<u>Member Directory</u> - The Emmaus Member Directory is getting ready to be printed. Please take a moment after church to look at a copy on the table outside of the Fellowship Hall. Please change or update your information as needed. If you have any questions, please speak with Laurie Conklin.

<u>A/C Update</u> - In the past 2 weeks we have had to spend over \$2500 to repair the a/c units in the office and in the back of church. Hopefully this will let us get more time out of them before they need to be replaced. Thank you to everyone who has and continues to donate towards our a/c fund.

Lord's Supper - is celebrated today in both services. 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.

<u>Apacheland Bus Trips</u> – Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church in Surprise is organizing two bus trips (1 and 2 day options) from the valley to Apacheland to attend their 125th anniversary at the end of October. We would like as many people from the valley to attend as possible. Help us support our Apache brothers and sisters during this important milestone. Flyers with all of the information are on the counter below the mailboxes in the narthex.

<u>Children's Bulletins and Books</u> - 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.

<u>Bathrooms/Baby Changing Tables</u> - 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, September 23 - 142 (79 - 8:00 am, 63 - 10:30 am)

Income from week ending Sept. 23, 2018		Month Total Monthly Budget	
First Fruits Offering	\$4330	\$19,080.90	\$23,377
School	\$880	\$15,068.06	\$23,601
Preschool/Extended Care	\$1631.67	\$2506.67	\$10,861
Mortgage	\$145	\$959.30	

"Christ fulfills the Law for us, so that through the Gospel we are counted as blameless"



Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Church September 30, 2018 Pentecost 19

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE BEFORE HIM

OPENING HYMN "Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now" (CW #229)

STAND

- **P:** The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
- C: And also with you.

CONFESSION OF SINS

P: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

The congregation may kneel.

- C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.
- **P:** God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, 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

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Kyrie

P: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.

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

This Week at Emmaus

TODAY	Worship w/Lord's Supper Bible Study and Sunday School Worship w/Lord's Supper	8:00 am 9:15 am 10:30 am
TUESDAY	Board of Elders	6:30 pm
WEDNESDAY	Board of Education Bible Class	6:00 pm 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 who mourn - The family and friends of Steve Williams, son-in-law of Gary & Kathy Boyd. Steve was called to his heavenly home this past week. May the risen and ascended Savior be their comfort with the truth of Christ's victory over sin and death, the victory that remains theirs by God's grace through His Word. Also, as they rejoice in the sure hope of the life Steve now enjoys with his Savior in heaven, and the sure hope of resurrection of all on the Last Day!

Those with ongoing health and other struggles - Jennifer Soriano; Kathy Boyd; Kimberly Fritz (cancer); Shaun Eversole (cancer); Chuck Widmann; Barb Widmann; Barb Osborn; 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);

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

<u>New Member Welcome Luncheon</u>—We would like to welcome our many new members who have joined us over the past 6 months at a luncheon on Sunday, October 21, 2018 after the 10:30 am service. Meat and cheese trays with rolls will be provided, as well as drinks. Each family that attends is asked to please bring either a main dish, salad or dessert.

<u>Call News</u> – This past week Pastor Else received the call to serve as pastor for the new mission start in Joplin, Missouri. Over the next 3-4 weeks, Pastor will deliberate and pray as to where the Lord would have him continue serving in the kingdom. Your prayers, thoughts and comments are welcome. We daily cry out to our Lord for His mercy and grace, and trust that His good and gracious will is always being done.



Text: Josua Stegmann, 1588–1632; tr. August Crull, 1845–1923, alt. Tune: CHRISTUS, DER IST MEIN LEBEN (76 76) Melchior Vulpius, c. 1570–1615, alt.

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P: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



P: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



P: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



P: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

O LORD, OUR LORD



THANKSGIVING



P: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and



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 on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



HOLY COMMUNION



This hymn nicely summarizes Martin Luther's fine discussion on the institution and blessings of Holy Communion as outlined in his Small Catechism.

