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**Communion Hymn: “O Living Bread from Heaven”--LBW #197**

\*Eucharistic Prayer for the Season of 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, & believe that Jesus Christ, crucified & risen, is truly present in, with and under the forms of bread & wine for the forgiveness of sins, life & salvation.” With repentant hearts, we receive the body & blood of Jesus for the forgiveness of our sins. Gluten-free wafers & consecrated grape juice are available. When instructed, please receive the body and blood of Jesus in the pre-filled and consecrated containers.*

\*Table Blessing

\*Closing Prayers & Benediction

\***Closing Song: “Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus” — LBW #487**

\*Dismissal:

P: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

### **WORSHIP SERVANTS Tonight:**

Pianist: Mary Ann Groven      Sound/Recording: Don Holtan

Assisting Minister, Scripture Reader & Prayers: Julie Steffenson

Greeters: Jeff & Elise Patzke and Luke

Set-up and Take-down: Julie Steffenson & Peg Holtan

**Thanks** for worshipping with us this evening. Your presence is your gift to us. We pray that our Service of Worship 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! God’s Power is made perfect in Weakness! **Visit us at:** [www.emmanuelofrochester.org](http://www.emmanuelofrochester.org)



**Worship—Eve of  
Pentecost XI  
Aug. 7, 2021  
6:00 p.m.**

## **Service of the Word & Communion**

\* indicates stand as you are able

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements: “Sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever, we are praising, proclaiming & practicing Emmanuel – God with us – in daily life!”

\***Entrance Song: “O Bread of Life from Heaven” — LBW #222**

\*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: In the beginning was the Word,

**C: And the Word was with God, and the Word was God.**

P: In the Word was life,

**C: And the life was the light of all people.**

P: The Word became flesh and lived among us,

**C: And we have seen his glory, full of grace and truth. (John 1)**

\***Song: “Word of God, Come Down on Earth” — WOV #716**

**“Word of God, come down on earth, living rain from heaven descending: touch our hearts and bring to birth faith and hope and love unending. Word almighty, we revere you; Word made flesh, we long to hear you.**

**Word eternal, throned on high, Word that brought to life creation, Word that came from heaven to die, crucified for our salvation; saving Word, the world restoring, speak to us, your love outpouring.”**

\*Salutation and Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray: Heavenly Father, through your extravagant love sustain us with the living bread that is Jesus that so nourished we may live in love for you, and love others, just as Christ has loved us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

First Lesson: I Kings 19:1-8

**Psalm 34:1-8** (*Responsively by half verse*)      **SEE INSERT**

Second Lesson: Ephesians 4:17-5:2

\***Gospel Verse: "Alleluia" — WOV page 31**

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

Al - le - lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

\*Holy Gospel: John 6:35-51

Children's Message: "Imitating Jesus" (Posted on Facebook)

Sermon: Guest Preacher - Dallas Groten

\***Song: "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" — WOV #649**

\*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, & was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, & 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, & 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.** (*Sharing of God's peace may be done as an expression from the heart, without actual contact.*)

2. I want to see the brightness of God,  
I want to look at Jesus.  
Clear Sun of Righteousness, shine on my path,  
And show me the way to the Father. **REFRAIN**

3. I'm looking for the coming of Christ,  
I want to be with Jesus.  
When we have run with patience the race,  
We shall know the joy of Jesus. **REFRAIN**

**Communion Song: "O Living Bread" — LBW #197**

1. O Living Bread from heaven,  
How well you feed your guest!  
The gifts that you have given  
Have filled my heart with rest.  
Oh, wondrous food of blessing,  
Oh, cup that heals our woes!  
My heart, this gift possessing,  
With praises overflows!
2. Lord, grant me then, thus strengthened  
With heav'nly food, while here  
My course on earth is lengthened,  
To serve with holy fear.  
And when you call my spirit  
To leave this world below,  
I enter, through your merit,  
Where joys unmingled flow.

**Song: "Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus" — LBW #487**

1. Let us ever walk with Jesus,  
Follow His example pure,  
Through a world that would deceive us  
And to sin our spirits lure.  
Onward in His footsteps treading,  
Pilgrims here, our home above,  
Full of faith and hope and love,  
Let us do our Father's bidding.  
Jesus if I faithful be,  
Life eternal grant to me.

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**Song: "O Bread of Life from Heaven" — LBW #222**

1. O Bread of Life from heaven, To saints and angels given;  
O manna from above!  
Feed with the blessed sweetness,  
Of your divine completeness,  
The souls that want and need your love.
2. O Fount of grace redeeming, O River ever streaming  
From Jesus' wounded side!  
Come now your love bestowing, On thirsting souls, and flowing  
Till all are fully satisfied.
3. We love you Jesus tender, In all your hidden splendor,  
Within these means of grace.  
O let the veil is riven, And our clear eye in heaven,  
Behold your glory face to face.

**I Kings 19:1-8 — Arise and Eat!**

1 Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. 2 Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life as the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." 3 Then he was afraid, and he arose and ran for his life and came to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and left his servant there. 4 But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness and came & sat down under a broom tree. And he asked that he might die, saying, "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my fathers." 5 And he lay down and slept under a broom tree. And behold, an angel touched him & said to him, "Arise and eat." 6 And he looked, and behold, there was at his head a cake baked on hot stones & a jar of water. And he ate & drank and lay down again. 7 And the angel of the Lord came again a second time & touched him & said, "Arise & eat, for the journey is too great for you." 8 And he arose & ate & drank, and went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb, the mount of God.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

***Psalm 34:1-8— Read responsively***

L: I will bless the Lord at all times;

**C: His praise shall continually be in my mouth.**

L: My soul makes its boast in the Lord;

**C: Let the humble hear and be glad.**

L: Oh, magnify the Lord with me,

**C: And let us exalt his name together!**

L: I sought the Lord, and he answered me

C: And delivered me from all my fears.

L: Those who look to him are radiant,

**C: And their faces shall never be ashamed.**

L: This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him

**C: And saved him out of all his troubles.**

L: The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them.

**C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!**

### **Ephesians 4:17-5:2 — Be Imitators of God!**

17 Now this I say and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds. 18 They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart. 19 They have become callous and have given themselves up to sensuality, greedy to practice every kind of impurity. 20 But that is not the way you learned Christ! — 21 assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus, 22 to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, 23 and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, 24 and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness. 25 Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. 26 Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, 27 and give no opportunity to the devil. 28 Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. 29 Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. 30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. 31 Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. 32 Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you. 5:1 Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. 2 And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **Gospel Reading: John 6:35-51**

P: The Holy Gospel According to St. John the 6th. Chapter.

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

35 Jesus said to [the crowd], “I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. 36 But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. 37 All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. 38 For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. 39 And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. 40 For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.” 41 So the Jews grumbled about him, because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” 42 They said, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does he now say, ‘I have come down from heaven’?” 43 Jesus answered them, “Do not grumble among yourselves. 44 No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. 45 It is written in the Prophets, ‘And they will all be taught by God.’ Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me — 46 not that anyone has seen the Father except he who is from God; he has seen the Father. 47 Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. 48 I am the bread of life. 49 Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. 50 This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. 51 I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

### **Sermon Song: “I Want to Walk as a Child” - WOV #649**

1. I want to walk as a child of the light,  
I want to follow Jesus.

God set the stars to give light to the world,  
The star of my life is Jesus.

**REFRAIN:** In Him there is no darkness at all,  
The night and the day are both alike.  
The Lamb is the light of the city of God,  
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

# The Emmanuel Weekly

**August 7, 2021**

**Eve of Pentecost XI - 6 pm**

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

## **Picnic Thank You!**

3-4 dozen people enjoyed last Sunday’s Church Picnic. Special thanks is offered to Don & Peg Holtan for coordinating this event and to everyone who attended the picnic. Great food & fellowship was enjoyed by all! Thanks also to those who helped with all the necessary tasks and preparations. Next year (Sunday, Aug. 7) we’ll be in our new Pavilion! P.T.L.

## **Cross with Eternal Circle**

Thanks is offered to LeRoy & Margaret Quam for their generous donation of an aluminum cross for the church land. LeRoy has spent countless hours on this project. The new cross will soon mark the church land as a sign of God’s redemptive work & eternal saving presence (Jn. 3:16).

## **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 live & give generously.

**The August Emmanuel Epistle Newsletter & Prayer Calendar are available! Also, pick up your copy of Our Daily Bread Devotional for June-August.**



## **CALENDAR ITEMS**

- Saturday, August 7 - Eve of Pentecost 11 Worship with H.C. at 6pm; Guest Preacher: Dallas Groten
- Sunday, August 8—Mini VBS on the church land from 2-4pm!
- Wed, August 11 - Men’s Bible Study at 11am
- Thursday, August 12 Church Council Meeting at 1pm—Oasis Church
- Saturday, August 14 Eve of Pentecost 12 Worship at 6pm; Coffee Fellowship at 7pm - Arne & Samia Nelson (In honor of their 50th Wedding Anniversary.)

**4:31 — Prayer Time!  
Thanks for joining us.**

**Children’s Ministry:** Worship Bags are available for kids each week. We hope children enjoy these resources during worship. Youth are asked to take the bags home with them. We plan on resuming Saturday School with our little ones on RALLY DAY—September 11. Weekly Children’s Messages & take-home resources are posted on our Emmanuel Church Website & Facebook Page.

**Men’s Bible Study (Email & In-Person):** Men of Emmanuel Lutheran are currently meeting on Tuesday mornings at 8:30am via email & studying the Scripture Lessons for the upcoming weekend. Let Pastor Dave know if you would like the study notes. We will have In-Person studies on: **Wednesdays, August 11 & 18 at 11am.** Location: Oasis Church.

**Emmanuel Lutheran Mini-VBS:** Emmanuel is hosting a MINI-VBS on Sunday, Aug. 8 from 2-4pm on the Church Land, weather permitting. One Day! Two Hours! For children ages 4 through fourth grade (i.e. entering fifth grade this fall), AND their friends! “Story Telling” with Pastor Dave. Music & crafts, recreation, snacks & a surprise gift! Interested in helping out or attending? Contact Pastor Dave ASAP!

**Coffee Fellowship:** Once a month, members of Emmanuel are hosting and serving refreshments following worship. Contact Pastor Dave if you would like to host one of our coffee hours!

**GOSPEL Summer Concert Series! Trinity Lutheran in St. Charles** invites you to their Gospel Summer Concert Series; Wednesdays at 6:30pm on the green space behind the St. Charles City Hall. **The Ravens Fire Band** will perform on August 18th. A freewill offering will be received at each concert.

## **Acts 4:31—The Church Prayed!**

*“And when they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered together was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and continued to speak the Word of God with boldness.”*

Each day at 4:31pm, Members & Friends of Emmanuel are connecting for prayer. Send prayer requests to Pastor Dave Steffenson. Thanks for joining us. At the name of Jesus, every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that Jesus is Lord to the glory of God the Father.”

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## Closing Prayers for August 7, 2021

L: For the Church, the world, and needs of all people, let us pray to the Lord.

*A brief silence*

L: O Heavenly Father, let us taste & see how gracious you are! O Jesus, feed us with yourself, now & always! O Holy Spirit, give us eyes of faith to look upon our Savior and be radiant! Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

L: Father, feed your Church with the life of Christ. By the power of your Spirit, raise it up on the last day as the Bride of Christ. Raise up pastors, priests, bishops, and theologians to feed your people with your living Word. Let many taste and see your graciousness, and be forever blessed for trusting in you. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

L: You are the life and salvation, the living bread and eternal hope of this congregation. Bless our words and deeds, our worship and fellowship. Use us to glorify your name and to feed our neighbors with food that satisfies hearts, minds, souls, & bodies. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

L: You fed Elijah in the wilderness, and he journeyed forty days in the strength of that food. Grant the bread of health and salvation to all who dwell in the wilderness of suffering. Strengthen them in their pilgrimage. Surround them with compassion and encouragement. Keep them steadfast in faith and strong in hope. Today we especially plead on behalf of: [NAMES]. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

We bless you for our beloved dead who now taste and see the full measure of your gracious care. Give us joy in our sorrows and hope in our struggles. Keep us close to Jesus. Raise us up at the last day, and make us radiant as we look upon our beautiful Savior – our life, our joy, and our crown, now and forever. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

P: Incline your ear to our prayers, dear Lord; and answer them according to your most gracious and holy will, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

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