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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

A: Rejoicing in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, let us pray for the church, the world and all people according to their needs. —*a brief silence*

A: O God beyond all praising, we worship you and adore your glory, which you have revealed in your Son who reigns at your right hand forever. Grant that your Church may constantly abide in Jesus, as he abides in you. May your church faithfully preach the Gospel of salvation and celebrate the Sacraments in accordance with that Gospel, and thus proclaim to the whole world your blessings without number and your mercy without end. Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: Grant your persecuted people a firm confidence in the hope that has been established through the steadfast obedience of Christ their Lord. Give them grace to triumph through their suf-

ferings and rise to serve you, even in the presence of those who trouble them. We pray for all our brothers and sisters who suffer as Christians for the name of Jesus throughout the world. Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: Let the radiance of our Ascended Lord fill the hearts and sanctify the ministries of this congregation. Make our worship a joyful duty, and our service a sacrifice of praise. Use us to lead others to Jesus, that with us, they may worship, honor, bless and adore Christ throughout all eternity. Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: We lift our hearts to you on behalf of all whose lives are clouded by any sort of affliction or sorrow, including: {NAMES}. Let the light of Jesus' countenance heal and cheer them. May all who care for them do so with tenderness and compassion, and grant that together we may praise you for your unending mercies. Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: O Lord, our Beautiful Savior, those who have died trusting in your promises now see you face to face. We thank you for bestowing this blessing upon your beloved saints. Bring us, in your good time, into that endless life and light you share with all whom you have redeemed; and give us voices there to sing unceasingly, "Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine!" Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

Other intercessions may be offered...

P: Into your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through your crucified, risen, and ascended Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35—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;
L: His name is the LORD; exult before Him!
C: Father of the fatherless and protector of widows 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, when You marched through the wilderness,
C: The earth quaked, the heavens poured down rain,
L: Before God, the One of Sinai,
C: 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.
L: O kingdoms of the earth, sing to God; sing praises to the Lord,
C: To Him who rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens;
L: Behold, He sends out His voice, His mighty voice.
C: Ascribe power to God, Whose majesty is over Israel, and Whose power is in the skies.
L: Awesome is God from His sanctuary; the God of Israel--He is the one who gives power and strength to His people.
C: Blessed be God!

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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**Worship
Easter VII
May 31, 2014
6:00 p.m.**

Lutheran Book of Worship—Setting II

** indicates stand as you are able*

Prelude - Gift of Music: “Make Us One” Pastor Dave & Julie
Welcome/Announcements—Congratulations Graduates!
*Gathering Hymn: “Alleluia! Sing to Jesus” (*vs. 1-3*) #158
*Greeting Page 78
*Kyrie Page 78f
*Hymn of Praise: “Worthy Is Christ” Page 81f
*Salutation and Prayer of the Day Page 82
First Lesson: Acts 1:1-11 (*Extinguish Paschal Candle*)
Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35 Bulletin Page 4
Second Lesson: I Peter 4:12-19; 5:6-11
*Gospel Acclamation: “Alleluia” Page 83
*Holy Gospel: John 17:1-11
Children’s Message: “Tie Downs”
Blessing of our Graduates: Emma and Michael
Sermon: “Suffering as a Christian” Rev. David Steffenson
*Hymn of the Day: “Blest Be the Tie that Binds” #370
*Confession of Faith: “Nicene Creed” Page 84
*The Prayers (bulletin pages 2-3)
*The Peace Page 86
Offering
*Offertory: “Let the Vineyards” Page 86
*Offertory Prayer Page 87

Women's Bible Study: Pastor Dave & Julie are leading a nine session Bible Study on the Discipleship Parables of Jesus. Women meet at Oasis Church, twice a month, on Mondays from 1:00-2:30 p.m. Our next Meeting is June 2. We will be studying Matthew 25:14-30—"The Talents". Bring a friend.

Men's Bible Study Breakfast: Weekly fellowship around God's Word at 8 am Tuesdays at Charlie's (1408 2nd. St. SW). Join us in being Evangelical. Invite a friend. Share the Good News! We will meet on Tuesday, June 3 and discuss the readings for Pentecost: Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; I Corinthians 12:3b-13; & John 20:19-23.

