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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 *Amazing Grace*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

* **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the creator of wind and rain, field and ocean, the bread of life coming down from above, the power at work within us and this world.

C **Amen.**

P Before God and in the company of our sisters and brothers, let us confess our sin.

P God and Father of all,

C **we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have thought better of ourselves than others. We have told lies, said hurtful things, acted in ways we wish we could take back, and looked the other way when action was needed. In your mercy, O God, forgive us, cleanse us, and heal us, for the sake of Jesus, our Savior. Amen.**

P If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; everything has become new! In Christ, you are a new creation: your sins are taken away and you are made new. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.

C **Amen**

* **HYMN LBW # 507** *How Firm a Foundation*

“The Lord has become my stronghold, and my God the rock of my refuge.” Psalm 94:22

* **GREETING**

P The grace that is Christ's gift to us, the love of God, and the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

* **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P O God our defender, storms rage about us and cause us to be afraid. Rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from fear, and preserve us all from unbelief; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

FIRST READING: Job 38:1–11

A The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 107:1–3, 23–32

Give thanks to the LORD, for ¹he is good,*
and his mercy en-¹dures forever.

²**Let all those whom the LORD has re-¹deemed proclaim*
that he redeemed them from the hand ¹of the foe.**

³He gathered them out ¹of the lands;*
from the east and from the west, from the north and ¹from the south.

²³**Some went down to the ¹sea in ships*
and plied their trade ¹in deep waters;**

²⁴they beheld the works ¹of the LORD*
and his wonders ¹in the deep.

²⁵**Then he spoke, and a stormy ¹wind arose,*
which tossed high the waves ¹of the sea.**

²⁶They mounted up to the heavens and fell back ¹to the depths;*
their hearts melted because ¹of their peril.

²⁷**They reeled and stag-¹gered like drunkards*
and were at ¹their wits' end.**

²⁸Then they cried to the LORD | in their trouble,*
and he delivered them from | their distress.

²⁹**He stilled the storm | to a whisper*
and quieted the waves | of the sea.**

³⁰Then were they glad because | of the calm,*
and he brought them to the harbor | they were bound for.

³¹**Let them give thanks to the LORD | for his mercy*
and the wonders he does | for his children.**

³²Let them exalt him in the congregation | of the people*
and praise him in the council | of the elders.

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 6:1–13

A The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*** GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (WOV # 612)**

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

*** GOSPEL: Mark 4:35–41**

P The Gospel of our Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

HYMN WOVS # 731 *Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

“I am the Lord who takes hold of your right hand.” Isaiah 41:13

SERMON

*** HYMN WOVS # 780** *What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine*

“The eternal God is our refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms.” Deuteronomy 33:27

*** APOSTLES' CREED**

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

TITHES AND OFFERINGS *When the Saints/Amazing Grace* -Macee Glick, dance

OFFERTORY *(please remain seated)*

Lord of all good, our gifts we bring you now;

Use them your holy purpose to fulfill.

Tokens of love and pledges they shall be

That our whole life is offered to your will.

Father, whose bounty all creation shows;
Christ, by whose willing sacrifice we live;

Spirit, from whom all life in fullness flows:

To you with grateful hearts ourselves we give.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION *(please remain seated)*

A With reverence for the earth, those in need, and the whole human family, let us offer our prayers to God.

Brief silence.

A Deepen the faith of the church, that it may proclaim your peace amid the storms of life. Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

A Arouse the nations of the world to seek a peaceful resolution to violence, destruction, and terror. Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

A Bring relief to all who suffer from the devastation of hurricanes, tornadoes, storms, or other natural disasters. Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

A Speak words of stillness to this community that we might be filled with awe in your presence. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A We give you thanks for all our ancestors in the faith. Give us endurance in suffering, that even in our sorrows we may rejoice in your grace and salvation. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

Other petitions.

P Comfort all who live with fear, distress, doubt, or illness (*especially*). Be with those who will be tested for HIV/AIDS, that they may trust in your constant care and protection. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

P Receive our hopes and prayers, O God of mercy, for great is your faithfulness in Christ Jesus our Lord.

C Amen

* **LORD'S PRAYER** 

Our Father, which 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 debts as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,

for Thine is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory, forever. Amen.

* **BENEDICTION**

* **HYMN LBW # 467** *Eternal Father, Strong to Save*

“In thy righteousness deliver me and rescue me; incline thy ear to me and save me!” Psalm 71:2

POSTLUDE *Eternal Father, Strong to Save*

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Eternal Father

This song has evolved into a prayer for men who guard America's oceans. In World War 2 it was used for burials at sea. It was sung at FDR's funeral in New York and performed as the body of JFK was carried up the steps of the Capitol to lie in state in November, 1963.

