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## The Messenger

OCTOBER 2023



FROM

PASTOR LEANNE

In the life of the church, our Sunday morning worship is a place where we can land once a week to connect to God and each other, rest from the work of the week, reflect on our actions and inactions, and grow and prepare ourselves for whatever is coming next. In that way, Sunday morning is important, although not the only important part of being church.

The prayers and responsive readings during the service is called the *liturgy* which translates to "the work of the people." When we gather on Sunday mornings, we are practicing the liturgy, the work of the people, in how we practice apologizing and forgiveness, how we de-centralize ourselves and see how we are connected to the web of being in the world, how we break bread and enjoy a meal together, and how we share who we are and what is important to us.

If worship is how we practice the work we do in the world, then there are 2 truths I've been thinking about:

1: There is a place for everyone to bring who they are, their gifts, their creativity, their knick-knacks, their ideas.

2: It doesn't have to be perfect. It is a practice and we believe that everyone is always becoming and growing and changing. You can bring your unformed ideas to be rolled around and expanded, your first attempts at art or forgiveness, your broken pieces of relationships and bowls, your quilt where the corners don't meet perfectly or your voice that joyfully doesn't quite find the pitch. It is all welcome and it is holy and it is imperfect.

This fall, we're going to be trying some things. You may notice changes in the shape of the sanctuary chairs, in where people "normally" are, in what is happening with the space in the back. You may notice craft projects you can do, art others have done, or representations of each week's scripture on shelves or in the front.

And you can be part of that!

You can bring your art (on theme or not), your crafts, and your hats for missions to share with the community.

Each week has a theme, with some suggested ideas that could decorate the altar. Then your creativity can be free to add what you're thinking about, what you have to share, where God is working in your life!

And it doesn't have to be perfect. It just needs to be our offerings, blessings, and work in the practice of worship and life.

### How Can You Participate In Worship This Month

#### October 1 Exodus 1:8-14 [1:15—2:10]; 3:1-15

Moses and God's Name: Israel is in slavery and calls for help. God calls Moses to bring release  
Title: Elements of Encounter

What are some things that might go un-noticed? A Rock? A plant? A (group) person? (pictures are ok).

Do you have something that makes or resembles a small fire? Sandals or shoes to show off? Where or when or around what have you experienced the presence of God? Can you bring something in that represents that?

#### October 8 Deuteronomy 5:1-21; 6:4-9

Hear O Israel: Ten Commandments, Love the LORD your God with all your heart and soul and might

Title: Elements of Obedience

Who or what do you love? Who is your neighbor?

How do you love your neighbor?

How do you think about Love? Is there something that represents love to you? A heart? A gift you received?

#### October 15 Judges 16:4-20

Delilah: THEME: Rethinking Villains- Compassion for People's Actions

Title: Elements of Interpretation

When and how do you learn new things? Or learn a new way of thinking about something old?

Who or what teaches you? Who are some teachers that influenced you?

What in your life has influenced how you read or hear Bible stories? What books do you read to learn about the world, yourself, God? What has changed your mind about how you thought about something?

Books, images, etc with new ideas, learnings, or interpretations.

#### October 22 2 Samuel 5:1-5; 6:1-5; Psalm 150

David Anointed King: David becomes king over all Israel. Brings the Ark of the covenant to Jerusalem with song making Jerusalem a place of worship.

Title: Elements of Praise

Do you have an instrument to share? What is your favorite song or artists or composer? What music makes you want to dance? Do you have dancing shoes? A disco ball (we could use a disco ball)? How do you celebrate?

#### October 29 1 Kings 12:1-17, 25-29

Kingdom Divided: Rehoboam and the need for servant-leadership; the kingdom is divided

Title: Elements of Division

What are 2 things/people/groups/etc that are usually seen as opposed to each other? Oil and water, polarized magnets, the Force and the Dark Side, sports teams, salt and pepper.

