

Enter his gates with thanksgiving  
and his courts with praise;

give thanks  
to him and praise his name.

PSALM 100:4, NIV

Harvest Sunday

Emmanuel

Lutheran Church

October 17, 2021



## Welcome to Emmanuel !

**October 17, 2021**

### **Twenty First Sunday After Pentecost Harvest Sunday**

*“It is wonderful to worship with you today.”*

**Today is a Praise Emmanuel Sunday.**

**All are welcome** here at Emmanuel regardless of your faith affiliation.

All parts of today’s worship service are printed in this bulletin, including words for the songs.

Worship today will be **OUTDOORS** with social distancing required.

**Masking is optional and is highly recommended if you have not been vaccinated. Socially distant seating is recommended between people and families that do not live in the same household.**

**Singing is permitted without masking.**

**Sharing of the Peace will still be done in a “touchless” fashion. Please share the peace with those around you by offering a sign of peace, a wave or a friendly nod.**

**Offerings will not be collected. If you have brought an offering, please place it in the plate at the entrance to worship.**

**Holy Communion will be distributed in “one kind” and the Pastor or Assisting Minister will bring communion to you where you are seated. More information about the Distribution of Holy Communion may be found on page 9.**

**“Coffee Hour” has returned, but please use appropriate caution when gathering around and handling food and beverage.**

**Sunday’s KIDS will be held during the worship service under the Oak Tree.**

## **Emmanuel Worship is Online**

This worship service will be broadcast and live streamed through our Facebook page, and on our website. Even if you are not able to watch live, the services will be recorded. You can find us at:

<https://www.facebook.com/EmmanuelSouderton/>

and on our website at:

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You can also check the Facebook page or website for ongoing updates, for daily devotion videos with Pastor John, and for information regarding Emmanuel’s E-Meal program, including what to donate, how to volunteer and the number of meals we are “handing up” each week.

If you need to contact Pastor John, please call or text his mobile phone at 914-275-3106 or email him at [jheidgerd@gmail.com](mailto:jheidgerd@gmail.com).

## **Introduction to the Day**

Today is Harvest Sunday – a day on which we reflect on the providence of God in our lives – and the setting aside of a portion of what we have been given to bless and to benefit those in need.

Today, we place at the altar a share of the bountiful harvest in our lives and dedicated those gifts for the purpose of feeding others whose harvests have not been so plentiful.

Jesus uses harvest imagery in many of his parables such as today’s parable of the weeds. God casts good seed upon the earth, but as we grow, we become entangled in the weedy ways of the world. But God promises that angels will come to disentangle us for eternal life.

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***“Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.”***  
***(I Thess. 5: 16-18)***

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## THE SERVICE

### PRELUDES – *Led by Praise Emmanuel*

*As We Gather – M. Fay/T. Coomes*

As we gather may Your Spirit work within us  
As we gather may we glorify Your name  
Knowing well that as our heart Begin to worship  
We'll be blessed because we came  
We'll be blessed because we came

*(Repeat)*

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*Lord, I Give You My Heart – R. Morgan*

**This is my desire  
To honor You  
Lord with all my heart  
I worship You  
All I have within me  
I give You praise  
All that I adore is in You**

**Chorus**

**Lord I give You my heart  
I give You my soul  
I live for You alone  
Ev'ry breath that I take  
Ev'ry moment I'm awake  
Lord have Your way in me**

*(Repeat)*

*(Repeat Chorus)*

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## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please stand as you are able.*

### THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

In the name of the Father,  
and of the + Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,  
we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness.  
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

**We give you thanks, O God,  
for in the beginning  
your Spirit moved over the waters  
and by your Word you created the world,  
calling forth life in which you took delight.**

Through the waters of the flood  
you delivered Noah and his family.  
Through the sea you led your people Israel  
from slavery into freedom.  
At the river your Son was baptized by John  
and anointed with the Holy Spirit.  
By water and your Word y  
ou claim us as daughters and sons,  
making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

**We praise you  
for the gift of water that sustains life,  
and above all we praise you  
for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.  
Shower us with your Spirit,  
and renew our lives  
with your forgiveness, grace, and love.**

To you be given honor and praise  
through Jesus Christ our Lord  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## SONG OF PRAISE

*He Has Made Me Glad* – L. Von Brethorst

I will enter His gates  
With thanksgiving in my heart  
I will enter His courts with praise  
I will say this is the day  
That the Lord has made  
I will rejoice for He has made me glad

### *Chorus*

He has made me glad  
He has made me glad  
I will rejoice for he has made me glad  
He has made me glad  
He has made me glad  
I will rejoice for he has made me glad

### *Repeat*

### *Repeat Chorus*

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## GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you  
all.

**And also with you.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

O Lord, maker of all things, you open your hand and  
satisfy the desire of every living creature. We praise  
you for crowning the fields with your blessings and  
enabling us once more to gather in the fruits of the  
earth. Teach us to use your gifts carefully, that our  
land may continue to yield its increase, through Jesus  
Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 26: 1-11

A reading from Deuteronomy

When you have come into the land that the Lord your  
God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and  
you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of  
the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you  
harvest from the land that the Lord your God is  
giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to  
the place that the Lord your God will choose as a  
dwelling for his name.

