

C: We give ourselves to you that we may serve you in whatever way is pleasing in your sight. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH

P: We humbly ask You Almighty God, to give to Your Church Your Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes down from above, so that Your Word may not be bound, but instead that it may have free course and be preached to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, that in steadfast faith we may serve You and in the confession of Your name abide to the end; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - - - men.

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.



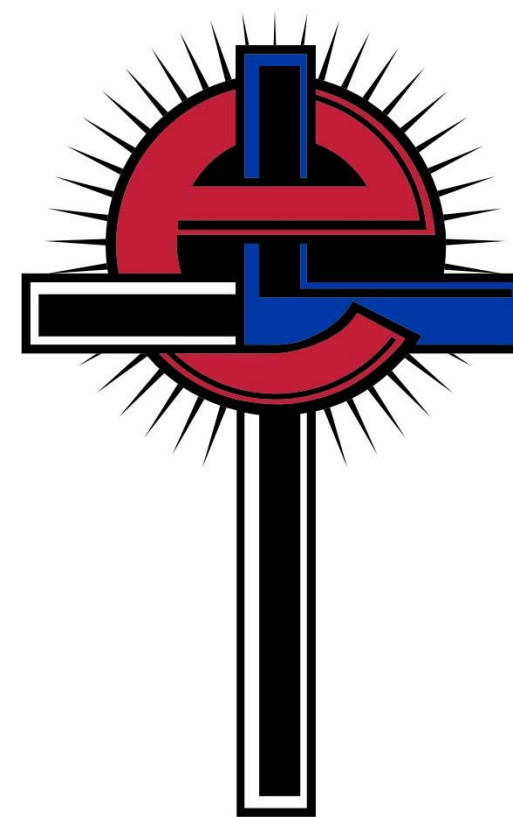
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CLOSING HYMN

#584 "O Blessed, Holy Trinity"

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"Jesus is Our Good Samaritan"



Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Church

13th Sunday after Trinity

September 10, 2017

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE BEFORE HIM

OPENING HYMN "Lord of Glory, You have Bought Us" (CW #486)

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.**

All: **O Almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor miserable sinner, confess to You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You, and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am truly sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You, of Your boundless mercy, and for the sake of the holy innocent, bitter sufferings and death, of Your beloved Son Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being.**

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you, and in the place and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

PRAYER AND PRAISE

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

C: **Sings "We Praise You and Acknowledge You O God"**

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RESPONSE

Please be seated

#272 – "Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God"

OFFERING

Please Stand

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.**

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.

down from Jerusalem to Jericho. He fell among robbers who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. 31 It just so happened that a priest was going down that way. But when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. 32 In the same way, a Levite also happened to go there, but when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. 33 A Samaritan, as he traveled, came to where the man was. When he saw him, he felt sorry for the man. 34 He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He put him on his own animal, took him to an inn, and took care of him. 35 The next day, when he left, he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him. Whatever extra you spend, I will repay you when I return.' 36 Which of these three do you think acted like a neighbor to the man who fell among robbers?" 37 "The one who showed mercy to him," he replied. Then Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise." (ESV)



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.

Please be seated

**HYMN
SERMON**

#479 "Jesus, Your Boundless Love to Me"

Luke 10:25-37

"Showing mercy to your neighbor begins by understanding God's mercy to you"

- 1. The great need**
- 2. The great compassion**
- 3. The selfless caring action**

**We praise you and acknowledge you O God to be the Lord,
The Father everlasting, by all the earth adored.**

**To you all angel powers cry aloud, the heavens sing,
The cherubim and seraphim their praises to you bring:
O holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;
Your majesty and glory fill the heavens and the earth!**

**The band of the a-pos-tles, in glory sing your praise;
The fellowship of prophets their deathless voices raise.
The martyrs of your kingdom, a great and noble throng,
Sing with the holy Church throughout al the world this song:
O all majestic Father your true and only Son
And Holy Spirit, Comforter – forever Three in One!**

**You, Christ, are King of glory, the everlasting Son,
Yet you with boundless love sought to rescue ev'ryone:
You laid aside your glory, were born of virgin's womb,
Were crucified for us and were placed into a tomb
The by your resurrection you won for us reprieve
You opened heaven's kingdom to all who would believe.**

**You sit in splendid glory enthroned at God's right hand,
upholding earth and heaven by forces you command.
We know that you will come as our Judge that final day,
So help your servants you have redeemed by blood we pray
May we with saints be numbered where praises never end
In glory everlasting Amen, O Lord, amen!**

P: The LORD be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - - - men.

Please be seated

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Leviticus 19:9-18

9 When you reap the harvest from your land, you are not to finish reaping all the way to the edge of the field. Do not gather up the gleanings of your harvest. 10 Do not strip your vineyard clean, and do not pick up the fallen grapes from your vineyard, but leave them for the poor and the alien who live with you. I am the LORD your God. 11 You shall not steal. You shall not swindle. You shall not lie to one another. 12 You shall not swear falsely by my name so that you do not profane the name of your God. I am the LORD. 13 You shall not exploit your neighbor. You shall not rob him. You shall not keep the wages of a day laborer with you overnight until morning.

14 You shall not curse a deaf person, nor shall you put an obstacle in front of a blind person, but you must fear your God. I am the LORD. 15 You shall not act unjustly in court cases. Do not show favoritism to a poor person, and do not show undue honor to an important person. You must judge your fellow citizens with justice. 16 You shall not go around spreading slander among your people. You shall not testify falsely against your neighbor in a capital case. I am the LORD. 17 You shall not hate a fellow Israelite in your heart. You must openly rebuke your fellow citizen so that you do not become responsible for his sin. 18 You must not take revenge. You must not bear a grudge against the members of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself. I am the LORD. (EHV)

PSALM 133-134 (p.115 in front section of hymnal)

SECOND LESSON

Galatians 3:15-22

15 Brothers, I am speaking in human terms. When someone has established a last will and testament, no one nullifies it or adds to it. 16 The promises God spoke referred to Abraham and to his seed. It doesn't say, "And to seeds," as if it were referring to many, but, as referring to one, "And to your seed," who is Christ. 17 What I am saying is this: The law, which came into being 430 years after the covenant established earlier by God in Christ, does not annul that covenant, with the result that it invalidates the promise. 18 In fact, if the inheritance is by the law, it is no longer by the promise. But God graciously gave it to Abraham by a promise. 19 Then what about the law? It was added for the purpose of revealing transgressions, until the Seed to whom the promise referred had come. It was transmitted through angels by the hand of a mediator. 20 Now a mediator is not needed for one

party, but God is one. 21 Then is the law against the promises of God? Certainly not! For if there had been a law given that could give life, certainly righteousness would have been derived from the law. 22 But Scripture imprisoned all things under sin, so that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ would be given to those who believe. (ESV)

VERSE OF THE DAY



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

Luke 10:23-37

23 Turning to the disciples, he said privately, "Blessed are the eyes that see what you see! 24 Indeed, I tell you that many prophets and kings wanted to see the things that you are seeing, yet did not see them, and to hear the things that you are hearing, yet did not hear them." 25 Just then, an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus, saying, "Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" 26 "What is written in the law?" he asked him. "What do you read there?" 27 He replied, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind; and, love your neighbor as yourself."

28 He said to him, "You have answered correctly. Do this, and you will live." 29 But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" 30 Jesus replied, "A man was going