The Dove

November 2018

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Saturday: Liturgical Worship

Holy Communion: 5:00 PM

Sunday: Liturgical Worship

Holy Communion 8:30 AM

Holy Communion 11:00AM

aBRIDGEd Worship

Holy Communion 10:00 AM

Sunday Christian Ed & Fellowship

Family Gathering: 9:15AM

Coffee & Fellowship: 9:30 AM

Sunday School/Youth: 9:30 AM

Exploring the Gospel: 10:00 AM

(Adult Sunday School)

Thursday: Service of Word & Prayer Holy Communion: 10:00 AM





"To Know Christ and Boldly Make Him Known"

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Subtle changes happen around us all the time so noticing those incremental changes is often difficult to spot on a day to day basis. On one hand, in the northern part of our country the change in seasons is drastic this time of the year and very hard to miss. All of a sudden the leaves burst into bright colors and before our eyes they are gone and the snow begins to fall. However, in Florida the changes are more subtle because the temperature gradually gets cooler and the leaves and grasses gradually change at a slow rate. There are also some beautiful wild yellow flowers that

specifically start to bloom in the fall. The subtle changes are refreshing and a good reminder to pay attention to the changes that happen in nature and in our lives.

Every so often while looking into the mirror there are notable added wrinkles and it is evident things are changing as I age. Recently while looking at pictures with a friend that I visited this summer I noticed there was some noticeable changes in both of our faces and the structure of our bodies. Every so often I will not stand as tall as I used to stand or often will walk at a slower pace. Subtle changes also happen in remembering names and places but that is normal for most of us no matter what age. It is sometimes concerning but stirs my thoughts on the future and makes me thankful for what I do remember and have in life. Life is full of these changes and I know they are part of living.

This fall you will find some subtle changes in our office and in worship. There will also be new opportunities in Christian Education to learn and live out our faith in our community. Subtle changes help stir our growth and help us also set our priorities in life. The small changes give us room to adjust and know that for everything there is a season and a time. In Florida, we need to look for the subtle changes of fall and be thankful we are not up north. In faith, subtle changes happen overtime within our understanding, and the Psalmist states, "Lord, teach us to number our days that we might gain a heart of wisdom." The subtle changes in life are God's way of moving us to cherish the moments of our days that we experience throughout our journey, and I encourage you to embrace those changes this season.

Pastor Robert O. Hall

Welcome New Members!!



Bob Pape & Sharon Graves



June Burnell



Linda Olson



Dennis Backens & Linda Lee



Kathy Schwartz



Ron & Connie Fenstermaker



Jim & Betty Gibson



Len & Jane Shaw



Stephanie Johnson



Heather Harris



Lin Mertens

Not Pictured:

Donna Batchelor
John Beadle
Chris Beehler & Jayne
Jones
Frank & Jana Metheny
Skip & Char Parker
Kathy Stueve

Get to know some of our new members:

<u>Kathy Stueve</u>: "I have been married for 46 years, have 3 children and 2 grandchildren. We are in the process of moving to Venice at this time.

<u>Jane Shaw</u>: I was born and raised in NW Iowa and moved to Venice fulltime in February. We have 2 daughters, their husbands, and 5 grandchildren in Iowa. I enjoy quilting, reading and keeping up with the grandchildren.

<u>Len Shaw</u>: I was born and raised in Indianapolis, IN and enjoyed traveling throughout the United States during my work life. We are enjoying fulltime retirement here in Venice.

<u>Linda Lee (Backens)</u>: I am an artist (pen and ink; ink on tile), am a writer of short stories, and work part time and volunteer at Historic Spanish Point. I am also a wife, mother, grandmother, and great grandmother.

<u>Dennis Backens</u>: I am a grandfather, father, husband, and great grandfather. I am a history buff, Docent at Historic Spanish Point as well as enjoy music, art and being near the water. We lived in the San Francisco Bay Area, Chesapeake Bay Area and now Sarasota Bay Area!

<u>June Burnell:</u> I was born & baptized in Maine and moved here from Wisconsin. Loves this church!

<u>Sharon Graves:</u> Born & baptized Lutheran in Denver Colorado. Lived in eight (8) states prior to retiring in Florida in 2013 from Michigan. Has 4 children.

