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THIS IS A DOUBLE MAILING; BULLETINS FOR MARCH 15 & MARCH 22 ARE INCLUDED

Also included is a copy of *Together in Faith*, a joint publication of the six ELCA churches here in the East Hills. We hope you find it useful when planning your Holy Week and Easter celebrations.

For Such a Time as This, the weekly Lenten devotion for the Southwestern PA Synod, is included. This week we learn about Phillip, who was called to be one of the first deacons of the early church, and Harriet Tubman, who helped slaves escape to freedom on the Underground Railroad. The devotion for March 18 will be sent on March 25.

Bishop Yehiel Curry, our ELCA bishop, and Bishop Dr. Imad Haddad, bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land, have written letters about the Iran war. These letters were distributed at worship on Sunday, March 8. Please request a copy from the Emmanuel church office or read them online. For Bishop Curry's letter, go to www.elca.org. For Bishop Haddad, go to www.elcjh.org and scroll down to the latest news section of their home page.

LENTEN MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 1 PM in the fellowship hall

COMMUNITY EASTER EGG HUNT – Saturday, April 4, from 2-3 pm

The community Easter Egg Hunt is coming up soon. This is Emmanuel's most effective way to connect with families in our neighborhood. We need people to lead crafts, hide eggs, and generally assist with welcoming families. We need contributions of dyed eggs also. Invite all your friends and neighbors!



HOLY WEEK

Maundy Thursday – April 2

7 pm - Holy Communion – we remember Jesus' Last Supper

Good Friday – April 3

12 to 3 pm - Come for prayer and meditation in the sanctuary

7 pm - The Good News of the Cross

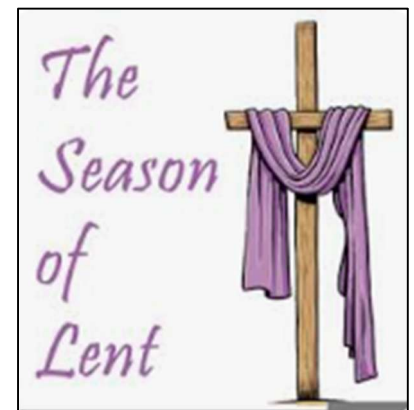
Easter Saturday – April 4

2 to 3 pm - Community Easter Egg Hunt

Easter Sunday - April 5

Festival Worship - 10 a.m.

Easter Dinner - 11:30 after worship





RIDING INTO JERUSALEM March 15, 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

There is lunch at 12 noon.

Pastor Ken Ofslager is teaching once a month on Sunday afternoon. Each month we dig into the Biblical texts for the festivals in that month.

April 12 - Resurrection Stories

May 17 - Pentecost

You can participate in person or via zoom. To join via zoom, use the Emmanuel class link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89760867900>

Meeting ID: 897 6086 7900

Worship and pray

Come in person at 10 am every Sunday

By phone: Call 312-626-6799. When prompted, enter the meeting ID 923 3815 0341.

By computer or smartphone: Go to www.zoom.us. Enter Meeting ID 923 3815 0341.

At home without technology: Read the bulletin. Read the Scripture. Pray. Meditate.



JOIN THE SWEET FUN AT CAMP AGAPE!

Saturday, March 21, 10 am – 2 pm

It's time for the Annual Maple Syrup Festival at Camp Agape. Bring your family and friends! The first helping of pancakes and sausage are compliments of Agape Ministry. Fresh local Maple Syrup and local honey are available for a donation to the ministry. See how sap is turned into syrup. Tour the grounds and get a sneak peek of summer activities.

Camp Agape is located at 72 Agape Road in Hickory, PA 15340.

Call (724) 356-2308 for more information.

Sunday, March 15, 1 pm – Pastor Ken's Class

Wednesday, March 18, 1 pm – Midweek Holy Communion

Tuesday, March 24, 1pm - Women's Bible Study at Zion

Wednesday, March 25, 1 pm – Midweek Holy Communion



THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS GIVING. You may give in person, send a contribution in the mail or donate online.

Go to <https://www.emmanuelutheraneastmont.org/>

and you'll see the link.

Or use the QR code for easy connection on your smart phone.

Dear partners, we urge you: pray and pray fervently. But do not let prayer become a substitute for responsibility. Let your prayers be joined with courageous and concrete action. Stand publicly with those who are afflicted. Advocate persistently for a just peace that safeguards the dignity and security of all people. Challenge policy makers whose narratives make endless war appear inevitable.

Bishop Haddad, Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land