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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A: Let us pray for the needs of the world and for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus.

brief silence

Each petition ends with: Lord in your mercy, followed by the congregational response: **Hear our prayer**.

Prayers end with...

P: Into your hands, Father, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

HYMN OF THE DAY—tune of LBW #403

“We Played the Flute!” the Children Said *Canonbury LM (“Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak”)*

- VERSE 1 “We played the flute!” the children said—
“You would not dance or join our game!
We wailed like those who grieve the dead,
And yet you would not do the same.”
- VERSE 2 When John would fast for many days,
The crowds would murmur and condemn;
Yet they complained at Jesus’ ways:
“He eats and drinks with those who sin!”
- VERSE 3 Forgive us, Lord, what we expect!
We want a faith that we control—
Yet faith is not what we direct,
For it’s your grace that makes us whole.
- VERSE 4 And when we let our burdens go
And take your yoke, and learn from you,
We’ll find your rest, and then we’ll know
Your way, not ours, will see us through.

Biblical Text: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Tune: Robert Schumann, 1839.

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Psalm 145:8-14—responsively

L: The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

C: The LORD is good to all, and His mercy is over all that He has made.

L: All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD, and all your saints shall bless you!

C: They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom and tell of your power,

L: To make known to the children of man your mighty deeds,

C: And the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

L: Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations.

C: The LORD is faithful in all His words and kind in all His works.

L: The LORD upholds all who are falling

C: And raises up all who are bowed down.

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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WORSHIP SERVANTS Tonight: THANKS!

Pianist: Mandy Lambrecht

Scripture Reader/Prayers/Communion Server: Kari Richards

Set-up: Julie Steffenson Coffee: Peg Holtan

Ushers: Rich Sunde & Larry Vomhof

Sound: Don Holtan Treats: Jenna & Matt Serr



**Worship
Pentecost IV
July 5, 2014
6:00 p.m.**

Lutheran Book of Worship—Setting II

** indicates stand as you are able*

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

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*Hymn: “I Lay My Sins on Jesus” #305

*Greeting Page 78

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*Hymn of Praise: “Worthy Is Christ” Page 81f

*Salutation and Prayer of the Day Page 82

P: God of glory, Father of love, peace comes from you alone. Send us as peacemakers and witnesses to your kingdom, and fill our hearts with joy in your promises of salvation; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

First Lesson: Zechariah 9:9-13

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Second Lesson: Romans 7:15-25

*Gospel Acclamation: “Alleluia” Page 83

*Holy Gospel: Matthew 11:16-30

Children’s Message: “Alphabet Praise”

Sermon: “The Yoke is On You” Rev. Dave Steffenson

*Hymn: ““We Played the Flute!’ the Children Said” Bulletin Page 3

*Confession of Faith: “Apostles’ Creed” Page 85

Emmanuel Church Picnic: Deb and Larry Vomhof are hosting a congregational picnic at their house (11530 Hwy. 52 S.E., Chatfield, MN) on Sunday, August 3. Emmanuel members and friends are invited to participate in a fun day of food and Christian fellowship. We hope you can join us.

Time: Arrive after 11:30 a.m. We will eat at 12:00 Noon.

Bring: A dish to pass, and chips. Vomhofs are graciously providing hamburgers, brats, and hotdogs, along with the fixings. Coffee and Lemonade will also be provided. Bring additional beverages if you wish.

Activities: Vomhofs have a pool, so bring swimsuits, towels, lifejackets, and blowup tubes. Enjoy conversation, and outdoor games. Make a new friend.

Directions: From Oasis Church—travel on U.S. 52 South approximately 20 miles. Destination will be on the right; about 5 miles from Marion between the 2 county road 7's. Watch for the balloons.

