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13Submit to every human authority because of the Lord, whether to the king as the supreme authority 14or to governors as those who have been sent by him to punish those who do what is wrong and to praise those who do what is right. 15For this is God's will: that you silence the ignorance of foolish people by doing good. 16Do this as free people, and do not use your freedom as a cover-up for evil, but use it as servants of God. 17Honor everyone. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the king.

18Slaves, submit to your masters with total respect, not only to those who are good and kind but also to those who are harsh. 19For this is favorable: if a person endures sorrows while suffering unjustly because he is conscious of God. 20For what credit is it to you if you receive a beating for sinning and patiently endure it? But if you suffer for doing good and endure it, this is favorable with God.

Gospel – John 16:16-23a

Evangelical Heritage Version (EHV)

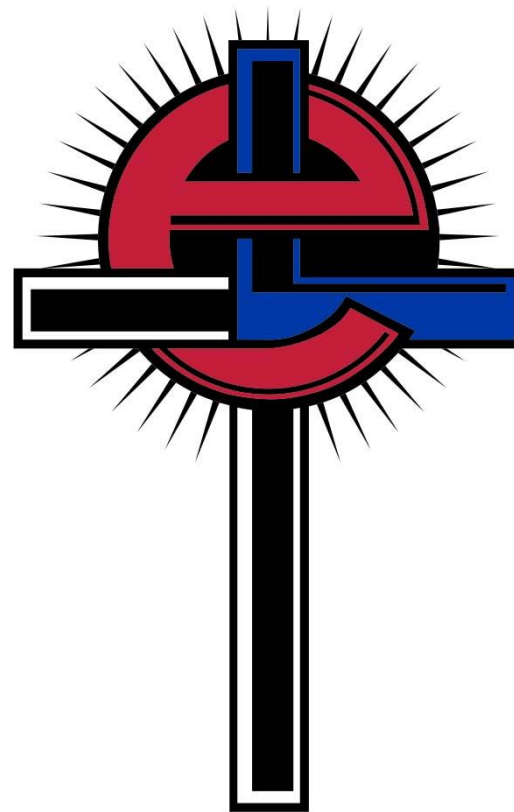
16"In a little while you are not going to see me anymore, and again in a little while you will see me, because I am going away to the Father."

17Therefore some of his disciples asked one another, "What does he mean when he tells us, 'In a little while you are not going to see me, and again in a little while you will see me,' and 'Because I am going away to the Father'?" 18So they kept asking, "What does he mean by 'a little while'? We don't understand what he's saying."

19Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him about this, so he said to them, "Are you trying to determine with one another what I meant by saying, 'In a little while you are not going to see me, and again in a little while you will see me'? 20Amen, Amen, I tell you: You will weep and wail, but the world will rejoice. You will become sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn to joy. 21A woman giving birth has pain, because her time has come. But when she has delivered the child, she no longer remembers the anguish, because of her joy that a person has been born into the world.

22"So you also have sorrow now. But I will see you again. Your heart will rejoice, and no one will take your joy away from you. 23In that day you will not ask me anything."

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*"Those who wait on the Lord
shall rejoice"*

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Third Sunday of Easter

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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Hymns: 141, 414, 167, 166

First Lesson: Lamentations 3:18-26

Psalm: Psalm 67, page 91

Second Lesson: 1 Peter 2:11-20

Gospel Lesson: John 16:16-23a

Sermon Text: Lamentations 3:18-26

Sermon Theme: "Resurrection Christians focus on the Silver Lining"

1. Yes, there will be dark clouds
2. Yet there is always hope
3. Find your strength in the silver lining

Organist: Mrs. Janean Plocher
Worship leader: Pastor Thomas Schulz

This Week at Emmaus

TODAY	Worship w/Lord's Supper	8:00 am
	Bible Study and Sunday School	9:15 am
	Worship	10:30 am
TUESDAY	Church Council	6:30 pm
WEDNESDAY	Bible Study	6:30 pm

NEXT SUNDAY

Worship	8:00 am
Bible Study and Sunday School	9:15 am
Worship w/Lord's Supper	10:30 am
Quarterly Voters' Meeting	11:45 am

Lord's Supper – will be celebrated in the 10:30 am service next Sunday. Please prepare your hearts and minds accordingly this week.

