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**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! Thanks for Letting Your Light Shine before Others! **Visit us at:** [www.emmanuelofrochester.org](http://www.emmanuelofrochester.org)

## **JUST AS I AM—LBW #296**

- Verse 1:** Just as I am, without one plea,  
But that Thy blood was shed for me,  
And that Thou bid’st me come to Thee,  
O Lamb of God, I come! I come!
- Verse 2:** Just as I am, and waiting not  
To rid my soul of one dark blot;  
To Thee whose blood can cleanse each spot,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!
- Verse 3:** Just as I am, though tossed about  
With many a conflict, many a doubt;  
Fightings within, and fears without,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!
- Verse 4:** Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;  
Sight, riches, healing of the mind;  
Yes, all I need, in Thee to find,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!
- Verse 5:** Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,  
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;  
Because Thy promise I believe,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!
- Verse 6:** Just as I am, Thy love unknown  
Has broken every barrier down;  
Now, to be Thine, yea, Thine alone,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come

**Thank You:** Pastor Dave and Julie Steffenson wish to offer gratitude and thanks to all the members of Emmanuel Lutheran who blessed them in countless ways during the Holy Season of Christmas. Thanks for all the gift cards and offerings of love. Thanks for making the worship of our newborn Savior a main priority in the life of your family. Thanks for being Christmas Angels and sharing Real Presence.

**Psalm 40:1-11—responsively**

L: I waited patiently for the Lord;

**C: He inclined to me and heard my cry.**

L: He drew me up from the pit of destruction, out of the miry bog,

**C: And set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure.**

L: He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God.

**C: Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the Lord.**

L: Blessed is the man who makes the Lord his trust,

**C: Who does not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after a lie!**

L: You have multiplied, O Lord my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us; none can compare with you!

**C: I will proclaim and tell of them, yet they are more than can be told.**

L: In sacrifice and offering you have not delighted, but you have given me an open ear.

**C: Burnt offering and sin offering you have not required.**

L: Then I said, "Behold, I have come;

**C: In the scroll of the book it is written of me:**

L: I delight to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart."

**C: I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation;**

L: Behold, I have not restrained my lips, as you know, O Lord.

**C: I have not hidden your deliverance within my heart;**

L: I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation;

**C: I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness from the great congregation.**

L: As for you, O Lord, you will not restrain your mercy from me;

**C: Your steadfast love and your faithfulness will ever preserve me!**



**Worship  
Epiphany II  
January 14, 2017  
6:00 p.m.**

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

*\* indicates stand as you are able*

Prelude

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P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray: Almighty and eternal God, you restrain the powers of heaven and earth. Mercifully hear your people's prayers for peace in our time. Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

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\*Holy Gospel: John 1:29-42a

Children's Message: "Designated Pointers"

Sermon: "Come and You Will See!" Rev. David Steffenson

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## WORSHIP SERVANTS Tonight:

*Pianist: Karen Salz*

*Scripture Reader & Prayers: Jenna Serr*

*Communion Server: Jenna Serr*

*Ushers: Brock Edwards, Mason, Gavin & Rowan*

*Acolyte: Elijah Matzke*

*Coffee: Peg Holtan*

*Treats: Julie Edwards*

*Sound: Don Holtan*

*Set-up: Julie Steffenson*

*Take-down: Janet Sunde & friends*

**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.

**Discipleship Membership 2017:** *Special Thanks to everyone who has signed Emmanuel Covenants for 2017. Our Covenant Renewal Service will take place during worship on January 21. MARKS OF DISCIPLESHIP: Signposts guide our way—Disciples seek to pray daily, worship weekly, grow spiritually, read and study Scripture on a regular basis, serve others, share the good news, & give generously.*

**Worship at Madonna Towers Skilled Care Chapel:** On the first and third Wednesdays of each month, Emmanuel members are invited to participate in a ministry to area seniors. Our next Worship Service will be on Wednesday, January 18 at 1:00 pm. Give Lee Pearce a call if you would like to participate in this wonderful ministry.

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## Isaiah 49:1-7 — A Polished Arrow

1 Listen to me, O coastlands, and give attention, you peoples from afar. The Lord called me from the womb, from the body of my mother he named my name. 2 He made my mouth like a sharp sword; in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow; in his quiver he hid me away. 3 And he said to me, “You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.” 4 But I said, “I have labored in vain; I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my right is with the Lord, and my recompense with my God.” 5 And now the Lord says, he who formed me from the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him; and that Israel might be gathered to him — for I am honored in the eyes of the Lord, and my God has become my strength — 6 he says: “It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to bring back the preserved of Israel; I will make you as a light for the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.” 7 Thus says the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel & his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nation, the servant of rulers: “Kings shall see and arise; princes, and they shall prostrate themselves; because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## I Corinthians 1:1-9 — Called Saints

1 Paul, called by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus, and our brother Sosthenes, 2 To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints together with all those who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: 3 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. 4 I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, 5 that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge — 6 even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you — 7 so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, 8 who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Reading: John 1:29-42a

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 1st. Chapter.

