

The GOOD NEWS Newsletter

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Travel Buddies

"After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way; I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if a person of peace is there, your peace will rest on that person, but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.' I tell you, on that day it will be more tolerable for Sodom than for that town." Luke 10:1-12

On our trip to New Orleans for the Youth Gathering, we would always go in pairs. If someone needed to go somewhere or do something, we would take someone else with us. That way we have a partner, we have someone to look out for us, we have someone who might see things differently than we do, we have someone....

Jesus sends out his followers in pairs in this passage in Luke's Gospel. Jesus wanted them to have travel buddies. They are called to go to new places, do new things, and proclaim the Kingdom of God. Jesus tells them there will be good times and bad times. And the pairs go through the events together. Jesus tells them to stay when it is good, and if it doesn't go well, to throw the dust from your feet and to move on.

As Jesus' followers, we are called to go out into the world! And we go out in pairs (or more). We will not be alone on our travels, we will have support, we have someone to check our facts, we have someone to watch out for us, we have someone to call us into question. We have someone, as we go out into the world. We are called to GO OUT INTO THE WORLD and proclaim the Kingdom of God!

So, find your travel buddy, hold their hand, and go out into the world for the LORD!

Peace,



Pastor Mike

Thank You!

I wanted to take this opportunity to say thank you to everyone for the gifts celebrating my 20th Anniversary of Ordination. I was wondering what stole I would wear for the Anniversary celebration, and now I have one. I look forward to our continued relationship as we move into this next segment of ministry here at Emanuel. – Pastor Mike

Results of the Special Meeting

The special meeting was held on Sunday, July 28th. We had 101 people, which was more than the necessary 36, in attendance to meet the quorum. A motion was approved to allow the absentee ballots to be counted. The proposal to change the worship times was approved by a 109 yes / 39 no vote (73.65%). The proposal to extend Pastor Poole's interim call another three years beginning February 8, 2025 was approved by a 124 yes / 12 no vote (91.18%)

We will move to the new worship format the week after the Anniversary celebration. We will have all three worship services on Sunday, September 1. The final Thursday evening service will be on September 5th. We will have one worship service on Sunday, September 8 at 10:30 to celebrate our 150th Anniversary. We will move to the new format on Sunday, September 15th: 9am – traditional, 10am education time, 11am – contemporary. The live radio broadcast will be the 9am service.

Responses we've received for our Anniversary Celebration invitation:

June 5, 2024 9:08AM

Dear Committee Members,

Thank you for the gracious opportunity to be a part of your 150th Anniversary celebrations September 8, 2024, however I will not be able to attend. I thoroughly enjoyed my time at Zion and continue to give thanks to God for all you folks taught me about what it means to be a Pastor.

Blessings,

Pastor William E. Maki

July 8, 2024

Hello Alicia and Pastor Mike,

Dawn and I will be attending your Anniversary Worship Service and Dinner on Sunday September 8th. My sister Robin Milner is coming from Houston to attend as well. It was such a wonderful experience to preach at Emanuel last February. We are looking forward to celebrating with the People of God at Emanuel September 8th. Thank you for your gracious invitations!

In Christ,

Pastor Todd Milner

Providence, Holland

Blessings in the Bayou

Emanuel teamed up with a group from Waldo to drive 15 folks to the 2024 ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans, July 15-21. These 15 folks joined with 16 thousand others for a week they will never forget! Each day included a Mass Gathering, with inspirational speakers and bands in the Smoothie King Center, a pro-basketball arena. The theme, "Created to Be" centered around Psalm 139, with a focus on God knowing each person completely and loving each person completely, as well as our role in extending God's love. Psalm 139 became even more special to the group when one of our own, Willow chose Psalm 139 for her baptism.... her baptism by Pastor Poole in the midst of cheering peers in New Orleans! The group explored the French Quarter, walked miles in the humidity, and bounced from booth to booth and from inflatable to inflatable in the Interactive Learning Center. An accompaniment day gave them the opportunity to paint and prune around a stadium in City Park. They even survived a swamp tour without being eaten by any alligators, though some sampled alligator meat afterwards, along with many other New Orleans favorites. Through the trip, our youth grew in their relationships with Jesus and with each other. They caught the enthusiasm of an arena full of teenaged Lutherans and gained insight on what it means to be not alone, seen, loved, called, and sent. Thank you, Emanuel, for the support you have given your youth in sending them to participate in this impactful time of worship and discovery!

