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1st Sunday after Trinity

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.

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Hymns: 391, 190, 386, 394

First Lesson: Genesis 15:1-6

Psalms: Psalm 143, page 118

Second Lesson: 1 John 4:16-21

Gospel Lesson: Luke 16:19-31

Sermon Text: Genesis 15:1-6

**Sermon Theme: "You're included in
Abraham's family picture"**

1. By the same grace shown him
2. Through the same faith worked in him
3. Clothed in the same righteousness given him

Organist: Mrs. Jill Kaiser

Worship leader: Pastor Ross Else

This Week at Emmaus

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| TODAY | Worship w/Lord's Supper Growing in God's Word | 8:00/10:30 am 9:15 am |
| TUESDAY | Board of Elders | 7:00 pm |
| WEDNESDAY | Bible Study | 6:30 pm |
| NEXT SUNDAY | Worship Growing in God's Word Quarterly Voters' Meeting w/Elections | 8:00/10:30 am 9:15 am 11:45 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 – Genesis 15:1-6

New International Version (NIV 1984)

15:1 After this, the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: "Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your very great reward." 2 But Abram said, "O Sovereign LORD, what can you give me since I remain childless and the one who will inherit my estate is Eliezer of Damascus?" 3 And Abram said, "You have given me no children; so a servant in my household will be my heir." 4 Then the word of the LORD came to him: "This man will not be your heir, but a son coming from your own body will be your heir." 5 He took him outside and said, "Look up at the heavens and count the stars — if indeed you can count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be." 6 Abram believed the LORD, and he credited it to him as righteousness.

Second Lesson – 1 John 4:16-21

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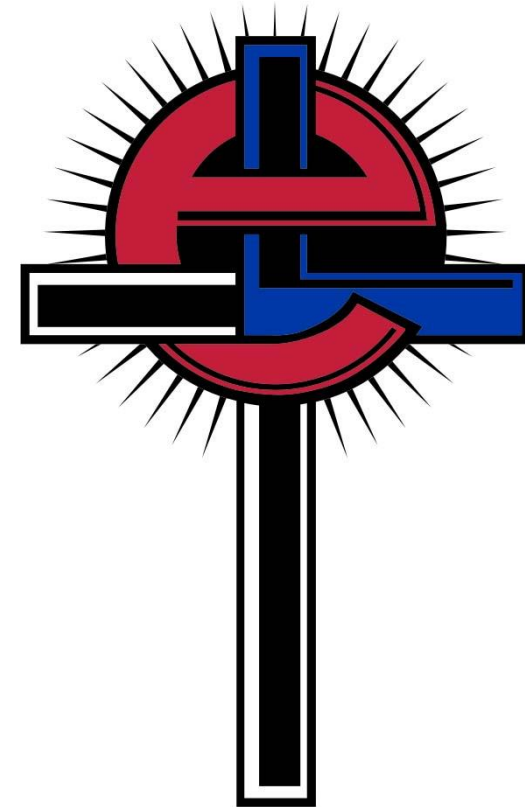
16 And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in him. 17 In this way, love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment, because in this world we are like him. 18 There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love. 19 We love because he first loved us. 20 If anyone says, "I love God," yet hates his brother, he is a liar. For anyone who does not love his brother, whom he has seen, cannot love God, whom he has not seen. 21 And he has given us this command: Whoever loves God must also love his brother.

Gospel – Luke 16:19-31

New International Version (NIV 1984)

19 "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and lived in luxury every day. 20 At his gate was laid a beggar named Lazarus, covered with sores 21 and longing to eat what fell from the rich man's table. Even the dogs came and licked his sores. 22 "The time came when the beggar died and the angels carried him to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried. 23 In hell, where he was in torment, he looked up and saw Abraham far away, with Lazarus by his side. 24 So he called to him, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in agony in this fire.' 25 "But Abraham replied, 'Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, while Lazarus received bad things, but now he is comforted here and you are in agony. 26 And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who want to go from here to you cannot, nor can anyone cross over from there to us.' 27 "He answered, 'Then I beg you, father, send Lazarus to my father's house, 28 for I have five brothers. Let him warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment.' 29 "Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the Prophets; let them listen to them.' 30 "'No, father Abraham,' he said, 'but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.' 31 "He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

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*"LORD, I have trusted in your mercy;
my heart rejoices in your salvation"*

Announcements

In Our Prayers -

Those who mourn - Lois Kaiser, Mark Kaiser and their families, as they mourn the death of Carol Kison, Lois' sister-in-law, and with the family and friends of Phoenix Police Officer, David Glasser, but also as they give thanks for the rest they still have in Christ, and the sure hope of the resurrection of all the dead on the Last Day.

Those with ongoing health and other struggles - Sandy Griffiths, Virginia Faliler, (Brad Anderson's aunt) stroke, Shelby Denneson, (Karen Sabree's niece), Hayden Mclver, (Nancy McDonald's nephew), Lorene Weston's friend, Nancy (hospice), Vince Wallenberg, 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.

Thank you from Mr. Kaiser - I would like to thank everyone for the celebration of my 25 years in our Lord's teaching ministry. I am truly humbled by all the well wishes and gifts which I received. All the efforts that went into making it such a special day are greatly appreciated. I give thanks for all of you and most importantly our God who has given me this opportunity for these many years to teach His lambs. I look forward to many more years. To His Glory!!

Vacation Bible School (VBS) - Vacation Bible School this summer is June 20-23 from 6-8 PM at Emmaus. Our theme is *Barnyard Roundup*. There will be Bible Stories, Skits, Activities, Games, Snacks, Crafts, & Songs. Many volunteers are needed - preschool helpers, group leaders & game helpers. 7th-12th graders can also come and volunteer during VBS. One big area we always need help with is decorations for the Church, Fellowship Hall and Bible story classroom. If you can help out please talk with Mark Kaiser.

Voters' Meeting/Budget/Elections - There will be a voters' meeting next Sunday, June 5, following the 10:30 am service. This will be to vote on the budget and to hold elections. All voting members are encouraged to attend.

Labels for Education - This program is going away. We can continue to collect and submit UPCs and Beverage/Sauce Caps of any participating product through July 31, 2016. As of August 1, 2016 only the items with a LFE logo will be accepted as points. Please send in any Labels that you currently have. Keep saving any labels with the LFE logo over the summer.

Sunday School Help Needed - We are in need of people to teach lessons and do crafts with the children in Preschool - 3rd grade. If you can help in either of these areas please speak with Jill Kaiser.

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.

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| Preschool - grade 3 meet in Rm1 | "A New Worker for Jesus" |
| 4 th - 6 th grade meet in Room 6 | "Forgiveness - The Greatest Miracle!" |
| 7 th grade - High School age | "Body of Christ" |
| Adults meet in the Fellowship Hall | Luther's Large Catechism |

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, May 22nd - 111 (72 - 8:00 am, 39 - 10:30 am)

| <u>Income from week ending May 22, 2016</u> | <u>Month Total</u> | <u>Monthly Budget</u> |
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| First Fruits Offering | \$3815 | \$17,735.52 |
| School | \$16,442.40 | \$22,004.44 |
| Preschool/Extended Care | \$ 790.80 | \$4552.22 |
| Mortgage | \$ 225 | \$885 |