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Faith on the Loose!

Summer is here and though the longest day has come and gone, there are lots of light-filled days left in the season. I am looking forward to savoring every one of them and am often reminded of these words from scripture: "The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, God's mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness." (Lamentations 3:22-23)

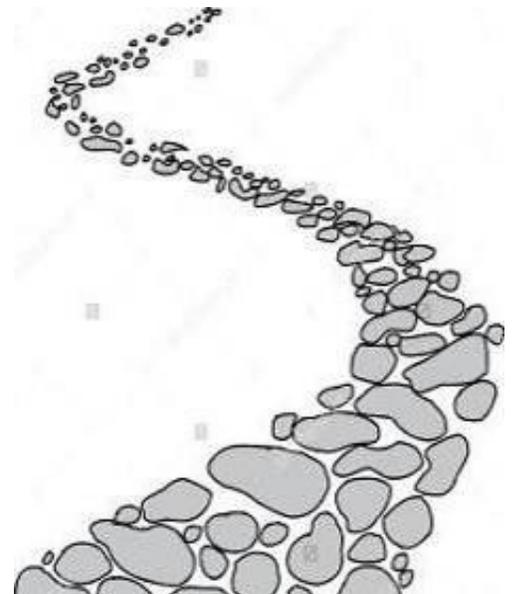
For me, this season has held two graduations (a niece and a daughter) cousins who graduated a week apart; lots of family time and now I am onto vacation. I will be gone for the first four Sundays in July, and back in the pulpit on July 29. What does the season look like for you?

I love the opportunity vacation offers... to see myself, my life and even my faith in a different way through the gift of time away. I have often found faith in non-traditional places, and hope that will be true for this year's vacation. When I return in August, I will be preaching a series called 'Faith on the Loose!'; in the series I'll explore places faith is found in movies, music, television and literature.

While I have many ideas about what examples I'll be using in the sermons, I would love to hear from all of you! Where have you found faith connections... at the movies or in music, on television or in books? Or maybe even someplace else altogether? If you have thoughts, please send me an e-mail... I'd enjoy increasing the 'canon' the span of music, TV, books and movies I consider. You may get the automated e-mail reply that says I'm on vacation, but I will be checking when I am able to add any ideas I receive to the series. Thanks in advance for any help. □

In the meantime, may you know God's unceasing, steadfast love in whatever this season holds for you and yours. I look forward to hearing all about it when I get back.

Peace, Pastor Jennifer





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Vice-President's Letter

Summer Newsletter

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It is summer! A time when our senses are working overtime, drinking in the sights, sounds, and flavors of this beautiful season. Praise be to God

At Emanuel Lutheran our tasks are ongoing—the upkeep of the lawn, weeding and care of the Community Garden. We'd appreciate your help in these areas.

Congratulations to our graduates in the Congregation, our Blessing and prayers follow you as you transition to your new endeavors.

Although activities at church tend to slow down in the summer months, plans are ongoing for Adopt A Highway (the signs were put up on 6/25, 2 months early!) and Oktoberfest – to name a couple.

Enjoy God's many blessings as we live to know Christ and make Christ known in our church, our community, and our world.

God's Peace

Sue Doyle

WELCA NEWS



About 20 ladies gathered at Fran's Landing on June 5 for Ladies Night Out. Great food and good lively conversations abounded. Julie and Mary Ellen introduced an idea for a fun get-together during the summer with a "Bunco" Night at Mary Ellen's on Wednesday, August 22 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

The June 13 "Community Sew" was very successful! Ten ladies attended with several people from the community joining us. Twelve Little Dresses were made to add to our collection. The next "Community Sew" is July 11. Come and join us – it's fun and you don't really need to know how to sew. Erica from the Corning Library will be on hand to help novices and the dresses are easy to make. Additional Dates have been scheduled: August 15 and September 12 – Put them on your calendars.