Psalm 139:14 I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made;
your works are wonderful,
I know that full well.



You are
FEARFULLY
and
WONDERFULLY
made
PSALM 139:14



Sunday School News

There is no Sunday School in August. This gives us time to clean our classroom and put together our curriculum for the fall. Families can concentrate on getting everyone back in school and Mrs. Rinker can take a little break from teaching! We will be back in our classroom on September 8th at 9:15 for a Sunday School Open House.

Sunday School Open House

SEPTEMBER 8, 2024 in the 3rd floor classroom Parents and children are invited to experience Sunday School together before worship and our Anniversary celebrations. Please come and help us to kick off our new session for the year.

Back to School Blessings

By the time you read this the BTSB event will have taken place. I want to personally thank the planning committee for their commitment to making this a wonderful event. I want to thank all volunteers and our community partners. With God's blessing we will continue to serve God's people, bring his word and love to our neighbors through events such as this. - Dee Rinehart

You Know You Are a Steadfast Lutheran If...



- You give instructions to your child how to carve a cross out of an Ivory Soap Bar.
- You explain to your child why evening dance party is not the most important event at the National Youth Gathering.
- You tell your children to stay away from the heathens when they go to the County Fair.

Musings from the Church Mouse...

Holy Moly are things changin' around here! I hear a lot of bangin' in the sanctuary. I see a lot of things movin'. I hear a lot of people talkin' about what's goin' on. There seems to be a lot happening here. I definitely have to pay more attention to all the movement so I don't get stepped on! As things begin to re-arrange, don't forget about leavin' me some crumbs.

I hope to See ya' at worship!

Church Mouse

HAPPY
Birthday

Happy Birthday! The following members celebrate their 90+ birthdays in August! Ed Baldauf turns 92 on August 2nd, Peggy Hall turns 95 on August 6th, Norma Fanello turns 96 on August 9th, and Rozella Wilkes turns 90 on August 14th. Let's remember Ed, Peggy, Norma, Rozella with our cards and prayers!

Summer Jesus

So far Summer Jesus has been seen from Legoland to national parks. Where else will He travel to? Don't forget to send your pictures to deerinehart63@gmail.com so they can be posted.



Where else will
you take Summer
Jesus??



A Student's Prayer for a New School Year

Lord Jesus, I ask for Your help as I begin this new school year.

Allow me to experience Your presence in the many blessings

You put before me.

Open my eyes to the new challenges and exciting opportunities
that this new school year brings.

Open my heart and mind to new friends and new teachers.

Give me generous spirit to be enthusiastic with my studies and
courage to accept new opportunities.

Help me to be attentive to my teachers and let me experience
Your presence in my new friends.

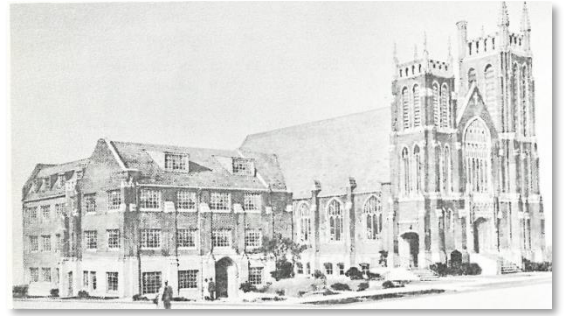
Jesus, inspire me to do my best this year!

