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Invitation & Distribution: 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 practicing head of the aisle Communion by means of Intinction.	
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PRAYERS

A: Let us pray to our Father in heaven, who keeps us in His name and hears our prayers for the sake of Jesus. *Brief silence*

A: Lord God, Ruler of all, protect and defend your Church from every attack of the devil who prowls & seeks to devour. Where he tempts, strengthen your people to resist his seductions and terrors; where he gains a foothold with false teaching or ungodly living, call them to repentance and holiness; and where he incites enemies against your Word and Church, preserve your saints in the faith so that they might rejoice to share in the sufferings of Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: Almighty God, as you provided Matthias to replace the departed Judas, so provide for your Church pastors and missionaries today, that the Gospel of Jesus Christ might be proclaimed to all nations. Protect them and their families from every attack of the evil one, console them in trouble and keep them steadfast in the faith. Lord,

in Your mercy,
C: Hear our prayer.

A: Holy God, faithful Creator, remember all who suffer illness, affliction and injury [**NAMES**]. Grant healing and recovery according to your will, strengthen their faith, and protect them from every assault of the evil one upon body, mind and soul. Lord, in Your mercy,
C: Hear our prayer.

A: Our Father, your Son prayed that your people might be one, even as You and He are one. As you have gathered your people into the one faith by one Baptism, so grant them a united confession of your truth as they receive Jesus' body and blood this day. Lord, in Your mercy,
C: Hear our prayer.

A: Heavenly Father, on this Memorial Day Weekend, we remember those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for the freedoms we enjoy every day. We think of how they have followed in the footsteps of your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. Hold our servicemen and women in your strong arms. Cover them with your sheltering grace and your presence as they stand in the gap for our protection. May the members of our armed forces be supplied with courage to face each day. Lord in your mercy,
C: Hear our prayer.

P: Heavenly Father, as the first Christians devoted themselves to prayer and worship following the departure of Christ Jesus by means of His glorious ascension, preserve us in the same until we are raised up with all the saints to your heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C: Amen.

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! Alleluia! Christ is Risen Indeed!

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Psalm 68:1-10 —responsively

L: God shall arise, his enemies shall be scattered;
C: And those who hate him shall flee before him!
L: As smoke is driven away, so you shall drive them away;
C: As wax melts before fire, so the wicked shall perish before God!
L: But the righteous shall be glad; they shall exult before God;
C: They shall be jubilant with joy!
L: Sing to God, sing praises to his name;
C: Lift up a song to him who rides through the deserts; his name is the Lord; exult before him!
L: Father of the fatherless and protector of widows
C: Is God in his holy habitation.
L: God settles the solitary in a home; he leads out the prisoners to prosperity,
C: But the rebellious dwell in a parched land.
L: O God, when you went out before your people,
C: When you marched through the wilderness,
L: The earth quaked, the heavens poured down rain,
C: Before God, the One of Sinai, before God, the God of Israel.
L: Rain in abundance, O God, you shed abroad;
C: You restored your inheritance as it languished;
L: Your flock found a dwelling in it;
C: In your goodness, O God, you provided for the needy.

May is NALC Seminary Emphasis: On April 1, Emmanuel hosted seminarian John Hoyum as our guest preacher. God invites us to invest in our future NALC pastors by equipping, encouraging and financially supporting their education and ministry. During the month of May, we invite you to pray for our future “orthodox, confessional, & evangelical pastors”, and to make a donation in support of our NALC Seminary.

USHER TRAINING: Larry Vomhof is our new Head Usher at Emmanuel. He is hosting training events for those who are serving as ushers during worship. The ministry of hospitality and safety is vital to the worshipping life of our congregation. Let’s not leave it to chance. Ushering is more than just passing out bulletins & collecting the offering. Visit with Larry if you would like to receive training.



**Worship
Easter VII
May 27, 2017
6:00 p.m.**

With One Voice– Bread of Life Liturgy

** indicates stand as you are able*

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

*Invocation

*Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray: Blessed Trinity, in Jesus you have made us all one. Grant that his prayer, that all his disciples be one as you are one, be manifest in our lives for the sake of your mission in the world; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

*Gathering Hymn: “Borning Cry”

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Rite of Holy Baptism for Hope Noelle Serr

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First Lesson: Acts 1:12-26

Psalm 68:1-10

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Second Lesson: I Peter 4:12-19; 5:6-11

*Gospel Acclamation: “Alleluia”

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*Holy Gospel: John 17:1-11

Children’s Message: “Drawing Straws”

Sermon: “And the Winner Is...”