<u>Bob Pape</u>: I have a daughter and identical twin sons, eight grandchildren and thirteen great-grandchildren. The song, "You've Got to Ac-Tchu-Ate the Positive and Eliminate the Negative," best describes my earthly attitude. "Amazing Grace," "How Great Thou Art," and "A Closer Walk with Thee" describe my Spiritual walk.

<u>Kathy Schwartz</u>: Born in Miami and lived there until 1½ years ago and now live in Nokomis. Married and have three (3) daughters. I also have a 6-month old chocolate labradoodle.



Changes to the office staff. As many of you know, Jan Miller is retiring! Good for her - sad for us. But we have a plan! Becky Rothgery (M-W) and Debi Hammett (W-F) will be job sharing as Office Coordinators beginning November 1st. In order to make it as easy for members as possible, please begin sending all correspondence to the info@emmanuel-elca.org account and we will take care of making sure



your message gets to the right person. That's all the DOVE articles, the volunteer schedules, any questions, committee reports and minutes, anything!

We'd like to remind everyone of some of the deadlines (all electronically please):

- > Anything for the <u>Weekly Announcements</u> must be submitted no later than 11:00am on Wednesdays.
- DOVE articles and submissions as well as <u>Serving Volunteer Schedules</u> are **due the 15**th **of the month prior**. We ask the Dove articles be one page or less. Note this is a change from previous deadlines.
- > Committee minutes/Council reports are due the Thursday before the Council or Exec meetings so they may be distributed.

We are confident that this will be a smooth transition - we aren't promising there won't be bumps in the road but we will do our very best! Thank you, in advance, for your cooperation and understanding.

Becky & Debi

It's cooled off so...Fall is here!!! What a relief and hopefully a lot of members got some relief with their arthritis aches and pains from Dr. Winder on October 23rd. This "Gentle" chiropractor will return on November 27th to talk about a subject that is <u>so important</u> to each and every one of us - <u>BALANCE</u>. Again this will be "bring-a- brown-bag lunch",



so please arrive at noon, with the program starting at 12:30. Drinks and dessert will be provided. Dr. Winder will have you doing some movements that will test and improve your balance, so be prepared to physically participate by wearing comfortable shoes and clothing. I know this will be very beneficial to all who attend.

Speaking of BALANCE, guess what is starting up again???? **YOGA!!** Starting Tuesday, November 6th in the narthex, gentle Yoga will again be led by Joy Bush at 3:30pm. Bring your yoga mats or towels, and come for some stretching and relaxation. No experience, or money necessary. Just a positive attitude, or at least a hopeful one.

Barb Spenks. Parish Nurse

Note from the President

Fall has officially arrived and the church is in full swing. Lots of activity is going on!

The main change that is taking place is that Jan Miller is retiring as of Nov. 1st. She has been a true gift to Emmanuel with her knowledge, energy and dedication. You are still going to see her in the narthex on Sun. mornings, but please remember that she is doing this as a volunteer. She will take the information that she finds out at that time and pass it on to Becky and Debi, as they are now the Office Coordinators. They will be glad to see that your needs are met. If you have any information that you need them to have, please send it to info@emmanuel-elca.org.

All committees are working hard. In your stewardship packet that you will be receiving is a "Time and Talent Sheet". While this seems like old hat to many, it is designed to be filled out every year so that it will reflect what you are interested in and able to do at this time. Mary Beth Runk and her committee would really appreciate it if you would tie your bags closed so that the cans don't fly all over the area. In fact, is there anyone who would like to build a collection container? Have you seen the information on bingo, bridge or the new educational classes? A one act play was presented a couple of weeks ago that was suburb. The women of the church are working hard on the Advent Tea. Worship & Music is busy getting ready for Advent,

I am pleased to announce that Carol Orenstein has been elected the new Mid-Gulf Conference Chair. This is a win-win situation for everyone. The Conference needs someone who has good organizational skills and is dedicated to the Church. We need to have that link to the Conference to remind us that we are a part of the larger Church.

We have just taken in 25 new members last week. What a blessing! Please look for new members and welcome them into our family here at Emmanuel. There are no accidental members of a church, whether old or new. Emmanuel needs you all!

God's blessings to you! Lois Steketee, Church Council President

Jesus said "I am the Way, and the Truth, and the Life" John 14:6

Consecration Sunday

The Weekend of November 10th & 11th

Please bring you completed 2019 Pledge Card and Time & Talent sheet with you to worship. If you are unable to attend, you may use the return envelope in your packet.



