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Empowered by the Holy Spirit, Emanuel's mission is to witness to the good news of salvation through Christ to individuals, the community and the world through discipleship and service.



LBW—Lutheran Book of Worship WOV—With One Voice
** Please stand if you are able*

PRELUDE *A Blessing*
Scottish Our Father - Praise Band

ANNOUNCEMENTS

* **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the sower, the seed, the fruit; our lifeboat, our treasure, our leaven. Blessed be God forever.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

P God of heaven and earth,

C we name before you the sin that enslaves us, the sin that wounds us and others, the sin that scars our world. Forgive us and heal us. Guard us from all evil. Give to us and the whole creation the freedom of the glory of the children of God. Amen.

P Come, all who are weary, all who carry heavy burdens. As tender as parent to child, so gentle is God to us. As high as heaven is above earth, so vast is God's love for us. As far as east is from west, so far God removes our sin, renewing our lives in Jesus Christ.

C Amen

* **HYMN** *All Are Welcome*

*** PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P God of all creation, you reach out to call people of all nations to your kingdom. As you gather disciples from near and far, count us also among those who boldly confess your Son Jesus Christ as Lord.

C Amen

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 51:1–6

Listen to me, you that pursue
righteousness,

you that seek the LORD.

Look to the rock from which you were
hewn,

and to the quarry from which you
were dug.

²Look to Abraham your father
and to Sarah who bore you;
for he was but one when I called him,
but I blessed him and made him many.

³For the LORD will comfort Zion;
he will comfort all her waste places,
and will make her wilderness like

Eden,

her desert like the garden of the

LORD;

joy and gladness will be found in her,
thanksgiving and the voice of song.

⁴Listen to me, my people,
and give heed to me, my nation;

for a teaching will go out from me,
and my justice for a light to the
peoples.

⁵I will bring near my deliverance swiftly,
my salvation has gone out
and my arms will rule the peoples;
the coastlands wait for me,
and for my arm they hope.

⁶Lift up your eyes to the heavens,
and look at the earth beneath;
for the heavens will vanish like
smoke,

the earth will wear out like a garment,
and those who live on it will die like
gnats;

but my salvation will be forever,
and my deliverance will never be
ended.

A The Word of the Lord

C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 138

I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with ¹ my whole heart;*
before the gods I will ¹ sing your praise.

²**I will bow down toward your holy temple and ¹ praise your name,*
because of your ¹ love and faithfulness;**

³for you have glori- ¹ fied your name*
and your word a- ¹ bove all things.

**‘When I called, you answered me;*
you increased my strength within me.**

⁵All the kings of the earth will praise you, O LORD,*
when they have heard the words of your mouth.

**‘They will sing of the ways of the LORD,*
that great is the glory of the LORD.**

⁷Though the LORD be high, he cares for the lowly;*
he perceives the haughty from afar.

**‘Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe;*
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;
your right hand shall save me.**

⁹The LORD will make good his purpose for me;*
O LORD, your love endures forever; do not abandon the works of your hands.

SECOND LESSON: Romans 12:1–8

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ²Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God — what is good and acceptable and perfect.

³For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁴For as in one body we

have many members, and not all the members have the same function, ⁵so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. ⁶We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ⁷ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; ⁸the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

A The Word of the Lord

C **Thanks be to God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Speak, O Lord, your servant is listening,
you have the words of everlasting life.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia!**

*** GOSPEL: Matthew 16:13–20**

¹³Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" ¹⁴And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." ¹⁵He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" ¹⁶Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." ¹⁷And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and

blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. ¹⁸And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. ¹⁹I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." ²⁰Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Special Music: *Jesus Loves You, Little One* -Emanuel children and Marv Mt.Castle

Congregation: please sing the refrain when directed by Marv:

Yes, Jesus loves you.

Yes, Jesus loves you.

Yes, Jesus loves you, the Bible tells us so.

