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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: Gracious Father, in the past you spoke through the prophets, and now you have spoken to us through your Son, Jesus, who is our Lord and Savior, and who is the same, yesterday, today, & forever. May the timeless truth of your written and living Word continually

call us to believe, to follow, and to be disciples, Lord, in your mercy;
C: Hear our prayer.

A: Lord our God, we often think of ourselves more highly than we ought. Help us, we pray, in all that we say and do, to give honor and glory to you alone, that we may demonstrate your greatness while living out lives of humble service, Lord, in your mercy;
C: Hear our prayer.

A: Holy God, as you call all people to your banquet feast, we also remember all those who suffer in mind, body, and spirit. Give comfort to the dying, strength to the weak, assurance to the sick, and aid to the injured. Tonight we pray for all those members and friends who are in need of your healing [**names**], Lord, in your mercy;
C: Hear our prayer.

A: Holy Spirit, grant wisdom, humility, and a hunger for learning as summer comes to an end, and classes resume, that students may learn in all godliness, and teachers may teach in accordance with the holy calling that comes from you alone, Lord, in your mercy;
C: Hear our Prayer.

A: Lord God, ruler of nations, you have blessed our land and country, & given us more than we could ever deserve. Therefore, we pray that you would help us as your people to be a light to the nations. Raise up among us those whose lives are faithful and true, that by their example, we may serve as citizens, with justice and integrity. Lord in your mercy;
C: Hear our Prayer.

P: Into your hands, heavenly Father, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ.
C: Amen.

Psalm 131:1-3 (Read Responsively)

L: O Lord, my heart is not lifted up; my eyes are not raised too high;

C: **I do not occupy myself with things too great and too marvelous for me.**

L: But I have calmed and quieted my soul, like a weaned child with its mother;

C: **Like a weaned child is my soul within me.**

L: O Israel, hope in the Lord

C: **From this time forth and forevermore.**

WORSHIP SERVANTS Tonight:

Pianist: Karen Salz

Scripture Reader & Prayers: Lee Pearce

Communion Server: Lee Pearce

Ushers: Darald & Leitha Bothun

Coffee: Peg Holtan

Treats: Deb Vomhof

Sound: Don Holtan

Acolyte: Cabe Siebenaler

Set-up: Julie Steffenson

Take-down: Janet Sunde & friends

Don't forget to offer your gifts as "worship and hospitality servants" weekly for Worship! Contact Julie Steffenson or visit the sign-up sheet in the Gathering Space. Thanks!

*Thanks for worshipping with us this evening. Your presence is your gift to us. We pray that our Service of Word & Sacrament is a blessing to you. Sealed by the Holy Spirit & marked with the cross of Christ forever we are praising, proclaiming & practicing Emmanuel – God with us – in daily life! Blessed Summer to you and yours!
Visit us at: emmanuelofrochester.org*



**Worship
Pentecost XV
August 27, 2016
6:00 p.m.**

Lutheran Book of Worship—Setting II

** indicates stand as you are able*

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

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*Gathering Hymn: "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" #290

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P: Almighty and sovereign God, through the gracious gift of baptism you forgive our sins, give us life in Christ, and grant us a place at your heavenly banquet. By the power of your Holy Spirit create in us humble hearts and an attitude of mutual love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

First Lesson: Proverbs 25:2-10

Psalm 131:1-3 (*responsively by half verse*) Bulletin Page 4

Second Lesson: Hebrews 13:1-17

*Gospel Acclamation: "Alleluia" Page 83

*Holy Gospel: Luke 14:1-14

Children's Message: "Humble Pie"

Sermon: "God's Guest List" Pastor Dave Steffenson

*Hymn of the Day: "Now We Join in Celebration" #203

*Confession of Faith: "Apostles' Creed" Page 85

Proverbs 25:2-10 — Elevation of the Humble

2 It is the glory of God to conceal things, but the glory of kings is to search things out. 3 As the heavens for height, and the earth for depth, so the heart of kings is unsearchable. 4 Take away the dross from the silver, and the smith has material for a vessel; 5 take away the wicked from the presence of the king, and his throne will be established in righteousness. 6 Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great, 7 for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble. What your eyes have seen 8 do not hastily bring into court, for what will you do in the end, when your neighbor puts you to shame? 9 Argue your case with your neighbor himself, and do not reveal another's secret, 10 lest he who hears you bring shame upon you, and your ill repute have no end.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Hebrews 13:1-17 — Advice for the Faithful