A Brunch is being served in the Fellowship Hall from 9am – 12noon on Sunday November 11th to celebrate all the blessings God has given us. It is being prepared by the Fellowship Committee and the Reception Ministry. This is a way for our Stewardship Committee to say "Thank you" to our congregation for your support and commitment to Emmanuel with your monetary pledges and the volunteering of your time & talents.

Stewardship Giving – It's NOT all about Money; IT'S ALL ABOUT GOD!



Tidings of Comfort and Joy

The holiday season can stir deep emotions within each of us. Many children greet the advent of Christmas with joy and excitement, whereas those who have lost loved ones during the past year may find great sadness in

the very same event. Thankfully, our God meets us wherever we are, both physically and emotionally. This Advent series gives voice to the complex situations and emotions with which we greet the coming Messiah and uses the reactions of those who first received the news of Jesus' birth (Zechariah, Joseph, Mary, and the shepherds) to do so. These services acknowledge responses of fear, confusion, doubt, and curiosity, while the coming of Jesus promises comfort and joy for all of us.

November 29, 2018

The Angel Speaks to Zechariah's Fear

December 6, 2018

The Angel Speaks to Joseph's Confusion

December 13, 2018

The Angel Speaks to Mary's Doubt

December 20, 2018

The Angel Speaks to the Shepherds' Curiosity

Kris Bowker Minister of Music and Worship I can't believe it is November already!! With Thanksgiving quickly approaching, it's a great time to remember all the wonderful gifts God has given us. With my family's busy schedule, Thanksgiving is a wonderful time to "unplug" and spend time with family and friends that I am most thankful for.

I am still looking for a 4th—6th grade Sunday school teacher. If you think this is something you would like to do please call me at 941-223-3583 or email Kelleyinsrq@msn.com.

Calling all youth 6th grade and up. Laurie Verost will be having a gathering to show a DVD of Mark Mero on November 11th at 10:30 in the Youth room. Pizza will be provided for lunch, plan on being here for about 2hours.



Meet our Youth

Jenny Hurlburt is in 5th grade at Glenallen Elementary school in North Port . She is involved in many after school activities. She has been a Girl Scout for the last 6 years. She has been taking tap and ballet since she was 2 1/2 years old. This year she has joined Girls on the Run at school. At the end of the 10-week program they will run a 5k race. Currently Jenny is looking forward to pursuing a career in the performing arts field. Jenny loves helping out at church whenever she is need.

With many Blessings,

Kelley Hurlburt, Youth and Family Director



Goodie Bags

We will be collecting donations of baked goods, breads, and candy for our shutins. Drop donations off Saturday, November 17th between 9:30am and 11am to the Youth Room. The bags will be in the Narthex for delivery at Saturday and Sunday worship, November 17th & 18th.

Thank You, Jadynne Berg & Vickie Johnson







AND Girls Youth

DORCAS Quilting Mission	RUTH Circle	DEBORAH Circle		
Monday 9:00 am Rooms 101,103,105	Third Monday of the month	First Tuesday of the month year round		
October through April	12:30 pm Room 101	6:30 pm Room 101		
Co Leaders: Jackie Miller & Jean Price	Leader: Ruth Shaweker	Leader: Kathie Winemiller		
	Study on the Book of John	Study from "Gather" magazine		
SOUL SISTERS	This space reserved for a	NAOMI Circle		
1 st Monday of the month Bible Study – FH	new group!	3 rd Wednesday of the month		
"Twelve Women of the Bible"	Contact Pam Neal with your idea.	9:30 am Room 101		
3 rd Monday of Month Activity -TBD		Contact Person: Judy Daniels		
1:00 pm Room 103				
Leaders: Helen Jodouin & Anita Kramer		Study from the "Gather" magazine		

ARE YOU CALLED?? The Women of Emmanuel need to identify a person to be the "Contact Person" for them starting in April when our President Pam Neal's tenure is complete. We have moved toward a more committee type leadership. This person would be aware of all of the women's events and call a meeting only when necessary to aid in the execution of a planned event or when business matters need attention. The job can many times be done remotely. This means fewer meetings but still organization with a shared commitment and responsibility. Please prayerfully consider whether YOU are called...contact Pam Neal 941/497-1739, Judy Daniels 941/496-9716, or Helen Jodouin 419/509-6143.

