



*Second Sunday after Epiphany*

*January 14, 2017*

*9:30 am*

**Emanuel Lutheran Church**

**Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**

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# Welcome to Emanuel

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## **WELCOME GUESTS AND VISITORS!**

*Welcome in the name of Jesus Christ. We are glad that you have come to worship with us. Please help us to know you by filling out a worship attendance form (located in your bulletin) and placing it in the offering plate.*

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*(Please ask an usher)*

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## SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

JANUARY 14, 2018

9:30 AM

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**PRELUDE** *Word of God Came Down on Earth* Frederick Frahm

**WELCOME** Pastor Lyn Crase

**OPENING HYMN** *O Jesus, I Have Promised* ELW #810

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,  
who stretches out the heavens,  
who sends light to the nations,  
who gives breath to us all.

#### **C Amen**

P Let us confess our sin  
in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

P Loving God,

**C we confess that we have turned from your way  
to follow our own ways.**

**Forgive us for the times  
we have spoken or acted too quickly;  
we have not spoken or acted at all;  
we have hurt those closest to us;  
we have hurt those we have yet to know;  
we have thought more about ourselves than others;  
we have thought less of ourselves than we ought.**

**Turn us around, and give us a fresh start,  
so that we can live again as your children. Amen**

P Even when we have done wrong, God makes us right.  
Even when we have messed up, God puts us together.  
God's love never runs out.  
God never tires of calling us beloved children.  
Hear God say to you now:  
Your sins are forgiven,  
for the sake of ✝ Jesus Christ our Savior.

#### **C Amen**

## GREETING

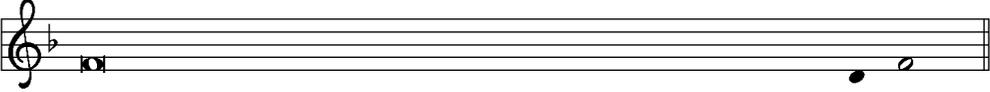
P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

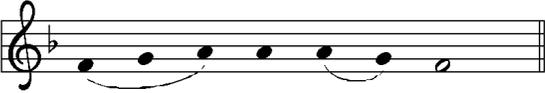
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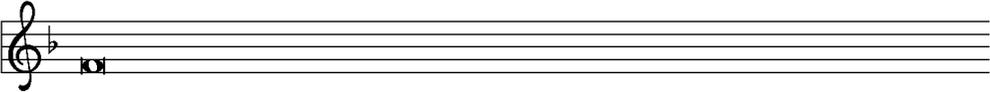
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



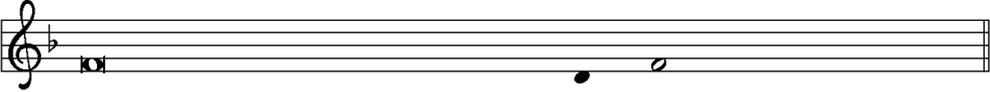
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer - cy.**



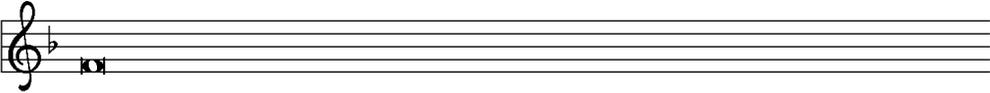
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



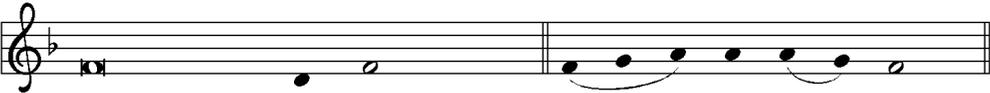
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



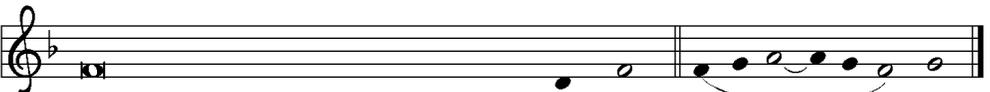
**Lord, have mer - cy.**



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **A - men.**

# HYMN OF PRAISE

Assisting minister



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray together....

