

EMMANUEL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 13, 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.*

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Isaiah 50:4–10

James 3:1–12

Mark 9:14–29

Christ Jesus Delivers Us from Sin, Death and the Devil

Those who teach the Word of God “*will be judged with greater strictness*” (James 3:1) because it is by the Word that saving faith is obtained, whereas false doctrine always threatens to destroy Christian faith and life. The tongue “*boasts of great things,*” whether for good or evil (James 3:5). In fallen man, “*it is a restless evil, full of deadly poison*” (James 3:8). But anyone who bridles his tongue with the Word of God, who “*does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man*” (James 3:2). It is Christ who opens His ear to the voice of His Father, so that, with “*the tongue of those who are taught,*” He is able to sustain the weary “*with a word*” (Is. 50:4–5). Entrusting Himself to His Father, even to death, He is not put to shame but is vindicated in His resurrection (Is. 50:6–9). By His faith and faithfulness, He casts out the “*mute and deaf spirit*” from us (Mark 9:25). He has compassion on us and helps us, so that we are not destroyed but cleansed from every evil and raised up from death to life (Mark 9:22–27).

THOSE NEEDING OUR DAILY PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

Ill: Dennis Patzer; Recovery: Lois Hacker, Ken Kittoe; On-Going Care: Steven Fahnestock, Mary Flatt, Susan Gordon, Dennis Neuenkirchen; Homebound: Dorothy Gari, Evelyn Moser, Louise Reim, Dorothy Straits; Birthdays: Lois Patzer (9/11); Mission: LCMS missions in Peru, South America; Our sister LCMS congregations: St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Montgomery, IL – Pastor Hoffman & wife Jan; Emmanuel; Radio Ministry.

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

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. Joshua and Amanda Gale serve the Lord as career missionaries of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod in Peru. In this role, Joshua plants new churches and mission centers in Lima, Peru. He forms and develops groups of believers into mature, self-sustaining and self-replicating congregations through Word and Sacrament ministry.

Please pray for Joshua and Amanda as they serve the Lord in Peru. Ask God to give them and their children peace as they transition to life in Peru, learning the culture and the Spanish language so they may effectively communicate the Good News of Jesus Christ. Please pray that the Holy Spirit works mightily through the reading and proclamation of the Word to create and sustain faith in the hearts of those individuals who hear it. In addition, please ask God to strengthen and give joy to Joshua as he works to plant new churches and mission centers. Let us give thanks that Joshua and Amanda have answered the call to serve God's children in Peru!

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 **11:00 am** on Thursday.

NEW ISSUES of The Northern Light are available in the Narthex and on the lower shelf of the back door table.

ORGAN REPAIR FUND: To date, we have received \$12,287 (25%) of the \$48,814 needed to repair the organ. Thank you to all who have already generously contributed. See the chart on the door in the Narthex which shows our progress toward the goal. Please consider this need for memorials and special needs.

Upcoming Events at Emmanuel

DEDICATE SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, AS A DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE UNBORN BY ATTENDING:

Forty Days for Life Campaign: kick-off event with nationally known speakers at 9:00 AM across from Planned Parenthood in Aurora.

Vigil of Repentance in Remembrance of the Victims of Abortion: President Harrison of the LCMS is sponsoring a Synod wide Vigil which we will hold in Emmanuel church at 5:00 PM the same day. Let us pray for an end to this horrific massacre of innocent babies.

FALL FEST & MOVIE will be held on Sunday, September 20th, beginning at 3:30 p.m. The Board of Education will be showing "Do You Believe?" We are planning to grill hot dogs, brats, and provide buns. We ask that those who attend bring a dish to pass and their own beverage(s).

Around Town

NEW DATE FOR GERMANY TRIP: The German Trip has been rescheduled for June 27-July 7, 2016. New brochures are available in the entryways to the church. Another information meeting with the travel agent will be scheduled soon.

Those serving in today's service: 9/13/2015

Preacher: Rev. Michael Graham
Elder: Art Cooper
Radio Announcer: Joyce Cooper
Oil Candle Care: Don & Amy Seppelfrick
Altar Care: Joyce Cooper
Flower Care: Shirley Stallmann
Ushers: Mark Moser, captain;
David Gumz, Jack Hauser, Cole Stephens

Those serving in next Sunday's service: 9/20/2015

Preacher: Rev. Michael Graham
Acolyte: Julia Graham
Elder: Gary Moore
Communion Assistant: Jim Davis
Radio Announcer: Margaret Bauman
Oil Candle Care: Don & Amy Seppelfrick
Altar Care: Joyce Cooper
Flower Care: Shirley Stallmann
Ushers: Timothy Seifrid, captain;
Dennis Patzer, Bryan Pittman, Andrea Seifrid

