

EMMANUEL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 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.*

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Jeremiah 23:1–6

Ephesians 2:11–22

Mark 6:30–44

The Lord Jesus Shepherds His Church on Earth by the Ministry of the Gospel

The Lord rebukes and removes “*the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep*” (Jer. 23:1). He gathers the flock, brings them back to the fold and sets “*shepherds over them who will care for them*” (Jer. 23:3–4). He raises up the Son of David, the great Good Shepherd, to “*reign as king and deal wisely*” (Jer. 23:5). He is “*our righteousness,*” in whom we “ *dwell securely*” (Jer. 23:6). He has compassion on all of us, who were “*like sheep without a shepherd*” (Mark 6:34). Not only does He teach us many things, but taking the bread, He blesses and breaks and gives it to the disciples “*to set before the people*” (Mark 6:41). He abundantly provides for His Church on earth, so that everyone is fed and fully satisfied in body and soul. He preaches peace “*to you who were far off,*” and “*by the blood of Christ,*” He brings you near (Eph. 2:13, 17). Though you were “*separated from Christ*” by your sin, “*having no hope and without God in the world*” (Eph. 2:12), now “*you are fellow*

citizens with the saints and members of the household of God” (Eph. 2:19).

THOSE NEEDING OUR DAILY PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

Ill: Ken Kittoe; Hospitalized: Nancy Hacker, Tom Neuenkirchen; Recovery: Dave Gumz, Lois Hacker; Norma Hessler, Henry Senft (brother of Erhart Stallmann); On-Going Care: Steven Fahnestock, Mary Flatt, Susan Gordon, Dennis Neuenkirchen; Homebound: Dorothy Gari, Evelyn Moser, Louise Reim, Dorothy Straits; Mission: LCMS missions in Mexico; Our sister LCMS congregations: Hope Lutheran Church, Aurora, IL – Pastor Fritz & wife Sharla; Emmanuel; Radio Ministry.

FLOWERS are given to the glory of God from Paul and Michele Odean in memory of Michele’s father, Richard Ransford’s birthday on July 17th and call to life on July 23rd.

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 Sacraments”

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. Daniel and Kathryn Conrad serve the Lord as career missionaries of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod in Mexico. Daniel teaches Lutheran theology courses to train individuals in the Lutheran faith. When needed, he preaches the Gospel in local congregations. In addition, he serves as the area facilitator for the Latin America and Caribbean region, coordinating projects and mission teams to serve in this part of the world. Through the relationships formed, Daniel and Kathryn seek to share the Gospel with the people in Latin America.

Please pray for the Conrads as they serve in Mexico. Pray God gives them strength and peace as they all transition to life in Mexico, learning the culture and the language. Pray for God’s continued sustenance of them as they travel in their support raising efforts.

Let us give thanks the Conrads have answered the call to serve God’s children in Mexico!

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.

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

UPDATE ON SCHOOL: Northern Lights Corp. had requested that the closing be held this past Friday, July 17th. Thank you to everyone who helped clean up the school.

REACTION TO SUPREME COURT DECISION:

This week, the Board of Elders adopted a resolution to respond to the recent action by the U. S. Supreme Court to approve of same-sex marriages. **A special service of prayer** has been scheduled for **today, July 19, at 3:30 pm** at Emmanuel to pray for our nation, political leaders, the various branches of government, and the fallout over the Supreme Court decision. A statement will be developed concerning where Emmanuel stands on the same-sex marriage issue. A special meeting will also be held in the near future of interested people to discuss the planning of an outward vision in Aurora to further the spread of the gospel. Over the next few months community forums will be held to address specific moral issues in our society. A book club might also be formed to study the literature available on several moral challenges in our society. We must **PRAY, PRESERVE** what we still have, **PARTICIPATE** by electing morally conscientious people to office, and **ACT** to bring the

light of the Gospel of forgiveness and salvation to those living in spiritual darkness.

Upcoming Events at Emmanuel

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - VBS will be held Monday, July 27 through Friday, July 31, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Please consider volunteering to assist us with snacks, crafts, lessons, music, games, registration and/or transportation for one evening or more as your schedule permits. Please let us know of any preschool to elementary school-aged children you know who would like to attend so we can plan our materials accordingly. Thanks!

THE REGULAR QUARTERLY VOTER'S MEETING is scheduled for next Sunday, July 26th following the worship service in the church basement. The one action item on the agenda is a discussion concerning repairs to the church organ. All voting members and those desiring to become a voting member are encouraged to attend.

Around Town

VOICE OF CARE will hold their "Mile for Mileage Challenge", rain or shine, on Sat., Aug. 22, 2015 with a mile-long walk on wheelchair accessible sidewalks around Castaldo Park, 3024 71st St., Woodridge, IL from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. Pastor Phil Gruenbaum would like to get a team together from Aurora. Please contact him at 630-896-2430 to join his team. Registration deadline is Sat., Aug. 1st. A box lunch from Chick-Fil-A is provided as well as bottled water and a t-shirt for each registered participant. You can also register individually for \$15 online at VoiceOfCare.org or calling 630-231-3862. Actual walking is not required; you can also participate by using the online tool Razoo through social media. For more information, see the flyer posted on the Undercroft bulletin board. Voice of

Care helps to equip the Church to do ministry among people with disabilities.

Those serving in today's service: 7/19/2015

Preacher: Rev. Michael Graham

Acolyte: Benjamin Seppelfrick

Elder: Gary Moore

Communion Assistant: Jaime Graham

Radio Announcer: Art Cooper

Oil Candle Care: Gary Moore

Altar Care: Andrea Seifrid

Flower Care: Jill Hauser

Ushers: David Moser, captain; Gary Moore,

Elijah Moser, Jeremiah Moser, Benjamin Seppelfrick

Those serving in next Sunday's service: 7/26/2015

Preacher: Rev. Michael Graham

Elder: Gary Moore

Radio Announcer: Paul Odean

Oil Candle Care: Gary Moore

Altar Care: Andrea Seifrid

Flower Care: Jill Hauser

Ushers: Paul Odean, captain;

Jaime Graham, Michele Odean, William Swenson

