

WORSHIP SERVANTS Tonight

Pianist: MarJean Damerval

Scripture Reader & Prayers: Jean Wanek

Communion Server: Jenna Serr

Acolyte: Nora Serr

Sound: Don Holtan

Ushers: Tom Vomhof & Joe Vomhof

Coffee: Peg Holtan

Treats: Barb Steffenson

Set-up: Julie Steffenson

Take-down: Janet Sunde & friends

Thrivent Choice Dollars and Action Team Grants! Emmanuel has already received two Action Team grants for 2020: \$250 in support of the mission trip to Dayton, Ohio, & \$250 in support of our Lenten Soup Suppers. If you have Thrivent products, don't forget to designate your Choice Dollars to Emmanuel. Don't forget to apply for a Thrivent Action Team grant. Questions? Call Julie Steffenson.

New Life Family Services Baby Shower! One of our Emmanuel Goals for 2020 is to host a baby shower in support of young pregnant women who seek out the help of New Life Family Services. Contact Pastor Dave if you would like to help spearhead this exciting ministry opportunity.

Women's Bible Study! Emmanuel is hosting a 6-Session Women's Study at the Pines Apartment Complex beginning on **Sunday, Feb. 9th at 6:00 pm in Bldg. 1 of the Pines**. Women will read and discuss Lysa TerKeurst's book, It's Not Supposed to Be This Way. Childcare will be provided. Questions? Call Jenna Serr.

FAITH STORIES—LENT 2020

Ash Wednesday: King David's Story (Psalm 51)

Lent I: Adam & Eve's Story (Genesis 3)

Lent II: Nicodemus' Story (John 3)

Lent III: The Samaritan Woman's Story (John 4)

Lent IV: The Story of the Man Born Blind (John 9)

Lent V: Lazarus' Story (John 11)

Palm Sunday: The Jesus Story (Philippians 2)



Worship—Eve of
Epiphany V
February 8, 2020
6:00 p.m.

With One Voice— Bread of Life Liturgy

** indicates stand as you are able*

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

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***Gathering Hymn: "Softly & Tenderly Jesus Is Calling"** #734

*Greeting Page 28

*Kyrie Page 28

*Hymn of Praise (Men = I; Women = II) Page 29f

*Salutation and Prayer of the Day Page 30

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray: Heavenly Father, you call us to be salt and light for your world, yet without your Spirit we are powerless to answer that call. Empower us to hear your voice and respond with faith and boldness; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

First Lesson: Isaiah 58:3-9a

Psalm 112:1-9 Bulletin Page 4

Second Lesson: I Corinthians 2:1-12

*Gospel Acclamation: "Alleluia" Page 31

*Holy Gospel: Matthew 5:13-20

Children's Message: "Please Pass the Salt!"

Sermon: "YOU ARE...a City on a Hill" Rev. David Steffenson

***Hymn of the Day: "Here I Am, Lord"** #752

*Confession of Faith: “Apostles’ Creed”	Page 33
* <u>The Prayers</u> (bulletin page 3)	
*The Peace	Page 34
Offering - Gift of Music by our Worship Pianist	
*The Great Thanksgiving	Page 36ff
*Lord’s Prayer: Traditional Version	Page 39
<i>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 & wine for the forgiveness of sins, life & salvation.” We’re practicing head of the aisle Communion tonight by means of Intinction. Receive a wafer (the body of Christ) & dip it into the cup of wine (the blood of Christ). Gluten-free wafers are also available. With repentant hearts, we receive the forgiveness our sins.</i>	
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Communion Hymn: “Give Me Jesus”	#777
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Postlude	

PRAYERS

L: Let us pray that the light of Christ may shine upon the Church, the world, and all people according to their need.

A brief silence

L: Heavenly Father, Thank you for Jesus, who fulfilled your Word among us, and who IS your Word. Thank you for setting his unquenchable light and holiness, mercy and obedience within our

hearts. For his sake, make us like him: salt and light, hope and holiness, so others may turn to him & live. Lord, in your mercy,
C: Hear our prayer.

L: Grant that the Church should constantly preach Christ crucified for the forgiveness of sin unto everlasting life. Keep it from being conformed to the desires and whims of the world. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

L: Bless the people and ministries of this congregation. Fill us with your Holy Spirit, so everything we say and do glorifies you and helps our neighbor, especially the poor, lonely, hurting, and distressed people in our community. Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

L: We remember before you our persecuted sisters and brothers. Make them into lamps shining in dark places. Bring them justice and deliverance. Soften the hearts of their enemies so they may turn to you and live. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

L: Lord, we lift before you the needs of all who are afflicted by suffering, sin, or sorrow, especially: [NAMES]. Deliver them from evil; grant them refreshment, hope and healing; and restore them to fellowship with all who love them. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Hear our prayers, gracious Father, offered through the power of the Spirit; and for the sake of your dear Son, grant us all that is in accordance with your merciful will, to your glory and for the good of your people.

C: AMEN.

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SAVE THE DATE: Mega Kids Camp—July 20-23, 2020.

in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. 20 For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

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

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 and visitors may use the offering 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.

