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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. *Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word*

Ring of the Bell

(10:30) *Forgotten Dreams* -Emanubells

ANNOUNCEMENTS

* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the Sovereign over all the earth, the Wisdom from on high, our merciful Judge and Savior.

C Amen.

P Let us boldly approach the throne of grace, trusting in God's mercy and love.
Generous and faithful God,

C we confess to you all the ways, known and unknown, that we reject and undermine your steadfast love. Though you made us your people, we treat strangers with suspicion. Though you forgave our debts, we collect without mercy. Yet we are quick to pass judgment on others. Have mercy on us, O God, and remember your promise to us, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

P The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.

Through the living Word, Jesus Christ, God forgives your every debt, your every sin, and gives you a new heart and a new spirit.

C Amen

* **HYMN** *Lord, Keep us Steadfast in Your Word.* **LBW # 230**

* GREETING

P Sisters and brothers in Christ, beloved children of God: grace, mercy, and peace be with you all.

C And also with you.

* KYRIE



A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



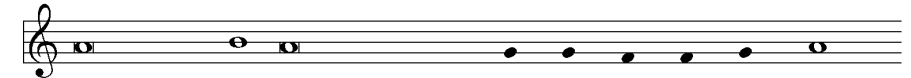
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.

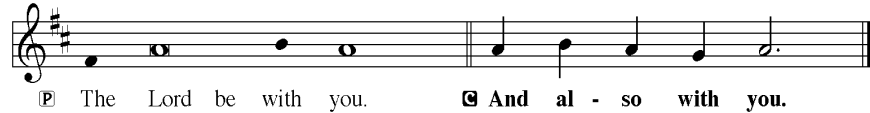


A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. **C** A - men

* **HYMN OF PRAISE** (tune: A Mighty Fortress)

God's Word is our great heritage And shall be ours forever;
To spread its light from age to age Shall be our chief endeavor.
Through life it guides our way; In death it is our stay.
Lord, grant while time shall last Your church may hold it fast
Throughout all generations.

* **SALUTATION**



* **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P Almighty God, gracious Lord, pour out your Holy Spirit upon your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies, and bestow on the Church your saving peace; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

(10:30) **Special Music:** *As the Deer* -Emanubells

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31–34

³¹The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt — a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my

law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

A The Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 46

God is our ref- | uge and strength,*
a very present | help in trouble.

²**Therefore we will not fear, though the | earth be moved,*
and though the mountains be toppled into the depths | of the sea;**

³though its waters | rage and foam,*
and though the mountains tremble | at its tumult.

⁴**The LORD of | hosts is with us;***
the God of Jacob | is our stronghold.

⁵There is a river whose streams make glad the cit- | y of God,*
the holy habitation of | the Most High.

⁶**God is in the midst of her; she shall not be | overthrown;***
God shall help her at the | break of day.

⁷The nations make much ado, and the king- | doms are shaken;*
God has spoken, and the earth shall | melt away.

⁸**The LORD of | hosts is with us;***
the God of Jacob | is our stronghold.

⁹Come now and look upon the works | of the LORD,*
what awesome things he has | done on earth.

¹⁰**It is he who makes war to cease in | all the world;***
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the | shields with fire.

¹¹"Be still, then, and know that | I am God;*" I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted | in the earth."

¹²**The LORD of | hosts is with us;***
the God of Jacob | is our stronghold.

SECOND READING: Romans 3:19–28

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For "no human being will be justified in his sight" by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

²¹But now, apart from law, the

righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a

sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

²⁷Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

A The Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

*** GOSPEL: John 8:31-36**

Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

³¹Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." ³³They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you

mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?" ³⁴Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.

Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

HYMN..... Thy Strong Word..... LBW # 233

SERMON

*** HYMN. My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less..... LBW # 294**

*** 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 & OFFERINGS (8:00) *As the Deer* -Emanubells
(10:30) *The Solid Rock*

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.

THE PRAYERS *(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 Make us free to be the church in the world, God of grace. Form our mission and ministry in ways that truly and tangibly give new life, hope, and grace in abundance. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Make us free to be one with your creation, God of grace. Fill us with your Spirit and lead us to find better ways to honor what you have given us. Help us to abandon wasteful habits. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Make us free to be brothers and sisters, God of grace. Shatter the distinctions that create hatred and fear. Open our eyes to see one another as people who bear the image and likeness of Christ. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Make us free to be people of purpose, God of grace. Reform apathy into action, bless us with a determination to let go of those things that keep us stagnant, and drive us to witness to the gospel. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Make us free to be still and know you, God of grace. Join our voices with the saints who now sing in one heavenly choir. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

Other petitions.

