

EMMANUEL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

Second Sunday in Lent

March 1, 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 SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

Genesis 17:1–7, 15–16

Romans 5:1–11

Mark 8:27–38

By the Cross of Our Lord Jesus, We Inherit Life Everlasting with God

In His covenant with Abraham, the Lord promised to be with him, to bless him and to make him “*the father of a multitude of nations.*” It is “*an everlasting covenant*” in Christ Jesus, the seed of Abraham who is blameless before God Almighty. All who believe in this Lord Jesus are the offspring of Abraham and are blessed “*throughout their generations*” (Gen. 17:1–7), because the Christ has suffered many things. He was rejected and killed, and after three days He rose again (Mark 8:31). To comprehend this theology of the cross, we must set our minds “*on the things of God,*” and not “*on the things of man*” (Mark 8:33). “*God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us*” (Rom. 5:8). Therefore, having been “*reconciled to God by the death of his Son,*” much more “*shall we be saved by his life*” (Rom. 5:10). Baptized into His cross and resurrection, “*we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,*” and by faith we rejoice in the hope of His glory (Rom. 5:1–2).

THOSE NEEDING OUR DAILY PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

In the Lord's Hands: Reiny Hessler; Ill: Tom Neuenkirchen; Hospitalized: Dave Gumz, Henry Senft (brother of Erhart Stallmann); Recovery: Jim Strode; On-Going Care: Steven Fahnestock, Mary Flatt, Susan Gordon, Dennis Neuenkirchen; Homebound: Dorothy Gari, Evelyn Moser, Louise Reim, Dorothy Straits; Mission: Lutherans in Africa; Our sister LCMS congregations: New Song Church, Aurora, IL – Pastor Dail, wife Christine, children Isaac, Elijah & Solomon; 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

The adage if you give a man a fish you feed him for a day, but if you teach him to fish you feed him for life is never more apt than with the mission of Lutherans in Africa (LIA). Founded and Directed by Rev. James May in 2010, to teach not merely this generation but the ones to come by training pastors, evangelists, and church workers, currently in 20 countries. They provide doctrinal resources in African languages in partnership with the Lutheran Heritage Foundation-Africa, translating the *Good News* magazine and key texts such as *Luther's Small Catechism*, and *The Book of Concord*. Keep Pastor May and Lutherans in Africa in your prayers.

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.

A SEARCH COMMITTEE for a new organist has been formed under the auspices of the Board of Elders. It consists of Bill & Rosemary Swenson, Denise Pryor, Andi Seifrid, & Art Cooper. Applications 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.

Many thanks to all for the good wishes & cards I received for my birthday. They were greatly appreciated. God bless all of you, my Emmanuel family. From Andi Seifrid

GUEST PREACHER TODAY: Our guest preacher today is the Rev. James May, founder and director of Lutherans in Africa. He will also be speaking during the Bible Class hour in the church undercroft at 10:30 this morning after the service. Everyone is invited to come and find out more about the Lutheran Church in Africa and the work our missionaries are doing there.

Upcoming Events at Emmanuel

HELPING HANDS is a group that works on sewing projects for missions. They will meet on Tues., March 3rd after Bible class at 12:00 pm. Please bring a sack lunch.

MEN'S BIBLE BREAKFAST meeting on Sat., Mar. 7th has been cancelled as Pastor is attending the District Convention.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME begins next Sun., March 8th. Remember to set your clocks ahead 1 hour on Saturday night!

MOVIE MATINEE: Please join us on Sun., March 22nd at 3:30 pm for the Board of Education's next movie "God is Not Dead" This movie is rated PG with a run time of about 2 hours. You may also bring a snack to share. See you then!

Around Town

NOTED HISTORIAN & author, Dr. Paul L. Maier will explore the historical & archaeological evidence for prominent figures and events in the Jesus story & correlate it with the non-Christian writings from the ancient world on Fri., March 13,
7:00 pm to 8:30 pm at Gorton Community Center,
400 East Illinois Road, Lake Forest. (Free event)

Dr. Maier will present a more detailed archaeological & ancient writing examination of the events surrounding the First Easter the next day, Sat., March 14, 9:00 am to 2:30 pm at

Faith Lutheran Church, 680 Deerpath Road, Lake Forest
Lunch provided at a cost of \$15. RSVP requested.

Contact Steve at 224-520-0506 for additional information.

Contact Gary Moore or Jim Davis if interested in carpooling.

Those serving in today's service: 3/1/2015

Preacher: Rev. James May

Acolyte: Julia Graham

Elder: Jim Davis

Communion Assistant: Art Cooper

Organist: Nancy Lee

Radio Announcer: Joyce Cooper

Oil Candle Care: Dennis & Lois Patzer

Altar Care: Jan Pittman

Flower Care: Andrea Seifrid

Ushers: Paul Odean, captain;

Jaime Graham, Michele Odean, William Swenson

Those serving Lenten Wednesday PM: 3/4/2015

Preacher: Rev. Michael Graham

Elder: Art Cooper

Organist: Aaron Foster

Oil Candle Care: Dennis & Lois Patzer

Altar Care: Jan Pittman

Ushers: Charles Strode, captain;

Karli Moore, Jeffrey Secord, Shirley Strode

Those serving in next Sunday's service: 3/8/2015

Preacher: Rev. Michael Graham

Elder: Jaime Graham

Organist: Gwen Carlson

Radio Announcer: Art Cooper

Oil Candle Care: Dennis & Lois Patzer

Altar Care: Jan Pittman

Flower Care: Caryl Johnson

Ushers: Mark Moser, captain;

David Gumz, Jack Hauser, Cole Stephens

