



GO AND MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS

Matthew 28:19

FEBRUARY 8, 2026
Fifth Sunday After
The Epiphany

WELCOME! WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE!

8:00AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

Welcome

LSB Hymn 909:

“Christ Is Made The Sure Foundation”

Invocation

Opening Sentences

Confession & Absolution

Introit / Kyrie

LSB Hymn 803:

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

Salutation

Prayer Of The Day

Children’s Message

Bible Readings:

Isaiah 58:3-9a, 1 Corinthians 2:1-16

Matthew 5:13-20

LSB Hymn 578:

“Thy Strong Word”

verses 1, 2, 5 and 6

Sermon: “Shine Your Light”

Matthew 5:16

Creed

Offering / Offertory

“The Little Light Of Mine”

Emanubells

Prayer Of The Church

Lord’s Prayer

Benediction

LSB Hymn 922:

“Go My Children, With My Blessing”

10:30AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SCOUT SUNDAY / COMMUNION

Welcome

Presentation Of Colors

Pledges / Scout Awards

Opening Song: “My Lighthouse”

Invocation

Opening Sentences

Confession & Absolution

Prayer Of The Day

Children’s Message

Bible Readings:

Isaiah 58:3-9a, 1 Corinthians 2:1-16

Matthew 5:13-20

Song: “Mighty To Save”

Sermon: “Shine Your Light”

Matthew 5:16

Creed

Offering

Song: “Only A Holy God”

Prayer Of The Church

Lord’s Prayer

Eucharistic Creed

Communion

Song: “God Who Bleeds”

“Firm Foundation” (He Won’t)

Benediction

Closing Song: “Any More”

Retiring The Colors

+WE MEET JESUS IN THE MEAL+ ABOUT HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord’s Supper is celebrated here in the belief and glad confidence that our Lord gives to us as He says, not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and who forgive and love as He forgives and loves us. If this is your belief, we invite you to partake of this special meal. If not, please speak with the pastor or an elder before you partake. We are happy to answer any questions.

NEED PRAYER?

Would you like someone to pray with you or for you? If so, we have an awesome group of people that will do just that. We have both an email prayer chain and a prayer team, who will meet with you if you so desire. We have received many prayer requests over the last year for physical and emotional healing, as well as spiritual concerns. All prayer requests are kept confidential. Please use our Prayer Box in the Narthex, complete a prayer card, and drop it in. If you leave a name (optional), we will send you a follow-up note. You can also contact the church office and your prayer request will be forwarded for prayers.

GUESTS AND VISITORS:

Welcome to Emanuel! We are happy to have you here. To help us better connect with you, please take a moment to fill out an attendance card with your name, phone number, and email address. This information will allow us to reach out to you during the week and discuss how we can best support you. Thank you!

REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

Dorothy Bohrer, Miranda Donkersgoed, Heather Erickson, Elaine Liberacki, Randy Falls, Art Falls, Linda Falls, Diane Paulson, Nancy Pawlenty, Liz Ziebarth, Jean Benci, Dave Kromschroeder, Ray Oney Jr and Randy Johnson.

OUR MILITARY MEMBERS

ARMY

Lee Miller, Joe Fritze, Joe Rosvold
Becky Meyer (Army Reserve)

MARINE CORPS

Trent Hawes

NATIONAL GUARD

Mackenzie Miller
Owen Dahl
Jaden Hoffman

AIR FORCE

Michael Erickson, Kait Erickson,
Aaron Parsons, Aaron Ziebarth (Grandson, Ziebarth)
Jake & Liela Anderson (Grandson & Spouse, Swedean)
Ben Hudella (Grandson, Deike)
Gavin Harbo (Son, Harbo)
Ryan Gingerich (Grandson, Gingerich)

NAVAL RESERVES

David Hernandez (Grandson, Swedean)

COAST GUARD

David Erickson



PARENTS OF SMALL CHILDREN:



We encourage families to worship together, but if your children need attention during the church service, you are welcome to use the Nursery. Please stay with your children

THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 8

8:00AM Traditional Worship
9:15AM Educational Hour
10:30AM Contemporary Worship/Communion
Scout Sunday
4:30PM Hearts and Flowers Dinner (Social Hall)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9

12:00PM– 6:30PM Red Cross Blood Drive (Social Hall)
6:00PM Women's Bible Study
6:00PM Boy Scout Pack 507 (Social Hall Near Kitchen)
7:00PM Troop 507 Leader Meeting (Social Hall/Kitchen)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10