BAPTISM OF Emma Janelle Amstutz

PRESENTATION

P In Holy Baptism our gracious heavenly Father liberates us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; in the waters of Baptism we are reborn children of God and inheritors of eternal life. By water and the Holy Spirit we are made members of the Church which is the body of Christ. As we live with him and with his people, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

Parents and Sponsors: I present **Emma Janelle Amstutz** to receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

P In Christian love you have presented this child for Holy Baptism. You should, therefore, faithfully bring her to the services of God's house, and teach her the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments. As she grows in years, you should place in her hands the Holy Scriptures and provide for her instruction in the Christian faith, that,

living in the covenant of her Baptism and in communion with the Church, she may lead a godly life until the day of Jesus Christ. Do you promise to fulfill these obligations?

Parents and Sponsors: I do.

THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: We give you thanks, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and you created heaven and earth.

By the gift of water you nourish and sustain us and all living things. By the waters of the flood you condemned the wicked and saved those whom you had chosen, Noah and his family. You led Israel by the pillar of cloud and fire through the sea, out of slavery into the freedom of the promised land. In the waters of the Jordan your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Spirit. By the baptism of his own death and resurrection your beloved Son has set us free from the bondage to sin and death, and has opened the way to the joy and freedom of everlasting life. He made water a sign of the kingdom and of cleansing and rebirth. In obedience to his command, we make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, so that she who is here baptized may be given new life. Wash away the sin of her who is cleansed by this water and bring her forth as an inheritor of your glorious kingdom.

To you be given praise and honor and worship through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C Amen

RENUNCIATION AND PROFESSION

P I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the Church, the faith in which we baptize.

P Do you renounce all the forces of evil, the devil, and all his empty promises?

Parents and Sponsors: I do.

P Do you believe in God the Father?

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

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C 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.

P Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C 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

BAPTISM

P **Emma Janelle Amstutz**, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

LAYING ON OF HANDS

P God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we give you thanks for freeing your sons and daughters from the power of sin and for raising them up to a new life through this holy sacrament. Pour your Holy Spirit upon **Emma**: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence.

C Amen

SIGNING WITH THE CROSS

P **Emma**, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. Amen

GIVING OF THE LIGHT

A Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

PRAYER FOR PARENTS

P O God, the giver of all life, look with kindness upon **Todd** and **Krista**. Let them ever rejoice in the gift you have given them. Make them teachers and examples of righteousness for their child. Strengthen them in their own Baptism so they may share eternally with their child the salvation you have given them, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

WELCOME

A Through Baptism God has made this new sister a member of the priesthood we all share in Christ Jesus, that we may proclaim the praise of God and bear his creative and redeeming Word to all the world.

C We welcome you into the Lord's family. We receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ, child of the same heavenly Father, and worker with us in the kingdom of God.

Baptismal Hymn WOV #770 *Borning Cry*

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* **HYMN WOV # 713** *Lord Let My Heart Be Good Soil*

SERMON

* **HYMN** *Come to Jesus*

People of the God of ages, welcome to your brand new day.
Leave the world and all its trappings, come into amazing grace.
Let go your ev'ry fear, there is only mercy here.

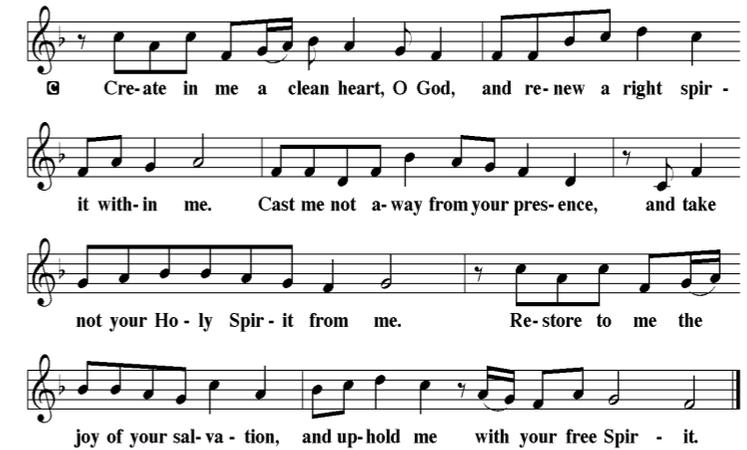
Refrain: Come to Jesus, hope that frees us, life that breathes in us.
Come to Jesus, and believe that he is love. Oh, come.

