

\*Hymn of the Day: "I Love to Tell the Story"

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\*Confession:

P: In Christ, you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation.

**C: We believe in Him and are marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit.**

P: Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

P: Build yourselves up on your most holy faith;

**C: Pray in the Holy Spirit.**

P: Keep yourselves in the love of God;

**C: Look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

P: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:

**C: Everything old has passed away; behold, everything has become new!**

P: God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another. Gracious God,

**C: Have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

P: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

**C: Amen.**

P: Sisters and brothers, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: And also with you. (Share God's peace with one another.)**

Offering - *Music by MarJean*

\*Offertory Prayer:

P: God, our Creator, you open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living creature. With these gifts we bless you for tender nurture and care. Help us to delight in your will & walk in your ways, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

\*The Eucharistic Prayer for "Sundays after Pentecost"

\*Lord's Prayer: *Traditional Version*

*Invitation & Distribution: 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 & salvation." We practice Intinction at Emmanuel Lutheran. Receive a wafer (the body of Christ) & dip it into the cup of wine (the blood of Christ).*

**Communion Hymn: "Jesus Shall Reign"**

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\*Table Blessing

\*Closing Prayers

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\*Benediction

**\*Sending Hymn: "Christ for the World We Sing"**

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\*Dismissal

Postlude

*Thanks for worshiping 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! Welcome to the GIFT of Fall!*

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## CLOSING PRAYERS

A: Heavenly Father, fill your holy Church throughout the world with faithful teachers and preachers of your Word. Kindle its worship to be a living flame of praise to you. Make it wise as serpents and innocent as doves as it bears witness to Jesus in this broken and fallen world.

Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

A: O God Most Compassionate, whose Son knows the full measure of our humanity, we pray for all those whose joy is gone, all those whom grief weighs upon, and all those whose hearts are sick. We pray today especially for [names]. Hear the cries of your people, far and near.

Soften our ears to their distress and make our hands quick to act on their behalf. Lord, in your mercy.

**C: Hear our prayer.**

A: Gracious Father teach us obedience as we follow the Way of your Son Jesus. Grant that we may share your mercy with the Ninevehs of this world. May lost people always matter to those who are found by your grace. Bless Adam and Michelle, Jayne and the baby on the way, that they may serve your holy will. Provide for their needs and grow the seeds that are planted and watered in the mission field of Montreal.

Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

P: Into your hands, Almighty Father, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; for the sake of your son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## WORSHIP SERVANTS Tonight:

*Pianist: MarJean Damerval*

*Scripture Reader & Prayers: Jean Wanek*

*Communion Server: Julie Steffenson*

*Treats: Katie Siebenaler*

*Coffee: Peg Holtan*

*Ushers: Jm Siebenaler & Addison*

*Sound: Don Holtan*

*Acolyte: Ava Siebenaler*

*Set-up: Julie Steffenson*

*Take-down: Janet Sunde & friends*



**Worship  
Pentecost XVIII  
Sept. 17, 2016  
6:00 p.m.**

## ReClaim Hymnal

### “Service of Word & Sacrament”

*\* indicates stand as you are able*

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

**\*Gathering Hymn: “Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak” #267**

**\*Greeting:**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the Communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And Also with you.**

P: You are the treasured people of the LORD,

**C: A people holy to the LORD your God.**

P: Keep the words of the LORD in your heart; teach them to your children.

**C: Talk about them when you are at home & when you are away, when you lie down & when you rise.**

P: One does not live by bread alone,

**C: But by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD.**

**\*Prayer of the Day**

First Lesson: Jonah 3:1-10

Second Lesson: I Corinthians 3:5-9

\*Holy Gospel: Luke 16:1-15

Children’s Message: “Servants”

Sermon: “God’s Fellow Workers”

Adam Morgan

### **Jonah 3:1-10 — Nineveh Repents**

1 Then the word of the Lord came to Jonah the second time, saying,  
2 “Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it the message that I tell you.” 3 So Jonah arose & went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, three days' journey in breadth. 4 Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's journey. And he called out, “Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” 5 And the people of Nineveh believed God. They called for a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least of them. 6 The word reached the king of Nineveh, and he arose from his throne, removed his robe, covered himself with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. 7 And he issued a proclamation and published through Nineveh, “By the decree of the king and his nobles: Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock, taste anything. Let them not feed or drink water, 8 but let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and let them call out mightily to God. Let everyone turn from his evil way and from the violence that is in his hands. 9 Who knows? God may turn and relent and turn from his fierce anger, so that we may not perish.” 10 When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that he had said he would do to them, and he did not do it.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **I Corinthians 3:5-9 — God's Fellow Workers**

5 What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you believed, as the Lord assigned to each. 6 I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. 7 So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. 8 He who plants and he who waters are one, and each will receive his wages according to his labor. 9 For we are God's fellow workers. You are God's field, God's building.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **Gospel Reading — Luke 16:1-15**

P: The Holy Gospel According to St. Luke the 16th Chapter.

