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EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

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Psalm 119 announces promises that God makes to us. Verse 105 is a familiar one, "Your Word is a lamp unto my feet and light unto my path." The theme of God's Word dominates Psalm 119, which is the center chapter of the Bible. In response to God's promises, which come to us in His Word, are commitments which the psalmist makes (and all Jesus' disciples make). Verse 97 is one of my favorites, "Oh how I love Your law! I meditate on it all day long." By meditation on and the study of God's Word, the psalmist says, "I have more understanding than the elders....." and then he (and we) will be able to "....obey Your precepts" (Verse 100).

Studying God's Word is a call the Holy Spirit places on all our hearts. At Emmanuel, beginning September 11 (Rally Day) two adult classes and one children's class will be offered. The children begin Sunday School at 9 AM with singing, prayers and lessons. The adults (at 9:00 AM) will participate in a study of the book of Exodus, which is a portrayal of God's work of salvation in Christ. Wednesday Bible Study, at 6:30 PM will get in-depth with Jesus in the Gospels. You are invited to take God and His Word seriously by attending one of these Bible Studies.

Pastor Tim

Heartfelt Thanks !

Dear Emmanuel,

We would like to thank everyone for their thoughts and prayers for our Mother, Denise, over the last few weeks. All of your concern and love for her and our family is and always will be appreciated. My sister, brothers and I also want to thank many of you that went to visit Mom, although it may have seemed she was not aware you were there, we believe, in our hearts, she knew.

Mom is doing so much better now, she has been at Northwood's Lodge for rehab and it looks as though she will be able to come home sometime this week.

We feel so blessed to know such wonderful, kind, individuals who have such a strong love of the Lord.

Thank You again !

Chelette, Kneeda, Kiley, Trevor, Lamonte and Lillian



In case of an Emergency

Please call
Pastor Tim
on his cell
phone
286-1090

It's a Jungle in Here !

Emmanuel Lutheran Church transformed into a lush jungle, complete with vines and a waterfall, as over 40 children went wild for Jesus during our **Big Jungle Adventure** Vacation Bible School this year. Through stories, Bible lessons, songs, crafts, games and snacks the kids learned about Jesus' amazing love and care all day, everyday.

The children were introduced each day to a new Bible story, key Bible memory verse and Take Home Point that emphasized the Gospel message as they rotated through different stations: Sound-Off Opening (with Jammin' Jungle Tunes), Faith Journeys Storytelling, Big Adventure Bible Challenge, Kiki's Crazy Creations, Bobo's Banana Hut Snacks, Go Wild Games and Send-Off Closing.

Our mission outreach project was to collect food for our food bank. A large cardboard "boat" was placed in the sanctuary in front of the altar. The children were challenged to bring food each day to place in the boat. Our goal was to "sink the boat" under the weight of the food. By the week's end, the boat was sitting *dangerously* low in the water. The children's generous giving has already blessed some families in need.



Our Fearless leader



Miss Carolyn taught the daily Bible stories.

The kids had a great time at VBS. They shared their enthusiasm with their parents, grandparents and others at our closing program. The Pre-Schoolers, who had been learning the same lessons and practicing the same songs downstairs in the Childcare Center, blessed us by joining in the singing at the program. The children raised the roof singing the songs of praise and joy that they had learned during the week. Their obvious favorite was "Who's the King of the Jungle?" which they sang with immense gusto as their finale. The audience was just as enthusiastic in their show of appreciation. The VBS team plans to share a video of the closing program with the congregation at Rally Day Sunday.

The success of this year's VBS would not have been possible without the guidance and power to God's Holy Spirit and the faithful response of His people.: Pastor Tim & Carolyn Cartwright, Brian Kenney, TJ Cartwright, Judy & Steve Armstrong, Sharie & Glen Adrig, Denise Williams, Chelette Williams, Carverlynn Prothero, Kneeda Williams, Lamont James, Samantha Brewer, Kristin Blackman, Brandee Haynes, Nick Thomas, Gladys Willis, Claire Audett, Ana Romero, Judith Dautenhahn, Carol Reece, Lindsay Thayer, Kate Kriewald, Gina Castellano and Emmanuel Lutheran Members.

To God be the Glory ! Miki Turowski, 2011 VBS Director



The children loved the daily opening and closing



VBS— a Fun Week for All !!!!
**The Young and the
 Young at Heart !**



Childcare News

Dear Church Family,

We the Childcare staff would like to say “thank you!” for allowing our children to participate in VBS 2011. Our children had a lot of fun and they came away from this experience with a better understanding of Jesus’ love for them. This experience was “priceless.”

