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1. Eternal Father, strong to save, Whose arm hath bound the restless wave, Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep, Its own appointed limits keep; Oh, hear us when we cry to Thee, For those in peril on the sea!	
2. O Christ! Whose voice the waters heard, And hushed their raging at Thy word, Who walkedst on the foaming deep, And calm amidst its rage didst sleep; Oh, hear us when we cry to Thee, For those in peril on the sea!	
3. O Trinity of love and power! Our brethren shield in danger's hour; From rock and tempest, fire and foe, Protect them wheresoe'er they go; Thus evermore shall rise to Thee, Glad hymns of praise from land and sea.	
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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

A brief silence

A: Almighty God, who saved your chosen one, Noah, though the waters of the flood, and gave him your unfailing promise, and whose Son strode upon the waters bidding his disciples not to fear – we praise you for the great salvation you have given to us through our baptism into his death and resurrection. We pray that whatever storms may threaten our lives, that his voice will echo clearly in our ears as it did the ears of his first disciples. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: For this congregation, that we may not be daunted by the challenges of our age or beguiled by the tempting voice of other gods. With your Holy Church throughout the world and the saints and martyrs of every age, may this congregation bow the knee only before you, from whom every family in heaven and earth is named. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: Make us rooted and grounded in love. Shield us from every temptation to the sin of turning in on ourselves, and turn us instead outward to our neighbors. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: For the beauty of the earth and for the beauty of the skies, we thank you. Add your blessing to the delights of this summer. Protect and refresh those who travel on vacation; give to our children the joys of summer fun and memories to delight for a lifetime. Give families time together. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: For those in need: for those among us who suffer any affliction of body, mind, or spirit, *especially (names)*, and for all those in our world who stagger under any weight of sin or shame, any weight of poverty of body or mind, any illness of the flesh or illness of broken relationships; any lack of daily bread or lack of the Bread of Life; for those who lack human companionship and for all who long for companionship with you, give them grace to sing, “O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, & his steadfast love endures forever.” Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Into your hands, Merciful Father, we entrust ourselves and all for whom we pray, confident of your love for us in your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

Psalm 136:1-9—responsively

L: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
C: For his steadfast love endures forever.
L: Give thanks to the God of gods,
C: For his steadfast love endures forever.
L: Give thanks to the Lord of lords,
C: For his steadfast love endures forever;
L: To him who alone does great wonders,
C: For his steadfast love endures forever;
L: To him who by understanding made the heavens,
C: For his steadfast love endures forever;
L: To him who spread out the earth above the waters,
C: For his steadfast love endures forever;
L: To him who made the great lights,
C: For his steadfast love endures forever;
L: The sun to rule over the day,
C: For his steadfast love endures forever;
L: The moon and stars to rule over the night,
C: For his steadfast love endures forever;

WORSHIP SERVANTS Tonight:

Pianist: Karen Salz

Scripture Reader & Prayers: Larry Vomhof

Ushers: LeRoy Quam & Rich Sunde

Acolyte: Ava Siebenaler

Coffee: Peg Holtan

Treats: Margaret Quam

Sound: Don Holtan

Set-up & Communion Server: Julie Steffenson

Take-down: Janet Sunde & friends



**Worship
Pentecost IX
July 25, 2015
6:00 p.m.**

With One Voice— Bread of Life Liturgy

** indicates stand as you are able*

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

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P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray: O God, your almighty power is most clearly shown in your mercy and pity. Multiply your grace that we may run to your promises and be made to share in your heavenly joy; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. He lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

C: Amen.

First Lesson: Genesis 9:8-17

Psalm 136:1-9 **Bulletin Page 4**

Second Lesson: Ephesians 3:14-21

*Gospel Acclamation: “Alleluia” Page 31

*Holy Gospel: Mark 6:45-56

Children’s Message: “The Rainbow”

Sermon: “Our God is Able!” Rev. David Steffenson

*Hymn: “Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me” - See Insert LBW #334

Martyr: Life-Giving Witness: The NALC Convocation will be held in Dallas this summer (Aug. 12-14). Pastor Steffenson & Lee Pearce will be our Emmanuel Delegates. The Convocation will celebrate the 50th Ordination Anniversary of Bishop Emeritus Paull Spring. Members of the NALC (North American Lutheran Church) are invited to send a Thank-offering Gift in support of the NALS (North American Lutheran Seminary) in honor of Bishop Spring. Contact Pastor Steffenson for more information.

