

WORSHIP SERVANTS Tonight:

Pianist: MarJean Damerval

Assisting Ministers: Jenna Serr

Scripture Reader: Julie Steffenson

Greeters: Jean Wanek

Sound/Recording: Don Holtan

Set-up and Take-down: Julie Steffenson & Peg Holtan

Youth & Family Event: We are assembling Flood Bucket kits for the Rochester Area Disaster Response Warehouse of the NALC (located at the home of Larry & Deb Vomhof). Join us on Sunday, October 24 at 1:30pm as we assemble kits for people in need. Questions? Visit with Judy Caudill & Deb Vomhof.

Carving a Pumpkin Prayerfully: Have you carved your pumpkin yet? If not, perhaps you would like to do so prayerfully. Visit the Pumpkin Display in the Gathering Space and pick up a copy of the Pumpkin Prayer. Enjoy carving, decorating or painting a pumpkin & learning about the Good News of Jesus with your little ones! Bring your pumpkin to worship next week!

“Feast of All Saints” - November 6

In the waters of baptism we were called by God & identified as “saint” even while we are still “sinner.” Our saintliness comes on no part of our own, but on the holiness bestowed on us by Jesus. Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his saints.” — Psalm 116:15. On Nov. 6, we are remembering loved ones who have died during the past 12 months in our All Saints Worship Service. Send names to Pastor Dave. Submitted names will be read during our prayers on Nov. 6, and a bell will be sounded.

Thanks for submitting the names of your beloved saints!

Thanks for worshiping with us this evening. Your presence is your gift to us. We pray that our Service 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! Sharing the forever love of Jesus!
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**Worship—Eve of
Pentecost 22
October 23, 2021
6:00 p.m.**

“Holden Evening Prayer”

** indicates stand as you are able*

Gathering Music: “My Faith Looks Up to Thee” — LBW #479

1. My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Calvary,
Savior divine.

Now hear me while I pray; Take all my guilt away;
Oh, let me from this day, Be wholly Thine!

2. May Thy rich grace impart, Strength to my fainting heart;
My zeal inspire!

As Thou hast died for me, Oh, may my love to Thee
Pure, warm, and changeless be, A living fire!

3. While life's dark maze I tread And griefs around me spread,
Be Thou my guide;

Bid darkness turn to day, Wipe sorrow's tears away,
Nor let me ever stray, From Thee aside.

Welcome/Announcements

Prayer of the Day: Heavenly Father, you are the source of our lives and our faith. Transform our spiritual blindness into a vision for your kingdom as we follow Jesus in daily discipleship. Strengthen us to live according to your holy will that we might boldly share the good news of Jesus Christ with the world. We pray this in the name of your Son, our Lord.

C: Amen.

**Service of Light, page 2*

**Evening Hymn: “Joyous Light” (Leader sings introduction; and the congregation sings verses 1-3), pages 2-3*

**Evening Thanksgiving, page 4*

Psalmody: Psalm 141 (*Sing as a Round*), pages 4-8

Silence for Meditation and Prayer

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:7-9

7 Thus says the Lord: “Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, ‘O Lord, save your people, the remnant of Israel.’ 8 Behold, I will bring them from the north country and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, the pregnant woman & she who is in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. 9 With weeping they shall come, and with pleas for mercy I will lead them back, I will make them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble, for I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.”

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading: Mark 10:46-52

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

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

46 [Jesus and the disciples] came to Jericho. And as he was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a great crowd, Bartimaeus, a blind beggar, the son of Timaeus, was sitting by the roadside. 47 And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” 48 And many rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he cried out all the more, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” 49 And Jesus stopped and said, “Call him.” And they called the blind man, saying to him, “Take heart. Get up; he is calling you.” 50 And throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. 51 And Jesus said to him, “What do you want me to do for you?” And the blind man said to him, “Rabbi, let me recover my sight.” 52 And Jesus said to him, “Go your way; your faith has made you well.” And immediately he recovered his sight and followed him on the way.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Message: “I See What You Mean” - (Posted: Facebook)

Song: “Amazing Grace” — LBW #448

1. Amazing grace -- how sweet the sound--
That saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost but now am found, Was blind but now I see.

2. The Lord has promised good to me; His Word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be, As long as life endures.

3. Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come;
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

Sermon: “I See! I See!” Rev. David Steffenson

*Annunciation (Duet) and Magnificat (Congregation), *pages 9-10*

*Gloria Patri (*Tune of Evening Hymn: Joyous Light*), *page 10*

Offering: (No passing of baskets; offerings may be placed in the basket located by the church entrance as one leaves; offerings of support may also be given electronically or sent via U.S. mail. Thanks for supporting the ministry of Emmanuel.)

Litany & Closing Prayers, *pages 11-12*

The Lord's Prayer: *Traditional Version*

*Final Blessing and Dismissal, *page 12*

***Sending Music: “Oh, for a Thousand Tongues”—LBW #559**

1. O for a thousand tongues to sing
my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of his grace!
2. Jesus! the name that charms our fears,
that bids our sorrows cease,
'tis music in the sinner's ears,
'tis life and health and peace.
3. To God all glory, praise, and love
be now and ever given
by saints below and saints above,
the Church in earth and heaven.

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The Common Thread: How can blind folks find their way home, when they are captives in remote countries? Only the Lord can bring it to pass, and when he does, we feel as though we are in a dream, that something like this could not really happen. Yet, he does it without our assistance. All we could do was weep, but he brings us home with shouts of victorious joy. God has accomplished this through his Son. Jesus, our great high priest, has made a one-time sacrifice, good for the sin of the world. All approach God through him, then, will be saved. This is the faith that makes us well.

Men's Bible Study: Men of Emmanuel Lutheran are meeting on Tuesday mornings at 8:30am via email; studying the Scripture Lessons for the upcoming weekend. Let Pastor Dave know if you would like the study notes. We will have In-Person studies on: Wednesday, October 27 at 11am at Oasis!

Coffee Fellowship: Once a month, members of Emmanuel are hosting & serving refreshments following worship. Deb Vomhof & Judy Caudill are hosting tonight's (October 23) Coffee Hour. Contact Pastor Dave if you would like to host the coffee hour on November 24 (Thanksgiving Eve). Judy Pearce has already volunteered for the month of December.

Emmanuel Nominating Committee. Contact Lee Pearce, Julie Steffenson, Heather Mikesh, or Leitha Bothun if you are looking for ways to serve Christ & His Church. *There are many ways to use your gifts for the glory of God.* **On the Ballot in January of 2022:** Council Member: 2-year term, 2 positions; Nominating Committee: 4 needed; 1 year term; Audit Committee Members: 2 needed; one 3-year term, & one 2-year term; & Voting Members for Convocations.

Acts 4:31—The Church Prayed! Each day at 4:31pm, Members & Friends of Emmanuel are connecting for prayer. Send prayer requests to Pastor Steffenson. At the name of Jesus, every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that Jesus is Lord to the glory of God the Father."

Save the Dates! Thanksgiving Eve Worship (Wed, Nov. 24 at 2pm). Christmas Eve Worship (Friday, Dec. 24 at 2pm).

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The Emmanuel Weekly

October 23, 2021
Eve of Pentecost 22 - 6 pm

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

MARKS OF DISCIPLESHIP

Faith Practices! Signposts guide our way. Disciples pray daily, worship weekly, grow spiritually, read & study Scripture on a regular basis, serve others, share the good news, and live & give generously.

Women's Study - November

A Bible Study on the Women of the Bible has begun! Meeting twice a month on Wednesdays at 1pm in the home of Judy Pearce with Leitha Bothun as the study leader. Next Sessions: Wednesday, Nov. 3 & 17 at 1pm. Please join us!

Saturday School this year!

Stories on the **MIRACLES in the Bible** will be packaged in monthly sessions for youth age 4-grade 3. Youth in grades 4-8 are invited to join Pastor Dave in a reading of C.S. Lewis' "The Lion, the Witch & the Wardrobe". Pastor Dave is hosting a monthly Zoom Meeting for participating youth. Weekly instruction videos will be posted on Facebook.

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



CALENDAR ITEMS

- Saturday, October 23 - Eve of Pentecost 22 worship (HEP) at 6pm; Coffee Fellowship hosted by Deb Vomhof & Judy Caudill
- Sunday, Oct. 24—Youth Event at Vomhof's at 1:30pm
- Wednesday, October 27 Men's Bible Study at 11am (Oasis Church)
- Saturday, October 30 - Eve of Reformation worship at 6pm
- Saturday, November 6 Celebration of All Saints at 6pm; Sending Blessing for MarJean and Denny Damerval

4:31 — Prayer Time!
Thanks for joining us.