You shall go to the priest who is in office at that  
time, and say to him, “Today I declare to the Lord  
your God that I have come into the land that  
the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us.” When  
the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it  
down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall  
make this response before the Lord your God: “A  
wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down  
into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number,  
and there he became a great nation, mighty and  
populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and  
afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried  
to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard  
our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our  
oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a  
mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a  
terrifying display of power, and with signs and  
wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave  
us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey.

So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that  
you, O Lord, have given me.” You shall set it down  
before the Lord your God and bow down before  
the Lord your God. Then you, together with the  
Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall  
celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God  
has given to you and to your house.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 9: 6-15

A reading from 2 Corinthians.

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.

Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work.

As it is written,  
"He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor;  
his righteousness endures forever."

He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness.

You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God.

Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you.

Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

*Please stand as you are able.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil (512)*

**Lord, let my heart be good soil,  
open to the seed of your word.  
Lord, let my heart be good soil,  
where love can grow  
and peace is understood.**

**When my heart is hard,  
break the stone away.  
When my heart is cold,  
warm it with the day.  
When my heart is lost,  
lead me on your way.**

**Lord, let my heart,  
Lord, let my heart,  
Lord, let my heart be good soil.**



## **GOSPEL: Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43**

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus] put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?'

He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he replied, 'No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'"

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels.

Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **GOSPEL RESPONSE**

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**When my heart is hard,  
break the stone away.  
When my heart is cold,  
warm it with the day.  
When my heart is lost,  
lead me on your way.**

**Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart,  
Lord, let my heart be good soil.**

*(please be seated)*

## **SERMON**

**The Rev. John T. Heidgerd**

*Please stand as you are able.*

## **SONG OF THE DAY**

*Hear Our Praises – R. Morgan*

**1 May our homes be filled with dancing  
May our streets be filled with joy  
May injustice bow to Jesus  
As the people turn and pray**

*Chorus*

**From the mountain to the valley  
Hear our praises rise to You  
From the heavens to the nations  
Hear our singing fill the air**

**2 May our light shine in the darkness  
As we walk before the cross  
May Your glory fill the whole earth  
As the water over the seas**

*(Chorus 2x)*

**Hallelujah hallelujah Hallelujah hallelujah**

**From the mountain to the valley  
Hear our praises rise to You**

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## HARVEST PRAYER – PSALM 65

*(Read responsively)*

Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion;  
and to you shall vows be performed,

**O you who answer prayer!  
To you all flesh shall come.**

When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us,  
you forgive our transgressions.

**Happy are those whom you choose  
and bring near to live in your courts.  
We shall be satisfied with the goodness  
of your house, your holy temple.**

By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance,  
O God of our salvation;  
you are the hope of all the ends of the earth  
and of the farthest seas.

**By your strength you established the  
mountains; you are girded with might.**

You silence the roaring of the seas,  
the roaring of their waves,  
the tumult of the peoples.

**Those who live at earth's farthest bounds  
Are awed by your signs;  
you make the gateways of the morning  
and the evening shout for joy.**

You visit the earth and water it,  
you greatly enrich it;  
the river of God is full of water;  
you provide the people with grain,  
for so you have prepared it.

**You water its furrows abundantly,  
settling its ridges,  
softening it with showers,  
and blessing its growth.**

You crown the year with your bounty;  
your wagon tracks overflow with richness.

**The pastures of the wilderness overflow,  
the hills gird themselves with joy,**

The meadows clothe themselves with flocks,  
the valleys deck themselves with grain,  
they shout and sing together for joy.

**Amen. Alleluia.**

Most gracious God, we thank you for the blessings  
you have bestowed on us - air to breathe - clean  
water to drink - and a bountiful harvest. Bless these  
gifts that have been set aside out of your abundant  
harvest to provide food for our neighbors in  
need. Guide our lives that we may show love for  
you, for our neighbors and for all of your creation;  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## HARVEST SONG

*We Are An Offering – D. Liles*

**We lift our voices  
We lift our hands  
We lift our lives up to You  
We are an offering  
Lord use our voices  
Lord use our hands  
Lord use our lives they are Yours  
We are an offering**

**All that we have  
All that we are  
All that we hope to be  
We give to You  
We give to You**

**We lift our voices  
We lift our hands  
We lift our lives up to You  
We are an offering  
We are an offering**

*Repeat*

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## SHARING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

Let us now share a sign of God's peace with each other.

