



*WELCA Sunday*  
*Veteran's Day*

*November 13, 2016*

Emanuel Lutheran Church

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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.*

- **LARGE PRINT BULLETINS** are available. •

*(Please ask an usher)*

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# WELCA THANKOFFERING SUNDAY

NOVEMBER 13, 2016

9:30 AM

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## PRELUDE

*Deep River*

Gerald Near

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

## WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Lyn Crase

## OPENING HYMN

*How Firm a Foundation*

ELW #796

## GATHERING

P Blessed be the holy Trinity + one God, who creates and redeems and renews the face of the earth.

**C Amen**

## LITANY FOR GATHERING

P Bless the Lord, O my soul.

**C O Lord my God, you are very great.**

P Today brings all we need to praise our loving God.

**C Creator, you have made us in your image.**

P Today brings all we need to live in peace and purpose.

**C Redeemer, you have called us to new life.**

P Today brings all we need to live abundantly.

**C Renewer, you have brought us together to sing your praise.**

P Today brings generations together to grow in faith, affirm and support one another.

**C Companion, you guide us to your beloved community.**

P Today brings a world in need of healing and wholeness.

**C Healer, you inspire us to ministry and action.**

P For the church, the society and the world,

**C Lord our God, we humbly enter into worship.**

P Prepare our hearts.

**C Amen.**

# GREETING

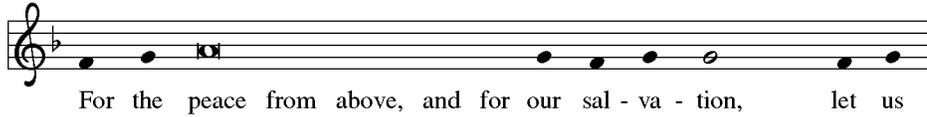
P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

# KYRIE



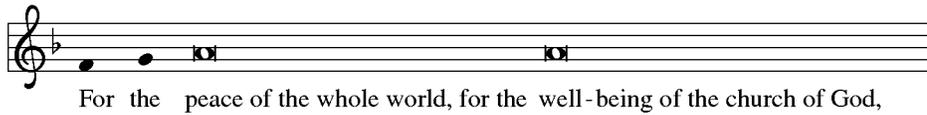
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer-cy.**



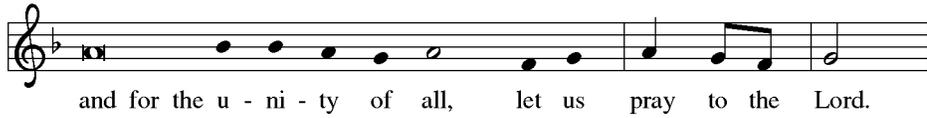
For the peace from above, and for our sal - va - tion, let us



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



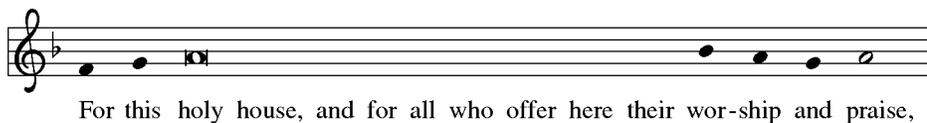
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer - cy.**



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



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



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



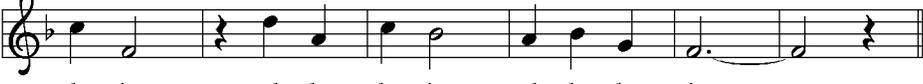
**A - men.**

# THIS IS THE FEAST

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo - ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and



strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Final refrain*



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,



for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray together....

**C Holy God, because without you we would not be able to serve you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and guide our hearts and minds; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

## FIRST READING: MALACHI 4:1-2a

*Malachi, whose name means "my messenger," warns that the day of the Lord is coming. On that day, the evil will be destroyed like stubble in a fire, but the "sun of righteousness" will shine on those who fear God.*

<sup>1</sup>See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. <sup>2a</sup>But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

L The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## SECOND READING: 2 THESSALONIANS 3:6-13

