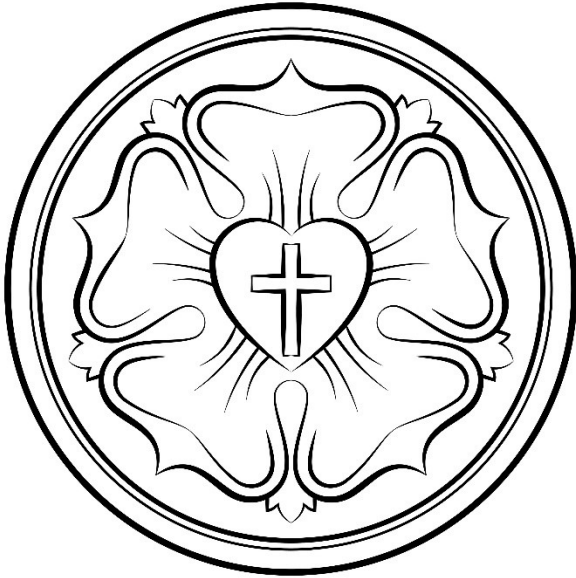


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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome! Emmanuel is a liturgical, traditional, historical, evangelical, catholic, orthodox, confessional Lutheran congregation, in communion with the Evangelical Lutheran Diocese of North America (ELDoNA). We believe that the Bible is the very Word of God, inspired and without any errors. We confess the truth of Scripture according to the Lutheran Book of Concord of 1580, without exception or reservation. We observe the calendar of the traditional Church Year and follow the Historic Lectionary. We celebrate the Divine Service (also known as the Mass) every Sunday and on other festivals, and we welcome visitors to hear God's Word with us.



With regard to Holy Communion, we ask our visitors to respect our practice of *closed Communion*, which means that only communicant members of our congregation or of other congregations in communion with us are invited to commune at the Lord's Table here, after they have been examined and absolved. Classes are offered throughout the year by the pastor so that those who are interested in joining our Communion fellowship have the opportunity to learn about the Christian faith and our confession of it.

The Order of Service is *The Order of Holy Communion* (page 15) from *The Lutheran Hymnal* (TLH). The Propers (the parts that change from week to week) are noted on the following page of this Service Folder.

Our Catechism Focus this week is the Lord's Prayer: Address / 1st Petition.

EVENTS IN THE NEAR FUTURE...

- Wed., Nov. 3 - Vespers, 6:30 PM (All Saints)
- Sat., Nov. 6 - Time change! Fall back the clocks before bed!
- Sun., Nov. 7 - Bible Class/Sunday School, 9AM
- Divine Service, 10:15 AM (Third-to-Last Sunday / Trinity 25)

Daily Lectionary for the Week of Trinity 22:

	MORNING	EVENING
Mon	Matt. 18:1-22	Micah 4:9-5:1
Tue	Mark 9:33-50	Is. 49:14-21
Wed	Luke 17:20-37	Is. 2:10-21
Thu	Rom. 8:24-39	Is. 63:1-6
Fri	Mark 12:1-12	Joel 2:1-11
Sat	Matt. 25:14-30	Joel 2:12-27

HYMNS

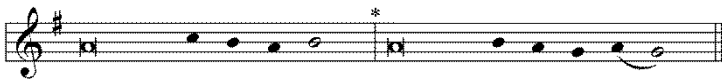
- OPENING HYMN** TLH #265 - *Thine Honor Save, O Christ, Our Lord*
HYMN (after the Creed) TLH #262 - *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*
HYMN (after General Prayer) TLH #444 - *Rise! To Arms!*
DISTRIBUTION HYMN TLH #387 - *Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice*

Epistle: *Revelation 14:6-7* **Gospel:** *Matthew 11:12-15*

The Order of Holy Communion begins on p. 15 of The Lutheran Hymnal.

THE INTROIT (after the general Absolution) Psalm 46:7,2; Psalm 46:1, 4-6, 10

- P** (Antiphon) THE LORD of | hosts is with us; *
 The God of Jacob | is our refuge. —
 Therefore we will not fear, even though the | earth be removed, *
 And though the mountains be carried into the | midst of the sea.



- C** God is our | refuge and strength, *
 A very present | help in trouble. —

GLORIA PATRI (p.16): **Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

- P** (Antiphon)

The service continues with the Kyrie, p.17 in the hymnal.

THE GRADUAL & HALLELUJAH (after the Epistle) Ps. 48:1, 12-13; Ps. 48:14

- P** Great is the Lord, and great- | ly to be praised *
 In the city of our God, in His | holy mountain. —
- C** **Walk about Zion, count her towers; mark well her bulwarks, consider | her palaces; ***
That you may tell it to the genera- | tion following. —
- P** Al- | - leluia. *
 Al- | leluia. --
- C** **For this is God, our God forev- | er and ever; ***
He will be our guide even to death. | Alleluia! —

The service continues with The Triple Hallelujah & Gospel, p.20-21.

WE BELIEVE, TEACH AND CONFESS...

from the *Treatise on the Power & Primacy of the Pope*

The Roman pontiff claims for himself that he is supreme above all bishops and pastors by divine right.

Second, he adds that by divine right he has both swords, that is, the authority also to enthrone and depose kings, regulate secular dominions, and such.

Third, he says that to believe this is necessary for salvation. For these reasons, the Roman bishop calls himself and boasts that he is the vicar of Christ on earth.

These three articles we hold to be false, godless, tyrannical, and destructive to the Church.

So that our proof may be better understood, we will first define what they call being above everyone by “divine right.” They mean that the pope is universal, or, as they say, he is the ecumenical bishop, from whom all bishops and pastors throughout the entire world should seek ordination. He is to have the right of electing, ordaining, confirming, and deposing all bishops. Besides this, he claims for himself the authority to make laws about acts of worship, about changing the Sacraments, and about doctrine. He wants his articles, his decrees, and his laws to be considered equal to the divine laws, to other articles of the Christian Creed and the Holy Scriptures. In other words, he holds that people’s consciences are so bound by the papal laws that those who neglect them, even without public offense, sin mortally. What he adds is even more horrible; namely, that it is necessary to believe all these things in order to be saved...

It is clear that the Roman pontiffs, with their followers, defend godless doctrines and godless services. And the marks of Antichrist plainly agree with the kingdom of the pope and his followers. For Paul, in describing Antichrist to the Thessalonians, calls him an enemy of Christ, “Who opposes and exalts himself against every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God” (2 Thessalonians 2:4). He is not speaking about heathen kings, but about someone ruling in the Church. He calls him the enemy of Christ, because he will invent doctrine conflicting with the Gospel and will claim for himself divine authority.