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WOV - With One Voice
CH - Celebration Hymnal
LBW - Lutheran Book of Worship

Lay Minister: **Merlin Bartz**

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Acolyte: Sophie Urbatsch

**6th Sunday after Pentecost
July 4, 2021**

Prelude: "Heal Our Land" and "King of the Nations"
from *The Celebration Hymnal*, # 800 & # 801

Apostolic Greeting:

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 Gathering Song: ***Open Your Ears, O Faithful People*** **WOV # 715**

Opening Dialogue:

P: Holy is the Lord, the Almighty. **C: He was, he is, and he is to come.**

P: He is worthy of glory and honor and power.

C: He created all things. By his will they came to be.

P: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain;

C: worthy to take the scroll and break its seals.

P: By his blood he purchased for God

C: people of every race and tongue, of every folk and nation.

P: Christ made of them a kingdom **C: and priests to serve our God.**

P: And they shall reign on earth forever. **C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P: God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

C: The Apostles Creed LBW p. 128

Old Testament Canticle: ***Listen! You Nations*** LBW, following p. 292, look for #14

Listen! You nations of the world: listen to the Word of the Lord.

Announce it from coast to coast; declare it to distant islands.

*1. The Lord who scattered Israel will gather his people again;
and he will keep watch over them as a shepherd watches his flocks.*

*Listen! You nations of the world: listen to the Word of the Lord.
Announce it from coast to coast; declare it to distant islands.*

*2. With shouts of joy they will come, their faces radiantly happy,
for the Lord is so gen'rous to them; he showers his people with gifts*

*Listen! You nations of the world: listen to the Word of the Lord.
Announce it from coast to coast; declare it to distant islands.*

*3. Young women will dance for joy, and men young and old will make merry.
Like a garden refreshed by the rain, they will never be in want again.*

*Break into shouts of great joy: Jacob is free again!
Teach nations to sing the song: "The Lord has saved his people!"*

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you**

Prayer of the Day: **God of glory and love, peace comes from you alone. Send us as peacemakers and witnesses to your kingdom, and fill our hearts with joy in your promises of salvation; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The First Lesson: Ezekiel 2:1-5

Psalm 123 (*read responsively*) **LBW p. 279**

The Second Lesson: 2 Corinthians: 12:2-10

The Gospel Acclamation: ***Halle, Halle, Hallelujah*** **WOV # 612**

The Holy Gospel: Mark 6: 1-13

The Sermon

Sermon Hymn: ***Listen, God is Calling*** **WOV # 712**

Collection of the Offering: "*Battle Hymn of the Republic*" CH # 804

The Offertory: ***For the Fruit of All Creation (verse 1)*** **WOV # 760**

The Prayer of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

The Blessing

Announcements

The Closing Hymn: ***Let Justice Flow Like Streams*** **WOV # 763**

Chimes and Postlude: "*You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord*" (On Eagle's Wings)

by Michael Joncas

Welcome... in the name of Jesus. May our time together be blessed and may we become blessings to one other. Please note, there will not be fellowship following worship today. Enjoy the Holiday with your family!

The Altar Flowers...are given in memory of John Borchardt, whose 70th birthday would have been today.

Thank you...to Merlin Bartz for leading our Worship today. We appreciate your time and service to Emmanuel.

Office hours will be changing...while Sharon is on vacation. Linda Koschmeder will be filling in and only come as needed to complete necessary work. If you need assistance, you may reach Linda at home at 641-748-2732 or her cell at 641-420-9094. Church building hours will remain the same.

For Emergency Pastoral care... Please contact **Pastor Paul Weeg** from Northwood, at 641-381-0675. We thank Pastor Weeg for his willingness to serve Emmanuel in this way.

In the Narthex...on a small table, you will find COVID kits, given by the Prairie Ridge Integrated Behavioral Healthcare facility. Please help yourself to these handy kits, filled with information and useful items for your home, office, or car.

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The 2021 Children's Summer Reading Program...at the *Grafton Public Library* is on Wednesdays from 3-4 p.m., June 9th- July 7th for kids ages 5-12.

Thank you...to those who attended the Congregational Workshop last Sunday and for all those who helped provide and serve the meal, organized by the ENALCW. Dean Staley led small groups in Bible Study and discussion of pertinent issues for the creating of our Congregational profile and what Emmanuel is looking for in a future Pastor. After this workshop, the Call Committee will meet to create a video and Congregational profile to submit to Pastor Wendel, to be added to the NALC website for potential pastoral candidates.

A word to the Congregation: "...the call process is a spiritual process of discernment led by the Holy Spirit. It is God's process, not the congregation's. It will take whatever time God intends, so there will be no rushing to judgment...Calling a pastor is not the equivalent of "hiring an employee." It is much more relational and covenantal. Calling a pastor is much more like a marriage, and the call process more similar to finding a mate for life...***Ask that all members be in regular prayer for the call committee and congregational leadership.*** *Ask all to pray that God will be working in the heart and life of the pastor He wishes to call as your next pastor, that the pastor be open to the working of the Holy Spirit. **Prayer will be as essential a part of your call process as everything the call committee does!*** ...the call process is about "Waiting for the Lord"... "We read in Isaiah 40,'...but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.'"

This Week at Emmanuel July 5 th -July 11 th		
Monday, July 5 th		Office closed
Tuesday, July 6 th	7:00 p.m.	Church Council
Friday, July 9- Monday, July 19 th		Sharon out of the office
Sunday, July 11 th	9:30 a.m.	Worship with HC (Pastor Weeg)
	10:30 a.m.	Fellowship

Offering: Sunday June 27th	Attendance: 56
General Fund: \$1,455	Building Fund: \$25
Benevolence: \$185	
<i>Thank you for your continued support of Emmanuel!!</i>	