WELCA'S THANKOFFERING SERVICES: Sat Nov 17 & Sun Nov 18th

Knowing the Gift of God and Knowing the Living Water

Thankofferings support our community where help is needed and the National WELCA organization ministries. Thankofferings are a tradition that goes back to the 1800s or even earlier. When it seemed that there was not enough money to carry out the work of the church, the women would take action. The women would gather in groups and then set aside offerings at home throughout the year in thanksgiving for blessings received. When Women of the ELCA was formed 30 years ago, they committed to continue this tradition of giving in gratitude for blessings. Come and join us for this special service. There will be special "blue" envelopes in the pews for your offering or it can be sent in later by noting Thankoffering.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR: **Women's Mini Retreat**, Saturday, March 2 at the church from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Look for more details in the future.

Come venture with us through some "new doors"!

Contact: Pam Neal, WELCA President at 941 497 1739 or peneal54@verizon.net

OR

Judy Daniels, WELCA Nominating Chair at 941 496 9716 or lgd1000lar@msn.com



Check out these Christian Education Activities

"Understanding Lutheranism" Dr. Ken Lentz will be leading a four-week class which he has developed as a brief overview of Lutheranism. The sessions will be held on Sundays October 28th thru November 18th from 9:30 to 10:30 am in the front section of the Fellowship Hall. The topics to be covered include: The Reformation; Baptism; The Sacrament of Communion; and How Lutherans understand the bible. All are invited to attend, as these sessions can be for anyone who was not raised Lutheran, or for those who may want to "brush up" on the listed topics. Please contact Pastor Lentz if you have questions at #941-303-5840.

Exploring the Gospel & Lessons for Sunday: Sunday mornings at 9:45-10:45am in Room 101 led by Rich Veleber.

"Amos: A Prophet for Our Time" Why study this little known Old Testament prophet? Amos is one of four prophets who were all active in ancient Israel at the same time, a good indication that Israel was in deep trouble. Amos's uncompromising message addressed the social and economic injustice of his time. How does that time compare to 2018? You are invited to explore the book of Amos in a four-week study that will be offered at two different sessions. An evening study will be held from 6:00 to 7:00 pm on Mondays November 5, 12, 26 and December 3. A morning study will be offered from 10:45 to 11:45 am on Thursdays November 8, 15, 29, and December 6. No sessions will be held the week of Thanksgiving. Both classes will meet in room 101 and will be led by Kathy Anderson. All are welcome to attend!

Two new books in Emmanuel's library:

- Curious about the book "Accidental Saints" that was recently read in the discussion group? Rev. Nadia Bolz-Weber is an 'outside of the box' ELCA pastor, who shares her experiences of "God showing up in the least likely of people", including herself. Streetwise and down to earth, her stories confront the power of sin, as well as address redemption and grace in the people she encounters.
- "Pastrix: The Cranky, Beautiful Faith of a Sinner and Saint", is the first book written by Rev. Nadia Bolz-Weber. It tells the story about her unconventional faith and call to serve people like herself: recovering alcoholics, addicts, depressives and those disillusioned by Christianity. Profane and honest, Bolz-Weber portrays herself as deeply faithful and deeply flawed, "giving hope to the rest of us along the way".

Any questions on these activities, contact Kathy Anderson: ktanders55@yahoo.com or 989.859.1235.



Widows Support
Group will meet
Tuesday, November 6th
at 12noon at Bob Evans
Restaurant. Anyone
interested please call

Jackie Sapp at 941 488 7331. Please join us for lunch and fellowship.

The Men's Breakfast is held every third

Tuesday of the month. We will again meet at Abby's on Miami, November 20th, at 7:30am. All men are invited to join us!

MAHJONG

Mahjong is every Wednesday at 1:00pm in Room 105. Bring your card and Mahjong set if you have one. All ability levels are welcome. Questions? Call Kathy Mittlesteadt 941.493.6636.

Dorcas Quilting Mission

Each Monday our numbers are increasing as members return from the North. They are all ready to begin work using your donations. We still need sheets of any size in either white or color. Please continue to watch for sales of bars of soap to place in the Dorcas Barrel. Jean Price

IN THE LIBRARY.....