As we settle into the new school year, there will be some transition as many of our Pre-kindergarten children will be going to Kindergarten or what they like to call the “big school.” Every year, we the staff of Emmanuel Childcare, are so proud to send these young girls and boys off to the “big school”, we know that we have prepared them well for the beginning of their learning journey.

The childcare has a few fun adventures planned this month for the preschool and pre-kindergarten classes, one will be a visit to Fred Meyer to tour their produce department and to buy fresh fruits and vegetables for lunch. The children will also visit Bay Vista Retirement facility to visit with their residents.

Dates to Remember

September 12th: First day of Preschool

September 26th: PK field trip to Fred Meyer

September 13th: First day of Pre-Kindergarten

September 29th: PS field trip to Fred Meyer

September 22nd: Literacy Night

Many Blessings!

Chelette Williams

A Rich History of 65 years Chapter four

In 1960 the Women's Missionary Federation of Emmanuel Lutheran became the American Lutheran Church Women. For the first time the women's group hosted a special dinner for the graduating seniors. They hoped this would be a tradition that could be carried on year after year. The children that were entering kindergarten were also honored. The women also hosted a very successful smorgasbord. The menu included ham, turkey, rullepolse (not sure what this is), salmon, Swedish meatballs, pickled herring sweet breads, cookies, and lelse. (Gosh, do you think there may have been some Scandinavian cooks involved here?) Mrs. Hazel Wuethrick (**Mae McConnell's mom, Miki Turowski's grandmother**) received the Life Membership in 1960. Hazel was the president that year.

Many of you have probably been asking yourselves how one pastor (Pastor Boe at the time) could ever oversee a congregation so large. At that time, Pastor Boe had a Parish Intern, name Kenneth D. Eggen. Mr. Eggen's duties were many. The intern visited Sunday School families (member and non-member), families of the confirmation classes, visitors that signed the guest book and those who were hospitalized and/or confined to home. The Intern taught the Junior Confirmation Class (in 1960 there were 34 students), he taught the Adult Sunday School Class and a Luther League Sponsors' Training Course. The purpose of the course was to discuss problems in working with the youth of the congregation, and how, as adults, they could better serve as leaders with the youth.

His primary purpose was to work with the youth in the church. In addition to these duties he preached at a morning worship service once a month. He also assisted the pastor with serving communion. It sounds like Pastor Boe depended heavily on his parish intern. In addition to the visitations that Mr. Eggen's did, the Deacons made 275 visitations during 1960. During this year VBS (then called Vacation Church School) had 120 students enrolled with 28 teachers and assistants. **Evelyn Stouffer** served as the Sunday School Co-Superintendent. That year **Mike Stouffer** and Marion Wuethrick (Mae's sister, Marion was a member of the first graduating class that went all four years to East High School) represented Emmanuel at the Luther League Leadership School at PLU.

There was much upgrades and remodeling done in 1960. But, one of great interest was in the parsonage. The church found out that none of the baseboard outlets on the second floor had ever worked. They discovered that there was a break in the circuit inside the wall that had been damaged during the construction. Thank goodness for our current occupants (**Denise Williams and her family**) that this repair was made.

Not only did the women in the congregation have a very active group, but, the men also had a group called the "Brotherhood of Emmanuel." They had a membership of 45 in 1960. During that year their activities included: "meetings every third Tues. with definite objectives, preparing and serving the Mother-Daughter Banquet, completion of a utility kitchen in the Parish Education Bldg., painting heating units in Sanctuary, painting the Women's Restroom, putting up a clothes rack in the basement, installation of a drinking fountain in the Narthex, installation of a hand rail in the choir loft, moving the organ to the choir loft, give assistance to the 1st Annual Smorgasbord, held first annual Christmas Dinner-Party for husbands and wives and painted the kitchen in the Parish Education

"Where there is Faith, There is Love;
Where there is Love, There is Peace;
Where there is Peace,
There is Blessing;
Where there is Blessing,
There is God;
Where there is God,
There is No Need."

Taken from a Women's Federation
Annual Year Book

A Rich History of 65 years Chapter four

This gave men the opportunity to participate in some church activity and gave them the opportunity for a wonderful fellowship in a church activity in the name of our Savior in Christ our Lord.”

In 1960 the young people’s group called the Luther League was very active. This year the group decided to break into two groups (the Junior and Senior League). Some of their activities included a swimming party at Lutherhaven, an excursion to the PLU Homecoming game, a Halloween masquerade party, the girls assisted with the annual smorgasbord, a car wash, bake sale and selling stationery, attendance to a convention in Port Angeles, a caroling party in December, a potluck at the annual tree trimming and a New Year party. The members also assisted from time to time with the worship services.