Council Highlights (July 14): Pulpit Supply in August will be Rev. Tim Duesenberg on August 8 and Rev. Chris Brekke on August 15. Emmanuel Picnic will be on Sunday, August 23 at the Vomhof's. Emmanuel will provide the meats and drinks. Pianist schedule is set for July - September; thanks to MarJean, Mandy and Karen. Members of Emmanuel are encouraged to pack the WORD (bring your bible to church each week). Bible Celebration Saturday will be August 29 with a freewill offering in support of the Gideons. Thank you received from NALS for our gift of \$1200. Next Mtg. is Aug. 11.

Prayer Time: Thursdays at Oasis Church from 11:00-11:30am in Pastor Dan's office. This is a small group opportunity for Emmanuel members to join members of Oasis in a shared time of prayer. Fridays at 9:30am—Ecumenical opportunity for praying for persecuted Christians around the world.

Women's Bible Study: Our study on Ephesians has concluded and we will begin a new study on September 9 (1pm). Our new study for the fall will be an eight session study on "Favorite Women in the Bible".

Men's Bible Study Breakfast: Emmanuel Men are meeting weekly on Tuesdays at 8am 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 Tues. July 28. Our Bible Readings for Pentecost X are: Exodus 16:2-15; Psalm 145:10-21; Ephesians 4:1-16; and John 6:22-35.

Praying for our Schools: Throughout the month of July we are praying for praying for all area schools. During the month of August we will be praying for Longfellow Elementary and delivering treats to the staff. MarJean Damerval is a music teacher at Longfellow.

Genesis 9:8-17 — The Sign of the Covenant

8 Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, 9 "Behold, I establish my covenant with you and your offspring after you, 10 and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the livestock, and every beast of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark; it is for every beast of the earth. 11 I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of the flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." 12 And God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me & you & every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: 13 I have set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. 14 When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, 15 I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh. And the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. 16 When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." 17 God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Ephesians 3:14-21 — Prayer for Spiritual Strength

14 For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, 15 from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, 16 that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, 17 so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, 18 may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, 19 and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. 20 Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, 21 to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

L: The Word of the Lord.

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Gospel Reading: Mark 6:45-56

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 6th. Chapter.
C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

45 Immediately [Jesus] made his disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd. 46 And after he had taken leave of them, he went up on the mountain to pray. 47 And when evening came, the boat was out on the sea, and he was alone on the land. 48 And he saw that they were making headway painfully, for the wind was against them. And about the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. He meant to pass by them, 49 but when they saw him walking on the sea they thought it was a ghost, and cried out, 50 for they all saw him and were terrified. But immediately he spoke to them and said, "Take heart; I Am. Do not be afraid." 51 And he got into the boat with them, and the wind ceased. And they were utterly astounded, 52 for they did not understand about the loaves, but their hearts were hardened. 53 When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored to the shore. 54 And when they got out of the boat, the people immediately recognized him 55 and ran about the whole region and began to bring the sick people on their beds to wherever they heard he was. 56 And wherever he came, in villages, cities, or countryside, they laid the sick in the marketplaces and implored him that they might touch even the fringe of his garment. And as many as touched it were made well.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Communion Invitation: 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 & risen, is truly present in, with and under the forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation." We are currently practicing head of the aisle Communion by means of Intinction.

Thanks for worshipping 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! Visit us at: www.emmanuelofrochester.org.

The Emmanuel Weekly

Saturday, July 25, 2015
Pentecost IX - 6 pm

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

Sympathies

Emmanuel Lutheran extends our love and prayers to Judy & Lee Pearce in the recent passing of Alice Miller.

Summer Happenings

Sunday, August 23—Emmanuel Picnic at the home of Larry & Deb Vomhof (11530 Hwy. 52 S.E. Chatfield). Arrive at 11:30am & eat at 12:00 noon. Bring a dish to share. Meats & Drinks will be provided by Emmanuel Lutheran. Bring swimsuits and blowup tubes also.

Sat, August 29 at 6pm—Bible Saturday, celebrating the gift of God's Word. Bring your Bible to worship with you. Need a Bible or want to provide one to someone in need? Contact Pastor Dave. A freewill offering will be received at the door in support of the Gideons.

*Creating a Church Picture Directory!

Emmanuel August Newsletter & Prayer Calendar are available!
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CALENDAR ITEMS

- Sat, July 25 Pentecost IX Worship @ 6pm; Fellowship Time Follows
- Sun, July 26—Pastor Dave in Iowa at Old East & Old West Paint Creek
- Tues, July 28—Men's Bible Study Breakfast @ Charlie's (8am)
- Sat, Aug. 1—Pentecost X Worship @ 6pm; Fellowship Time Follows
- August 5-11 ... Pastor Steffenson on Vacation.
- Saturday, Aug. 8—Pulpit Supply: Rev. Tim Duesenberg; pianist—Leslie Duesenberg
- August 12-14 ... NALC Convocation in Dallas