation... Our first communion classes will be offered on **Sunday, October 11 and Sunday, October 18 at 11am**. We will meet in the upstairs parlor. Students will receive their first communion on Reformation Sunday, October 25 and are welcome to worship with their families at whichever service the family chooses. We will recognize all the students by sharing their names at both of our services. The class is open to students from second grade on up whose parents have decided that they are ready to receive the sacrament. The class will be taught by Pastor Rachel.



Emmanuel's Lutheran Congregation is joining Compass One Healthcare in "**Socktober**," an initiative to collect and donate socks to homeless shelters in our communities nation-wide. Did you know? Socks are the #1 most needed but least donated item for homeless shelters! As we head into the colder winter

months, the need only increases. Look for the brightly colored donation boxes near the entrances of our worship places. Let's do what Emmanuel's does best and fill them with pairs of new socks! Large, women's, and children's sizes are most often overlooked. All donations will be given to New Bethany Ministries in Bethlehem. Donation period ends October 31!

Jesus said, "...whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." (Matthew 25:40). Let's show our community that we care about their SOLES, as well as their souls! Questions? Reach out to Karl Monroe!

Birthday Card Ministry...If you are a member of Emmanuel's and have not received a Birthday Card from the church, please provide us with your birth date so we can add you to the Birthday List! You can call the church office or write your birth date down on the sheet in the Gathering Area and Fellowship Hall.

Communion and Giving Record for 2026...To remain an active member on the church's rolls, a person must commune and give a contribution of record at least once in a calendar year. Please fill out a communion card for 2026 – you only need to fill out one per year. Also, when contributing to the church, please use your offering envelopes or write a check or place money in an envelope with your name and/or church envelope number on it. Thank you.

Altar Flowers / Bulletin Sponsors...Weekly flowers and bulletins can be ordered online on Sign Up Genius. There are two separate sign-ups - one for the 8:45am Traditional Service and one for the 10:00am Celebration Service. The online addresses are long and cumbersome so the best way to access Sign Up Genius is by using the links that are listed in the weekly eNews or on our website (www.emmanuel.org). **If you don't have computer access or are uncomfortable using Sign Up Genius, please do not hesitate to call Janelle at the church office (610-837-1741) with your requests.** She will be more than happy to take your information and enter it into the online system. Flowers are \$35 per vase and bulletins are \$6.

This Week at Emmanuel's

Sunday 10/4/26:

8:45am Traditional Worship-Sanctuary
10:00am Sunday School
10:00am Celebration Worship-FH
11:15am Bell Choir Rehearsal
4:00pm Blessing of the Animals-Pavilion
7:00pm Community Chorus Rehearsal

Monday 10/5/26:

5:30pm Yoga
7:00pm Bible Study-Parlor
7:00pm Women's Bible Study-Old FH

Tuesday 10/6/26:

6:00pm Boy Scouts

Wednesday 10/7/26:

5:00pm Girl Scouts
6:30pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday 10/8/26:

10:30am Ladies Bible Study-Zoom
7:00pm Council Meeting

Saturday 10/10/26:

3:30pm Confirmation Retreat

Sunday 10/11/26:

8:45am Traditional Worship-Sanctuary
10:00am Sunday School
10:00am Celebration Worship-FH
11:00am First Communion Class
11:15am Bell Choir Rehearsal
11:15am Prayer Partners
7:00pm Community Chorus Rehearsal