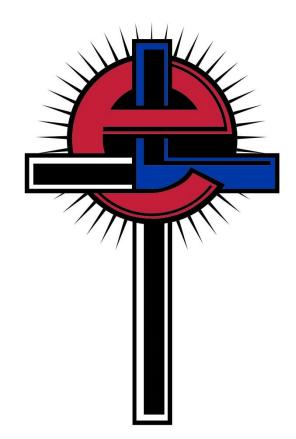
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Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Church August 12, 2018

# THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE BEFORE HIM

# **OPENING HYMN** "Jesus Sinners Does Receive" (CW #304, 1-5)

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

- Beloved in the Lord, let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins **P**: to God our Father, pleading with Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.
- Our help is in the name of the Lord P:
- Who made heaven and earth. **C**:
- I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord. P:
- And you forgave the guilt of my sin. **C**:
- Almighty God our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess to You that we P: 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.
- Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us and has given His only P: 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

- In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord. **P**:
- Sings "Jesus Sinners Does Receive" CW #304, 6-7 **C**:

Oh, how blest is it to know, Were as scarlet my transgression, It shall be as white as snow By your blood and bitter passion, For these words I do believe—Jesus sinners does receive.

Jesus sinners does receive. Even I have been forgiven. And when I this earth must leave, I shall find an open heaven. Dying, still to him I cleave—Jesus sinners does receive.

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 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.

A/C Update - Work has begun on replacing/repairing our A/C units. Due to some generous gifts from God's people, we have been able to replace the units in classrooms 1-2 with new units. In addition, one of the replaced units was moved to service the school restrooms, which had no A/C for the most of last school year. So three rooms are now up and running, for which we are very grateful. As additional funds become available, we will continue replacing our units. If you have any questions, please ask Nate Brekken, our Properties chairman.

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. Cravons 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, August 5 - 139 (59 - 8:00 am, 80 - 10:30 am)

Income from week ending A	ugust 5, 2018	Month Total	Monthly Budget
First Fruits Offering	\$5775	\$5775	\$18,702
School	\$7146.12	\$7146.12	\$35,506
Preschool/Extended Care	\$0	\$0	\$8953
Mortgage	\$260	\$260	

#### This Week at Emmaus

TODAY	Worship Bible Study and Teen Group Worship w/Lord's Supper	8:00 am 9:15 am 10:30 am
TUESDAY	Board of Finance Board of Properties	6:00 pm 6:30 pm
WEDNESDAY	First day of school/Opening Chapel Bible Class	8:30 am 6:30 pm
SATURDAY	Information Class	11:00 am
NEXT SUNDAY	Worship w/Lord's Supper Bible Study and Sunday School Worship	8:00 am 9:15 am 10:30 am

#### Announcements

Those with ongoing health and other struggles - Shaun Eversole (cancer); Ben Plocher; Katie Conklin; Bob Strother, Gail Strother's husband (surgery); Linda Toetz (eye surgery); Kimberly Fritz (cancer); Chuck Widmann; Barb Widmann; Gary Holeman, Ada Weimer's brother (leukemia); Kathy Boyd; Diane Natalie; Barb Osborn; Pastor David Sweet; Cynthia Mayotte; Kathy Boyd's brother, Carl: Judy Frank; Roger Wilde's wife Carol; Polly Mackenzie; Brad Anderson; Vince Wallenberg; Ellen King; Diane Scheel; Linda Thompson's friend Kathy Desch (cancer); Linda's niece, Tammy Naranjo.

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

#### Thank you -

#### Dear Members of Emmaus,

Thank you so much for welcoming me last Sunday with the wonderful lunch, the cards, and the amazing bouquet of gift cards! I truly appreciate your kindness and generosity! I am thankful for the privilege of serving with you as we share the love of Jesus with children and their families. In His service, Rachel Kramer

#### Dear Members of Emmaus,

I would like to extend my sincere thankfulness and gratitude for the welcome that you extended to my family and to myself. I also thank you for the wonderful gifts and the lovely meal you provided following Installation, and for the support and encouragement you bestowed to me. I thank the Lord so often for placing me in such an encouraging environment, and hope that we may continue to give this support and encouragement to each other throughout our time together. God's Blessings to all of you, Jacob Andersen P: The LORD be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives



Please be seated

# **THE WORD**

#### FIRST LESSON

#### Genesis 4:1-15

1The man was intimate with Eve, his wife. She conceived and gave birth to Cain. She said, "I have gotten a man with the LORD." 2She also gave birth to Cain's brother Abel. Abel tended sheep, but Cain worked the ground. 3As time passed, one day Cain brought an offering to the LORD from the fruit of the soil. 4Abel also brought some of the firstborn of his flock and their fat portions. The LORD looked favorably on Abel and his offering, 5but he did not look favorably on Cain and his offering. Cain was very angry, and his face showed it. 6The LORD said to Cain, "Why are you angry? Why do you have that angry look on your face? 7 If you do good, will you not be lifted up? If you do not do good, sin is crouching at the door. It has a strong desire for you, but you must rule over it." 8Cain said to Abel, his brother, "Let's go into the field." When they were in the field, Cain attacked Abel, his brother, and killed him. 9The LORD said to Cain, "Where is Abel, your brother?" He said, "I don't know. Am I my brother's keeper?" 10The LORD said, "What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood is crying to me from the soil. 11Now you are cursed and sent away from the soil which has opened its mouth to receive your brother's blood from your hand. 12When you work the soil, it will no longer give its strength to you. You shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth." 13Cain said to the LORD, "My punishment is too great for me to bear. 14Look, today you have driven me away from the soil. I will be hidden from your face, and I will be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth. And whoever finds me will kill me." 15The LORD said to him, "No! If anyone kills Cain, he will face sevenfold revenge." And the LORD appointed a sign for Cain, so that anyone who found him would not strike him down. (EHV)

