

EMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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ELW Service - Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 6, 2026 ~ 8:45 a.m.



“Set apart a *Tithe*
of all the yield of your seed
that is brought in
yearly from the field.

Deuteronomy 14:22

Rev. Michael L. Poole Jr. – Senior Pastor
Rev. Br. Ian Boden, OLF – Associate Pastor
Paul Burnside - Organist

Mission Statement:

Emanuel: God with Us ~ Loving Christ, Loving Others

Our Ministers This Morning Include:

Rev. Michael L. Poole Jr.

Rev. Br. Ian Boden, OLF

Organist: Paul Burnside

Communion Assistants:

Ushers: Bruce Showalter & Dan Riddle

Lay Reader: Connie Pannett

Acolytes:

2026 Congregational Watchword –

“Be merciful just as your Father is merciful” – Luke 6:36

We welcome you to Emanuel Lutheran Church, where we gather in the grace of God and share the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We're glad you've joined us in prayer and praise. Your voice matters to God and to us. May God's Word today strengthen you in your faith, motivate your service with others, and inspire curiosity and learning.

“Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God.” (Romans 15:7 NIV)

Prelude

Mission Moment

Donna Thomas

*Please stand in body or spirit.

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who pours love into our hearts and healing upon the earth.

C: **Amen.**

P: Confident that God justifies us by grace through faith, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Compassionate God,

C: **we confess that we struggle to embody your goodness in the world and in our own hearts.**

Creation groans from overuse. Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships. Indifference keeps us from seeking justice. Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love to others. Turn our hearts back to you. Restore our world and reconcile us to one another. Renew us to live as your holy people, following the way of Jesus Christ. Amen.

P: Hear this good news: We have peace with God through
✠ Jesus Christ, in whom there is no condemnation, but
only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life.
Receive freely this healing gift of grace.

C: **Amen.**

Gathering *“As We Gather at Your Table”* #522

Greeting

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

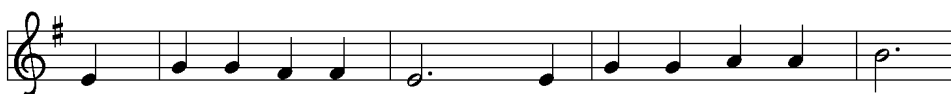
C: **And also with you.**

Watchword Luke 6:36

P: Be merciful,

C: **just as your Father is merciful.**

Kyrie *“Lord Have Mercy”* Page 203



1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.

2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.

3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:

Son of God and gra-cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;

Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.

on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.

Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.

Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.

For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

Prayer of The Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. O Lord God,

C: **enliven and preserve your church with your perpetual mercy. Without your help, we mortals will fail; remove far from us everything that is harmful, and lead us toward all that gives life and salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

*Please be seated.

First Lesson 1 Corinthians 16:1-24 Pew Bible pg. 816

L: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand in body or spirit.

Second Lesson Deuteronomy 14:22-29 Pew Bible pg. 136

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Sermon “*Stewardship is Proportionate*” Pastor Mike

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Hymn “*We Give Thee But Thine Own*” #686

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

P: Hear us, O God.

