

# The Echo

April 2022

## April Worship Schedule

**Sunday, April 3**

Regular worship services at both churches with communion



**Wednesday, April 6**

Lenten Service at Emmanuel Lutheran at 6:30 PM  
Simple supper served from 5:45 PM - 6:20 PM

**Thursday, April 7**

First Communion Class at 6:30 PM at Galchutt Lutheran (see p.3)

**Sunday, April 10**

Palm Sunday worship services at both churches at normal times  
Emmanuel will have a "potluck dinner" after worship on Palm Sunday.



**Thursday, April 14**

Maundy Thursday worship service at Galchutt Lutheran at 7 PM

**Friday, April 15**

Good Friday worship service at Emmanuel Lutheran at 7 PM



**Sunday, April 17 - EASTER SUNDAY**

Normal worship times at both churches with communion

**Sunday, April 24**

Normal worship times at both churches



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# EVENTS and ANNOUNCEMENTS!

February 25, 2022, was a special day for the Brandon & Natalie (Fixen) Caulkins family. Adalyn received her Bible and Aria and Elsie were baptized into the Galchutt Lutheran faith family.



National Quilting Day at Emmanuel, March 19, was spent doing God's work with friends.

If you have an announcement for an event or photos from a baptism, wedding, or some other special event regarding a member or former member of our parish, we would love to include the information in an upcoming issue. Please email them to [emmanuelgalchutt@gmail.com](mailto:emmanuelgalchutt@gmail.com)



### TM035E Lutheran Confessions: “Justification by Faith Alone”

The Book of Concord tells us that because people cannot, by their powers, live according to the law of God and because all are under sin and guilty of eternal wrath and death, we cannot be set free from sin and be justified through the law. Instead, what has been given us is the promise of the forgiveness of sins and justification on account of Christ, who was provided for us to make satisfaction for the sins of the world, and who has been appointed as the mediator and propitiator. This promise is not conditional upon our merits; it freely offers the forgiveness of sins and justification, just as Paul says, “If it is by works, it is no longer based on grace” (Romans 11:6). Elsewhere Paul adds, “Apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed” (Romans 3:21). The forgiveness of sins is offered freely.

So it is nothing we do. It is all that God does for us through Jesus Christ’s resurrection on the cross. “For through the law, I died to the law so that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ, and it is no longer I who live but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me” (Galatians 2:19-20).

People of God, let us love each other as Christ has loved us; we do this when we have faith in God and listen to the good news of the Gospels. “Therefore we have buried with him by baptism into death, so that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life” (Romans 6:4). When we do this, we live by way of the Lord.

We are broken people who need the Lord and the love He offers us. God wants us to love each other as Christ has loved us. Remembering it is nothing we do but all God does for us. Love like Jesus. Peace.

*Pastor Janelle Hansen*

**FIRST**  
Communion Instruction

Holy Communion is a gift from God. As with any gift that God bestows, it is given with no strings attached.

We will be offering First Communion class at 6:30 PM on April 7th at Galchutt Lutheran Church. This is open to any child when parent or child feels the time is appropriate. If you have questions, please call Pastor Janelle. Parents and children are expected to be in attendance.

Special recognition of the children receiving First Communion will be on Maundy Thursday worship at 7 PM at Galchutt Lutheran Church.

**We keep the following in our prayers:**

- ◆ Kevin P., who remains hospitalized at Sanford Hospital;
- ◆ Aria C., who is recovering from being hospitalized;
- ◆ Allen B., Rob L., Don H., Alice G., and Sandra I., who are all recovering from various health issues;
- ◆ Our confirmation students, who will be affirming their faith on May 1st at Galchutt;
- ◆ The people of Ukraine who are suffering from the war;
- ◆ All those in our community who may be suffering from addiction, health issues, or any other health issues; and
- ◆ Our new council members and leadership.

**Prayers & Praises**

# LWR News

Emmanuel Lutheran quilting ladies hosted a National Quilting Day in America to support the work of many churches providing quilts and process kits for those in need around the world. While the quilts and kits we completed may not go to Ukraine, they will replace the thousands of quilts and personal care kits that have been sent to aid the people of Ukraine wherever they are sheltering during this time of war.