Women's Bible Study: Pastor Dave & Julie are leading a nine session Bible Study on the Discipleship Parables of Jesus. Women meet at Oasis Church, twice a month, on Mondays from 1:00-2:30 p.m. Our next Meeting (Session 5) is July 14. We will be studying Luke 12:35-48—"The Wise Manager". Bring a friend.

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, July 8 & discuss the readings for Pentecost V: Is. 55:10-13; Ps. 65:1-13; Romans 8:1-11; & Mt. 13:1-9, 18-23.

Housing Request: Pastor Fred Morck (Cell: 218-371-5647); may need to move from Potsdam Parsonage (507) 876-2585 to Rochester, late July or August. If you know of someone with a house or a 3 bedroom apartment to rent within a walk or short drive of Oasis Church, please contact Pastor Fred Morck.

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ReClaim Hymnals: Six hymnals remain for purchase and dedication. Anyone wishing to purchase a ReClaim Hymnal for Emmanuel Lutheran should talk to Pastor Dave. We will be using this new Songbook in September with our edited version of Holden Evening Prayer. Hymnals have been given by the Bakke, Olson, and Konop families. Thanks!

Zechariah 9:9-13—The Coming King

9 Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. 10 I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. 11 As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. 12 Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double. 13 For I have bent Judah as my bow; I have made Ephraim its arrow. I will stir up your sons, O Zion, against your sons, O Greece, and wield you like a warrior's sword.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Romans 7:15-25—Who Will Deliver Me?

15 For I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. 16 Now if I do what I do not want, I agree with the law, that it is good. 17 So now it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. 18 For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. 19 For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing. 20 Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. 21 So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. 22 For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, 23 but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. 24 Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? 25 Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, I myself serve the law of God with my mind, but with my flesh I serve the law of sin.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 11:16-30

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 11th. Chapter.
C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

16 "But to what shall I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to their playmates, 17 "'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we sang a dirge, and you did not mourn.' 18 For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon.' 19 The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is justified by her deeds." 20 Then he began to denounce the cities where most of his mighty works had been done, because they did not repent. 21 "Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. 22 But I tell you, it will be more bearable on the day of judgment for Tyre and Sidon than for you. 23 And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven? You will be brought down to Hades. For if the mighty works done in you had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day. 24 But I tell you that it will be more tolerable on the day of judgment for the land of Sodom than for you." 25 At that time Jesus declared, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; 26 yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. 27 All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. 28 Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

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The Emmanuel Weekly

Saturday, July 5, 2014
Pentecost IV - 6 pm

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

Blessed 4th of July Weekend to you & yours! Celebrate the gift of Freedom!

SAVE THE DATE:

Saturday, July 26—Picnic with Oasis & Iglesia churches. Sign-up sheet posted on Oasis bulletin board.

THE TRUTH PROJECT

Focus on the Family DVD Series!
Equipping the Saints with a Biblical Worldview for bearing witness to Jesus.

13 weeks, on Sunday mornings, at Oasis

10:30 a.m.—Coffee & Fellowship

10:50 a.m.—DVD Segment

11:50 a.m.—Discussion

12:20—Closing & Prayer

12:30 p.m.—Departure

DATES: July 20, 27, Aug. 3, 10, 17, 24,
& Sept. 7, 14, 21, 28.

**Remember to pick up your copy of the
July Prayer Calendar and Emmanuel
Epistle Church Newsletter.**



CALENDAR ITEMS

- Sat, July 5 @ 6pm
Pentecost IV Worship
- Sunday, July 6—Pastor Steffenson @ Rushford Lutheran Church (9am)
- Tues, July 8 @ 8am
Men's Bible Study
Breakfast at Charlie's
- Sat, July 12 @ 6pm
Pentecost V Worship
- Sun, July 13 - Pastor Dave preaching at Old East/West Paint Creek Lutheran Churches, IA
- OASIS VBS—July 13-16
- July 15—Emmanuel Council Meeting (10am)
- July 21-25—Lutheran Core & NALC Convo. in Charleston, S. C.