



Newsletter Emanuelite

May 2026

Pastor's Message

Who has authority when it comes to interpreting the Bible and matters of faith? This past month, that question was central in the exchange of words between the President and Vice President of the United States and the Pope. But even more, this is a 500+ year discussion that doesn't provide a simple answer.

Back in Martin Luther's time (the 1500's), the Roman Catholic Church was a speeding train on the way to derailment. In his posted 95 Theses, Luther argued that several points of prominent religious devotion (for example: indulgences) were actually a corruption of faith. Luther challenged the papal decrees and the pope's authority, bringing the power to the local churches to decide what is appropriate in matters of faith. As the Reformation would spread, different groupings of people would bring the authority even to an individual level, or what we hear today as "personal faith" that is subjective to each person's whims.

We have become a society of subjectivity. Instead of finding commonality and living by certain teachings of the faith, every dispute creates more denominational fractions. We saw the challenge to pastoral authority a year ago when the President openly critiqued the Right Rev. Mariann Edgar Budde about the inaugural sermon. What is one thing to be dismissive of one protestant denominations' authority in interpreting scripture, it's another thing to go head-to-head with the Pope, who is seen within that particular branch of Christianity as an infallible figurehead.

Weekly Schedule At a Glance

Sundays

Worship 8:00 & 9:30 am

Sunday School 9:30 am

Coftea/Fellowship 10:30 am

Youth Group 6:30 pm

Tuesdays

Emanuel Ringers I 6:45 pm

Wednesdays

Bible Study Online 1:00 pm

Choir Rehearsal 4:30 pm

Thursdays

Emanuel Ringers II 5:45 pm

Adult Ringers 7:30 pm

Check local listings for any cancellations or locations. Contact church office with any questions.

A quick word about infallibility is in order: the only time the Pope is officially infallible is around matters of theology and church doctrine. So, if this current pope wants to make a proclamation that the New York Knicks would win the March Madness competition and it turns out that they don't, this doesn't put into question the Pope's infallible nature; it rather highlights limitations in his humanity.

The president has had public theological problems with both Pope Francis and Pope Leo XIV, but this time his second-in-command had a chance to show his loyalty. Vice President Vance, who is a new convert to Catholicism, warned the Pope to be as careful in speaking on matters of theology as he is in speaking about matters of politics. Simply, this was a challenge to the Pope's authority from someone who has studied Catholicism and found it attractive to his own personal faith journey.

No matter whether you are in favor of a war in Iran (however you define "war") or not, the Pope is right about matters of Just War Theory (as originated by the theologian Augustine). In muted hall conversations, Just War was being invoked because it is considered a basis for the current action. But when you research the criteria needed for a *just* war, several options hadn't been completely exhausted first (like all other peaceful possibilities that even now European nations are trying to promote; nor are civilians protected from causality, as the 100+ death count from a bombed girls' school shows). Just because the President and Vice President didn't appreciate the critique from the pope doesn't mean that they should have authority

when it comes to faith matters. Especially one accountable to facts.

This would be enough if it was just this, but in response, the President posted an AI image of himself dressed as a messianic figure healing a wounded person and surrounded only by people of European descent. This racist and religiously biased rendering was negatively received by the vast majority of Christians and the post was removed before the end of the day. Still, this leads us to dangerous theology.

What is this theology? It's the ultimate belief that we individually know best when it comes to understanding God. This is a strong distortion of the protestant reformation. The President and Vice President are not alone in this heresy; we all have the propensity to become worshipers of the self.



Think of it this way: you come upon a divided path. On the one trail, a series of unfortunate events causes complete devastation in your life. You struggle financially to even put food on the table. You might even wonder why others who have enough to spare don't help you try to get back on your feet. You could even say something along the lines of: "If I had some money, you bet I wouldn't hoard it; I'd share it with the less fortunate!" On the other path, you become wealthy beyond compare. You have no need of want. If these two sides of you don't have *the exact same understanding* when it comes to matters of faith and lifestyle, then it's safe to say that we have defined faith by our life circumstances and thus created an idol of ourselves.

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Music Notes

“The first blooms of spring always make my heart sing.” — S. Brown

What a glorious month May is! Our yards and gardens bloom, the weather begins to cooperate and warm, hope springs eternal during this Eastertide season! Such a joy after a long, snowy winter.