C: **Your mercy is great.**

Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

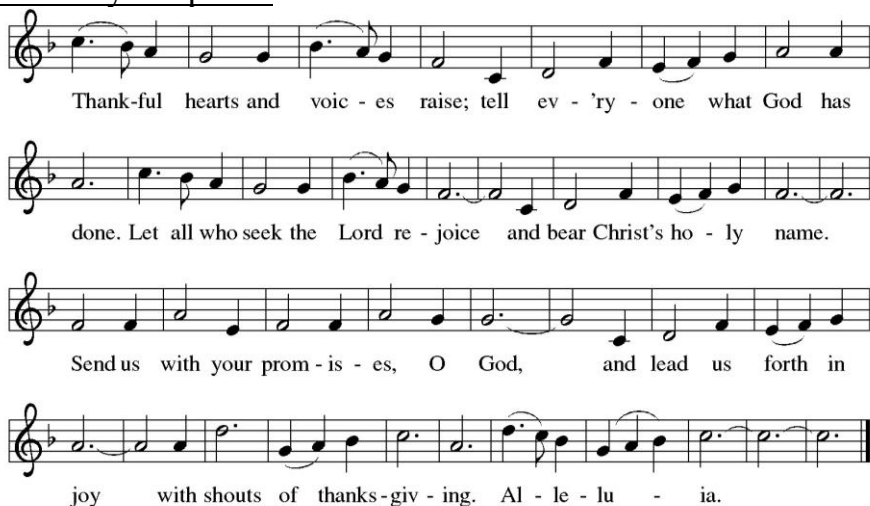
C: **And also with you.**

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Offering Offertory

*Please stand in body or spirit.

Offertory Response



Thank-ful hearts and voices raise; tell ev - 'ry - one what God has
done. Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.
Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and lead us forth in
joy with shouts of thanks-giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

Offering Prayer

P: Let us pray. Almighty God,

C: **You made known your gracious reward for the poor, the lowly, and the despised. Grant us grace to receive your Word in humility, and so to be made one with you and Christ, and the Holy Spirit. You provide for us abundantly. Inspire us to return to you all that was already yours, in proportion to how we receive, that your Kingdom may receive. Amen.**

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Preface

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,

heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Eucharistic Prayer

Words of Institution

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.

Invitation to Communion

P: By the witness of your saints you show us the hope of our calling and strengthen us to run the race set before us,

C: That we may delight in your mercy and rejoice with them in glory.

*Please be seated

Holy Communion

"Lamb of God"

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1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;

you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.



Pues si vi - vi - mos, pa - ra él vi - vi - mos,
 1 When we are liv - ing, it is in Christ Je - sus,
 2 'Mid times of sor - row and in times of pain, . . .
 3 A - cross this wide world, we shall al - ways find . . .



y si mo - ri - mos pa - ra él mo - ri - mos.
 and when we're dy - ing, it is in the Lord. . .
 when sens - ing beau - ty or in love's em - brace, . . .
 those who are cry - ing with no peace of mind; . . .



Sea que vi - va - mos o que mu - ra - mos,
 Both in our liv - ing and in our dy - ing,
 wheth - er we suf - fer, or sing re - joic - ing,
 and when we help them, or when we feed them,



so - mos del Se - ñor, so - mos del Se - ñor.
 we be - long to God, we be - long to God.
 we be - long to God, we be - long to God.
 we be - long to God, we be - long to God.

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Blessing of Sacrament for Sending Out

L: Gracious God, loving all your family with a mother's tender care; as you sent the angel to feed Elijah with heavenly bread, assist those who set forth to share your Word and Sacrament with those who are sick, homebound, and imprisoned. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those who will receive this sacrament, and give us all the comfort of your abiding presence by the power of the Holy Spirit, and through the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

P: Let us pray. Life-giving God,

C: **In this meal we taste a freedom, and we drink in hope. Give us food until we are free. Give us drink until our hopes become real, through the power of the Holy Spirit, and in the life of Christ. 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 your with favor and (+) give you peace.

C: **Amen.**

Sending

"Go to the World!"



1 Go to the world! Go in - to all the earth.
2 Go to the world! Go in - to ev - 'ry place.
3 Go to the world! Go strug - gle, bless, and pray;
4 "Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,



Go preach the cross where Christ re - news life's worth,
Go live the word of God's re - deem - ing grace.
the nights of tears give way to joy - ous day.
for I am with you till the age shall end,



bap - tiz - ing as the sign of our re - birth.
Go seek God's pres - ence in each time and space.
As ser - vant church, you fol - low Christ's own way.
when all the hosts of glo - ry cry, A - men!"



Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Dismissal

P: Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

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We welcome all here!

No matter where you come from or what you've done, no matter what you're into or what you're looking for, we welcome you here.