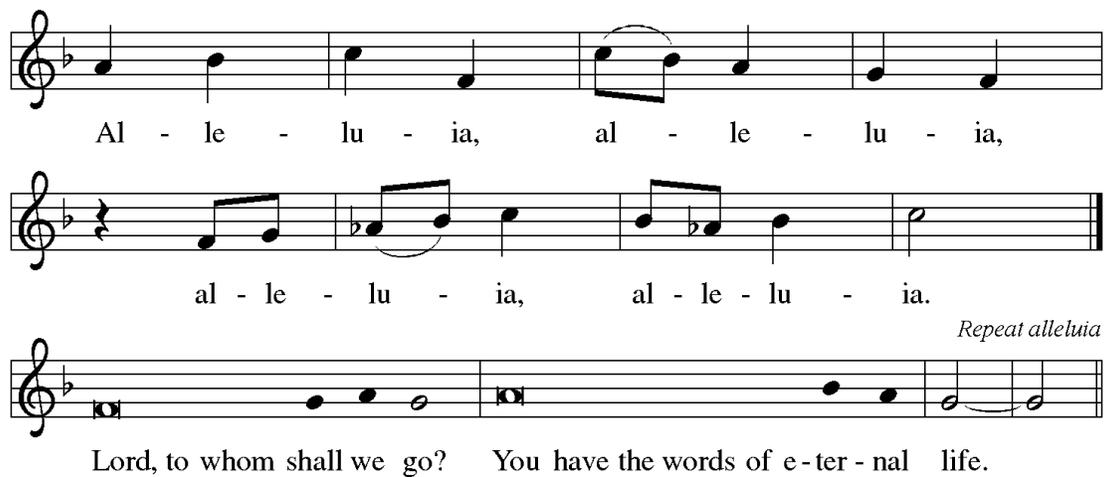
*Some members of the Thessalonian community, because of their belief in the nearness of Christ's return, had ceased to work, living off the generosity of other members of the community. Paul warns them bluntly that if they want to eat, they need to work.*

<sup>6</sup>Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. <sup>7</sup>For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, <sup>8</sup>and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. <sup>9</sup>This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. <sup>10</sup>For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. <sup>11</sup>For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. <sup>12</sup>Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. <sup>13</sup>Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

L The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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

P The Gospel according to Luke Chapter 21

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

### GOSPEL: LUKE 21:5-19

*As history moves toward God's fulfillment there will be frightening signs and events. Before the end, believers will draw strength from their relationship to God and shall be given the words they need to testify and to endure without fear.*

<sup>5</sup>When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, <sup>6</sup>"As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down."

<sup>7</sup>They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" <sup>8</sup>And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them.

<sup>9</sup>"When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." <sup>10</sup>Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; <sup>11</sup>there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

<sup>12</sup>"But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. <sup>13</sup>This will give you an opportunity to testify. <sup>14</sup>So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; <sup>15</sup>for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. <sup>16</sup>You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. <sup>17</sup>You will be hated by all because of my name. <sup>18</sup>But not a hair of your head will perish. <sup>19</sup>By your endurance you will gain your souls."



## **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 With the people of God gathered here and throughout the world, we offer our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of creation.

*Response:* ... Let us pray.

**Have mercy, O God.**

## **DEDICATION OF PLEDGES**

## **TITHES & OFFERINGS**

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

## **OFFERTORY**

*Bless This House*

May H. Brahe

Yvonne Troedson, Soloist

## **OFFERING PRAYER**

A Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever.

## 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 seats at the signal from the organ and remain standing after the Peace.*