Music Director

The music at Emanuel rang out over Easter and helped usher us into this season. Many thanks to both the vocal & bell choir(s) during this time. We were very blessed to hear them both from Palm Sunday throughout Easter and beyond. Also thanks to John Nurmi for covering for me on April 19th. Upcoming in May we will welcome a guest oboist, Ruthie Garcia who will play with the choir on their anthem “*Be Thou My Vision*”. This beautiful and intricate piece has been a challenge for the choir to learn. We started it back in September and are excited to present it. The choir will also be singing on Pentecost/Memorial Day weekend and into June.

Also in May, ERI’s & II’s will be playing for Mother’s Day and also will present their annual bell concert on the 31st at 4pm. Be sure not to miss that! At the end of the month, Crawford Gray will play a tuba solo for our morning service.

Lots to look forward to as we ease into the warmer, gentler summer season. God has surely blessed us with wonderful, willing and talented musicians at Emanuel!

Musically in Him,

Debbie Norberto

Emanuel Ringers

RINGERS WELCOME

Bells are Ringing!

The Emanuel Ringers are looking for children entering 3rd grade and up interested in learning handbell ringing. All are welcome!



Music reading skills are helpful but not required. The choir will learn to read music and ring bells together.

Please feel free to call Eiko Cornelius at the church office 914-769-1559 to join and/or to ask questions about our program.

Emanuel has 3 choirs that range from 3rd grade to adult levels.

All choirs travel to local festivals. The high school group also travels to Symposiums held all over the world.

You do not need to be a member of Emanuel to participate in this ministry.

www.emanuelc.org
www.emanuelringers.blogspot.com

Emanuel Ringers Annual English Handbell Concert



Join us for an afternoon of music!

Emanuel Lutheran Church
197 Manville Rd
Pleasantville, NY 10570

May 31, 2026 4:00 PM

Emanuel Ringers I
Emanuel Ringers II
Adult Emanuel Ringers
Eiko S. Cornelius, Director

Free Admission
emanuelc197@gmail.com, 914-769-1559



WE BAKE, YOU TAKE COOKIE SALE

Emanuel Lutheran Church
Front Lawn 2:45-3:45 PM

Emanuel Ringers are hosting a cookie sale to support fundraising for their trip to attend the International Handbell Festival in Aberdeen, Scotland in the summer of 2026.

Suggested Donation: \$20 per pound of cookies
Cash or Zelle emanuelringers@gmail.com

LOOKING FOR NEW RINGERS

We are looking for new ringers interested in being part of our music ministry. Invite them to our concert if you know anyone interested.

COOKIE SALE

Holding a cookie sale to support the ringers on their trip to Scotland!

HUDSON VALLEY HANDBELL FESTIVAL CONFERENCE

The Adult Ringers participated in the 50th Annual Hudson Valley Handbell Festival Conference. The Emanuel



Ringers have been part of festival for many years with the Emanuel Ringers I, Adults and Emanuel Ringers II all participating for most of the 50 years that the festival has been around. We had a group of 7 ringers at this festival and are looking forward to many more! Thanks to many from our Emanuel family who came to the concert!

GIFT CARD ORDERS FUNDRAISER

Our next gift card order will be taken on **May 3**. Purchase cards to use and support the ringers at the same time. Have your orders into Eiko by 6 PM. Interested in finding out more- see videos from Raiseright.com.

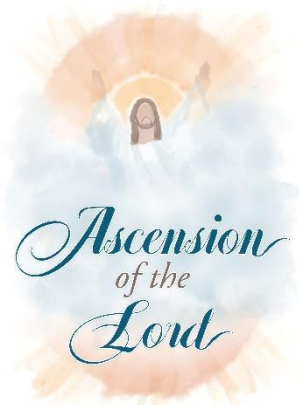
[click here for more info about raiseright.com](https://www.raiseright.com)



THANK YOU GIFT CARD AND HOPE'S DOOR

Thank you to those ordered \$800 worth of gift cards for Hope's Door through the ringers, providing the clients \$800 worth of cards and \$26 supporting the ringers.

Worship, Music, & Arts

On **Ascension Day, Thursday, May 14th**, the Tappan Zee Conference* of the Metro New York Synod will hold a conference-wide worship service at **7 pm** at **St. Luke's Lutheran Church** in **New Rochelle**. The church is located at 95 Eastchester Road, New Rochelle. This is an opportunity for us to get to know members from other congregations in our Conference and worship together as siblings in Christ.

