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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! May the power of the Holy Spirit equip the saints for Witness in the world!

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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus our Lord and for all people according to their needs. *A brief silence*

A: For the One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church, that in the season of Pentecost it might be renewed by the Holy Spirit and more boldly proclaim the Word of Life, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: For this congregation, that nourished by the Word of God & the Holy Eucharist we might grow stronger in our baptismal faith and more faithful in our service to others, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: For those who have served in our nation’s Armed Forces and given their lives that we might remember their sacrifices this Memorial Day and work diligently with others in the cause of peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: For those experiencing illness of body, mind or spirit, especially (*names*) that they might know the peace that passes all human understanding and believe more firmly that their heavenly Father watches over them each day, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: For the witnesses of the saints who have preceded us, especially those who most recently died, that all who mourn may be comforted with the sure and certain hope of the resurrection, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Merciful Father, guided by your Holy Spirit, we are confident that you know our needs & that you hear our prayers, and so we place all for whom we pray into your loving care for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

Psalm 139:1-16—responsively

L: O Lord, you have searched me and known me!

C: You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from afar.

L: You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways.

C: Even before a word is on my tongue, behold, O Lord, you know it altogether.

L: You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

C: Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high; I cannot attain it.

L: Where shall I go from your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from your presence?

C: If I ascend to heaven, you are there! If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there!

L: If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,

C: Even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me.

L: If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light about me be night,"

C: Even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is bright as the day, for darkness is as light with you.

L: For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb.

C: I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.

L: Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well.

C: My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth.

L: Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in your book were written, every one of them,

C: The days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them.



**Worship
Pentecost
May 23, 2015
6:00 p.m.**

Lutheran Book of Worship—Setting II

** indicates stand as you are able*

Prelude

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P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, as you sent upon the disciples the promised gift of the Holy Spirit, look upon your church and open our hearts to the power of the Spirit. Kindle in us the fire of your love, and strengthen our lives for service in your kingdom; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

First Lesson: Ezekiel 37:1-14

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Second Lesson: Acts 2:1-21

*Gospel Acclamation: "Alleluia" Page 83

*Holy Gospel: John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Children's Message: "Happy Birthday to Me"

Sermon: "Dem Bones Gonna Rise Again" Rev. David Steffenson

Ezekiel 37:1-14 — Dem Bones Gonna Rise Again!

1 The hand of the Lord was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones.
2 And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. 3 And he said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord God, you know." 4 Then he said to me, "Prophecy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. 5 Thus says the Lord God to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. 6 And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the Lord." 7 So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. 8 And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them. 9 Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath; prophecy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live." 10 So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army. 11 Then he said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are indeed cut off.' 12 Therefore prophecy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. 13 And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. 14 And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the Lord; I have spoken, & I will do it, declares the Lord."

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Men's Bible Study Breakfast: Emmanuel Men are meeting weekly on Tuesdays at 8 a.m. at Charlie's (1408 2nd. St. SW) for breakfast & a first look at the lectionary readings for the week. Bring a friend, sit at the feet of Jesus & practice being evangelical. Our next meeting is Tuesday, May 26. Our Bible Readings for Holy Trinity are: Isaiah 6:1-8; Psalm 29; Romans 8:12-17; and John 3:1-17

Women's Bible Study: "Practicing Resurrection!" Women of Emmanuel & their friends are studying Paul's letter to the church at Ephesus and practicing the gift of resurrection in daily life. Participants meet twice each month (May 27; & June 10, 24) on Wednesdays from 1:00-2:30 p.m. Join us as we keep company with Jesus & walk wet with the sign of salvation upon us.

Acts 2:1-21 — Pentecost Sunday

1 When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. 2 And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. 3 And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. 4 And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. 5 Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. 6 And at this sound the multitude came together, & they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. 7 And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? 8 And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? 9 Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, 10 Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, 11 both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians--we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God." 12 And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" 13 But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine." 14 But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. 15 For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. 16 But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel: 17 "'And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams; 18 even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. 19 And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke; 20 the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great & magnificent day. 21 And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

WORSHIP SERVANTS Tonight: THANKS!

Pianist: MarJean Damerval

Scripture Reader & Prayers: Larry Vomhof

Communion Server: Julie Steffenson

Ushers: LeRoy Quam & Rich Sunde

Coffee: Peg Holtan

Treats: Samia Nelson

Sound: Don Holtan

Set-up: Julie Steffenson

Take-down: Janet Sunde & friends

Gospel Reading: John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 15 & 16th Chapters.
C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

15:26 “But when the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me. 27 And you also will bear witness, because you have been with me from the beginning. 16:4b “I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. 5 But now I am going to him who sent me, and none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ 6 But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. 7 Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. 8 And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: 9 concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; 10 concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer; 11 concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged. 12 “I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. 13 When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, & he will declare to you the things that are to come. 14 He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine & declare it to you. 15 All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine & declare it to you.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Saturday School: Christian Education for all ages on Saturdays at 5:10pm. Saturday School ends on May 30 and will resume on Rally Day, September 19. Special thanks to the parents and youth who have supported this ministry, and to Julie Steffenson who has devoted many hours to the spiritual and educational care of our children. Ice cream Sundaes will be served on May 30. Parents are welcome to join their children in Saturday School on May 30.

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The Emmanuel Weekly

Saturday, May 23, 2015

Pentecost - 6 pm

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

Special Congregational Meeting!

Members of Emmanuel will meet on Saturday, May 30, following worship in the Worship Space, for a brief meeting to discuss and approve Constitution revisions and Bylaws. Electronic and paper copies are available.

Paschal Candle!

Our Paschal Candle is lit, reminding us that Christ is the Light of the World. We are His luminaries, His Easter People. Christ is Risen! Christ is Risen Indeed! Alleluia! We light the Paschal Candle during the 50 days of Easter until we arrive at Ascension Day or Pentecost. We also light this candle whenever we have a baptism or a funeral, reminding us that in baptism we die and rise with Jesus. Not even death can extinguish the Light of Christ’s love.

We are Praying this Month for Gage Elementary School, it’s teachers, staff & students.

**The May Emmanuel Prayer
Calendar & Epistle Newsletter are
available in print!**



CALENDAR ITEMS

- Sat, May 23—Saturday School @ 5:10pm; Pentecost Worship @ 6pm—WEARING RED! BLOW SPIRIT BLOW! Blessed Memorial Day Weekend to you & yours!
- Tues, May 26—Men’s Bible Study Breakfast @ Charlie’s (8am)
- Wed, May 27—Women’s Bible Study @ 1pm
- Friday, May 29—Clergy Faithfulness Mtg. from 12:00 Noon—2pm
- Saturday, May 30 Saturday School @ 5:10pm; Holy Trinity Worship @ 6pm followed by Congregational Mtg.
- Sunday, May 31—Pastor Dave @ FLC in Hope, MN