

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Gracious and mighty God, you open to us the way of eternal life through your Son, Jesus Christ. By your Spirit teach us to humble ourselves and trust in your abundant grace and mercy rather than our own accomplishments or possessions; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. **Amen.**

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 and ask only that you share your contact information with us. Members and 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.

7th Annual Mega Kid's Camp: An amazing camp for kids, including Creative Arts, Horses, Legos, and Adventure Games & Sports will be held during the week of July 29-August 1, 2019. **SAVE THE DATE!** Youth (Preschool age 4-Grade 6) will learn how to be great teammates through both sports stories and Bible stories about Jesus and his team of disciples.

Women's Bible Study: Women of Emmanuel have begun a new study on the Book of Psalms, meeting twice a month on Thursdays at Oasis Church at 1pm. We are looking at Israel's Prayer & Hymn Book. Session Four will be on Thursday, October 25, studying Psalm 118 (Martin Luther's favorite psalm).

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, November 7 at 1pm. Also Thanksgiving Eve (Nov. 21) at 6pm. Give Lee Pearce a call if you would like to participate in this wonderful ministry.

Men's Bible Study Breakfast: Men of Emmanuel are looking at the Book of Psalms on Tuesdays at 8am & discussing the appointed Psalm for the week. The men meet at Oasis Church weekly for conversation & coffee. This Week: Oct. 23 (Ps. 46).

The Emmanuel Weekly

Saturday, Oct. 20, 2018
Pentecost 22 - 6 pm

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

Salvation Army Bell Ringing

This year's kickoff event is Saturday, Nov. 17. Emmanuel will be ringing bells at both doors of the HyVee NW Circle Drive Store (9am-5pm). Contact Lee Pearce if you would like to ring bells.

Blessings & Best Wishes

Rev. Scott Schilbe has accepted a call to serve as pastor of Messiah Lutheran Church, Carlyle, IL. A coffee hour reception will be served on Saturday, December 15 to say goodbye to our dear friend and worship pianist.

Reformation Sunday Prayer Walk and Potluck—October 28

We'll begin our prayer walk at Oasis Church (3pm) and enjoy a potluck supper (5pm) at the residence of Pastor Dave & Julie Steffenson (6330 Fairway Drive N.W., Rochester). Members of Emmanuel are invited to bring a dish to share with their church family. Join us as we share prayer and fellowship in the name of Jesus Christ!

**The October Emmanuel Prayer
Calendar & Epistle Newsletter are
available in print! Also, the "Our
Daily Bread Devotional".**



CALENDAR ITEMS

- Sat. Oct. 20—Saturday School & G.I.F.T. (5:10pm); Pentecost 22 Worship (6pm)
- Sunday, October 21
Pastor Dave preaching in Laurens, IA (10:30am)
- Tues, Oct. 23—Men's Bible Study (8am); Text Study (10:30am)
- Thursday, October 25
Women's Bible Study (1pm); First Aid/CPR Class from 6-8pm
- Friday, Oct. 26—Clergy Mtg. at 12:00 Noon
- Sat, Oct. 27—Saturday School & G.I.F.T. (5:10pm); Reformation Worship (6pm)
- Sunday, October 28
Prayer Walk (3pm) and Potluck (5pm)

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 and risen, is truly present in, with and under the forms of bread & wine for the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation." We practice Intinction at Emmanuel Lutheran. Receive a wafer (the body of Christ) and dip it into the cup of wine (the blood of Christ). With repentant hearts, we preach Christ crucified and risen for the forgiveness of sins.

Thanks for worshipping 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 and practicing Emmanuel – God with us – in daily life! May the power of the Holy Spirit equip the saints for Witness in the World! **Visit us at:** www.emmanuelofrochester.org

SAVE the DATES!

- Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018: Reformation Sunday Prayer Walk (3pm) and Potluck (5pm at Steffenson home).
- Saturday, Nov. 10: Emmanuel Huddle following worship.
- Saturday, November 17: Red Kettle Bell Ringing (9am-5pm).
- Wednesday, November 21 (6pm): Thanksgiving Eve Worship at Madonna Towers followed by Dessert Social!
- Saturday, December 22: Children's Nativity at 6pm.
- Christmas Eve 2019: Worship with Communion & Candlelight at 9pm. Theme: "Joyous Light of Heavenly Glory!"
- The 12 Days of Christmas Bell Ringing Worship Service will be held on Saturday, January 5, 2019 at 6pm.
- Saturday, Jan. 26: Annual Mtg. at 3:30pm; Potluck at 4:45pm.
- 2019 SEMAC Mission Trip is February 10-22 in Houston, TX.
- Ash Wednesday: March 6, 2019 at 6pm.
- Easter Monday Public Reading of the entire New Testament: April 22, 2019.
- Mega Kids Camp: Monday-Thursday—July 29-August 1, 2019
- Emmanuel Picnic: Home of Larry & Deb Vomhof: August 4, 2019.



**Worship
Eve of
Pentecost 22
Oct. 20, 2018
6:00 p.m.**

LITURGY: HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER

WORSHIP NOTES:

Liturgy: Holden Evening Prayer, revised edition
(Please return the Service Bulletin)

Prelude: Scott Schilbe

Song of the Day: "Jesus Loves Me" (ReClaim #258)

Children's Sermon: "A Needle in a Haystack"

Sermon: "Who Can Be Saved?"

Offering Music: Scott Schilbe

Communion Song: "Amazing Grace" (ReClaim #199)

Closing Song: "On My Heart Imprint Your Image"
(ReClaim #52)

WORSHIP SERVANTS Tonight: THANKS!

Pianist: Scott Schilbe

Flutist: Julie Peterson

Scripture Reader: Julie Steffenson

Communion Server: Judy Caudill

Worship Leader & Set up: Julie Steffenson

Sound: Don Holtan

Acolyte: Pending

Coffee: Peg Holtan

Treats: Jean Wanek

Ushers: Larry Vomhof & Joe Vomhof

Take-down: Janet Sunde and friends

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“When God bestows riches and possessions, that is good and a blessing of God. But if one grubs and scratches for Mammon and through greed scrapes his possessions together, that is neither good nor a blessing of God.” - **Martin Luther** - Luther’s House Postils

Ecclesiastes 5:10-20 — Wealth & Anxiety

10 He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves wealth with his income; this also is vanity. 11 When goods increase, they increase who eat them, & what advantage has their owner but to see them with his eyes? 12 Sweet is the sleep of a laborer, whether he eats little or much, but the full stomach of the rich will not let him sleep. 13 There is a grievous evil that I have seen under the sun: riches were kept by their owner to his hurt, 14 and those riches were lost in a bad venture. And he is father of a son, but he has nothing in his hand. 15 As he came from his mother’s womb he shall go again, naked as he came, and shall take nothing for his toil that he may carry away in his hand. 16 This also is a grievous evil: just as he came, so shall he go, and what gain is there to him who toils for the wind? 17 Moreover, all his days he eats in darkness in much vexation and sickness & anger. 18 Behold, what I have seen to be good and fitting is to eat and drink and find enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under the sun the few days of his life that God has given him, for this is his lot. 19 Everyone also to whom God has given wealth and possessions and power to enjoy them, and to accept his lot and rejoice in his toil — this is the gift of God. 20 For he will not much remember the days of his life because God keeps him occupied with joy in his heart.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Hebrews 4:1-13 — The REST of the Story

1 While the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it. 2 For good news came to us just as to them, but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened. 3 For we who have believed enter that rest, as he has said, “As I swore in my wrath, ‘They shall not enter my rest,’” although his works were finished from the foundation of the world. 4 For he has somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way: “And God rested on the seventh day from all his works.” 5 And again in this passage he said, “They shall not enter my rest.” 6 Since therefore it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of

disobedience, 7 again he appoints a certain day, “Today,” saying through David so long afterward, in the words already quoted, “Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts.” 8 For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on. 9 So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, 10 for whoever has entered God’s rest has also rested from his works as God did from his. 11 Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience. 12 For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. 13 And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading: Mark 10:23-31

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 10th Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

23 Jesus looked around & said to his disciples, “How difficult it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” 24 And the disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how difficult it is to enter the kingdom of God! 25 It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God.” 26 And they were exceedingly astonished, and said to him, “Then who can be saved?” 27 Jesus looked at them and said, “With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God.” 28 Peter began to say to him, “See, we have left everything and followed you.” 29 Jesus said, “Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for my sake and for the gospel, 30 who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life. 31 But many who are first will be last, and the last first.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

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