We have a variety of Christian humor books in our church library. In the Humor section of our Subject Catalog you will find that we

have everything from
Peanuts to retirement
humor to Garrison Keilor's
humor. The library angels
will help you find
something that will give you a
chuckle. And...we are updating our
records. If you have materials/books that
have been checked out for a while, please
return them for our records. Thanks!



To her Emmanuel Family

Dorothy Laslo was overwhelmed by the

number of birthday cards she received for her 107th birthday. You can be assured they are now dog-eared and bent!! They have been read at least two hundred times! Thank you.



Counseling is available on our campus. For more information refer to their website at www.samaritangulfcoast.com or call 941.926.2959 to schedule an appointment.

Jan Quinn's Exercise Class

meets every Monday at 10:00am in the Choir Room. All are welcome join us.



The <u>Prayer Shawl Ministry</u> is a small group of "knitters" that meet on the second Tuesday of the month at 1:30 pm.



We have distributed shawls to individuals who are dealing with difficult personal or family issues. In addition, shawls have also been given

to Tidewell and Florida Cancer Center.

Our group has decided to make a small change in our focus and begin knitting "Prayer Pocket Crosses" which will be given to those needing an uplift and to share God's love and support as they deal with difficult times in their lives...a simple but meaningful "Hug" from Emmanuel showing we care and support them.

We continue to encourage ladies to knit at home and bring their shawls or crosses to the Welcome Center and we will handle the distribution.

Women of the ELCA - Soul Sisters

One of our **Soul Sisters** applied for and was given a grant of \$250 from the Thrivent Lutheran Action Team to support our community outreach to **Everyday Blessings**. This facility is a group foster home in Sarasota that cares for 12 children in an environment that allows children of the same family to stay together. Soul Sisters also supports Everyday Blessings with gifts of snacks, paper products and birthday gifts for the children. With our grant from Thrivent Lutheran, we were able to buy 12 duffle bags in various colors and patterns for the children. **Ephesians 2:10**



"For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do".

Gentle Yoga



starts November 5th and continues every Tuesday at 3:30pm in the Narthex. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat or towel.

There is no cost. Any questions please contact the Barb Spenks at the church office.

Sweatshirts

are being collected for the Farm workers in



Dade City, FL as part of our Lutheran Migrant Ministry. These may be placed in the bin located in the library

Ch Women U

A **Church Women United** Potluck Luncheon will be held on November 2nd at

12noon at the Salvation Army Church, 1051 Albee Farm Road. We will be celebrating World Community Day and

Capt. Jamie Bell will be speaking on "Harmony with God's people". Canned goods will be collected for the Salvation Army. Call or text Judi Johnson at 616.299.0759 with questions.

Dear Emmanuel Family:

We write this with mixed emotions, telling you of our transfer to another church here in Palm Beach Gardens – Holy Spirit Lutheran Church. We have already individually joined two bible studies and one together called 40 Days of Prayer (excellent!) – and we are learning to play bridge!

We have such wonderful memories of learning, fun & friendship with our Emmanuel church family – ones that we won't ever forget! We wish you all well and hope to see some of you when we visit Venice again. God Bless.

Marty & Lois Light



ENDOWMENT FUND

"Leave a Legacy"

The Long Range Planning Committee has challenged the congregation to implement a stronger Endowment program.

To this end a series of "Town Hall" meetings have been planned

for information and to be more transparent with the congregation. The first Town Hall meeting is scheduled for Sunday, November 4th following the 11:00am worship service. A light lunch will be served and you can make a reservation with Rich (260.579.5625) or Jan (260.348.9571) Miller. Reservations are not required but helpful for planning.

FROM THE FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE

Our Mission- To connect people to Jesus Christ and to each other through love, laughter and prayer.



It is almost impossible to believe that we are into November already. Yet, here we are. Many of our friends are returning and we are beginning to look towards the holidays.

We were very pleased to host the reception to for our new members. Welcome to the Emmanuel Family.

We plan to hold our traditional pie reception on Thanksgiving Eve after the church service. Bring a pie to share and join us for dessert.

Our <u>Christmas Caroling Party and Chili Cook Off</u> will be held in the Fellowship Hall on December 15, after the Saturday evening Worship. Bring your favorite chili recipe and we will vote on the best chili. The dinner will be followed by Christmas caroling.

