

EMMANUEL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Mission: "To Share God's Salvation with Everyone!"

Third Sunday of Easter

April 19, 2015

WELCOME VISITORS! *We are glad to have you with us today and pray our service is a blessing to you. It is our sincere hope that you will come to worship with us again.*

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 3:11–21

1 John 3:1–7

Luke 24:36–49

The Preaching of Repentance and Forgiveness of Sins Makes Us Pure

The risen Lord Jesus taught His disciples *“that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead”* and *“that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations”* (Luke 24:46–47). Therefore, St. Peter preaches repentance and forgiveness to the people of Jerusalem. As he proclaims that Jesus fulfilled all that *“God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets”* (Acts 3:18), he also convicts the people of their sin, because they *“delivered over and denied”* this Lord Jesus and *“killed the Author of life.”* Yet God *“glorified his servant Jesus”* and raised Him from the dead (Acts 3:13–15). St. Peter calls the people to repent, so that their *“sins may be blotted out, that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord”* (Acts 3:19–20). Through this forgiveness of sins and by faith in this forgiveness, the Father shows His love for us in order that *“we should be called children of God; and so we are”* (1 John 3:1). Thus, we hope in Him and are made pure even *“as he is pure,”* because *“he appeared in order to take away sins, and in him there is no sin”* (1 John 3:3, 5).

THOSE NEEDING OUR DAILY PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

Deaths: Family of Reinhart Hessler who died on Mon., 4/13;
Ill: Henry Senft (brother of Erhart Stallmann); Recovery: Dave
Gumz, Lois Hacker; On-Going Care: Steven Fahnestock, Mary
Flatt, Susan Gordon, Dennis Neuenkirchen, Tom Neuenkirchen;
Homebound: Dorothy Gari, Evelyn Moser, Louise Reim,
Dorothy Straits; Mission: LCMS missions in Asia; Our sister
LCMS congregations: San Pablo Lutheran Church, Aurora, IL
– Pastor Merlo & wife Maria; Emmanuel; Radio Ministry.

FLOWERS are given to the glory of God from the Altar &
Flower Guild.

Classes

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS- Undercroft-10:30 am

Topic: “Genesis 2”

SUNDAY SCHOOL – Church Library-10:30 am

TUESDAY BIBLE CLASS - Church Library-9:30 am

Topic: “The Intertestamental Period”

MEN’S BIBLE BREAKFAST - the first Saturday of each
month at 8:00 am at Maxfield’s Pancake House & Restaurant
located the corner of Montgomery Rd. & Ogden Ave (Rt. 34).

Topic: “The Augsburg Confession

Mission Corner

Rev. Michael Parris serves the Lord through the LCMS as a career missionary in Macau. In this role, Michael works with the LCMS missionary team in Macau to start a new church at the Concordia English Center and to begin an English-speaking service for foreigners. He also helps teach English at the Concordia English Center and helps at the school for the deaf in Macau. In addition, Michael provides pastoral care to the other missionaries in Macau.

Please pray for Michael as he serves in Macau. Pray that God blesses the relationships he builds with students. Please pray also that the Holy Spirit would open many doors of opportunity to share the Good News of Jesus Christ and plant seeds of faith in students' hearts. Give thanks that Michael has answered God's call to serve as His witness in Macau!

Church News

EMMANUEL'S WEB PAGE: If you miss a service, you can listen to the sermon on podcasts as well as reading it online.

WHEN YOU TRAVEL ANYWHERE— you may listen to the service online at <http://www.wbig1280.com> Click on the *Listen Live* button in the upper right hand corner of the page.

FELLOWSHIP AFTER CHURCH: Join us after the worship service for coffee and fellowship in the Undercroft.

PLEASE SUBMIT ITEMS & PRAYER REQUESTS for the bulletin by 12:00 pm (noon) on Thursday.

BE SURE TO CHECK the bulletin board located by the drinking fountain in the Undercroft for upcoming events that are not printed in the bulletin that may be of interest to you.

THANK YOU to those who donated toward the purchase of Easter Lilies. You may pick one up in the church library today.

THANK YOU to all who donated items to the Spring Rummage Sale as well as those who volunteered their time. Your efforts were much appreciated!

FIRST QUARTER FINANCIAL STATEMENTS are available for pick-up. They are located on the table in the Narthex.

APPLICATIONS for organist are now being accepted. If you know of anyone who plays the organ & might be interested in this position, please inform them. Applications can be mailed, emailed, or dropped off in person during office hours.

DOES ANYONE KNOW where the small paper cutter that was on the small desk in the Sunday School office is? The Board of Education needs it from time to time. Please return it to the Sunday School office, or let Paula or a board member know where it is. Thanks.

Upcoming Events at Emmanuel

THE NEXT REGULAR VOTERS' MEETING will be held following the worship service on Sun., April 26th. Action items include: (1) Designation of a missionary to receive congregational support for the remainder of 2015. (2) Authorization to transfer \$15,000 from special funds to checking account.

THE SPECIAL VOTER'S MEETING has not been rescheduled. Additional time is still needed to consult with both the realtor and Northern Lights Development Corp. to reach a new sales contract.

Around Town

LOOKING for a fun, social event for a good cause? Join Voice of Care on April 25, 2015 at the Hyatt in Lisle for a fun evening of dancing to live sixties music provided by the band New Invaders. Doors open at 7PM. Refreshments will be provided. We will also have a fabulous silent auction going on all night. Tickets are only \$35! Go to <http://voiceofcare.org/events> for full information, email office@voiceofcare.org, or call 630-231-3862. Proceeds will benefit our new East Region Director, Pastor Dean Pittelko, as he trains individuals and churches to start new ministries in the city of Chicago.

LUTHERAN BIBLE TRANSLATORS: John 3:16 shares a simple message, "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life." Eight million people now have access to this Gospel message through LBT's ministry of translation. Over the past 51 years, LBT has completed 40 New Testaments, four Bibles, and many Scripture engagement programs. Yet an estimated 180,000,000 people remain without access to God's Word through Scripture because they don't understand the languages in which this Good News is proclaimed.

We invite you to share LBT's vision for the future at our annual dinner on May 1st at the Hilton Hotel in Lisle, Illinois (3003 Corporate Drive West). The social hour will begin at 6:00 P.M., and dinner will be served at 7:00 P.M. There is no cost for the dinner, but a free-will offering will be taken that evening.

The guest speakers for the evening will be Reverend Dan Gilbert, the president of the Northern Illinois District of the LCMS, and LBT missionaries Paul and Ali Federwitz.

For more information or to RSVP by April 23, call [800-532-4253 ext. 21](tel:800-532-4253), or email jbehrens@lbt.org.
God's Blessings,

Those serving in today's service: 4/19/2015

Preacher: Rev. Michael Graham

Acolyte: Cole Stephens

Elder: Art Cooper

Communion Assistant: Jim Davis

Organist:

Radio Announcer: Art Cooper

Oil Candle Care: Paul & Michele Odean

Altar Care: Jean Meyer

Flower Care: Jill Hauser

Ushers: Paul Odean, captain;

Jaime Graham, Michele Odean, William Swenson_

Those serving in next Sunday's service: 4/26/2015

Preacher: Rev. Michael Graham

Elder: Jaime Graham

Organist: Gwen Carlson

Radio Announcer: Elijah Moser

Oil Candle Care: Paul & Michele Odean

Altar Care: Jean Meyer

Flower Care: Andrea Seifrid

Ushers: Charles Strode, captain;

Karli Moore, Jeffrey Secord, Shirley Strode