*Please be seated.*

## OFFERING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Offerings will not be collected. Please place your offering in the plate on the table at the entrance to the gathering space. Offerings may be submitted electronically using the link on Emmanuel's website, by US Mail, or by delivery to the office during E-Meal distribution hour*

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places  
give thanks and praise to you,  
almighty and merciful God,  
through our Savior Jesus Christ;

who on this day overcame death and the grave,  
and by his glorious resurrection  
opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels,  
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (473)

*Please sing twice*

**Holy, holy, holy,  
my heart, my heart adores you.  
My heart is glad to say the words:  
You are holy, God.**

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

*Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.*

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:

*This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people  
for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.*

## LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom  
and teach us to pray.

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;**

**and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever.**

**Amen.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All who hunger and thirst, come.  
The table is ready

**Thanks be to God.**

## DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

*Jesus Christ to receive Holy Communion.  
We receive these gifts of Christ's body and blood in  
faith, trusting that in this meal our Lord comes to us,  
forgives our sins, renews us in faith  
and leads us into new life.*

*Today, the Lord's Supper will be offered "in one  
kind", that is with bread alone. Lutherans have  
always held that a communion "in one kind" is the  
same as if both bread and wine are offered.*

*You will not be asked to come to the altar to receive  
communion. Instead, the Pastor and Assisting  
Minister will walk around to each person and offer  
the sacrament. The Pastor and Assisting Minister  
will be masked for our protection and will remove a  
wafer from the chalice using tongs.*

*If you wish to receive communion, please form a cup  
with your hands and the wafer will be dropped inside  
your hands, after which you may consume the wafer.*

*If you wish to receive gluten-free bread, please  
signal to the Pastor as he approaches.*

*If you do not wish to receive Holy Communion, you  
may receive a brief blessing. As the Pastor  
approaches, please place your hands across your  
chest in the form of the St. Andrew's cross. (X)*

*(When all have been communed,  
please rise as you are able)*

## COMMUNION SONGS

*Give Thanks – H. Smith*

**Give thanks with a grateful heart  
Give thanks to the Holy One  
Give thanks because He's given  
Jesus Christ His Son  
And now let the weak say I am strong  
Let the poor say I am rich  
Because of what the Lord has done for us  
And now let the weak say I am strong  
Let the poor say I am rich  
Because of what the Lord has done for us**

*(Repeat)*

**Give thanks**

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*Alleluia – J. Sinclair*

**1 Alleluia alleluia  
Alleluia alleluia  
Alleluia alleluia  
Alleluia alleluia**

**2 He's my savior alleluia  
He's my savior alleluia  
He's my savior alleluia  
He's my savior alleluia**

**3 He is worthy alleluia  
He is worthy alleluia  
He is worthy alleluia  
He is worthy alleluia**

**4. I will praise Him, alleluia  
I will praise Him, alleluia  
I will praise Him, alleluia  
I will praise Him, alleluia**

**5 Alleluia alleluia  
Alleluia alleluia  
Alleluia alleluia  
Alleluia alleluia**

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*Please stand as you are able.*

## TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**Amen.**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Lord of life,

in the gift of your body and blood, you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation. Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy, bearing witness to the abundance of your love in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## BLESSING

People of God,

you are the Body of Christ bringing new life to a suffering world. The holy Trinity, + one God, bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

## Worship Assistants



Hosts– Darragh and Powis Families  
Assisting Minister – Jen Casta  
Music Leader – Doug Landis  
Tech Support – Fred Crouthamel/Evan Freed  
Singers – Jen Casta/ Caren Landis  
Sunday's KIDS – Macey Coll &  
Ann Marie Heidgerd

## SENDING SONG

**We Are Marching (Siyahamba) (866)**

*Verse 1 – Praise Emmanuel Only*

Siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos',  
siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos'.  
Siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos',  
siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos'.  
Siyahamba, (hamba, siyahamba, oh!),  
siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos'.  
Siyahamba, (hamba, siyahamba, oh!),  
siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos'.

*Verse 2 - All*

**We are marching in the light of God,  
we are marching in the light of God.  
We are marching in the light of God,  
we are marching in the light of God.**

**We are marching we are marching, oh!  
we are marching in the light of God.  
We are marching we are marching, oh!  
we are marching in the light of God.**

*Verse 3 - We are thanking...*

*Verse 4 – We are serving...*

*Verse 5 – We are sharing...*

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. The Living Word dwells in you.

**Thanks be to God.**

## SENDING SONG (*Verse 6*)

**We Are Marching (Siyahamba) (866)**

**We are marching in the light of God,  
we are marching in the light of God.  
We are marching in the light of God,  
we are marching in the light of God.**

**We are marching we are marching, oh!  
we are marching in the light of God.  
We are marching we are marching, oh!  
we are marching in the light of God.**

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# Emmanuel Worships

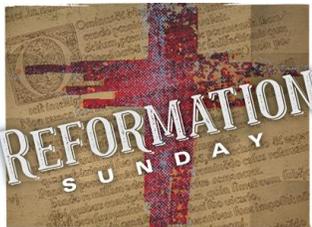
Mark these Dates!  
A BIG October & November  
is coming to Emmanuel!