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

29 The next day [John] saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! 30 This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks before me, because he was before me.' 31 I myself did not know him, but for this purpose I came baptizing with water, that he might be revealed to Israel." 32 And John bore witness: "I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. 33 I myself did not know him, but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' 34 And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God." 35 The next day again John was standing with two of his disciples, 36 and he looked at Jesus as he walked by and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God!" 37 The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. 38 Jesus turned and saw them following and said to them, "What are you seeking?" And they said to him, "Rabbi" (which means Teacher), "where are you staying?" 39 He said to them, "Come and you will see." So they came and saw where he was staying, and they stayed with him that day, for it was about the tenth hour. 40 One of the two who heard John speak and followed Jesus was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. 41 He first found his own brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which means Christ). 42a He brought him to Jesus.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**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 57-60 of the NIV Once A Day Bible (DAY 17) in preparation for this week's study (i.e. Genesis 34:1-35:29; Matthew 12:46-13:17; & Psalm 10:1-11).

**Women's Bible Studies:** Emmanuel Women are studying the Book of Revelation. The afternoon Study is meeting twice a month on Thursday afternoons at Oasis Church (1pm). Next session: Thursday, January 19. An evening study is offered once a month at the home of Katie Siebenaler at 6:30pm. Next Session: Wednesday, January 18.

# The Emmanuel Weekly

**Saturday, Jan. 14, 2017**

**Epiphany II - 6 pm**

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

**Annual Meeting**

**Sunday, January 29, 2017**

*This Year's Emmanuel Lutheran Church Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, Jan. 29 at 4pm, followed by a potluck supper. Child Care will be provided. Meat & beverages will be provided. Please bring a dish (salad, side dish or dessert) to share.*

**Saturday School - January 21**

Next Saturday will feature "Song Time" in Saturday School (5:10pm). MarJean Damerval will lead the youth in music during Saturday School, and then the kids will offer a gift of music in worship.

**2017 Mission Plan Budget**

On Saturday, January 21 (5:15pm), during the Adult Study (G.I.F.T.) the Emmanuel Budget for 2017 will be discussed. Please join us as we take a first look at our hopes and dreams for 2017, and prepare for our Annual Meeting on January 29 (4pm).

**The January 2017 Emmanuel Prayer Calendar & Epistle Newsletter are available in print! Also available, the current issue of the Our Daily Bread Devotional. Pick yours up today.**



## CALENDAR ITEMS

- Saturday, January 14  
Saturday School @ 5:10pm; GIFT at 5:15pm; Epiphany II Worship at 6pm
- Tuesday, January 17  
Men's Bible Study Breakfast (8am) — Day 17 (pp 57-60); Text Study (10:30am)
- Wednesday, January 18  
Panera Bible Study (7am); Madonna Towers Worship (1pm); Lady Light (6:30pm)
- Thursday, Jan. 19—1pm  
Women's Bible Study
- Saturday, January 21  
Saturday School @ 5:10pm; GIFT at 5:15pm—Discuss 2017 Budget; Epiphany III Worship at 6pm—Kid's Choir singing

## **THE PRAYERS, Epiphany 2 (January 14, 2017)**

A: 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*

A: Holy Father, enrich the Church throughout the world with every spiritual gift. Give it pastors, theologians and lay leaders who, like John the Baptist, proclaim Christ as the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Make it a light to all nations, drawing many to Jesus and forming them as his disciples. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

A: Make disciples of everyone in this congregation. Give us willing and trust-filled hearts. Help us to use our spiritual gifts to glorify you and build up our community of faith. Make us bold to tell others, “We have found him of whom the Scriptures speak; come and see that this is the Son of God who takes away the sins of the world!” Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

A: This weekend, we commemorate Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Help us to heed the dream & the sacrifices of your servant Martin. Teach us to value one another, not because of some external characteristic, label, or identity, but because you have created each of us in your most holy image. Bestow your Holy Spirit in such measure that the content of our character reflects your will, and we treat each other with respect, justice, kindness and charity. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

A: Enlighten the minds and purify the hearts of those who take counsel for the nations. Turn them away from the false gods of power, prestige, and ideology; and teach them your ways. Bless this nation and our elected and appointed leaders, especially those who will soon take office. Heal the divisions that have beset our country. Bestow your favor upon it, so that it may always be a beacon of righteousness, justice and freedom for all. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

A: Stoop down, O Lord, and hear the cry of all who are afflicted by any kind of suffering or sorrow – especially: [**N**ames]. Lift them out of their desolation; make their footing sure; and put a new song into their mouths. Restore them to all who love them, that together we may proclaim your faithfulness and deliverance. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

**P:** Into your hands, merciful Father, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**