



# ON THE ROAD

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## **LIVING FAITHFULLY**

*CONNECT* with people of other *CONGREGATIONS*, *DEEPEN* your understanding of *MISSION*, *LEARN* how to *GLOCALIZE* our *MISSION*, *MEET* mission-minded people, enjoy great *FOOD* and *MUSIC*! If you would like to participate in this event sponsored by the Oregon Synod of the ELCA this Friday and Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>, at West Linn Lutheran Church, call or e-mail Pastor Steve or Lois Brown *ASAP*!

## **BREAD BOWL**

Almost two months remain in the “*Bread Bowl*,” our competition with the people of Grace Lutheran Church in Corvallis to act in addressing hunger. Remember to put a “post-it” on the chart in the Gathering Place for each of your actions. The finale will be a celebration on Sunday, November 21<sup>st</sup>, in Monroe ~ midway between Corvallis and Eugene!

- ✓ Bring canned and packaged foods in October and November that will be used in holiday food boxes assembled and distributed by St. Vincent de Paul and Food for Lane County. Specific items to bring:

black olives	fruit cocktail
green beans	instant jello
corn	canned yams
cranberries	chicken broth
  
- ✓ A *Bake Sale* will take place on Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup>. Please participate by baking and/or purchasing baked goods. Proceeds will go to *Food for Lane County* and *Bread for the World*.

## **LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF FALL INGATHERING**

Offerings to respond to monsoon flooding in Pakistan have been invited in the last two publications of the *On the Road* newsletter, reminding us of those in need as a result of catastrophic events. The gospel calls us to share compassion with all humankind. In our partnership with *Lutheran World Relief*, we are provided an opportunity to be agents of compassion. It's faith in action!

The annual *Fall Ingathering* takes place during the month of October. Health kits, school kits, and layettes will be assembled by ELCW (Emmaus Lutheran Church Women) Circles. You are welcome to assemble your own kits as well. Lists of the contents of each are available at the information table in the Gathering Place. Bar soap is also needed. Quilts will be sent with the *Spring Ingathering* in April. Bring your contributions through Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, leaving them in the designated area of the Gathering Place.

## **BLOOD DRIVE**



Please sign up on the chart in the Gathering Place or call or e-mail the church office to give blood on Sunday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, when the Lane Memorial Bloodmobile will be in Emmaus' parking lot for the semi-annual blood drive. New donors are welcome. If you have questions or concerns, contact Dr. Mat Purvis (541-687-8895, [mlpurvis10@hotmail.com](mailto:mlpurvis10@hotmail.com)).

## **ATTENTION, COLLECTORS!**

I am collecting those small bottles of shampoo, conditioner and lotion, as well as soap bars you may have collected during your summer travels. I will deliver them to local social service agencies that provide services for homeless people, like the Eugene Mission and St. Vincent de Paul. Look for a box in the Gathering Place or give them to me on Sunday mornings. If you have any questions, you can call me at 541-345-6275. Thank you.

~Linda Henry

## SHARE THE HARVEST



Thanks to everyone who has donated at the seedling and produce table in the Gathering Place on Sundays during the summer and fall. Monetary contributions sent to Food for Lane County have totaled over \$160 so far this growing season.

## FARMER'S MARKET

Wintergreen Farms will continue selling produce in the Emmaus parking lot each Wednesday through October 13th from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. You are invited to stop by to purchase produce!



**ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS** are for sale again this year at the low price of \$25.00. There are four grocery store coupons that will help you recoup the cost of the book. The books help fund the high school summer mission trip—and yes, we are already making plans for Summer 2011.

## ATTENTION THRIVENT MEMBERS

If you haven't received a letter in the mail that explains the "Thrivent Choice" program, please contact me (541-933-3957, [loranburbank@yahoo.com](mailto:loranburbank@yahoo.com)). This program replaces the matching funds that were used to assist the youth, quilters, and bazaar. Thrivent Financial for Lutherans wants to give members more control regarding where contributions go. The letter that you should have received indicates your *Choice Dollars* amount. You may designate where these dollars go by visiting [www.thrivent.com/choicedollars](http://www.thrivent.com/choicedollars) or calling 800-847-4836. If you have questions, please feel free to call me or talk to me at church.

