

Emmanuel Lutheran Church & School (Missouri Synod)



Palm Sunday

April 9, 2017

EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH (Missouri Synod)

Emmanuel "God With Us"

A Stephen Ministry Congregation

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP on this Palm Sunday. How well we know that life has its ups and downs. On Palm Sunday He experienced it all. He received great praise as He entered into Jerusalem as people shouted "Hosanna. Save us and do it now!" Nevertheless, that day was also the beginning of the end for our Lord, an end that will culminate in the most humiliating of deaths - one by crucifixion. But we can be happy, not just as a palm parade, but at the truth that God has indeed exalted His obedient Son to the highest place where He receives all glory as Lord of lords.

HOLY COMMUNION is celebrated on the 2nd and 4th Sundays in the confidence of receiving from the Lord of the Church all He promises when he gives His body and blood in, with, and under the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins. If you commune with us, we ask that you be in confessional agreement with the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod and that the following be your sincere conviction:

- I believe that I am a sinful human being without hope of eternal life except for God's mercy in Christ.
- I believe that Jesus is God's Son, my personal Savior, and together with the bread and wine I receive the true Body and Blood of Christ.
- I dedicate myself anew to the Lord through regular worship, the study of His Word, faithful witness, fervent prayer and loving service.

[Non-alcoholic drink is offered in the middle section of each tray for those who are unable to partake of the wine. **Gluten-free communion wafers** are available. Notify the pastor at the communion rail that you desire a "gluten-free host".]

OUR NURSERY is located in the lower level of the north basement. The service is broadcast through closed circuit TV. **HEARING DEVICES** are available on the west wall next to the steps to the balcony. **FIRST AID KITS** are located in the usher's closet, family room, church kitchen and the Sunday School room with piano. **AED's** are by the member mailboxes and the school kitchen.

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STEPHEN MINISTRY is there to help people who are hurting - those who have lost a job, lost a loved one, going through divorce. Stephen Ministers are God’s ministry and can help you through a difficult time. Contact Jim Fehringer if you or someone you know could be helped by this ministry.

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ORDER OF SERVICE

CALL TO WORSHIP“Lift Up Your Heads, You Everlasting Doors”.....#339

INVOCATION

P: Rejoice greatly, O Daughter of Zion! Shout, Daughter of Jerusalem! See your king comes to you, righteous and having salvation, gentle and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. He will proclaim peace to the nations. His rule will extend from sea to sea and from the river to the ends of the earth.

OPENING MEDLEY

“Shout to the Lord”.....(page 11-12)

“All Hail King Jesus”

All hail King Jesus! All hail Emmanuel. King of kings, Lord of lords, Bright Morning Star. And throughout eternity, I’ll sing His praises, and I’ll reign with Him throughout eternity.

P: At the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father.

C: We have come to bow our knees and confess our faith that Jesus is our Lord, the King of kings and Lord of lords who entered this week we call holy to fulfill God’s holy will that we might be redeemed from sin, death and the power of the devil.

P: We gather in the name and in the presence of the God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

PRE-CONFESSION HYMN.....“Drawn to the Cross, Which Thou Hast Blessed”.....#560

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: O Lord, with the Palm Sunday crowd, we cry to You this day:

C: Hosanna! Save us now, we pray!

Men: Save us for we have sinned against You in thought, word and deed.

Women: Save us for we have sinned against You by what we have done and by what we have left undone.

Men: Save us, for we have not loved You with our whole heart.

Women: Save us, for we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

All: For the sake of Jesus Christ, the Son of David and the Son of God, have mercy on us. Forgive, renew and cleanse us and by Your Holy Spirit, enable us to walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P: Jesus became obedient unto death, even death on a cross, so that through faith in Him you could receive life and salvation. It is in the name, the name that is above every name, that I forgive your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. To Him be the glory.

C: Amen.

POST CONFESSION SONG.....“You Are My King (Amazing Love)”.....(page 13)

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Explanation of the Second Article of the Apostle’s Creed

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true.

+ WE HEAR GOD’S WORD +

OLD TESTAMENT READINGZechariah 9:9-12.....Pew Bible page 797

EPISTLE..... Philippians 2:5-11.....Pew Bible page 980

HOLY GOSPEL..... Matthew 21:1-11.....Pew Bible page 826

P: The Holy Gospel, according to St. Matthew the 21st chapter.