## 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.

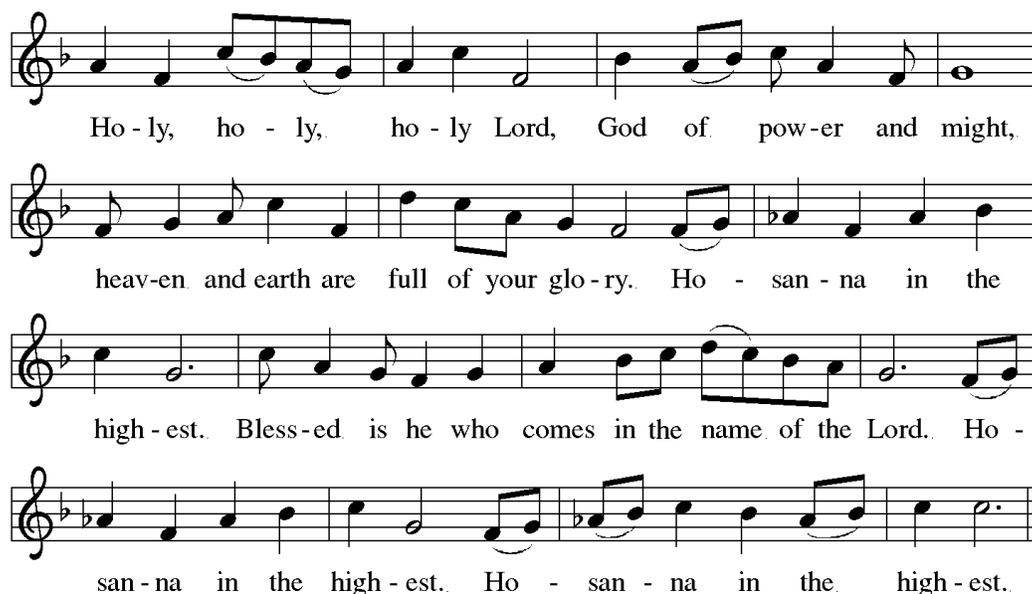
**C It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## 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 - er and might,  
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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. 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**

WELCA women please bring your Thankoffering forward and gather around the piano.

## THANKOFFERING PRAYER

A God of grace,

C You have showered the ministries of Women of the ELCA and Emanuel Lutheran with abundance. Help us to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in ministry and action and promote healing and wholeness in the church, the society and the world. Accept these gifts and this prayer that, nurtured by your Word, filled with your Spirit, and fed at your table, we may share with gladness all that you have shared with us until all creation is satisfied. Amen

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

ICET

Setting by David Haas

Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-low-ed be your  
name, your king-dom come, your will be done on  
earth as in heav-en. Give us to-day our  
dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins as we for-give  
those who sin a-gainst us. Save us from the  
time of trial and de-liv-er us from e-vil, for the  
king-dom, the pow'r and the glo-ry are yours,  
now and for ev-er.

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## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

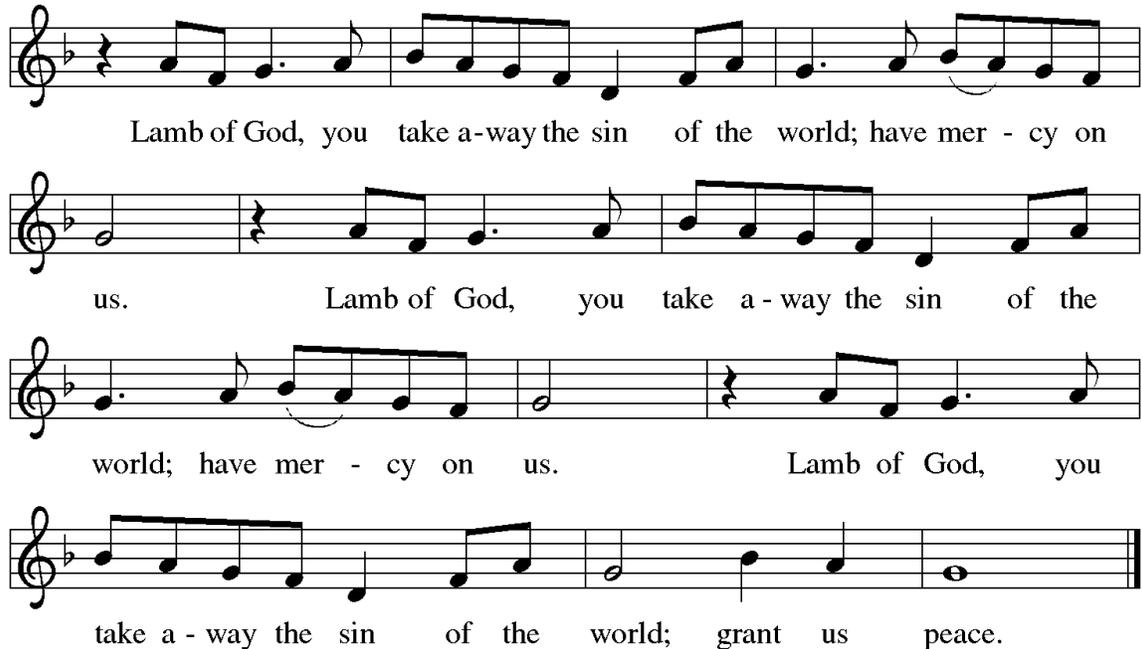
P Share in the inheritance of all the saints.  
Come to the table prepared for you.