**C Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, most merciful redeemer, for the countless blessings and benefits you give. May we know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day praising you, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

## FIRST READING: 1 SAMUEL 3:1-20

*At a time when visions are rare and unexpected, the Lord comes to Samuel and calls him to speak the divine word. Though just a boy, Samuel responds to God obediently, as Eli the priest has taught him to respond. This marks the beginning of Samuel's prophetic ministry.*

<sup>1</sup>Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

<sup>2</sup>At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; <sup>3</sup>the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. <sup>4</sup>Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" <sup>5</sup>and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. <sup>6</sup>The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." <sup>7</sup>Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. <sup>8</sup>The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. <sup>9</sup>Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

<sup>10</sup>Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening." <sup>11</sup>Then the LORD said to Samuel, "See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. <sup>12</sup>On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. <sup>13</sup>For I have told him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. <sup>14</sup>Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering forever."

<sup>15</sup>Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the LORD. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. <sup>16</sup>But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." He said, "Here I am." <sup>17</sup>Eli said, "What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you." <sup>18</sup>So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, "It is the LORD; let him do what seems good to him."

<sup>19</sup>As Samuel grew up, the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. <sup>20</sup>And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the LORD.

L The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM: PSALM 139:1-6, 13-18



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<sup>1</sup>LORD, you have | searched me out;  
O LORD, you | have known me.

<sup>2</sup>**You know my sitting down and my | rising up;  
you discern my thoughts | from afar.**

<sup>3</sup>You trace my journeys and my | resting-places  
and are acquainted with | all my ways.

<sup>4</sup>**Indeed, there is not a word | on my lips,  
but you, O LORD, know it | altogether.**

<sup>5</sup>You encompass me, behind | and before,  
and lay your | hand upon me.

<sup>6</sup>**Such knowledge is too wonder- | ful for me;  
it is so high that I cannot at- | tain to it.**

<sup>13</sup>For you yourself created my | inmost parts;  
you knit me together in my | mother's womb.

<sup>14</sup>**I will thank you because I am mar- | velously made;  
your works are wonderful, and I | know it well.**

<sup>15</sup>My body was not hid- | den from you,  
while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths | of the earth.

<sup>16</sup>**Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were written | in  
your book; my days were fashioned before they | came to be.**

<sup>17</sup>How deep I find your | thoughts, O God!  
How great is the | sum of them!

<sup>18</sup>**If I were to count them, they would be more in number | than the sand;  
to count them all, my life span would need to | be like yours.**

## SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 6:12-20 (MSG)

*Paul is helping the Corinthians understand that God has claimed the entirety of their lives through the death of Christ. Hence Christian relationships and conduct, including areas of human sexuality, are to reflect the reality that we belong to Christ and that the Holy Spirit lives within us.*

<sup>12</sup> Just because something is technically legal doesn't mean that it's spiritually appropriate. If I went around doing whatever I thought I could get by with, I'd be a slave to my whims.

<sup>13</sup> You know the old saying, "First you eat to live, and then you live to eat"? Well, it may be true that the body is only a temporary thing, but that's no excuse for stuffing your body with food, or indulging it with sex. Since the Master honors you with a body, honor him with your body!

<sup>14-15</sup> God honored the Master's body by raising it from the grave. He'll treat yours with the same resurrection power. Until that time, remember that your bodies are created with the same dignity as the Master's body. You wouldn't take the Master's body off to a whorehouse, would you? I should hope not.

<sup>16-20</sup> There's more to sex than mere skin on skin. Sex is as much spiritual mystery as physical fact. As written in Scripture, "The two become one." Since we want to become spiritually one with the Master, we must not pursue the kind of sex that avoids commitment and intimacy, leaving us more lonely than ever—the kind of sex that can never "become one." There is a sense in which sexual sins are different from all others. In sexual sin we violate the sacredness of our own bodies, these bodies that were made for God-given and God-modeled love, for "becoming one" with another. Or didn't you realize that your body is a sacred place, the place of the Holy Spirit? Don't you see that you can't live however you please, squandering what God paid such a high price for? The physical part of you is not some piece of property belonging to the spiritual part of you. God owns the whole works. So let people see God in and through your body.

