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Fifth Sunday of Easter

WELCOME: To all of 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.

Order of Worship: Common Service, p 15

Hymns: 586, 377 (1-7), 340

First Lesson: Isaiah 12:1-6

Psalms: Psalm 66, page 90

Second Lesson: James 1:16-21

Gospel Lesson: John 16:5-15

Sermon Text: James 1:16-21

Sermon Theme: "Brought to life by God's Word of Truth"

- 1. His gracious Word at work in you**
- 2. His powerful Word for you to humbly receive**

Organist: Mrs. Janean Plocher

Worship leader: Pastor Ross Else

This Week at Emmaus

TODAY	Worship	8:00/10:30 am
	Growing in God's Word	9:15 am
	Voters' Meeting	11:45 am
TUESDAY	Women's Group Meeting	6:30 pm
WEDNESDAY	Bible Study	6:30 pm
NEXT SUNDAY	Worship w/Lord's Supper	8:00/10:30 am
	Growing in God's Word	9:15 am
	Confirmation Examination in both services	

Lord's Supper - will be celebrated next Sunday. Please prepare your hearts accordingly this week.

70] On the other hand, children should be constantly urged and moved to honor God's name, and have it always upon their lips in everything that may happen to them or come to their notice. (Psalm 8:2; 34:1; Mt. 21:16; Heb. 13:15) For that is the true honor of His name, to look to it and call upon it for all consolation (Psalm 66:2; 105:1), so that, (as we have heard above in the 1st Commandment) first the heart by faith gives God the honor due Him, and afterwards the lips give Him honor by confession. 71] This is also a blessed and useful habit and very effectual against the devil, who is ever around us, and lies in wait to bring us into sin and shame, disaster and trouble, but who hates to hear God's name, and cannot remain long where it is spoken and called upon from the heart. And, indeed, many a terrible and shocking calamity was immediately averted and removed by calling upon God. To confuse the devil, I say, we should always have this holy name in our mouth, so that he may not be able to injure us as he wishes.

Luther's Large Catechism, 2nd commandment, paragraphs 71-72.

First Lesson – Isaiah 12:1-6

New International Version (NIV 1984)

12:1 In that day you will say: "I will praise you, O LORD. Although you were angry with me, your anger has turned away and you have comforted me. 2 Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid. The LORD, the LORD, is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation." 3 With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. 4 In that day you will say: "Give thanks to the LORD, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done, and proclaim that his name is exalted. 5 Sing to the LORD, for he has done glorious things; let this be known to all the world.

Second Lesson – James 1:16-21

New International Version (NIV 1984)

16 Don't be deceived, my dear brothers. 17 Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. 18 He chose to give us birth through the word of truth, that we might be a kind of first fruits of all he created. 19 My dear brothers, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, 20 for man's anger does not bring about the righteous life that God desires. 21 Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you.

Gospel – John 16:5-15

New International Version (NIV 1984)

5 "Now I am going to him who sent me, yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' 6 Because I have said these things, you are filled with grief. 7 But I tell you the truth: It is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Counselor will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. 8 When he comes, he will convict the world of guilt in regard to sin and righteousness and judgment: 9 in regard to sin, because men do not believe in me; 10 in regard to righteousness, because I am going to the Father, where you can see me no longer; 11 and in regard to judgment, because the prince of this world now stands condemned. 12 "I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear. 13 But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. 14 He will bring glory to me by taking from what is mine and making it known to you. 15 All that belongs to the Father is mine. That is why I said the Spirit will take from what is mine and make it known to you.

First Song of Isaiah

Refrain:

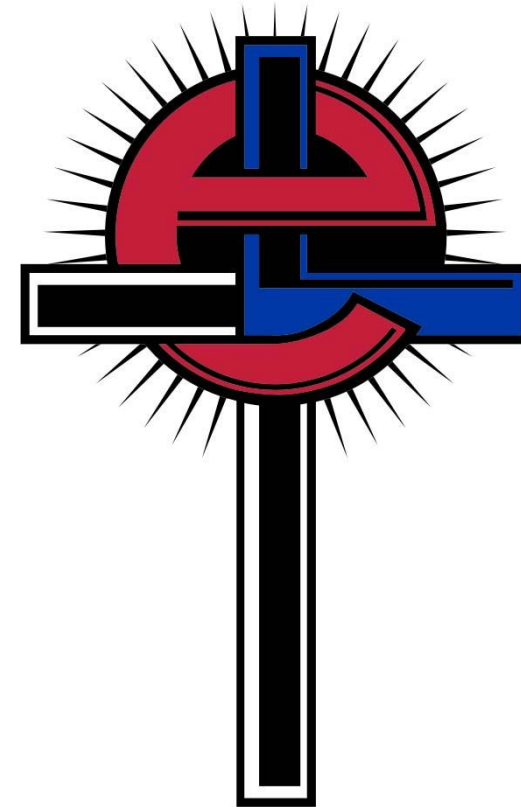
Surely, it is God who saves me;
I will trust in Him and not be afraid.
For the Lord is my stronghold
And my sure defense,
And He will be my Savior.

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing
From the springs of salvation,
And on that day you shall say "Give thanks to the
Lord!" and call upon His name. *Refrain*

Make His deeds known among the peoples;
See that they remember that His name is exalted.
Sing the praises of the Lord, for He has done great things,
And this is known in all the world. *Refrain*

Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy,
For the Great One in the midst of you
Is the Holy One of Israel. *Refrain*

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"Sing to the LORD a new song"

Announcements

In Our Prayers -

Those who mourn - Kathy and Gary Boyd, at the death of their brother-in-law, Bob Murrer, but also as they give thanks for the rest He still has in Christ, and the sure hope of the resurrection of all the dead on the Last Day.

Those with ongoing health and other struggles - Jennifer Ellis, Theodore Bodjanac Sr., (health), Anthony McCullough, (Sandy Griffiths' grandson) Pastor David Beckman, cancer, Dylan Denneson, Julie Patterson, (daughter-in-law of Jim and Judy Patterson), cancer, Kathy Boyd, Vince Wallenberg, Ellen King, Paul Krause, Cynthia Mayotte, Diane Scheel,

Our shut-ins - Adeline Schwandt & Harold Weimer

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

Voters' Meeting - will be held today, Sunday, April 24th, after the 10:30 am service. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

Mortgage reduction update - A few of years ago we launched an effort to reduce our mortgage. At the time we started, our mortgage was approximately \$360,000. By the grace of God and our congregation's donations, we have reduced our mortgage to \$250,319. That is a reduction of almost \$110,000. Thank you everyone. We are truly blessed as a congregation.

25th Anniversary Celebration - Please make plans to join us on Sunday, May 15th, as we give thanks to God for allowing His servant, Mark Kaiser, to teach His precious Word to His little lambs in our Lutheran elementary schools for 25 years, and at Emmaus for the last 10 of those years. We invite you to join with us in giving thanks to our Lord on this occasion at our 10:30 am service. You are also invited to join us in our Fellowship Hall afterward for a meal and opportunity to remember some of the blessings the Lord has given throughout Mark's 25 year teaching ministry. If you would be willing to help by bringing food for the luncheon please see Ms. Angie Hintz or find the sign-up sheets in the Fellowship Hall.

Sunday School - Please join us between services from 9:15 - 10:15 am for the further study of God's Word. There is Sunday School for ages 3 through high school and also Bible Study for the adults.

Preschool - grade 3 meet in Rm1	"Noah Obeyes God"
4 th - 6 th grade meet in Room 1	"Doing What Disciples Do"
7 th grade - High School age	"Zion"
Adults meet in the Fellowship Hall	Luther's Large Catechism

Thank you - to our Emmaus school children for singing "The First Song of Isaiah" this morning. The words are on the back cover of today's bulletin.

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.

Children's Bulletins - 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. Each week's bulletin will correspond with the current week of the church year calendar.

Worship Attendance

Sunday, April 17th - 169 (103 - 8:00 am, 66 - 10:30 am)

<u>Income from week ending April 17, 2016</u>	<u>Month Total</u>	<u>Monthly Budget</u>
First Fruits Offering	\$4428.25	\$13,140.51
School	\$2081.72	\$16,783
Preschool/Extended Care	\$909.93	\$4980
Mortgage	\$110	\$1940