C: **(spoken) Glory to You, O Lord.**

following reading:

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **(spoken) Praise to You, O Christ.**

HYMN.....“No Tramp of Soldiers’ Marching Feet”.....#444

SERMON

+ WE COME TO GOD +

GATHERING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS FOR THE LORD

(Sign and pass the Friendship pad during the offering)

+ FOR PERSONAL REFLECTION +

During this season of Lent, we kneel at the cross, pondering the perfection of our Savior and the sin of our souls which led Him to that place. We ask for forgiveness, and we ask that we might be strengthened through His Word and Sacrament to rise as new creatures, eager to do His will, eager to thank Him with grateful hearts, and eager to speak the message of His love and sacrifice for all.

PRAYERS/LORDS PRAYER

+ Sacrament of the Altar +

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

“Jesus is Lord”.....(page 14)

“O Lord, How Shall I Meet You”.....#334

“All Glory, Laud and Honor”.....#442

“Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness”.....#636

DISMISSAL

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart in peace.

C: **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

All: Almighty and ever-living God, we thank You for having fed us with the body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with our mouth received the Holy Sacrament, we may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

BENEDICTION

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN....."Ride On, Ride On in Majesty".....#441

POSTLUDE

SERVING THIS MORNING

- Elders.....John Ellis, Fed Stuertz, Doug Knapp
- Organist.....Ronda Gerken
- Ushers 1stKent Chrisman, Larry Jacobsen, Kelly Driewer, Ladd Goff
- Ushers 2nd.....Joel Troester, Matt Staehr, Jordan Staehr, John Biel, Mark Way, Ryan Koch
- Acolytes 1st.....Jenna Perryman, Tori Stanton
- Acolytes 2nd.....Cameron Price, Nevaeh Peters
- Greeters 1st.....Larry & Cathy Norquest, Alan & Michele Pohl
- Greeters 2nd.....Marietta Thompson, Deb Winchell
- Reader 1st.....Beth Miller
- Reader 2nd.....Doug Knapp
- Technology 1st.....Haden Powers, Christian Deepe
- Technology 2nd.....Lisa Hoffman, Doug Knapp

FAMILY EDUCATION - 9:15 am

- Adult Bible Class.....Fellowship Hall
- Family StudyFamily Room
- Sunday School.....School Classrooms

Visit the Family Resource Center for materials for all ages!

RADIO MINISTRY - KAWL Radio - 1370 AM & KOOL 103.5 FM- 10:30 am Service
LUTHERAN HOUR - KAWL Radio - 1370 AM & KOOL 103.5 FM- 7:30 am on Sundays
Our church services online - www.emmanuelnyork.com, "Join us online", Livestream

Today's Radio Broadcast is in loving memory of Alvin Apetz. The **internet** is sponsored by Loretta Johnson in loving memory of David Johnson. Palms on the altar are in memory of Herb Richert.

Birthdays this week: Jim Lage, Larry Norquest, Fred Stuertz, Austin Wegener, Tyler Alms, Betty Haack, Riley Nigh, Patsy Downer, Don Klug, Pam Ehlers, Curtis Nienhueser, Jeanne Chapman, Diane Chrisman, Paige Nienhueser, Cathy Norquest, Rick Chrisman, Cindy Goff, Landon Killion, Vicky Kopcho, Bette Peters, Ty Schneider.

Anniversaries this week: Gary & Deb Bredenkamp, David & Miranda Dye, Doug & Barb Nienhueser, Wayne & Marlus Sandall, Jerry & Patsy Haggadone.

ATTENDANCE Last Sunday	Worship. 450	Bible Class 54	Sunday School 39
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Financial Stewardship	
Needed weekly.....	\$26,772.13
Received Last Week.....	\$18,857.97

Parish News & Notes

Bulletin announcements deadline - Wednesday at Noon

Upcoming Meetings - April 18
Church Council - 6:00 pm - Voter's Meeting - 7:00 pm

PRAYERS

Jerry Staehr, Les Batterton, Eldene Mason, Lois Hoeft, Diane Drew, Mary Kohtz, Pastor Bob Schermbeck, Marvin Haack, Bill Sutter, Jaci Landers, Beth Johnson & unborn child, Kathy Kern, Bonnie Barnesberger, Craig Broers, Megan Aker, Lana Hoffschneider, Kevin Brown, Justin Weldon, Barbara Buelt, Howard Mapel, Carol Ourada, Armed Forces protecting our Country.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY is "**Battery Giveaway Day**". Meet at Church at 2:00 pm for batteries and instructions as we go out into the community sharing the love of Christ and the importance of smoke detector safety.