Member’s Memories



Dollie Hage grew up in Bremerton and remembers when there were no bridges. She recalls her Father rowing a boat to go to work each day from Manette to Puget Sound Naval Shipyard. Her family eventually moved to Pennsylvania Ave. and 11th in West Bremerton. She was raised Catholic and attended Star of the Sea Catholic School. She attended Bremerton High School.

When she and her husband, John, were married they eloped in Olympia. Her husband insisted that they get married in a church so they found a Presbyterian Church. Dollie, her husband and two daughters transferred from Our Saviour’s to Emmanuel when Pastor Boe arrived. Dollie and her husband already knew Evelyn Stouffer through their years of volunteering. They all (14 people total) volunteered for the Bremerton Foodline to help feed the hungry.



Dollie (second from the left) and the other women were making rosettes for the smorgasbord.



She said that after volunteering, 11l 14 would meet for lunch. Dollie and her family moved into a new house in Manette. Her two daughters, Christi and Jeri were confirmed at Emmanuel. The family spent much time at Lutherhaven. Her husband built 6 boats and helped with much of the construction at Lutherhaven. Dollie (third from the right) sang in the choir and her daughter, Christi, sang in the children’s choir. Her daughter, Jeri, was married at Emmanuel. Thank You, Dollie, for all your years of service.

About Our Members

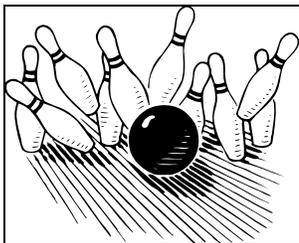
Did You Know ??? Another one of our members made the local paper this month. Our President, **Glen Adrig**, made a "Hole in One" on the 17th hole at Gold Mountain Golf Course. He has been golfing since age 10 and this was the first time he hit a hole in one. He had just been telling his wife that he thought he was probably too old now and that he had given up hope. This shows that we should never give up hope.

Right Glen? Congratulations !!
Happy Golfing !!!



As long as we are on the theme that we should never give up hope.....

Mark Stouffer recently rolled a 700 + series while bowling at All Star Lanes. A 700 series is quite an accomplishment. Mark's bowling average is around 210 so to roll a 700 series is outstanding. Way to go , Mark !!!!!



Our missionary, Marian Hungerford, works for Wycliffe Bible Translators with the people living in Cameroon Africa. We, as a congregation, not only support her with monetary donations but support her in prayer as she faces daily challenges. We ask you to pray for Marian. Thank You!!!

Helen's a winner !!!! Of course we knew that already. A couple of weeks ago she participated in an sidewalk art contest. It was the Festival of Chalk. Helen is only 6 years old but placed first in her youth category (ages 6–11). As a result she received a certificate and a \$50.00 gift card for Michaels. In order to enhance her artistic skills she purchased acrylic paints, canvases and face paint.

Way to go Helen!!! Emmanuel is proud of you !!!!



A single Christian woman needs an apartment or a roommate (with another Christian woman). She works part time and is on SSD and SSI. If you have any information that could help please contact her at: 360-551-5697.

Church Events

September is the month that we begin collecting items for our Christmas Child Shoeboxes. Our packing day will be Saturday, November 12th. During the "Back to School" sales pick up some supplies to put into the boxes. Or perhaps you are seeing bags of wrapped hard candy already out for Halloween (Remember, NO CHOCOLATE, only HARD CANDY) . Maybe you are seeing little toys that could easily fit into the boxes. (Remember, NO SOLDIERS or anything related to WAR.) We can always use toothbrushes, soap, small washcloths, socks, small hairbrushes and combs, and any of those necessities that we take for granted. These are priceless to those that don't have such luxuries. We have already had some members that have donated shoeboxes already. Oh yes, if you can't really get out to the store to shop but want to help, we will gladly accept monetary donations. It costs \$7 per box to mail or you could always ask someone to shop for you.

Any questions? Ask Sharie Adrig, Newsletter Editor (377-2448)

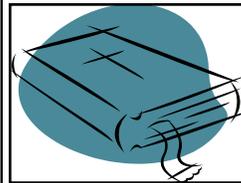
Mark November 12th on your calendar, come help pack our boxes to send all over the world to help the children.



Altar Guild is a ministry of the Church which prepares the Altar for worship by setting up for Holy Communion and Holy Baptism. The paraments, which decorate the Altar and the Chancel of the Church are also set up by the Altar Guild. After worship the Communionware is cleaned and stored by those who serve on the Altar Guild. Altar Guild also handles the decorations for special seasons of the Church Year, such as Advent and Christmas. The Altar Guild has periodic classes, taught by Pastor Tim, explaining the meaning of what they do and how it is done. If you would like to serve on Altar Guild please sign up on the sign up sheet available in the sanctuary or fellowship hall.