9:30AM Trustees Meeting
6:00PM TOPS (Social Hall)
7:00PM Men's Bible Study (Genesis Room)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

6:00PM Confirmation Class
6:00PM Emanuel Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12

6:00PM Emanubells Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
7:00PM Emanuel's Leadership Meeting
7:05PM Praise Team 2 Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 15

8:00AM Traditional Worship/Communion
9:15AM Educational Hour
10:30AM Contemporary Worship
5:00PM POBLO (Social Hall)

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OUR STAFF

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Ami Heesch: Groundskeeper / **Nick Sampson:** Facilities



CONGRATULATIONS to the following scouts for earning their religious awards: Gage Fett, Owen Kevitt, and Sam Sundry earned their "Jesus and Me", Henry Sundry and Weston Sundry earned their "God and Me", and Brandon Sletten earned his "God and Family" award. God's blessings as you continue to grow in your relationship with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

WELCOME to all our scouts and families. Thank you for enriching our worship service today. We enjoy having you and pray that the Gospel of Jesus Christ will strengthen and comfort you. Please feel free to join us again.

EVENING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Join us every Monday at 6:00PM.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Join us on Tuesdays at 7:00PM.

+ ASH WEDNESDAY +

Mark your calendars! Ash Wednesday is on February 18, 2026. Join us for worship services at 12:00 PM and 7:15 PM.

LENT SERVICES ON WEDNESDAYS

Join us for worship services at 12:00 PM and 7:15 PM on February 25, March 4, March 11, March 18, and March 25.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

As Lent approaches in a few weeks, we invite you to visit the church and traverse the Stations of the Cross in the Sanctuary. Devotionals are available to accompany your reflection. Begin at the small altar located in the back corner of the Sanctuary. In today's world, it is essential to find moments of quiet; the church offers a sacred space to seek peace and spiritual comfort.

MIRIAM CIRCLE

Miriam Circle will not meet in February and March. We will be back in the first week of April.

MAILBOXES ARE MOVING!

We are moving the mailboxes located by the elevator (something REALLY COOL will be replacing them). They are moving around the corner to the hallway by the classrooms, but we need to decrease the # of mailboxes. Do you want to keep your mailbox? If so, please let the Church Office know [no later than February 15](#). If you do not respond, your mailbox will be gone. THANK YOU!

ARE YOU A NEW MEMBER OR THINKING ABOUT JOINING EMANUEL?

Join Pastor Tom on Sunday, **February 22nd, at 9:15 AM** on the south side of the fellowship hall for a welcoming time of sharing and questions. We encourage all members to attend and meet these new friends!

Interested in serving on the Emanuel Lutheran Safety Team?

We are establishing a safety team to serve during our worship services and other activities. These individuals will act as hosts, assisting anyone who appears lost during worship or events by guiding them to the appropriate location. Training will be provided, and participation is mandatory for all team members. Interested individuals are invited to attend a meeting on Tuesday evening, March 3rd, at 7:00 PM. For questions, please contact either Pastor Tom or Kasey Schrandt.

COME TOGETHER FOR LIFE

This is the Amnion Women's Center's Sanctity of Human Life 2026 theme. It comes from Psalm 133:1, "How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity." God values the lives of all of His creation. But He understands the struggles this life can bring including an unplanned pregnancy. This is exactly where the Amnion Women's Center is there to help. Our congregation can assist in this important work by participating in the "**Bottles for Life**" event. On the table in the entryway, you will find empty baby bottles. 1) Take one home; 2) Fill it with coins, bills or a check (made payable to Amnion Women's Center); 3) [Bring it back to church by Sunday, February 15](#). If you have any questions, please speak with Cirrie Byrnes, Emanuel Human Care Ministry Leader, or call me at (651) 450-7993. Thanks for your consideration in participating in this lifesaving ministry.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE AT EMANUEL

Our upcoming blood drive collection on **Monday, February 9th is in need of 3 more blood donors** and then we are FULL! Thank you for getting the word out and signing up to donate! If you don't sign up in advance and still want to donate on the 9th feel free to drop in the church social hall on that day or contact me (Christine Borscheid) via phone or text at 651-707-4803 to check for available time slots. Blood donors receive a \$20 e-gift card to a merchant of your choice, courtesy of the Red Cross.

We are still in need of a couple people to help with check-in and snack area on Feb 9th. See the sign up sheet in the narthex (or call Maggie in the Church Office). The Sponsor Code to look up our drive on redcrossblood.org is: **ELC** Here is the direct link to sign up:

<https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=ELC>

THANK YOU!