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P: Let us pray. Mercifully grant, O God, that Your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts, for without Your help we are unable to please You; 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

Deuteronomy 10:12-21

¹² "And now, Israel, what does the LORD your God ask of you except to fear the LORD your God by walking in all His ways, to love Him, and to worship the LORD your God with all your heart and all your soul? ¹³ Keep the LORD's commands and statutes I am giving you today, for your own good. ¹⁴ The heavens, indeed the highest heavens, belong to the LORD your God, as does the earth and everything in it. ¹⁵ Yet the LORD was devoted to your fathers and loved them. He chose their descendants after them—He chose you out of all the peoples, as it is today. ¹⁶ Therefore, circumcise your hearts and don't be stiff-necked any longer. ¹⁷ For the LORD your God is the God of gods and Lord of lords, the great, mighty, and awesome God, showing no partiality and taking no bribe. ¹⁸ He executes justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loves the foreigner, giving him food and clothing. ¹⁹ You also must love the foreigner, since you were foreigners in the land of Egypt. ²⁰ You are to fear Yahweh your God and worship Him. Remain faithful to Him and take oaths in His name. ²¹ He is your praise and He is your God, who has done for you these great and awesome works your eyes have seen.

6 PSALM 2 (p.65 in front section of hymnal)

SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 1:4-9

4 I always thank my God for you because of the grace of God given to you in Christ Jesus. 5 You were enriched in him in every way, in all your speaking and all your knowledge, 6 because the testimony about Christ was established in you. 7 As a result you do not lack any gift as you eagerly wait for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ. 8 He will also keep you strong until the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 God is faithful, who called you into fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. (EHV)

VERSE OF THE DAY

P: Alleluia. At the name of Jesus every knee should bow, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Alleluia. (Phil. 2:10-11)



Please stand for the reading of the Gospel

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.



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei



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P: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are his children and to strengthen us when we are weak.

Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus



GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 22:34-46

34 When they heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, the Pharisees met together. 35 One of them who was an expert in the law asked him a question, trying to trap him. 36 "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment of the Law?" 37 Jesus said to him, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.' 38 This is the first and greatest commandment. 39 The second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' 40 All the Law and the Prophets depend on these two commandments." 41 While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them a question: 42 "What do you think about the Christ? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The Son of David." 43 He said to them, "Then how can David in the Spirit call him Lord, saying, 44 The Lord said to my Lord, 'Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet'? 45 "So if David calls him Lord, how is he his son?" 46 No one was able to answer him a word, and from that day on no one dared to ask him any more questions. . (EHV)



Please be seated

HYMN

#476 "Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower"

1 Corinthians 1:4-9

SERMON

I thank my God for the grace He's given you in Christ 1. He's made you rich 2. You're not lacking any gift 3. He'll strengthen you to the end

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.

BE SEATED

OFFERING

STAND

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- **P:** Gracious God and Father, we praise you for the countless blessings, which we receive from your hand: the beauties of creation and the bounties of the earth, the joy of life and the pleasure of friendship, the good of work and the gift of rest, the privilege to share happiness and sorrow with one another. Above all we praise and thank you for your saving Word and for your Son's body and blood, which you give us to eat and to drink in the sacrament. Through these means of grace, you send the Holy Spirit into our hearts and unite us to Jesus and to the whole Christian Church on earth.
- C: Strengthen us through this heavenly food; increase our trust in Christ and our love for one another.

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- **P:** Great God and Lord, without your continuing help we easily waver in our faith, lose courage, and grow careless in our watchfulness. The times and days are perilous. Give us strength to face the evils of each day with fresh confidence. Open our lips to speak of your grace, and move us to use the gifts that you give us to share your Word of salvation with all people. Protect and prosper the family, the school, the government, and all good institutions that you have established for the benefit of society. Remember in mercy those who are sick and suffering, and bring your healing to troubled homes and lives.

C: Move us to pray for those in need and to help them with deeds of kindness.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

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

Silent prayer.

Now, eternal God and Father, keep us in the saving faith and so enable us to overcome all things through our Lord Jesus Christ.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE SACRAMENT

P: The Lord be with you.



P: Lift up your hearts.



- C: We lift them up to the Lord.
- **P:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

