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### **PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

A: In trust let us pray to God our Father, Jesus the Good Shepherd, and the Holy Spirit for the needs of the our neighbors near and far.

*a brief silence*

A: Heavenly Father, you are the giver of all good things. We praise you for the beauty of your creation. We glorify you for your love.

We thank you for your abundant gifts. Lord, in your mercy.

**C: Hear our prayer.**

A: Forgive us our busy lives, which cause us to neglect our neighbors' needs and burn ourselves out with our own priorities. Lead us to rest, that we may have leisure to eat along streams of living water and so be refreshed in your Word and renewed in body for loving service. Lord, in your mercy.

**C: Hear our prayer.**

A: We pray for the leaders of the church, whom you have called and appointed to lead your sheep. Bless all who serve as bishops, pastors, or missionaries. Keep them steadfast in faith and faithful in proclaiming Christ crucified. Lord, in your mercy.

**C: Hear our prayer.**

A: We pray for those who lack the basic needs of life. Use us to provide food for the hungry, water to those who thirst, shelter for the homeless, friendship for the lonely, and most importantly, love for those who feel unloved. Lord, in your mercy.

**C: Hear our prayer.**

A: We pray for the leaders of our nation. Grant them wisdom in decision making. Grant defenders of our nation a full measure of your peace in the face of uncertainty, & bring them to joyful reunions with their loved ones. Lord, in your mercy.

**C: Hear our prayer.**

A: We pray for all who are in need of your healing presence. Bless with skill and compassion all those whom you have called to tend to the sick and injured. We especially ask your tender mercy to be upon (*names...*) and others whose need is known only to you. Lord, in your mercy.

**C: Hear our prayer.**

A: We pray for all who are near death, those who mourn and are living in the season of grief, that they with us may cling to the promise of the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Lord, in your mercy.

**C: Hear our prayer.**

P: Into your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through your Son Jesus Christ, the Great Shepherd of the sheep.

**C: Amen.**

**Psalm 23—responsively**

L: The LORD is my shepherd;

**C: I shall not want.**

L: He makes me lie down in green pastures.

**C: He leads me beside still waters.**

L: He restores my soul.

**C: He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.**

L: Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil,

**C: For you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

L: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

**C: You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.**

L: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

**C: And I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

**WORSHIP SERVANTS Tonight:**

*Pianist: MarJean Damerval*

*Scripture Reader, Prayers, Communion Server: Julie Steffenson*

*Ushers: Rich Sunde & LeRoy Quam & Cabe Siebenaler*

*Acolyte: Ava Siebenaler*

*Coffee: Judy Pearce*

*Treats: Samia Nelson*

*Sound: Lee Pearce*

*Set-up: Julie Steffenson*

*Take-down: Janet Sunde & friends*



**Worship  
Pentecost VIII  
July 18, 2015  
6:00 p.m.**

**With One Voice— Bread of Life Liturgy**

*\* indicates stand as you are able*

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

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P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray: O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

First Lesson: Jeremiah 23:1-6

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Second Lesson: Ephesians 2:11-22

\*Gospel Acclamation: "Alleluia" Page 31

\*Holy Gospel: Mark 6:30-44

Children's Message: "Team Jesus"

Sermon: "Compassionate Observer" Rev. David Steffenson

\*Hymn: "Bind Us Together" #748

**Communion Invitation:** 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 & risen, is truly present in, with and under the forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation." We are currently practicing head of the aisle Communion by means of Intinction.

**Martyr: Life-Giving Witness:** The NALC Convocation will be held in Dallas this summer (Aug. 12-14). Pastor Steffenson & Lee Pearce will be our Emmanuel Delegates. The Convocation will celebrate the 50th Ordination Anniversary of Bishop Emeritus Paull Spring. Members of the NALC (North American Lutheran Church) are invited to send a Thank-offering Gift in support of the NALS (North American Lutheran Seminary) in honor of Bishop Spring. Contact Pastor Steffenson for more information.

