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**"GIVE...
TO GOD**

**THE THINGS
THAT ARE
GOD'S."**

MATTHEW 22:21, NRSV

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Mission Statement:

Emanuel: God with Us ~ Loving Christ, Loving Others

Year of Mission: *“Jesus said to them again, ‘Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.’”* John 20:21

Welcome

Prelude

Confession and Forgiveness

P: *In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.*

C: **Amen.**

P: *God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.*

*Silence is kept for reflection.

P: *Most merciful God,*

C: **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P: *God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ☩ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy*

Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. Amen.

Gathering

“*God is Here!*”

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- 1 God is here! As we your people meet to offer praise and prayer, may we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.
- 2 Here are symbols to remind us of our lifelong need of grace; here are table, font, and pulpit; here the cross has central place. Here in honesty of preaching, here in silence, as in speech, here, in newness and renewal, God the Spirit comes to each.
- 3 Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd's flock and fold; here as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us as of old. Here the servants of the Servant seek in worship to explore what it means in daily living to believe and to adore.
- 4 Lord of all, of church and kingdom, in an age of change and doubt, keep us faithful to the gospel; help us work your purpose out. Here, in this day's dedication, all we have to give, receive; we, who cannot live without you, we adore you! We believe!

Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

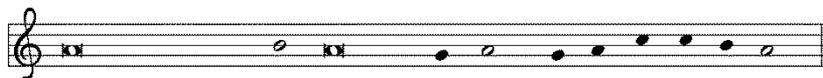
C: And also with you.



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



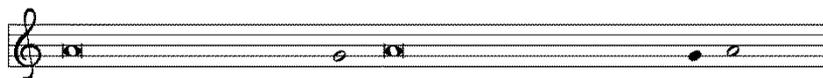
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.

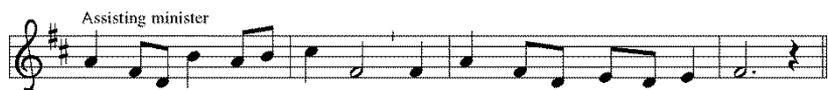
Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord.

A - - men.

Assisting minister



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



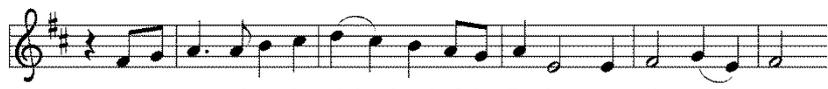
wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

Prayer of The Day

A: Sovereign God, raise your throne in our hearts. Created by you, let us live in your image; created for you, let us act for your glory; redeemed by you, let us give you what is yours, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Special Music

First Reading Isaiah 45:1-7

¹Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped to subdue nations before him and strip kings of their robes, to open doors before him— and the gates shall not be closed: ²I will go before you and level the mountains, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, ³I will give you the treasures of darkness and riches hidden in secret places, so that you may know that it is I, the LORD, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. ⁴For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I surname you, though you do not know me. ⁵I am the LORD, and there is no other; besides me there is no god. I arm you, though you do not know me, ⁶so that they may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is no one besides me; I am the LORD, and there is no other. ⁷I form light and create darkness, I make weal and create woe; I the LORD do all these things.

Psalm 96:1-9

L: Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth.

C: **Sing to the LORD, bless the name of the LORD; proclaim God's salvation from day to day.**

L: Declare God's glory among the nations and God's wonders among all peoples.

- C: For great is the LORD and greatly to be praised, more to be feared than all gods.**
- L: As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols; but you, O LORD, have made the heavens.
- C: Majesty and magnificence are in your presence; power and splendor are in your sanctuary.**
- L: Ascribe to the LORD, you families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD honor and power.
- C: Ascribe to the LORD the honor due the holy name; bring offerings and enter the courts of the LORD.**
- L: Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness; tremble before the LORD, all the earth.

Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

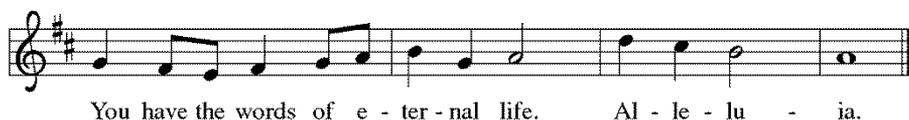
¹Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. ²We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly ³remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, ⁵because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. ⁶And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, ⁷so that you became ⁷an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. ⁸For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. ⁹For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, ¹⁰and to wait for

his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

Gospel Acclamation

"Alleluia!"

