



ON THE ROAD

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GOOD FRIDAY PRAYER VIGIL

Prepare your heart and mind for Easter in a new and special way. Take part in the Good Friday Prayer Vigil by signing up for a time of prayer on April 2nd. The Vigil begins at 6:00 a.m. and concludes at 6:00 p.m., with a break from noon to 12:30 for a Good Friday service. Your prayer time can be enhanced with a variety of activities. Check out the sign up sheet in the Gathering Place, find a time that fits your schedule, and commit to pray for at least a half hour.



EASTER FLOWERS

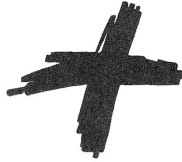
You are invited to contribute toward the purchase of flowers for an Easter garden. If you would like to contribute any amount, you may use a pew envelope and mark it "Easter Flowers," or mail your contribution to the church office. Please also indicate if your gift is in memory or honor of a person or occasion, and it will be included in the Easter worship bulletin.



CAMP LUTHERWOOD

The summer program schedule is on the web! Go to www.lutherwood.org.

Camp Lutherwood is presently recruiting summer staff. If you are at least 18 years old and have a heart to work with youth in a camp setting, please e-mail interim director Andrea Scofield at andrea@lutherwood.org.



PRAYER AROUND THE CROSS

There are two more Wednesdays in Lent (March 17th and 24th) before the observance of Holy Week beginning on Palm Sunday, March 28th. You are invited at 12:00 noon or 6:30 p.m. to consider "Whose Cross Is It, Anyway?" through dramatic sketches. Soup lunches and suppers are offered as well.

HOLY WEEK

We recall our Lord's final journey to the cross as we observe Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, and Good Friday. A special offering for the ELCA World Hunger Appeal on Palm Sunday will conclude our Lenten hunger emphasis. Holy Communion will be offered on Maundy Thursday, April 1st, at 12:00 noon and 7:00 p.m. There will be no soup lunch or supper served. On Good Friday, April 2nd, you are invited to participate in a 12-hour Prayer Vigil from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. A worship service will be offered at the midway point, 12:00 noon. The people of Emmaus and First United Methodist Church are invited to worship together at 7:30 p.m. on Good Friday with a presentation of Faure's "Requiem" at the Methodist Church located at 1376 Olive.

EASTER

Sunrise worship at 6:30 a.m. at Rest-Haven Memorial Park, 39th and Willamette, will begin the day on Easter, April 4th. Festival worship will be offered at 8:30 and 11:00 with Easter breakfast between. Easter breakfast will be different this year than in the past. Emmaus youth and their families will not be providing and serving the breakfast. Middle and high school youth have been alternating years, but families who have youth in both groups are finding every year a bit much. This year cinnamon rolls, hard-boiled eggs, juice, coffee, and tea will be served buffet-style. You will be invited to contribute to a freewill offering to cover costs.

SO, TO RECAP...

Wednesdays, March 17th and 24th – Prayer Around the Cross at 12:00 noon and 6:30 p.m. with soup lunches and suppers

Palm Sunday, March 28th – offering for the ELCA World Hunger Appeal

Maundy Thursday, April 1st – Holy Communion at 12:00 noon and 7:00 p.m.
No soup lunch or supper

Good Friday, April 2nd – Prayer Vigil from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
– Worship at 12:00 noon
– Faure's "Requiem" at 7:30 p.m. at
First United Methodist Church

Easter, April 4th – Sunrise Worship at Rest-Haven Memorial Park at 6:30 a.m.
– Festival Worship at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.
– Easter Breakfast between worship services



DID YOU KNOW . . .

that an estimated 70% of people do not have a will or estate plan? Do you?

FORUMS

~ every Sunday between worship services
in Elgaard Fellowship Hall ~

**While children and youth are in Sunday School,
all adults are invited
(whether or not you have kids in Sunday School).**

March 21

“Our Church: Local and Global!”

presented by those who recently attended
a Global Mission Event

March 28

“Why We Worship as We Do”

presented by Pastor Steve

BREAD BOWL CIVIL WAR

The people of Emmaus are being challenged by the people of Grace Lutheran in Corvallis to a friendly competition entitled “At Least 10 in 2010!” In the year 2010 between now and Thanksgiving, both congregations are being challenged to participate in at least 10 activities that address hunger. A tally will be kept, with the winning congregation awarded in November. Sharon and Larry Rosenkoetter from Grace joined the Sunday Forum at Emmaus on March 7th to “kick-off” the “civil war” here; Debbie Eisert was at Grace on a recent Sunday to do the same. An array of ideas of how we can address hunger as individuals as well as a church surfaced on March 7th. One event we can begin planning for now is a CROP Walk (Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty) on Sunday afternoon, October 3rd, sponsored by the Oregon Faith Roundtable Against Hunger (OFRAH). Mark it on your calendars!

