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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 as you are able**

PRELUDE *Here I Am to Worship* -Living Spirit

(10:30) *Mighty to Save* -Bell Choir

Everyone needs compassion, love that’s never failing; let mercy fall on me.

Everyone needs forgiveness, the kindness of a Savior; the hope of nations.

Savior, he can move the mountains, my God is mighty to save, he is mighty to save.

Forever, author of salvation, he rose and conquered the grave, Jesus conquered the grave.

So take me as you find me, all my fears and failures, fill my life again.

I give my life to follow everything I believe in, now I surrender. *(Refrain)*

Shine your light and let the whole world see,

We’re singing for the glory of the risen King...Jesus (twice).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*** CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, clothed in majesty ever since the world began, who loves us and frees us from our sins, who leads us with all the saints to everlasting life.

C Amen.

P Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God. God our maker and redeemer,

C we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We come for refuge to your infinite mercy. You have given your only Son to die for us; have

mercy on us, and for his sake, forgive us all our sin. By your Holy Spirit, increase in us true knowledge of you and your will, and true obedience to your word, that by your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P Almighty God has had mercy on us, and God’s only Son has been given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sin. Believing in Jesus’ name, you have received power to become the children of God; you have received the gift of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

*** HYMN WOV # 627** *My Lord, What a Morning*

*** 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.

*** PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P Lord God, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit that, always keeping in mind the end of all things and the day of judgment, we may be stirred up to holiness of life here and may live with you forever in the world to come, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

(10:30) **Special Music:** *I’ll Fly Away* -Living Spirit

FIRST LESSON: Daniel 12:1-3

¹“At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. ²Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to

shame and everlasting contempt. ³Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.”

A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 16 *Living Spirit will sing this through once, congregation will sing the second time.
Living Spirit will sing 5 verses, followed by this refrain sung by the congregation after each verse.*

SECOND LESSON: Hebrews 10:11-14 [15-18] 19-25

¹¹Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. ¹²But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, “he sat down at the right hand of God,” ¹³and since then has been waiting “until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.” ¹⁴For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. [¹⁵And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying, ¹⁶“This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds,” ¹⁷he also adds, “I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.” ¹⁸Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.]

¹⁹Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), ²¹and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. ²⁴And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, ²⁵not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

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

*** GOSPEL: Mark 13:1-8**

¹As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!” ²Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”

³When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴“Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?” ⁵Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads

you astray. ⁶Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. ⁷When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. ⁸For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.”

P The Gospel of our Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN’S SERMON

HYMN WOV # 713 *Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil* (sing twice)

SERMON

*** HYMN LBW # 469** *Lord of All Hopefulness*

*** 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 (8:00) *I'll Fly Away* -Living Spirit

(10:30) *Revelation Song* -Bell Choir

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, holy, holy, is he.

Sing a new song, to him who sits on heaven's mercy seat.

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty who was, and is, and is to come.
With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings,
You are my everything and I will adore you.

Clothed in rainbows of living color, flashes of lightning, rolls of thunder,
Blessing and honor, strength and glory and power be to you the only wise King.

Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder, at the mention of your name.
Jesus, your name is power, breath, and living water; such a marvelous mystery.

OFFERTORY *All I Have Is Yours* -verse by Living spirit, refrain by congregation

(please remain seated)

THE PRAYERS *(please remain seated)*

A United into one by the power of the Holy Spirit, let us pray with all God's saints for healing, wholeness, and peace in all the earth.

A brief silence.

A Holy One, we pray for healing in the church; for forgiveness when we are quick to judge; for mercy when we are slow to love neighbors; for an end to racial divisions on Sunday mornings. Let us pray.

C Have mercy, O God.

A For stars and planets, black holes, and all the wonders of the universe; for astronomers and aerospace engineers; for science teachers and curious students; for the renewal of all creation. Let us pray.

C Have mercy, O God.

A For political refugees and all who seek asylum; for war-torn nations and our global neighbors accustomed to the sound of bombs and gunfire; for our national enemies and for our country. Let us pray.

C Have mercy, O God.

A For new parents and grandparents; for families grieving a miscarriage; for foster parents and homeless youth; for families living with domestic violence; for the newly married, recently divorced, and happily single. Let us pray.

C Have mercy, O God.

A In thanksgiving for all the faithful departed who now sing your glory, that our voices might join with theirs in praise today and always. Let us pray.

C Have mercy, O God.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P For people living with Alzheimer's disease and Parkinson's disease; for the family, friends, and caregivers who love them; for all who cannot afford medical care when they are sick; for all who mourn and suffer (*especially*). Let us pray.

C Have mercy, O God.

P Into your care, Alpha and Omega, we entrust all for whom we pray. Be with us now and always, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

*** LORD'S PRAYER**

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

C 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

*** BENEDICTION**

*** HYMN WOV # 786** *Amen, We Praise Your Name*

(Living Spirit will sing it through twice, congregation then joins to sing it twice more)

POSTLUDE *Did You Feel the Mountains Tremble?*

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Altar flowers

Flowers are given to the glory of God by Chris & Maureen Peper in honor of their wedding anniversary.

Funeral

Please remember in your prayers the family of Hilda Nye who passed away on the 5th of November. Her funeral was held last Monday.

Thursday night worship

Holy Communion will be offered at the Thursday night service this week. Please note that this will be the LAST Thursday night service until after Easter.

Caring Corner for November — Christmas Cheer

Canned/non-perishable food items for Christmas Cheer of Henry County. Please check expiration dates!! And NO microwavable food, please. Think complete meals!