**The Metro New York Synod is divided into 18 conferences, made up of ELCA congregations within a specific geographic area. Emanuel is one of fourteen congregations in Westchester and Putnam Counties that make up the Tappan Zee Conference. Each Conference is headed by a dean or two co-deans, elected from the pastors within the Conference.*



Leadership

Council Members

Darlene Esposito, *President,*
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Environmental Stewardship Liaison

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Gigi Riefenhauser

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Darlene Esposito and Helayne McDonnell, *Christian Faith and Life*

Kevin McGettrick, *Fellowship*

Suzanne Cantatore and Sonja Meberg, *Outreach*

Lee Pollock, *Pleasant Hill Nursery*
Helayne McDonnell and Sandi Whynott, *Personnel*

Doug Esposito, *Seminarian Scholarship*

Dcn. Karen Nurmi and Irene Kogelmann (emeritus), *Social Ministry*

Lynne Beard and Dcn. Karen Nurmi, *Worship Music, and Arts*

Advocate for an End to Hunger!

*Speak out for those who cannot speak, for the rights
of all the destitute.*

*Speak out; judge righteously; defend the rights of the
poor and needy.*

----Proverbs 31:8-9



Hunger in the world is **not** caused by a shortage of food—the earth produces enough food to feed everyone adequately. The main cause of hunger is that people **do not have access** to nutritious food that will supply what is needed for health and well-being.

More than 700 million people around the world face hunger every day and of that, 50 million people are struggling to live in the face of famine. Foreign aid in the form of food assistance is a lifeline for these people. The U.S. generally provides about \$4 billion annually in international food aid, which is about 0.5% of the federal budget.

In the United States, the lack to access enough food is most often caused by poverty—people do not have enough money to buy the food they need, and do not know consistently where their next meal will come from. We call this situation **food insecurity**. About 1 in 7 households in the U.S. are food insecure.

Churches and charities do a lot to address hunger in direct ways through food banks, food pantries, and emergency meal programs. But they cannot do it alone. Government programs, like SNAP (food stamps) and WIC (assistance for mothers and young children) and other programs, are a means of providing food for those who are food insecure. In fact, these federal programs provide nearly 10 times as much food assistance as churches and charities combined!

This means we need a two-pronged approach to addressing hunger in our world. We need to donate food to our local food pantries and food banks, and we also need to advocate with our leaders in Congress for strong programs to help people in our own country and around the world. Each year, **Bread for the World**, an ecumenical advocacy group with Lutheran roots that calls on Christians to urge their members of Congress to do all they can to pursue a world without hunger, encourages congregations to host an **Offering of Letters**. We have done this at Emanuel for many years.

The focus of the **2026 Offering of Letters** is to write letters asking our Senators and Representative to

- restore the cuts Congress made to SNAP benefits when it passed the One Big Beautiful Bill Act in 2025 and strengthen WIC
- Fully fund and strengthen global food, health and development programs
- Pass a strong Farm Bill that supports farmers, strengthens communities, and helps end hunger in the U.S. and overseas.

Emanuel will be holding an **Offering of Letters** on Sunday, May 31st, during Coftea. Check the announcement folders and emails from Emanuel in the up-coming weeks to find out more about the issues. We hope you will raise your voice and speak up for those challenged by hunger!

*O God, to those who hunger, give bread;
to those who have bread, give a hunger for justice.*

--a prayer from Latin America

- *Deacon Karen Nurmi*
Social Advocacy and Liturgy



A **big thank-you** to everyone who donated gift cards to support Hope's Door as it works to end domestic violence and empower victims to achieve independence, healing, and safety from the trauma of abuse! You responded with wonderful generosity, donating \$855 dollars in gift cards!!! This is the biggest response Social Ministry has ever had to an appeal for Hope's Door!!

Nearly all the cards were purchased through the Emanuel Ringers gift-card fund-raising program, so your gifts help provide some funds for them, too!

May God bless our gifts that they might be a sign of God's love to our neighbors impacted by domestic violence, and may God bless our Ringers as they make a joyful noise unto the Lord.