Pastor Leanne

### October 1

prayers for Debbie Morgan and  
Connie & Dan Motelet

Exodus 1:8-14 [1:15-2:10] 3:1-15

**WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY /**

**Food Pantry Sunday**

**Special offering for Neighbors in  
Need**

**Tuesday: Bible Study at 10 AM**

**Wednesday: PFLAG meeting,**

**6:30 PM at Aurora Summit**

**Hospital**

**Thursday: Morning Brew at**

**Sunnyside, 8:30-10 AM**

### October 8

prayers for Donna & Jack  
Newland and the Obenberger  
family

**BLESSING OF THE PETS SUNDAY!!**

**COFFEE HOUR!!**

**Deuteronomy 5:1-21; 6:4-9**

**Monday: Trustees meeting 4:30 PM**

**Tuesday: Bible Study 10 AM;**

**Ladies Fellowship meeting at 1 PM**

### October 15

prayers for Vera & Don Ortmann  
and Carol & John Pfalz

**Judges 16:4-20**

**Council meeting after worship**

**Newsletter Deadline**

**Tuesday: Bible Study at 10 AM**

### October 22

prayers for Jeannie Phelan and  
the Phelps family

**2 Samuel 5:1-5; 6:1-5; Psalm 150**

**Monday-Friday: Emmanuel**

**delivers Dousman Area Home**

**Meals**

**Tuesday: Bible Study at 10 AM**

**Wednesday: Home-Brewed Faith**

**Rosati's in Oconomowoc, 7-8 PM**

**Thursday: Emmanuel volunteers  
at the Family Promise Shelter, 5 PM**

### October 29

prayers for Fran & Ken Pike and  
Jo & John Quaden

**1 Kings 12:1-17, 25-29**

**Tuesday: Bible Study at 10 AM**

**Wednesday: PFLAG meeting,**

**6:30 PM at Aurora Summit**

**Hospital**



**CLEANING THE CHURCH:** Sue & Tom Stelling and Francine Langlais & Ron Blaschuk  
**Coffee Hour Committee for October 8:** Stellings, Francine & Ron, Kathy Zebrowski, Deb Morgan, Kris Davidson & Donna Newland

	USHERS	SCRIPTURE READERS
1	Shirlene Hazelberg	Steve Thompson
8	Charlotte Voigt	Kids
15	Laurie Buckett	Francine Langlais
22	Connie Motelet	Kris Davidson
29	Kris Davidson	Ann Carpenter



#### BIRTHDAYS

Sandie Horne	4	Mike Doering	16
Francine Langlais	4	Mira Laur	16
Sharon Perez	4	Judy St. Martin	17
Laurie Buckett	6	Shirlene Hazelberg	18
Hunter LaPrade	7	Kara Lynch	29
Andrew Smith	8	John Pfalz	29
Jo Quaden	9	Emma Phelps	29
Carol Pfalz	12	Ruby Smith	30
Stephen Turley	13	Don Ortmann	31

#### ANNIVERSARIES

Sherri & Bob Krantz	1	Jo & John Quaden	14
Jessie & John Brinkmann	6	Donna & Jack Newland	23
Melissa & Rick Rivera	11		

#### MEMBERSHIP ANNIVERSARIES

Kathy Zebrowski	14,	1979	44 years
Marian Speerless & Stephen Turley	21,	1007	16 years
Don Boychuk & Robert Zondag	25,	2015	8 years
Mary Branson	30,	2011	12 years



**Welcome Molly & family...joining Emmanuel membership on September 24!**

Hello all! My name is Molly Mayer and I am excited to join you at Emmanuel. I am married to John Mayer, the 3<sup>rd</sup> son of Corrine Mayer. I am

originally from Minnetonka, Minnesota and have lived in Wisconsin since 2009. John and I met in college at the University of Minnesota. After graduating nursing school, I moved to Wisconsin for a job at St. Luke's in Milwaukee. John and I got married in 2016. I then graduated from Rush University in 2017 with my Doctorate of Nursing Practice and now work as a nurse practitioner in cardiology at Aurora Summit.