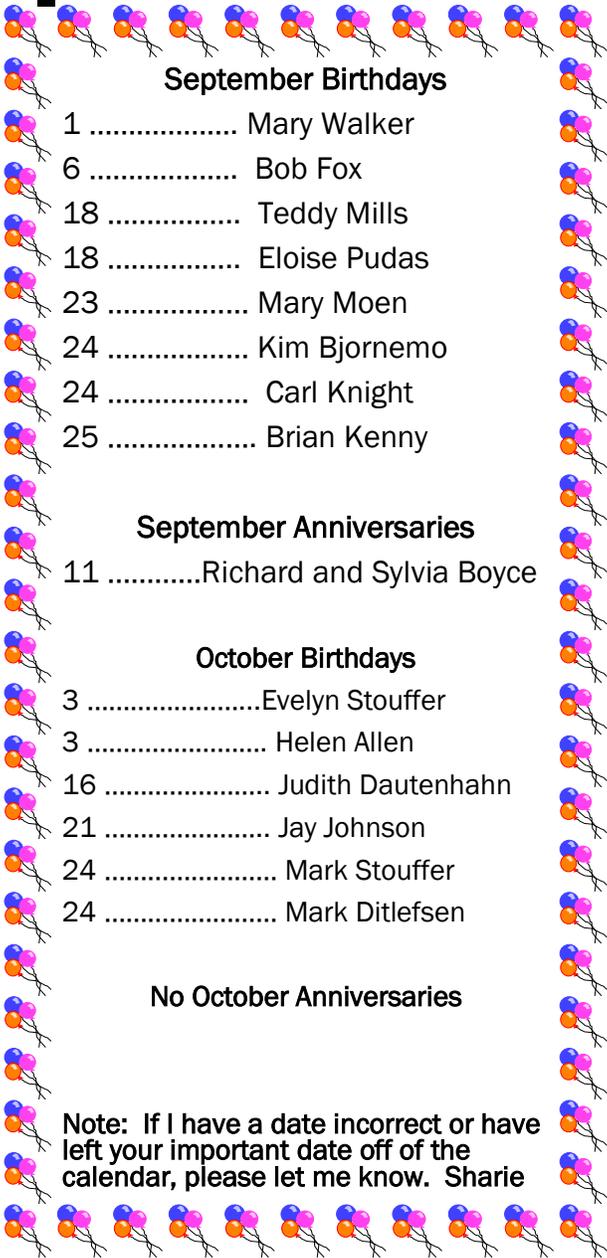
How Can I Serve ?



We are currently looking for those individuals that are interested in being a reader for our Worship Service. If this something you think you may want to consider ask Pastor Tim. There will be a sign up sheet in the fellowship hall.

The **Prayer Chain** is a group of people that pray and support those in need. If you would like to be a part of this group please let Pastor Tim know. We would love to add you to our list.





September Birthdays

- 1 Mary Walker
- 6 Bob Fox
- 18 Teddy Mills
- 18 Eloise Pudas
- 23 Mary Moen
- 24 Kim Bjornemo
- 24 Carl Knight
- 25 Brian Kenny

September Anniversaries

- 11Richard and Sylvia Boyce

October Birthdays

- 3Evelyn Stouffer
- 3 Helen Allen
- 16 Judith Dautenhahn
- 21 Jay Johnson
- 24 Mark Stouffer
- 24 Mark Ditlefsen

No October Anniversaries

Note: If I have a date incorrect or have left your important date off of the calendar, please let me know. Sharie

Members serving in September

- Altar Guild Carolyn Cartwright
Gladys Willis
- Reader Jay Johnson
- Sunday School
OpeningCarolyn Cartwright
- TeacherJudy Armstrong
- Teaching Assistant..
Judith Dautenhahn

Members serving in October

- Altar GuildJean Reed
- ReaderCarol Henning
- Sunday School To Be Announced

Check us out at

<http://www.elcbremerton.org>

Just for a laugh!!!

Do You know your Hymns??????

- Dentist's Hymn....."Crown Him with Many Crowns"
- Contractor's Hymn"The Church is One Foundation"
- The Golfer's Hymn "There's a Green Hill Far Away."

If you need to contact Pastor Tim Cartwright you can call-286-1090.

If you have a prayer request for the prayer chain call Sharie Adrig-377-2448 or Judy Armstrong-479-4892.