- *Deacon Karen Nurmi*
Social Advocacy and Liturgy

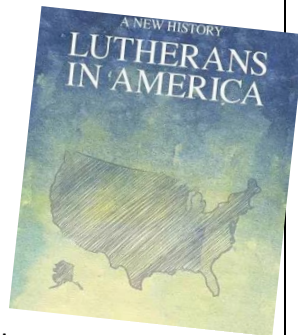
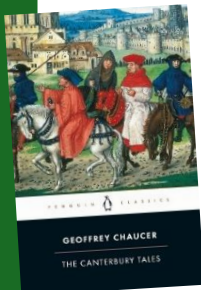
Christian Faith & Life

Book Club

We're going to kick back for May with a book by Geoffrey Chaucer that is filled with poetry. Several strangers find themselves traveling together and to spend the time, they decide to have a contest to see who can tell the best story. As we read through this fun book, which story did you appreciate the most? And the least? Share your thoughts at Coftea on June 7. Warning: this is an unfinished book,

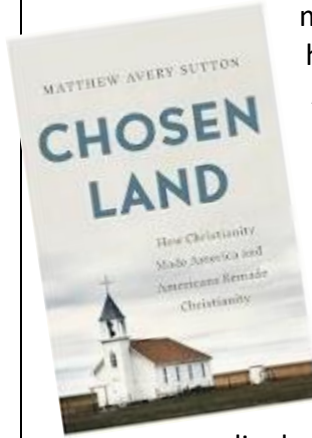
so some stories aren't fully developed and others are completely missing!

For the summer months, we're going to celebrate the 250th anniversary of the United States with stories of our history. For June, the book will be *Lutherans in America: a New History* by Mark A. Granquist. This gives a fast-moving, accurate account of how Lutherans were shaped by the



development of the United States and how the United States was also influenced by the Lutheran movement. July will be the historical research of Matthew Avery Sutton in *Chosen Land: How Christianity Made America and Americans Remade Christianity*—another book about history but with a more encompassing approach that includes all denominations. And a warning about this book: this is a thick book! Plan

accordingly (or skip some chapters). I'm still hoping to locate a fun historical fiction novel for August. Stay tuned!



Kid's Book

In May, the church celebrates Pentecost. It's a special holiday when the Holy Spirit blew upon the disciples to help them grow the church. Each disciple is unique. As a modern-day disciple, you too have unique talents. Let's read about how we are connected to the Holy Spirit in the book "the Love that Made You" by Grace Semler Baldrige and illustrated by Fran Alvarez. Which page is your favorite in the book and why?



Seasonal Book Club!

Join B2Y as we discuss the book *the Book of Hope* by Jane Goodall. Our final discussion of this book will happen on June 6th at 11 am, both in person in the living room and via Zoom to your living room. Speak to Annmarie Olsen or Rev. Kathleen Koran to join us!

Table Talk

We continue to explore the seven petitions of the Lord's Prayer with a focus on the fourth and fifth petition. A petition is a request. Simply put, we are asking God to provide for us. As we look into these next two petitions, let us explore what we want from God and also we might also give to others. This selection comes from *the Small Catechism* by Martin Luther.

The Fourth Petition

Give us today our daily bread.

What is this? OR What does this mean?

In fact, God gives daily bread without our prayer, even to all evil people, but we ask in this prayer that God cause us to recognize what our daily bread is and to receive it with thanksgiving.

What then does "daily bread" mean?

Everything included in the necessities and nourishment for our bodies, such as food, drink, clothing, shoes, house, farm, fields, livestock, money, property, an upright spouse, upright children, upright members of the household, upright and faithful rulers, good government, good weather, peace, health, decency, honor, good friends, faithful neighbors, and the like.

The Fifth Petition

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

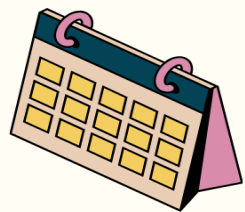
What is this? OR What does this mean?

We ask in this prayer that our heavenly Father would not regard our sins nor deny these petitions on their account, for we are worthy of nothing for which we ask, nor have we earned it. Instead we ask that God would give us all things by grace, for we daily sin much and indeed deserve only punishment. So, on the other hand, we, too, truly want to forgive heartily and to do good gladly to those who sin against us.

