

## Pledge Possibilities

*Below is a list of possible pledges you might consider making. It is not a complete list but is intended to give you some ideas to get you started.*

### My prayer life:

- Say grace at dinner (at home or at a restaurant)/say grace at each meal of the day
- Start or end every day giving thanks to God for 3 things
- Create a touchstone prayer: a short one sentence prayer that you say every time you do a regular action (eg. every time you walk in front door "Thank you God for my family." Or when brushing teeth, "Thank you God for my physical health)
- 10 minutes of quiet contemplative prayer 3 or 4 times/week
- Come to church \_\_\_ times a month (more than you currently do in a typical month)
- Be involved in a liturgical ministry (e.g. choir, Eucharistic minister, lector, usher)
- Find a prayer partner, a person to meet with weekly/regularly to pray for the needs of others

### Learning more about God and my faith:

- Read \_\_\_ books of the Bible in a year
- Read \_\_\_ books on faith, prayer, spirituality in a year
- Read one chapter of the Bible every day
- Attend a parish or diocesan Quiet Day or retreat
- Attend the Faith and Fellowship book study
- Attend Sunday forums/classes

### Sharing my faith with others:

- Invite \_\_\_ people to church during the year.
- Pray daily for God to create an opportunity for you to share your faith
- Share Emmanuel pictures and postings on your Facebook page
- Assist in developing and maintaining Emmanuel webpage and social media
- Assist in leadership of Bring-a-Friend-to-Church Sunday
- Join the Gather & Grow or Member Engagement ministries

### Share my gifts in the following ministry and in the community:

- Volunteer to assist in a new ministry (*see enclosed diagram*)
- Join a service organization
- Volunteer at the hospital

*(see reverse side)*

Financial support of the congregation and God's work in the community

- If you do not pledge already at Emmanuel, pledge this year
- Consider your pledge as a percentage of your annual income instead of a flat amount
- Take a step towards the modern tithe (5% to the Church; 5% to organizations that do God's work in the world)
  - Increase the percentage of your total income that you give to Emmanuel
  - Increase the percentage of your total income that you give to organizations other than Emmanuel that are doing God's work (e.g. feeding the poor, caring for the sick, etc. - it may or may not be an explicitly religious organization)
- Make a special contribution, beyond pledge to Emmanuel, directly supporting the Youth Pantries (Northmen Dens, Harbor Hut and Lakeview Academy pantry). The Youth pantries receive approximately 13% of their funds from Emmanuel's Operating Budget. The remainder is raised through grants, direct public appeal, and other gifts. On average, \$500 will support one student for the course of the full school year.

<b><i>Annual</i></b>			<b><i>Annual</i></b>	<b><i>Pledge</i></b>		
<b><i>Salary</i></b>	1%	2%	3%	4%	5%	10%
20,000	200	400	600	800	1,000	2,000
30,000	300	600	900	1,200	1,500	3,000
40,000	400	800	1,200	1,600	2,000	4,000
50,000	500	1,000	1,500	2,000	2,500	5,000
60,000	600	1,200	1,800	2,400	3,000	6,000
70,000	700	1,400	2,100	2,800	3,500	7,000
80,000	800	1,600	2,400	3,200	4,000	8,000
90,000	900	1,800	2,700	3,600	4,500	9,000
100,000	1,000	2,000	3,000	4,000	5,000	10,000

<b><i>Annual</i></b>			<b><i>Monthly</i></b>	<b><i>Pledge</i></b>		
<b><i>Salary</i></b>	1%	2%	3%	4%	5%	10%
20,000	17	33	50	67	83	167
30,000	25	50	75	100	125	250
40,000	33	67	100	133	167	333
50,000	42	83	125	167	208	417
60,000	50	100	150	200	250	500
70,000	58	117	175	233	292	583
80,000	67	133	200	267	333	667
90,000	75	150	225	300	375	750
100,000	83	167	250	333	417	833