We cannot express enough how much your support for Ryan's family and us has meant over the past few weeks. Things are starting to settle into a new normal for them. They have found a temporary home while theirs is being rebuilt. We are truly grateful for all your prayers, gifts, and for just checking in on us. Thank you once again. Sincerely, Pastor Tom and Lee Ann.

TOPS (TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY)

TOPS is an international weight loss support group and meets Tuesday evenings from 6:00PM-7:15PM at Emanuel. If interested, please stop in and check us out or call Ami Heesch at 651-247-5430. Ami and her husband, Dan, are members at Emanuel. Thank you Ami for bringing this service to our church community!

LWML MITE DONATIONS

We no longer have a LARGE MITE BOX on the shelf so we ask that you take a small box home and place your coins in that box and return your full box to the shelf and take another empty box to fill. The shelf is checked weekly for donations. If you would like to make a special MITE donation using a check made out to "Minnesota South District LWML" with Mites in the Memo Line and hand it to Joyce Swedean or Mary Dieke or place it in their mail slots. The coins and checks are sent in to the LWML District Financial Secretary on a regular basis to be applied to the Mission Grants for both LWML District and LWML National. Thanks to all of you who give so faithfully to the LWML Mission Projects (those lists can be found on the LWML bulletin board). See Mary Deike or Joyce Swedean if you have questions.

MEMBER ADDRESS INQUIRY

Please get in touch with Maggie in the Church office for any request regarding member address, change of address, email and or telephone number.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

If you have joined us for worship, feel this is the right church home for you, and would like to receive information on how to become a member of Emanuel, talk with Pastor Tom Evans or Pastor Mike Mulso after the service.

NEED A PASTOR?

Please let Pastor Evans, Pastor Mulso or Maggie in the church office know if you or a family member is sick, hospitalized or homebound and unable to get to church. We'd like to pray for you and Pastors will make a home visit. We are a family in Christ; let us help you.

NEWS/NOTES ONLINE

Find our news/notes and calendar of events on our website each week under "events" at www.EmanuelLutheranChurch.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR NEWS AND NOTES

Please send your announcements to be included in the *News and Notes* by Tuesday for the following Sunday. **Please be mindful of spacing, 100 words per article would be the maximum and we might need to make changes if spacing is an issue.** You can send those announcements to our office at: info@emanuellutheranchurch.org

PRAYER LIST

Please take a look at who's on the prayer list. Let the church office know of any updates.

CHURCH ONLINE

You can find our online worship at this link

<https://emanuellutheranchurch.online.church/>

All church services can be seen online at youtube.com. Search for Emanuel Lutheran Church Inver Grove Heights MN. The current Sunday's ONLINE service is livestreamed at 8:00AM and 10:30AM (**9:30AM during Summer**) Sunday mornings. Please fill out our Connect Card Online.

ATTENDANCE CARD

Guests and Members—please fill out an attendance card each time you come to worship!

We ask you to please circle your first name if you are receiving Communion on the day.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

We offer in-person Sunday morning worship and live streaming at 8:00AM and 10:30AM. Communion is offered on the 1st and 3rd Sundays at 8:00AM, 2nd and 4th Sundays at 10:30AM, and in both services on the 5th Sunday of the month. Call the Church Office with questions. 651-457-3929.

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING



We are honored that you want to give. During the offering, the following methods of giving are available: cash or check can be placed in the plate; if you would like to give electronically, there are three ways you can do that (1) Online at emanuellutheranchurch.org or by scanning the QR Code. (2) You can download the Vanco Faith app to your phone and find Emanuel Lutheran Church, IGH (3) You can text your donation in by texting 651-424-0782 and follow the prompts. Thank you for partnering with our church in Sharing our Faith in Christ through our Words, Service, and Resources.

ABOUT MAIN STREET LIVING

Main Street Living is an LCMS program that features pastors from the WFTC, channel 29/9-2, viewer area. The first half hour is a reproduction of *This is the Life*, a Lutheran Hour Ministries program made popular in the 60s, 70s, and 80s. The second half hour is a modified Lutheran worship service, which is produced locally. This program is totally funded by viewers and others who want to keep the Gospel available to those who cannot or do not attend worship services on a regular basis. **To watch the program or donate online to keep this ministry active, go to mainstreetliving.com and select the "Twin Cities" tab. OR you can drop a check off with Emanuel's Church Office made payable to Main Street Living.**

You can find Emanuel's Sunday Morning Worship livestream at this link

<http://emanuellutheranchurch.org/>