Youth Group



Youth Group Events for This Month



▼ **MAY** ▼ **2026**

SAT 03	SPRING FUN DAY ▼ Johnsonburg Camp and Retreat Center 1pm-6pm	
SAT 09	MOVIE NIGHT ▼ Emanuel Lutheran Church 5 pm	
FRI 15	BOWLING ▼ Bowlero- White Plains 4pm	
SAT 30	PLEASANTVILLE PRIDE ▼ Emanuel Lutheran Church	

Weekly meetings every Sunday 6:00 pm-7:30 pm

For more information contact: ▼ tawe@pvillepresby.org

2027 ELCA Youth Gathering Coming Soon!!



It's time to begin thinking about and planning for the next Youth Gathering! It will be held in Minneapolis, MN from June 28 – July 2, 2027. Registration opens in early October, so it's important to get the word out and on the calendar NOW!! We will be holding an interest and information meeting on **Sunday June 7 at 6:00pm** here at Emanuel for interested families. Pizza will be served, so please RSVP to Eka (tawe@pvillepresby.org) or Deacon Barbara (bpmeberg@verizon.net) no later than June 1.

We are also inviting our neighboring ELCA church friends and hope to have a nice group to learn about all the possibilities! Stay tuned!

Pastor's Message

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A Bible story comes to mind. When Moses had departed from the Israelite band for several days, the second-in-command Aaron convinced all around him to cast their gold into a furnace and he would mold them into a golden calf. The people worshipped this opulence because they thought that this is what they should do. But when Moses came down the mountain and caught Aaron's illicit leadership, Aaron quickly changed the story to be that the gold just happened to melt into the image of a calf all on its own. Two stories that lead to idolatry either way: the first in making God into your image; the other that of a false narrative of God.

If there's a warning for us all, it's to get out of ourselves. When we are curved in upon ourselves, we can't see our sin through our own favoritism. We need religious leaders like popes, bishops, and even pastors to help guide us through the wilderness of sin—people who spend upwards of their whole life to lead flocks who need a shepherd. The leadership doesn't always get it right, but it's better than individual feelings.

This is to suggest that the President and Vice President are no better or worse than any other congregation member gathered to hear the law and grace of God. The danger is when we turn from God because we don't like what we hear or because we don't like to be held accountable to our misgivings. We know with God that grace knows no bounds of forgiveness and that ultimately nothing can separate us from the love of God. Let this free us to know that even when we sin, God will continue to make us whole and holy, even while asking us to reform our ways.

Pastor Kevin O'Hara

Happenings

Women's Retreat at Koinonia

Last weekend, April 17 – 19th was our Women's Retreat at Koinonia. Opportunities for exploring nature through walks and spending time relaxing on the beautiful grounds, finishing a mosaic that was started at a women's retreat 3 years ago, singing, conversation, roasting marshmallows for smores, unpacking the road to Emmaus, and having the opportunity to learn about and walk two beautiful Labyrinths were enjoyed by over 40 women! Special thanks to our own Pastor Kathleen Koran who facilitated this beautiful and meaningful time together.



Earth Day Success!

Many hands, many thanks! Earth Sunday was buzzing with excitement, highlighted by a wonderful presentation from the Environmental Committee led by Sonja M. We are officially now a recycling and composting church.

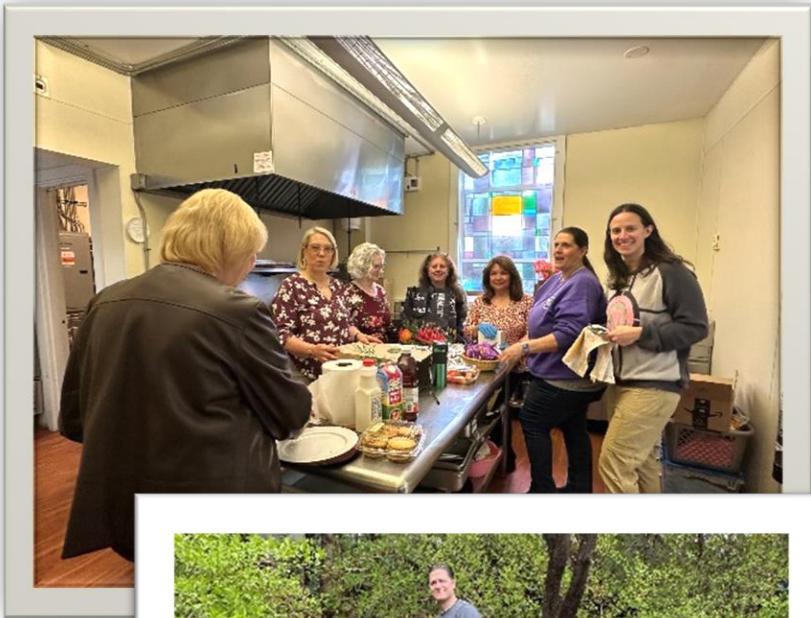
Our Sunday School students learned how to care for the earth and planted impatiens around the church. They're excited to watch them grow throughout the summer.



