"Jesus Invites to His Wedding Banquet to receive abundant righteousness"



Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Church October 14, 2018 Pentecost 21 2

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE BEFORE HIM

OPENING HYMN "This Is the Day The Lord has Made" (CW #225)

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, (+) and of the Holy Spirit. **Congregation: Amen.**

- P: Beloved in the Lord, let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, pleading with Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.
- P: Our help is in the name of the Lord
- C: Who made heaven and earth.
- P: I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.
- C: And you forgave the guilt of my sin.
- P: Almighty God our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess to You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and action. Therefore, we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- All: O most merciful God, who has given Your only begotten Son to die for us, have mercy on us and for His sake grant us forgiveness of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, for this purpose, that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
- P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those that believe on His name He gives power to become the sons of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this Lord to us all.
- C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

- P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.
- C: Sings "Glory Be to God the Father" CW #239

Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son, Glory be to God the Spirit, Great Jehovah, Three in One! Glory, glory While eternal ages run! Lord's Supper - is celebrated today in the 10:30 am service. Our Savior gives us his body and blood along with the bread and wine for our forgiveness in this Blessed Sacrament. Because he also wants us to examine ourselves prior to communing (1 Corinthians 11:23-29), and that those who commune with one another be united in doctrine and practice (1 Corinthians 10:16-17; Romans 16:1-17; 2 John 9-11), we respectfully ask that those who commune with us this morning are members of Emmaus, or members of congregations in fellowship with the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod. If you are not a member and would like to join us for communion, please speak with Pastor Else, so we can set up a time to study what God's Word has to say to us concerning Lord's Supper and church fellowship. Thank you for your understanding.

<u>Children's Bulletins and Books</u> - We have special bulletins for our children each Sunday. The ushers will have them when they are handing out the weekly bulletins. Please feel free to ask them for this bulletin. Crayons are also available from the ushers. Christian books are also available for ages 0 to 10 + to look at or read during the service! Please ask an usher to direct you to the books so you or your child may pick out an age appropriate book bag or book.

Bathrooms/Baby Changing Tables - are located in the Fellowship Hall, which is the large building in front of the church. (The building closest to the parking lot) There are changing tables in both bathrooms for your convenience. The bathrooms are located on the east end of the building.

Worship Attendance

Sunday, October 7 - 143 (75 - 8:00 am, 68 - 10:30 am)

Income from week ending C	oct. 7, 2018	Month Total	Monthly Budget
First Fruits Offering	\$6389	\$6389	\$18,702
School	\$1104.08	\$1104.0	8 \$11,385
Preschool/Extended Care	\$960.19	\$960.19	\$5805
Mortgage	\$145	\$145	

Organist: Mrs. Marci Brekken Worship leader: Pastor Ross Else

This Week at Emmaus

TODAY	Worship Bible Study and Sunday School Worship w/Lord's Supper	8:00 am 9:15 am 10:30 am
MONDAY	No School - Fall Break	
TUESDAY	Church Council	6:30 pm
WEDNESDAY	Bible Class	6:30 pm
SATURDAY	Information Class	11:00 am
NEXT SUNDAY	Worship w/Lord's Supper Bible Study and Sunday School Worship	8:00 am 9:15 am 10:30 am

Announcements

Those with ongoing health and other struggles - Kathy Boyd; Jennifer Soriano; Kimberly Fritz (cancer); Shaun Eversole (cancer); Chuck Widmann; Barb Widmann; Barb Osborn; Kathy Boyd's brother, Carl: Judy Frank; Roger Wilde's wife Carol; Polly Mackenzie; Brad Anderson; Vince Wallenberg; Ellen King; Diane Scheel; Linda Thompson's friend Kathy Desch (cancer);

Those who are - sick, unemployed, traveling, celebrating birthdays and anniversaries, serving in the military, single, married, parents, children.

<u>New Member Welcome Luncheon</u>—We would like to welcome our many new members who have joined us over the past 6 months at a luncheon on Sunday, October 21, 2018 after the 10:30 am service. Meat and cheese trays with rolls will be provided, as well as drinks. Each family that attends is asked to please bring either a main dish, salad or dessert.

<u>Member Directory</u> - The Emmaus Member Directory is getting ready to be printed. Please take a moment after church to look at a copy on the table outside of the Fellowship Hall. Please change or update your information as needed. If you have any questions, please speak with Laurie Conklin.

Quarterly Voters' Meeting - will be held Sunday, October 28, after the 10:30 am service.

Glory be to him who loved us, Washed us from each spot and stain; Glory be to him who bought us, Made us kings with him to reign! Glory, glory To the Lamb that once was slain!

Glory to the King of angels, Glory to the Church's King, Glory to the King of nations; Heav'n and earth, your praises bring! Glory, glory To the King of glory sing!

Glory, blessing, praise eternal!—Thus the choir of angels sings; Honor, riches, pow'r, dominion!—Thus its praise creation brings. Glory, glory, Glory to the King of kings!

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-89, alt.

