

“The Good Shepherd Warns against False Prophets”



**Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Church
August 11, 2019
The 8th Sunday after Trinity**

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE BEFORE HIM

OPENING HYMN

“Lord Jesus Christ, the Church’s Head” (CW #536)

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

P: Beloved in the Lord, let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, pleading with Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord

C: Who made heaven and earth.

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.

C: And you forgave the guilt of my sin.

P: Almighty God our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess to You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and action. Therefore, we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: O most merciful God, who has given Your only begotten Son to die for us, have mercy on us and for His sake grant us forgiveness of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, for this purpose, that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those that believe on His name He gives power to become the sons of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this Lord to us all.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

C: Sings “Glory be to God the Father” (CW #239)

Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son,
Glory be to God the Spirit, Great Jehovah, Three in One!
Glory, glory While eternal ages run!

School Wish Tree - We have a full tree of apples by the Fellowship Hall this morning. On each apple is an item that can be purchased to help out our school. Feel free to look over the tree and pick an apple or two if you would like to help. The purchased items can be brought back and given to the office. Thank you in advance for your help!

Alpha Pregnancy Resource Center - Despite the heat that our summer brings we still have many clients that come in for help. We are blessed by the many conversations that we have with these women. Through The Holy Spirit we can reach them with the saving grace of Jesus our Savior. There are many that have had their children baptized. This we give thanks and praise. We are again in need of Layette items of new winter 3-6 mo onesies, outfits, bottles, shampoo, body lotion and baby wash. Also gently used boys size 3-4 shorts and t shirts (summer) and size 3-4 girls tops and shorts (summer).

We are blessed by you dear friends of Emmaus for your donations to Alpha. We ask for your prayers to bless Alpha and our work to help so many that are less fortunate than us. Bev Stellmacher Alpha counselor and Emmaus ambassador.

Member Directory - The new member directories have been printed and are in your mailbox in the narthex. If you do not have a mailbox please contact Laurie Conklin in the office.

EHV - If you would like a copy of the new Evangelical Heritage Version Bible, a new translation worked on by a group of WELS and ELS pastors, please let Pastor know. Our initial shipment has arrived and there are some extra copies available for purchase.

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.

Worship Attendance

Sunday, Aug 4th - 112 (75 - 8:00 am, 37 - 10:30am)

<u>Income from week ending Aug 4, 2019</u>	<u>Month Total</u>	<u>Monthly Budget</u>
First Fruits Offering	\$5690.25	\$5690.25
School	\$2524.80	\$2524.80
Preschool/Extended Care	\$429.37	\$429.37

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

This Week at Emmaus		
TODAY	Worship	8:00 am
	Bible Study	9:15 am
	Worship w/Lord's Supper	10:30 am
TUESDAY	Board of Finance	6:00 pm
	Board of Properties	6:30 pm
WEDNESDAY	1 st Day of School - Opening Service	8:30 am
	Noon Dismissal	
	Bible Class	6:30 pm
NEXT SUNDAY	Worship w/Lord's Supper	8:00 am
	Bible Study	9:15 am
	Worship	10:30 am

Lord's Supper - is celebrated today in the 10:30 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 commune with us this morning are members of Emmaus, or members of congregations in fellowship with the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod. 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.

Announcements

In our Prayers:

Those who mourn - The Flood family as they mourn the death of David, but also rejoice in sure and certain hope of the life he still has in Jesus, and the resurrection of all on the Last Day. The Lord be your Peace, Strength and Comfort during this time of sadness. Jesus be with you.

Also the Conklin family as they mourn the death of David's brother-in-law, David Bates. May the Lord who defeated sin, death and hell comfort all who mourn.

Those with ongoing health and other struggles - Sandy Griffiths; Lilly Ventura; Sarah Eversole; Mikayla Vander Galien; Katie Conklin; Collette Bodjanac; Nicole Harris' grandmother Betty Klatt (cancer); Pastor Joel Frank and his wife Judy, as she battles cancer; Pastor Else's mother, Audrey Else; Dick and Linda Toetz's great grandson, Asher; Bill and Christa Hayes' friend, Chris Pool, (cancer); Marion Worgull's son-in-law, Pastor James Humann; Linda Thompson; Richard & Linda Toetz's brother-in-law, Dave Jagdfeld; Phyllis Baltisburger; Barb Osborn; Barb Widmann; Brad Anderson's cousin Butch Fahler; Rich Tollefson; Brad Anderson; Roger Wilde's wife, Carol; Vince Wallenberg; Ellen King; Diane Scheel; Linda Thompson's sister Kathy Desch (cancer)

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

Glory be to him who loved us, Washed us from each spot and stain;
Glory be to him who bought us, Made us kings with him to reign!
Glory, glory To the Lamb that once was slain!

