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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!

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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 rule over all the world – the plants and animals, humans and all nations. You control the wind and waves, the stars and planets in their orbits. You alone are worthy of honor and 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 and city councils that they might lead us according to your wisdom and 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 infirm might know your healing power today (names are offered). 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 46—responsively

L: God is our refuge and strength,
C: A very present help in trouble.
L: Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,
C: Though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,
L: Though its waters roar and foam,
C: Though the mountains tremble at its swelling.
L: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
C: The holy habitation of the Most High.
L: God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;
C: God will help her when morning dawns.
L: The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;
C: He utters His voice, the earth melts.
L: The LORD of hosts is with us;
C: The God of Jacob is our fortress.
L: Come, behold the works of the LORD,
C: How he has brought desolations on the earth.
L: He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; He breaks the bow and shatters the spear;
C: He burns the chariots with fire.
L: "Be still, and know that I am God.
C: I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!"
L: The LORD of hosts is with us;
C: The God of Jacob is our fortress.

WORSHIP SERVANTS:

Pianist: MarJean Damerval

Scripture Reader & Prayers: Mike Lockerby

Usher: Arne Nelson & Larry Vomhof

Communion Assistant: Lee Pearce

Coffee: Peg Holtan

Treats: Janet Sunde



**Worship—Eve of
Christ the King
Nov. 23, 2013
6:00 p.m.**

With One Voice: Bread of Life Liturgy

** indicates stand as you are able*

Prelude

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*Gathering Hymn: "My Life Flows On" #781

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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: Jeremiah 23:1-6

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Second Lesson: Colossians 1:11-20

*Gospel Acclamation: "Alleluia" Page 31

*Holy Gospel: Luke 23:26-43

Children's Message: "New Year's Eve"

Work Wanted: Waiting for a call, Pastor Fred Morck (507-876-2585 or 218-371-5647) is seeking part-time work (carpentry, painting, remodeling, etc). Thanks for helping Fred out!

Getting To Know You: Carol Olson is writing monthly articles for our church newsletter (The Emmanuel Epistle) featuring the faith stories and life journeys of our members. When Carol contacts you, we encourage your participation. The December Newsletter will feature Don and Peg Holtan.

NALC SEMINARY SUPPORT: Emmanuel's Christmas Eve Offering is going in support of our new Seminary. An anonymous donor has pledged a matching gift of \$1500. Prayerfully consider your second-mile gift to Emmanuel in support of Seminary education & the training of our future pastors in the NALC. Designate your checks or offering envelopes "Christmas Gift"!

Men's Bible Study Breakfast: Emmanuel Men are meeting weekly on Tuesdays at 8 a.m. at Charlie's (1408 2nd. St. SW) for breakfast & a first look at the lectionary readings for the week. Bring a friend, sit at the feet of Jesus & practice being evangelical. Our next meeting is Tuesday, November 26. Our Bible Readings for Advent One are: Isaiah 2:1-5; Psalm 122; Romans 13:8-14; and Matthew 24:36-51.

ESV Study Bibles: Contact Pastor Dave if you would like to purchase an ESV Study Bible at a reduced price.

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Jeremiah 23:1-6

1 Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! declares the LORD. **2** Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who care for my people: You have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for your evil deeds, declares the LORD. **3** Then I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. **4** I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing, declares the LORD. **5** Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. **6** In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

Colossians 1:11-20

11 May you be strengthened with all power, according to His glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy, **12** giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. **13** He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, **14** in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. **15** He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. **16** For by Him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities--all things were created through Him and for Him. **17** And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. **18** And He is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything He might be preeminent. **19** For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, **20** and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of His cross.

Gospel Reading—Luke 23:26-43

P: The Holy Gospel According to St. Luke the 23rd Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

26 And as they led [Jesus] away, they seized one Simon of Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, and laid on him the cross, to carry it behind Jesus. **27** And there followed him a great multitude of the people and of women who were mourning and lamenting for him. **28** But turning to them Jesus said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. **29** For behold, the days are coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren and the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!' **30** Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us,' and to the hills, 'Cover us.' **31** For if they do these things when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?" **32** Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. **33** And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. **34** And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." And they cast lots to divide his garments. **35** And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!" **36** The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine **37** and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" **38** There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." **39** One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" **40** But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? **41** And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." **42** And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." **43** And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

The Emmanuel Weekly

Saturday, Nov. 23, 2013
Eve of Christ the King—6 pm

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

Calling All Busy Women!

A DVD Bible Study began on Monday, Nov. 18 at the home of Margaret Quam (304—15th Ave. S.W.), with 12 women attending. Based on the Book of Proverbs the study is called, "Simplify Your Life". Women are meeting twice a month from 1:00-2:30 pm on Mondays. Next meeting is Dec. 2. Contact Kari Richards for more information.

Thanksgiving Eve

Wednesday, Nov. 27 at 6 pm—Worship & Pie Social. Bring a pie to share. Offering will support the Pastor's Discretionary Fund, caring for those in need.

Servant Opportunities!

Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army. Contact Lee Pearce if you would like to be an Emmanuel Volunteer!

Church Ad in the Post-Bulletin! Contact Larry Vomhof if you would like to help sponsor an Emmanuel Advertisement.



CALENDAR ITEMS

- Saturday, November 23 @ 6 pm WOV: Bread of Life Liturgy
- Tues, Nov. 26 @ 8 am Men's Bible Study Breakfast at Charlie's
- Wed. Nov. 27 at 6 pm Thanksgiving Worship and Pie Social
- Sat. Nov. 30 @ 6 pm Pulpit Supply: Rev. Tim Duesenberg LBW Setting II Liturgy
- Mon. Dec. 2 @ 1 pm Women's Bible Study
- Tues. Dec. 17 @ 10 am—Council Mtg.
- Dec. 24 @ 6 pm Christmas Eve Worship; offering supports NALS