March 19th began at 9 AM and ended at 1 PM with six quilts made by the six ladies from Abercrombie, Galchutt, and Colfax, and three young girls who helped. Stopping in to support the efforts was a young family from the community. Among the workers, we had some who cut, sewed, designed, pressed, and tied quilts. The dining hall was abuzz with activity throughout the morning and camaraderie over coffee and treats. The girls commented about the fun they had sewing and playing with fabric as they worked.

Everyone seemed to enjoy working together and shared a desire to have more workdays like this. So watch for further days like this in the months ahead and plan to experience the joy of doing God's work with friends.

*Ellen Rittenhouse*



At our annual meeting when we discussed the proposed cost for doing restoration work at the Emmanuel Cemetery, I commented that I believed we have several former members or family of former members who continue to have a caring concern for their loved ones who are buried here. The outpouring of support for this project has been absolutely more than we ever could have imagined!! It is also so interesting to read the letters we have received from those who have donated. Many have stated the names of all their loved ones and how they are related to someone buried at Emmanuel. Some have passed the message on to other family members so they may also donate if we did not have an address or know of them. We are truly thankful for all your support and are so excited for this project to get started later this summer!

If you aren't already someone with automated offerings going to the church and if you are, like many of us, someone who is frequently gone during the summer months, please consider signing up for automated donations. For information on this, either go to the church website or give me a call. Our monthly expenses continue and this has been an extremely costly winter for fuel costs at the church and parsonage. Thank you.

*Lou Ann Lee, Emmanuel Treasurer*



As you may recall, we are trying to send as many of our newsletters out by email as possible. We realize many may not have email access and to those folks we will certainly continue to mail your newsletter. However, we were just at the breaking point in numbers where we could keep our nonprofit mailing permit. So this month, and in the coming months, we hope to email out as many newsletters as possible and will then pay the regular postage rate for the remainder. If you received this *Echo* newsletter by mail but would agree to receive it by email, email the office at [emmanuelgalchutt@gmail.com](mailto:emmanuelgalchutt@gmail.com) and let us know your name and preferred email. We appreciate your patience as we test this new process out. Thank you for your patience!

The *Echo* team



Logan Biffert \*  
Daniel Dockter  
Alex Paczkowski  
Kyle Krump  
James Overby  
Allen Muhs

## Galchutt Lutheran Council Highlights

The Galchutt Church Council met on March 8 at 6:30 PM. Members present were Logan Biffert, Al Muhs, Kyle Krump, Jimmy Overby, Pamela Krump (for secretary substitution), and Pastor Janelle Hanson. Logan called the meeting to order. Pastor Janelle started with a Lenten Devotion from Wartburg. Pamela read last month secretary's report. Jimmy made a motion to accept secretary report and Kyle seconded. No treasurer report was available.

**PASTOR'S REPORT:** Pastor Janelle provided her January mileage report to the council and forwarded to Kendra and Lou Ann for payment. She mentioned that she has been busy catching up with visitations and phone calls while she was away at Wartburg.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Logan shared the 2 bids he received for the St. Johns Shingle project and the council discussed the two options. Kyle made a motion to approve the Topside Construction bid for asphalt shingles. Jimmy seconded. Copy of the bid will be included in the secretary notes. The council discussed ideas of making the church handicap accessible and Logan shared a bid from Schmidt and Sons for \$4700. The council agreed to table this discussion for next month pending treasurer approval.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Pastor Janelle announced Beer and Hymns event at Fort Saloon is scheduled for March 22, 2022, from 6 PM – 8 PM. Next council meeting is scheduled for April 20 at 6:30 PM. Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

*Pamela Krump, Secretary Substitute*

## Join us for a 150th Anniversary Celebration

for St John's Church  
Rural Galchutt, ND

**July 31, 2022**

**Worship Service at 11am  
and Lunch provided after service**





## Emmanuel Lutheran Council Highlights

The Emmanuel Church Council met on March 21, 2022, with the following members present: Pastor Janelle, Craig Syvertsen, LouAnn Lee, Leslie Hulne, Sharon Tschakert, Fred Tol, Julie Lehman and Tessa Tschakert. President Craig called the meeting to order. Pastor Janelle led us in devotions.

**Secretary's report** was read by Lesley. Lou Ann moved to approve with a second by Sharon. Carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** LouAnn reported that propane has been higher than years past on both church and parsonage. New thermostat was installed in basement by Aurora. Still receiving funding for the cemetery project. Fred moved to approve Treasurer's Report with a second by Sharon. Carried.

