

Visioning

Without a vision, God's people perish.

During the Season of Lent 2018, Emmanuel Members spent 40 days in Prayer & Scripture. With ears opened, members listened intently to the voice of God, discerning God's will for the future of Emmanuel.

On April 2, 2018, Emmanuel Members and friends participated in the Public Reading of the entire New Testament, a tradition four years in the making. A "Building for the Future" Fund appeal was launched, with a goal of \$100,000 by year end 2018.

The Church Council met in retreat in May, 2018 discussing God's future for Emmanuel. During the month of June, about 40 adults participate in Dinners for Eight, sharing their God-given vision for Emmanuel. A summary report was drafted and shared at the July Emmanuel Picnic. A member of Emmanuel shared a proposed building design. The church council began implementing God's Vision for Emmanuel. Members of a Site Assessment Team and a Building Team were appointed. 4.9 acres of land was found for purchase (\$75,000). Purchase was approved (Dec. 14, 2019).

Prayers are welcomed! Update: Land, plus \$30,000+ in the Building Fund; and \$4,500+ in the Hospitality House Fund.



“Building for the Future” A Shared Vision

Maintaining continuity with our God-given strengths, we will build upon our combined gifts & assets by...

- 1) Maintaining a strong sense of community—a warm and welcoming environment where everyone is valued & cared for,
- 2) Growing the worship life of our congregation without compromising our core values & beliefs,
- 3) Remaining solidly Confessional & Orthodox—Christ-centered & Traditionally-grounded,
- 4) Securing financial stability & sustainability,
- 5) Enhancing the visibility of Emmanuel & growing the footprints of Jesus in our Community, and
- 6) Finding a church site where form follows function and the facilities serve the mission of Emmanuel.

**Opportunities for
supporting this Vision!
Investing in God's dream
for Emmanuel!**

**Prayer support is #1
Financial Gifts to the
**Building Fund or
Hospitality House Fund
may be sent to:****

**Emmanuel Lutheran
3819—18th Ave. N.W.
Rochester, MN 55901
507-206-3048**



Scripture will remain the centerpiece of our life together.



A CHRIST-CENTERED HOUSING & HOSPITALITY MINISTRY FOR THOSE TRAVELING TO ROCHESTER FOR MEDICAL CARE, & OTHERS IN NEED OF SHORT-TERM CHRISTIAN CARE.

GOAL: THAT GUESTS RECEIVE SPIRITUAL HEALING AS WELL AS PHYSICAL HEALING; EXPERIENCING EMMANUEL, AND GOING HOME WITH JESUS!

- SPIRITUAL CARE
- WORSHIP & PRAYER MINISTRY
- BIBLE STUDIES

FUNDING GOAL OF \$200,000.00

FROM:

INDIVIDUALS OR CHURCHES
100 GIFTS OF \$1,000 EACH
20 GIFTS OF \$5,000 EACH

“DO NOT NEGLECT TO SHOW HOSPITALITY TO STRANGERS, FOR THEREBY SOME HAVE ENTERTAINED ANGELS UNAWARES.”—HEBREWS 13:2

Christ-Centered Christian



GOAL: TO PROVIDE LOW COST AND AFFORDABLE CHILD CARE FOR FAMILIES WISHING TO RAISE THEIR CHILDREN IN THE LOVE & PRESENCE OF JESUS.

- CHAPEL TIME
- BIBLE STORIES
- CHRISTIAN MUSIC
- WORSHIP & PRAYER
- NURTURING ENVIRONMENT
- QUALITY CARE
- SOCIAL INTERACTION
- KINDERGARTEN READINESS

Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven.”—Matthew 19:14

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GOD’S VISION FOR EMMANUEL

EXPERIENCING “*GOD WITH us*” IN DAILY LIFE!

**PRAISING!
PROCLAIMING!
PRACTICING!**

**EMMANUEL LUTHERAN
CHURCH OF ROCHESTER**

**A MISSION CONGREGATION
OF THE NALC**

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SATURDAY NIGHTS AT 6 PM
FOLLOWED BY FELLOWSHIP
& REFRESHMENTS**

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