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Pastor's Message

This year we celebrate the 70th anniversary of Emmanuel Lutheran Church. Next year we celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. The Reformation provides the context for the anniversary of Emmanuel.

In the 16th century Reformation God restored the church's acknowledgment of the authority of the Bible as the Word of God. Emmanuel began its history with a constitution and synod that recognized the authority of the Bible as the inspired, inerrant and infallible Word of God. Over time that respect for the Scriptures changed, but in 2010 Emmanuel voted to join the American Association of Lutheran Churches and it experienced its own version of a reformation. Our constitution and synod once again reflect the authority of Scripture and our place under the authority of the Word of God.

2 Timothy 3:16 is a foundational Bible verse where God teaches us that the Bible is His book, inspired by the Holy Spirit. In an ever-changing world it is reassuring to be under the authority of God's unchanging Word.

Emmanuel Lutheran Church, courtesy of DeWayne Kalista, will hang a large poster and recreation of the Martin Luther's 1517 95 Theses. October 30 we celebrate the Reformation, the time when God the Holy Spirit reformed His church. He restored the Church's understanding of the authority of Scripture, and clearly articulated the essential doctrine of salvation by grace through faith.

Luther's 95 Theses was a list of arguments of doctrinal points Luther wanted to debate with other university professors. He wrote them and posted them on the door of the Wittenberg Church (the local bulletin board; and hence the name of our church newsletter). While none of the university professors accepted Luther's invitation to debate, the 95 Theses were published on the then very new Guttenberg press and were widely distributed around what is now Germany.

The 95 Theses addressed problems in the current Roman Catholic practices and doctrine, especially regarding the doctrine of salvation. Thus began the work of the Holy Spirit to renew His Church. Each year I commemorate the Reformation by telling a story from the life of Martin Luther. This year I will do that on October 30. See you then.

Pastor Tim Cartwright

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Please call
Pastor Tim
on his cell
phone

286-1090



Our greeters were Chelette Williams, Mary Michaels Moen and Gail Campbell.

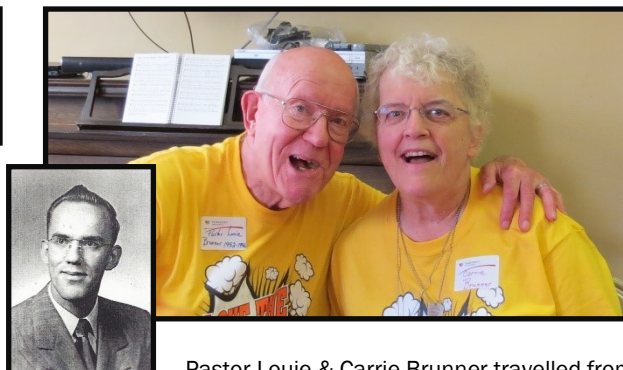


All the scrapbooks were on display (old and new). Special thanks to Sylvia Boyce for all the work she did years ago on the older scrapbooks.

Emmanuel Lutheran Church
celebrates 70 Years!



Past members went through a walk down memory lane. Kathy Valentine Park found this awesome site upstairs. Special thanks to Kathy for this picture.



Pastor Louie & Carrie Brunner travelled from Oregon to celebrate with us. Louie was Director of Parish Education in 1954–56. He was one of our guest speakers at the Sunday afternoon program.

Saturday was well attended. Many came for a walk through the church, the Childcare Center and Lutherhaven.

Pastor Crawford's daughters, Judy and Janice, had fun reminiscing about the days their dad was pastor. Here they are standing in their dad's old office doorway.

Pastor Orv Crawford served at Emmanuel from 1963–1969





Members and former members had an opportunity to share memories.



John & Judy Glen raised their family at Emmanuel



Some committee members take a break with Bob Klempan, Sharie Adrig, Larry Ficca and Pastor Tim.



Kathy Valentine Park was the first baptism for our church. Her parent's Lloyd and Nina Valentine were founding members and very active in the congregation.



Stairs to the choir loft.

This is a view of the sanctuary that many remembered. Either people sang in the choir or sat with parents that were in the choir.



Sunday was a full day, starting with the Worship Service followed by a lunch and ending with a special program.