John and I welcomed our first son, Jack, in 2018. Jack started Kindergarten this year and he is having a blast. Our second son, Harrison, was born in 2019 and is enjoying 3K this year. We are expecting our third child, a baby girl, in October. In my spare time, I enjoy reading, cooking/baking, watching sports and spending time with family and friends. I still cheer for the Minnesota Vikings (Skol!) and the Minnesota Gophers (Ski-U-Mah!). However, I will cheer for the Packers if they are not playing their rivals ☺

I am looking forward to getting involved at church once things settle down with the new baby ☺

Footnote...Molly's husband, John grew up at Emmanuel and was Confirmed here in 2001...we also welcome John back!!

**October 8  
Blessing  
of the  
Pets**



**Join us on the lawn (weather permitting, otherwise in fellowship hall) for our annual Blessing of the Pets**

**Sunday! Bring your pets, picture of your pet(s) or stuffed animals for a blessing. Kris Davidson's Lila will be on hand for pony rides after the service....and Coffee Hour in fellowship hall will follow the service.**



**Neighbors in Need special offering  
Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Special offering envelopes for NIN are**

**located near the offering plates in the Sanctuary. If mailing in your donation, please mark it Neighbors in Need. Thank you!**



**MARK YOU CALENDARS!!  
Sunday, October 22  
after Worship**

**Help us rake leaves, cut down plants and get the church grounds ready for winter! We need lots of help, especially from our younger, able-bodied people!! Depending on the state of the highway construction project, we may also do some clean up on our portion of Hwy. 18.**

## Get to know our new Music Director, Erika Weiss...



I am so excited to be joining Emmanuel UCC as music director! I was previously a sub pianist at churches around Milwaukee and I teach private piano lessons to people of all ages. I love all kinds of music, from jazz to classical, opera and musicals, to old school country music. When I'm not teaching, playing, or listening to music, you can find me hiking in the woods or exploring new river spots in my kayak.

My favorite style of Christian music is generally hymns, although Reverend Leanne has been introducing some beautiful contemporary music to me, and I think she has made me a new fan. Regardless of style though, I strongly believe in music's power to help direct our hearts toward God and bring about God's mission of bringing love to the world. I look forward to collaborating musically with everyone more in the future and am excited to grow community bonds through music making. I am very grateful to be here among you all, and I'd like to thank everyone for being so welcoming during my first few months here.



Our Singing Bowl donations for August and September are being collected for Mukwonago Food Pantry. So far we have a little over \$150 donated, and the Food Pantry has resources to use our dollars to buy as much as \$450

worth of items. When we help seniors and families that are hungry and food insecure, it frees up money for them to buy medicine, pay utilities and for housing without jeopardizing their health. **Also, we are collecting Men and Women's Body Wash and Deodorant.** If you can pick up some product and drop it off in the Office, it would be very much appreciated as Food Pantry is very low on these hygiene products. Thank you.

For October, we will be supporting local organization Wildlife In Need located on Waterville Road. Their mission is the treatment and care of injured, diseased, or orphaned indigenous wildlife, and the subsequent return of healthy viable animals to appropriate habitats in the wild. At the Wildlife In Need Center (WINC) they answer over 10,000 phone calls from people asking for advice or help with wildlife issues. Of the 3,000 animals admitted annually for care, 85% of these animals were admitted because of interactions with humans. They also conduct educational programs in schools and for scouts, church, and civic groups.

The Center is run primarily by volunteers and a very small staff, operating 365 days a year. WINC receives no county, state, or federal funding. WINC operates entirely through fundraising efforts along with the generosity of passionate donors, but also from corporate foundations and private foundation grants.



A successful supplies drive was held two weeks in September for the Community Shelter. From April to August the shelter has served 19 families including 23 adults and 42 children. Thank you for providing needed articles for the clients and the shelter in Waukesha.

Our Homeless Prevention Program was awarded a grant for \$20,000 in July. These monies will be used for rent assistance to prevent family homelessness in our county. Crystal, a former client, was someone who benefitted from financial assistance through Family Promise. Listen to her story by going to [familypromisewaukeshawi.org](http://familypromisewaukeshawi.org).

Family Promise of Waukesha County will be participating in the community event, Project Homeless Connect (PHC), October 26 from 10 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. at Carroll University. This event includes health screenings, dental and vision exams, haircuts, lunch and a resource fair. There will also be hygiene and cold weather items available. If your company would like to be a sponsor, if you would like to make a donation or would like to volunteer at the event go to [unitedwaygmwc.org](http://unitedwaygmwc.org) for more information.