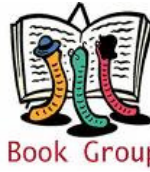
~Loran Burbank, Congregational Coordinator

**LUTHERAN MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER** is a ministry dedicated to assisting married couples to live fully intimate and responsible relationships by providing an Encounter Weekend experience as well as ongoing community support. (Mission Statement)

An upcoming Encounter Weekend is November 5-7 in Vancouver, Washington. Call 800-235-1010 and/or visit the website at [www.GodLovesMarriage.org](http://www.GodLovesMarriage.org) for information.

## PORTLAND'S SINGING CHRISTMAS TREE

Ever-Young Seniors first went together to this event at the Keller Auditorium in Portland three years ago. They enjoyed it so much that they extended an invitation to the whole congregation to join them two years ago. There is a sheet of paper on the Gathering Place information table on which to indicate if you are interested in attending a performance of the *Singing Christmas Tree* on Saturday afternoon, December 4<sup>th</sup>. You may also call or e-mail the church office to indicate your interest. Please respond no later than October 17<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to know more about the *Singing Christmas Tree*, visit [www.singingchristmastree.org](http://www.singingchristmastree.org).



Book Group

## EMMAUS BOOK GROUP

is meeting on the last Monday of each month at 10:00 am in the church library. All who enjoy reading and discussing what they have read are welcome. Contact Barbara Hoehne if you have questions, 541-343-4003.

## BAZAAR NOVEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup>

Emmaus Lutheran Church Women (ELCW) are planning another annual holiday bazaar. October will be a busy month of quilting, crafting, baking, and collecting! Books are being collected; children's books are especially needed. Place them in the labeled box in the Gathering Place.

## NEW STAFF

Please extend a welcome to our new nursery attendant, John Lindsey. Terra Goschie had to resign because she was offered increased hours at her other job while she is attending school. John began work here on September 19. John is well acquainted with Emmaus' nursery, having used it himself as a child! John spent the last three summers working as a camp counselor, two at Camp Lutherwood and one at Camp Dixie in Alabama. He is enrolled at Lane Community College, and you might see him at the Saturday Market where he also works.

## YOUR HELP IS NEEDED



On Tuesday mornings the Elgaard Fellowship Hall at Emmaus is filled with women working on quilts. Late summer and fall, they make quilts for the Bazaar and in the winter they make quilts for Lutheran World Relief. Harriet Shultz has overseen the work for several years and now feels the need to turn the task over to some one else. Two people have offered to co-ordinate the quilt-making for Lutheran World Relief, but one more person is needed to help Jeanne Hubbard oversee the Bazaar quilt making. Please contact Harriet (541-687-2082) directly if you would like to help or if you have any questions.

## FORUM PLANNING

Sunday Forums between worship services have been planned for the past year by a small group of people committed to making the Forums the best they can be. They need some additional help. If you will, please contact Pastor Steve or Charlie Cole (541-683-5083).

## 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).

### October 10<sup>th</sup>

Guest speaker Jan Kersgaard shares her ministry as a medical missionary in Tank, Pakistan.

### October 17<sup>th</sup>

Lane Memorial Blood Bank

# WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

October 10 — <b>Time after Pentecost</b> — 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c; Psalm 111; 2 Timothy 2:8-15; Luke 17:11-19				
8:30	<b>Lector:</b>	Gerry Stolp	11:00	
	<b>Communion Assistant:</b>	Gerry & Heidi Stolp		
	<b>Acolyte:</b>	Brad Schoellhorn		Alex Grabofsky
	<b>Ushers:</b>			Barbara & Willard Grabofsky
	<b>Greeters:</b>			Eric & Annie Carlson
<b>Coffee Fellowship:</b> Pat and Ashley Arts				
<b>Flower Delivery:</b>				
October 17 — <b>Time after Pentecost</b> — Genesis 32:22-31; Psalm 121; 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5; Luke 18:1-8				
8:30	<b>Lector:</b>		11:00	
	<b>Communion Assistant:</b>			
	<b>Acolyte:</b>	Brad Schoelhorn		Ben Adcock
	<b>Ushers:</b>			
	<b>Greeters:</b>			Zachery Perry Ruth Warwick
<b>Coffee Fellowship:</b>				
<b>Flower Delivery:</b>				



**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS'** names are customarily published in *On the Road* as a reminder for them. With the current system of signing up for specific Sundays, often people have not done so before newsletters are published. That's why you see many blank spaces. Please let it serve as a reminder to consult the chart in the Gathering Place to see if you are needed to serve!

## COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

Do you like to bake? It would be wonderful to have a freezer full of goodies to serve on Sunday mornings during Coffee Fellowship! You can bring baked goods to the church freezers in the kitchen or the storage room (through the double doors on the north wall of Elgaard Fellowship Hall) any time. Be sure to mark them for Coffee Fellowship.

# WHAT'S HAPPENING AT EMMAUS

<b>SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10</b>
Blood Pressure Clinic
8:30 am — Holy Communion
9:30 am — Coffee Fellowship
10:00 am — Sunday School & Adult Forum
11:00 am — Holy Communion
5:30 pm — High School Phunday Nite
<b>TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12</b>
8:30 am — Pastor's Text Study
9:00 am — Emmaus Quilt Makers
1:00 pm — Rebecca Circle
7:00 pm — Mary Circle
*7:00 pm — Eugene Concert Choir: Fellowship Hall
<b>WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13</b>
9:00 am — Elva's Raiders
10:00 am — Bible Study
*3:00—7:00 pm — Farmer's Market
5:45 pm — Confirmation
7:30 pm — Choir
<b>THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14</b>
9:00 am — Staff Meeting
9:30 am — Naomi Circle
<b>SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16</b>
*8:00 am — Creative Memories: Fellowship Hall
*Community group meeting at Emmaus Prayer Calendar: Week 10

<b>SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17</b>
Blood Drive
8:30 am — Holy Communion
9:30 am — Coffee Fellowship
10:00 am — Sunday School & Adult Forum
11:00 am — Holy Communion
5:30 pm — High School Phunday Nite
<b>MONDAY, OCTOBER 18</b>
2:00 pm — Esther Circle
<b>TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19</b>
8:30 am — Pastor's Text Study
9:00 am — Emmaus Quilt Makers
*7:00 pm — Eugene Concert Choir: Fellowship Hall
<b>WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20</b>
9:00 am — Elva's Raiders
10:00 am — Bible Study
5:45 pm — Confirmation
7:30 pm — Choir
<b>THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21</b>
9:00 am — Staff Meeting
<b>FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22</b>
11:45 am — Ever Young Senior Potluck Lunch
*Community group meeting at Emmaus Prayer Calendar: Week 11

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Dear Emmaus Family,

**From the Pastor...**

We're back to offering two worship services each Sunday after one service during the summer. I know that many of you ~ including myself ~ enjoy a "full church" when there is one service. However, studies of the dynamics of large group gatherings indicate that a space should not be more than 80% full at the risk of some people feeling overwhelmed. Our sanctuary filled at 80% seats 120. Our current average weekly worship attendance is 140. That's 35% of our total membership of 400 people. If 60% of the Emmaus family were present on any given Sunday, we would have two "full church" services! Of course, whenever options are offered, overall participation increases as well. Worship is at the core of what we do as a church. I challenge you to be part of making an effort to increase the percentage of the Emmaus family present at worship on any given Sunday. You will enrich the community and be renewed in your faith journey.

Your offerings to support the mission and ministry of Emmaus have been strong. Any deficit is minimal in comparison to our total annual plan for ministry. Thank you, especially during challenging economic times locally and nationally. Numbers and statistics aren't everything in describing the health of a community, but they certainly do offer some indication. With your continued participation and support, Emmaus Church will continue to be vital in responding to the mission to which we have been called in making Jesus Christ known.

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  
**JESUS CHRIST KNOWN.**

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**BULLETIN DEADLINE:**  
10:00 AM THURSDAY EACH WEEK

**NEWSLETTER**  
**DEADLINE:**  
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8