Glen and Sharie's granddaughter stepped up and took on the role of greeter.



April and Carol! The Mills family surprised us with a visit from Oregon.



The Stouffer sons shared a special day with their mom, Evelyn.



All of our visiting pastors assisted with communion. Pastor John Foss (2000–2004) on left and his dad, Pastor Les Foss (1976-1979) on right. How special was that.



A Buffet Lunch in the Lutheran tradition.
Michael Prothero prepared the meat. The ladies of the church provided salads and side dishes.



Marialis Jorges' saxophone trio entertained us with music from the 40's and 50's era. Thank you for your gift of music.



Karl Sachs and his family. His dad is Robert Sachs and served as Associate Pastor from 1981–1984

The weather was perfect. We were able to seat guests outside and children had a ball playing on the swing set in the yard at the parsonage.



Larry and Ida Ficca and their son's families were able to attend.



Pastor Gordon Christensen and his wife, Patti, were able to attend.
Pastor Christensen served at Emmanuel from 1988– 1997.





During the program members of the Childcare staff talked about our center. Our guest speaker, Joan Bauer, was one the women that started the Childcare Center.

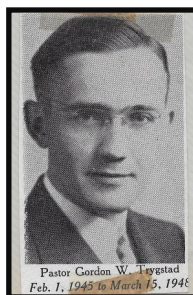


Former members, Melodee Evenson and Darla Dietsch-Muya. Melodee's parents were Bernie & Heloise Evenson.

The Occasional Choir sang "Holy, Holy, Holy" and "A Mighty Fortress" which were two traditional hymns the choir always sang.



Pastor Louie Brunner spoke about his years as the Director of Parish Education from 1954 -56. One thing he did not mention was Louie, after serving at Emmanuel, felt called to be a pastor. He ended up going to Renton WA. It was his experience at Emmanuel that led him to become mission pastor and start a church in Renton, WA



Miki Turowski read the Scripture readings for the program. These included Isaiah 51:1-2 , II Timothy 3:14-17 and John 8:31-32. These particular verses were picked because they were the verses that originally inspired Pastor Gordon Trygstad to form Emmanuel Lutheran back in 1945 -46. Miki's grandparents were Walter & Hazel Wuethrick and her parents are the late Cecil & Mae McConnell.



We had three visiting pastors that were former pastors at Emmanuel. On the far left, Pastor A. Gordon Christensen (1988-1997) , Pastor Tim Cartwright (2011—present), Pastor Les Foss (1976—1979) and far right, Pastor John Foss (2000—2004)

Special Thanks!

Special thanks to the committee members of our 70th Celebration.

Special thanks to all of our guest speakers and congregational members that spoke during our program.

Special thanks to Glen Adrig for the wonderful power point "History through Pictures" show.



Special Thanks to our Childcare Center for the wonderful gifts of commemorative mugs and book-marks. We were able to give visiting pastors and some guests a mug plus send some to other members that have continued to support Emmanuel.

Special thanks to those that sent photos to me to help put this special edition together. They included: Mary Michaels Moen, Kathy Valentine Park, Melodee Evenson and my daughter, Katie, for taking many photos for me.

Sharie Adrig, 70th Anniversary Celebration Chairman

"First Fruits"

November is just around the corner and that means Thanksgiving will be upon us before we know it. The Bremerton Foodbank needs extra food this time of year. When the weather cools, the demand for food goes up. Please consider donating any of the following: ***soups, canned pasta meals, dried pasta and canned spaghetti sauce, called pumpkin, canned milk, canned sweet potatoes and other vegetables, canned fruit, stuffing mixes, and cranberry sauce.***

Thanksgiving is a time to give thanks for our blessings and also a time to share those blessings with others. Thank you, Emmanuel, for your support of this mission.

Order Your Poinsettia

Can you believe it is that time already ?

If you would like to purchase a poinsettia for the church altar area for Christmas, please let Carol Henning know. They are \$11.00. If you would like to give them in honor/memory of please write the name/ names on a piece of paper and give it to Carol.



Operation Christmas Child Begins !

Currently we are collecting gifts that can be packed into a shoebox for Operation Christmas Child. We will collect gifts through November 6th and we will be gathering in the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, November 12th at 10 AM to pack the boxes. If you are unable to shop for this you may make a monetary contribution.