All who walk alone in shadow, all who stand with faith assured,
Those who follow with abandon those who long for something more,
these are the gifts we bring, our lives, the offering. *Refrain:*

Welcome pauper, rich man, leper, hungry exiled, joyful, poor,
Come you pris'ner, free man, sinner.
Come to the Lord.
Come to the Lord. *Refrain:*

TITHES & OFFERINGS *Spirit Song*

OFFERTORY *(please remain seated)*



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right spir -
it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take
not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re-store to me the
joy of your sal-va-tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir - it.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION *(please remain seated)*

A With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

Brief silence.

A O God: We pray for your church and for the proclamation of your gospel. Give energy and confidence to all who work to make your love a reality on earth. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A We give thanks for crops nearing harvest. We give thanks for water and sunlight. We give thanks for the nourishment we receive from your creation. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A For all nations in poverty or under persecution, we ask for your presence, O God. We pray for peace and reconciliation among all people. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A We lift up your church in this place, O God. Bless our pastor, our Sunday school teachers, our youth and elderly, our communion servers, funeral-lunch preparers, and those who maintain our building. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A We give thanks, O God, for those who have gone before us. For lives of service and examples of faith, we are grateful. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Other petitions.

P Be present with all who are suffering: those who are ill, grieving, angry, addicted, or afraid *(especially)*, that they may be comforted. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C Amen.

*** SCOTTISH OUR FATHER**

Refrain: Father, Our Father, Hallowed be Thy name
Father, our Father, forever and ever, Amen.

You are the most holy, your kingdom will come,
on earth as in heaven, your will shall be done.
All our needs are fulfilled, our daily bread we receive,
You send us your son, so that we may believe. *Refrain:*

Forgive us our sins, so we may learn to forgive
those who trespass against us, that in peace we may live.
Lead us out of temptation teach us how to be true
So that just as you loved us, we may learn to love you. *Refrain:*

For yours is the kingdom and you are the King.
All power and glory to you, Lord we sing. *Refrain:*

*** BENEDICTION**

*** HYMN** *Love the Lord* (by Lincoln Brewster)

Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind,
And with all your strength.

Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind,
And with all your strength.

With all your heart, with all your soul,
With all your mind, and with all your strength.

Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind,
And with all your strength.

I will serve the Lord with all my heart, with all my soul, with all my mind,
And with all my strength.

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With all my heart, with all my soul,
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And with all my strength.

With all my heart, with all my soul,
With all my mind, and with all my strength.

With all my heart, with all my soul,
with all my mind, and with all my strength.

I will love you Lord with all my heart, with all my soul, with all my mind,
and with all my strength.

POSTLUDE *Our Refuge and Strength*

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Thanks to the Praise Band for their music this morning!

Altar flowers

Flowers are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the 45th wedding anniversary of Bob & Betsy Mix; by Shirlee Mires-Fejes in loving memory of Ray & Melle Landversicht; and in celebration of Emma Janelle Amstutz's baptism from the Kurt Rohrs family.

Baptism

We are privileged to witness the baptism this morning of Emma Janelle, infant daughter of Todd & Krista (Rohrs) Amstutz. Emma's sponsors are Ron & Tammy Fisher.

Birth

Congratulations to Matt & Jill Schwab on the birth of a son, Benson Matthew, on August 14 in Cincinnati. Proud grandparents are Dave & Nanette Schwab and great grandmother, Denelda Rohrs.

Wedding

Congratulations and God's blessings to Daniel & Danielle (Schwab) Campbell who were married by Pastor Castello yesterday in Columbus.

Rally Day — NEXT SUNDAY!!!

Caring Corner — school supplies
markers, crayons, glue, baby wipes, tissues, brown paper bags, notebook paper/notebooks, pencils, and/or backpacks.

