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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! Justified by faith alone in Christ alone, may we live by grace alone.

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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A: Let us pray for the church, the world and all people according to their needs.

A brief silence

A: O God, our mighty fortress, grant to your church in every place an unwavering trust in the great heritage of your Word. By your Holy Spirit, empower us to boldly and with great joy proclaim the saving work of your redemption accomplished through the cross of Christ. Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: God our ever-present help, our rock and our salvation, deepen our faith in your promise of salvation. May your grace have free reign among us that we might be emboldened to witness to your saving grace in our homes, our communities, and to all nations. Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: Gracious God, you stand within the shadows of history, faithful to your promise, keeping watch over your own: we remember our brothers and sisters in the faith who are persecuted for the sake of your name in so many places. Let no intimidation or threat turn them from their confession of your name, and, as some face the loss of life & all things earthly, let them cling with even greater confidence to things eternal. Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: O God our refuge and strength, be the present help of all who call upon you in any trouble: Though the earth should change and the mountains topple, be in our midst, and by your gracious hand bring your saving help to the sick in body, mind, or spirit; especially those we name before you (*NAMES*). Lord in your mercy:

C: Hear our prayer.

A: Accept our thanks for all who have gone before us who lived lives of confidence in your Word. Grant to us, their children, to share their joyful confidence, and keep us united with them until we are all gathered around your throne in the joys of heaven. Lord in your mercy:

C: Hear our prayer.

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

C: Amen.

Psalm 46—responsively

L: God is our refuge and strength,

C: A very present help in trouble.

L: Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,
though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,

C: Though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

L: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,

C: The holy habitation of the Most High.

L: God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;

C: God will help her when morning dawns.

L: The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;

C: He utters his voice, the earth melts.

L: The LORD of hosts is with us;

C: The God of Jacob is our fortress.

L: Come, behold the works of the LORD,

C: How he has brought desolations on the earth.

L: He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;

C: He breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the chariots with fire.

L: "Be still, and know that I am God.

C: I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!"

L: The LORD of hosts is with us;

C: The God of Jacob is our fortress.

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 give/live generously.



**Worship
Reformation Eve
October 28, 2017
6:00 p.m.**

Lutheran Book of Worship—Setting II

** indicates stand as you are able*

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

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P: Almighty God, gracious Lord, pour out your Holy Spirit upon your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies, and bestow on the Church your saving peace; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

First Lesson: Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalm 46 Page 4

Second Lesson: Romans 3:19-28

**Gospel Acclamation: "Alleluia"* Page 83

**Holy Gospel: John 8:31-36*

Children's Message: "A Clean Slate"

Sermon: "I AM Justified!"

Rev. Dave Steffenson

**Hymn: "Salvation Unto Us Has Come" #297*

Communication Cards/Offering Envelopes: The offering envelope, in your bulletin is also being used as visitor & 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.

Salvation Army Kick-Off: We need bell ringers for the Red Kettle fundraiser Kick-Off on Saturday, November 18th! Emmanuel will staff the two doors at Hy-Vee West (the newest store on West Circle Drive) from 9am til 5pm. Please contact Lee Pearce to reserve your time. Blessed are they who serve Emmanuel to the praise of God!

Saturday School & G.I.F.T. — Education for all ages is offered each Saturday night before worship at 5:10pm. Youth ages 3-grade 2 are meeting with Julie (Bible Stories) in the basement; Youth grades 3-8ff are meeting with Pastor Dave (Chronicles of Narnia) in the basement; Adults are meeting in the Fellowship Hall (Portraits from the Life of Luther). The Gathering Space is available for conversation, the Worship Space for meditation, & the Nursery for child care.

Men's Bible Study Breakfast: Each week, Emmanuel Men meet on Tuesdays at 8:00 a.m. at Oasis Church for Bible Study & Coffee. We are currently reading & discussing the Bible (Genesis-Revelation). Read pages 1074-1077 of the NIV Once A Day Bible (DAY 304 — October 31) in preparation for this week's study (Lamentations 2:7-3:39; Hebrews 2:1-18; & Proverbs 26:13-22).

