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Thanks for worshiping with us this evening. Your presence is your gift to us. We pray that our Service of Word and Sacrament is a blessing to you. Sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever we are praising, proclaiming and practicing Emmanuel – God with us – in daily life! May the power of the Holy Spirit equip the saints for Witness in the World!

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The Prayers

A: Let us pray for all those in need, the Church, and the whole people of God. **A brief silence.**

A: Lord God, Heavenly Father, we stand with you this day offering thanks for the gift and promise of Advent. Stir up our hearts so that we may meet the One who comes in the name of the Lord with patience and hope. Lord in your mercy:

C: Hear our prayer.

A: In this season of promised hope, grant to our troubled world the promise of lasting peace. Cure our “warring madness” and allow us to stand fast in Your Word as we continue to await Christ’s arrival. Until that time comes, we pray for your protection for those offering up their lives for us at home and overseas so that we may be free to worship you and share your goodness. Lord in your mercy:

C: Hear our prayer.

A: Holy Father, in these troublous times, help us to submit ourselves to the Truth of Your Word. Keep us grounded in the promise and hope that You are still with us, overseeing everything and gently leading your people to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Lord in your mercy:

C: Hear our prayer.

A: Father, you are the Potter and we are the clay. Bless this place and all other places where your saints gather to hear your Word and do your will, to worship and thank you, & to share in your meal. Keep us attentive listeners to Your Word & eager doers of it. Lord in your mercy:

C: Hear our prayer.

A: Lord God, we know that we deserve your anger, but receive your mercy. We know we and all that we have are the work of your Hand. You are our only salvation. We live for the day when we will see the Light of your Face shine upon us. Lord in your mercy:

C: Hear our prayer.

A: God and Father, help us to remember that all our brothers and sisters are your children. Teach us how to love. Teach us how to forgive. Lord in your mercy:

C: Hear our prayer.

A; Lord and Healer, we lift up to you the sick, the dying, the lonely, the fatigued, the weary in spirit, those who have found faith, and those who have lost faith, that you will guide, protect, strengthen, and heal them. We remember today those we mention aloud or in the silence of our heart (*names*). Lord in your mercy:

C: Hear our prayer.

P: These things and all for which we pray, we ask in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.

C: Amen.

Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19 —responsively

L: Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph like a flock!

C: You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine forth.

L: Before Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh, stir up your might and come to save us!

C: Restore us, O God; let your face shine, that we may be saved!

L: O LORD God of hosts, how long will you be angry with your people's prayers?

C: You have fed them with the bread of tears and given them tears to drink in full measure.

L: You make us an object of contention for our neighbors, and our enemies laugh among themselves.

C: Restore us, O God of hosts; let your face shine, that we may be saved!

L: But let your hand be on the man of your right hand, the son of man whom you have made strong for yourself!

C: Then we shall not turn back from you;

L: Give us life, and we will call upon your name!

C: Restore us, O LORD God of hosts! Let your face shine, that we may be saved!

Holy Communion is the Lord's Supper for the Lord's People: "All are welcome to receive the Lord's Body and Blood who are baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and believe that Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, is truly present in, with and under the forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation." We are practicing head of the aisle Communion tonight by means of Intinction.



**Worship—Eve of
Advent One
Nov. 29, 2014
6:00 p.m.**

Lutheran Book of Worship—Setting II

** indicates stand as you are able*

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements—*Lighting of Advent Candle*

Prayer: Blessed are you, O Lord our God, Ruler of the universe. You call all nations to walk in your light and to seek the ways of your justice and peace, for the night is past and the dawn of your coming is near. Bless us as we light the first candle of this wreath. Rouse us from our sleep, that we may be ready to greet our Lord when He comes, and welcome Him into our hearts and homes, for He is our light and our salvation. Blessed be God forever. Amen.

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P: The Lord be with you.

C: And Also with you.

P: Stir up your power, O Lord, and come. Protect us by your strength and save us from the threatening dangers of our sins, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

First Lesson: Isaiah 63:16b-17; 64:1-9

Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

Second Lesson: I Corinthians 1:3-9

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Men's Bible Study Breakfast: Weekly fellowship around God's Word at 8 am Tuesdays at Charlie's (1408 2nd. St. SW). Join us in being Evangelical. Invite a friend. Share the Good News! We will meet on Tuesday, December 2 & discuss the readings for Advent II: Isaiah 40:1-11; Psalm 85; II Peter 3:8-14; and Mark 1:1-8.

Women's Bible Study: Pastor Dave is leading an Eight Session Study on I Corinthians. Women of Emmanuel Lutheran & Oasis Baptist are gathering on Wednesday afternoons (1:00-2:30 p.m.), twice each month, for a 21st Century look at St. Paul's letter to the Church in Corinth. The Church in Corinth had its share of problems. Instead of living as resurrection people and infiltrating the culture with the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the church was accommodating itself to culture and swallowing paganism hook, line, and sinker. Written in Ephesus around 55 A.D., Paul could have been addressing the Church in the USA in the year 2014. **Remaining Dates:** December 3 & 17.