*We offer 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

*When Peace Like a River*

ELW #785

*Abide with Me*

ELW #629

*Lost in the Night*

ELW #243

## 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 We give you thanks, shepherding God,  
that you have gathered your scattered flock again this day,  
feeding us richly with the food of Paradise.

Accompany us as we serve you all the days of our lives,  
and gather us with the saints in the day of our death;  
through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer and Lord.

C Amen

## SENDING OF COMMUNION MINISTERS

*Home Communion Minister(s) come(s) forward.*

P Let us pray,

C **O God of tender compassion, as you healed the sick and welcomed the stranger, bless those who leave this assembly to share the gifts of this table with our sisters and brothers who are homebound. May they be sustained by the love and prayers of this community, and by the Bread of life that satisfies all hunger, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## BLESSING

P God who loves us,  
who gives us eternal consolation and good hope,  
comfort your hearts  
and strengthen them in every good work and word;  
and the blessing of almighty God,  
Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you forever.

C **Amen**

## FLAG FOLDING CEREMONY

American Legion

## SENDING HYMN

*Soon and Very Soon*

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## DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

*Joyous March*

George Brandon

## THOSE WHO SERVED US TODAY

**Presiding Minister** ..... Pastor Lyn Crase  
**Assisting Minister** ..... Suzanne Wilke  
**Acolyte**..... Kailyn Knoll  
**Ministers of the Word** ..... Susan McCready, Pat Smith  
**Cantor**..... Paula Barton  
**Communion Assistant(s)**..... McCready/Crawford  
**Usher/Greeter** ..... Knoll/Hardin  
**Altar Care**..... Johnson/ Obermeyer

# 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 today are given to the glory of God by Tom and Jeanne Hardin in celebration of WELCA Sunday and also in celebration of all the women of WELCA.



## **WELCA THANKOFFERING**

*As we give our Thankofferings today, we share in a tradition that goes back at least to the 1800s, when Christian women formed “mite” or “cent” societies to support the mission of the church. When others said there was not enough money to carry out the church’s work, the women believed otherwise and acted together. In these societies, each woman collected offerings at home. On occasion, they would gather as we do today to worship and make their offerings with thanks and praise. When Women of the ELCA was formed 30 years ago, we committed to continue this tradition of giving in gratitude for blessings. Each year, in thousands of congregations, Thankofferings are given to support the life-changing ministries of Women of the ELCA. Together, we do more than we could ever do apart. In gratitude for all God has given to us, and with hope for all that is to come, let us now give our Thankoffering.*

**Choir Rehearsal** after the service at about 11:00.

**Text Study** meets Tuesdays at noon in Katie’s Room. All are welcome. Bring along your lunch.

**Thursday Morning Bible Study on Martin Luther.** Regularly meets in Katie’s Room from 9:30-11:00 am. *First Thursdays only*, meets at Casa de Modesto with our members who are residents there. Everyone is welcome!

**On-Going Adult Education** Sunday evenings twice a month from 5:30—7:00 pm (meet in Katie’s room). “The Abrahamic Traditions, Honoring Our Neighbor’s Faith.” 11/13—Guest Speaker Imam Ahmad Kayello of the Islamic Center of Modesto.

**2nd Sunday of each month** Healing Prayer during communion.

**NEW Bible Class** meets every 3rd Sunday at 3:00 pm—“Biblical Art Journaling.” See Megan Armes for more information. Next class meets 11/20.

**Thanksgiving Service at Congregation Beth Shalom**, November 20, 2017 at 7:00 pm. This service is becoming a tradition worthy of being upheld! Participants include Emanuel Lutheran, St. Paul's Episcopal, The Islamic Center of Modesto, and Congregation Beth Shalom. This year's theme is "Abrahamic Traditions - Faith in Action" and promises to be one of the most profound experiences of your holiday season. Congregation Beth Shalom is located at 1705 Sherwood Ave. Modesto (behind Our Lady of Fatima parish). Please plan to attend and bring your friends and neighbors to celebrate Thanksgiving amongst this ecumenical gathering!