Thank you for the part you have played in making Family Promise an organization that has helped so many families have hope when they found their situation was bleak.



### Did you know.....

- ♥ The smile you gave someone yesterday made their day?
- ♥ When you introduced yourself to someone new at church, they felt welcomed?
- ♥ The change you put into the Singing Bowl two weeks ago will help a family with a meal?
- ♥ The check you wrote for Maui Relief will provide shelter for two families?
- ♥ The item you donated to the rummage sale is now being used by someone who was wishing for that item for a long time but just couldn't afford a brand new one?

### **BECAUSE OF YOU, YOU AND OUR CHURCH CHANGES LIVES!**

The Board of Stewards will present three Mission Moments, two in October and one in November, reminding you how you have made a difference in people's lives through your gifts. We will also be encouraging you to think about your pledge to Emmanuel for 2024. Let's continue to change lives through your generosity!



## Continuing Opportunities...



**TUESDAY MORNINGS**  
**10-11 AM in the library**  
**Each week the Scripture for the**  
**following Sunday is discussed.**

**THURSDAY MORNING BREW!!**  
**FIRST THURSDAYS ONLY!**

**October 5<sup>th</sup>**

**stop in for a cup of coffee or**  
**breakfast and chat with Pastor Leanne**  
**Sunnyside Up Restaurant on Hwy. 67 in**  
**Dousman**



**HOME-BREWED FAITH DISCUSSION!!**

**Wednesday, October 25**

**7-8 PM**

**Rosati's in Oconomowoc**

**Halloween Special on Exorcism!!**

November 29: An Apocalyptic Advent  
 No Homebrewed in December

**YOU CAN HELP**



**Remember Food Pantry Sunday!**

We designate the first Sunday of each month as Emmanuel's Food Pantry Sunday. We invite you to bring non-perishable donations for

the Kettle Moraine Food Pantry and place them in the bin in the foyer.

THANK YOU to Laurie Buckett for taking our donations to the Pantry each month.



♥ Tom Stelling and Rod Podszus for mowing the lawn.

♥ Jeannie Phelan, Ann Carpenter and

Erika Weiss for helping Pastor Leanne select hymns for our Sunday worship.

♥ Our Dousman Home Meals drivers Kris Davidson, Kristen Kramer, Shirlene Hazelberg, Sue Stelling, Kathy Zebrowski, Charlotte Voigt, Jo Quaden, Laurie Buckett, Ron Blaschuk & Francine Langlais, and new driver Kathy Bleecker-Piirto.

♥ , September Ushers Donna Newland, Carol Pfalz, Debbie Morgan and Sue & Tom Stelling.

♥ Scripture Readers...Ann Carpenter, Jeannie Phelan, Kris Davidson and Mary Branson.

♥ Camera Operator: Melissa Rivera

♥ Michael Clark & Mary Branson for purchasing the water for our water coolers.

♥ Ann Carpenter for leading worship singing.

♥ The Smith family and Shirlene Hazelberg for cleaning the church.

♥ Our Coffee Hour Committee for September 17<sup>th</sup> Connie Motelet, Laurie Buckett, Sheri Krantz and Frieda Goetsch.

♥ Lorna Marheine for sending in our Sentry receipts so that we get our rebate!!



♥ Lorna Marheine and their son, Jason.

♥ Mary Ellen Jondle

♥ Gregg Jarrett

♥ Fran Pike

♥ Sue & Tom Stelling's daughter, Jenny

♥ Pastor Leanne's sister, Jessica

♥ All of our dear shut-ins including Vera Ortmann and Betsy & Bill Welch.

♥ The victims of disasters world-wide...Maui, Florida, Morocco, Libya....

Your gifts to the Singing Bowl ministries make a difference...

**From NAMI...**Thank you for investing in hope for those in our community struggling with mental health concerns. I am grateful for your generous donation of \$236.21.

**From RIP Medical Debt...**Thank you so much for your recent donation of \$356.39. Your gift will abolish debilitating medical debt, giving recipients and their families a fresh start and empowering them to embark on a new path of greater financial stability.



