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The Prayers

A: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

A brief silence

A: Dear Lord Jesus Christ, you are King over all of creation. By you and for you all things were created. You alone are worthy of honor & glory. To you alone we give our worship and praise. We thank you for all your blessings. Grant that we might show our gratitude in lives lived wholly for you. Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: Christ the King, you are the Head of your body, the church. We pray, Lord Jesus, for your body – bless it with faithful pastors and lay leaders who will proclaim your Word in truth. We pray for unfaithful shepherds as well, that you would turn their hearts back to you, in order to lead your people in paths of righteousness. Lord in your mercy,
C: Hear our prayer.

A: Christ the King, as you hung on the cross your tormentors taunted you to save yourself and come down from the cross; then they would believe in you. But little did they realize that because you did not come down, you procured the forgiveness of their sin and ours. Sustain us, Lord Jesus, when we suffer, with the realization that it may serve to lead someone to repentance and faith in you. Lord in your mercy,
C: Hear our prayer.

A: Christ the King, you alone are the true ruler of the nations of the world. One day every knee will bow and every tongue confess your sovereignty. Until that day comes we lift up to you our nation. Be with our president, vice-president, the members of congress, the judicial system, all governors, state legislators, mayors & city councils that they might lead us according to your wisdom & will. Lord in your mercy,
C: Hear our prayer.

A: Christ the King, we bring before your throne of mercy all who are in need of your healing touch. As your touch healed many while you were here on earth, grant that the sick might know your healing power today (*names are offered*). Lord in your mercy,
C: Hear our prayer.

A: Christ the King, we are the sheep of your hand and the people of your pasture. We need not fear the separation. You promise to bless and supply the needs of all who seek first your kingdom and its righteousness. Grant that we, Lord Jesus, might be the means by which you supply the needs of our neighbors. Help us in our daily living to see in those the world considers “the least of these” our opportunities to serve you. Lord in your mercy,
C: Hear our prayer.

P: Into your hands, O Christ our King, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy.
C: Amen.

Psalm 95:1-7a—responsively

L: Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;

C: Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

L: Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving;

C: Let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!

L: For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

C: In His hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are His also.

L: The sea is His, for he made it,

C: And His hands formed the dry land.

L: Oh come, let us worship and bow down;

C: Let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

L: For he is our God,

C: And we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand.

WORSHIP SERVANTS:

Pianist: MarJean Damerval

Scripture Reader, Prayers & Communion Server: Lee Pearce

Ushers: Larry Vomhof & Cabe Sieberaler

Coffee: Peg Holtan

Treats: Janet Sunde

Set up: Julie Steffenson

Take down: Janet Sunde

Thanks for worshipping 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!

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**Worship—Eve of
Christ the King
Nov. 22, 2014
6:00 p.m.**

With One Voice: Bread of Life Liturgy

** indicates stand as you are able*

Prelude

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*Salutation and Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And Also with you.

P: Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things to your beloved Son, whom you appointed Priest forever and King of all creation: Grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united under the glorious and gentle rule of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

First Lesson: Ezekiel 34:11-24

Psalm 95:1-7a

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Second Lesson: Ephesians 1:15-23

*Gospel Acclamation: “Alleluia” Page 31

*Holy Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

Children’s Message: “Separation”

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)—Bo/Marcia Harms.

All Times are Filled. THANKS!

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, November 25 & discuss the readings for Advent I: Isaiah 63:16b-17; 64:1-9; Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19; I Corinthians 1:3-9; & Mark 13:24-37.

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). PLEASE NOTE: We will not meet for Saturday School on Nov. 29th—Thanksgiving Weekend. Also, 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.

Ezekiel 34:11-24—The Lord God Will Seek Them Out

11 "For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. 12 As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. 13 And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. 14 I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. 15 I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord GOD. 16 I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice. 17 "As for you, my flock, thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and male goats. 18 Is it not enough for you to feed on the good pasture, that you must tread down with your feet the rest of your pasture; and to drink of clear water, that you must muddy the rest of the water with your feet? 19 And must my sheep eat what you have trodden with your feet, and drink what you have muddied with your feet? 20 "Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: Behold, I, I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. 21 Because you push with side and shoulder, and thrust at all the weak with your horns, till you have scattered them abroad, 22 I will rescue my flock; they shall no longer be a prey. And I will judge between sheep and sheep. 23 And I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. 24 And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them. I am the LORD; I have spoken.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Ephesians 1:15-23—Thanksgiving & Prayer

15 For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, 16 I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, 17 that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, 18 having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, 19 and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might 20 that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, 21 far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. 22 And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, 23 which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading—Matthew 25:31-46

P: The Holy Gospel According to St. Matthew the 25th Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

31 "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. 32 Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. 33 And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left. 34 Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. 35 For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, 36 I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' 37 Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? 38 And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? 39 And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' 40 And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.' 41 "Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. 42 For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, 43 I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' 44 Then they also will answer, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?' 45 Then he will answer them, saying, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' 46 And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

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The Emmanuel Weekly

Saturday, Nov. 22, 2014
Eve of Christ the King—6 pm

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

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.

Wednesday, November 26 @ 6:00pm:
Thanksgiving Worship with the Lord's Supper followed by a pie social. Bring a pie or dessert to share with your church family and enjoy the gift of Christian Table Fellowship. Invite a friend.

TABLE DISPLAY

Are you looking for resources for teaching children in word, picture, and song the content of our Christian Faith? Stop by the table in the Gathering Space and view some of the resources that Pastor Fred has on display. Investing in the faith of our little ones is always a good idea!



CALENDAR ITEMS

- Saturday, Nov. 22 @ 5:10pm—Saturday School; 6pm—Worship
- Sunday, November 23 Pastor Dave @ FLC in St. Ansgar, IA
- Tues, Nov. 25 @ 8am Men's Bible Study Breakfast at Charlie's
- Wed, Nov. 26 @ 6pm Thanksgiving Eve Worship & Pie Social
- **Blessed Thanksgiving!**
- Sat, November 29 No Saturday School; Advent I Worship @ 6pm—Pulpit Supply: Rev. Fred Morck
- Wed, December 3 @ 1pm—Women's Bible Study on I Corinthians