Amen.

Part 13 of Emanuel's history

Check out the Archive Cabinet that is now in the Gathering Space. There is a beautiful display of "The Last Supper" by Thomas Kinkadee that was donated to us for you to see.

For those of you that have not seen the monthly display on the tables in the Gathering Space with history for the 150th Anniversary of Emanuel, there is a printer's plate that I found in a file. It is a picture of Emanuel, without the house/office. Beside it is the picture from the plate.



I also found letters from state leaders congratulating Emanuel when we celebrated our 125 Anniversary in 1999. One letter is from the State Senate signed by Richard H. Finan, President of the Ohio Senate, and Larry Mumper, the State Senator from the 26th Senatorial District (Marion's district) at that time. Larry Mumper is from Marion. Maybe you know him. There is also a letter from Marchus Lohrmann, Bishop of the Northwest Ohio Synod, at that time.

I found a letter from David W. Preus, President of the American Lutheran Church for our 100th Anniversary celebration in 1974. The large envelope that the letter came in from President Preus has a piece of cardboard to keep the letter from bending and it has 24 cents postage. It's hard to imagine that postage was ever that cheap.



On the June display there was a picture of The New Kingsmen, a singing group that came to Emanuel in 1975. I had a note with that picture asking if anyone would know anything about this group. I didn't hear from anyone. As I have been looking through the old files from the attic I came across a resume and the itinerary of the group. There were six musicians from all over the country and at that time it said, for the last five years the group had traveled throughout the United States, Canada, and Europe. They were singing in schools, churches, auditoriums, and conventions, and armed service bases. I found that the New Kingsmen came to Emanuel October 4, 1975 and had a concert in the sanctuary.

In looking through the old bulletins I found a bulletin from 1955 saying that the Harding High School Choir would be singing at Emanuel May 15th. The director of the choir at that time was Lewis "L. G." Jones.

I looked up the Harding Choir in one of the Quivers (Harding year book) and read that the choir was organized in 1938. In the piece about the choir, it said, each time their theme song, "My God and I," is sung, new inspiration is wakened in singers and listeners. Choir repertoire, much of which is sacred music, gives guidance in the formation of worthy ideals and principles. You cannot sing such lofty songs without receiving greater faith and a keener understanding of people and situations.



I heard a lot when I was growing up about L.G. Jones and the Harding Choir. Both of my parents were in that choir at Harding in the mid 1940's and loved L.G. Jones. As I was told, L.G. knew my parents were dating so he would have them come to the front and sing solos together. It also said in the piece I read that he had a keen sense of humor. Both of my parents had fond memories of him. I know many of you remember him. He died in 1979.

There was a bulletin dated October 24, 1937 telling of Rev. Martin Hollensen accepting the call to Emanuel after Rev. Schillinger.

I have the bulletin on the day Rev. Hollensen was installed at Emanuel, November 7th, 1937. There was a reception planned for Rev. and Mrs. Hollensen and their family on Thursday, November 18th.

I found a bulletin from October of 1937 telling about Rev. Schillinger and his 28 years at Emanuel. His official acts included: adult baptisms: 126, children's baptisms: 503, adult confirmations: 309, young people confirmations: 327, marriages: 331 and funerals: 342.

There was a bulletin dated January 30, 1955 telling of the retirement of Rev. J.W. Schillinger that left Emanuel in 1937 to become President of the Ohio District of the American Lutheran Church. He held that position for 12 years. Since 1950 he served First Lutheran Church in Fairport Harbor, Ohio. Rev. Schillinger was the pastor at Emanuel in 1918 when our present church building was dedicated. He and his wife moved to Marysville, Ohio to be near their son, Stanley.

