Saturday, February 4, 2017 at 5:00 & 6:30 pm Sunday, February 5, 2017 at 9:30 & 11:00 am

Luke 20:39 - 40 (NIV)

Some of the teachers of the law responded, "Well said, teacher!" And no one dared to ask him any more questions.

Student Ministries

Student Ministry information for Middle and High Schoolers can be found at the Event Center or online at emmanuelcommunity.org.

Weekly Meetings...

Wednesday 6:30-8:00pm - **Ignite** Meeting (6^{th} - 12^{th} grade) in the FLC Gym.

This Sunday (Feb 4th)...**Souper Bowl Party**. Join us for the Big Game from 6:00 pm - halftime. Both Middle and High School students are invited. Bring a can of soup to donate to a local ministry. Check in inside door #3.

Upcoming Events...

- Feb. 17th **Middle School Lock Out**: \$50 register by 2/12. Registration Forms for this event are available at the Event Center or online.
- Feb. 19th (9 am noon) Pancake Breakfast for High School Mission Trip

Student Mission Trips...

- June 11th-16th Middle School Mission Trip to Milwaukee
- \bullet June 11th 20th High School Mission Trip to Nicaragua

*Applications for these Mission Trips are available now at the Event Center or online. Applications are due Feb 12th.

Parents: Want to keep current with what's happening in Student Ministries? Email Kay at **khupperts@eccfw.org** to be put on our "5 Things..." weekly email.

Worship Service Options



Saturday at 5:00 and 6:30 pm (FLC Gym)Worship in a casual atmosphere and enjoy the same sermon that is shared on Sunday.



Sunday at 9:30 & 11:00 am (Worship Center) Inspiring worship with worship team and band... great message!



Sunday at 9:30 & 11:00 am (FLC Gym) Relaxed, inviting worship... message via live video feed. **Community Time:** Join us for coffee and donuts in The Commons or the FLC Gym between worship services.

Alternative giving options:

Text an amount to 260-370-6556, for credit/debit card visit our website, and ECC Direct Give (EFT) forms are available at the Event Center.

Lost and found is located above the mailboxes in the mail area by the Family Life Center gym.

Hearing Impaired Units

can be found at our sound booth or by asking an usher.

Our **Prayer Room** is open during normal business hours and accessible upstairs in the Galatians Room.

Subscribe online: You can mark the back of your eCard to request to receive electronic updates, such as eNotes and Daily Scripture. You can sign up to join a LifeGroup on our website.

Download Sermon Notes

using Emmanuel Guest wifi network. The password is joinguest.

> Church Office Hours: Mon-Thurs 8:30 am - 4:30 pm, Fri 8:30 am - 12:00 pm

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Testing Jesus

Mere Appearances

Luke 20:41-21:4

Steve Fish



Today's Focus

God is not impressed by the things that men find impressive. Today, we will see that Jesus offered a word, a warning, and a lesson about a widow to help us understand that God is searching beyond outward appearances which so impress others.



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Welcome to ECC

We're glad you chose to worship with us today! If you are new, please stop by our Welcome Center to pick up a Welcome Packet and gift.

Adult and Children's Baptism

Make plans now if you are interested in being baptized. Adults will be baptized in services the weekend of March 26th and children in a special service at 2pm on March 26.

Baptism Class: A lunch and preparation meeting will be held following second service on Sunday, February 19th from noon-1 pm. This class is a prerequisite for anyone wishing to be baptized in March.

If you have questions about anything related to baptism or the preparation class, please contact: **Pastor Steve** at **sfish@eccfw.org** (middle school and up) or **Pastor Shandra** at **shathaway@eccfw.org** (K-5th).

Please mark your **eCard** if you want to be baptized.

Baby Dedication [Sun. Feb. 26, 2pm]

Our next Baby Dedication will be held on Sunday, February 26th at 2pm. A required parent meeting will be held on February 19th at 11am in Room 169. If you would like to participate in this celebration, please mark your **eCard** to receive an informational packet. If you have any questions, feel free to contact **Pastor Shandra** at **shathaway@eccfw.org**.

Pancake Breakfast [Sun. Feb. 19, 9am - noon]

Come support our High School Mission Trip to Nicaragua by joining us for a pancake breakfast in The Commons. Donations towards our trip are appreciated! This event is open to the entire congregation.

eConnect

New to ECC?

Stop by the Welcome Center in the main foyer outside of the Worship Center or the Family Life Center and someone will give you a tour of our facility and an overview of our church's programming.

eConnect

Whether you're new to ECC or you've been around a while, this one-hour session will help acquaint you with our ministry and is the first step to church membership.

Join us the **first full weekend of each month**for this class on Saturday at
6:30pm and Sunday at 11:00am
in Room 169.

Membership Class [Feb. 15 at 6:30 pm] Prerequisite is eConnect. Please mark your eCard if you would like to attend.

ECC Emergency Contacts:

If you have an emergency and need to reach a pastoral staff member outside of regular office hours, call 260-615-4602 or 260-494-8586.

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HisWord

OASIS Senior Ministries Women's Prayer Coffee [Feb. 16, 9:30 am]

Join us for a meaningful time of prayer at Jan Clark's house. Her address is 9730 Woodland Ridge East, in The Hamlets, Fort Wayne, 46804. Call Jan at 436-1094 for directions.