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Saturday,  
October 30  
12 – 3 PM

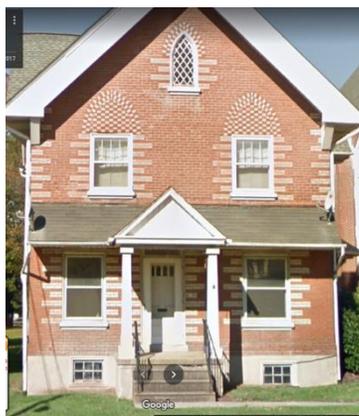
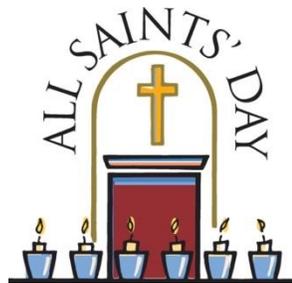
Fun Community  
Event

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up information.



Special Worship  
October 31  
Reception of  
New Members

November 7  
Remembering those  
we have lost this year.  
All Saints Memorial  
form on page 12



Followed by a  
Ceremonial  
Groundbreaking  
Service at  
Melny's House  
to Remember  
"St. Melny of  
Souderton"

## Sound The Trumpets

*Advent and Christmas 2021*  
**Special MUSIC**

Lift  
your  
voices

Ring  
The  
Bells

It's not too soon to talk about Advent and Christmas – especially when it comes to making beautiful music. With pandemic restrictions, we missed out on that joy last year, but hopefully, we can all participate this year in the special music we all love during Advent and Christmas.

## Calling All Singers, Bell Ringers and Musicians

Our Advent and Christmas Music program will be led by Patricia Landis, a talented and experienced music leader who has led worship for us on several occasions this year. She is working with Pastor John on the music program and what resources will be needed to support it. We intend to have, at minimum, voice and bell choirs for Christmas Eve, and instrumentals, ensembles and soloists sprinkled during the entire season. In the next few weeks, we will have signups available for the various offerings and we hope the talented people of Emmanuel will sign up and commit to a season of joyful music.

[Click Here](#) to sign up or Go to:  
<https://bit.ly/30w37sz>



# Emmanuel Worships !

## An Update from Pastor John

### *“The danger of scarcity”*



Dear friends,

You might wonder why – in an age where so few of us are farmers – or even gardeners – that we are celebrating the theme of harvest in our worship service. Most of us harvest our food by making trips to Aldi or Giant or Wegmans – not by going out into the fields and picking corn off the stalk and potatoes off the ground. To celebrate harvest could seem anachronistic – unrelated to the experience of life in a modernized and mechanized world.

Maybe there will be a time when the idea of harvest and what it means is lost to us. But it is really hard to imagine it because without a harvest – or without many harvests – what would the world look like?

While celebrating harvest may lack the direct connection to having our hands in the field tilling soil, planting seed, and reaping the produce in the summer and fall, there are some important aspects of harvest to which we can all relate – remember – and relearn.

1. Harvest represents a call to remember the earth – the source of so many wonderful things that bless our lives. A healthy earth provides for healthy people. We need land that provides food and sustains life.
2. Harvest helps us to remember that our lives are not our own. We are dependent on so many things to sustain life – so many things that are not in our control – time – water – sun – pollinators.

3. Harvest is a time to remember that everyone does not harvest equally – that as God has blessed each of us with bountiful harvests – those blessings should be shared with those who have less.
4. Harvest is also a time to remember that God’s economy is always based on abundance – the assumption and the hope that there is always enough for everyone and we should never hoard or amass for ourselves. Harvest reminds us that an attitude of scarcity is an enemy and antithetical to God’s economy of abundance.

When we view the world with an attitude of scarcity – we place what we lack ahead of what we have. We see what we want instead of what others need. We take the zero-sum view of the world – that what someone has comes at my expense. Scarcity puts fear before faith.

Scarcity is not the province of God – but it is the work of the devil – the voice that says you aren’t enough, you don’t have enough, you are not good enough. Take and keep what is yours. Look out for number 1.



Harvest is the antidote to these lies and provides us with a different perspective – God’s perspective – on life. A life that anticipates

God’s blessings and uses them for the welfare of all. A life that sees our neighbors as shareholders in the abundance of God instead of tools to be exploited. A life that thrives on the goodness and gracious nature of God and inspires generosity in God’s people. Let’s celebrate the joy and wonder of harvest!

+ Pastor John +



# Emmanuel Worships !



**Deadline for  
recognition in  
November 7  
bulletin:  
October 31, 2021**

As part of our worship on All Saints Sunday (November 7), we will remember those we have lost this past year. Loved ones who have brightened our lives while they lived among us – and now rest in the sure and certain assurance of the resurrection.

During the service, we will read their names and we will remember them. We will reflect on the light that shined all too briefly, which now shines eternally with God.

We invite members and friends to make special memorial gifts to honor those we have lost, not just in the past year, but anyone who has had an impact on our lives of faith. Gifts may be made in any amount and we will list the gifts and the names of those remembered in our November 7, bulletin.

This year, we are offering three ways for you to direct your memorial gifts to remember your loved ones

1. Emmanuel’s E-Meal Ministry
2. Help For Honduras
  - Adopt a Pallet (\$200 donation)
  - Any Amount ( to cover other costs)
3. Worship Fund – to upgrade paraments, linens and other worship items.

Use the form in the next column to accompany your gift and direct the funds accordingly.