**Lifeline Screening** will again be offered at Emanuel on December 1. Watch for more details and a sign-up sheet, Emanuel members receive a 10% discount on all screening tests with advance registration.

### **Emanuel's "Story Corps"**

In 2003 **Story Corps** ([storycorps.org](http://storycorps.org)) was launched in NYC and quickly spread across the country in an effort to build an oral portrait of America and Americans. Audio recordings are stored in the Library of Congress for anyone to use. Their stated objective is, "... to remind one another of our shared humanity, to strengthen and build the connections between people, to teach the value of listening, and to weave into the fabric of our culture the understanding that everyone's story matters. At the same time, we are creating an invaluable archive for future generations."

With the support of our own Social Media Ministry Team, Emanuel is developing a compilation of members' 10-minute oral reflection on their faith journey through life, including what it means to you to be Lutheran. Recordings will be stored and accessible on the ELC website ([emanuellutheran.org](http://emanuellutheran.org)). We would like every member to be a part of this valuable collection. These conversations could take place at Emanuel, or in your or my home, or in a coffee shop – your choice. You may be asked in the near future to participate or you may sign up in the Narthex.

### **Advent is coming ...**

Our crane mobile has migrated from the sanctuary and into storage along with the red and orange Pentecost fabric runners. The space is soon to be filled with the advent and excitement of Christmas. Plans are being created to suspend a large number of Christmas ornaments high, just below the beams, to build on the anticipation and joy of this wonderful season.

Would you like to be part of this display? If so, you may contribute an ornament for inclusion by placing it in the collection box in the Narthex. There will be a general color theme of red and gold but really, any color ornament is okay – but it must be a round "ball type" ornament (no novelty ornaments please). You might want to write on the ornament or insert a prayer into it. Contact David Holtz with questions (578-0926).

**If you have not completed** a Stewardship Card or Time & Talent Card please be sure to pick one up from the table in the Narthex. Thank you!

**If you are bringing treats on Sunday,** Please check the treat calendar for upcoming openings.

**Soup Suppers** begin on November 30th. Please see the sign-up sheet in the Narthex.





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God's work. Our hands.

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*You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,  
you will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress; my God in whom I trust."  
(Psalm 91)*

During the week of Veterans Day (Friday, Nov. 11), I invite you to join across this church to pray for service members, veterans, chaplains and their families. Let us pray for an ordered civic life and respect for the dignity and worth of every person. In worship on these days, please remember the impact of family separation and mobility for veterans and those currently serving, many of whom are members of our congregations and communities.

In New Orleans this year, the ELCA Churchwide Assembly adopted a memorial asking, "the Office of the Presiding Bishop to establish a Sunday of prayer and action closest to Veterans Day each year to unite this church in prayer and encourage practical assistance for military members, veterans, ELCA chaplains and families."

I invite you to pray for the pursuit of peace and for the right use of power in cases where war is a response to aggression. Pray for those who have answered a vocation of military service and for their families. Through prayer, let us encourage our ELCA chaplains as they witness for Jesus Christ and make Christ present in word and sacrament. Prayer is powerful, and knowing this church remembers in prayer those who serve helps sustain their hope in Christ. For worship resources, prayer aids and other ideas visit: [elcachaps.com](http://elcachaps.com).

Whether your congregation is new to addressing military concerns or has a history of prayer and action for those touched by war-time service, I ask for your prayers. Consider making the Sunday closest to Veterans Day an opportunity to care for those who have served as together we turn to God as our refuge and strength.

God's peace,

The Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton  
Presiding Bishop  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

## ABOUT THE LUTHERANS

# Martin Luther's German Bible

What version of the Bible do you hear and read? Just in English, we have many to choose from. They range from translations that aim to be as accurate as possible (such as the New Revised Standard Version) to others whose main objective is to be easy to understand, even if certain details get lost.

Imagine, though, if there were no Bible available in English—if such a thing didn't exist. What if the only Bible was in a language most didn't know and we had to rely on priests and scholars to tell us what was in the Bible? That was the situation in the Germany of Martin Luther's time. The Bible was most commonly found in Latin, though scholars could read it in the original languages of Hebrew and Greek. An important part of Luther's reforms was recognizing that a German Bible was needed—and then actually creating it!