I found a picture of the all girl's, Belles of St. Mary's Drum and Bugle Corp. They were referred to as "Goodwill Ambassadors" from Rhinelander, Wisconsin. The group existed from 1956-1977. I assume that this group came to Marion for the drum and bugle competition that was a big deal here in Marion in those years. Since we have the picture of this group, I figure they came to Marion for the competition and our church housed them while in Marion.

I found a full page from The Marion Star with a picture of Pastor James Rave. It was dated Friday, April 22, 1983. Some you might remember the Weekly Sermonettes in the Star and the names, addresses and service times of all the churches in Marion. Pastor Rave's Sermonette was The Biblical Image Still Is Important. The piece tells about the image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd.

Pastor Bill Maki came to Emanuel in 1997 for his year of internship from the seminary. After graduating from the seminary, we called Bill to fill our opening for an Associate Pastor at that time. The Synod consented and accepted the call for Bill to come to Emanuel. He was ordained and installed here June 12, 1999. In 2004 Pastor Bill left Emanuel to answer the call to Zion Lutheran Church in St. Mary's, Ohio as their senior pastor. Pastor Bill retired from Zion on June 16, 2024 after 19 years and 9 months. It's hard for me to believe that he has been at Zion that long.

The minutes of Church Council February 14, 1984 told that the church envelopes were mailed to members at a cost of 7 cents each. As I said, to have those prices back again.

In the March 13, 1984 Church Council minutes, it tells in detail that they were considering a new phone system with Mackay Telephone Systems. The proposal would consist of a Max Key Electronic Key System with the standard features of: 4 outside lines capacity, 12 stations, PBX compatible, 10 number memory (each phone), last number redial, built-in two link intercom, on hook dialing, call announcing with hands-free answer back, conference call, privacy option, call forwarding. This system would completely replace our present telephone system, all installation and one year maintenance guarantee for a package price of approximately \$3,497.80, less ten percent prepayment. Church Council voted to accept the proposal to go with the Mackay System.

It was stated in the July 10, 1984 Church Council minutes that Intern Dennis Grey would be leaving Emanuel as of July 29, 1984. His year of internship was over. He would be going back to the seminary for his last year of schooling before graduating. Dennis and his wife Dorothy would be transferring to St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Grove City, Ohio. The new Intern would be Marty Opsahl. Marty was transferring to Emanuel from Christ Lutheran Church in Columbus.

There was a Congregational Meeting held August 26, 1984 to vote on an every member visitation for pledges of a 3 year vision. The majority voted for the every member visitation. Plans were to go forward for the visitation to happen in September.

In September of 1984 it was announced that a new Coke machine was installed on 4th floor for the Youth Ministry. Some of you may remember the Coke machine.

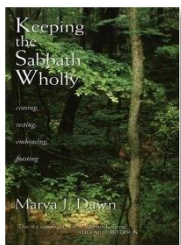
Search Bible Study began on Wednesday, September 26, 1984. Many of you might remember Search and participated in it.

More history to come, Alicia

Emanuel's LGBT Fellowship Group

The LGBT & Allies Group is taking a break for summer! Plan to join them again monthly starting Sunday, October 6th at 6:00p.m. in the Parlor.

Book Study



Bishop Daniel has stated 2024 will be the Year of Rest. To join in this process, we will work through "Keeping the Sabbath Wholly – Ceasing, Resting, Embracing, Feasting" by Marva J. Dawn. This book is more about living a holistic spiritual life, and goes far beyond just keeping Sabbath. We will be working through this book for most of 2024. We have in-person gatherings on Thursdays at 11:30a and 5:30p. We will also have a virtual session on Sunday nights at 6:30p. If you would like the zoom link for the virtual session, send an email to Pastor Mike.

Faith Journeys

Congratulations to Peyton on her confirmation! If you know a youth that would be ready to start the confirmation Faith Journey, let Pastor Mike know. We will start a new cycle of Faith Journeys with an Informational Start on Sunday, August 25th, immediately following 10:30a worship.