L The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

P The Gospel according to John, Chapter 1

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

## **GOSPEL: JOHN 1:43-51**

*In John's gospel, Jesus' ministry begins with the call of disciples, who then bring others to Jesus. Philip's friend Nathanael moves from skepticism to faith when he accepts the invitation to "Come and see."*

<sup>43</sup>The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me."  
<sup>44</sup>Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. <sup>45</sup>Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." <sup>46</sup>Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." <sup>47</sup>When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" <sup>48</sup>Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." <sup>49</sup>Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" <sup>50</sup>Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." <sup>51</sup>And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

P The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (REPEATED)**

### **SERMON**

Rev. Kathryn Gulbranson  
Assistant to the Bishop, Sierra Pacific Synod

### **SERMON HYMN**

*Here I Am, Lord*

ELW #574

### **APOSTLE'S CREED**

A With the whole church, let us confess our faith using the words of the Apostle's Creed:

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,**

**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,**

**suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;**

**he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,**

**he is seated at the right hand of the Father,**

**and he will come 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**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A Confident that God our light and our salvation hears us when we pray, let us offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

*Response:* ... Let us pray,,

**Have mercy, O God.**

## TITHES & OFFERINGS

*Here I Am, Lord*

John Carter

*The offering is an act of worship; a response of gratitude and thankfulness.*

## OFFERING PRAYER

A Merciful God,  
receive the gifts we bring,  
our selves, our time, and our possessions.  
Through this meal unite us as your body,  
shining with the light of your justice and mercy;  
for the sake of him who gave himself for us,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen**

## SHARING THE PEACE

*The sharing of peace is an individual and communal act of forgiveness.*

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C And also with you.**

*Please return to your seat at the signal from the organ.*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

A In recognition of God's forgiveness, mercy and grace let us continue with the Great Thanksgiving.

P The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

**C We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## PREFACE

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -  
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,  
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

P To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

**C Amen**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

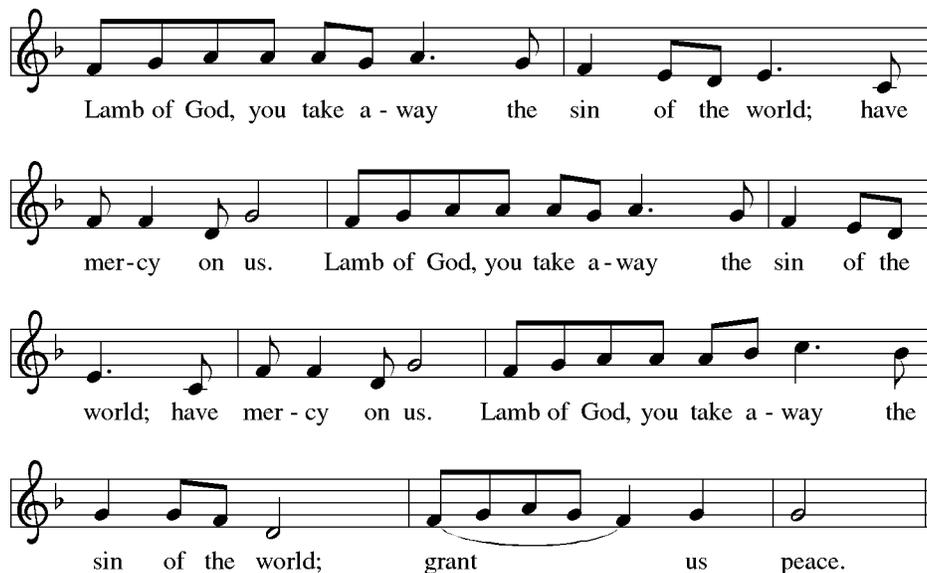
P We who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.  
Come. Be filled with light and life.