Our next formal meeting will be in September. The first item of business in the Fall will be our Fall Sale to be held on September 28 and 29.

BOOK CLUB

Our new book is Happiness is a Choice You Make, by John Leland. We will meet to review it on Thursday, August 16, at 12:30. We will meet at the summer home of Lucy Peterson, on Seneca Lake. Just bring your lunch and ideas for the next book. Beverages and dessert will be provided.

For car-pooling from Horseheads, call Carol Witt at 739-0172.

"Happy" reading!

A New York Times Bestseller!

An extraordinary look at what it means to grow old and a heartening guide to well-being, *Happiness Is a Choice You Make* weaves together the stories and wisdom of six New Yorkers who number among the "oldest old"— those eighty-five and up.

In 2015, when the award-winning journalist John Leland set out on behalf of *The New York Times* to meet members of America's fastest-growing age group, he anticipated learning of challenges, of loneliness, and of the deterioration of body, mind, and quality of life. But the elders he met took him in an entirely different direction. Despite disparate backgrounds and circumstances, they each lived with a surprising lightness and contentment. The reality Leland encountered upended contemporary notions of aging, revealing the late stages of life as unexpectedly rich and the elderly as incomparably wise.

Happiness Is a Choice You Make is an enduring collection of lessons that emphasizes, above all, the extraordinary influence we wield over the quality of our lives. With humility, heart, and wit, Leland has crafted a sophisticated and necessary reflection on how to "live better"—informed by those who have mastered the art.

SYNOD ASSEMBLY REPORT

Carrie Smith and Caren Listopadzki attended the Assembly of the Upstate New York Synod in Rochester, NY, June 3-5. The theme was "Share Your Light". In his keynote address the Rev. Ruben Duran, ELCA Director for Congregational Vitality, encouraged us to let the Holy Spirit flow through us and be ambassadors for Jesus in this world. As God is working through the church and the world, we should be Detectives of Divinity: we should find out what God is up to in our church and community, and build relationships in the public arena to find our niche, so that we can meet needs with what we have. We were also inspired by the "Faith Alive" moments throughout the event, where several members shared their faith stories. Special instrumental music by a bell choir and by a jazz ensemble gave new life to the hymns during the worship services. Other highlights were the educational workshops. During his report Bishop Macholz was wondering a few things, one of them: what would happen if small congregations share a central office. Maybe this is something our congregation can explore with our neighboring congregations, as we all struggle with administrative tasks?



If you would like to know more about the assembly, please feel free to approach us.

Caren

I would like to say **THANK YOU** for every expression of caring I received these past few months. You will never know how much you lifted my spirits, especially knowing I was being prayed for. I feel so blessed to belong to Emanuel Lutheran Church. Thank you again from the bottom of my heart. Your partner in Christ, Linda Zink

EMANUEL CALENDAR

We now have an online calendar of events on our church website at www.emanuelcorn.org.

It is located under the events/news tab. To see all the details of the event, just click on the event.



If you'd like to add an event to the church calendar, please e-mail Brenda Passmore at bpasmore@stny.rr.com or call 962-1021 or contact Mary Ellen Brennan at meb3116@gmail.com or call 654-7995.



Thomas Listopadzki graduated on May 20th, 2018, Magna Cum Laude from University of Rochester with a double major in Biochemistry and German. He will attend Medical School in Buffalo.



Taylor Thompson graduated from Odessa-Montour High school June 22, 2018.



Maxwell Reed graduated from Corning High School and will be attending Syracuse University in the fall. He was accepted into their Honors College and will be studying Computer Science.

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Alysa Nataroanaporn graduated from St. Leo's University on April 28, 2018. She was Commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the Army and will going to Colorado after training at Fort Jackson in South Carolina.



Claudia Reed graduated from the University at Buffalo with a degree in Communications. She has moved to Washington DC where she is living with her sister Olivia. She has not yet secured a job, but has been interviewing. She assures her parents that she has been doing a lot of "networking". Please feel free to join her parents (& sister) in praying that she soon lands a job!