Easter Lilies - We would like to decorate the chancel area for the Easter Sunday services to the glory of God. If you would like to donate an Easter Lily or other flowering springtime plant, you may bring it by the Church anytime this week.

Special Voters Meeting - The School Board has called a special meeting on Wednesday, April 12th at 7:00 pm to call a new teacher for Emmanuel-Faith School.

Interested in going into full-time church work? Contact the church office for a list of available scholarships.

Living Water Rescue Mission Let Your Light Shine Ladies Brunch will be April 29th, 9:30 am, First Evangelical Lutheran Church. Visit the Information Center for details.

York County Hazardous Waste Collection Day will be April 22nd, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm at the York County Landfill. See the bulletin board for guidelines.

SAVE THE DATE FOR VBS - July 10 - 14!

Join us for "Ark Encounter" - tour the Ark Encounter and Creation Museum July 23 - July 29. Sign up at the Information Center or contact Pastor Kaiser for more information.

Nebraska South LWML Scholarship applications for students preparing for full-time church work are at the church office or www.lwmlsouth.org. and must be postmarked & mailed no later than June 1, to Angie Ratcliffe, 517 Bader Ave., Seward, NE 68434.

LWML Pajama Prayer Party - April 22nd at Peace Lutheran, Grand Island, at 9:00 am. Spend the day sewing pajamas for Bright Horizons & Lutheran Family Services and Bible Study with Jessica Feldman and Elaine Nelson. See LWML table for kit information.

Follow Emmanuel-Faith School on Twitter @EFYork!

KEEP SAVING FOR EMMANUEL SCHOOL - Boxtops for Education, ink cartridges, and old cell phones.

If you would like to sponsor either the radio or internet **broadcast of our Sunday service**, contact the church office. There are several dates available in May, June and July. The cost is \$70.00 for the radio and \$50.00 for the internet.

Contact Sue Luethje or the church office if you know of members who could use help from **Care Circle** with transportation needs to medical appointments or to welcome the arrival of a new baby. **Care Circle** is accepting donations of diapers, size newborn to 2, wipes and monetary donations made payable to Care Circle. Donations may be dropped off at the display in the east hallway.

Do you have a Thrivent account? Thrivent will donate money in your name to Emmanuel Lutheran Church or Emmanuel Lutheran School. Call Thrivent at 1-800-847-4836 and at the prompt say "Thrivent Choice". If you have problems, call Drew Woodburn at 402-362-3395.

Did you know...Trinity Lutheran Church, Rochester, Minnesota, TLCare ministry offers hospitality to those receiving medical care at Mayo Clinic in Rochester. TLCare has lodging to offer to LCMS brothers and sisters at no cost. Contact Jennifer Jurgensen, tlcjennifer@charterinternt.com or Trinity Lutheran Church, 507-289-1531.

Join us for Worship

Holy Week Services
Maundy Thursday, April 13
3:30 pm & 7:00 pm

Good Friday, April 14
3:30 pm & 7:00 pm

Easter Sunday, April 16
6:30 am, 8:00 am & 10:30 am

Breakfast served by ELY in the
Fellowship Hall, 7:00 am - 10:00 am
Freewill offering
No Sunday School or Bible Class on
Easter Sunday

THIS WEEK AT EMMANUEL

Today

8:00 am Worship Service
9:15 am Bible Class & Sunday School
10:30 am Worship Service
2:00 pm Evangelism "Battery Give-Away"

Monday

10:00 am Willow Brook Bible Study

6:00 pm Youth Board
7:00 pm LLL, Health & Wellness, Millennials

Tuesday

7:00 pm LWML

Wednesday

8:10 am School Chapel

9:00 am Chances "R" Bible Study

12:00 pm Women's Bible Study

7:00 pm Special Voters' Meeting

8:00 pm Choir

Thursday

10:00 am Hearthstone Service

2:30 pm Mahoney House Service

3:30 & 7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Services

Friday

6:00 am Chances "R" Bible Study

3:30 pm & 7:00 pm Good Friday Services

Saturday

7:00 am Men's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)