Sometimes things happen because it's the right time, and that seems to be the case with Luther's Bible. Johannes Gutenberg's invention of printing with movable type had come along a few decades earlier and was coming into widespread use. Luther recognized the need to provide

a Bible that ordinary, literate people could read. The many dialects of the German people were beginning to coalesce into a form that was widely understandable. Luther even had an artist friend, Lucas Cranach, who could provide illustrations for the Bible, aiding people's understanding. And

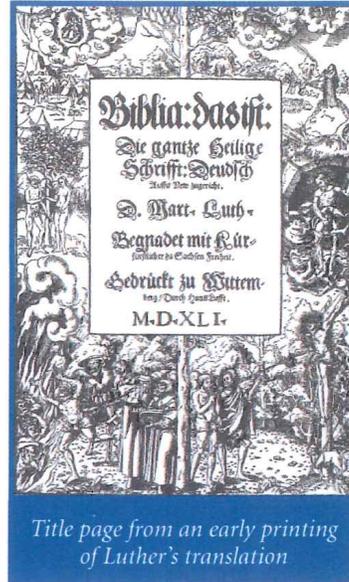


*The Wartburg Castle as it would have appeared in Luther's time*

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understanding. And finally, Luther had the time to devote to the project.

The dispute with the Roman Catholic hierarchy that had begun with indulgences and Luther's Ninety-Five Theses had expanded and now came to a head with the imperial council (or "diet") held at Worms. Luther strongly defended his writings but still was condemned as an outlaw (in addition to already being named a heretic). He could have been arrested and executed, but his prince, Frederick the Wise, "kidnapped" him in April 1521 and hid him away in the Wartburg Castle. There the reformer had little to do, so he set out to begin his translation of the Bible.



*Title page from an early printing of Luther's translation*

He started with the New Testament. He had learned New Testament (*koine*) Greek, the original language, and so began with that, not Latin. Since the German language was still evolving, Luther would make trips into nearby towns to hear how people actually spoke. Luther returned to his home in Wittenberg in 1522, and within six months, his New Testament was published. After that he worked with other pastors and scholars to prepare the Old Testament. The complete Bible, with 117 woodcut illustrations, was first published in 1534. He revised it several times up until his death.

Luther's work on a German Bible was a landmark achievement. It influenced others in many countries, including England, to do the same. He brought the scriptures into the language of his people, and in so doing spread the gospel.

## Fall Emanuel Canned Food Drive



We have an opportunity to support others through food and nutrition by collecting canned and non-perishable food to share with Interfaith Ministries Modesto. Please place food items in the container in the Narthex.

**Sunday 10/23 to Sunday 11/20**

Thank you for your support of this annual community activity.



Do you know how to recognize the warning signs of a stroke? If you or someone you know is experiencing any of the symptoms below, call 911 right away. It is important to seek medical treatment immediately.

- Sudden Numbness
- Difficulty Speaking
- Severe Dizziness
- Loss of Coordination
- Sudden Loss of Vision
- Sudden Intense Headache
- Brief Loss of Consciousness

Protect your health by participating in the Lifeline health screenings that will be held at Emanuel Lutheran Church on Thursday, December 1, 2016

Through ultrasound we evaluate the carotid arteries for the buildup of fatty plaque, which is the leading cause of stroke. Register for the Stroke, Vascular & Heart Rhythm package which includes four screenings: carotid artery, abdominal aortic aneurysm, peripheral arterial disease and atrial fibrillation. **In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6441 or visit [www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners](http://www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners).**

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

MON 14	TUE 15	WED 16	THUR 17	FRI 18	SAT 19	SUN 20
		7:00 am Men's Bible Study @ Mimi's	9:30 am Adult Bible Study Katie's Rm.	OFFICE CLOSED		9:30 am Worship Service  <b>BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS</b>
	12:00 pm Lectionary Study	10:00 am Weekly Staff Mtg.	1:30 pm Rebecca Circle @ L. Silva's			3:00 PM Biblical Art Journaling
7:00 pm Bible Study @ M. Waggoner's		5:30 pm ELDC Board Mtg.  7:00 pm Council Mtg.		6:30 pm ELDC Feast & Raffle		5:30 pm Youth Group  7:00 pm Thanksgiving Worship @ Beth Shalom

## WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Date	Assisting Minister	Ministers of the Word	Cantor	Communion Assist	Acolyte	Usher Greeter	Altar Care
Nov 20 Christ the King	Barbara Crawford	S Hall D Santana	David Holtz	Dianne Santana	Fanney Bjargardottir	Reuter/ Dieterich	Johnson/ Obermeyer
Nov 27 Advent 1	David Holtz	B Crawford Wilke		Suzanne Wilke	Alora Skustad	Shank/ Skustad	Lois Silva
Dec 4 Advent 2	Suzanne Wilke	D Holtz L Owen	David Holtz	Dave Henke	Emma Hoover	Owen Family	Van Diepen/ Kroeze

## WEEKLY BIBLE READINGS

November 20 Christ the King	November 27 Advent 1	December 4 Advent 2
Jeremiah 23:1-6 Psalm 46 Colossians 1:11-20 Luke 23:33-43	Isaiah 2:1-5 Psalm 122 Romans 13:11-14 Matthew 24:36-44	Isaiah 11:1-10 Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19 Romans 15:4-13 Matthew 3:1-12



**New Prayer Requests:** Shelda Fritts—healing & well-being. Keep her safe & well and return her home to her loved ones (Shelda’s daughter Mya); Gregory & Alley Taylor—well being & healing (Scott); Donald Murray—healing, health & recovery ( Murray); Christine Williams, Larry Decker—healing (Dieterich); Jill Klenz—surgery & recovery, healing & well-being

**Our Members:** Drew Shank; Ben Knoll; Lori Knoll; Carolyn Crenwelge; Bob Dailey; Kelly Dailey; Gary Knoll; Bill Fox; Elaine Urch; Virginia Dall; Keith Thurston; Anna Hooper; Anthony Pino & Aaron Daubenspeck; Lena Shirley; Marj Sample; Teri Scott; Pat Smith

**Our Homebound Members:** Florence Broden, Kay Altmas

**Our Family:** Ian McKenzie (Schmidt); Sheila Barton (Barton); Joy Morgan (Scott); Suzanne Stiver Lie (Reinheimer); Evelyn Thurston (Thurston); Cindy Johnson (Salonen); Helen Opitz (Smith); Robert Schlipman; Sherry Orsetti; Laurie Spinuzzi (Silva); Donald Murray (Murray); Linda Luis-Thompson (Strand); Bobby Horton (Crawford); Joyce & Manuel (Scott); Gay McCready (McCready); Richard Epting (Epting); Sue and George Reinheimer; Ali Moraitis (Watkins)

**Our Friends:** Mark, Matthew & Amanda (Scott); Roger Warner (Schmidt); Adrienne (Nelson); Pastor Stan Niemi; Tom Aja (Crawford); Jennifer Turner (Dieterich); John Pienado (Knoll); Dawn Wagner; Mark Davis (Ixcot); Leila Afshin (Skustad); Donna Thayer (Petersen); Mary Martin (Martin); Cheryle Pickel (Crawford); Sydney (Silva); Jerry Larson (Clarke); David and Jeffrey Hudson (Reinheimer); Astephen Washer (Norquist); Evelyn Wangeman (Hoaglund)

**We Pray for Peace** in the Middle East, and for all those serving in our armed forces.

**T/Sgt. Ryan Dangerfield, USAF** in Ramstein AB, Germany and **SSgt. Joey Sabel, USMC** in Kaneohe Marine Corps Base, Hawaii (Marilyn & Chuck Rowland’s grandson & grandson-in-law); **Capt. Tim Kramer** (Megan Armes’ brother) will be in Kuwait through June of 2016; **Ryan Powell** (grandson of Yvonne Troedson) USN, Connecticut; **Chad Vander Veen** (friend of Susan Hall), US Army in Iraq.

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

With the people of God gathered here and throughout the world, we offer our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of creation.

For the church, for missionaries and teachers, clergy and laity, and all ministers who proclaim the gospel in word and deed, that the Sun of righteousness enlighten the whole earth, let us pray.

**Have mercy, O God.**

For rivers and lakes, hills and mountains, fruit and vegetables, and animals great and small, that creation thrive and that we care for all God has given us, let us pray.