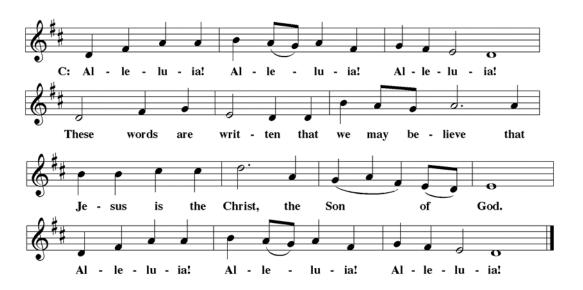
## SECOND LESSON

## 1 Corinthians 15:1-10

1Brothers, I am going to call your attention to the gospel that I preached to you. You received it, and you took your stand on it. 2You are also being saved by that gospel that was expressed in the words I preached to you, if you keep your hold on it—unless you believed in vain. 3For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, 4 that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, 5 and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the Twelve. 6After that he appeared to over five hundred brothers at the same time, most of whom are still alive, but some have fallen asleep. 7Then he appeared to James, and then to all the apostles. 8Last of all, he appeared also to me, the stillborn child, so to speak. 9For I am the least of the apostles, and I am not worthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted God's church. 10But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not ineffective. On the contrary, I worked more than all of them (and yet it wasn't my doing, but it was the grace of God, which was with me, that did it). EHV

## VERSE OF THE DAY

P: Alleluia. Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. Alleluia. (Hebrews 11:1)



## 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.



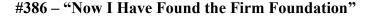
## THE BLESSING

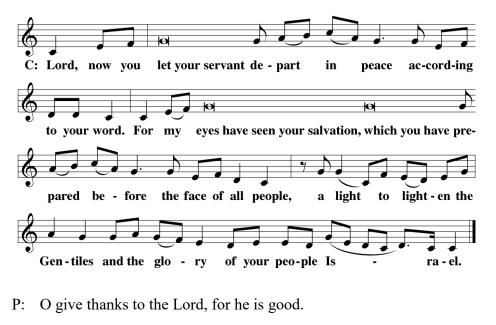
**P:** Brothers and sisters, go in peace, Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

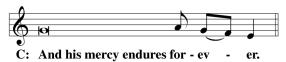
The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon on you with favor and give you (+) peace.



## **CLOSING HYMN**







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.



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.



Please stand for the reading of the Gospel

#### **GOSPEL LESSON**

#### Luke 18:9-14

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9 Jesus told this parable to certain people who trusted in themselves (that they were righteous) and looked down on others: 10"Two men went up to the temple courts to pray. One was a Pharisee, and the other was a tax collector. 11The Pharisee stood and prayed about himself like this: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people, robbers, evildoers, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. 12I fast twice a week. I give a tenth of all my income.' 13"However the tax collector stood at a distance and would not even lift his eyes up to heaven, but was beating his chest and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' 14"I tell you, this man went home justified rather than the other, because everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted." (EHV)



## 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.

## DISTRIBUTION (During the distribution the congregation will sing Hymn 743)

**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.

*Please be seated* 

HYMN

#384 "By Grace I'm Saved"

**SERMON** 

1 Corinthians 15:1-10

"By grace alone I am what I am"

- 1. The gospel was proclaimed to me
- 2. The gospel created faith in me
- 3. The gospel still is at work in me

# 743 O Gracious Lord, I Firmly Am Believing

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## 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."

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



HYMNS OF THE LITURGY

# 272 Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God



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

## OFFERING

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

- P: Lord God, our maker and preserver, we praise and thank you for all that you give us day after day.
- C: We are not worthy of all the mercies you show us.
- **P:** You have given us your precious Word to nourish our souls and to protect us from the temptations of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature.
- C: We thank you for those who teach and preach your saving truth at this place and everywhere. Grant them a rich measure of patience, wisdom, and love.
- **P:** Heavenly Father, we pray that you shield us from every kind of danger: sudden catastrophe, terrors of crime, and the pain of disease. Watch over those who travel by land, sea, and air. Keep our loved ones from whatever perils may threaten them.
- C: Heal those who are sick, cheer those who are sad, calm those who are distressed, and comfort all who are old and infirm.

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- P: Bless our land, our people, and those who hold offices of high trust. Keep our government and schools upright and strong for the advancement of good citizenship and useful vocations, that we may enjoy your gifts of peace, security, and well-being.
- C: Grant your blessing to every nation on earth. Where there are wars, may there be peace. Where there is hatred, let it be healed. Where there is poverty, danger or disaster, come with your almighty power to help and restore.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

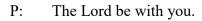
- **P:** Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions. *Silent prayer.*
- **P:** We bring these requests before you in the name of Jesus our Lord, and ask you to hear us. Take all that we have, our bodies and minds, our time and skills, our ministries and offerings, and use them to your glory.
- C: We give ourselves to you that we may serve you in whatever way is pleasing in your sight. Amen.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

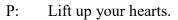
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## THE SACRAMENT

## PREFACE

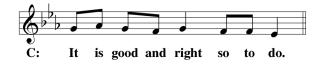








P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



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 and join their glorious song:

