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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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

Silence is kept

A: For the Church that, sharing in the cross of your Son, your people may share with him in the glory of his Resurrection. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: For this congregation, that the body of believers gathered here may love one another with mutual affection. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: For all ministers of Word and Sacrament; that they may preach the message of the cross, foolishness to those who are perishing but the power of God to those who are being saved. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: For Christians under persecution, that imitating their Lord’s acceptance of suffering, they may bless those who persecute them and look to the day of their vindication. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: For the government and the armed forces; that they may defend the weak & be faithful in the exercise of their offices. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: For all who labor; that in their vocations they may contribute to the welfare of our people and receive a just recompense for their work. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: For those who lack employment or who work under adverse conditions; that work may be a blessing and not a curse. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: For the sick in body, mind, and spirit, for those who grieve, for those whose faith is wavering or has gone cold; and for all those we name before you... *people may offer spoken or silent intercessory prayer*... Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: We give thanks for all who have followed in the way of your cross and now see you in the glory of your kingdom. Grant that we, who are signed with the Holy Cross and who have been joined to your people in baptism, may see with them the dawning day of your justice & mercy. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

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

C: Amen.

Psalm 26:1-8—responsively

L: Vindicate me, O LORD, for I have walked in my integrity,

C: And I have trusted in the LORD without wavering.

L: Prove me, O LORD, and try me;

C: Test my heart and my mind.

L: For your steadfast love is before my eyes,

C: And I walk in your faithfulness.

L: I do not sit with men of falsehood, nor do I consort with hypocrites.

C: I hate the assembly of evildoers, and I will not sit with the wicked.

L: I wash my hands in innocence and go around your altar, O LORD, proclaiming thanksgiving aloud, and telling all your wondrous deeds.

C: O LORD, I love the habitation of your house and the place where your glory dwells.

NOTICE: A Special Congregational Meeting will be held on Saturday, September 27 at 7:30 p.m. The agenda will be one item: Required ratification of an NALC Constitutional Amendment allowing Annual NALC Convocations to be held in months other than just August each year.

Following the very brief meeting, we will adjourn for an Emmanuel Huddle to discuss our ministry together.

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
Pentecost XII
August 30, 2014
6:00 p.m.**

Lutheran Book of Worship—Setting II

** indicates stand as you are able*

Prelude

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P: O God, we thank you for your Son who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by His example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow His commands; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

First Lesson: Jeremiah 15:15-21

Psalm 26:1-8 Bulletin Page 4

Second Lesson: Romans 12:9-21

*Gospel Acclamation: “Alleluia” Page 83

*Holy Gospel: Matthew 16:21-28

Children’s Message: “Follow the Leader”

Sermon: “Get Behind Me” Rev. Dave Steffenson

*Hymn of the Day: “Lift High the Cross” #377

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, September 2 & discuss the readings for Pentecost XIII: Ezekiel 33:7-11; Psalm 119:33-40; Romans 13:8-14; and Matthew 18:15-20.

Confirmation for youth (grades 4-9). Class will be held on Thursday Nights from 6:45-8 p.m. Youth will view "The Lion, The Witch, & The Wardrobe" DVD, & read C.S. Lewis' Prequel, "The Magician's Nephew". Class will be held on Sept. 4, 11, 18, 25; October 2, 9, 23; & November 6, 13 & 20. We've learned the story of Redemption. Now we'll learn about Creation and Fall.

New Women's Bible Study: Pastor Dave will be leading an Eight Session Study on I Corinthians. Women of Emmanuel Lutheran & Oasis Baptist will be 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. **Dates:** Sept. 10, 24; Oct. 8, 22; Nov. 5, 19; Dec. 3 & 17.

FIELD TRIP OPPORTUNITY : Meyer Gladiolus and St. John's "Second Sunday". Contact Pastor Fred Morck if you would like to participate in a gladiolus field trip on Sunday, Sept. 14 at 4:30 p.m. (frederick.morck@ecunet.org). Meet at Immanuel Lutheran Church of Potsdam (four miles east from Hwy 63 on 247). Drive north 1 mile, & 1/2 mile east to the farm of John & Barb Meyer. Weather permitting, their four acres of hundreds of varieties of prize winning gladiolus will still be blooming well. Following our time in the fields, we'll travel to St. John's Lutheran of Hammond for an evening potluck at 6 p.m.—Second Sunday, which includes singing, prayer, and devotions led by Pastor Jack Miller & family.

God's Not Dead DVD—Join us for a Sunday Matinee and Movie Discussion on Sunday, September 28 (2-5 p.m.) at Sharon Hart's place (The Gramercy Coop). Refreshments will be provided.

Jeremiah 15:15-21—Jeremiah's Complaint

15 O LORD, you know; remember me and visit me, and take vengeance for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance take me not away; know that for your sake I bear reproach. 16 Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart, for I am called by your name, O LORD, God of hosts. 17 I did not sit in the company of revelers, nor did I rejoice; I sat alone, because your hand was upon me, for you had filled me with indignation. 18 Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Will you be to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail? 19 Therefore thus says the LORD: "If you return, I will restore you, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall be as my mouth. They shall turn to you, but you shall not turn to them. 20 And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, declares the LORD. 21 I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless."

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Romans 12:9-21—Marks of a True Christian

9 Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. 10 Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. 11 Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. 12 Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. 13 Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality. 14 Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. 15 Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. 16 Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be wise in your own sight. 17 Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. 18 If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. 19 Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." 20 To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head." 21 Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 16:21-28

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 16th. Chapter.
C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

21 From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. 22 And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you." 23 But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man." 24 Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. 25 For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. 26 For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what shall a man give in return for his soul? 27 For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done. 28 Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

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

WORSHIP SERVANTS Tonight: THANKS!

Pianist: MarJean Damerval

Scripture Reader and Prayers: Lee Pearce

Communion Server: Lee Pearce

Set-up: Julie Steffenson

Take-down: Janet Sunde

Coffee: Julie Steffenson

Treats: Samia Nelson

Ushers: Mike Lockerby and Arne Nelson

Sound: Joe Konop

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The Emmanuel Weekly

Saturday, August 30, 2014
Pentecost XII - 6 pm

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11:50 a.m.—Discussion

12:20—Closing & Prayer

12:30 p.m.—Departure

DATES: Sept. 7, 14, 21, 28.

INVITE: TEAM ROCHESTER

Prayer and Praise: Tomorrow Night!

Sunday, August 31 at 7 p.m. at Word of
Grace Foursquare Church (located at the
Izaak Walton Cabin, 937 - 7th Ave.
N.E., Rochester, MN). Always on a fifth
Sunday. Save the Date: November 30.
Praying for the welfare of the city!

**Pick up your copy of the September
Emmanuel Epistle Newsletter
and Prayer Calendar**



CALENDAR ITEMS

- Sat, August 30 @ 6pm
Pentecost XII Worship
- Sunday, August 31
Pastor Dave @ Rushford
Lutheran Church (9am)
- Tuesday, Sept. 2 @ 8am
Men's Bible Study Bkft;
Christian Business
Leaders Mtg. @ Noon
- Thurs, Sept. 4 @ 6:45pm
Confirmation Class
- Sat, Sept. 6 @ 6pm
Pentecost XIII Worship
Baptism of Scarlett Serr
- Tues, Sept. 9 @ 10am
Council Meeting
- Wed, Sept. 10 @ 1pm
Women's Bible Study on
I Corinthians
- Sun, Sept. 28 @ 2pm
Movie: "God's Not Dead"