1 Let brotherly love continue. 2 Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares. 3 Remember those who are in prison, as though in prison with them, and those who are mistreated, since you also are in the body. 4 Let marriage be held in honor among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterous. 5 Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." 6 So we can confidently say, "The Lord is my helper; I will not fear; what can man do to me?" 7 Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God. Consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. 8 Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. 9 Do not be led away by diverse and strange teachings, for it is good for the heart to be strengthened by grace, not by foods, which have not benefited those devoted to them. 10 We have an altar from which those who serve the tent have no right to eat. 11 For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the holy places by the high priest as a sacrifice for sin are burned outside the camp. 12 So Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through his own blood. 13 Therefore let us go to him outside the camp and bear the reproach he endured. 14 For here we have no

lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come. 15 Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name. 16 Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. 17 Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls, as those who will have to give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with groaning, for that would be of no advantage to you.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading: Luke 14:1-14

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 14th. Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

1 One Sabbath, when [Jesus] went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching him carefully. 2 And behold, there was a man before him who had dropsy. 3 And Jesus responded to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?" 4 But they remained silent. Then he took him and healed him and sent him away. 5 And he said to them, "Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out?" 6 And they could not reply to these things. 7 Now he told a parable to those who were invited, when he noticed how they chose the places of honor, saying to them, 8 "When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest someone more distinguished than you be invited by him, 9 and he who invited you both will come and say to you, 'Give your place to this person,' and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place. 10 But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher.' Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you. 11 For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted." 12 He said also to the man who had invited him, "When you give a dinner or a banquet, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, lest they also invite you in return and you be repaid. 13 But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, 14 and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the just."

L: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

The Emmanuel Weekly

**Saturday, August 27, 2016
Pentecost XV - 6 pm**

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



ST. AUGUSTINE

Tonight is the commemoration day of St. Augustine (354-430), Bishop of Hippo and church father. His writings helped to shape theology in the early church and continue to do so today.

He is credited as saying in his Confessions, “The Bible was composed in such a way that as beginners mature, its meaning grows with them.”

Save the DATES!

- Saturday, September 10 (5:10pm): Saturday School Rally Day.
- Saturday, September 17: Iowa Mission District Convocation at Bethany Lutheran in Laurens, Iowa. Guest Speaker at Emmanuel Worship: Adam Morgan (Montreal, Quebec).

The September Emmanuel Prayer Calendar & Epistle Newsletter are available in print! Also, the “Our Daily Bread Devotional”.

Communication Cards/Offering Envelopes: The offering envelope, in your bulletin is also being used as visitor and communication card. If you are visiting with us, please know that your presence is your gift to us. We have a generous congregation and 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.

Blessing of Backpacks: School will soon be in session. Emmanuel is inviting all school age children and teachers to bring their backpacks, lunch boxes, etc. with them to church on Labor Day Weekend (Saturday, Sept. 3 at 6pm) so that we can bless & pray for our children & teachers as they begin a new school year.

Men’s Bible Study Breakfast: Emmanuel Men are meeting weekly on Tuesdays at 8 a.m. at Oasis Church for Bible Study and a continental breakfast. Beginning on August 30, a new study on the Book of Revelation begins. Read Revelation, Chapter 1.

Women’s Bible Studies: Emmanuel Women will resume Bible Study in September with a new study on the Book of Revelation. An afternoon Study will be offered twice a month on Thursday afternoons at Oasis Church (1pm) beginning on September 8. An evening study will be offered once a month at the home of Katie Siebenaler beginning on Wednesday, September 14 at 6:30pm.

PRAYING FOR OUR SCHOOLS: During the month of Sept, we are praying for John Adams Middle School in Rochester and delivering Treats. Thanks for keeping the staff and the students of our local schools in your prayers.

Madonna Towers Skilled Care Chapel: On the first & third Wednesdays of each month, Emmanuel members are invited to participate in a ministry to area seniors. Our next Services will be on Wednesdays, September 7 & 21 at 1:00 pm. Give Lee Pearce a call if you would like to participate in this wonderful ministry.

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CALENDAR ITEMS

- Saturday, August 27 All Congregation Picnic (3pm); Pentecost XV Worship at 6pm
- Tues, August 30 - Men’s Bible Study Breakfast; New Location: Oasis Church (8am)
- Saturday, September 3 Pentecost XVI Worship at 6pm with “Blessing of Backpacks”
- Sunday, September 4 Pastor Dave preaching at Gift of Grace in Holmen, WI.
- Wednesday, Sept. 7 Council Mtg. at 5pm at Pastor’s House
- September Liturgy will be “Word & Sacrament”