Rev. David Steffenson

*Hymn: “Day By Day”

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*The Prayers

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*The Peace

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Offering - Gift of Music by Karen Salz

*The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer for Easter

Acts 1:12-26 — Casting Lots

12 Then [the disciples] returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. 13 And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip & Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. 14 All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers. 15 In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, 16 "Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. 17 For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." 18 (Now this man acquired a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. 19 And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language *Akeldama*, that is, Field of Blood.) 20 "For it is written in the Book of Psalms, 'May his camp become desolate, and let there be no one to dwell in it'; and 'Let another take his office.'" 21 So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, 22 beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us — one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection." 23 And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. 24 And they prayed and said, "You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen 25 to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." 26 And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

I Peter 4:12-19; 5:6-11 — Glorify God in Patient Suffering

12 Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. 13 But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed. 14 If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. 15 But let none of you suffer as a murderer or a thief or an evildoer or as a meddler. 16 Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God

in that name. 17 For it is time for judgment to begin at the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God? 18 And "If the righteous is scarcely saved, what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?" 19 Therefore let those who suffer according to God's will entrust their souls to a faithful Creator while doing good. ... 5:6 Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, 7 casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. 8 Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. 9 Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world. 10 And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. 11 To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading: John 17:1-11

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 17th Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

1 When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, 2 since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. 3 And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. 4 I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. 5 And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed. 6 "I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. 7 Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. 8 For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. 9 I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. 10 All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. 11 And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one."

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

The Emmanuel Weekly

Saturday, May 27, 2017
Easter VII - 6 pm

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



CALENDAR ITEMS

Paschal Candle!

Our Paschal Candle is lit, reminding us that Christ is the Light of the World. We are His luminaries, His Easter People. Christ is Risen! Christ is Risen Indeed! Alleluia! We light the Paschal Candle during the days of Easter until we arrive at Ascension Day. We also light this candle whenever we have a baptism or a funeral, reminding us that in baptism we die and rise with Jesus. Not even death can extinguish the Light of Christ's love.

Memorial Day - May 29

On this Memorial Day Weekend, we offer thanks for those who have served and suffered, lived and died for the sake of our freedom. We thank God for the lives of our cherished dead, and entrust them into His eternal care. Memorial Day is not just a picnic in the park.

The June 2017 Emmanuel Prayer Calendar & Epistle Newsletter are available in print! Also, pick up your copy of the current issue of "Our Daily Bread" Devotional.

Communication Cards - Offering Envelopes: The offering envelope in your bulletin is also being used as a visitor and communication card. If you are visiting with us, please know that your presence is your gift to us. We have a generous congregation & ask only that you share your contact information with us. Members & visitors may use the communication envelopes to indicate a desire for a pastoral visit, a prayer concern, or changes in contact information. Envelopes may be placed in the offering basket. Thanks.

Men's Bible Study Breakfast: Each week, Emmanuel Men are meeting on Tuesdays at 8:00 a.m. at Oasis Church for Bible Study and a continental breakfast. We are currently reading and discussing the Bible (Genesis-Revelation). Read pages 516-520 of the NIV Once A Day Bible (DAY 150) in preparation for this week's study (i.e. II Samuel 18:19-19:43; John 19:1-27; & Ps. 68:21-27).

Women of the Word! The Afternoon Bible Study Group is studying the "Lutheran Understanding of Marriage & Family" (The Luther Household) on Thursday afternoons at 1pm. Study ends on June 8. The Evening Bible Study Group (Lady Light) on Revelation, continues monthly at the home of Katie Siebenaler at 6:30pm. Final Session until fall is Thursday, June 8.

Worship At Madonna Towers: Twice a month on Wednesdays, Emmanuel members are invited to participate in a ministry to area seniors. Our next Madonna Towers Worship Services will be on Wednesdays, June 7 & 14 at 1:00 pm. Give Lee Pearce a call if you would like to participate in this wonderful ministry.

WORSHIP SERVANTS Tonight:

Pianist: Karen Salz

Scripture Reader, Prayers, & Communion Server: Lee Pearce

Ushers & Acolytes: Larry Vomhof & Creig Anderson

Coffee: Peg Holtan

Treats: Jenna Serr & Judy Pearce

Sound: Don Holtan

Set-up: Julie Steffenson

Take-down: Janet Sunde & friends

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- Sat, May 27 - Usher Training (4pm); Easter VII Worship (6pm) - Baptism of Hope Serr; Memorial Day Weekend!
- Sun, May 28 - Pastor Dave at Rushford Lutheran Church (9am)
- Tues, May 30 - Men's Bible Study (8am); Text Study (10:30am)
- Thursday, June 1 Women's Bible Study at Oasis Church (1pm)
- Friday, June 2 - Council Mtg. at 12:00 Noon
- Saturday, June 3 - Pentecost Worship (6pm)
- Sunday, June 4 - Pastor at Emmanuel in Grafton