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

1 He also said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions. 2 And he called him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can

no longer be manager.’ 3 And the manager said to himself, ‘What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. 4 I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.’ 5 So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he said to the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ 6 He said, ‘A hundred measures of oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.’ 7 Then he said to another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He said, ‘A hundred measures of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and write eighty.’ 8 The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. 9 And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings. 10 “One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. 11 If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? 12 And if you have not been faithful in that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own? 13 No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.” 14 The Pharisees, who were lovers of money, heard all these things, and they ridiculed him. 15 And he said to them, “You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For what is exalted among men is an abomination in the sight of God.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Prayer of the Day:** God of abundance, all good gifts come from you and you bless us with life and salvation. Apart from your holy love we have nothing. Keep us mindful that we have been bought with a price and teach us to live generous and obedient lives; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

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# The Emmanuel Weekly

**September 17, 2016**  
**Pentecost XVIII - 6 pm**

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

## **Welcome to the Morgan Family!**

Adam & Michelle, with their son Jayne and a baby on the way, are serving God and proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ in word and deed in Montreal, Quebec. Having heard the call of Jesus, “FOLLOW ME”, they have said, “YES!” May God bless the Morgan family and their holy work in Canada

## **Mark Your Calendars!**

- Saturday, September 24: Emmanuel Huddle following our 6pm Worship Service. We’ll discuss our mutual ministry, & prepare for our Five Year Anniversary on February 25, 2017.
- Saturday, October 8: Gary Froiland and the Gideon’s (6pm). A Freewill Offering will be received.
- Sunday, October 16 (7pm): The GARMS Family Concert—Southern Gospel Music. Freewill Offering.

**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 & 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.

**Men’s Bible Study Breakfast:** Each week, Emmanuel Men are meeting on Tuesdays at 8 a.m. at Oasis Church for Bible Study & a continental breakfast. A new Study on Revelation has begun. Read Revelation Chapter Three in preparation for this week’s study.

**Women’s Bible Studies:** Emmanuel Women have resumed Bible Study with a new study on the Book of Revelation. The afternoon Study is meeting twice a month on Thursday afternoons at Oasis Church (1pm). Next session: September 22. An evening study will be offered once a month at the home of Katie Siebenaler at 6:30pm.

**PRAYING FOR OUR SCHOOLS:** During the month of Sept, we are praying for John Adams Middle School in Rochester & delivering Treats. Thanks for keeping the staff and the students of our local schools in your prayers. This ministry is supported by a Thrivent gift.

**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 Service will be on Wednesday, September 21 at 1:00 pm. Give Lee Pearce a call if you would like to participate in this wonderful ministry.

**Kids Choir:** Saturday School Kids are singing in worship on the Second Saturday of each month. Gifts of Music will be offered by our beloved children on October 8, November 12 & December 10.

**Bible Saturday!** Join us on Saturday October 8 as musician & storyteller Gary Froiland helps lead us in worship and shares with us the work of the Gideons. The Kids Choir will sing. A resource table of Christian books will be on display for purchase. Worshipers are invited to wear their Emmanuel T-Shirts to church.

**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 generously.



## **CALENDAR ITEMS**

- Sat, Sept. 17 - Saturday School @ 5:10pm; **GIFT** - 5:15pm; Pentecost XVIII Worship at 6pm - Guest Speaker: Adam Morgan
- Monday, September 19 Deliver treats to John Adams Middle School
- Tues, Sept. 20 - Men’s Bible Study Breakfast at Oasis Church (8am); Text Study at 10:30am
- Wednesday, Sept. 21 Worship at Madonna Towers (1pm)
- Thurs, Sept. 22 (1pm) Women’s Bible Study
- Sat, Sept. 24 - Saturday School @ 5:10pm; **GIFT** - 5:15pm; Pentecost XIX Worship @ 6pm, followed by “HUDDLE”