We appreciate your ongoing support.

Donations may be sent to our P.O. Box address: Emmanuel UCC, P.O. Box 216, Dousman 53118...OR



scan our Paypal QR code if you prefer. Please be aware that the church does not receive 100% of your donation via Payal. An administration fee is deducted from our receipt.



Thank you for donating your aluminum cans to our Precious Metals project. Monies received from recycling the cans and other metals benefits Emmanuel's operating budget.

Marian Speerless and Stephen Turley are looking for someone to clean their house. If you are interested or may know someone who is, please contact Marian. Address: 1220 W. Concord Center Drive, Sullivan. Marian's phone # 262-282-2214 email address: turleysm2020@gmail.com

They pay \$25/hour and it should take about 2 hours. They would like the house cleaned twice a month, first floor only as they do not use the upstairs of the home.

Their previous cleaning person is now a college student who is unable to handle this job along with her college studies.

**Cleaning Service**



## Looking Toward November

Wed.	1	PFLAG meets at Aurora Summit Hospital 6:30 PM
Sun	5	Holy Communion / Food Pantry Sunday All Saints Remembrance Service
Tues.	Each	Bible Study 10 AM
Sun.	12	Pledge Sunday / Luncheon follows Worship
Mon.	13	Trustees meeting 4:30 PM
Thurs.	2	Morning Brew with Pastor Leanne at Sunnyside Restaurant, 8:30-10 AM
Sun.	19	Council meets after Worship
Mon-Wed	20-22	Emmanuel delivers the Dousman Area Home Meals- no meals on Thanksgiving or the following Friday
Thurs.	23	Thanksgiving Day
Wed.	29	HomeBrewed Faith discussion at Rosati's in Oconomowoc, 7-8 PM. Topic: "An Apocalyptic Advent"

## The roof projects are finished!



## Treasurer's Report for August 2023

### PLEDGED Income received

(August 2023)	\$9,620.00
(August 2022)	\$11,455.00
Difference	<b>-\$1,835.00</b>

### NON-PLEDGES & PLATE Income Received

(August 2023)	\$520.00
(August 2022)	\$750.00
Difference	<b>-\$230.00</b>

Total INCOME for (August 2023) *	\$15,099.15
Total INCOME for (August 2022)	\$17,093.01

Difference	<b>-\$1,993.86</b>
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Total EXPENSE for (August 2023)	\$14,012.82
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Total EXPENSE for (August 2022)	\$11,810.19
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Difference	<b>\$2,202.63</b>
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Checking Account Balance as of August 31, 2023	\$2,291.98
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Checking Account Balance as of August 31, 2022	\$8,840.50
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Difference	<b>-\$6,548.52</b>
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\*TOTAL INCOME includes funds received for:

Singing Bowl	\$122.45
WI Conference offering income (OCWM, Christmas Fund, etc)	\$1,129.89
SCRIP sales	\$0.00
Fund Raiser	\$3,666.81
Roof payment from Church Mutual	\$29,354.48
RBC Investment Account Growth for August 2023	\$180,516.25

Please direct questions or comments to Kathy Zebrowski (262-646-8882) or  
Jeannie Phelan (414-940-4464)





# OCTOBER

**9:30 AM WORSHIP EACH SUNDAY**  
(also live-streamed on Facebook)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY																																																																																				
<b>1</b> HOLY COMMUNION Food Pantry Sunday  Special offering for Neighbors in Need	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> 10 AM Bible Study	<b>4</b> 6:30 PM PFLAG meets at Aurora Summit Hospital	<b>5</b> 8:30-10 AM Morning Brew with Pastor Leanne @ Sunnyside Restaurant	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>																																																																																				
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<b>22</b> Fall Clean-up Day! PLEASE HELP!	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> 10 AM Bible Study	<b>25</b> 7-8 PM Home-Brewed Faith at Rosati's in Oconomowoc Halloween Special on Exorcism	<b>26</b> 5-8 PM Emmanuel volunteers at the Family Promise Shelter	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>																																																																																				
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