SOCIAL CONCERNS MINISTRY NEEDS YOU!

Do you have a passion for blood drives, bake sales, homelessness, community gardens? If so, then the Social Concerns Ministry is for you. Social Concerns Ministry would like to invite anyone who is interested in being involved to call Jackie Barbour or Mat Purvis, 541-687-8895.

THE LUTHERAN

A mailing list from Emmaus has been sent to “The Lutheran.” Active households will begin receiving the monthly publication in May, thanks to the gift of an anonymous donor.



POLAND SUNDAY

The Oregon Synod's Companion Synod is the Church of the Augsburg Confession in Poland. Emmaus' partner congregation is in Mragowo. We exchange Christmas and Easter greetings with the people of that congregation, and visits have taken place over the years. *There is currently an Easter card in the Gathering Place for you to sign.* We will particularly remember the people of our Companion Synod at worship this Sunday, March 21st. Mission trips to Poland have taken place during the summer for many years, and this year is no exception. But instead of one trip, three trips are being offered. If you are at all interested in any of them, please contact the persons listed.

July 12 - 28

English Camp, Dziengielow, Poland

Contact person: Pastor Nick Doversberger, 503-266-4061

July 12 - 28

English Camp, Istebna, Poland

Contact person: Pastor Charles Mantey, 503-653-0250

July 21 - August 4

English Camp, Zory Poland

Contact person: Dietmar Goebel, 541-270-275

The Emmaus Lutheran Church Women

cordially invite you to attend

an April Shower Benefit for Womenspace

at 2:00 pm on April 17th,

in the Elgaard Fellowship Hall

at Emmaus Lutheran Church.

Womenspace is a local social service agency that provides support services for adults and children who are victims of domestic violence as well as training and education to the community.

Shower gifts will be donated to Womenspace for clients who are moving from the shelter to their own homes.

Gift suggestions include: children's diapers in any size,
personal hygiene items,

and gift cards in \$5 to \$25 denominations
for Fred Meyer, Target or Walmart
that will help the clients purchase
groceries and other household items.

Our speaker will be from Womenspace.

Light refreshments will be served.

RSVP: 541-344-1150

SAVE THE DATES....

April 18th: Emmaus Blood Drive—Please delay giving blood so you can donate when the bloodmobile is here at Emmaus!

April 25th: Camp Lutherwood Spaghetti Feed at United Lutheran

May 2: Bake Sale—Bring baked goods ready to sell to help support the fight against hunger.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

March 21 — Fifth Sunday in Lent — Isaiah 43:16-21; Psalm 126; Philippians 3:4b-14; John 12: 1-8				
<u>8:30</u>	Lector:	Cheryl Adcock	<u>11:00</u>	Bruce Brown
	Communion Assistant:	Marilyn Deaton Dorraine Gerlitz		Bruce Brown Diane Neet
	Acolyte:	Brad Schoellhorn		Merry Burbank
	Ushers:	Ken Rydbrink Jay Knight		Judy Ramstad Lisa Vaughan
	Greeters:	Emma Williams Dorraine Gerlitz		Barbara & Willard Grabofsky
Coffee Fellowship: Marty Dunlap & Tove Hall				
March 28 — Palm Sunday — Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9-16; Philippians 2:5-11; Luke 22:14-23:56				
<u>8:30</u>	Lector:	Gerry Stolp	<u>11:00</u>	Merry Burbank
	Communion Assistant:	Heidi & Gerry Stolp		Judy Ramstad Claudia Carlson
	Acolyte:	Tristan Arsenault		Bruce Brown
	Ushers:	Geoff & Sandra Arsenault		Aaron Henry
	Greeters:	Peter & Lori Kugler		Marty Dunlap Ashley Arts
Coffee Fellowship:				

