

Second Lesson – 1 Corinthians 9:24-10:5

Evangelical Heritage Version (EHV)

24 Do you not know that when runners compete in the stadium, they all run, but only one receives the prize? Run like that—to win. 25 Everyone who competes in the games exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable victor's wreath, but we do it for an imperishable one. 26 That is why there is nothing aimless about the way I run. There is no pummeling of the air in the way I box. 27 Instead I hit my body hard and make it my slave so that, after preaching to others, I myself will not be rejected.

10 For I do not want you to be unaware, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud and all passed through the sea, 2 and they were all baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea. 3 They all ate the same spiritual food 4 and all drank the same spiritual drink, for they drank from the spiritual rock that accompanied them—and that rock was Christ! 5 Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them. He had them die in the wilderness.

Gospel – Matthew 20:1-16

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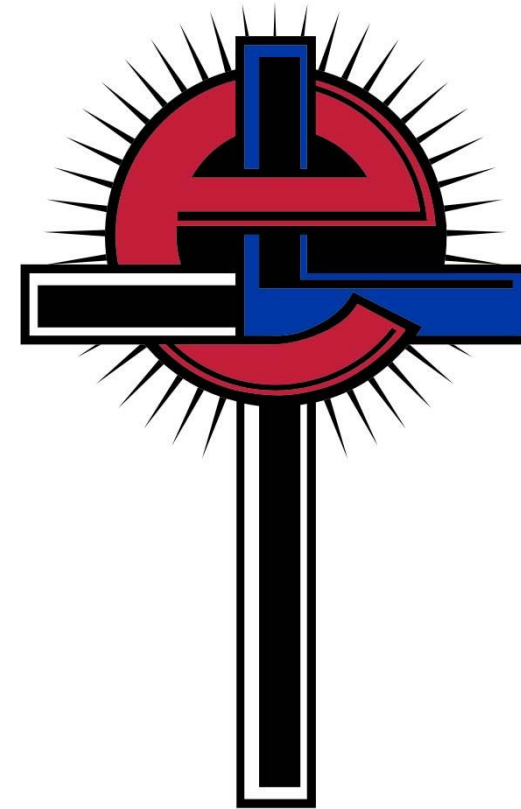
20 "Indeed the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire workers for his vineyard. 2 After agreeing to pay the workers a denarius for the day, he sent them into his vineyard. 3 He also went out about the third hour[a] and saw others standing unemployed in the marketplace. 4 To these he said, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will give you whatever is right.' So they went. 5 Again he went out about the sixth and the ninth hour and did the same thing. 6 When he went out about the eleventh hour, he found others standing unemployed. He said to them, 'Why have you stood here all day unemployed?'

7 "They said to him, 'Because no one hired us.' "He told them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' 8 When it was evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last group and ending with the first.'

9 "When those who were hired around the eleventh hour came, they each received a denarius. 10 When those who were hired first came, they thought they would receive more. But they each received a denarius too. 11 After they received it, they began to grumble against the landowner: 12 'Those who were last worked one hour, and you made them equal to us who have endured the burden of the day and the scorching heat!'

13 "But he answered one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not make an agreement with me for a denarius? 14 Take what is yours and go. I want to give to the last one hired the same as I also gave to you. 15 Can't I do what I want with my own money? Or are you envious because I am generous?' 16 In the same way, the last will be first, and the first, last."

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*"God deals with us purely
on the basis of His grace"*

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Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

WELCOME: To all our guests and visitors we extend a warm and sincere welcome. To those seeking a church home, we offer fellowship with a living Redeemer, membership in His Church and citizenship in His Kingdom. Our message is as old as God's Word to mankind: Jesus Christ, crucified and risen for the salvation of mankind. Please sign our Guest Register as you leave the church.

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Sermon Text: Exodus 17:1-7

**Sermon Theme: "Water for the thirsty soul
flows from only one Rock"**

- 1. It comes to us only by God's grace**
- 2. It comes to us only because of God's work**
- 3. It comes to us only by God's word**

Organist: Mrs. Janean Plocher
Worship leader: Pastor Ross Else

This Week at Emmaus

TODAY	Worship w/Lord's Supper	8:00/10:30 am
	Bible Study and Sunday School	9:15 am
WEDNESDAY	Bible Class	6:30 pm
SATURDAY	Confessional Service w/Lord's Supper	6:00 am
NEXT SUNDAY	Worship	8:00/10:30 am
	Bible Study and Sunday School	9:15 am

Lord's Supper - is celebrated today. 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 are members of Emmaus, or members of congregations in fellowship with the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod, commune with us this morning. 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.

First Lesson – Exodus 17:1-7

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The entire Israelite community set out on their journey from the Wilderness of Sin as the LORD had commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. 2So the people quarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water to drink."

Moses said to them, "Why are you quarreling with me? Why are you testing the LORD?"

3But the people were thirsty for water there, so they grumbled against Moses. They said, "Why did you ever bring us up out of Egypt to let us, our children, and our livestock die of thirst?"

4Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with these people? They are almost ready to stone me!"

5The LORD said to Moses, "Go in front of the people, and take the elders of Israel with you. Also take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. 6Watch me. I will stand there in front of you on the rock in Horeb. You are to strike the rock. Water will come out of it, and the people will drink." Moses did that in the sight of the elders of Israel. 7He named the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled, and because they tested the LORD by saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

Announcements

In Our Prayers -

Those with ongoing health and other struggles - Kathy Desch and Patricia Alvarado, (sisters of Linda Thompson and Jean Bagley), Dale Schaumberg (Laurie Conklin's father), Tony Natalie's mother, Roger Wilde's wife, Carol and brother, Earl, Audrey Else (Pastor Else's mother), Jim Patterson, Sarah Eversole, Pastor Sweet, Barb Osborn, Polly Mackenzie, Brad Anderson, Vince Wallenberg, Ellen King, Diane Scheel

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

Call Extended - The Holy Spirit led the voting members of Emmaus Lutheran Church to call Mrs. Ruth Vogt to teach 1st & 2nd grade and Mr. Darren Vogt to teach 5th & 6th grade and be our Athletic Director. Mr. & Mrs. Vogt currently teach at East Fork Lutheran School in Whiteriver, AZ. Please keep Mr. and Mrs. Vogt in your prayers as they deliberate the call to Emmaus and their current call to East Fork.

Father/Daughter Dinner & Dance - will be held on Friday, February 9th, from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. This event is for both church and school members. Girls in high school are also welcome to attend. Donations are needed for the food items and prizes. If you would like to make monetary donations, we could then use that to purchase items. Please contact Bonnie Miller if you are able to help with these items. See the insert in the bulletin for more information. Please RSVP to Laurie Conklin in the office by February 6.

Outreach - We continue to look for opportunities to reach out to our community and share the good news of a Savior. From postcards for our Night in Bethlehem and VBS events, to social media like our website and Facebook, to advertising in print, we strive to make people aware of our church and school. Many of these outreach endeavors come with a cost. If you would like to make a donation to help with these expenses, please write **Outreach** on the outside of an envelope and it will be added to our current Outreach Fund. These donations can then be put into the weekly collection plate or given to Pastor Else or the office.

Children's Bulletins and Books - 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, 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, January 28 - 93 (45 - 8:00 am, 48 - 10:30 am)

<u>Income from week ending Jan. 28, 2018</u>	<u>Month Total</u>	<u>Monthly Budget</u>
First Fruits Offering	\$5642	\$20,329.09
School	\$6396.13	\$14,320
Preschool/Extended Care	\$2507	\$3983.67
Mortgage	\$100	\$580