BIBLE STUDY IS ON SUMMER VACATION.
IT WILL RESUME ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH.

Southeast Steuben County Library Presents



July 11,
August 15,
September 12
1-3pm

Community Sewing with Women of the ELCA

Join us to sew dresses for children in Africa. All are Welcome. No sewing experience needed. Instructors will be on hand, or you can help by cutting fabric or ironing. Sewing machines, fabric, and thread will be provided. You are welcome to bring your own if you like.

Join us at Emanuel Lutheran Church
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Flower Chairman Change

Please welcome Theresa Welfling as your new Flower Chairman. Phyllis Brandes is stepping down and Theresa will be the main contact about flowers now. Please let her know of your flower dedications before the scheduled date so that she can get the dedication in the bulletin on the proper Sunday.

ALTAR FLOWERS – Price Adjustment - We have been getting two vases of Altar Flowers for \$25 for many years and unfortunately, House of Flowers has had to raise the price to two vases for \$30. It is still a huge bargain – two vases plus delivery. They only ask that if we have vases left over, that we return them – so if you have the plastic vases from your flowers, just put them in the box in the furnace room in the basement and they will periodically be taken back.

Save the Date

Ladies Game Night Wednesday, August 22,

5:30 pm- 8:30 pm

**\$3 per person, No experience Necessary! Prizes!
Food and Drink!**

Home of Mary Ellen Brennan

3116 Knoll Rd., Painted Post. (607) 654-7995



Worship and Music Meeting

At the Worship and Music meeting on 6/24 we discussed the possible elimination of plastic communion cups. Ideas were shared that would help us care better for God’s creation, our world.

Because this change will affect the wider church, including altar guild, we’d like to schedule a meeting to discuss the possible changes on 8/19. See you in the future!

John R.

OKTOBERFEST 2 IS COMING !!!



The waiting is almost over!
Oktoberfest 2 returns to Emanuel on Saturday, September 22nd.
Real German food!
Real German refreshments!
Real German music!
Mark your calendars.
We had a lot of fun at the last one – this one will be even better.

ANNIVERSARYS

Carrie & Leon Smith	7/9
Lauren & Ed Cornelius	7/10
Becky & David Fowler	7/15
Lauri & Kevin Andrukat	7/19
Penny & Robert Kephart	7/19
Rosemarie & Bruce Layton	8/12
Jodi & Franklin Machuga	8/14
Karla & Steve Markayze	8/17
Kim And David Arnold	8/19
Phyllis & Lew Brandes	8/20
Gina & Bob Townsend	8/29
Stacey & Mike Layton	8/30
Linda & Bob L'Amoreaux	8/31

Happy Anniversary!!

BIRTHDAYS

Elizabeth Zink	7/1
Linda Zink	7/2
John Olson	7/3
Jenna Jones	7/6
Aisha Blanchard	7/9
Brian Jones	7/10
John Rector	7/12
Carole Adler	7/13
Judy Austin	7/14
Michael Layton	7/17
Marjorie Anderson	7/18
Ellen Passmore	7/19
Jordan Thompson	7/23
Laura Morseman	7/25
James Passmore	7/26
Bianca Baldwin	7/28
Margaret Townsend	8/2
Richard Sauer	8/3
Katherine Roberson	8/7
Ronald Woodruff	8/9
Jacob Hufnagel	8/11
Karla Markayze	8/12
Annette Gardner	8/13
Nathan Gardner	8/14
Andrew Miller	8/17
Josephine Sauer	8/17
Carol Witt	8/17
Zachary Townsend	8/19
Nina Listopadzki	8/19
Emma Truitt	8/21
Katharine Groeger	8/22
Gisela Smith	8/22
Robert Tyler	8/23
Julie Miller	8/29
Frauke Becker	8/29

Happy Birthday

Interested in membership here at ELC?

