ARIZONA LUTHERAN ACADEMY SUNDAY WORSHIP



Emmaus Lutheran Church Phoenix, Arizona February 3, 2019

EMMAUS LUTHERAN CHURCH PHOENIX, ARIZONA

February 3, 2019 | Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

WELCOME & INVOCATION

M: We begin today's service in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

- C: Amen
- M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy:
- C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But, trusting in Jesus my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.
- M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child! May God give you strength to live according to his will!
- C: Amen.

GOD OF GRACE

Keith Getty Arranged by Lloyd Larson Flute: Kyla Pedersen

God of grace, amazing wonder, Irresistible and free; Oh, the miracle of mercy Jesus reaches down to me. God of grace, I stand in wonder, As my God restores my soul. His own blood has paid my ransom; Awesome cost to make me whole. God of grace, who loved and knew me Long before the world began; Sent my Saviour down from heaven; Perfect God and perfect man. God of grace, I trust in Jesus; I'm accepted as his own. Every day his grace sustains me, As I lean on him alone.

God of grace, I stand astounded, Cleansed, forgiven and secure. All my fears are now confounded And my hope is ever sure. God of grace, now crowned in glory, Where one day I'll see your face; And forever I'll adore you In your everlasting grace.

AND CAN IT BE?

And can it be that I should gain An interest in the Savior's blood? Died he for me, who caused his pain— For me, who him to death pursued? Amazing love! How can it be, That thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

He left his Father's throne above So free, so infinite his grace— Emptied himself of all but love, And bled for Adam's helpless race: 'Tis mercy all, immense and free, For, O my God, it found out me! 'Tis mercy all, immense and free, For, O my God, it found out me!

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in him, is mine; Alive in him, my living Head, And clothed in righteousness divine, Bold I approach the eternal throne, And claim the crown, through Christ my own. Dan Forrest Charles Wesley Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you, who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time.

For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect.

SECOND READING - 1 Corinthians 12:27-13:13

²⁷ Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.²⁸ And God has placed in the church first of all apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, of helping, of guidance, and of different kinds of tongues.²⁹ Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? ³⁰ Do all have gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret?³¹ Now eagerly desire the greater gifts.

Love Is Indispensable

And yet I will show you the most excellent way.

13 If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. ² If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. ³ If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

⁴ Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. ⁵ It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. ⁶ Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. ⁷ It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

⁸ Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. ⁹ For we know in part and we prophesy in part, ¹⁰ but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears. ¹¹ When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me. ¹² For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

¹³ And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus. What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus. O precious is the flow that makes me white as snow; No other fount I know; nothing but the blood of Jesus.

For my pardon this I see: nothing but the blood of Jesus. For my cleansing this my plea; nothing but the blood of Jesus. O precious is the flow that makes me white as snow; No other fount I know; nothing but the blood of Jesus.

This is all my hope and peace: nothing but the blood of Jesus. This is all my righteousness: nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Nothing can for sin atone: nothing but the blood of Jesus. Naught of good that I have done; nothing but the blood of Jesus. O precious is the flow that makes me white as snow; No other fount I know; nothing but the blood of Jesus.

BY FAITH (10:30 am service)

Emmaus Pre-K to 8th Grade

MESSAGE

Pastor Brad Bode

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,

and became fully human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERING

PRAYERS

LORD'S PRAYER (sung by the choir)

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread, Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen. DISTRIBUTION HYMN: What Is This Bread? (CWS 742)

THE BLOOD OF JESUS SPEAKS FOR ME

Travis Cottrell and David Moffitt

The blood of Jesus speaks for me—be still my soul. Redeeming love out of the dust of Calvary is rising to the throne above. There is no vengeance in his cry, while "It is finished," fills the sky. Forgiveness is the final plea. The blood of Jesus speaks for me.

My heart can barely take it in; he pardons all my guilty stains. Surrender all my shame to him, he breaks the curse of every chain. My sin is great, but greater still, the boundless grace his heart reveals. A mercy deeper than the sea, the blood of Jesus speaks for me.