*We practice continuous communion at the altar rail. All are welcome.*

## HEALING PRAYER

*Healing prayer and anointing are available during communion at the side kneeler.*

## LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

## DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

*Lord, Be Glorified  
Dearest Jesus, At Your Word*

ELW #744

ELW #520

## COMMUNION BLESSING

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A O Morning Star, fair and bright,  
you have refreshed us again with heavenly food.  
You are our dearest treasure.  
Go with us now—  
today, tomorrow, every day—  
that we tell the story of your never-ending love  
and sing your praise both now and forever.

C Amen

## SENDING

P God's mission includes the gifts of grace that we share in worship and take also to the absent; now, we are sent to continue our participation in God's mission. With the blessing of God, we go out to live as Christ's body in the world.

C **To be your presence is our mission here,  
to show compassion's face and list'ning ear,  
to be your heart of mercy ever near,  
alleluia!**

**We are your heart, O Christ, your hands and voice,  
to serve your people is our call and choice,  
and in this mission we, the church, rejoice,  
alleluia!**

ELW #546

## BLESSING

P The God of glory dwell in you richly,  
name you beloved,  
and shine brightly on your path;  
and the blessing of almighty God,  
the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be upon you and remain with you always.

C Amen

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SENDING HYMN

*Listen, God Is Calling*

ELW #513

### DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.

C **Thanks be to God.**

### POSTLUDE

*Wonder Tidings*

Norberto Guinaldo

## THOSE WHO SERVED US TODAY

**Presiding Minister** ..... Pastor Lyn Crase  
**Assisting Minister** ..... Sam Gierhan  
**Acolyte**..... Fanney Bjargardottir  
**Ministers of the Word** ..... Marilyn Rowland, Lois Owen  
**Cantor** ..... Paula Barton  
**Communion Assistant**..... Owen/Epting  
**Usher/Greeter** ..... Petersen/Troedson  
**Altar Care**..... Obermeyer/Johnson

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# Announcements

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*Please use your “soft” voice during and following the Prelude, as others may be in prayer and meditation. Thank you.*



The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God by Debbie Van Diepen.



**Welcome Rev. Kathryn Gulbranson**, Assistant to Bishop Mark Holmerud, SPS. Thank you for being with us today!

**First Saturday Worship**. Every 1st Saturday of the month at 5:30 pm. An informal & interactive and contemplative worship experience.

**Choir rehearsals** will resume January 28.

## **1st Sunday Care Cupboard**

Bring your donations for the Care Cupboard –see list in the announcement box on page 15 of the bulletin. Donations will be accepted anytime.

Next Care Cupboard date is January 22.

**Tuesday Breakfast** has begun. If you'd like to volunteer, please come and observe any Tuesday at 7 am.

**Young Adult Bible Study** meets on Mondays at 1:15 pm in the Meditation Room near the Care Cupboard.

**Text Study** Tuesdays at 12:00 noon. All are welcome. Bring along your lunch.

**Thursday Morning Bible Study**, will continue with “Grace in a Tree Stump” by J. E. Kalas. All are welcome!

**Join Pastor Lyn** for discussion on the recently released Draft Social Statement on Women and Justice from the ELCA. The task force is asking for feedback on this statement. Sunday January 21st and 28th at 4:30 pm in Katie's room. The document can be found on the ELCA's website.

**Emanuel will again participate** in the **Point-in-Time census** (unsheltered homeless in our city) on Thursday, January 25. If you'd like to volunteer please see Pastor Lyn. Training is required. We will be collecting warm hats and gloves to hand out during the census. Also needed are snack items such as granola bars, individually packaged crackers, and individually package peanuts/nuts.

**Please remember** new financial pledges begin in January. Thank you for your support, financially and through the giving of your time and creative energy!

**There's a convenient way to make donations** to Emanuel. Simply install **Give+Church** on your Apple or Android phone or tablet, or with your computer, visit [www.emanuellutheran.org](http://www.emanuellutheran.org). On the website, choose the "Contact Us/Donations" menu item. Both options are extremely easy and walk you through the process.