First Lesson – Lamentations 3:18-26

Evangelical Heritage Version (EHV)

18I said, "My endurance has vanished
and so has my hope from the LORD."
19Remember my affliction and my restless wandering,
the wormwood and bitterness.
20Surely my soul remembers
and is sunk down upon me.
21This I bring back to my heart,
for this reason I have hope:
22by the mercies of the LORD we are not consumed,
for his compassions do not fail.
23They are new every morning.
Great is your faithfulness!
24My soul says, "The LORD is my portion.
Therefore I will hope in him."
25The LORD is good to those who wait for him,
to the soul who seeks him.
26It is good to hope quietly
for the salvation of the LORD.

Second Lesson – 1 Peter 2:11-20

Evangelical Heritage Version (EHV)

11Dear friends, I urge you, as aliens and temporary residents in the world, to abstain from the desires of the sinful flesh, which war against your soul. 12Live an honorable life among the Gentiles so that even though they slander you as evildoers, when they observe your noble deeds, they may glorify God on the day he visits us.

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Announcements

In Our Prayers -

Those with ongoing health and other struggles - Pastor Casmer; Pastor Sweet; Cynthia Mayotte; Audrey Else (Pastor Else's mother); Barb Osborn; Kathy Boyd's brother, Carl; Richard and Linda Toetz's cousin, Betty and her son; Bob King, Jacob Brekken; Judy Frank (Pastor Joel Frank's wife); Kathy Desch and Patricia Alvarado (sisters of Linda Thompson and Jean Bagley); Dale Schaumberg (Laurie Conklin's father); Roger Wilde's wife Carol, and his brother Earl; Jim Patterson; Sarah Eversole; 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.

Thank you - to Pastor Schulz for leading us in worship and Bible study today. Pastor Else returns this evening from visiting his parents.

Rejoicing - with Jennifer Miller and Vladimir Hernandez who were united in marriage. God's Blessing to them both as they start their new life together.

Welcome - We welcome into communicant membership by profession of faith Diane Castro; we welcome by transfer into our communicant membership Eugene and Wanda Yazzie; and Ms. Julianna Wolff. May the Lord continue to strengthen you through Word and Sacrament and bless us as we walk and work together in his kingdom. Jesus be with you all.

Special Voters' Meeting - Last Sunday, during a special Voters' Meeting, a call was extended to Mr. Benjamin Pagel to teach 5th & 6th grade teacher and be Athletic Director. Mr. Pagel is currently the principal at Peridot - Our Savior's Lutheran School in Peridot, AZ. He also teaches 3rd grade. You can reach Mr. Pagel by email at sbpagel@yahoo.com. Please keep Mr. Pagel and his family in your prayers as he deliberates the call to Emmaus and his current call to Peridot - Our Savior's.

Quarterly Voters' Meeting - will be held next Sunday, April 23rd. All voting members of Emmaus are encouraged to attend.

Paradise Valley Update - Pastor Casmer has retired from the pastoral ministry due to complications from his ongoing battle with cancer. As a result, Pastor Else and the retired pastors of our congregation are assisting with the ministry needs at Paradise Valley Lutheran Church until they can figure out their next steps in calling their next shepherd. Please keep Pastor and Mrs. Casmer, their family, and the saints at Paradise Valley in your prayers as they keep calling out for God's mercy during this difficult time, as they seek comfort and strength in his Word and Sacraments, and as they seek the Lord's wisdom for continuing the work of His kingdom in their midst.

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 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.

Lord's Supper - is celebrated today in the 8:00 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 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.

Worship Attendance

Sunday, April 8 - 137 (91 - 6:30 am, 46 - 9:00 am)

<u>Income from week ending April 8, 2018</u>	<u>Month Total</u>	<u>Monthly Budget</u>
First Fruits Offering	\$4360	\$13,003
School	\$587	\$2153.03
Preschool/Extended Care	\$566.94	\$705.41
Mortgage	\$470	\$590