Pastor Poole's Pins

Pastor Poole added a new pin in his collection from New Orleans during the trip to the National Youth Gathering (the pin on top is the new one). This was the kilt Pastor Poole wore each night to the Mass Gathering.



Commemorative Anniversary Ornaments will no longer be available on Sunday mornings in the Gathering Space, however, there are still some left! If you would still like to purchase an ornament, please contact the church office. They will also be available on Anniversary Sunday.

Stretch and Pray Retreat

Pastor Mike and Tracy will be leading a Stretch and Pray retreat at HopeWood Pines at LMC on September 13-15. In a world that moves all too fast, it's time to slow down. It's time to make time for you to align your spirit and your body. It's time to Stretch and Pray. Set in the 420 acres of HopeWood Pines, this event will empower you with renewing practices that you can utilize long after the event ends. We will lead a workshop suitable for people of all spiritual expressions, teaching both principles and techniques that you can adapt and apply to your own practices. Engaging all five senses, you will find rest and rejuvenation for spirit and body alike. Come experience a weekend of relaxation and recreation co-hosted by Earth and Cup and HopeWood Outdoors. We will lead you in times of yoga and Tai Chi. Stretch your body and spirit in a relaxing setting of beautiful nature. You will stay in the Priebe Retreat Center or Spring Run Cottage. For more information and/or to register [Stretch and Pray Retreat – HopeWood Outdoors](#) contact HopeWood Outdoors.

To: The 150th Anniversary Committee

From: Henry Seibert

Thank you for the opportunity to participate in the 150th Anniversary year of celebration. It was my joy to be with you on June 16, 2024. To be able to bring God's message of grace and the growth of faith is indeed an honor. Thank you for inviting me.

I am sending you a check for \$250.00 for your feeding ministry in community outreach. No one need go hungry. I especially appreciate the work you do around Thanksgiving in seeing to it that all who want can have a meal of celebration. It was a privilege to participate and bring the message. That was payment enough.

A special thanks to Sue Sows for the quilt. Also, a special thanks to the whole Anniversary Committee for arranging the luncheon. Oh, and the Anniversary Ornament, it will adorn our Christmas Tree for years to come. A great remembrance indeed.

I look forward to being with you again on September 8, 2024. It will be good to be with friends from Emanuel, friends that will last a lifetime. Please forgive me if names are difficult to remember right away, however, your kindness, grace and love are unforgettable.

Peace be with you in the name of Jesus,



Anniversary Celebration

The Anniversary Committee has been working hard on preparations all year to celebrate Emanuel! Each month there is a new historical display in the Gathering Space, we have had many visits from 'vintage' pastors, and we are getting ready for the Big Event!

Saturday, September 7th there will be an Open House at the church from 1pm – 3pm. On Sunday, September 8th we will have one service at 10:30 led by Bishop Daniel Beaudoin, followed by a luncheon in the parlors. Please let us know if you plan to attend. RSVPs are not required, but will help in making plans for food that day!

Introducing Kathy Mullins



Director of Youth & Education
Kathy Reed

I was asked several months ago about writing a newsletter piece on a youth director from Emanuel. I contacted Kathy Mullins and this is what she wrote in her own words.

My name is Kathy Mullins, but you may remember me more as Kathy Reed. I was a full time Youth and Education Director at Emanuel Lutheran from 1986 – 1995. My duties included teaching confirmation, going to confirmation camp, heading up the Sunday school and its activities, Junior League for middle school and Luther League for high school youth and activities and retreats for both. Festival in Faith was a weekend youth gathering for high school youth from all over Ohio that I inherited, begun by Pastor Henry Seibert. It was full of inspiring speakers and lively music with families from Emanuel that housed them in their homes. It was a great deal of work, but with huge benefits for all and great satisfaction for me. During my tenure, we grew Festival in Faith to over 600 youth. We celebrated Festival in Faith's 10th anniversary during those years.