**If you have decided** to tithe on your yearly pledge, below are some suggestions as to where/how to target that donation:

*Audio/visual technology upgrade*

*Care Cupboard*

*Katie's Kitchen*

*Piecemakers Quilting*

*Sanctuary Arts Team*

*Modesto Shower Shuttle*

*12 New Lutheran Study Bibles*

*Education (VBS curriculum)*

*Family Promise Modesto*

*Advertising*

**Sierra Pacific Synod** is suggesting donations to two agencies: Lutheran Social Services of Northern California and Lutheran Disaster Response. Donations to Lutheran Social Services can be designated through their "Wildfire Relief Fund" for needs in northern California in general. To donate to specific congregations, indicate the name of the congregation in the designated box. 100% of these monies will be given directly to churches and ministries that have been affected by the fires. Donations to Lutheran Disaster Relief can be designated to "U.S. Fire Relief" and will be used more generally to support churches and ministries and communities that have been affected by fires through the fall and throughout the west. 100% of donations so designated will be used by LDR to offer support to affected communities.

### **Emanuel Lutheran Care Cupboard**

*Thank you! Thank you!* The 1st Sunday each month is Care Cupboard Sunday, but donations are accepted every week. Some suggestions/popular items are: Individual servings of tuna/crackers boxes, small jars of jam, small jars of peanut butter, cans of soup, chili or vegetables, single-serve cracker packets, individual servings of mac 'n cheese, small boxes of cold cereal or individual servings of oatmeal, fruit or jello cups, pudding cups, packets of hot chocolate or apple cider, and Capri Sun juices. We are also in need of pet food.

*Thanks so much for your generosity! =)*



## **Family Promise** – January 21-27

It's not too late to secure a volunteer spot to be part of our hosting Family Promise guests, January 21-27. There are several empty spots on the chart – Sunday dinner, overnight male (Sun. + Thurs.), overnight female (Tues. + Thurs.) and pickups/drivers to transport beds Sunday morning, January 28<sup>th</sup>. Can you help? The signup chart is in the narthex.



## **The Endowment Fund**

### **ENDOWMENT FUND**

The Endowment Fund received an anonymous gift of \$4,500. The committee is very appreciative of this donation and thanks the donor.

The earnings of the Endowment fund help finance all capital expenses and also help finance different ministries of Emanuel Lutheran Church.

The fund also tithes 10% to the Synod. The Endowment Fund earned \$14,776 in 2017.

*Robert Reuter, Treasurer  
ELC*

### **New Office Hours**

*Going forward, Emanuel's office will be open  
Monday through Thursday from 8 am to 3:30 pm  
and Friday from 8 am to 2:30 pm.*

**Mariposa Lutheran Church  
Ordination**

*You are invited to attend the Ordination and Installation of  
**Pastor Sharon Amundson**  
on January 14, 2018 at 3:30 pm, followed by a celebratory dinner.*

If you would like to send a card to Pastor Sharon, please mail to:

Mariposa Lutheran Church

4469 Highway 49 South

Mariposa, CA 95338

For more information Contact Sharon Amundson: (209) 742-4714

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

MON 15	TUE 16	WED 17	THUR 18	FRI 19	SAT 20	SUN 21
<b>MLK Holiday</b>  <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>	<b>7:00 am</b> Tuesday Breakfast in Katie's Kitchen	<b>7:00 am</b> Men's Bible Study @ Mimi's  <b>10:00 am</b> Weekly Staff Mtg.	<b>9:30 am</b> Adult Bible Study		<b>FAMILY PROMISE Set-up</b>  <b>10:00 am</b> Organ Practice	<b>FAMILY PROMISE</b>  <b>9:30 am</b> Worship Service  <b>Birthday Blessings</b>
	<b>12:00 pm</b> Text Study	<b>5:30 am</b> Day Care Board Mtg.	1:30 pm Rebecca Circle			
		<b>7:00 pm</b> Council Mtg.				

## WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Date	Assistant Minister	Ministers of the Word	Cantor	Communion Assist	Acolyte	Usher Greeter	Altar Care
Jan 21 Epiphany 3	Marilyn Rowland	S Delvin D Holtz	David Holtz	Sheri Delvin	Gregory Taylor	Smith/ Knoll	Johnson/ Obermeyer
Jan 28 Epiphany 4	Peter Cousins	Fanney B. S Gierhan	Kathleen Reuter	Fanney B.	Addison Hoover	Holtz/ Salonen	Lois Silva
Feb 4 Epiphany 5	David Holtz	S McCready		Dave Henke	Emma Hoover	Owen Family	Knoll/ Nelson

## WEEKLY BIBLE READINGS

January 21 Epiphany 3	January 28 Epiphany 4	January 28 Epiphany 5
Jonah 3:1-5, 10 Psalm 62:5-12 1 Corinthians 7:29-31 Mark 1:14-20	Deuteronomy 18:15-20 Psalm 111 1 Corinthians 8:1-13 Mark 1:21-28	Isaiah 40:21-31 Psalm 147:1-11, 20c 1 Corinthians 9:16-23 Mark 1:29-39

# Prayer Requests

**New Prayer Requests:** Lindsay Turner—diagnose her condition & healing (Crawford); Rev. Ralph Herman—healing & well-being; Pat Smith—surgery/recovery, healing & well-being

*Marjorie (Marge) Sample passed away peacefully on January 4 at Casa de Modesto. At Marge's request, there will be no public service. A private memorial and graveside service is planned. Please keep Marge's family in your prayers as they grieve her passing. Memorials may be made to Emanuel Lutheran Church's general fund or to Community Hospice, 4368 Spyres Way, Modesto.*

*Mildred (Millie) Golding passed away at Stratford Assisted Living on January 5. A funeral was held at Emanuel this past Friday with burial at Lakewood. Please keep Millie's family in your prayers as they mourn her passing. Memorials may be made to Emanuel Lutheran Quilt Makers fund as this was a special area of interest for Millie.*

**Our Members:** Linda Nelson; Laurie Spinuzzi; Pat Smith; Sherm Petersen; Dr. Van Allen; Joanne Trana; the Tisdal family; Jennaca Hollinger; Rev. Ralph Herman; Roland Loeffler; Bill Beasley; Teri Scott; Rue Knoll; Mary Murray; Joyce Bachmann; Carolyn Cranwelge; Ron Silva

**Our Homebound Members:** Florence Broden, Shelda Fritts; Alice Hine; Vera Eden

**Our Family:** Suzanne Stiver Lie (Reinheimer); Ian McKenzie (Schmidt); Jane Tisdal (Tisdal); Patsy Natvig (Hoover); David Massingill (Reuter); Pastor Roger Lee and family; Janet Barkley (Deutsch); Nancy Jones' brother-in-law; the Hunwardsen family, Hazel Holyfield; Joyce & Manuel Dillard (Scott); Michael Bach (Scott); Moira & Ron Wilhelm (Clarke); Billie Cannon (Cannon); Carolyn & Jake Strand Maret (Strand); Nick Berlin (L. Skustad); Mabel Kraft (Kraft); Lisa Schenewark (Martin); George and Glenn Massingill (Reuter); Art Ludke (Norquist); Joyce Inell, Alley Taylor (Scott); Joy, Manuel & Hazel (Scott); Ali Moraitis (Watkins); Zoe Diaz (T. Layne); Terry Petersen (Petersen)

**Our Friends:** Roger Warner (Schmidt); Jennifer Turner (Dieterich); Priscilla Pino (Ixcot); Tyler (Norquist); Dawn & Alexander Piscitello (Watkins); Charlie Wilson, churches and families in Napa Valley & Santa Rosa affected by the fires; Kathy & Lee van Boven (Reinheimer); Shey's

family (Billie Cannon); the Vogelzang family; Judy Darby (Schmidt); Julie Moore (Barton); Ken Jensen (Norquist); the Ellsworth family (Wagonner); Sandy & Chris (Hooper); Bill Lesher (Hoaglund); Charlotte Yardy (ELDC); Abram Hilterbrand (G. Layne)

**We Pray for Peace** in the Middle East, and for all those serving in our armed forces:  
**T/Sgt. Ryan Dangerfield, USAF** at Ramstein AB, Germany and **SSgt. Joey Sabel, USMC** at Camp Lejeune, NC (Marilyn & Chuck Rowland's grandson & grandson-in-law)



## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Confident that God our light and our salvation hears us when we pray, let us offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

For the church throughout the world and for all called to its various ministries, that the Holy Spirit invite us and others to “come and see,” let us pray.