Women’s Bible Study: A new study (6 sessions) on Luther’s Small Catechism is about to end! Sessions are held on Thursdays at 1pm in the Oasis Fellowship Hall. Final Session: February 20. A new five-session study on First Peter (A Baptismal Homily, celebrating the resurrection of our Lord) will begin on April 22.

Men’s Bible Study: Men of Emmanuel are meeting at Oasis Church and looking at the Augsburg Confession (*Augustana*) on Tuesdays at 8am. Please join us for coffee, goodies, and conversation!

Madonna Towers Worship: Twice a month on Wednesday afternoons, Emmanuel members participate in a ministry to area seniors. Our next Madonna Towers Worship Service will be on Wednesday, February 26 at 1pm. Contact Lee Pearce if you would like to participate in this ministry.

LENT 2020: Palms are collected at the Feast of Transfiguration (February 22), and burned into ashes for Ash Wednesday, February 26. This year’s Lenten Theme is: “Faith Stories”. Soup suppers and Services will be enjoyed on Tuesdays during Lent. A signup sheet is posted in the Gathering Space for those interested in providing soup, bread or milk.

Thanks for worshiping with us this evening. *Your presence is your gift to us. We pray that our Service of Word & Sacrament is a blessing to you. Sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever, we are praising, proclaiming & practicing Emmanuel – God with us – in daily life! Shining Bright for Jesus!*
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The Emmanuel Weekly

Saturday, Feb. 8, 2020
Eve of Epiphany V—6pm

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

“Be Who You Are!”

Those who are blessed by God are salt and light for the world. Even though God’s wisdom is often hidden from the world, it is shown to those who believe that Jesus, born of Mary, is God. In the waters of Baptism, we are called to be light to the world as the light of Christ shines through us so the world can see. We are called to be salt, to infiltrate a hurting world with the good news of God’s love and mercy. A City on a Hill can not be hid. Shine Jesus Shine!

SEMAC—February 9-21

Larry Vomhof & his team of dedicated servants are lending a helping hand in the name of Jesus Christ to the residents of Dayton, Ohio, who experienced 40+ tornadoes on Memorial Day 2019. Pastor Dave is participating in this mission trip. Please keep SEMAC in your prayers.

The February Emmanuel Epistle Newsletter & Prayer Calendar are available! Also, pick up your copy of Our Daily Bread Devotional for December-February.



CALENDAR ITEMS

- -Saturday, February 8
Saturday School & G.I.F.T. (5pm); Epiphany V Worship at 6pm
- Sunday, February 9
Pastor Dave preaching at FLC in Hope, MN; SEMAC (Feb. 9-21)
- Tuesday, February 11
Men’s Bible Study at 8am; Text Study (10:30am); Pastor in Dayton, OH with SEMAC
- Thursday, February 13
No Women’s Study; Final Session of Women’s Study on Feb. 20 at 1pm
- Saturday, February 15
Saturday School & G.I.F.T. (5pm); Epiphany VI Worship at 6pm with Rev. Waldemar Gies

Isaiah 58:3-9a — Genuine Devotion

3 “Why have we fasted, and you see it not? Why have we humbled ourselves, and you take no knowledge of it?’ Behold, in the day of your fast you seek your own pleasure, and oppress all your workers.4 Behold, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to hit with a wicked fist. Fasting like yours this day will not make your voice to be heard on high.5 Is such the fast that I choose, a day for a person to humble himself? Is it to bow down his head like a reed, and to spread sackcloth and ashes under him? Will you call this a fast, and a day acceptable to the Lord? 6 “Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of wickedness, to undo the straps of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? 7 Is it not to share your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover him, and not to hide yourself from your own flesh? 8 Then shall your light break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up speedily; your righteousness shall go before you; the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. 9 Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry, and he will say, ‘Here I am.’”

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 112:1-9 — responsively

L:Praise the Lord! Blessed is the man who fears the Lord,

C: Who greatly delights in his commandments!

L: His offspring will be mighty in the land;

C: The generation of the upright will be blessed.

L: Wealth and riches are in his house,

C: And his righteousness endures forever.

L: Light dawns in the darkness for the upright;

C: He is gracious, merciful, and righteous.

L: It is well with the man who deals generously and lends;

C: Who conducts his affairs with justice.

L: For the righteous will never be moved;

C: He will be remembered forever.

L: He is not afraid of bad news;

C: His heart is firm, trusting in the Lord.

L: His heart is steady; he will not be afraid,

C: Until he looks in triumph on his adversaries.

L: He has distributed freely; he has given to the poor;

C: His righteousness endures forever; his horn is exalted in honor.

I Corinthians 2:1-12 — Nothing but Christ Crucified

1 I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. 2 For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ & him crucified. 3 And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling, 4 and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, 5 so that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God. 6 Yet among the mature we do impart wisdom, although it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to pass away. 7 But we impart a secret and hidden wisdom of God, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. 8 None of the rulers of this age understood this, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. 9 But, as it is written, “What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him” — 10 these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. 11 For who knows a person’s thoughts except the spirit of that person, which is in him? So also no one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. 12 Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might understand the things freely given us by God.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 5:13-20

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 5th. Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

13 [Jesus said,] “You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people’s feet. 14 You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. 16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven. 17 Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. 18 For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. 19 Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least