Glory to the King of angels, Glory to the Church's King,
Glory to the King of nations; Heav'n and earth, your praises bring!
Glory, glory To the King of glory sing!

Glory, blessing, praise eternal!—Thus the choir of angels sings;
Honor, riches, pow'r, dominion!—Thus its praise creation brings.
Glory, glory, Glory to the King of kings!

- P: The LORD be with you.
C: **And also with you.**
- P: Let us pray. Grant us Lord, the spirit to think and do what is right that we, who cannot do anything that is good without You, may by Your help be enabled to live according to Your will; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Please be seated

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 23:16-24

16 This is what the LORD of Armies says: “Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you. They are deluding you. They speak visions from their own hearts and not from the mouth of the LORD. 17 They keep saying to those who despise me, ‘The LORD has said that you will have peace.’ And to everyone who walks in the stubbornness of his own heart, they say, ‘No harm will come to you.’ 18 Yet who has stood in the council of the LORD, to see and hear his word? Who has listened to his word and heard it? 19 Look, a storm of the LORD! His wrath has gone out, a whirlwind twisting down, whirling on the heads of the wicked. 20 The LORD’s anger will not turn back until he has completely fulfilled the purposes of his heart. In later days you will understand it perfectly. 21 I did not send these prophets, yet they ran. I did not speak to them, yet they prophesied. 22 But if they had stood in my council, they would have caused my people to hear my words, and they would have turned them from their evil ways and from their evil deeds. 23 Am I a God who is only nearby,” declares the LORD, “and not a God far away? 24 Can anyone hide in secret

declares the LORD. 25 “I have heard what the prophets who prophesy lies in my name have said. They say, ‘I’ve had a dream! I’ve had a dream!’ 26 How long will this be in the hearts of these lying prophets? These prophets proclaim the deceitfulness of their own minds. 27 They think they can make my people forget my name with the dreams each one tells his neighbor, the way their fathers forgot my name because of Baal. 28 Let the prophet who has a dream tell his dream. But let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has chaff to do with grain?” declares the LORD. 29 “Is not my word like a fire,” declares the LORD, “and like a hammer that shatters rock?” (EHV)

PSALM 1 (*p.64 in front section of hymnal*)

SECOND LESSON

Acts 20:27-38

27 For I did not hesitate to proclaim to you the whole counsel of God. 28 “Always keep watch over yourselves and over the whole flock in which the Holy Spirit has placed you as overseers, to shepherd the church of God, which he purchased with his own blood. 29 I know that after my departure savage wolves, who will not spare the flock, will come in among you. 30 Even from your own group men will rise up, twisting the truth in order to draw away disciples after them. 31 Therefore be always on the alert! Remember that for three years, night and day, I never stopped warning each one of you with tears. 32 “And now I entrust you to God and to the word of his grace, which has power to build you up and to give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified. 33 I did not covet anyone’s silver or gold or clothing. 34 You yourselves know that these hands have provided for my needs and for those who were with me. 35 In every way I gave you an example that, by working hard like this, we need to help the weak and to remember the words that the Lord Jesus himself said: ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’” 36 After Paul said these things, he knelt down with all of them and prayed. 37 They all wept very much, as they threw their arms around Paul’s neck and kissed him. 38 They were most distressed over the statement he made, that they would never see his face again. Then they accompanied him to the ship. (EHV)

VERSE OF THE DAY

Alleluia. My Word will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it. Alleluia. (Isaiah 55:11)

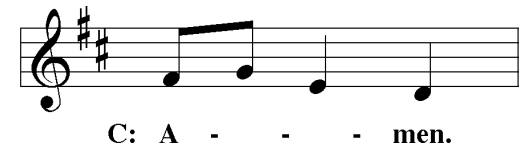
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HYMN

“Almighty God, Your Word is Cast” (CW #324)

THE PRAYER FOR THE WORD

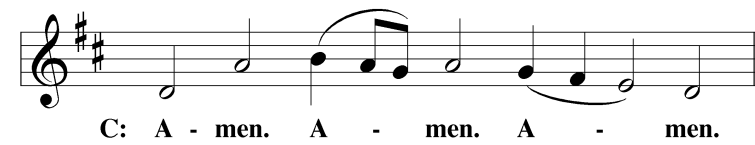
P: Blessed Lord, who has caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may thus hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience and comfort of your holy Word we may embrace, and ever hold fast, the blessed hope of everlasting life, which You have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



THE BLESSING

P: Brothers and sisters, go in peace, Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon on you with favor and give you (+) peace.