**Have mercy, O God.**

For the well-being of creation, for plants that provide nourishment, for animals that tend their young, that your goodness will be revealed through all creation, let us pray.

**Have mercy, O God.**

For the nations and all in authority, for advocates, for those who work for racial justice, and for our community, that all people may thrive together in harmony and order, let us pray.

**Have mercy, O God.**

For all who are oppressed; for those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; for caregivers and families; for those who grieve and cannot sleep, that comfort will come to those in any distress, let us pray.

**Have mercy, O God.**

We pray for your healing touch on those we name before you now, aloud or in silence (*pause for silence*). Lord, in your mercy,

**Have mercy, O God.**

For travelers and those unable to attend worship today, for members of our community celebrating special events, and for those who request prayers, let us pray.

**Have mercy, O God.**

In thanksgiving for those who followed Christ and now rest from their labors (*especially Martin Luther King Jr., commemorated this week*), that their witness provide a model of prophetic leadership and tireless justice-making, let us pray.

**Have mercy, O God.**

Merciful God, you hear our prayers even before we speak them. Receive them for the sake of the one through whom you have revealed your goodness, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen**

## ENTRANCE HYMN #810

### O Jesus, I Have Promised



1 O Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;  
2 Oh, let me feel you near me; the world is ev - er near.  
3 Oh, let me hear you speak - ing in ac - cents clear and still  
4 O Je - sus, you have prom - ised to all who fol - low you



re - main for - ev - er near me, my mas - ter and my friend.  
I see the sights that daz - zle, the tempt - ing sounds I hear.  
a - bove the storms of pas - sion, the mur - murs of self - will.  
that where you are in glo - ry your ser - vant shall be too.



I shall not fear the bat - tle if you are by my side,  
My foes are ev - er near me, a - round me and with - in;  
Now speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;  
And Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;



nor wan - der from the path - way if you will be my guide.  
but, Je - sus, then draw near - er to shield my soul from sin.  
now speak and make me lis - ten, O Guard - ian of my soul.  
oh, give me grace to fol - low, my mas - ter and my friend.

Text: John E. Bode, 1816–1874, alt.

Music: MUNICH, *Neuvermehrtes Gesangbuch*, Meiningen, 1693

# SERMON HYMN #574

## Here I Am, Lord



1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.  
2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.  
3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.  
I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.  
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.  
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.  
Fin-est bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"  
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"  
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"

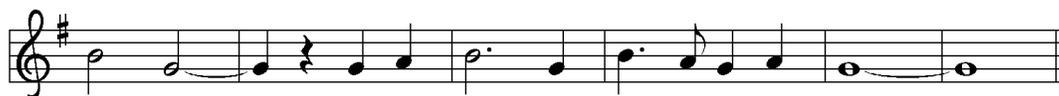
### *Refrain*



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

Text: Daniel L. Schutte, b. 1946

Music: HERE I AM, LORD, Daniel L. Schutte

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# SENDING HYMN #513

## Listen, God Is Calling *Neno lake Mungu*

*Refrain*  
Leader All



Ne - no, ne - no la - ke Mu - ngu la - ku - i - ta we - we,  
Lis - ten, lis - ten, God is call - ing, through the Word in - vit - ing,

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ne - no la wo - ko - vu, te - na je - ma. ma.  
of - fer - ing for - give - ness, com - fort, and joy. joy.

Leader All



Ye - su a - li - se - ma, Mka - hu - bi - ri.  
1 Je - sus gave his man - date: share the good news  
2 Let none be for - got - ten through - out the world.  
3 Help us to be faith - ful, stand - ing stead - fast,

Leader All *Refrain*



Ne - no la - ke Mu - ngu la wo - ko - vu.  
that he came to save us and set us free.  
In the tri - une name of God go and bap - tize.  
walk - ing in your pre - cepts, led by your Word.

Text: Tanzanian traditional; tr. Howard S. Olson, b. 1922

Music: NENO LAKE MUNGU, Tanzanian tune

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