## 2021 All Saints Memorial Gifts

*(please print clearly)*

**In Memory of:**

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**Relation:** -----

**Name of Giver:**

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**Amount:** \$ -----

**To support:**

| E-Meal Ministry | Help for Honduras (\$200 – Adopt-A-Pallet) | Help for Honduras (Other Amt.) | Worship Fund |
|-----------------|--|--------------------------------|--------------|
| \$              | \$   | \$                             | \$           |

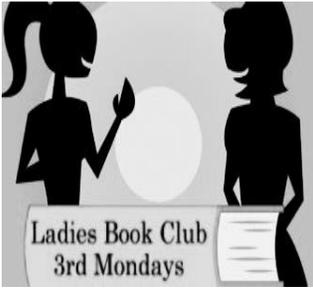


# Emmanuel Nurtures !



## Upcoming Group Activities at Emmanuel

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### Next Meeting

Monday, October 18  
@ 7PM

*A Fall of Marigolds*  
by Susan Meissner

*Join the ladies of Emmanuel  
for fun conversation and fellowship –  
and always a good read!*

**Meet in Emmanuel's Choir Room**

For information, e-mail Mary Anne Morral  
[morral@verizon.net](mailto:morral@verizon.net)

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## Knitters and Crocheters !



*“Come and gather  
to make shawls  
for those in need  
of comfort.”*

**Next Meeting:  
Nov 7 – 1PM**

**And every first Sunday of the month  
In Emmanuel's Parlor**  
*Instruction available for all who are  
interested.*

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Hi Friends!

Do you know what it's like to be jealous – when someone has something good – and you want that same thing for yourself?

Being jealous is one of those bad feelings we get and sometimes it makes us angry or sad, and sometimes it makes us do bad things – things we have to say “I'm Sorry” for later.

This week we are going to see how bad jealousy is when we meet Joseph and his 11 brothers. Joseph was the favorite son of his father, Jacob and it made the brothers feel jealous. When Joseph received a special coat from his father, the brothers really got angry and they took it out on Joseph. They sent him away to Egypt and told their father that Joseph had been killed.

We know you would never do something that bad if you were jealous, but instead of being jealous, we should be happy with what we have and be happy when someone else has something good. Who knows – when we are happy about someone else, maybe we'll get to share with them.

Don't worry though. God loves us so much that we have everything we need and even if we get a little jealous, God teaches us and forgives us.

Join us to learn even more about God's love and God's promises for you – in person at 10 AM on Sunday, and online at 9:30 AM on Sunday or anytime after that.

Remember – God Loves You – and so do we!

Ms. Ann Marie, Ms. Debbie, Ms. Taylor



**On Facebook  
Mon-Sat 8AM**  
*“Stay  
Connected to  
God's Word”*



# Emmanuel Nurtures !



## Special Prayer Concerns.

- + For our nation to end being divided against itself and work together for the common good.
- + For our Bishop, Rev. Patricia Davenport and her staff. For Bishop Elizabeth Eaton and the ELCA Churchwide staff.
- + For the Souderton Area School District to act in the best interest of students and to cease the vitriol plaguing discussions on masking and race issues.
- + For hurricane victims in Honduras and other Central American countries.
- + For victims of Hurricane Ida, and especially for friends and neighbors dealing with loss and damage.
- + For the victims of the devastating earthquake in the nation of Haiti.
- + For those seeking refuge from the aftermath of the withdrawal of American and allied troops from Afghanistan. For the victims of the terrorist bombings in Kabul.
- + For an end to the COVID-19 pandemic, and for more people to receive vaccinations..
- + In thanksgiving for God's guiding spirit and providence as we continue the work being done through the E-Meal Ministry.
- + For an end to the abusive enslavement of people who are being trafficked for profit.
- + In thanksgiving for the approval of the renovation of our parsonage and renaming it "Meleny's House" that it may be a place of refuge and renewal for many years to come.

## For our Homebound Members

|                   |                    |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| Doris Alderfer    | Rita Fritz         |
| Jacqui Bond       | Louella Gehringer  |
| Dominick De Salvo | Dorothy Rodemer    |
| Helen De Turk     | Kathryn Stover     |
| Norma Detweiler   | Faye Wetzel        |
| Betty Frese       | Dorothy Wohlgemuth |

## For Health and Healing

### Members of Emmanuel

|                  |                        |
|------------------|------------------------|
| Roy Becker       | Faye Landis            |
| Anthony Campolei | Richard Landis         |
| Elaine Cash      | Harry Thompson         |
| Marilyn Detwiler | Floyd and Ruth Yothers |