When my accuser makes the claim that I should die for my offense, I point him to that rugged frame where I found life at Christ's expense. See from his hands, his feet, his side, the fountain flowing deep and wide. Oh, hear it shout the victory; the blood of Jesus speaks for me!

Worthy is the Lamb, Lamb for sinners slain! Jesus, Lord of all, glory to his name! Heaven crying out, let the earth proclaim; power in the blood, glory to his name! Jesus!

Oh, let my soul arise and sing. My confidence is not in vain. The One who fights for me is King! His oath, his covenant remain. No condemnation now I dread; eternal hope is mine instead. His Word will stand; I stand redeemed. The blood of Jesus speaks for me.

Amazing love, how can it be? The blood of Jesus speaks for me!

THINK ON THESE THINGS

The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, Shall protect your hearts and minds in Christ our Savior.

Therefore, my people, be steadfast in the Lord. Concern yourselves not for anything, and fear no evil; But in everything by prayer and thanksgiving let your hearts be open And your cares be known to God.

The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, Shall protect your hearts and minds in Christ our Savior. What you know to be true; What you know to be pure and just; What you know to be full of love, And what you know to be joyful; If there be any virtue; If there be any praise, Think on these things.

The grace of our Lord Jesus be with you all now and forever. Amen.

BLESSING

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen

MESSAGE

Principal Kurt Rosenbaum

SERVING TODAY

Minister: Pastor Brad Bode Choir Director: Ms. Andrea Oppermann Student Readers: Luke Kiecker and Matthew Bodjanac

NEWS FROM ARIZONA LUTHERAN ACADEMY

GRANDPARENTS DAY AT ALA

ALA will host Grandparents Day this Wednesday, February 6, 2019, 9am to noon. We look forward to welcoming our ALA Grandparents!

ENROLLMENT SEASON

The enrollment season for 2019-2020 has begun. The next Shadow Day/Admissions Night is February 19, 2019. If you have a child ready for high school next year, start exploring at ALAcoyotes.org/admissions. If you have any questions, contact Michelle Meyer at Admissions@ALAcoyotes.org.

TUITION ASSISTANCE WORKSHOP

Tuesday, February 26, 6pm at ALA Register online for this date or for future dates. ALAcoyotes.org/TAW This workshop is for all current and future parents of ALA and our Lutheran elementary schools. ACSTO representatives will be at the workshop.

- Do you know all the options that exist for tuition assistance?
- Do you know the difference between Individual Tax Credits and Corporate Tax Credits?
- Find out if there is more you can do to receive tuition help!

EIGHTH ANNUAL GALA

ALAcoyotes.org/gala

Mark your calendar now for Saturday, March 30, 2019. This is the date for the 8th Annual Gala, *Off Broadway*, taking place at Arizona Lutheran Academy. The goal for this big event is to support ALA students by raising needed funds for two new or almost-new 12-passenger vans.



Ways to participate:

- ATTEND. Tickets are available online. Note: All alumni who graduated from ALA in years ending in 4 or 9 can attend the 2019 Gala for half-price. Invite your ALA classmates and have a class reunion at the Gala!
- **DONATE.** Auction items are being accepted. If you prefer, you can donate money to go toward the fundraising effort. Look for the donation form online.
- **SPONSOR.** Sponsorships and advertising at the Gala are still available. If you are interested, there is more information online or contact Jen Bode at JBode@ALAcoyotes.org.

ALA STAFF UPDATES

The ALA Board of Directors extended a call to **Mr. Justin Ohm**, currently serving at Crown of Life Lutheran Church and School in West St. Paul, Minnesota. Mr. Ohm has been called to teach in the area of social studies. He and his wife Bethany have four elementary school-age children. Please keep Mr. Ohm, his family, and both schools in your prayers as he considers where he will continue his ministry.

Ms. Andrea Oppermann, our music and videography teacher at ALA for the past six years, recently received a call to be the music instructor at Michigan Lutheran High School in St. Joseph, Michigan. She has announced that she will continue to serve at ALA.