No matter your faith or your doubt, whether you're spiritual or skeptical, if you resist religion or couldn't imagine life without it, we've been there too. We're glad you are here. We welcome you.

The presence of children in our ministry is a gift to the Church and they remind us that our congregation is growing. We believe that every sound from the human heart, from the groaning of brokenness to the squealing of delight, from the sigh of resignation to the sounds of laughing, from the rumble of the blues to the voices lifted in praise; all are the sounds of the Kingdom here among us. All voices matter to God and are important to us. We hope you find the promise of life with God while you are here.

And when you walk out the door today, let these words resound in your heart until it trembles with glory:

You are a blessed, beloved, beautiful child of God in whom Christ dwells and delights. And by the power of the Holy Spirit, you live safely and securely in a Kingdom that has no end!

We Remember with Our Prayers: Mary Ellen Swartz, Jane Scroggins, Jim Gerfen, Sandy Mitchell, Kimberly Griffith, Mark Woodrum, Beth Beach, Janet & Robert Brown, Paul White, Ellis, Ethan & Lucas, Judy Rider, Jimmy Richardson, John Hoch, Amy Green, Greg Pike, Kenny Heimlich, Jane Gifford, Tom, Adam Hesler, Dave Clark, Steve Ward, Ed Baldauf, Rozella Wilkes, Rosalyn Rush, Larry, Linda Hoch, Charlie Campbell, Rich Brunner, Steve Laird, Chris Bayless-Williams, Eric Clark, Carolyn Parrott, Sherryl Patterson, and Alli.

We Extend our Sympathy and Prayers to Marissa, Isla and Miles Ingram and the family and friends of Michael Ingram.

Theology on Draft – Join our Marion Lutheran Pastors for an evening of fellowship and conversation. They are meeting at the G&R Wednesday, September 9th at 7pm. Come prepared for Good Theology, Good People, and a Good Time. All are welcome!

Preschool Supply Drive! There is a poster board in the Gathering Space with needed supplies for the Early Learning Center! If you are interested in helping them prepare for the upcoming year, please choose a pencil off the board and purchase the listed supplies. Items can be put in Abby's office on the first floor. Thank you!

Volunteers Needed! On September 10, 11, and 12 we will need your help in the POPCORN FESTIVAL PARKING LOT. This is our advance fund raiser for the Youth Gathering next summer. There are many ways to serve in this project.... popping popcorn, making snow cones, monitoring the parking lot, and greeting our guests. Sign-up sheets are in the Gathering Space.

Community Meal Our September Community Meal will be during the Popcorn Festival. Rather than cancelling, we will provide a carryout meal that evening.

Comfort Quilters The Comfort Quilters are beginning to use crochet thread to tie quilts instead of yarn. This is to meet the requirement by Lutheran World Relief. If you are interested in taking any of the yarn you have until Oct. 1 to choose the yarn you would like.

Emanuel's First Annual Oktoberfest! Saturday, September 19th from 5pm-7pm: Tickets for the meal are \$20 (all you can eat), Drink tickets are \$6. Beer Steins are \$50 which includes 2 drink tickets. The menu will be: Pork schnitzel, Bratwurst with or without sauerkraut, Hot Dogs, Homemade Potato Salad, Homemade Pretzels, Chips, Cream Puffs. Pop and Water are included with the meal price. The Board of Fellowship is also looking for a few volunteers to help with the event. Sign Up Sheets will be in the Gathering Space.

Quilt Silent Auction

In conjunction with the Oktoberfest on Sept 19, we will have a silent auction for three quilts and 2 runners. There are pictures of these quilts in the gathering space on the bulletin board. The money will be used to purchase restaurant quality kitchen equipment. Any questions ask Lori Campbell or Dee Rinehart

Holy Cross Day Worship Continuing our Joint Conference Worship Services, Holy Cross Day is being hosted by St. Paul's Waldo on Sept 14 at 7pm. They are going to do a simple service around their sand cross with candles, music and prayer.