With my background in music, I wanted to find a way to use it at Emanuel. We were blessed to already have a cherub choir, junior choir, teen choir, and adult senior choir. So, I started a summer music ministry called Kids Praise Kids along with Betty Anderson. It had a 20-year run, even after I left and Betty took over. Many youth from our congregation and other churches were involved in those 20 years. That is one of my favorite memories.

I was blessed to work with great pastors in my tenure. I arrived at Emanuel right after Pastor James Rave left and before Pastor J. Weston Jones came. I also worked with Pastor Arnold Wulff for my entire time as well as Associate Pastors Rob Carlson and Pastor Bob Gordon.

Emanuel was the third and last church I served in. I served in Gethsemane Lutheran Church in Baldwin, Wisconsin, and Lord of Life Lutheran Church in Schaumburg Illinois. After Emanuel Lutheran Church I began a second career teaching elementary music with Marion City Schools. I taught at Pearl St, Mark St, Oak St, Silver St, and opening up and finishing my career at McKinley Elementary.

I have very fond memories of Emanuel. How could I not? So many wonderful people I got to work with as advisors, committee members, Sunday school and VBS teachers, as well as the parents of the children and youth. And my favorite memories are of the kids----who I got to watch growing up and be a part of their lives. Of course, they are not kids anymore. They are parents and grandparents themselves. And I get to see how their lives are these days mostly through Facebook, and those still living around here. I met my husband, Jeff while working at Emanuel. We were married at Emanuel, and have now been married for over 31 years.

Jeff retired in 2015 and I retired from teaching in 2016. I worked in churches for 18 years and was a teacher for 21 for a total of 38 years. We live in Bucyrus, Ohio and are now snowbirds, spending our winters in Weeki Wachee, Florida.

Until next time, Alicia





Welcome to this month's Music Notes

*And I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up on the last day.*

The refrain of the Communion hymn "I Am the Bread of Life" by Sr. Suzanne Toolan (b. 1927) is uplifting and unforgettable. Based on the Bread of Life Discourse in John 6 and John 11, we will be singing this hymn together on August 11. Some of you are familiar with this hymn, while others will recognize it from hearing me play it on the piano during Communion. I always enjoy hearing voices joining in, singing the joyful refrain.

Sr. Suzanne Toolan, a member of the Sisters of Mercy, originally wrote the hymn in 1964. While teaching music in high school, she wrote the hymn during a free period. Unsatisfied with her work, she discarded it, until convinced by a student to retrieve her composition from the trash. It was eventually published in 1966, soon after Vatican II shifted the celebration of Mass and singing of hymns from Latin to the vernacular. It has since been translated into many languages and is considered a significant addition to the hymnody of the late 20th century.

Appearing simple, it is actually somewhat difficult to sing. Some have complained that the melody is too low, while others say it is too high! Regardless, it has become a favorite hymn, as the message, combined with the music has moved so many. According to Toolan, "its popularity stems from its message of resurrection, which is so strong in these words of Jesus. We so need that message of hope. I am always touched when people tell me that at the funeral of a mother, father or friend, these sung words of Jesus gave them consolation. Then I know the hymn has done its work." It is less important to sing the melody and words accurately as it is to sing as the spirit moves!

The hymn was also criticized for its language, as the congregation is singing the words of Jesus AS IF the congregation is Jesus, that His words are being attributed to ourselves. As Toolan explains, "Didn't these objectors realize that we KNEW it was Jesus saying this and not us? Looking back on the history of sacred music, didn't they know it was common practice for composers to set sacred texts to music in this way? Now, so many years later, I am able to ask: Can I—can we—say, 'I—we—are the Bread of Life?' Are we who are Christ's Body not meant to be bread for one another?"