Women's Afternoon Bible Study Group: Women of Emmanuel are studying the Book of Acts this year. Scholars refer to the Book of Acts as the "Acts of the Holy Spirit in the Life of the Church". What does it mean to be the Church, the Body of Christ, empowered by the Holy Spirit for witnessing in God's World? The Book of Acts teaches us what it means to be missionaries, ignited by the mighty rushing wind of God. Next session: Thursday, November 2 at 1pm in the Oasis Fellowship Hall. Read Acts 10-12 (Pentecost to the Gentiles).

Worship at Madonna Towers: Twice a month on Wednesdays, Emmanuel members are invited to participate in a ministry to area seniors. Our next Madonna Towers Worship Services will be on Wednesdays November 1& 15 at 1:00 pm. Contact Lee Pearce if you would like to participate in this wonderful ministry.

Jeremiah 31:31-34—The New Covenant

31 "Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, 32 not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the LORD. 33 But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. 34 And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more."

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Romans 3:19-28—The Righteousness of God Through Faith

19 Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. 20 For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin. 21 But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law & the Prophets bear witness to it-- 22 the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: 23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, 24 and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, 25 whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. 26 It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. 27 Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. 28 For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

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Gospel Reading: John 8:31-36

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 8th. Chapter.

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

31 So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, 32 and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." 33 They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?" 34 Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. 35 The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. 36 So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

WORSHIP SERVANTS Tonight: THANKS!

Organist: Rev. Scott Schilbe Trumpeter: Warren Bandel

Scripture Reader & Prayers: Vicky Mulvihill

Communion Server: Julie Steffenson

Ushers: Creig Anderson & Bob Mulvihill

Acolyte: Cabe Siebenaler Sound: Matt Serr

Coffee: Judy Pearce Treats: Julie Steffenson & Julie Engle

Set-up: Julie Steffenson Take-down: Janet Sunde and Friends

Emmanuel Nominating Committee: Is God calling you to serve in leadership at Emmanuel Lutheran? Opportunities: Church Council, Audit Committee, NALC Voting Delegate, or Nominating Committee.

2017 Emmanuel Picture Directory: Every two years Emmanuel updates its picture directory. This year's directory will have the added feature of an historical narrative of our five year anniversary as a mission congregation. Leitha Bothun, Julie Steffenson, and Deb Vomhof are spear-heading this project. Members of Emmanuel may submit pictures of church events & also a picture of their households to these gals. Pictures will also be taken on Saturday nights at church.

THANK YOU! Pastor Dave & Julie Steffenson offer thanks to the generous members of Emmanuel Lutheran for the wonderful reception, cards, and gifts that were received on Saturday, October 21 during the Pastor's Appreciation event. We love Emmanuel!

The Emmanuel Weekly

Saturday, Oct. 28, 2017
Reformation Eve - 6 pm

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

Reformation Sunday

Join us for Emmanuel's fifth annual **Prayer Walk and Potluck on Reformation Sunday, Oct. 29.** Gather at Oasis Church at 3:00pm. Park on the South Side (38th Street) of Oasis. We will be praying for the welfare of the City. A Potluck Supper will be held at the residence of Dick & Nancy Stanley (The Homestead of Rochester; Bldg. #5520) at 5pm. Please bring a dish/dessert to share.

Daylight Savings Time Ends!

Set your clocks back one hour at 2am on Sunday, November 5.

Remembering All Saints!

Next Saturday we will be celebrating the Feast of All Saints. Please submit names of loved ones you would like named & remembered in our prayers who have died and been raised to new life during the past 12 months.

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



CALENDAR ITEMS

- Sat, Oct. 28 - Saturday School and G.I.F.T. @ 5:10pm; Reformation Eve Worship @ 6pm
- Sunday, October 29 Prayer Walk (3pm) and Potluck (5pm)
- Tues, Oct. 31— Men's Bible Study (8am); Text Study (10:30am)
- Wed, Nov. 1 - Madonna Towers Worship (1pm)
- Thursday, November 2 Women's Bible Study at Oasis Church (1pm)
- Friday-Saturday, Nov. 3-4 - "Luther Play" at Schaeffer Academy
- Sat, Nov. 4 — G.I.F.T. & Saturday School at 5:10pm; All Saints Eve Worship at 6pm