Prayers for Our Nation [Feb. 8, 1:30 pm]

Join us in the Galatians room for prayer on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month. With the presence of the Holy Spirit, Galatians will become a "War Room" for God's glory!

Lunch & Learn [Feb. 13, The Commons, noon]

The OASIS Lunch & Learn is a monthly gathering where we eat, enjoy each other's company, & listen to a great speaker. Please join us in The Commons and bring a dish to share!

Adult Ministries

Upcoming Midweek Classes [Feb. 22, 6 weeks]

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33 Series (men only): Join us for another study in the Authentic Manhood series, A Man and His Marriage.

Apologetics: How do you explain evil and suffering in the world? How do you know the Bible is the Word of God? If you are seeking confidence in defending the Christian faith, then join us for an instructional training with Apologetics expert Andy Foland.

Seeing Jesus in the Psalms (women only): Leader Patti Murzyn will help us not only find wise principles for living life in this world as one who belongs to God, but to see the "wise person" the Psalms point us to.

Sign up on your **eCard** for any of these classes. Books are available at the Event Center.

Transforming Prayer Conference [March II, 9:00 am - noon, ECC]

Jesus Christ transforms lives. Yet so many people are discouraged with prayer. During this half-day seminar author Daniel Henderson, will help you overcome common barriers to praying effectively, and awaken your prayer life. Learn to truly encounter God in prayer every day, as you worship Him through Scripture and by His Spirit. Tickets are \$10 and are available at the Event Center.

Women's Ministries Uninvited [March 15, 9:30 - 11:30 am]

Leader Serena Luithly will help guide us through this six week study by author Lisa TerKeurst. This study takes an honest look at the roots of rejection, as well as rejection's ability to poison relationships from the inside out, including our relationship with God. With biblical depth, gut—honest vulnerability, and refreshing wit, you will be reminded we are destined for a love that can never be diminished, tarnished, shaken, or taken. To sign-up, mark your **eCard**.

Missions & Outreach

Would you like to receive more information about our REACH ministry, its partners, and opportunities to serve in our community and around the world? If so, provide your name and email address on your **eCard**.

February Local Service Opportunity:

Inasmuch Ministries is a local assistance organization that meets peoples' immediate needs while sharing the hope of Christ with them. We are looking for 5 individuals (8:30 - noon per day) to serve at Inasmuch on Monday, February 20th, Wednesday the 22nd, and Friday the 24th. If you would like to serve, mark your **eCard** and indicate which day(s) you can help.

Sewing Day [Sun. Feb. 25, 9am - 2pm]

Join us as we make dresses and shorts to send around the world to help children in need. We will provide assistance if you have never made a little dress or shorts. Or if you don't know how to sew, come help cut and iron fabric. Email **Kris** at **khitt@krishittlerinsurance.com** or visit our website for more information, or to obtain a detailed list of things needed for donations. Fabric and Trim donations may be dropped off at the Event Center. If you would like to come, mark your **eCard**.

Empowered to Connect [Apr. 28 & 29, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm, ECC]

CONFERENCE FOR ADOPTIVE AND FOSTER PARENTS: Empowered to Connect is designed to help adoptive and foster parents, ministry leaders, and professionals better understand how to connect with "children from hard places" to help them heal and become all that God desires for them to be! Register by February I I th to get the early bird discount price of \$12. To register, go to our website and click on "Events" then scroll down and click on "Empowered to Connect".

ABLE Ministries Night to Shine Prom [Feb 10, 6:00 - 9:00 pm]

If you know anyone 14 and older with special needs, we would love to have them as our guest. Guests can be registered by going to our website and by clicking on "Events" then "Night to Shine".

Friends Club [March 3, 6:00 - 8:30 pm]

Our theme this month is "Lucky Leprechaun"! ABLE students and siblings are welcome to join us in The Commons for games and crafts. Dinner will be served for the ABLE teen and young adult group. Sign up on your **eCard** if you would like to come.

Counseling Center

Interns:

Emmanuel has well trained, counseling interns who provide individual, family, or group counseling options. Instructions for scheduling your session with them can be found below.

Scheduling an Appointment:

Emmanuel provides several counseling options. To schedule an appointment with Bob Bruce, Kim Fish, or one of our interns, go to www.emmanuelcommunity.org, hover over "Resources", then select the Counseling and Care page. Click the "request an appointment" button to submit a form. If it is an emergency, call 260-615-4602.

Support Groups:

Bimonthly **Adoption** support group. We support families with adopted children by connecting them to community, celebrating adoption, and offering support for the unique needs of adoptive families.

For future dates contact **Sara Ward** for more information at **eccsara@mac.com**.

Memory Cafe takes place the 3rd Monday of each month from 3:00 - 5:00 pm in the Acts room, and is a place where individuals with memory loss and their caregivers can get together in a safe, supportive and engaging environment. It is a time and a place where people can, laugh, cry, find support, share concerns and celebrate without feeling embarrassed or misunderstood. The Cafe will center around socializing and support. Contact Sarah Gargac at 937-684-7459 for more info.

Our Walk