

WEEKLY NEWS ~~ JULY 8, 2022

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## **PASTOR ALYSSA'S SCHEDULE HAS CHANGED! HER DAY OFF IS NOW FRIDAY INSTEAD OF MONDAY.**

### **SPECIAL WELCOME TO INTERN EMILY!**

This Sunday we welcome Intern Emily to our congregation! We are very happy to have her with us for the next year—learning from us but also teaching us. Please take a moment to say hello in the near future!

### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

VBS starts Monday! We hope you'll spread the word for kids grade K - 5 to come! Kids can register when they arrive; please have a parent or guardian accompany them!

The morning sessions are from 9:30 - 11:30. We'll be following the ELCA World Hunger curriculum, "Tree of Healing". Each morning we'll have singing, Bible lesson, crafts, and games & simulation activities from other countries of the world served by ELCA World Hunger.

Please encourage any kids you may know to come!

### **GLOBAL FARM CHALLENGE**

Our VBS kids invite everyone to join in raising money to buy honeybees for ELCA World Hunger as we participate in the Global Farm Challenge, the ELCA World Hunger's special summer fundraising campaign for youth. Please bring coins and bills or checks to add to our collection can this Sunday, July 10 or next Sunday, July 17. You may also send or bring contributions to the church; please mark them clearly for the honeybees!

### **GOD'S WORK. OUR HANDS.**

The Stewardship Team is planning God's Work. Our Hands Sunday for September 11, 2022. We have decided to order shirts again this year. The shirts will have Gloria Dei's name on the back, and we can wear them for other service projects, or just wear them whenever, as well. A sign up sheet for t shirts will be available soon!



### **ALTAR GUILD NEEDS HELP**

Our faithful Altar Guild members could use some help. This group of people sets up each week for the service, including preparing the altar, setting up for Communion, and changing the banners when needed. Please contact Sharon Larcom (541-756-3964) or Lynn Danner (541-217-4655) for more information, or to volunteer to help!

## **LIFT EVERY VOICE OREGON**

Lift Every Voice Oregon collected more than 150,000 signatures from Oregonians to put IP 17 on the ballot in November of 2022. IP 17 will ban large capacity magazines over 10 rounds, calls for a permit (license) to purchase any gun, and complete background checks. 112,020 valid signatures are needed to put a measure on the ballot.

## **RUMMAGE SALE!**

Emmanuel Episcopal Church is having a Rummage Sale Saturday, July 16 from 9 am to 2 pm. They always have a great variety of "good stuff", so if you like yard/rummage sales, check this one out and support a sister church!

## **COVID-19 POLICY**

The Community Risk level due to Covid-19 is still high. The Council decided to continue allowing in-person church with masks **REQUIRED** and **STRESSING** the importance of maintaining Social Distancing during Coffee Hour. We must all be observant and thoughtful of spaces even when we're outside so we can continue having coffee hours.

The Council recommends that if someone is sick or having symptoms of any kind, that they please stay home and participate via Zoom, Facebook, or YouTube out of respect for others in the church.

We continue to encourage vaccinations/boosters.

We will continue to follow the numbers in hopes of returning to masks optional soon.

Linda Strine, Council President  
June 28, 2022

**LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE: 41 in person, 18 online**

**STEWARDSHIP IS... being welcoming.**

**Please welcome Intern Emily, and all visitors to Gloria Dei!**