Sign-up sheets

There is now a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex for those willing to run the sound board on Sundays. Please prayerfully consider this needed ministry. Training is available if needed. Talk to Holly Mohring if interested.

Electrician needed

An electrician is needed in preparation for the Christmas program. If you would like to help out, please call Susan Landversicht at 419.592.0137 or 419.966.4644.

Blessing of the backpacks – next week

Kids, remember to bring your school backpacks with you next Sunday morning. We will have a special "Blessing of the Backpacks" during the Children's Sermon.

Coupons

Can't use your Sunday supplements? Together We Can Make Difference is always looking for bargain prices on toiletry and personal care items, and coupon shopping helps stretch their dollars. There are boxes at each entrance for your coupons.

Collecting plastic.....

Sarah Sonnenberg is asking for our assistance in the collection of plastic caps from water and pop bottles to go towards a charity event that St. Luke's is doing for cancer patients in need. For every 500 plastic water and pop bottle caps that St. Luke's receives, they will give a free chemo treatment to a cancer patient. This benefits cancer patients who are struggling financially and could really use the help. There is a designated box on the Caring/Donation table to place your bottle caps.

Dartball

There is still a need for a captain for the Dartball team. The Captains meeting is held in August to begin the season in September. Please contact Bill Panning if you're interested.

Adult Choir Party

Choir members, please join us for a pool party at the home of Bonnie Palamara on Wednesday, August 31 at 6:00 p.m. There will be chicken sandwiches and sloppy joes; drinks and tableware provided. Please bring a dish to share, a spouse or friend, and your kids. Bonnie lives at 1378 Richmar Lane, just off of Indiana Street (look for the sign). Let's kick off the fall choir season with some fun!

Summer Soul

We are still having Soul Food suppers each Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. If anyone would like to help, we gather at 3 p.m. to cook up the menu for the evening!

Fellowship Hour

You are invited to stay for refreshments and fellowship immediately following the service in the "overflow" area. Volunteers to "host" each Sunday are welcomed; there is a sign-up sheet outside the church office.

Check the bulletin board at the north entrance of the church. Where will you "rest" this summer? The map will be up all summer for you to mark your vacation destinations! *Thus the heavens and the earth were completed in all their vast array. By the seventh day God had finished the work he had been doing; so on the seventh day he **RESTED** from all his work. Then God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it he **RESTED** from all the work of creating that he had done.* Genesis 2:1-2 (NIV)

Statistics

8/11 Thursday attendance 48

8/14 Attendance 154 Communed 142 Offerings \$5,596.00 (\$150 Bldg Fd; \$205 World Hngr; \$25 Good Sam Fd; \$75 mem to Endow Fd-Jeff Eickhoff; \$100 mem Endow Fd-Marge Gathman)

This Week

Tuesday 6:30 p.m. Miriam Circle

Wednesday 8:30 a.m. Soul Food Planning

9:00 a.m. Sewing

5:30 pm. Soul Food

Thursday 9:00 a.m. Bible Study

7:30 p.m. Worship

Friday Wedding rehearsal

Saturday Zwiebel/Skiver wedding at Oberhaus Park

Serving Today

Pastor James L. Castello

Worship & Music Coordinator & Organist - Angela Tonjes

Worship Assistant - Terry Hershberger

Acolytes - Brock Brubaker & Tyler Allison

Ushers - Kurt Rohrs, Chris Peper, Terry Walther, Karl Wiechers

Altar Guild - Julie Callaway & Laura Ellis Kruse

Prayer Chain Co-ordinator - Carol Castello (419-592-0847) or cjcast@yahoo.com

The congregation has authorized church council to arrange for financing of the elevator/restroom renovation project by way of loans from members of the congregation rather than bank financing. Loans will be a minimum of \$10,000 and an interest rate of 3% will be paid. Any congregational member interested in loaning money to the church for this purpose should contact Council President Gary Bostelman by Sunday September 18, 2011.