## For Those in Military Service

Philip Michael Coll

161 Nuchols St.

Unit: 7589

Goodfellow AFB, Tx 76908-3340

## For Friends of Emmanuel

John Becker Sr. (Roy Becker's Father)  
 Cathy Busser (friend of Pastor John)  
 Dennis Beer (friend of the Kulps)  
 Jim Clark (friend of Caren and Doug Landis)  
 Luca Condo (friend of Ruth Miller)  
 Shiela Coward (friend of Rita Fritz)  
 Alicia and Mike Daniels (friends of Julie Freed)  
 Donna and Kevin Dietz (friends of Rita Fritz)  
 Helen Freed (Evan Freed's Grandmother)  
 Sharon and John Garner (Jen Casta's Parents)  
 Sabrina Haap (Ruth Miller's Niece)  
 Cathy Heckler (Daughter in law of Gloria & Gerry Heckler)  
 Eric Heckler (Grandson of Gloria & Gerry Heckler)  
 Deborah Holcombe (Pastor John's sister-in-law)  
 Hildegard Lamparter (Wife of former Pastor Robert Lamparter)  
 Todd McDaniels (Friend of the McElwees)  
 Ed Natali (David's Brother)  
 Neal Maiers (Friend of Deb & Patrick McElwee)  
 Shirley Moyer (Friend of Louella Gehringer)  
 Katie Parsons (Friend of the McElwees)  
 Patrick Family (Friends of Julie Freed)  
 Richard Plinke (friend of Gerry and Dave Blaich)  
 Alicia Ranberg (Friend of the Crouthamels)  
 Ari Richter (Friend of Caren and Doug Landis)  
 Stewart Schrauger (Julie Freed's Brother)  
 Michael Smith (friend of Cheryl Starke)  
 Joan Stankus (Mother of Andy Stankus)  
 Tom Swanson (friend of the Mc Elwees)  
 Eric Sykes (Anita's Son)  
 Chase Ziegler (Christman's Great-Grandson)

*In order to keep our Prayer List up to date, names will remain for four weeks unless otherwise notified*



# Emmanuel Serves !



## 155,000 meals handed “up” Thanks Be To God!

I’m taking a small leap of faith that by the time we gather for worship on Sunday, the E-Meal Ministry will have surpassed 155,000 meals handed up. It’s a really small leap of faith because we have been blessed this week with some really nice contributions – apples, oranges, corn, potatoes, onions, carrots – and more from our friends at Garden of Health, Fresh for All and Quakertown Food Pantry. That means we will have three kinds of packages to distribute on Saturday – a breakfast bag, a dinner bag and a fresh produce bag. Wow!

All these harvest blessings come as we get ready for Harvest Sunday on October 17, when Emmanuel will give thanks for the blessings of the past year and share some of those blessings with others. We will give thanks for the E-Meal Ministry and all who serve in support of it.

Please bring a food donation to worship with you on Harvest Sunday to help keep our pantry stocked and ready to serve. Your donation will be placed near the altar and your gifts consecrated in service to those we are called to help.

## E-Meal Volunteers Are Needed!

*We have a particular need for volunteers on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday during the 10:30 – 1:00 shifts.*

Please take time today and sign up to volunteer. Signing up is easy. Click the following link to sign up.

<https://rb.gy/47vkgh>

And, if you can support the E-Meal ministry financially, please click here for a link to do so easily and securely:

[Online Giving to Emmanuel](#)  
(bit.ly/3iRyXn)

## SHOE DRIVE EXTENDED to 10/31

### Perseverance Volunteer Fire Company Auxiliary

## SHOE DRIVE

If you have shoes that are new, used and gently worn PLEASE consider donating them



Emmanuel Lutheran Church is a Drop Off Site for the Shoe Drive.

Please drop your shoes in the bin Monday – Saturday from 10:30 AM to 1:00 PM.

The bins will be at the E-MEAL distribution entrance.

[Soudertonshoedrive@gmail.com](mailto:Soudertonshoedrive@gmail.com)



The Fire Company says that Emmanuel is the #1 organization supporting the shoe drive this year. Let’s keep up the good work!



**Emmanuel  
Serves !**

**Let's help make  
Thanksgiving special for our  
neighbors in need.**

**The E-MEAL Ministry**  
at Emmanuel Lutheran Church

**150,000**  
Meals  
"Handed Up"  
And Counting

**Provided With Love. For Those In Need.**

Monday-Saturday • 10:30AM - 1:00PM



Launched in March 2020, Emmanuel's E-Meal Ministry has become one of the largest food service programs in the region – over 150,000 meals "Handed Up"!  
**Thanks Be to God!**

**Please help our neighbors in need enjoy  
a blessed Thanksgiving Dinner.**

**The need continues to be great.**  
Local families – our friends and neighbors struggle and need our help to prepare Thanksgiving meals themselves.

**Out of your own Thankfulness for the blessings of God,  
will you help these families have a Happy Thanksgiving?**

**Thanksgiving Baskets Include**

|                 |                    |
|-----------------|--------------------|
| Stuffing Mix    | Corn Muffin Mix    |
| Canned Yams     | Canned Vegetables  |
| Pumpkin Pie Mix | Pie Crust Mix      |
| Cranberry Sauce | Gravy or Gravy Mix |
| Pie Filling     | Chicken Broth      |
| Roasting Pan    | Dinner Rolls       |

**Please consider making a  
monetary donation or a  
supermarket gift card  
donation to purchase  
fresh vegetables, turkey,  
chicken or ham.**  
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**Donations may be dropped off  
Monday-Saturday  
from 10:30 AM to 1:00 PM.  
Or Call 215-723-7514 to arrange an  
alternate time.**

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# Emmanuel Reaches Out !