After fellowship we rolled up our sleeves under the leadership of the Properties Committee, worked together on a church clean-up, including mulching the property. Take a moment to look around—inside and out—and appreciate the care and dedication of our volunteers. We are truly blessed!

With tremendous gratitude,
Darlene





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Living Lutheran Magazine is published quarterly, and while we are still waiting for a shipment to arrive at our church offered free to our members, you can still catch the latest stories on livinglutheran.org. On the site, you can catch glimmers of hope, like with Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Levittown, New York that was rebuilt after a Christmas day far back in 2020. Read a section of the article below or click [here](#) for the full article.

REBUILT ON A FOUNDATION OF FAITH

N.Y. congregation resolves to continue after fire



After a Christmas Eve service in 2020, parishioners of [Good Shepherd Lutheran](#) in Levittown, N.Y., left church for home. It was the height of the COVID-19 pandemic. Following protocols to keep parishioners safe, fans were left running in the church attic. Christmas Day had no services scheduled, typical in many Lutheran churches. Then the attic fans, dating from the 1950s, shorted out, causing a fire.

“I received a call from the fire chief on Christmas Day at around 11:45 a.m.,” said Remo Madsen, pastor of Good Shepherd. “When I arrived, 30 to 40 members of the church were already in the parking lot. When it was safe, we went into the church, spent time in prayer and talked about Jesus.”

The congregation, which calls itself a “Church of Joy,” made a firm decision that day: [to rebuild](#).

“We can recover,” Madsen wrote at the time. “We can very much overcome a fire. As St. Paul reminds us in Romans 8:31, ‘What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?’”

Only the foundation of the 70-year-old church building was usable, with the rest destroyed by water, smoke and fire. Not destroyed was the congregation’s resolve to continue.

“What are we doing Sunday?” was the next question. Determined to gather in worship, the congregation held a cold Sunday service outside in lawn chairs. “The fire department surrounded us on all sides with ladders and trucks and themselves,” Madsen recalled. “It was a special moment of care.”

Eventually, the congregation accepted the offer of a local Presbyterian church to worship in its social hall for a nominal fee.

Throughout this time, faith communities showed support, with the local Roman Catholic church giving funds, and individual Baptists, Presbyterians and others donating money for the congregation's new building.

LOAN HELPS PAY FOR A NEW BUILDING

Even with insurance, Good Shepherd needed more funds to complete its vision.

Years ago when the congregation had looked at expanding, they had heard about the [Mission Investment Fund](#) (MIF). They were able to pay for the new building, in part, with an MIF loan. "The fire is what forced us to do something," Madsen said. "[MIF] gave us a lot of advice on completing the forms and what to ask for, and were very supportive, caring and spiritual. We prayed together with the MIF regional manager and felt a real sense of Christian community."

"It was great working with Good Shepherd," said Jerry Johnson, a deacon and MIF regional manager. "Their faithfulness and outreach to the community are inspiring and an example of how a church can share the gospel in many different ways."

The congregation wanted a bigger church, with a new footprint. "We reused as much as we could and poured a small additional foundation to expand out," Madsen said.

The new building—dedicated last year in a celebration with local political leaders cutting the ribbon before hundreds of community members—is more spacious, with room for fellowship and a meeting space.

"We had meetings with the congregation and asked, 'What do we want?'" Madsen said. "Everyone had a voice, and we designed our own building."

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) is highly active at Good Shepherd, with upward of 15 groups meeting regularly. "Our goal is to have a group available every day, accessible if anyone ever needs help," Madsen said. Several congregation members first connected with Good Shepherd through participating in AA.

During the rebuild, the congregation asked AA leaders what would make the building better for their meetings—now held in the sanctuary instead of the church basement. While the program is independent from Good Shepherd, the congregation's hope was for the groups to feel like part of the church and of something bigger.