Newsletter

The deadline for the December newsletter is NOON TOMORROW! Many of our members receive their newsletters by email. If you would like to receive your newsletter this way, please email the church office!!

Statistics

Thursday, 11/5 (47)

Sunday, 11/08 65+130 (195) communed 101 Offerings \$5,933.59 (\$530 Bldg Fd; \$55 Wrld Hngr; \$20 After Sch Cl; memorials: \$65 E.Sonnenberg, \$25 A. Ruetz) Simply Giving 11/02 - 11/08 \$765 Gen Fd; \$220 Bldg Fd

Sewing

Sewing will take place this week, November 18, at 9 a.m.

Your help is needed!!

Thanks to those who have signed up to volunteer! There are still openings for readers (8:00 service on December 20, 24, 27) and sound board operators for all of December. Please consider helping us out and sign up today on the bulletin board in the narthex or talk to Shelly Storch or Peggy Snyder!

Thanksgiving

Please plan to attend our **Thanksgiving** Eve service to be held at the Presbyterian Church on Webster & Clinton at **7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 25!** Our choir and bell choir will be participating.

Filling Guild Membership Drive

It is again time for the annual membership drive of the Women's Guild of the Filling Memorial Home of Mercy. Dues are \$1.00; however, more will be gladly accepted. Please place your donation in an envelope marked "Filling Guild" (be sure to also include your mailing address and telephone number!) and give it to Shirlee Mires-Fejes, Jamie Bostelman, or place it in the offering plate. Please do this before November 15.

Flower Chart

The new Flower Chart for 2016 is hanging in the narthex. Why not pick out your day early and sign up! Flowers, as of now, are still \$20.00.

Salvation Army Bell Ringing

Our church will be ringing the Salvation Army Bells at Wal-Mart on Saturday, November 28. These are 2-hour shifts at both the south and north doors at Wal-Mart. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin by the church office. Pick your time and sign up now!

WELCA Thankoffering Services

The WELCA Thankoffering services will be held on Thursday, November 19 and Sunday, November 22. Thankoffering envelopes are available at both entrances.

Serving Today

Pastor James L. Castello

Worship & Music Coordinator & Organist - Angela Tonjes

Worship Assistant - 8:00 Richard Landversicht 10:30 Gary & Jamie Bostelman

Sound Board - 8:00 Maxine Eickhoff 10:30 Ryan Kohout

Acolytes - 8:00 Nate Brubaker & Jayce Brubaker

10:30 Carter Burken & Elijah Wolf

Ushers - 8:00 Kevin Gerken, Kelli Burkhardt, Terri Sedam

10:30 Larry Ashbaugh, Rupert Schweinhagen, Chris Peper

Altar Guild - Shelly Storch & Gayla Yaney

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

Tiana's Wish

Music benefitting Tiana's Wish will be performed by Matthew Wachtman at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Okolona (corner of Gerken Road and Defiance Henry County Line Road), on Sunday, November 22, at 7 p.m. The event is free but donations will gladly be accepted for Tiana's Wish.

Tiana Bishop, a student at Tinora Elementary, succumbed to cancer in 2011 after a 2½ year battle. Only 11 years old, and just days before her death, Tiana's birthday wish was to provide a Christmas party for hospitalized children during the holiday season. The community of Northwest Ohio comes together every year to make her wish come true for area children. Matthew Wachtman, a classmate of Tiana's, is a gifted musician who began playing the piano at the young age of 3. He is currently the full-time organist of St. Mark's Lutheran Church and aspires to major in music when he goes to college. To honor his classmate and raise funds for her wish, he is performing this organ recital featuring holiday music, including some of his own original arrangements.

This Week

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| Monday | 9:00 a.m. | Newsletter deadline |
| | 6:45 p.m. | Executive Board |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Church Council |
| Tuesday | 7:00 p.m. | Dartball at Hamler |
| Wednesday | 9:00 a.m. | Sewing |
| | 3:15 p.m. | After School Club |
| | 3:30 p.m. | 6 th grade catechism |
| | 5:00 p.m. | Soul Food |
| | 5:30 p.m. | Emanubells |
| | 6:30 p.m. | 7 th grade catechism |
| | 6:30 p.m. | Choir |
| | 7:30 p.m. | 8 th grade catechism |
| | 7:30 p.m. | Living Spirit |
| Thursday | 9:00 a.m. | Bible Study |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Worship with Holy Communion |

Open House

You are all invited to a community Open House to celebrate the 5th anniversary of Together We Can Make A Difference Initiatives today from 2 to 4 p.m. at 722 N. Perry St. They will also have the Henry County Learning Center open next door at 720 N. Perry. Come and help celebrate their first five years of making a difference, one person at a time!

St. Martin's Concert Series

St. Martin's in Archbold is presenting special musical events in celebration of their congregation's 150th anniversary. On Friday, November 20, at 7 p.m. they will present "Silent Movie Night" with Aaron David Miller. Experience a silent film and cartoon in an old-fashioned theater organ style with the creative and high energy skills of organist Aaron David Miller. The featured film will be Charlie Chaplin's "The Circus" from 1927. This is a family and kid-friendly event. Aaron will also present some fun novelty organ music.

Helping Hands, Loving Hands Christmas Tree of Lights

You are invited to join fellow Christians with your "helping hands and loving hands" by honoring/remembering a loved one with a name on the ribbon to help decorate the Christmas Tree of Lights" at The Lutheran Home in Napoleon. You can find forms on the bulletin board by the church office.