P Make us free to be whole and healthy persons, God of grace. Give respite to caregivers, infuse medical workers with skill, inspire scientists to find cures, and make us well in mind, body, and soul *(especially)*. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

P Trusting in your mercy and goodness, we bring before you these prayers and whatever else you see that we need, in the name of the one who sets us free, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

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.** *A Mighty Fortress.* **LBW # 229**

POSTLUDE *Toccata Jubiloso*

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Altar flowers

Flowers are given to the glory of God by Helen Lange in loving memory of Art.

Rosebud

The rosebud announces the birth of a daughter, Lucy Elizabeth, to Tom & Malory Zwiebel on October 15!

Daylight Savings Ends

Be sure to turn your clocks BACK one hour on Saturday night!

Hand Mime

We are working on a hand mime for the Thanksgiving Eve service this year based on the Mark Schultz song, "I Am." This is definitely an effort requiring "many hands to make light the work." If you are participating in the mime, it is very important that you come to ALL the practices which we are having at 9:15 a.m. each Sunday through November 24.

Congregational Meeting

Our congregational meeting will be held immediately following the late service this morning. We will vote on next year's budget and officers for the coming year. Please stay (or come back) for this important meeting!

Fall Decorating

If anyone would like to bring in home canned goods, pumpkins, gourds, mums or basket and fall decorative items to use in our Fall Harvest Home decorating theme, please have them at the church by 9 a.m. in the overflow area this coming Saturday, November 2.

Please put your names on the items you bring in.

This Week

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| Today | 11:30 a.m. | Congregational Meeting |
| | 7:00 p.m. | 8 th grade catechism |
| Wednesday | 3:15 p.m. | After School Club |
| | 3:30 p.m. | 6 th grade catechism |
| | 5:00 p.m. | Soul Food |
| | 6:00 p.m. | Emanubells |
| | 6:30 p.m. | Choir |
| | 7:30 p.m. | Living Spirit |
| | 7:30 p.m. | 7 th grade catechism |
| Thursday | 9:00 a.m. | Bible Study |
| | 7:30 p.m. | Worship |

Serving Today

Pastor James L. Castello

Worship & Music Coordinator & Organist - Angela Tonjes

Reader - 8:00 Bob Ivancso 10:30 Tom & Beth Jenny

Sound Board - 8:00 Alexandria Biederstedt 10:30 Ryan Kohout

Acolytes - 8:00 Ryan Kruse & Bryant Dachenhaus

10:30 Tessa Rhodes & Abby Allison

Ushers - 8:00 Lee Weirauch, Dave Schwab, Leo Clausen, Kevin Gerken

10:30 Chris Peper, Rupert Schweinhagen, Karl Wiechers, Mark Tonjes

Altar Guild - Gayla Yaney & Elaine Borstelman

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

Thankoffering

For more than 100 years, Lutheran women have been setting aside coins and small offerings every day to give thanks for blessings in the ordinary and extraordinary moments of life. At a Thankoffering service, women bring their Thankofferings together to give thanks to God in worship and fellowship. Thankofferings go in full to support the churchwide ministries of Women of the ELCA. Our Thankoffering Service will be Thursday, November 14, and Sunday, November 17.

Thrivent Choice© Dollars DOUBLED!

From October 1 to November 30 all Thrivent Choice Dollars directions made to our church will be **DOUBLED** during this time *or* until \$15 million has been awarded, *whichever comes first*. Choice Dollars directed to Emanuel are designated for our Building Fund. Visit Thrivent.com/thriventchoice to learn more about the charitable grant program. For questions email Box Thrivent Choice Info or call customer service at 800-847-4836 and when prompted say, "Thrivent Choice". When prompted again, say "Choice Dollars". Please note that Mondays are the busiest day for the call center.

9th Annual Filling Fall Fling

Don't forget the Filling Fall Fling which takes place at the Filling Home on Saturday, November 2, from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Proceeds support Filling Homes' services to persons with developmental disabilities.

Statistics

10/17 attendance 20 10/20 attendance 65 + 96 (161) Offerings \$3,892.54 (includes \$120 Bldg Fd; \$7 Wrld Hngr; \$8.29 SunSch; \$5 Good Sam Fd)

"Simply Giving" (10/14-10/20) \$190 Gen; \$70 Bldg Fd