Just mark your donation for OCC. Remember, it is \$7 to mail each box. Once again, this will be a collaborative effort with our Childcare Center.

Educational Opportunities

Emmanuel offers a variety of opportunities for all ages to learn more about the Bible and share times of fellowship.

Sunday: Children's Sunday School9 AM

Adult Bible Study 9 AM
currently studying I Peter

Wednesday: Adult Bible Study 6:30 PM
We are currently studying Joshua.

Friday: Women's Bible Study10 AM
2nd & 4th Fridays and studying Hebrews.

Saturday: Men's Fellowship Breakfast.....8 AM
1st Saturday of each month
At the Bridge Deli in Manette



News from Marian

As many of you already know, Marian has been quite ill with Malaria. The following is a recent email from her. A complete copy of her newsletter can be found on the table near the entry of the church.

"Dear Friends,

Thank you for your love and intercession on my behalf. I'm praising the unlimited resources of Almighty God, a whole bunch of concerned friends and a very competent nurse. Magadji drove nurse Sorelle to the pharmacy and they came back with all the things she needed for me. So, hallelujah. Thought I need to regain my strength, I'm feeling quite a bit like myself. Still have one more course of malaria pills to swallow and thenwe'll see after that."

Marian Hungerford

Pray for Marian's friend, Yunusa. It looks like he has the same thing.

SJM —————News concerning Bob & Cheryl

The following is a letter that came a few weeks ago from the president of SIM in regard to the Foxes.

In August 2016, Bob & Cheryl Fox, left the US for their first term of ministry in Niger. First they will stop in France for language study before going on the Niger.

Bob & Cheryl have a love of learning, a passion for God's Word, and hearts to serve. With a Masters in Education and Doctorate in Community College Leadership, Bob enjoys creatively engaging students. Cheryl has a Juris Doctorate and has practiced in the legal field for over 20 years. Teaching Sunday School and other faith-based classes has given her classroom experience with both children and adults. They eagerly anticipate what God will do through them in West Africa and beyond.

As Bob & Cheryl serve in Niger, we know they likely will face opposition and obstacles. Let's join hands together with them in prayer for effective and fulfilling ministry through this term of service. We deeply appreciate each one of you who supports and prayers for the Fox family. I pray that the Lord will bless you in a special way as you have such a vital role in this ministry in Niger. May the joy of the Lord be your strength day by day.

Bruce Johnson

| October Birthdays | |
|---|-------------------------|
| 3 | Evelyn Stouffer |
| 3 | Helen Allen |
| 3 | Wayne McElroy |
| 21 | Jay Johnson |
| 24 | Mark Stouffer |
| 29 | Tatyana Johnson |
| November Birthdays | |
| 1 | Larry Farner |
| 6 | Pastor Tim Cartwright |
| 13 | Carmen, Childcare staff |
| 22 | Callie Woodward |
| 28 | April Mills |
| November Anniversaries | |
| 16 | Jay & Stephanie Johnson |
| 20 | Bob & Cheryl Fox |
| 24 | Larry & Sally Farner |
| f there are any additions or corrections to the list please let Sharie Adrig, editor, know. You can do so via church mailbox, 377-2448 or gadrig@comcast.net. | |

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 A 377-2448 or Judy A 479-4892.

Any comments or questions about the newsletter call Sharie Adrig—377-2448

Members Serving in October

Altar GuildIda Ficca
Mollie Erickson
ReaderGlen Adrig

Members Serving in November

Altar GuildSharie Adrig
Bonnie Mace
ReaderKeri Roberts

Sunday School Teachers

Children's Sunday School

Carolyn Cartwright
Judy Armstrong
Ida Ficca & Mollie Erickson
Chelette Williams

Substitutes: Mary Moen

Adult Bible Studies

Wednesday nightPastor Tim
Sunday morningPastor Tim
Women's Friday Bible Study
Judy Armstrong

Your help during coffee hour?

Thanks to all who are signing up to host coffee hour! If you are interested, the sign up sheet is on the counter in the fellowship hall!

Thank you to Carol R. for being our coordinator for coffee hour. Thanks to Theresa P. for all your help in the kitchen during coffee hour.