If so, new members will be received into our family of faith on **September 9th** during worship.

Please contact Pastor Jennifer if you would like to become a member of Emanuel Lutheran Church.



CHURCH TRIP

If you've ever been to the Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster, you know what awesome and inspiring productions they put on. The Brandes' and Groegers recently attended the current showing of *JESUS* and came away moved. Their production of *NOAH* returns in March of 2019. We'd like to see if there's any interest in getting a group from Emanuel to make the trip down. We can make it a long day trip or stay overnight. Date is flexible. If you'd like a sneak peek, go to <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FN2wfiKdfQ8> or just Google 'Sight & Sound Theater'. Ticket prices vary but we think they're about \$60.00. We'll find out all pertinent details and let you know in the next newsletter. Good seats go fast. Let the Brandes' or Groegers know if you're interested.

"God's Work, Our Hands" -

Sunday, September 9, 2018

This day is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America – one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor. But it's also the opportunity to make us known as members of Emanuel Lutheran Church - making Christ known in our community.



On Sunday, September 9th, we'll celebrate "God's Work, Our Hands" by wearing our yellow t-shirts to church and posing for our group photo in front of the church after worship. We have a service opportunity at the **Food Bank of the Southern Tier on Saturday, September 8th from 9am- 11am**. There are just 25 slots open to volunteer, so sign-up on our website www.emanuelcorning.org under the events tab or see Brenda Passmore. We would love to participate in other service projects, so if you have any thoughts please let Brenda or Pastor Jennifer know.



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June Stewards

Date	July 1	July 8	July 15	July 22	July 29	Aug 5
Worship Leader	Deacon Caren Listopadzki	Deacon Bill Groeger	Deacon Bill Groeger	Deacon Caren Listopadzki	Pastor Jennifer Long	Pastor Jennifer Long
Worship Assistant	Kim Hufnagel	Mary Ellen Brennan	Brenda Passmore	Sue Doyle	Caren Listopadzki	Kim Hufnagel
Reader	Theresa Welfling	Phyllis Brandes	Lainey Zink	Carol Witt	Libby Zink	Sue Doyle
Acolyte	Jacob Hufnagel	Richard Sauer	Ben Hufnagel	Georg Sauer	Libby Zink	Celine Schwesinger
Greeter	Ben Hufnagel	Augie Andrukat	Gisela Smith	Betty Gremer	Lee Ann Tyler	Phyllis Brandes
Prime Time With God	Prime Time With God returns in the Fall					
Usher	Duane Miller	Jim Passmore	John Rector	Lew Brandes	Tom Kleckner	Augie Andrukat
Altar Guild	Groeger/ Sands	Groeger/ Sands	Groeger/ Sands	Groeger/ Sands	Groeger/ Sands	Cameron L'Amoreaux
Counters	Groeger Team	Miller Team	Garner/ Hamilton	Brandes Team	Rector Team	Passmore Team

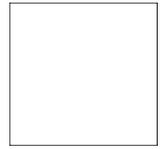
If you are scheduled to serve in some capacity and find that you will be unable to attend, please call someone to substitute for you. Thank you!

July 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Worship 10am	2 WW 5:30-8pm	3 Office Hours 10am – 12pm	4	5 WELCA 1pm	6	7
8 Worship 10am	9 WW 5:30-8pm	10 Happy Hour Sewing 5pm – 8pm	11 Community Sewing 1:00pm – 3:30pm	12 Boy Scout Shut-In	13	14
15 Worship 10am	16 WW 5:30-8pm	17 Office Hours 10am – 12pm	18	19	20 Red Cross Blood Drive 11:30am – 4:30pm	21
22 Worship 10am	23 WW 5:30-8pm	24 Happy Hour Sewing 5pm – 8pm	25	26	27	28
29 Worship 10am	30 WW 5:30-8pm	31 Office Hours 10am – 12pm				

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