"They said they wanted a coffee bar," Madsen said. "And now we have a wonderful coffee bar in a beautiful lobby built for socializing and mutual support..."

Looking for Volunteers!

We need people to help man our booth at both Pleasantville Day (May 16; 10 am – 3 pm) and Pleasantville Pride (May 30; 2 -5 pm). Instructions will be provided. This is a great way to be present in the community. Call the church office or see Suzanne Cantatore or Sonja Meberg for more information.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Send us your address changes, thank you notes, words of encouragement for the congregation, and thoughts and you might just see them in future publications. As a community, we want to stay connected and stay encouraged!

Do you hear the “Pomp and Circumstance” filling the air? It’s that time of year again!

Congratulations to all our graduates and we wish them the best of God’s blessings as they enter into a new transition in life. Here are some of our graduates and where they plan to do next! **We’re looking for all graduates, no matter the age or grade! If you or someone in your family is on the move, send us word and we’ll print a follow up story in our June edition!**

Crawford Gray – Heading to SUNY Morrisville for Environmental Conservation

Michael Pellon – Heading to Penn State for Finance

Daniel Santiago – Heading to Iona or Mercy for Nursing

Breanna Weibke – Heading to SUNY Binghamton for Health Science



A Special Thank You...

As I transition back to full time in the office beginning the week of May 17th, I want to extend a greatly appreciated thank you to the whole congregation for your flexibility over these past several months. Your support, encouragement, and patience hasn’t gone unnoticed. A special thank you to Rev. Kathleen Koran, Deacon Nancy Schoener, Darlene Esposito, Helayne McDonnell, Dee Furgang, the rest of the staff, the whole council, and the many people who stepped up during this time to provide assistance. This congregation is a blessing!

Pastor Kevin O’Hara and Kevin McGettrick



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Bill Bello
Karen Nurmi
Barbara Meberg
Nancy Schoener
Victoria Lee Struss

Upcoming Events



5/2 – Repair Cafe – 11:00 am
5/3 – Baptism for Reagan + Bridget McGettrick
5/5 – Women’s B’fast – 9:00 am
5/5 – Staff Meeting – 11:30 am
5/5 – ER I – 6:45 pm
5/5 – Pride Meeting – 7:00 pm
5/6 – Bible Study – 1:00 pm
5/6 - Choir Rehearsal – 4:30 pm
5/7 – ER II – 5:45 pm
5/7 – PHNS Board Meeting – 6:00 pm
5/8 – PH Nursery School –
 Mom’s Day Tea – 10:00 am
5/12 – Pride Meeting – 7:00 pm
5/12 – ER I – 6:45 pm
5/12 – Worship, Music + Arts – 7:30 pm
5/13 – Boys Breakfast – 9:00 am
5/13 – Bible Study – 1:00 pm
5/13 – Choir Rehearsal – 4:30 pm
5/13 – CF + L – 6:00 pm
5/14 – ER II – 5:45 pm
5/14 – Adult Ringers – 7:30 pm
5/16 – P’ville Day – 11:00 am

5/16 – Freja Club Meeting – 1:00 pm
5/17 – Confirmation Class mtg. – 5:30 pm
5/18 – Kidz Club – 11:30 am
5/19 – Church Council Mtg. – 7:00 pm
5/16 – Adult Ringers – 7:30 pm
5/19 – Staff Meeting – 11:30 am
5/19 – Emanuel Ringers I – 6:45 pm
5/19 – Pride Meeting – 7:00 pm
5/20 – Bible Study – 1:00 pm
5/20 – Choir Rehearsal – 4:30 PM
5/21 – Emanuel Ringers II – 5:45 pm
5/21 – Church Council Meeting – 7:00 pm
5/21 – Adult Ringers – 7:30 PM
5/26 – Pride Meeting – 1:00 pm
5/26 – Emanuel Ringers I – 6:45 pm
5/26 = Deacons Meeting – 7:00 pm
5/27 – Boys Breakfast – 9:00 am
5/27 – Bible Study – 1:00 pm
5/27 = Choir Rehearsal
5/28 – Blood Drive at Emanuel – 11:00 am
5/28 – Emanuel Ringers II – 5:45 pm
5/28 – Adult Ringers 7:30 pm
5/31 – Handbell Concert – 4:00 pm



Inspirational quote:

“But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I have said to you.” (John 14:26)