Thanks to all of our volunteers who bring you the Sunday morning coffee. It is an important part of our worship experience to be able to gather in friendship.

If you are interested in serving on this committee, please contact me at 501-620-3922.

Have a blessed November filled with family, friends and food.

Marge Collin, Chairperson



Family Promise DreamWalk – Emmanuel Walkers November Dove 2018

Emmanuel Outreach Mi



Loveland Center





Current Events -Outreach at Emmanuel

"COMMITTED TO SERVING THOSE LESS FORTUNATE IN OUR COMMUNITY AND BEYOND"



The 2nd annual Family Promise of South Sarasota County Dream Walk will be held on November 10. Last year's walk was successful, raising over \$56,000, and we are hoping for a similar success this year. Emmanuel is a sponsor of this event. Walkers or donors can go to this site

https://secure.ministrysync.com/ministrysync/event/website/home/?e=16281

and select Give to make a single-time donation (not by the mile) to support one of the walkers on the Emmanuel Dream Team or can choose to join the team as a walker.

Nov. 10 - Emmanuel Walkers





November Local Envelope Charity – Loveland Center 501C

Loveland Center has existed for more than 50 years in our community. Throughout those 50 years, there have been many

trials and triumphs that individuals with developmental disabilities have faced. Now individuals with developmental disabilities are facing a new trial: they are outliving their parents, or parents' ability to be caretakers.

That is why the Loveland Center has created the Loveland Village: A planned residential community tailored specifically for adults with developmental disabilities. This community is being built around all of the needs that many people with DD encounter. For more information: http://www.lovelandcenter.org/



Current Events - Outreach at Emmanuel

November Outreach Events Calendar

- **Friendship Dinner** 4:30 pm in Fellowship Hall, **Sunday, Nov. 25**th Thanksgiving weekend all are welcome to enjoy a dinner with our neighbors and drop-ins and *you can stay to watch a movie if you like!*
- Friendship Lunches 11:30 am to 1:00 pm in Fellowship Hall, Wednesdays, Nov. 14 & 28th. We regularly serve over 25 guests at these events. A twice a month chance to share your fellowship with neighbors and drop-ins, serve others and be served a delicious lunch all at the same. Contact Larry Bishop, nors198@aol.com
- Dream Walk to benefit Family Promise of South Sarasota County Sat. Nov. 10 donate/sign up with Emmanuel Walkers team at:
 http://www.familypromisessc.org/family-promise-dream-walk
 We will have a rest station outside our Office on the morning of Nov. 10th as well. And, Family Promise week at Emmanuel Sunday, Nov. 25 Dec. 1.
- Thanksgiving food collection for South County Food Pantry Nov. 21 Narthex at the Thanksgiving Eve service. Remember all those hurricane food supplies you loaded up with this summer? This food collection for South County Pantry is a good time to pass them along to those with immediate needs and you'll have more room in you pantry for next year's hurricane provisioning
- Collection of sweatshirts and jackets for Dade City Farmworkers Welcome Center

Help Wanted to assist Outreach Ministries with grant writing. Right now we are focused on assisting our Coffee Talk at Venice Train Station ministry. Contact Gordon or Office.



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Suggested Outreach Ministry/Activities

The purpose of this questionnaire is to help determine the purpose of and effort needed for new Outreach Ministries/activities that are suggested by individuals, groups, or staff at Emmanuel.



For your October
Habitat for Humanity
snack collection items!!

Have an idea or suggestion for a community Outreach ministry project? Please complete the Suggestion form available at the Welcome Center and return it to the Outreach Council member box or to our Office.

If you have an interest and/or experience with any of these area please let any of our team members know. Fill out an Outreach Interest Form or contact **Gordon Storey, Outreach Chair, 941-451-8895 or gordon@storeylink.com**

ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT

ALL ARE INVITED TO AN EVENING OF ADVENT REFLECTION



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2 at 5:30 pm

We will "Journey to the Nativity" with meditations, reflections and communion.

Following the service there will be a high tea in the Fellowship Hall for all women and guests. All free will offerings will be designated to Pastor Lauvanus in Haiti.

Rides are available for those who chose not to drive at night (please call Helen at 419/509-6143)



HAITI TASK FORCE

Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Venice

FLORIDA BAHAMAS SYNOD

To the Saints at Emmanuel

Imagine the harvest, imagine the joy!!