Come and decorate your car, truck...or wheelbarrow!

**Trunk or Treat is Back**  
**Saturday, Oct. 30**  
**Noon – 3PM**

Get into costume to bring joy and love and candy to children from our community.



**Many ways to participate, even if you don't have a car!**



- Welcome and Registration
- Assist with Crafts
- Help with Pumpkin Patch
- Help with games and prizes
- Come in costume.
- Join the Parade
- Cook and serve Halloweenies
- Set up and Clean up
- Invite friends and family

These are just a few memories of our last Trunk or Treat in 2019. What a great event it was and will be again!

**Safe Halloween Fun**  
**For all ages!**  
**It's all FREE!**

Sign up today at our SignUp Genius Page

<https://bit.ly/3iFWt9r>

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|--------------------|----------------------|
| Pumpkin Patch      | Decorate your Cars   |
| Pumpkin Decorating | Pumpkināta           |
| Costume Parade     | Halloween Crafts     |
| Win Prizes         | Tattoos and Stickers |
| Halloweenies       | And More...          |



**And lots of candy!**



# Emmanuel Reaches Out !

A Request from the Help for Honduras Partnership

Will you help us raise \$12,000 to help the people of Honduras rebuild their lives?



“Help for Honduras” was formed earlier in 2021 to bring together non-profits in PA and Honduras to bring relief

to a nation devastated by two Category 5 hurricanes last year. Even now, the country suffers with many lacking clean water, electricity, food, and health services.

## The “Help for Honduras” Partnership Made a Difference.

The partnership worked together to raise \$11,000 to ship over \$200,000 worth of relief supplies to people in Honduras. This was an amazing return on investment, but only made a small dent in the need. It’s time to launch a new campaign to send more supplies to a suffering nation and its people.



## Meet Crisel Maria



Crisel is a 14-year-old girl living in Santa Barbara, Honduras. Born with Spina Bifida, the wheelchair in which Crisel is seated

came from the supplies sent to Honduras in June. It’s the first wheelchair that Crisel has ever had. Taken for granted here in the US, in much of the world, a wheelchair is a treasured, life- enhancing miracle.

## How You Can Help

- Make a tax-deductible donation of any amount by check payable to **Emmanuel Lutheran Church. Send to 69 W Broad St. Souderton PA 18964.** indicate Help for Honduras on the memo line of the check.
- Make an online donation on our secure website: <https://bit.ly/3iRyXn2> Please note “Help for Honduras” in the comments area. A donation of \$200 or more will sponsor a pallet full of new supplies. We have a goal of 20 pallets to send this time.

## The “Help For Honduras” Partnership



ADASBA Honduras



Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Souderton PA



Hands In Service Warrington PA



Help to Help Souderton PA



Souderton/Telford PA Santa Barbara Honduras



Though These Hands Lehigh Valley, PA



# Emmanuel Reaches Out !

## Update on Meleny's House



On Tuesday, October 12, 2021, Emmanuel presented its application for zoning variance on the “parsonage” to convert it into a multi-family dwelling with three apartments.

Pastor John, Dan Emr from Worthwhile Wear and our architect, Rich Kapusta gave testimony about our plans for redevelopment and the reasons why we are changing the use of the property. Several friends and neighbors were in attendance to voice their support for the renovations and for the ministry that will be hosted there.

As a result of the information provided, the Zoning Board unanimously approved our request for variance, thereby removing the final hurdle in our plans to convert the parsonage to Meleny's House – a furthering of Emmanuel's mission and ministry to help women who are survivors of human trafficking and sexual exploitation.

### **THANKS BE TO GOD!**

So now, we begin.

The construction schedule is an ambitious one. We expect building permits to be filed next week when detail plans will be submitted to the Borough. Meanwhile, some minor demolition will begin this weekend to remove the remaining drywall and other items that are no longer needed.



On October 14, a dumpster was brought in to dispose of the materials being taken from the house. In addition, this dumpster will allow us to clean out our

maintenance garage to make way for the storage of building supplies needed for the renovations.

In early November, a group of about 40 missionary contractors known as “Eight Days of Hope” will be on hand to really accelerate the work to turn our dream for Meleny's House into a reality. It is such an exciting time for Emmanuel and for our partners at Worthwhile Wear.

We are scheduling a ceremonial ground-breaking at Meleny's House on **Sunday, November 7,** immediately following worship.



It is an especially appropriate day it is All Saints Sunday and we will especially be remembering our own “St. Meleny of Souderton”. You won't want to miss that.

For now, please keep Meleny's House in your prayers – for the safety of all who will be working there and for the women who will soon make it their home.

+ Pastor John +



# Emmanuel Reaches Out !

A great opportunity to learn about human trafficking and support our Meleny's House Partner – Worthwhile Wear

## *A Worthwhile* **TELETHON** FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22

Join us on **Friday, October 22** for our nationwide livestreamed "A Worthwhile Telethon" to raise funds for survivors of human trafficking!