Mr. Ben Edmundson, one of our social studies teachers and coach accepted a call to teach at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran School in Menasha, Wisconsin. Mr. Edmundson will complete this year of teaching and move to Wisconsin in the summer of 2019. May God bless his transition.

Mr. Matthew Groth has accepted our call as an instructor in the area of technology and STEM. Mr. Groth currently is serving at St. Paul's Lutheran School in Saginaw, Michigan. He and his family will move to Arizona in the summer of 2019. This position will replace **Mrs. Virginia Steinmetz**, who has announced her retirement at the close of this school year.

FEBRUARY PRAYER CALENDER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 Be with the members at Emmaus, Phoenix, and the A Cappella choir as it travels there today.	4 Please bless Matt Heyn, our math and religion teacher, as he celebrates his birthday today.	5 Thank you, Lord, for our dedicated basketball players, coaches, and especially our seniors whom we will honor on Thursday.	6 On our special Grandparents' Day today, thank you for grandparents who support our students in so many ways.	7 Please bless Taunya Solofra, our athletic dept. assistant and receptionist, as she celebrates her birthday today.	8 As they grow and learn at a valley-wide professional development day today, give our teachers a united mission.	9 Be with the elementary school students who attend the basketball jamboree today.
10 Be with the spring athletes as baseball, softball, track, and golf practices begin.	11 Bless the efforts of our team preparing and working for AdvancEd accreditation renewal.	12 Bless the work of our AP European History students and teachers as they prepare for their spring trip to London, Paris, and Rome.	13 Motivate our seniors to work diligently in their last semester of high school courses.	14 Valentine's Day is a good reminder of your selfless love for us. Help us to imitate and share your love, Lord.	15 Thank you for the successes of our winter sports teams and for the support from coaches, volunteers, and parents.	16 Bless our involvement in the Laveen BBQ today. Give us opportunity to share the gospel with new students and families from the community.
17 Give us rulers who will be known for love and honesty; Let the powers that you ordained be in righteousness maintained. * CW 617:3	18 Thank you for this Presidents' Day weekend. Please refresh and renew our students and faculty during this day off.	19 Give us the opportunity to share an ALA education with more students at today's Shadow Day and Admissions Night.	20 During this tax prep season, motivate many to participate in the AZ Tuition Tax Credit Program, which helps offset the cost of tuition for our families.	21 Bless our admissions staff members, Michelle Meyer and Lynnette Stahmann, during this busy recruitment time.	22 Bless the members of our Federation as they meet here on Sunday.	23 Please bless Scott Hill as he celebrates his birthday today.
24 Guide and bless the members at Our Savior in Sun City and the A Cappella choir as it travels there today.	25 Guide and help the students who are struggling academically or socially.	26 As they begin auditions and practices, be with the spring drama cast and give them fun and enjoyment.	27 Thank you for dedicated coaches, who teach and model Christian leadership to our young men and women.	28 Bless our students and directors who are preparing for next Thursday's Spring Concert.	ALAcoyote	s.org/PRAY

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A CAPPELLA CHOIR 2018-2019



Ms. Andrea Oppermann, Director

- SOPRANOS Annette Bayer, 11 Olivia Konig, 11 Ashley Klebenow, 11 Jewel MacPherson, 10 Julia Mockus, 11 Kaylee Palm, 11 Madella Schroeder, 11
- ALTOS Sydney Indahl, 12 Madeleine Lee, 11 Heidy Mueller, 10 Kyla Pedersen, 10 Hannah Stahmann, 11 Nōa Stotts, 12 Jessica Wendt, 10

TENORS Aaron Bode, 11 Luke Kiecker, 12 Angel Ortega, 12 Aiden Perry, 11 Spencer Preston, 10 Colton Watson, 11 San Yoon, 11 BASSES Matthew Bodjanac, 12 Nolan Cereske, 12 Jamison Heyn, 12 Andrew Marten, 12 Samuel Meyer, 12 Caleb Patterson, 11 Zachary Plitzuweit, 12



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