Saturday School: 5:10 p.m.—Christian Education for all ages on Saturdays prior to Worship! Each week we'll enjoy singing, a Bible Lesson/Craft and a snack (kid friendly). If anyone has any ideas for a more 'exciting' name for Saturday School—we'd love to hear it! Contact Julie Steffenson for more information or to share your ideas: (507)-206-3048. Three week class on Holy Communion begins on Dec. 6.

Benefit Concert: Friday, December 5 at 7 p.m. at Oasis Church. Free Tickets. Reservations required. Jill Herringshaw will perform her own presentation of "Mary, Mother of All Joys" along with her daughter Emily! Monetary gifts and non-perishable food items are encouraged to benefit Oasis' Supermarket Saturday food shelf with Channel One.

Bell Ringing—One of Emmanuel's Ministry Partnerships is the Salvation Army. For a second year in a row, we are ringing bells and sharing the good news of Christmas with our neighbors. Lee Pearce is coordinating this activity. This year's dates and locations are as follows:
* Saturday, Nov. 29 from 1-3pm at Shopko North (Pharmacy Door entrance).—Rich/Janet Sunde; Larry/Deb Vomhof & Grandchildren.
* Saturday, Dec. 6 from 11am-1pm at Hy-Vee North (37th St.)—Arne/Samia Nelson.
* Thursday, Dec. 11 from 1-3pm at Hobby Lobby—LeRoy/Margaret Quam & Don/Peg Holtan.
* Monday, Dec. 22 from 11am-1pm at Shopko North (Pharmacy Door entrance)—Bob/Marcia Harms, and Dick/Nancy Stanley
All Times are Filled. THANKS!

Isaiah 63:16b-17; 64:1-9—Prayer for Mercy

63:16b You, O LORD, are our Father, our Redeemer from of old is your name. 17 O LORD, why do you make us wander from your ways and harden our heart, so that we fear you not? Return for the sake of your servants, the tribes of your heritage. 64:1 Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down, that the mountains might quake at your presence-- 2 as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil-- to make your name known to your adversaries, and that the nations might tremble at your presence! 3 When you did awesome things that we did not look for, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. 4 From of old no one has heard or perceived by the ear, no eye has seen a God besides you, who acts for those who wait for him. 5 You meet him who joyfully works righteousness, those who remember you in your ways. Behold, you were angry, and we sinned; in our sins we have been a long time, and shall we be saved? 6 We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. 7 There is no one who calls upon your name, who rouses himself to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have made us melt in the hand of our iniquities. 8 But now, O LORD, you are our Father; we are the clay, & you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. 9 Be not so terribly angry, O LORD, and remember not iniquity forever. Behold, please look, we are all your people.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

I Corinthians 1:3-9—Thanksgiving

3 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. 4 I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, 5 that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge-- 6 even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you-- 7 so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, 8 who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading—Mark 13:24-37

P: The Holy Gospel According to St. Mark the 13th. Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

24 "But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, 25 and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. 26 And then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. 27 And then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. 28 "From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer is near. 29 So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. 30 Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. 31 Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. 32 "But concerning that day or that hour, no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. 33 Be on guard, keep awake. For you do not know when the time will come. 34 It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his servants in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to stay awake. 35 Therefore stay awake --for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or in the morning-- 36 lest he come suddenly and find you asleep. 37 And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

WORSHIP SERVANTS Tonight:

Pianist: MarJean Damerval

Scripture Reader/Prayers: Leitha Bothun

Set-up: MarJean Damerval & Fred Morck

Ushers: LeRoy Quam & Rich Sunde

Coffee: Peg Holtan

Communion: Darald Bothun

Take Down: Janet Sunde

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Saturday, Nov. 29, 2014
Eve of Advent One—6 pm

***"Praising, Proclaiming and Practicing
Emmanuel—God with us—in daily life!"***

ADVENT THANKSGIVING

We pray you are having a safe and blessed Thanksgiving Weekend. As we enter the Season of Advent we are giving THANKS to Christ our King, who is our Light and our Salvation. Advent's color is BLUE, the color of hope. In Christ we are homing in hope! During the Days of Advent, may God prepare a way into our hearts and give us the joy of Emmanuel. We await the coming of Jesus in daily life, in the needs of our neighbors. We await the END TIME coming of Jesus. We await the coming of Christ in Word and Sacrament. We await the Advent of God in the Nativity of our Lord. Blessed Advent to you and yours!
Thanks to LeRoy Quam for making our Advent Wreath!

WELCOME

We are delighted to have Pastor Fred Morck with us tonight, leading us in worship and sharing with us the gifts of Word and Sacrament. Pastor Fred is an NALC pastor currently seeking a call.

**The December Emmanuel Prayer
Calendar & Epistle Newsletter are
available in print!**



CALENDAR ITEMS

- Pastor Dave on vacation (November 27-December 2)
- Sat. Nov. 29 Bell Ringing (1-3pm); Advent I Worship @ 6pm with Rev. Fred Morck (Pulpit Supply)
- Tues., Dec. 2 at 8 am Men's Bible Study Breakfast at Charlie's
- Wed, December 3 at 1pm—Women's Bible Study on I Corinthians
- Friday, Dec. 5 @ 7pm Benefit Concert for Supermarket Saturday
- Sat, December 6—Bell Ringing (11am-1pm) Saturday School @ 5:10pm; Advent II Worship at 6pm; Huddle @ 7:30pm