**Council Highlights (July 14):** Pulpit Supply in August will be Rev. Tim Duesenberg on August 8 and Rev. Chris Brekke on August 15. Emmanuel Picnic will be on Sunday, August 23 at the Vomhof's. Emmanuel will provide the meats and drinks. Pianist schedule is set for July - September; thanks to MarJean, Mandy and Karen. Members of Emmanuel are encouraged to pack the WORD (bring your bible to church each week). Bible Celebration Saturday will be August 29 with a freewill offering in support of the Gideons. Thank you received from NALS for our gift of \$1200. Next Mtg. is Aug. 11.

**Prayer Time:** Thursdays at Oasis Church from 11:00-11:30am in Pastor Dan's office. This is a small group opportunity for Emmanuel members to join members of Oasis in a shared time of prayer. Fridays at 9:30am—Ecumenical opportunity for praying for persecuted Christians around the world.

**Women's Bible Study:** Our study on Ephesians has concluded and we will begin a new study on September 9 (1pm). Our new study for the fall will be an eight session study on "Favorite Women in the Bible".

**Men's Bible Study Breakfast:** Emmanuel Men are meeting weekly on Tuesdays at 8am 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 Tues, July 21. Our Bible Readings for Pentecost IX are: Genesis 9:8-17; Psalm 136:1-9; Ephesians 3:14-21; and Mark 6:45-56.

## Jeremiah 23:1-6 — The Righteous Branch

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.'

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

## Ephesians 2:11-22 — One in Christ

11 Therefore remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called "the uncircumcision" by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands-- 12 remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. 13 But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. 14 For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility 15 by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, 16 and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. 17 And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. 18 For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. 19 So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, 20 built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, 21 in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. 22 In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

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## Gospel Reading: Mark 6:30-44

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 6th. Chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

30 The apostles returned to Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. 31 And he said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a desolate place and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. 32 And they went away in the boat to a desolate place by themselves. 33 Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they ran there on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. 34 When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. And he began to teach them many things. 35 And when it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, "This is a desolate place, and the hour is now late. 36 Send them away to go into the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat." 37 But he answered them, "You give them something to eat." And they said to him, "Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give it to them to eat?" 38 And he said to them, "How many loaves do you have? Go and see." And when they had found out, they said, "Five, and two fish." 39 Then he commanded them all to sit down in groups on the green grass. 40 So they sat down in groups, by hundreds and by fifties. 41 And taking the five loaves and the two fish he looked up to heaven and said a blessing and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples to set before the people. And he divided the two fish among them all. 42 And they all ate and were satisfied. 43 And they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. 44 And those who ate the loaves were five thousand men.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*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! Blessed summer of rest and renewal to you and yours! Let your light shine to the glory of God!*

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# The Emmanuel Weekly

**Saturday, July 18, 2015**

**Pentecost VIII - 6 pm**

***"Praising, Proclaiming and Practicing  
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life!"***



## Summer Happenings

Sunday, August 23—Emmanuel Picnic at the home of Larry & Deb Vomhof (11530 Hwy. 52 S.E. Chatfield). Arrive at 11:30am & eat at 12:00 noon. Bring a dish to share. Meats and Drinks will be provided. Bring swimsuits and blowup tubes also.

Sat, August 29 at 6pm—Bible Saturday, celebrating the gift of God's Word. Bring your Bible to worship with you. Need a Bible or want to provide one to someone in need? Contact Pastor Dave. A freewill offering will be received at the door in support of the Gideons.

\*Creating a Church Picture Directory!

## THANK YOU

New book shelves have been built by LeRoy and Don for the storage of our hymnals. We offer thanks to God for the generous gifts of the Quams & Holtans!

**Emmanuel July Newsletter & Prayer Calendar are available!**

## CALENDAR ITEMS

- Saturday, July 18 - Supermarket Saturday at Oasis (10am); Pentecost VIII Worship @ 6pm; Coffee in the Oasis Fellowship Hall
- Sunday, July 19 - Pastor Dave at Gift of Grace in Holmen, WI
- Tues, July 21—Men's Bible Study Breakfast @ Charlie's (8am)
- Friday, July 24—Clergy Faithfulness Mtg. at Oasis Church (12-2pm)
- Sat, July 25—Pentecost IX Worship @ 6pm
- Sun, July 26—Pastor Dave in Iowa at Old East & Old West Paint Creek