



EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH WOV - With One Voice
 CH - Celebration Hymnal
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**15th Sunday after Pentecost
 September 13th, 2020**

P: In a land of corn and soybeans, of pines and maple trees, sun and water, wind and rain, we gather to worship our God.

C: We are God's people, splashed with great promise in Baptism!

P: The promise of our Creator, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, takes us through all the seasons of the year and surprises us with grace hidden among the colors of every time under the heavens and the beauty of every race and nation.

C: God orders the chaos surrounding our lives and gives us light to see His hidden presence which always offers us new life.

P: So we begin this day in the name of our God: Father, Son, Holy Spirit.

C: With a splash of water and a word of promise we are called to freedom.

10,000 Reasons

*The sun comes up It's a new day dawning
 It's time to sing Your song again Whatever may pass
 And whatever lies before me Let me be singing
 When the evening comes.*

*Bless the Lord oh my soul Oh my soul
 Worship His Holy name
 Sing like never before Oh my soul
 I'll worship Your Holy name.*

*You're rich in love And You're slow to anger
 Your name is great And Your heart is kind
 For all Your goodness I will keep on singing
 Ten thousand reasons For my heart to find.*

*Bless the Lord oh my soul Oh my soul
 Worship His Holy name
 Sing like never before Oh my soul
 I'll worship Your Holy name (Repeat verse)*

*And on that day When my strength is failing
 The end draws near And my time has come
 Still my soul will Sing your praise unending
 Ten thousand years And then forevermore*

*Bless the Lord oh my soul Oh my soul
 Worship His Holy name
 Sing like never before Oh my soul
 I'll worship Your Holy name*

*Bless the Lord oh my soul Oh my soul
 Worship His Holy name
 Sing like never before Oh my soul
 I'll worship Your Holy name
 Yes, I'll worship Your Holy name
 Lord I'll worship Your Holy name.*

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: People of God, let us ask God to come to our aid with mercy and consolation so we may

turn from those things which seek to pull us away from our heavenly Father. We want to be attentive to God's Word, confess our sins and receive God's forgiveness. In the presence of one another and in sure confidence of God's divine presence, let us confess:

C: God, we hear your call to "go" and "tell the world," but we do not respond. Forgive our lack of courage and commitment. We hear your word to "love our neighbor", following the example of our Lord Jesus, and yet we remain uninvolved. We find it difficult to follow your commandments and we know that we are sinners in need of a gracious God. We confess that we are not worthy of your love and ask you to forgive the sin of every area of our lives. Open our hearts so we may hear the voices of those in need. Open our eyes so we may see the agony of the least, the last, and the lonely who are around us. Oh God, you are a great God and in the name of Jesus we ask your forgiveness. Uphold us by your loving Spirit so we continue to serve you and others always to the honor of your holy name.

P: By the command and authority of Jesus Christ, I declare to you the forgiveness of all your sins against God and neighbor. May God strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life. Amen. **C: Thanks be to God.**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

The Prayer of the Day: O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity. Grant us the fullness of your grace, that, pursuing what you have promised, we may share your heavenly glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

INSTALLATION OF SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

CHILDREN'S SERMON

First Lesson: Genesis 50:15-21

*A great High Priest whose name is love
Who ever lives and pleads for me*

*My name is graven on His hands
My name is written on His heart
I know that while in heav'n He stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart*

*No tongue can bid me thence depart
When Satan tempts me to despair
And tells me of the guilt within
Upward I look and see Him there
Who made an end of all my sin*

*Because the sinless Savior died
My sinful soul is counted free
For God the Just is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me
To look on Him and pardon me*

*Behold Him there, the risen Lamb
My perfect, spotless Righteousness
The great unchangeable I AM
The King of glory and of grace*

*One with Himself, I cannot die
My soul is purchased by His blood
My life is hid with Christ on high
With Christ my Savior and my God
With Christ my Savior and my God
One with Himself, I cannot die
My soul is purchased by His blood
My life is hid with Christ on high
With Christ my Savior and my God
With Christ my Savior and my God
With Christ my Savior and my God*

Before the throne of God above

*Before the throne of God above
I have a strong and perfect plea*

Psalm 148

P: Hallelujah! Praise God from the heavens; praise God from the heights! Praise God, all you angels; Praise God, all you multitudes in heaven!

C: Praise God, sun and moon; praise God, all you shining stars! Praise God, you highest heavens, And you waters above the heavens!

P: Let them praise the name of the most high, for God commanded and they were created. God established them forever and ever; God fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.

C: Praise God from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps, Fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling God's command!

P: Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars! Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds!

C: Sovereigns of the earth and all peoples, Royalty and all rulers of the earth! Young men and women alike, old and young together!

P: Let them praise the name of God, For God's name alone is exalted; God's glory is above earth and heaven.

C: God has raised up a horn for God's people, Praise for all the faithful, For the people of Israel who are close to God. Hallelujah!