Confirmation Class for Elementary Youth: During the Season of Easter, youth are joining Pastor Dave for a reading of C.S. Lewis' Chronicles of Narnia. We are currently reading "The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe". We meet at Oasis Church on Wednesdays from 4:15-5:15 p.m. Eight youth are participating.

May Council Minutes Highlights: Logo Witness Wear will soon be delivered. Window Clings are available for purchase (\$1.00 each). Pastor Dave will be attending this summer's Lutheran Core Theological Conference and the NALC Convocation at the Citadel in Charleston, S.C. (July 21-25). Church Constitution revisions are underway. Pastor Dave is busy preaching at supporting congregations on Sundays. We would like to begin recording our Worship Sermons on DVDs. Next Meeting: June 17 @ 10 am.

Care Fest—Showing the Love of Jesus: June 14 and July 19. Seventh and final year: over 500 worksites, 100,000 hours of labor, ages 7-80+, over 5000 people from 30+ churches. Leaving Christ's footprint in our community. www.rochestercarefest.org

Prayer Concerns! Offering intercession and prayers of healing for Sharon Hart, Peg Holtan, Ron Johnson, Barbara Spring, & Wayne Sather. Continued prayers for Rev. Fred Morck as he seeks a call. Prayers of guidance and blessing for H. S. students graduating this spring, especially Michael Carl & Emma Mulvihill.

VBS at OASIS CHURCH: "WEIRD ANIMALS"; Sunday-Wed, July 13-16; Sunday (9:30 am-2:30 pm); Monday-Wed. (5-8 pm); Free for all children ages 5-11.

Acts 1:1-11— The Promise of the Holy Spirit—Ascension

1 In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, 2 until the day when He was taken up, after He had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom He had chosen. 3 He presented Himself alive to them after His suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. 4 And while staying with them He ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, He said, "you heard from me; 5 for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." 6 So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" 7 He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. 8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." 9 And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, He was lifted up, and a cloud took Him out of their sight. (PAUSE) 10 And while they were gazing into heaven as He went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, 11 and said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw Him go into heaven."

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

I Peter 4:12-19; 5:6-11 — Suffering as a Christian

4:12 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.**

WORSHIP SERVANTS Tonight: THANKS

Pianist: MarJean Damerval

Scripture Reader & Prayers: Julie Steffenson

Communion Server: Julie Steffenson

Ushers: Larry Vomhof & Arne Nelson

Coffee: Julie Steffenson

Treats: Lee Pearce & Arne Nelson

Sound: Don Holtan

Set-up: Julie Steffenson

The Emmanuel Weekly

Saturday, May 31, 2014

Easter VII - 6 pm

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

THE TRUTH PROJECT

Focus on the Family DVD Series!
Equipping the Saints with a Biblical
Worldview for bearing witness to Jesus.

13 weeks, on Sunday mornings, at Oasis
Church: June-September.

10:30 a.m.—Coffee & Fellowship

10:50 a.m.—DVD Segment

11:50 a.m.—Discussion

12:20—Closing & Prayer

12:30 p.m.—Departure

DATES: June 15, 22, 29, July 20, 27,
Aug. 3, 10, 17, 24, & Sept. 7, 14, 21, 28.

SAVE THE DATES:

Saturday, July 26—Picnic with Oasis
and Ecclesia churches here at Oasis.

Sunday, August 3—Emmanuel Lutheran
Church **Picnic** at the home of Deb &
Larry Vomhof.

*More details to come as the picnic dates
approach.*

**Emmanuel Window Clings Available
for Purchase for only \$1.00 each.**



CALENDAR ITEMS

- Sat, May 31 @ 6 pm
Worship with Blessing of
H.S. Graduates
- Monday, June 2 at 1 pm
Women's Bible Study
- Tues, June 3 @ 8 am
Men's Bible Study
Breakfast at Charlie's
- Wed, June 4 @ 4:15 pm
Confirmation Class for
Elementary Youth
- Sunday, June 7 @ 6 pm
Pentecost Worship —
WEAR RED!
- Sat, June 14 - Pastor
Dave @ Wedding in Little
Falls; Guest Preacher:
Rev. Tim Duesenberg
- June 17 @ 10 am
Council Meeting