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The Holy Gospel Matthew 22:15-22

¹⁵Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap [Jesus] in what he said. ¹⁶So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?” ¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin used for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰Then he said to them, “Whose head is this, and whose title?” ²¹They answered, “The emperor’s.” Then he said to them, “Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor’s, and to God the things that are God’s.” ²²When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

Children's Sermon

Sermon

“Image is Everything”

Kevin Kehn

Matthew 22:15-22

Sermon Hymn We Give Thee but Thine Own #686

- 1 We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be; all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.
- 2 May we thy bounties thus as stewards true receive, and gladly, as thou blessest us, to thee our firstfruits give.
- 3 The captive to release, to God the lost to bring, to teach the way of life and peace— it is a Christlike thing.
- 4 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

- A: Lord, in your mercy,
C: **Hear our prayer.**

Peace

- P: *The peace of Christ be with you always.*
C: **And also with you.**

Offertory

Offertory Prayer

A: God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Benediction

P: *The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you
peace. Amen.*

Sending

"You Servants of God"

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- 1 You servants of God, your Master proclaim, and publish abroad his wonderful name; the name, all-victorious, of Jesus extol; his kingdom is glorious and rules over all!
- 2 Ascended on high, almighty to save, yet still he is nigh, his presence we have. The great congregation his triumph shall sing, ascribing salvation to Jesus, our king!
- 3 Salvation to God who sits on the throne! Let all cry aloud and honor the Son. The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim, fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.
- 4 Then let us adore and give him his right, all glory and pow'r and wisdom and might, all honor and blessing, with angels above, and thanks never ceasing, and infinite love!

Dismissal

A: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

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We Remember With Our Prayers: Mary Click, Mary Richardson, Marcia Geyer, Shirley Baldauf, Jack Hale, Pat Thomas Sr., Denise Johnson, Stephanie Steele Sheridan, and Jack Bull.

Happy Birthday to Frank Fanello! Frank will celebrate his 93rd birthday on October 24 (4747 Baer Rd.). Let us remember Frank with our cards and prayers!

The Bishop's Fall Gatherings will be going virtual this year! All are welcome to join NWOS staff and Bishop Daniel for virtual fellowship and conversation about what it means to be On the Way together! Gatherings will be October 15 at 6:00 p.m., October 29 at 7:30 a.m., and November 5 at 9:00 p.m. Email info@nwos-elca.org for login information.

Consecration Sunday is next Sunday, October 25th. (No omelets this year) The in-person worship service is at 10:30am. All are invited to attend. You were mailed information regarding Consecration Sunday which included an estimate of giving card. Please return the card in the self-addressed stamped envelope to the church or you may bring your card with you to the church service on Sunday the 25th. If you bring your card with you on Sunday, please place the card in the offering box on your way into the Sanctuary as you would with your offering envelope.

Communion to Return to In-person Worship: The Board of Spiritual Life met regarding resuming communion at Emanuel at the in-person worship services. We have arrived at a safe way for this to happen; we will offer individual cups of grape juice and individual wafers. As soon as the product arrives, we will resume communion.

Thank you for your understanding as we continue to find safe ways to return to some of our normal practices.

God's Work, Our Hands: The Social Ministry Board wants to remind the congregation that our monthlong group of projects for God's Work Our Hands is in full swing. Thank you to all the members who have taken on projects already. As a result our list of available options has been reduced. At this time we have the following projects still waiting to be filled: #3 Turning Point (Laundry), #4 Turning Point (Paper), #5 Family/Men's Shelter, #6 Leapin' Ministries, #8 Notes to Emanuel Homebound, #9 PBJ Truck, and #11 Veteran Blessing Bags. Of those that remain surely there is one that fits your schedule, resources, or interests. Remember you have until the end of October to complete your project and at the end of that time someone besides yourself will have benefited from your outreach. Don't delay, if you have questions or want to select a project please reach out to either Barb Russo (740-369-1137); Betty Jo Lill (740 225-4531) or Cindy Schifer (740 360-8431).

Waldo Fresh Food Distribution is continuing on Friday, November 6 and Friday, December 4 at All Occasions. It is drive-thru from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00p.m. **Volunteers are needed.** If you have any questions please contact Jackie Price at 740-361-5373 or email her at jsprice2@frontier.com or Chris Seiter, church secretary, who is in the office on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 740-726-2770. The church is collecting bottled water and toilet paper for November. Items can be brought anytime to St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Waldo and placed between the two back doors.

Scholarship Opportunities: High school seniors and current college students are encouraged to apply for the **Robert and Margaret Mather Scholarship Fund, Agnes Baldauf Scholarship Fund, and The Hollensen/Dennis Fund** if you plan to attend or are already attending an accredited ELCA college or you are pursuing a career in Christian ministry or social services. This scholarship is open to any young and confirmed Emanuel Lutheran Church member. Applications may be picked up at the church office. **The application and other support information are due no later than Monday March 1, 2021** to the chairperson, Rae Andrews at 379 Brightwood Dr., Marion, OH 43302.