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 18:21-35

Sermon



Broken Vessels

All these pieces Broken and scattered

*In mercy gathered Mended and whole
Empty-handed But not forsaken
I've been set free I've been set free*

*Amazing grace How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me, oh I once was lost
But now I'm found Was blind but now I see*

*Oh, I can see it now Oh, I can see the love in Your eyes
Laying yourself down Raising up the broken to life*

*You take our failure You take our weakness
You set Your treasure In jars of clay
So take this heart, Lord I'll be Your vessel
The world to see Your life in me, oh*

*Amazing grace How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me, oh I once was lost
But now I'm found Was blind but now I see*

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Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus

Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell; on the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

P: People of God: remember we are God's creation! We are called to freedom.

C: For God works miracles in common clay pots, changing caterpillars to butterflies, changing seeds to oak trees and night to day, changing winter to springtime, changing lives from ordinary to abundant.

P: We as God's celebrants dance through this world together:

C: Listening to God's music, responding to God's Word, praising God with clapping hands and moving feet, praising God with justice and mercy and humbleness, praising God with changed lives.

P: Let us celebrate the church of Jesus Christ where the wonderful grace of God breaks through the cloud of darkness and gloom and fills us with a holy spirit that overflows and we see rainbows, many-splendored colors, light in pitch darkness -- and every day is a festival of faith!

C: O God our Father, send us forth now, sure of the forgiveness for our sins, sure of freedom to be ourselves, sure of joy and peace through life in Christ. Send us out of this place -- united to one another in faith, united to one another in love, united to one another in service to all, united to one another in and through your Son.

P: Go now into the world that God, the Creator has made for you. Go now and tell the story of the God of God, Light of Light, who for our sake sent Jesus, the Christ, that we might be reconciled to the one true God. Go, believing only in God, the Lord and Giver of Life. Amen

No Longer Slaves

I'm no longer a slave to fear Oh, I am a child of God

Oh, I'm no longer a slave to fear Oh, I am a child of God

*You unravel me with a melody And You surround me with a song
Of deliverance from my enemies Until all my fears are gone*

*And I'm no longer a slave to fear Oh, I am a child of God
I'm no longer a slave to fear Oh, I am a child of God*

*From my mother's womb You have chosen me
Your Love has called my name
And I've been born again into your family
Your blood flows through my veins*

*And I'm no longer a slave to fear Oh, I am a child of God
I'm no longer a slave to fear Oh, I am a child of God
I'm no longer a slave to fear Oh, I am a child of God
And I'm no longer a slave to fear Oh, I am a child of God*

Oh, oh Oh, oh, oh

*I am surrounded By the arms of the Father
And I am surrounded By songs of deliverance
We've been liberated From our bondage
We're the sons and the daughters Let us sing our freedom*

*You split the sea So I could walk right through it
My fears were drowned in perfect love You rescued me
And I will stand and sing I am a child of God, yeah*

*You split the sea So I could walk right through it
My fears were drowned in perfect love You rescued me
And I will stand and sing I am a child of God
Yes, I am a child of God Yes I am, I am a child of God*

*'Cause I'm no longer a slave to fear Oh, I am a child of God
Oh, I'm no longer a slave to fear Oh, I am a child of God*

Closing

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found,

*He is my light, my strength, my song;
 This Cornerstone, this solid Ground,
 Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
 What heights of love, what depths of peace,
 When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
 My Comforter, my All in All,
 Here in the love of Christ I stand.*

*In Christ alone! – who took on flesh,
 Fullness of God in helpless babe.
 This gift of love and righteousness,
 Scorned by the ones He came to save:
 Till on that cross as Jesus died,
 The wrath of God was satisfied –
 For every sin on Him was laid;
 Here in the death of Christ I live.*

*There in the ground His body lay,
 Light of the world by darkness slain:
 Then bursting forth in glorious day
 Up from the grave He rose again!
 And as He stands in victory
 Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
 For I am His and He is mine –
 Bought with the precious blood of Christ.*

*No guilt in life, no fear in death,
 This is the power of Christ in me;
 From life's first cry to final breath,
 Jesus commands my destiny.
 No power of hell, no scheme of man,
 Can ever pluck me from His hand:
 Till He returns or calls me home,
 Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.*

Welcome and be blessed as we join in worship today and begin a new year of teaching and learning for all ages here at Emmanuel.

Thank you...to the members of the band today for sharing your talents with us and making

this a special day for our children and families as we “kick off” our new Sunday School year.

Chrystal Braun... will celebrate her 93rd birthday on Sunday, September 27th. In lieu of a visit or phone call, we know she would most appreciate receiving cards from her friends at Emmanuel. If interested in helping her celebrate, you may send cards to Chrystal Braun, 2077 400th St. Grafton, IA 50440. Thank you and God Bless - Chrystal Braun Family

Continued Prayers...for our children and teachers and for the people in the paths of storms and hurricanes, along with those in Central Iowa affected by the derecho.

| This Week at Emmanuel September 14- September 20 | | |
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| Monday, September 14 | 1 p.m. | TWC meeting |
| Tuesday, September 15 | 7 pm only | ENALCW Bible study |
| Wednesday, September 11 | 4:30 pm | Confirmation |
| Thursday, September 17 | 9:30 am | Bible Study |
| Sunday, September 20 | 9:30 am | Worship |
| | 10:30 am | Fellowship |
| | 10:40 am | Sunday School |

| Sunday Offering – September 6 th , 2020 | | Attendance: 85 |
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| General Fund: \$4,805 | Building: \$30 | Benevolence: \$10 |
| | Food Bank Fund: \$30 | |