**Have mercy, O God.**

For our newly elected leaders and all in authority at the local, state, provincial, national, and international levels, for those who advocate for equity, and for relief workers and their supporters, let us pray.

**Have mercy, O God.**

For those who hunger or thirst, for those who doubt or are terrified, for those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, and for caregivers, that all experience the healing and comfort given through Christ, let us pray.

**Have mercy, O God.**

For those gathered in this place to hear the gospel and receive the good gifts of God through Christ Jesus, that guided by the Holy Spirit, we serve our neighbor who is in need, 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*). Let us pray.

**Have mercy, O God.**

God of hope, today we pray for the pastors & churches of our newly named conference, Sierra Central Valley. This morning we lift up Pastor Debbie McAllister and Mount Calvary Lutheran Church in Mi-Wuk Village. Sustain Pastor McAllister and enliven the leadership of Mount Calvary Lutheran Church; energize them for ministry in their community, and enable bold witness for the sake of the Gospel. Let us pray.

**Have mercy, O God.**

God who blesses our labor, you light our paths with the histories of women who acted boldly on their faith to change the world—especially the women of Emanuel Lutheran Church. Bring their influence to our attention and their stories to our lips and ears. May we see in them our own potential to live boldly. Let us pray.

**Have mercy, O God.**

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In thanksgiving for all the saints, known and unknown, who have died in the faith, that they serve as witnesses to the inheritance granted to us by Jesus Christ, let us pray.

**Have mercy, O God.**

Almighty God, you have promised to hear those who call upon your name. We commend all our spoken and silent prayers to you, trusting in your abundant mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

# ENTRANCE HYMN #796

## How Firm a Foundation



1 How firm a foun - da - tion, O saints of the Lord,  
2 "Fear not, I am with you, oh, be not dis - mayed,  
3 "When through fi - 'ry tri - als your path - way shall lie,  
4 "Through - out all their life - time my peo - ple shall prove



is laid for your faith in Christ Je - sus, the Word!  
for I am your God and will still give you aid;  
my grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be your sup - ply.  
my sov - 'reign, e - ter - nal, un - change - a - ble love;



What more can he say than to you he has said  
I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand,  
The flames shall not hurt you; I on - ly de - sign  
and then, when gray hairs shall their tem - ples a - dorn,



who un - to the Sav - ior for ref - uge have fled?  
up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand."  
your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine."  
like lambs they shall still in my bo - som be borne."

Text: J. Rippon, *A Selection of Hymns*, 1787, alt.  
Music: FOUNDATION, Early American

# SERMON HYMN #419

## For All the Faithful Women



1 For all the faith - ful wom - en who served in days of old,

*Insert one or more of stanzas 3-11 or this general stanza 2:*

2 O God, for saints and ser - vants, those named and those un-known,

*Last* All praise to God the Fa - ther! All praise to Christ the Son!



to you shall thanks be giv - en; to all, their stor - y told.

in whom through all the a - ges your light of glo - ry shone,

All praise to God the Spir - it, who binds the church as one!



They served with strength and glad - ness in tasks your wis - dom gave.

we of - fer glad thanks-giv - ing and fer - vent prayer we raise

With saints who went be - fore us, with saints who wit - ness still,



To you their lives bore wit - ness, pro - claimed your pow'r to save.

that, faith - ful in your ser - vice, our lives may sing your praise.

we sing glad al - le - lu - ias and strive to do your will.

### *Eunice and Lois*

11 For Eunice and for Lois,  
we sing our thanks and praise.  
Young Timothy they nurtured  
and led him in your ways.  
Raise up in ev'ry household  
true teachers of your word  
whose lives will bear clear witness  
to Christ, our risen Lord.

Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., b. 1923

Music: KUORTANE, Finnish folk tune

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# SENDING HYMN #439

## Soon and Very Soon



1 Soon and ver - y soon  
2 No more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,  
3 No more dy - in' there,  
4 Soon and ver - y soon



soon and ver - y soon  
no more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,  
no more dy - in' there,  
soon and ver - y soon



soon and ver - y soon  
no more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,  
no more dy - in' there,  
soon and ver - y soon



Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, we're goin' to see the King!

*Coda after stanza 4*



Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu -



jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah.

Text: Andraé Crouch, b. 1945

Music: VERY SOON, Andraé Crouch

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