C: Lord, now you let your servant de - part in peace ac-cord-ing



to your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have pre-

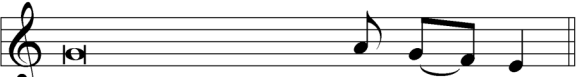


pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the



Gen-tiles and the glo - ry of your peo-ple Is - ra - el.

P: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



C: And his mercy endures for - ev - er.

P: We give thanks, almighty God, that You have refreshed us with this Holy Supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in You and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.




C: A - men.


P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.




C: A - men. A - men. A - men.




C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Please stand for the reading of the Gospel

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 7:15-23

15 “Watch out for false prophets. They come to you in sheep’s clothing, but inwardly they are ravenous wolves. 16 By their fruit you will recognize them. You do not gather grapes from thorn bushes or figs from thistles, do you? 17 So then, every good tree produces good fruit, but a bad tree produces bad fruit. 18 A good tree cannot produce bad fruit, and a bad tree cannot produce good fruit. 19 Every tree that does not produce good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. 20 So then, by their fruit you will recognize them. 21 Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father in heaven. 22 Many will say to me on that day, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name and drive out demons in your name and perform many miracles in your name?’ 23 Then I will tell them plainly, ‘I never knew you. Depart from me, you evildoers.’” (EHV)



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

THE APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; And I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please be seated

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



DISTRIBUTION (*During the distribution the congregation will sing Hymn 312*)

C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en-ly hosts:
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san -
na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -
na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Then He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in my blood, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

HYMN “Come, Oh Come, Life-Giving Spirit” (CW #181)

SERMON Acts 20:27-38
“Caring for God’s Flock means Boldly Proclaiming the Whole Counsel of God”

- 1. Staying vigilant against the wolves
- 2. Always entrusting to the Word of God’s Grace

HYMNS OF THE LITURGY

272 Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a
right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your
pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me.
Re - store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up -
hold me with your free Spir - it. A - men.

Text: Psalm 51:10-12.
Tune: SCHAFFE IN MIR, GOTT (PM) Johann G. Winer, 1583–1651, adapt.

OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P:** O Lord, our God, you are wise and powerful, good and gracious. Your mercies are new every morning. Each day you open your hand and provide for the needs of your children on earth.
- C:** **We praise you for every grace and blessing.**
- P:** Strengthen your Church in all the world. Let your comforting message of salvation in Christ Jesus be proclaimed to troubled souls everywhere.
- C:** **Use our ministries and offerings to extend your healing and your hope.**
- P:** We bring you our requests for the various structures of our society. Bless our national, state (provincial), and local governments.
- C:** **Grant us civil servants who are worthy of honor and respect.**
- P:** Grant prosperity to our businesses and industries. Give employers a sense of fairness toward their workers, and employees a feeling of joy and pride in their workmanship.
- C:** **Help us find satisfaction in all work well done.**
- P:** Invigorate the schools of our land. Give success to every effort that helps students read, think, and communicate in ways that will promote an informed and responsible citizenry. Arouse curious minds to discover the wonders of your created order.
- C:** **Give us teachers and students who pursue excellence.**
- P:** Strengthen the families of our country. Give fathers and mothers a renewed commitment to be good parents. Give children and young people the wisdom to regard their parents as your representatives.
- C:** **Lead us to love one another as you have loved us.**

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

- P:** Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

- P:** Gracious Father, we pray boldly as Jesus taught, with the confidence that you will hear and with the faith that you will respond for our welfare.

C: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SECOND SERVICE continues with the Sacrament; FIRST SERVICE concludes with closing prayer and hymn on page 13.

THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

- P:** The Lord be with you.



- P:** Lift up your hearts.



- P:** Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



- P:** It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in His name, there He is with them to shepherd His flock till He comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name