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT EMMAUS

SUNDAY, MARCH 21

8:30 am — Holy Communion
 9:30 am — Coffee Fellowship
 10:00 am — Sunday School/Forum
 11:00 am — Holy Communion
 5:30 pm — High School Phunday Nite

TUESDAY, MARCH 23

8:30 am — Pastor's Text Study
 9:00 am — Emmaus Quilt Makers
 *7:00 pm — Eugene Concert Choir: Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24

9:00 am — Elva's Raiders
 10:00 am — Bible Study
 12:00 noon — Prayer Around the Cross
 followed by Soup Lunch
 5:00 pm — Youth Choir
 5:45 pm — Soup Supper
 6:30 pm — Prayer Around the Cross
 7:30 pm — Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, MARCH 25

9:00 am — High School Coast Trip to "Cloud 9"

FRIDAY, MARCH 26

11:45 am — Ever Young Senior Potluck Lunch
 Prayer Calendar: Week 1
 *Community groups meeting at Emmaus

PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 28

8:30 am — Holy Communion
 9:30 am — Coffee Fellowship
 10:00 am — Sunday School/Forum
 11:00 am — Holy Communion
 5:30 pm — High School Phunday Nite

TUESDAY, MARCH 30

8:30 am — Pastor's Text Study
 9:00 am — Emmaus Quilt Makers
 1:00 pm — Prep @ The Dining Room
 5:30 pm — Serve @ The Dining Room
 *7:00 pm — Eugene Concert Choir: Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31

9:00 am — Elva's Raiders
 10:00 am — Bible Study
 12:00 noon — Jim Bachhuber Memorial Service
 1:00 pm — Prep @ The Dining Room
 5:00 pm — Youth Choir
 5:30 pm — Serve @ The Dining Room
 7:30 pm — Choir Rehearsal

MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 1

9:00 am — Staff Meeting
 9:30 am — Library Committee
 12:00 noon — Holy Communion
 7:00 pm — Holy Communion

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 2

6:00 am—6:00 pm — Prayer Vigil
 12:00 noon — Worship
 7:30 pm — Faure's "Requiem" @ First United Methodist

SATURDAY, APRIL 3

8:30 am — Men's Breakfast Bible Study

Prayer Calendar: Week 2

*Community groups meeting at Emmaus

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DATED MATERIAL

Dear Emmaus Family,

From the Pastor...

Some time ago I was diagnosed with aortic stenosis, which is thickening of the aortic valve, thus causing narrowing of the opening through which blood flows. This condition has been monitored by a cardiologist annually for several years. The question has not been "if" my aortic valve would need to be replaced, but "when." Well, that time has come. Both of my parents had this condition which led to replacement of their aortic valves, so I'm carrying on the tradition!

I will undergo surgery to replace my aortic valve with a mechanical valve and have two artery bypasses on April 20th at Sacred Heart Hospital at Riverbend. Thanks be to God (1) that I know about this condition, and (2) that something can be done about it! I am blessed to be in good health otherwise, which will serve well in surgery and recovery. I perceive the surgery as being "preventive maintenance," because without surgery my heart muscle would eventually become damaged.

The recovery period from the surgery is anticipated to be six weeks, which means I will not be able to work during that time. Roberta Smythe ~ who many of you remember from her field experience at Emmaus two years ago, and who is awaiting a call to begin her ordained ministry ~ will lead worship on the Sundays of my recovery. Lois Brown, our Director of Youth and Family Ministries, and Lorie Leighter, our Office Manager, will care for daily ministry and activities.

I value ~ as always ~ your prayers and support.

In Christian partnership,

Pastor Steve

MISSION STATEMENT

EMMAUS LUTHERAN CHURCH IS A
FAMILY
OF GOD'S CHILDREN,
RESPONDING
TO THE GRACE OF GOD, WHICH
UNITES
US IN JESUS CHRIST BY
SERVING
THE LORD WITH GLADNESS.
EMPOWERED
BY THE HOLY SPIRIT, WE
ADDRESS THE NEEDS
OF GOD'S CREATION BY MAKING
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BULLETIN DEADLINE:
10:00 AM THURSDAY EACH WEEK

**NEWSLETTER
DEADLINE:**
FRIDAY, MARCH 19