

# EMMANUEL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

The Day of Pentecost

May 24, 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.*

## **THE DAY OF PENTECOST**

Ezekiel 37:1–14

Acts 2:1–21

John 15:26–27; 16:4b–15

### ***The Holy Spirit Brings the Dead to Life by the Righteousness of Christ***

In returning to His Father by way of the cross and resurrection, Christ Jesus sends “*the Helper*” to His Church, that is, “*the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father* . . .” The Spirit testifies of Christ and glorifies Him, by taking what is His and declaring it to the world in the preaching of repentance for the forgiveness of sins (John 15:26; 16:7, 14). He convicts the world of sin by the word of the Law, He forgives sins and justifies sinners by the Word of the Gospel, and He bestows the faith that says “Amen” to this righteousness of God (John 16:8–11). Therefore, the Lord pours out His Spirit on the apostles, that by their preaching, the Spirit should be given to His entire Church. As the multitudes are gathered from all the nations by “*this sound*,” that is, by the preaching of “*the mighty works of God*” in Christ Jesus, so does God the Father pour out the Spirit of His Son “*on all flesh*” (Acts 2:6, 11, 17). The Lord God breathes upon the slain, and so shall they live; for so the Lord has spoken, and He shall do it (Ezek. 37:5–14).

**THOSE NEEDING OUR DAILY PRAYERS THIS WEEK:**

Ill: Henry Senft (brother of Erhart Stallmann); Procedures: Ken Kittoe; 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; Birthdays: David Seifrid (5/21, Matt Seifrid (5/23), Jason Seifrid (6/5); Mission: Missionary Rev. Frederick Reinhart in Kenya; Our sister LCMS congregations: Friends in Christ Lutheran Church, Morris, IL – Pastor Willig & wife Paula; Emmanuel; Radio Ministry.

**FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God from Tim & Andi Seifrid in gratitude to God for our special blessings on their birthdays: David-May 21<sup>st</sup>, Matt-May 23<sup>rd</sup>, & Jason-June 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Classes**

*Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.*

**SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS-** Undercroft-10:30 am

Topic: “The Covenant, Old and New”

**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. Frederick Reinhardt is based out of Nairobi, Kenya, where he has served since Feb. 2011 as the area facilitator for French-speaking Central and East Africa. In this role, Fred works with the African leadership of the various French-speaking Lutheran church bodies in Rwanda, Burundi, Republic of Congo, Democratic Republic of Congo, Madagascar, Cameroon and the Portuguese-speaking countries of Angola and Mozambique. He also coordinates contact with emerging Lutheran groups that are interested in partnership with the LCMS or requesting theological training. Previously, Fred served in northeastern Togo, from 2000 to 2007, which included his two-year vicarage. Then, from 2007-2010, he was based out of Senegal as the French-speaking West Africa area facilitator.

Fred's home congregation is Immanuel Lutheran Church in Pensacola, Fla. He is a "second-career" pastor and missionary, having enjoyed a 21-year career in the civil and foreign service before starting at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Mo., in 1997. Fred requests prayers for his continued safety and well-being in Kenya. Please pray the Africa mission team continues to enjoy a good team spirit and working relationship for the sake of spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ throughout French-speaking Africa. Pray the Holy Spirit continues to work powerfully through the Word all over the continent of Africa. Please pray that the missionary work being done in Africa erupts in growing missionary support and activity.

## *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.

**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.

**NEW FROM CPH:** The Lutheran Service Book, EBook Edition is now available for \$19.99. See [www.cph.org](http://www.cph.org) for more details and to order.

### ***Upcoming Events at Emmanuel***

**YOU ARE A CHOSEN RACE, A ROYAL PRIESTHOOD, A HOLY NATION.** Come find out what this means and how it happened starting today in the Adult Bible Class as we begin our new topic of study: “The Covenant, Old and New”.

**CLEAN-UP DAY** for the church will be held on Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon (weather permitting). Please bring lawn tools (rakes, shovels, gloves, etc.).

A special voters' meeting has been scheduled following the worship service on Sunday, May 31, 2015, to resolve outstanding issues concerning the sale of the Emmanuel School.

**A SPECIAL VOTER’S MEETING** has been scheduled following the worship service on Sunday, May 31, 2015, to resolve outstanding issues concerning the sale of the Emmanuel School.

**MOVIE MATINEE:** the next movie matinee is planned for Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, beginning at 3:30 p.m. We will be showing "Frozen." Please join us. You may bring a snack or drink for yourself or to share. Friends and family are welcome!

**EMMANUEL'S MEN'S FAST PITCH SOFTBALL TEAM** started their season with a win against 1st Pres. Black on Monday, May 18<sup>th</sup> with a score of 5 - 4. The season schedule is now posted on the bulletin boards in the narthex and by the back door.

**THE CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING** has been rescheduled from Tues., June 2<sup>nd</sup> to Tues., June 9<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm.

**THE ALTAR & FLOWER GUILD** will hold their annual end of the year "Picnic" on Wednesday, June 3 · 2015 at 12:00 noon at the Hounds Blue Moon Restaurant, 2124 W. Galena Blvd. in Aurora. For reservations, please contact Jean Meyer at 630-801-9866.

### *Around Town*

**THE ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE** will be held at St. Paul Lutheran Cemetery on Monday, May 25, 2015 at 8:45 am. Please use the Montgomery Road entrance and bring lawn chairs. The service will be held at the area of the cross. Pastor Danny Tutwiler will conduct the service after the Waidley VFW Post #678 conducts the Military presentation at the flagpole. All members and friends of your church are invited. Memorials may be directed to St. Paul Cemetery, your own church and/or school or the donor's choice.

### *Serving God and Our Neighbors*

**PLANTING A ROW FOR THE HUNGRY** is a people-helping-people program that encourages gardeners to grow a little extra and donate the produce to local soup kitchens and food pantries. If you are planting a garden this year, you can make a difference through PAR. For more information go to [www.gardenwriters.org](http://www.gardenwriters.org).

**Those serving in today's service: 5/24/2015**

Preacher: Rev. Michael Graham

Acolyte: Cole Stephens

Elder: Jim Davis

Communion Assistant: Art Cooper

Organist:

Radio Announcer: Rosemary Swenson

Oil Candle Care: Jack & Jill Hauser

Altar Care: Shirley Strode

Flower Care: Denise Pryor

Ushers: Charles Strode, captain;

Karli Moore, Jeffrey Secord, Shirley Strode

**Those serving in next Sunday's service: 5/31/2015**

Preacher: Rev. Michael Graham

Acolyte: Julia Graham

Elder: Art Cooper

Communion Assistant: Jim Davis

Organist: Aaron Foster

Radio Announcer: Elijah Moser

Oil Candle Care: Jack & Jill Hauser

Altar Care: Shirley Strode

Flower Care: Denise Pryor

Ushers: Mark Moser, captain;

David Gumz, Jack Hauser, Cole Stephens