**Pastor's Report:** Pastor Janelle has been visiting members and reaching out to community for new members. January Mileage was \$405.99. February Mileage was \$123.43. January would be higher from her drive to Wartburg for her education. LouAnn moved to approve, second by Sharon. Carried.

**Stewardship Committee:** Tessa reported that LouAnn, Julie, Pastor Janelle and herself had met and set some future dates for activities. May 1st will be a May Day picnic in the park. Looking at June 2nd for a Ladies Night Out event, more to follow on this. They are gathering information to make packets for new residents moving to the area.

**Worship Committee:** Lesley reports that Sharon, Pastor Janelle and herself met with the Galchutt committee and picked out songs for the next couple of months. Discussion on changing things a little during our worship to more contemporary vs traditional, maybe once a month.

**Property Committee:** Fred reported that he has been in discussion with Dan Invisics on fixing the shingles and louvers on the steeple. Recommendation from Dan is steel, so Fred is working with him on bid for council.

**Old Business:** LouAnn reported that Hatch Realty came to look at the parsonage. Lesley moved to give President Craig and Treasurer Lou Ann authority to sign any paperwork regarding the parsonage sale. Second by Sharon. Carried. Any final approval will be brought before the congregation.

**New Business:** Beer & Hymns will be March 22nd from 6-8 at Fort Saloon Bar & Grill. Everyone welcome. Palm Sunday Potluck on April 10th after service. Lenten meal proceeds go to Hospice in Breckenridge. Sharon Tschakert will be an additional signer on the checking account with LouAnn. Council agreed to donate the basement piano to the Abercrombie Community Hall. LouAnn is working on getting bids for the flooring project in the basement.

Next meeting will be April 18th at 6:30 PM. Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Julie with a second by LouAnn. Closed meeting with the Lord's Prayer. *Secretary, Tessa Tschakert*

We had a great time at our first Beer & Hymns night. Beer and Singing have a long history in the church. One of our favorite predecessors, Martin Luther, had been known to frequent the Black Eagle Tavern in Wittenberg. It is said that an evening there was filled with bock beer, lively debate, and, of course, song.

By 1527, Marin and his wife Katie moved into a former monastery. There they ran a successful student hostel and Katie brewed her own beer. We assume her beer also spawned more than a few debates and lots of singing.

Beer and Hymns is a way we can carry on this tradition...with friends, beer, and good songs. May you be blessed by this experience.

**JOIN US AGAIN ON TUESDAY, APRIL 26, FROM 6-7:30 PM.**



## Emmanuel Cemetery Restoration

### Project:

- Allan & Jesse Berg
- Mark & Sue Forness
- Lewis & Rita Berge
- Craig & Ila Myhre
- Elizabeth Lynch
- Dan & Pam Rustvang
- Donna Duffy
- Eric & Kathleen Johnson
  - ◇ In memory of grandparents Paul & Mary Johnson & parents Horace & Dorothy Johnson
- Michael & Linda Dahl
  - ◇ In memory of parents Carl & Sylvia Dahl & grandparents Peter & Fredericka Dahl & Mickel & Ragnhild Flaa
- Delano & Myrna Lotzer
- Clifton & Donna Stedje
- Paul & Sandra (Skamfer) Smith
  - ◇ In memory of Skamfer family members
- JoAnn Flaa
- Linda Monge
- Sylpha Lee In memory of
- Tim & Kathie Skamfer
  - ◇ In memory of all the Skamfer relatives and Nypen grandparents
- Donavon & Jean Loff
- Diane Lee Johnson
  - ◇ In memory of Josephine & Anna Johnson and Caroline Olson
- Gordon Olson
  - ◇ In memory of Baldwin & Emma Olson, Lionel & Mary Olson, Lenas & Elsie Danielson
- Fred & Laurel Johnson Hillier
  - ◇ In memory of grandparents Paul E. & Mary Hatlie Johnson & aunt/uncle Horace & Dorothy Johnson
- Bruce Larson
- Barbara Larson
- Brent & Pam Larson, Deb Uselman, & baby Richard Larson
- Tristan & Trevor Larson

- Carol Borseth Heaton
- April & Clark Johnson
- Agnes Leer
  - ◇ In memory of mother, Agnes Loff Bjorke
- Marjorie Lesage & LaVonne Coleman
  - ◇ In memory of Carl & Nellie Leer
- Laura Jensen
  - ◇ In memory of Olaf & Gina Wold Hatlie, Ingeborg & Josephine Flaa
- Joan Gunness Ahonen
- Allen & Jesse Berg
- Roger & Karen Skamfer Facer (Thrivent choice dollars)

