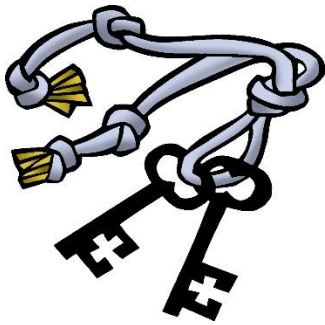




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This mailing includes "Together in Faith", a quarterly newsletter highlighting events in the local Lutheran (ELCA) congregations in the eastern suburbs.

Worship in the park on August 16 with local Lutheran congregations was a wonderful experience. Thank you to Zion Lutheran Church for organizing this joint worship.

We are stronger together. Finding ways to know each and to work together is a shared goal of the local pastors. As you read Together in Faith, pray for our neighbors. Consider participating in a Bible Study, service event or fun activity in another church building.

The picture of keys is a reminder that in our Gospel reading this week, Jesus says that the church – the whole church – is given responsibility to proclaim God's forgiveness. The Emmanuel council is inviting pastors and council leaders of our neighboring congregation to meet on September 22 to discuss ways we can work together to fulfill Christ's mission now and in the future.



**If you are a woman reading this,
these events are for you.**

Multi-congregation women's Bible Study

Tuesday, August 25 at 1 pm

Location: Zion Lutheran Church, 11609 Frankstown Rd, Penn Hills 15235

TOPIC: " I Am Worthy: Created in Gods Image (No matter what anyone else says) "

STOP
LISTEN
HEAR



NWPA & SWPA

Women of ELCA Retreat at

Lutherlyn

September 25th -27th

WOMEN'S RETREAT

For a strengthening and relaxing weekend,
Join women from western PA at the Lutheran Camp near Butler
and Moraine State Park. You can attend Friday through Sunday
or any portion of the three days.

Registration material is available at
Emmanuel and online.

The registration deadline is August 28.



Online registration link

Worship and Pray

Come in person or on zoom 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](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/92338150341). Enter Meeting ID 923 3815 0341.

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

Earthquake Relief/ Fire and Flood Relief

The Venezuelan families in our congregation report that their parents and children in Venezuela are safe. **But they know friends and family who need help urgently.** If you are willing to give a donation that can be given directly to individuals or families in Venezuela whom our families recommend, please include the words **"Venezuela families" with your gift.**

Emmanuel is also sending your contribution for earthquake, flood and fire relief through Lutheran Disaster Response to the Lutherans and their partners doing local disaster Response in the US and around the world. If there is a specific location that you want to help, please write that clearly with your contribution.

Emmanuel is hiring an office & communications manager.

This is a part-time position of eight to ten hours a week.

Wednesday hours in the office are required, some flexibility for additional hours.

Word processing skills required. Will need to master a church management software program and Wordpress for website management. Familiarity with Spanish is a plus!

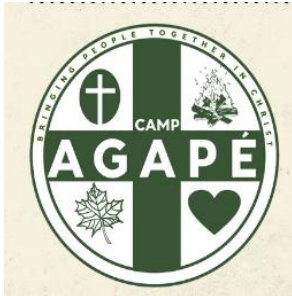


TO ORDER ALTAR FLOWERS or to MAKE A PRAYER REQUEST

CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE 412-824-4525
Or Marsha Kennedy at 412-824-4966 (phone or text)
Altar flowers cost \$50.



Good News, Bad News, a Cancellation and a Prayer Request



Good news: Taylor Johnston, who has been a marvelous Program Director at Agape for several years, has been invited to take a full-time position with a senior care facility in Washington. Her position at Agape has been part time. She was also working part time at the senior care facility. She let her boss know that she would be looking for full-time work and they immediately offered her a full-time position.

Bad news: A gifted Program Director is leaving Camp Agape. In fact, she has already begun her new full-time work. Taylor brought love of outdoors and people plus education in theology and environmental care to this position. Sadly, Agape cannot offer a year-round full-time position for Program Director. Taylor will be greatly missed.

Cancelled: The Summer Festival on August 22

We were encouraging this as a congregation outing. Many of us love this camp in the rolling hills of Washington County. Sadly, this is more than Agape can host and staff at this time.

Prayer Request: The Agape Board of Directors requests our prayers as they figure out next steps. Everyone is happy for Taylor while also weighed down by all the decisions and work before them.

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.



We need additional income for pastor's salary and building expenses!!!!.

PLEASE PRAY. AND IF YOU CAN, PLEASE INCREASE YOUR GIVING.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HAS RESPONDED TO THIS REQUEST.

Bad Girls of the Bible.

The next series of Bible Studies taught by Pastor Ken Ofslager begins in September.

The regular time is the third Sunday of the month at 1 p.m.

The class is held in the Fellowship Hall. Optional lunch at 12 noon.

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



Monday, August 24, 10 am

Parish Life Committee

Tuesday, August 25, 1 pm

Women's Gather Bible Study at Zion

Sunday, September 6

God's Work, Our Hands Sunday with Pizza

Sunday, September 20, 1 p.m. Bad Girls of the Bible taught by Pastor Ken Ofslager

Sunday, September 27

Harvest Home Sunday

Sunday, October 4

Spaghetti Dinner with Meals for Friends

Sunday, October 11

Healing Sunday

Tuesday, October 20, 1 pm

Congregation Council