### **LIVESTREAM & IN PERSON!**

Our 10th fall fundraiser will live stream from **820 PA-113, Souderton, PA** (Calvary Church) starting at **6:30 pm** with pre-show entertainment before kicking off the telethon at 7:00 pm.



Justin Guarini



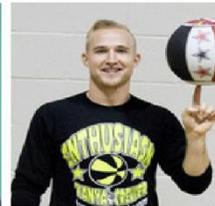
Kathy Romano



Erik Kratz



Dr. Lillian Agbeyegbe



Caleb Crevier



Holly Gibbs

Singer **Justin Guarini** and radio host **Kathy Romano** will be our hosts for the evening. Viewers can also expect:

- LIVE MUSIC FROM HOUSE BAND & JUSTIN GUARINI
- AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION
- HEAR FROM HUMAN TRAFFICKING EXPERTS & ACTIVISTS
- ONLINE AUCTION
- GUEST APPEARANCES & INTERVIEWS
- SURVIVOR STORIES

Join us in person or online as we work towards our **goal of raising \$200,000** to support survivors of human trafficking.

### **HOW TO JOIN**

Visit **WorthwhileWear.org** to learn how you can claim your free tickets, host your own watch party, or become a business sponsor.

"Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!" Psalm 133:1



"And God appeared to Jacob again... and blessed him... 'I am God Almighty (El Shaddai) Be fruitful and multiply... to you; and to your descendents after you I give this land...' Genesis 35: 9-12 (entire passage)



# Emmanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church

*Bulletin Sponsorships are available for the remainder of 2021 and now available for 2022*

**Current Sunday Schedule**

Online Sunday's KIDS – 9:30 AM  
 Online and In-Person Worship – 10:00 AM  
 \***OUTDOORS** through October 24, 2021\*  
 Sunday's KIDS In Person – 10:00 AM



**E-Meal Volunteers**

**Please sign up online**

<https://rb.gy/47vkgh>

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 Debbie Seeley, Parish Administrator  
 Michael Shoemaker, Facilities Manager

## What's Happening @ Emmanuel

**10/17/2021 – 10/24/2021**

|              |  |   |
|--------------|--|---|
| Sun<br>10/17 | 9:30 AM<br>10:00 AM  | <b>Twenty-First Sun. After Pentecost Harvest Sunday</b><br>Sunday's KIDS (Online)<br>Worship Service and Sunday's KIDS ( <b><u>OUTDOORS</u></b> and Online) |
| Mon<br>10/18 | 8:00 AM<br>10:30 AM – 1PM<br>5:30 PM<br>5:30 PM-8:30 PM<br>8:00 PM | Morning GodCast<br>E-Meal Distribution<br>Bushu Karate<br>SACS – HALO Training<br>AA Meeting  |
| Tue<br>10/19 | 8:00 AM<br>10:00 AM<br>10:30 AM – 1PM<br>5:30 PM                   | Morning GodCast<br>Upper Bucks Pastor's Mtg.<br>E-Meal Distribution<br>Bushu Karate   |
| Wed<br>10/20 | 8:00 AM<br>10:30 AM – 1PM<br>5:30 PM                               | Morning GodCast<br>E-Meal Distribution<br>Bushu Karate  |
| Thu<br>10/21 | 8:00 AM<br>10:30 AM – 1PM<br>5:30 PM                               | Morning GodCast<br>E-Meal Distribution<br>Bushu Karate  |
| Fri<br>10/22 | 8:00 AM<br>10:30 AM – 1PM  | Morning GodCast<br>E-Meal Distribution  |
| Sat<br>10/23 | 8:00 AM<br>10:30 AM – 1PM  | Morning GodCast<br>E-Meal Distribution  |
| Sun<br>10/24 | 9:30 AM<br>10:00 AM  | <b>Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost</b><br>Sunday's KIDS (Online)<br>Worship Service and Sunday's KIDS ( <b><u>OUTDOORS</u></b> and Online)             |

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## Bible Quiz

In Matthew's genealogy, which woman is *not* mentioned as Jesus' ancestor?

- A. Tamar
- B. Rahab
- C. Mary
- D. Ruth
- E. Sarah
- F. Bathsheba



Answer: E (See Matthew 1:1-17)

# You Are Invited

*Serve With Us*



*Worship With Us*



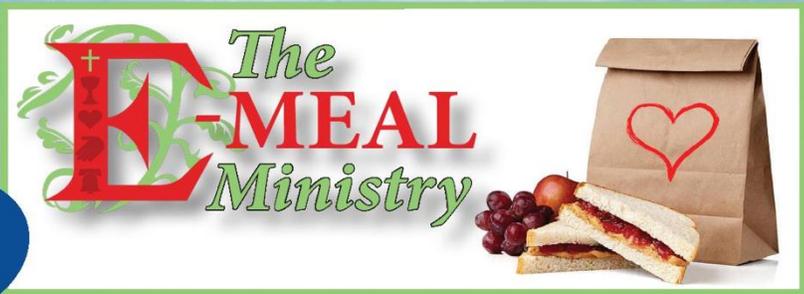
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Home  
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