On a final note, I would be remiss if I didn't express my sincere gratitude to Teri Turner for filling in for me during my recent medical emergency and ensuing period of rest and recovery. Selflessly, she put the needs of the church first, asking what else she could do to help (Isaiah 6:8 – "Here am I, send me!"). For this I am grateful. Emanuel is blessed to have Teri on our music team, and I am blessed to call her my friend. Also, thank you to Deacon Ann for her care, visitation, and follow ups. And thank you to the Emanuel congregation for all of the cards, prayers, and well wishes. I felt so much Love from all of you at Emanuel. And Love is half the healing process.

From the Advent hymn, "Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn" by Marty Haugen:

*Rejoice, rejoice, take heart in the night, though dark the winter and cheerless,
the rising sun shall crown you with light, be strong and loving and fearless.
Love be our song and love our prayer and love our endless story;
may God fill ev'ry day we share and bring us at last into glory.*

Until next time, Soli Deo Gloria!

Paul

Steeple Sightings



THEY'RE BA-A-A-CK!

Huh? Who? What's going on? *(yawn, stretching my wings)* Time to wake up to find out who was gone and why

Now I remembered that a few of our kids were going to some place called New Orlee-ee-eens, a place a bit farther south than Waldo to help those people who have had troubles for many bat years. But why was I waking up on a hot summer morning? YIKES! I hadn't reported on their mission trip and missed the chance to wish them, "Godspeed (but stay under the posted limit)". Oh dear, I'll miss my deadline for the newsletter, but maybe Miss Ashley will save me a little space. Then I saw one of our members sending them off and even better, she is the next human I had planned to introduce to the congregation...Bethany Rice.

Bethany was born in Saginaw, Michigan and was raised in Lansing (also Michigan) where she participated in madrigals and musicals. Then off to Michigan State University where she received her bachelor's degree in communications and a wedding ring from Bob.

The working world watched her in Lansing as an office manager for Value City then up the ladder to the corporate offices overseeing grand openings and Payroll manager. With Bob working for General Mills in Ohio, the next logical change was to settle down in central Ohio where she has been the Tri Rivers main office administrative assistant for 10 years and also involved with Mobile Meals as treasurer.

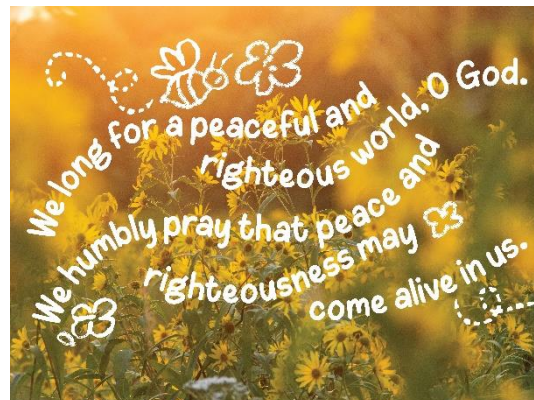
Her church journey began in the Missouri Synod as a child then later to Groveport Zion Lutheran Church where she was very active in the music program having played piano since the age of 6. Now at Emanuel she helps lead the Praise Service, loving the uplifting style of music. She has also served as the Christian Education director for many years.

Away from the keyboard, Bethany enjoys gardening and along with Bob has rescued about 7 older golden retrievers. Currently they have just one golden (Maggie) and a cat (Rhett). Vacations will see them travelling the US and have visited many states, the latest memorable one being their 40th anniversary in Maine, and favorite being the upper peninsula of Michigan.

It is so great to have Bethany and Bob here at Emanuel helping the Lord make His work known to others.

Blessings to everyone down there from up here in the rafters.

Batina Belfry



>>> August 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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Saturday, September 7th – Open House 1pm – 3pm

Sunday, September 8th – One Worship at 10:30 led by Bishop Beaudoin.

Worship will be followed by Lunch in the Parlor.

Please RSVP to the church office if you plan to attend the luncheon by September 1st.

While RSVPs are not required to attend, it will give us an idea of how many people to prepare for.

Thank you!