September Ministry Mission: Luke 3:11 Ministries Amy Parker, founder of Luke 3:11 Ministries, will be joining us on September 27 to share about the ministry's work in Marion and surrounding communities. Luke 3:11 Ministries takes its name from Jesus' instruction in Luke 3:11: *"Whoever has food must do likewise."* Through programs including the Peanut Butter Jelly Truck, Lumpy Loads of Laundry, I Wish for Prom, the PBJ Truck Garden Challenge, and the Community Garden at Sawyer Ludwig Park, the volunteer-powered nonprofit puts that teaching into action by serving neighbors with dignity and compassion. Working alongside local churches, small businesses, schools, nonprofits, civic organizations, and dedicated volunteers, the ministry addresses food insecurity and other practical needs throughout the community. To learn more, volunteer, or make a donation, visit www.luke311ministries.org. Throughout the month of September we will be supporting Luke 3:11 ministries through in-kind donations of jelly, brown paper bags, gas cards, and operating funds that help keep their programs running throughout the year.

Thursday Book Study – Our current book study is *Onward Christian Soldiers* by Terrill North. This historical fiction novel is based on the life of Dona Beatriz Kimpa Vita, a 17th-century Christian prophet and leader from the Kingdom of Kongo who led a slave rebellion. It is a historical fiction novel of Resistance and is a compelling and thought-provoking. It blends faith, courage, and perseverance into a powerful story. This group meets 11:30-12:30 on Thursdays. Purchase a book and come join us for some stimulating conversation!

The Pray and Study group will meet at Pleasant Park for their annual picnic at 5pm on Monday, September 21st. If the weather is bad the group will meet at the church. Please contact Ann Thomas if you plan to come.

God's Work. Our Hands. Our project display for the ELCA GWOH is up in the Gathering Space. There are 10 community projects for you to choose from. You may do them individually, as a group or as a family. Simply sign out the card and pick up the instruction sheet for that project.

God's work...Our Hands Event

On September 13 during the Sunday school hour (10-11:00), we will be working on a service project for Sole Hope. This organization takes denim fabric pieces and turns them into shoes. These shoes are distributed to people in Uganda, to help prevent jigger bites. These bites lead to many issues. For our part we will be using patterns to cut up denim. Everything needed is provided. You just cut up fabric and enjoy other people's company.

Feed the Need Wishlist for September 2 & 9: Meatballs, French Fries, Pudding Cups, and quart size Ziplock baggies.

Join us for Chair Yoga at 11:00a.m. on Fridays! Instructor Tracy Pryor has been teaching yoga since 2007 and holds many certifications through YogaFit. This class can be adapted to all skill levels. Yoga over time improves mental focus, increases flexibility, and fosters a greater sense of wellness. Recommended donation to cover the costs of our creative ministries is \$10, but pay as you are able.

The Week of September 6th at Emanuel:

Mon.	Labor Day – EELC & Office Closed	
Tues. 9/8	8:30a.m.	Quilters
	9:00a.m.	MAPP Meeting (lounge)
	1:00p.m.	Feed the Need Prep
	6:00p.m.	Praise Team
	7:00p.m.	Marionaires
Wed. 9/9	9:30a.m.	Bible Study
	10:30a.m.	Feed the Need
	6:00p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	7:00p.m.	Bell Rehearsal
	7:00p.m.	Theology on Draft (G&R)
Thurs. 9/10	11:30a.m.	Book Study
	5:00p.m.	Community Meal (carryout)
Fri. 9/11	Waldo Fresh Food Distribution	
	EELC Closed	
Sun. 9/13	11:00a.m.	Chair Yoga
	God's Work. Our Hands.	
	8:45a.m.	ELW Worship
	10:00a.m.	Sole Hope Project (parlor)
	10:00a.m.	Sunday School
	11:15a.m.	Praise Team Worship
	7:00p.m.	Evening Worship

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