

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hearing Assistance Available: If you need assistance in hearing any part of the worship service, please go to the sound booth at the back of the sanctuary where we have devices to assist you.

Please pray for area churches: This week please be in prayer for the residents of the Northfield Retirement Center who attend worship at the NRC Chapel.

Moms/Babies/Toddlers: Gather in the church nursery 9:00 am Mondays with other moms of babies and toddlers. This informal gathering is a chance to fellowship, play and pray. Questions? Contact Rhea Mehrkens rheamehrkens@gmail.com.

Shoe box items: In March we are collecting hats, gloves and socks for Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes. Bring your donation to the church office.

Trout Lake Summer Camp: Emmaus Outreach Board offers scholarships to each camper. Contact the church office for the scholarship code you will need when registering online.

Budget Preview Meeting: The Finance Board will present the 2019-2020 fiscal year budget proposals to the congregation today, 12:15 pm following the second service. All are encouraged to attend.

Text Alerts: The IT board would like to begin sending text alerts to the congregation (in cases of cancelations or changes in schedule). To OPT OUT of text alerts, please see April in the church office or email your request. Also, please be sure we have your cell phone number. We will continue to also email and update our webpage and Facebook pages.

Lenten Life Groups: Lenten Small-Groups begin today. If you would like to join a group but did not previously sign up, please gather in the Auditorium at 10:00 am each Sunday and join the group meeting there.

Lenten Prayer Vase: At the back of the Sanctuary you will notice a prayer vase and slips of paper. Please write your prayer requests on a slip of paper and add it to the

vase. These prayer requests will be collected through Friday, April 19th and will be prayed for during the Good Friday Prayer Vigil. More information about the vigil and how you can participate will be coming soon.

From The Treasurer

We have completed forty-nine weeks of the 2018-2019 fiscal year

Offering Last Week: \$18,727 (\$6,953 above budget)

Offering YTD: \$555,118 (\$21,788 below budget)

Capital Campaign Pledges made: \$193,745

Campaign Pledges received: \$100,514

This Week At Emmaus

Today: Worship 8:45 and 11:00 am; Sunday School for all ages 10:00 am;

Budget Preview Meeting 12:15 pm Sanctuary

Monday: Mom's Group 9:30 am Nursery; HR Board Meeting 7:00 pm

Tuesday: Finance Board Meeting 7:00 pm

Wednesday: Men's Breakfast 6:00 am;

WOW 6-7 pm; Youth Group 7-8:30 pm

Friday: Women's Bible Study 9-10:30 am

Next Sunday: Worship 8:45 and 11:00 am; Sunday School for all ages 10:00 am;

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EMMAUS CHURCH



Sunday March 10, 2019 | Closer

TODAY

Worshiping Together

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| Prelude | <i>Today If You Hear Him</i> |
| Welcome | Pastor Abe Johnson |
| Call To Worship | |
| Congregational Singing | <i>O Worship The King He Will Give the Weary Strength Spirit of the Living God</i> |
| The Lord's Prayer | |
| Offering | <i>Jesus See The Traveler</i> |
| Message and Prayer | Pastor Abe Johnson |
| Song of Response | <i>I Am Set Free</i> |
| Commissioning | Benjamin Andrew |
| Benediction | |

Today's Worship Leaders

Rob Ryden, Sam Hintz, Jason Decker, Barry VanWieren

Next Week

March 17, 2019
Series: Closer

Speaker: Karen Nelson

Welcome to Emmaus

Welcome to all who have joined us today. As we gather together let our hearts be filled with gratitude for all the things God has done. Let us accept and encourage one another with the same love and grace that God has extended to us through Jesus Christ. And let us honor God in our songs, our speech, our reflections and all that we do here today.



Today's Message:

Matthew 6:5-15

Pastor Abe Johnson

Questions:

Share about a prayer or a prayer practice that is meaningful to you, or an experience of prayer that stands out in your memory.

What stands out to you about Jesus' teaching on prayer in Matthew 6:5-13?

Or what questions do you have about it?

Which prayer practices does Jesus warn his followers against in Matthew 6:5-13? Why does Jesus warn against these things? What is the problem with them?

What is the difference between "babbling on and on" in prayer, which Jesus warns against, and being "persistent in prayer", which Scripture promotes (Rom. 12:12)?

If you were to make one change, large or small, to your current prayer life what would it be?

If you are someone who observes the season of Lent in some way, in what ways do you observe it? How have these practices impacted you?

About Emmaus

We are a community of faith committed to growing in our love for God in worship and devotion; to cultivating a community characterized by love, grace and humility; and to loving our neighbors in service and hospitality. In all we are and in all we do we want to become fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ.