Emmanuel Lutheran Church



Stewardship Focus
Week 1





Sunday, January 27, 2019 Second Sunday after Epiphany Holy Communion

January 27, 2019 • 7:45 A.M., 9:30 A.M., 11:00 A.M. Services

WELCOME TO EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

INTRODUCTION

Today we begin a three-part reflection on the "G.I.F.T. (Growing In Faith Together)" at Emmanuel Lutheran Church. Every Sunday we have an opportunity to grow in faith as we gather around the Word and Sacraments.

PRELUDE

The Heavens Declare the Glory of God (Psalm XIX)

Marcello

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who creates us and forms us, who redeems us and calls us, who unites us and sends us. **Amen.**

Gathered in God's presence, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Mighty and loving God,
we confess that we are captive to sin
and cannot free ourselves.

We seek our own way.

We divide the body of Christ.
In your mercy, cleanse us and heal us.
Let the words of our mouths,
the thoughts of our hearts,
and everything that we do
be filled with faith, hope, and love. Amen.

Hear the voice of Jesus:
"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me
to proclaim release to the captives."
In the name of + Jesus Christ,
I proclaim to you
that your sins are forgiven and you are released.
The joy of the Lord is your strength,
and the gifts of the Holy Spirit are yours forever.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG

We'll Walk In The Light

(see next page)



Text: Isaiah 60:1, 6; Matthew 2:2, para. Daniel Schwandt; George D. Elderkin, refrain Music: WE'LL WALK IN THE LIGHT, traditional, arr. Daniel Schwandt Text and arrangement © 2013 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved. Permission is granted for reproduction of this item for non-sale local use only, provided that each copy carries the copyright notice.

GREETING

The boundless grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the wisdom of God, and the light of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Blessed Lord God, you have caused the holy scriptures to be written for the nourishment of your people.

Grant that we may hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that, comforted by your promises, we may embrace and forever hold fast to the hope of eternal life, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The assembly is seated.

FIRST READING: Nehemiah 8:1–3, 5–6, 8–10 (Please turn to page 482 in the Old Testament of your pew Bible).

The exiles have returned and rebuilt Jerusalem. Now Ezra, the priest, reads the law of Moses to them in the public square. When they hear it, they weep for their sins and for the long years in exile, but Ezra reminds them that the joy of the Lord is their strength.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12:12–31a (Please turn to page 182 in the New Testament of your pew Bible).

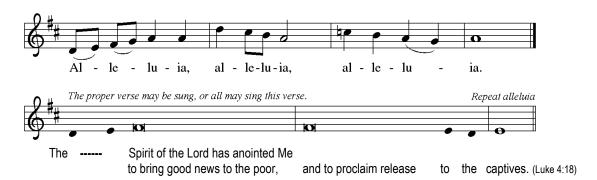
The apostle and pastor Paul uses the metaphor of the human body to describe how intimately connected we are in the church. For this struggling congregation in Corinth, Paul delivers a vital message of unity that is a mark of the church today.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Luke 4:14-21

(Please turn to page 62 in the New Testament of your pew Bible).

The holy gospel according to Luke, the fourth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Near the beginning of Jesus' public ministry, he visits his hometown of Nazareth. In the words of Isaiah, he states and claims his identity, purpose, and mission.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

SERMON Pastor Steven Wigdahl

The assembly stands.

HYMN OF THE DAY: We are Called ELW 720

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.

*Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

United as one body in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need. *Lord, in your mercy*, **hear our prayer.**

Congregational refrain: Hear Our Prayer



We bring to you, Christ, members and friends of Emmanuel who need your healing touch.

(Names from our congregation...)

Into your loving hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abundant mercy, through Jesus Christ our risen Savior. **Amen.**

Congregational refrain: Hear Our Prayer

PEACE

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ. The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

The assembly is seated.

OFFERING

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.

During this time, the table is set.

OFFERTORY

(7:45) Just for Today Doug Denisen
Jan Gazdic and Denise Larson, duettists

Just for today let's find love; just for today let's look for happiness. And just for today let's pray for peace, the peace that comes from above. Just for today let's find hope, just for today let's care for others; and just for today let's trust in Jesus, then he will light our way. And tomorrow will come, bringing answers from God. His spirit fills our hearts with peace today and all tomorrows. So the future will bring Jesus Savior and King. He'll comfort us through pain and strife to live a better life through him. Live for today; let's find love. Live for today; let's look for happiness. So live for today and pray for peace, the peace that comes from above. God's peace be with us all.

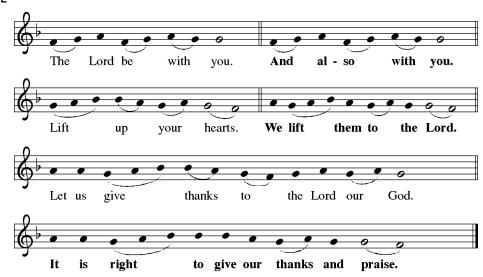
In the singing, in the silence, in the hands expectant, open, in the blessing, in the breaking, in your presence at this table. Jesus Christ, Jesus Christ, be the wine of grace; Jesus, Christ, Jesus Christ, be the bread of peace. In the question, in the answer, in the moment of acceptance, in the heart's cry, in the healing, in the circle of your people. Jesus Christ, Jesus Christ, be the wine of grace; Jesus, Christ, Jesus Christ, be the bread of peace.

The assembly stands. OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of all creation,
all you have made is good,
and your love endures forever.
You bring forth bread from the earth
and fruit from the vine.
Nourish us with these gifts,
that we might be for the world
signs of your gracious presence
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING DIALOGUE

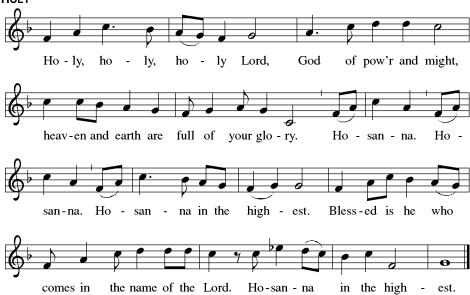


PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations; in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son; and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Blessed are you, O holy God:

you are the Life and Light of all.

By your powerful word you created all things.

Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to the nations.

Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son.

He is your Light, shining in our darkness and revealing to us your mercy and might.

In the night in which he was betrayed,

our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore,

his preaching and healing, his dying and rising, and his promise to come again, we await that day when all the universe will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light.

By your Spirit bless us and this meal, that, refreshed with this heavenly food, we may be light for the world, revealing the brilliance of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,
in your holy Church,
both now and forever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

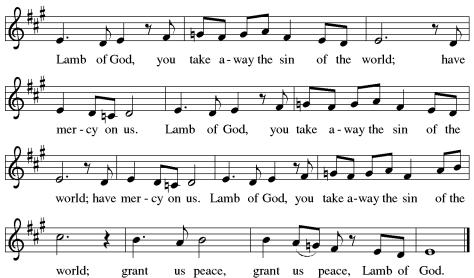
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

Come to the table. Feast on God's abundant life for you.

LAMB OF GOD



COMMUNION SONGS

(9:30) Just for Today Doug Denisen
(Lyrics can be found on page 8) Jan Gazdic and Denise Larson, duettists

One Bread, One Body Here Is Bread ELW 496 ELW 483 The assembly stands.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We thank you, O God, that you have fed us at your banqueting table with bread and wine beyond compare, the very life of Christ for us.

Send your Spirit with us now, that we may set the captive free, use your gifts to build one another up, and in everything reflect your glory revealed in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

BLESSING

The God of glory dwell in you richly, name you beloved, and shine brightly on your path; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

Amen.

SENDING SONG Build Us Up, Lord ELW 670

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is your light.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Fanfare Soler



The Tuesday Stitchers thank you for your support of our quilt ministry. Through your generous donations we were able to complete 60 quilts since last January. Most of our quilts will be shipped to Lutheran World Relief to provide comfort to those who have suffered great losses. Locally we have been able to provide quilts for baptisms, St. Matthew's House, Habitat families, senior students from Immokalee going on to higher education and senior citizens.

Each quilt costs approximately \$5 to produce and an additional \$2.25

to ship to LWR. Your donations are used to buy batting, thread, crochet cord or embroidery floss and fabric as needed. Fabric donations are always welcomed--especially cotton fabric and lighter weight drapery fabric. If you would like to make a contribution, donation envelopes are attached to each quilt.

Tuesday Stitchers meet every Monday from November through April. We meet in the Community Room from 9:30 to 1:30. We design, stitch and tie the quilts. No sewing experience is necessary to participate. Call Jane Hauck at 605-366-4338 for more information.

This past year participants include:

Cheryl Anderson Diane Diemer Karen Emmel **Beverly Fuss** Joyce Gustavson Jane Hauck June Jarling Karla Lauro Debbie Lawson America Marble Marilyn Martin Susan Meier Karen Minaji Lucy Ramsay Mary Semsel Linda Stephens Carole Suhr







7:45 Service

Greeters: George & Jean Dumouchel

Assisting Minister: *Jim Klinke* Lector: *Melissa Schrader* Acolyte: *Ray Schrader*

Ushers: Barry & Arlene Borman, Melissa Schrader, Marilyn Thomack

Altar Guild: Joyce O'Neil

Hospitality: Pat Goodyear & Darlene Martens

9:30 Service

Greeters: Warren & Karen Metzgar Assisting Minister: Sally Johnson

Lector: Edie Cole

Acolyte: Gussie Paulson

Ushers: Hal Williams, Jerry Kimble, Bruce Carlson

Altar Guild: Bruce Carlson

Hospitality: Pat Goodyear & Darlene Martens

11:00 Service

Greeters: Ann Jones & Beth Supensky Assisting Minister: Kathy Worley

Lector: Kathy Worley Acolyte: Jola Boe

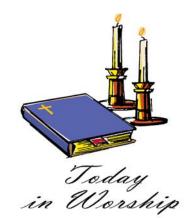
Ushers: Tom & Karen Palmer, Linda Goldberg, Laurie Wren

Altar Guild: Diedre Milligan

Hospitality: Pat Goodyear & Darlene Martens



The flowers that beautify our altar today are given by Bev Haas in loving memory of Carl C. Haas.



ABOUT TODAY'S MUSIC

Duettists Jan Gazdic and Denise Larson will be singing an original composition, *Just for Today*, by Doug Denisen at all sanctuary services. Doug, who served as Emmanuel's Choir Director for 13+ years, is also a published composer.



The Emmanuel Choir will be sharing the anthem *In the Singing* at the 9:30 service. This prayerful text is set to music to the hymn tune, BREAD OF PEACE. The Emmanuel Ensemble will be singing at the 11:00 service.

Many thanks to our musicians for your beautiful music today, as we consider what it means to share our gifts with one another!