How firm a Foundation

This hymn was a favorite of Andrew Jackson. He requested that it be sung by his friends and family as he was dying “as an expression of his full trust in the ways of the heavenly Father.”

Altar flowers

Flowers are given to the glory of God by Jeff & Lori Sharpe in honor of their wedding anniversary.

Baptism

Being brought to Jesus in Holy Baptism tomorrow will be Avin Jay Rupp, son of Chad & Tiffany (Ruby) Rupp, who was born on November 21, 2011. Avin's sponsors are

Emanuel's First! Ever! Summer Music Camp

Children of Emanuel, are you ready for Summer Music Camp? Mark your calendars for Monday, July 23 through Friday, July 27. The camp is open to children from first through eighth grades and will last from 9:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. each day. There will be singing, bell ringing, games, snacks, and a very special art project! If your child would like to attend, email Angela at matonjes@metalink.net or call the church office. Please indicate if your child would like to sing solos and/or duets. We need some more helpers, even if you can only come for an hour or two!!

Donation Corner — items for BABIES!

We are collecting items for baby care – baby wash, baby wipes, diapers of all sizes, etc. Think of what's MOST useful to a new parent for their new baby – and it doesn't matter if it's pink or blue!

Rocky Point Lighthouse!

Please join us for Emanuel Lutheran Church's first ever weekend Vacation Bible School, Friday, August 3 from 6-8 p.m., Saturday, August 4 from 9 a.m. - noon, and a special program Sunday, August 5 at 9:00 a.m. Just fill out the enclosed registration form and place it into the offering plate. Deadline for registration is Sunday, July 22. If you have any questions, please contact Angie Sosebee.

Coffee Hour

Martha Circle is hosting a coffee hour after the service in the overflow. Next week's fellowship will be hosted by the Church Council Executive Board .

This Week

Wednesday 9:00 a.m. Sewing
5:00 p.m. Soul Food
Thursday 9:00 a.m. Bible Study
7:30 p.m. Worship
High School Youth Bake Sale before & after worship
Saturday 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. High School Youth Car Wash in parking lot

High School Youth upcoming fund raisers!

June 28 - Bake Sale before and after evening worship
June 30 - Car Wash in parking lot; 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
July 1 - Bake Sale before and after worship
July 15 - Gathering Group hosting fellowship time and Door Offering will be accepted
Thank you for all your support as we prepare for the ELCA National Youth Gathering July 18 - 22 in New Orleans!

Serving Today

Pastor James L. Castello
Worship & Music Coordinator & Organist - Angela Tonjes
Worship Assistant - Laura Ellis
Acolytes - Stephen Yunker & Derek Belcher
Ushers - Larry Ashbaugh, Gary Bostelman, Ken Lange, Matt Mt.Castle
Sound Board - Biederstedt
Altar Guild - Nicole Schink & Jeannie Wiechers
Prayer Chain Co-ordinator - Carol Castello (419-592-0847) or cjcast@yahoo.com

Henry County Senior Center Invitation

You are invited to dine at the HC Senior Center...serving daily Meals & Salad Bar at 11:45 Monday-Friday. Please RSVP for the meal or stop in to enjoy the Salad Bar. Suggested donation for Seniors is \$3.00; guests under 60, \$5.75. If you have questions, please call Sandy Schlosser, Senior Nutrition Manager, at 419-599-0033.

Ice Cream Social

You are invited to an ice cream social next Sunday, July 1, from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. at St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Domersville and Nagel Roads, 3 miles North of Tinora School. There will be a free will donation. Proceeds will be used for Missionary Sponsorship.

Take the Love of Jesus Along with You on Summer Vacation

We want you to pass along the love of Jesus from Emanuel this summer as you vacation with your family. Take Jesus in your Heart ... pick up a paper heart in the back or front entrance of the church. The hearts will be 8½ x 11 and be labeled with Emanuel's information. Take a picture of you and your family holding the heart and bring the picture back to post on the back door bulletin board. Then leave the heart in your hotel room, etc. for others to see how we share the love of Jesus from Emanuel

Statistics

6/14 attendance 37 6/17 attendance 141 Offerings \$3,678 (\$180 Building Fund; \$10 World Hunger; \$100 Wells; \$100 mem to Bldg Fd-Larry Wiechers)

If you would like to follow along with the scripture readings, there are several copies available at both entrances.