- P: The LORD be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Let us pray. Grant, O merciful Lord, to Your faithful people pardon and peace that they may be cleansed from all their sins and serve You with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Please be seated

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 55:1-9

Hey, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters, even everyone who has no money! Come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without cost. 2 Why do you spend money on what is not bread, and waste your labor on something that does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good. Satisfy your appetite with rich food. 3 Incline your ear, and come to me. Listen well so that you may come to life. Yes, I surely will make an everlasting covenant with you, the faithful mercies promised to David. 4 Look, I appointed him as a witness for peoples, a leader and commander of peoples. 5 Look, you will call out to a nation you do not know, and a nation that does not know you will run to you. on account of the LORD your God, and the Holy One of Israel, because he glorified you. 6 Seek the LORD while he allows himself to be found! Call on him while he is near! 7 Let the wicked abandon his way. Let an evil man abandon his thoughts, and let him turn to the LORD, and he will show him mercy, and let him turn to our God, because he will abundantly forgive. 8 Certainly my plans are not your plans, and your ways are not my ways, declares the LORD. 9 Just as the heavens are higher than the earth, so my ways are higher than your ways and my plans are higher than your plans. (EHV)

PSALM 27 (p.75 in front section of hymnal)

SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 5:15-21

15 Consider carefully, then, how you walk, not as unwise people, but as wise people. 16 Make the most of your time, because the days are evil. 17 For this reason, do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. 18 And do not get drunk on wine, which causes you to lose control. Instead, be filled with the Spirit 19 by speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs (singing and making music with your hearts to the Lord), 20 by always giving thanks for everything to God the Father, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, 21 and by submitting to one another in reverence for Christ. EHV

VERSE OF THE DAY

P: Alleluia. This is the Lord; we trusted in Him; let us rejoice and be glad in His salvation. Alleluia. (Isaiah 25:9)



FIRST SERVICE continues here after the Lord's Prayer

THE PRAYER FOR THE WORD

P: Blessed Lord, who has caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may thus hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience and comfort of your holy Word we may embrace, and ever hold fast, the blessed hope of everlasting life, which You have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



THE BLESSING

P: Brothers and sisters, go in peace, Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon on you with favor and give you (+) peace.



CLOSING HYMN

#577- "Rise, O Light of Gentile Nations"

Please stand for the reading of the Gospel



P: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



P: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this Holy Supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



P: 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.



GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 22:1-14

Jesus spoke to them again in parables. He said, 2 "The kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who prepared a wedding banquet for his son. 3 He sent out his servants to summon those who were invited to the wedding banquet, but they did not want to come. 4 "Then he sent out other servants and said, 'Tell those who are invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner. My oxen and my fattened cattle have been butchered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding banquet!' 5 "But those who were invited paid no attention and went off, one to his own farm, another to his business. 6 The rest seized the king's servants, mistreated them, and killed them. 7 As a result, the king was very angry. He sent his army and killed those murderers and burned their town. 8 "Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding banquet is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy. 9 So go to the main crossroads and invite as many as you find to the wedding banquet.' 10 Those servants went out to the roads and gathered together everyone they found, both good and bad, and the wedding hall was filled with guests. 11 But when the king came in to see the guests, he saw a man there who was not wearing wedding clothes. 12 He said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without wearing wedding clothes?' The man was speechless. 13 Then the king told the servants, 'Tie him hand and foot and throw him into the outer darkness where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' 14 For many are called, but few are chosen."" (EHV)



THE APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; And I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please be seated

HYMN

#376 "Jesus, Your Blood and Righteousness"

SERMON

Matthew 22:1-14

"The King has prepared His Wedding Feast for All"

1.It's the abundant wedding feast of His Son2.He has graciously sent out the invitations3.The time to attend is now

DISTRIBUTION (During the distribution the congregation will sing Hymn 313)

HOLY COMMUNION

313 Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior



And at his banquet ever blest. Text: John Hus, 1369–1415; German version, Martin Luther, 1483–1546, abr.; tr. composite.

Surely you will be his guest

Tune: JESUS CHRISTUS, UNSER HEILAND, DER VON UNS (88 78) Klug, Geistliche Lieder auffs new gebessert, Wittenberg, 1535, alt.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in my blood, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



HYMNS OF THE LITURGY

272 Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God



Text: Psalm 51:10-12. Tune: SCHAFFE IN MIR, GOTT (PM) Johann G. Winer, 1583–1651, adapt.

OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P: Lord God, our maker and preserver, we praise and thank you for all that you give us day after day.
- C: We are not worthy of all the mercies you show us.
- **P:** You have given us your precious Word to nourish our souls and to protect us from the temptations of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature.
- C: We thank you for those who teach and preach your saving truth at this place and everywhere. Grant them a rich measure of patience, wisdom, and love.
- **P:** Heavenly Father, we pray that you shield us from every kind of danger: sudden catastrophe, terrors of crime, and the pain of disease. Watch over those who travel by land, sea, and air. Keep our loved ones from whatever perils may threaten them.
- C: Heal those who are sick, cheer those who are sad, calm those who are distressed, and comfort all who are old and infirm.

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- P: Bless our land, our people, and those who hold offices of high trust. Keep our government and schools upright and strong for the advancement of good citizenship and useful vocations, that we may enjoy your gifts of peace, security, and well-being.
- C: Grant your blessing to every nation on earth. Where there are wars, may there be peace. Where there is hatred, let it be healed. Where there is poverty, danger or disaster, come with your almighty power to help and restore.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

- **P:** Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions. *Silent prayer.*
- **P:** We bring these requests before you in the name of Jesus our Lord, and ask you to hear us. Take all that we have, our bodies and minds, our time and skills, our ministries and offerings, and use them to your glory.
- C: We give ourselves to you that we may serve you in whatever way is pleasing in your sight. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SECOND SERVICE continues with the Sacrament; FIRST SERVICE concludes with closing prayer and hymn on page 13.

THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE





P: Lift up your hearts.



P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



P: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock till he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