The Haiti Task Force of the Florida Bahamas Synod sends our sincere appreciation for your generous gift to the seed replanting project of the Lutheran Church of Haiti. Your gift, along with offerings from 25 congregations around the synod, will help those whose fields were damaged by floods to once again feed their families and share with their neighbors. We are sending \$10,000 to Haiti! Just imagine!

As a synod we continue to repair churches damaged by storms, build water cisterns for communities without clean water, develop goat breeding projects, supply hymnals and Bibles to congregations, and train leaders for the church. For a deacon to receive his first Bible....just imagine the joy!

Pastor Livenson, President of the Lutheran Church of Haiti, comes to Florida several times a year. If you would like to have him visit your congregation or conference, contact Anita Unrath, Haiti Task Force chair, at

tunrath@cfl.rr.com or 321-757-3637.

Please keep our Haitian church in your prayers as they struggle with storms of many kinds. Just imagine what God is doing through his servants. God's blessings for your act of justice and hope!

Kathie Winemiller, for the Haiti Task Force

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Sunday	Keep It Simple – Al Anon	Room 101	7:00pm
Monday	Men's Big Book Study – Al Anon	Room 103	5:30pm
Tuesday	Reaching for Personal Freedom – Al Anon	Room 103	7:00pm
Wednesday	Big Book Step Study – AA Group	Room 101	6:00pm
Wednesday	Families Anonymous – Support for Adult Children	Room 103	6:00pm
Wednesday	Sisters in Sobriety – Women's AA Group	Room 105	6:30pm
Wednesday	Speaker's Group – AA Group	Room 101	8:00pm
Thursday	Sought thru Prayer & Meditation – AA Group	Room 103	6:30pm
Thursday	Peace Pipe Family Group – Al Anon	Room 101	7:00pm
Thursday	On the Island – Al Anon	Room 103	8:00pm
Friday	SLAA (Sex, Love – Addicts Anonymous)	Room 101	Noon
Saturday	Saturday Nite Live Family Group – Al Anon	Room 101	7:00pm

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
See fro	Novembe nt page for Worship Information			1 10am Worship 11am Church Women United Lunch 1pm Worship & Music	2 10am French Club 1pm Fellowship Committee	3 This Weekend: Blood Pressure Screening
4 9:15am Family Gathering 9:30am Lutheranism-Pr. Lentz 9:30am Coffee 9:30am SS/Youth/Parents 10am Confirmation 10am Adult Ed 10:30am Youth & Family 11am Endowment Town Hall	5 9am Dorcas Quilting 9:45am Centering Prayer 10am Jan Quinn Exercise 1pm Soul Sisters 4pm Men's Chorus 6pm Amos Bible Study	6 General Election 10:45am Amos Bible Study 12pm Widow Support Lunch 1:00pm Prayer Shawls 3:30pm Gentle Yoga 5:30pm Stephen Ministries 6:30pm Deborah Circle	7 9am Staff Meeting 10am Joyful Ringers 1pm Finance Mtg 1pm Mahjong 2:30pm Outreach Mtg 4:30pm Sanctuary Choir	8 10am Worship 10:45 Amos Bible Study 11-2 AAUW	9 9-11am Children's Clothes Closet 10am French Club	10 DreamWalk for Family Promise 9-11am Children's Clothes Closet 9:30 Altar Guild
11 9am-12noon Brunch 9:15am Family Gathering 9:30am Lutheranism-Pr. Lentz 9:30am SS/Youth/Parents 10am Adult Ed 10:30am Youth DVD	9am Dorcas Quilting 9:45am Centering Prayer 10am Jan Quinn Exercise 4pm Men's Chorus 6pm Amos Bible Study	13 10:30am Exec Committee 1:30pm Prayer Shawls 3pm WELCA Board 3:30pm Gentle Yoga	9am Staff Meeting 10am Joyful Ringers 11:30am Friendship Lunch 1pm Mahjong 2pm Outreach Comm. 4:30pm Sanctuary Choir	DOVE DEADLINE 9am Bridge 10am Worship 10:45 Amos Bible Study 11am Nominating Committee	16 10am French Club	17 This Weekend: Consecration Wkend WELCA Thank Offering Blessing Bag Pick-up 9:30-11am Blessing Bag Collection
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