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April 30th, 2017
2nd Sunday in 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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First Lesson: Ezekiel 34:11-16

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Gospel Lesson: John 10:11-16

Sermon Text: Luke 13:22-30

**Sermon Theme: "The Good Shepherd
and the Narrow Door"**

- 1. From Him we learn what it is for**
- 2. From Him we learn how we can enter it**

Organist: Mrs. Marilyn Feliciano
Worship leader: Pastor Ross Else

This Week at Emmaus

TODAY	Worship w/Lord's Supper Growing in God's Word ALA Play	8:00/10:30 am 9:15 am 3:00 pm
MONDAY	Information Class	6:30 pm
TUESDAY	Board of Elders Board of Education	6:30 pm 7:00 pm

WEDNESDAY	Bible Class	6:30 pm
NEXT SUNDAY	Worship w/Lord's Supper Growing in God's Word	8:00/10:30 am 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 – Ezekiel 34:11-16

Evangelical Heritage Version (EHV)

11For this is what the LORD God says: I myself will seek the welfare of my flock and examine them carefully. 12As a shepherd examines his flock when he is with his sheep that have been scattered, so I will examine my flock and rescue them from all the places where they were scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. 13I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries and bring them to their own land. I will shepherd them on the mountains of Israel, in the valleys, and in all the settlements of the land. 14I will pasture them in good pasture, and their grazing land will be on the high mountains of Israel. There they will lie down in good grazing land, and they will pasture on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. 15I myself will shepherd my flock, and I myself will let them lie down, declares the LORD God. 16I will seek the lost. I will bring back the strays. I will bind up the injured. I will strengthen the weak. I will destroy the fat and the strong, and I will shepherd them in justice.

Second Lesson – 1 Peter 2:21-25

Evangelical Heritage Version (EHV)

21Indeed, you were called to do this, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example so that you would follow in his steps. 22He did not commit a sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth. 23When he was insulted, he did not insult in return. When he suffered, he made no threats. Instead, he entrusted himself to him who judges justly. 24He himself carried our sins in his body on the tree so that we would be dead to sins and alive to righteousness. By his wounds you were healed. 25For you were like sheep going astray, but you are now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

Gospel – John 10:11-16

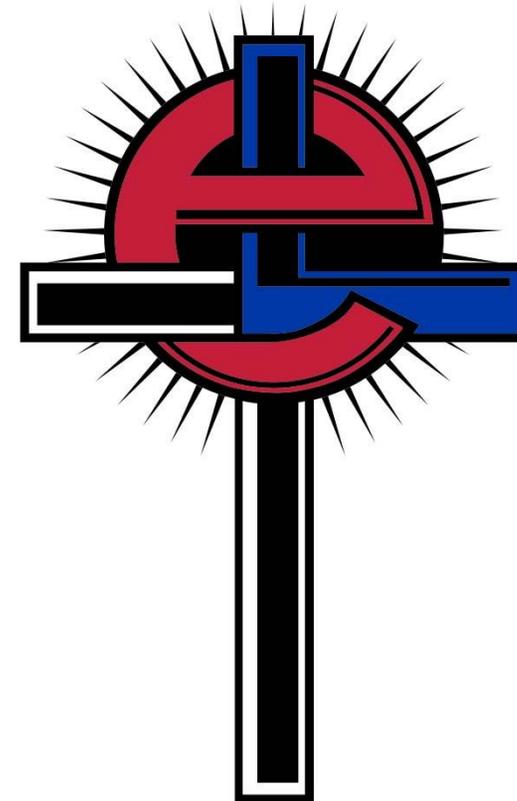
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Sermon – Luke 13:22-30

22 Then Jesus went through the towns and villages, teaching as he made his way to Jerusalem. 23 Someone asked him, "Lord, are only a few people going to be saved?" He said to them, 24 "Make every effort to enter through the narrow door, because many, I tell you, will try to enter and will not be able to. 25 Once the owner of the house gets up and closes the door, you will stand outside knocking and pleading, 'Sir, open the door for us.' 26 "Then you will say, 'We ate and drank with you, and you taught in our streets.' 27 "But he will reply, 'I don't know you or where you come from. Away from me, all you evildoers!' 28 "There will be weeping there, and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, but you yourselves thrown out. 29 People will come from east and west and north and south, and will take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God. 30 Indeed there are those who are last who will be first, and first who will be last."

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*"The Good Shepherd
Cares for His Sheep"*

Announcements

Those with ongoing health and other struggles - Polly MacKenzie, Dave MacDonald, Barb Osborn, Pete Nixon, Hunter Miller, 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 Habben for proclaiming God's Word to us today.

Altar Flowers - are a gift from Tony and Diane Natalie as they celebrate their 40th Wedding Anniversary today. May He continue to lead and guide you both by Word and Sacrament all of your days.

8th Grade Confirmation - Next week in the 2nd service we will have the confirmation in the Christian faith of five of our 8th graders. Please join us as we not only give thanks for the strengthening and nurturing of faith the Holy Spirit has worked in the hearts and lives of these His children, but also as we earnestly pray His continued blessing on them throughout their lives so that through the work of the gospel in Word and Sacrament, they remain always faithful to Him. Our 8th grade confirmands are Kenny Easley, TJ Gray, Jaeden Harris, Emily Mullins, and Jessica Wendt. There will be a reception for the confirmands between services next Sunday.

League Track Meet - Thank you to everyone who helped out in anyway with our track meet yesterday. It is truly appreciated!

"The Wonders of God" - is the title of our Bible information class that is being offered every Monday night from 6:30-7:30. This class is intended to be a review of the truths of Scripture 1) for anyone simply interested in an overview of what the Bible says; 2) for those interested in learning more about what our church and school teaches; 3) for those interested in becoming communicant members of Emmaus; and 4) for members wishing to have a review of God's Word as they learned it in catechism class. Each week we will review a section of the workbook that was assigned the week before. Bring your questions and your desire to dig into the Bible, as we learn about the wonderful things God has done for us.

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	"Abraham Prays for Lot"
4 th - 6 th grade meet in Room 6	"God Appears to Elijah"
7 th - High School age meet in Room 7	"False Teaching"
Adults meet in the Fellowship Hall	"Jonah: God's Reluctant Missionary to the Gentiles"

Family Entertainment Night - will be held on Friday, May 19th, at 6:00 pm. It will be held in the inner school courtyard. Our theme this year is "The 50's". Though metal chairs will be set-up, you are invited to bring your own lawn chairs. You may also bring blankets if you would like to sit in the grass. Everyone is invited to come enjoy an evening of songs and entertainment.

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.

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, April 23rd - 107 (59 - 8:00 am, 48 - 10:30 am)

<u>Income from week ending April 23, 2017</u>	<u>Month Total</u>	<u>Monthly Budget</u>
First Fruits Offering	\$4575	\$24,959.43
School	\$624	\$25,750
Preschool/Extended Care	\$1511.41	\$12,140
Mortgage	\$395	\$6290
	\$1514	