### Emmanuel Cemetery:

- Richard & Diane Nelson
  - ◇ In memory of Beverly Adams Score

### Emmanuel General Fund:

- Clifton & Donna Stedje
  - ◇ In memory of Donata Nellermo
- Wes & Shirley Berg
  - ◇ In memory of June Hulne
- Susan Rothwell
  - ◇ In memory of Rolf Bjorke

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FOLLOWING FOR YOUR  
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As Jesus entered Jerusalem on a donkey, crowds praised him loudly. When Pharisees told him to silence the people, what did Jesus say would shout if his followers didn't?

- A. Stones
- B. Palm branches
- C. Trees
- D. Hillsides



Answer: A (See Luke 19:40.)

# PUZZLE



## Resurrection refresher

All four gospels confirm Jesus' resurrection, and each one offers important details.

*Directions: Complete the crossword. Then insert the circled letters (in order of the clue numbers) to complete John 20:17 below.*

**ACROSS**

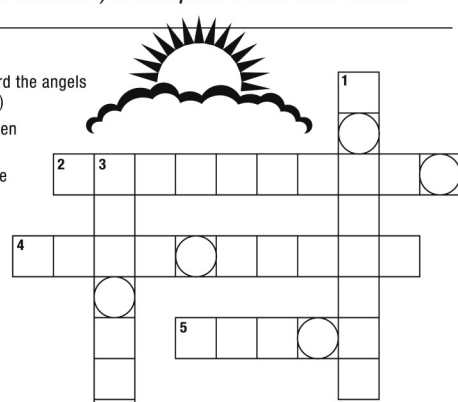
2. The women did this when they heard the angels talk about Jesus' death. (Luke 24:8)

4. The women at the tomb did this when they saw Jesus. (Matthew 28:9)

5. The man in Jesus' empty tomb wore this color robe. (Mark 16:5)

7. Jesus instructed his brothers to go here. (Matthew 28:10)

8. Peter saw strips of this in the tomb. (Luke 24:12)

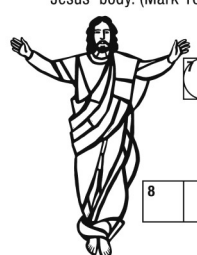


**DOWN**

1. At first, Mary thought Jesus was this person. (John 20:15)

3. As an angel came from heaven, this happened. (Matthew 28:2)

6. She went with Mary to anoint Jesus' body. (Mark 16:1)



**What did Jesus want Mary to tell his brothers?**


"I \_ m ascen \_ ing \_ o my Fat \_ er and your Fa \_ her, to \_ y \_ od and your God."  
Joh \_ 20:17, NIV

Answer: ACROSS 2. remembered, 4. worshipped, 5. white, 7. Galilee, 8. linen; DOWN 1. gardener, 3. earthquake, 6. Salome; "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." John 20:17, NIV

# HOLY WEEK

## i-spy

Create this craft to share the events of Holy Week with a younger sibling or friend.



**What you need:**

- Clear bottle or jar with lid
- White rice
- Small items that symbolize Holy Week events

**What you do:**

1. Pour rice into bottle or jar so it's about two-thirds full.
2. Add the small items. Ideas: leaf, donkey, cup, towel square, praying hands, coin, bird, nails, thorn, cross, dice, stick, lamb, stone, white fabric.
3. Fasten the lid. Then shake and turn the bottle to "spy" each item.





# APRIL 2022

**Sun                      Mon                      Tue                      Wed                      Thu                      Fri                      Sat**

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3 Galchutt Worship 9AM & SS 9:45AM  Emmanuel Worship 10:30AM	4	5	6 Lenten service @ Emmanuel 6:30 PM (Soup/Sandwich supper 5:45- 6:20 PM)	7 First Communion class at Galchutt at 6:30 PM	8	9
10 Palm Sunday Galchutt Worship 9AM & SS 9:45AM  Emmanuel Worship 10:30AM POTLUCK DINNER	11	12 Emmanuel Quilting 9 AM - 2 PM	13	14 Maundy Thursday service 7 PM at Galchutt	15 Good Friday service at 7 PM at Emmanuel	16
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