

# APRIL 11, 2010

## THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER + ADULT CONFORMATION SUNDAY

### Worship Attendance: 4/4/10

Sunday 8:00 AM .....	151
Sunday 10:30 AM.....	315
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>466</b>
Maunday Thursday Worship Services..... (11 & 83)	94
Maunday Thursday Holy Communion.....	65
Good Friday Worship Services..... (228 & 66)	354
Good Friday Holy Communion.....	157

### Offerings: 4/4/10

Sunday Envelopes.....	\$15,448.00
Almoners Fund.....	\$339.00
Sinking Fund.....	\$165.50
150th Anniversary Fund.....	\$10.00
Maunday Thursday Offering.....	\$1,570.00
Good Friday Offering.....	\$2,889.01
Dr. K. Joseph Hines II Scholarship Fund.....	\$1,000.00
Operating Budget pledge funds given to date...	\$70,925.00
<i>Budgeted offerings needed per week.....</i>	<i>\$11,107.69</i>

### We remember in our prayers:

*Harold Krauss*

Requests for prayers may be made to the Church Office: 485-4118

### **This week at Emanuel Lutheran:**

<b>Today</b>	8:00 & 10:30 AM Worship Services (8:00 Communion) 9:15 AM Sunday School, Youth Group & Bible Class 11:45 AM Jr. Confirmation
<b>Monday</b>	10:00 AM Crafts at Bischoff home 5:00 PM LRPPC
<b>Tuesday</b>	Pastor Conference at SOTH begins 7:00 PM Board for Parish Education
<b>Wednesday</b>	Pastor Conference at SOTH concludes
<b>Thursday</b>	7:00 PM Sr. Choir
<b>Saturday</b>	10:00 AM Pinewood Derby (see feature) 6:30 PM Worship Service at Campus Ministry, East Lansing
<b>Sunday</b>	8:00 & 10:30 AM Worship Services (10:30 Communion) 9:15 AM Sunday School, Youth Group & Bible Class 11:45 AM Jr. Confirmation

***"THE EMANUEL HOUR OF WORSHIP" SUNDAYS AT  
8:00 AM, 1240 ON THE DIAL, WJIM***

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### **TODAY'S ORDER OF SERVICE:**

**"THE COMMON SERVICE"  
P. 15**

### **PSALM OF THE DAY:**

**PSALM 16  
CW P. 68**

### **TODAY'S HYMNS:**

**225  
165  
153  
149**

**COMMUNION  
HYMN:  
145  
CLOSE WITH  
SILENT PRAYER**

### **First Lesson: Acts 5:12,17-32**

The apostles performed many miraculous signs and wonders among the people. And all the believers used to meet together in Solomon's Colonnade. Then the high priest and all his associates, who were members of the party of the Sadducees, were filled with jealousy. They arrested the apostles and put them in the public jail. But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the doors of the jail and brought them out. "Go, stand in the temple courts," he said, "and tell the people the full message of this new life." At daybreak they entered the temple courts, as they had been told, and began to teach the people. When the high priest and his associates arrived, they called together the Sanhedrin—the full assembly of the elders of Israel—and sent to the jail for the apostles. But on arriving at the jail, the officers did not find them there. So they went back and reported, "We found the jail securely locked, with the guards standing at the doors; but when we opened them, we found no one inside." On hearing this report, the captain of the temple guard and the chief priests were puzzled, wondering what would come of this. Then someone came and said, "Look! The men you put in jail are standing in the temple courts teaching the people." At that, the captain went with his officers and brought the apostles. They did not use force, because they feared that the people would stone them. Having brought the apostles, they made them appear before the Sanhedrin to be questioned by the high priest. "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name," he said. "Yet you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and are determined to make us guilty of this man's blood." Peter and the other apostles replied: "We must obey God rather than men! The God of our fathers raised Jesus from the dead—whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him to his own right hand as Prince and Savior that he might give repentance and forgiveness of sins to Israel. We are witnesses of these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him."

## Psalm 16 (CW p. 68)

### Second Lesson: Revelation 1:4-18

Grace and peace to you from him who is, and who was, and who is to come, and from the seven spirits before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the first-born from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father—to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen. Look, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and all the peoples of the earth will mourn because of him. So shall it be! Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty." I, John, your brother and companion in the suffering and kingdom and patient endurance that are ours in Jesus, was on the island of Patmos because of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. On the Lord's Day I was in the Spirit, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet, which said: "Write on a scroll what you see and send it to the seven churches: to Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamum, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia and Laodicea." I turned around to see the voice that was speaking to me. And when I turned I saw seven golden lampstands, and among the lampstands was someone "like a son of man," dressed in a robe reaching down to his feet and with a golden sash around his chest. His head and hair were white like wool, as white as snow, and his eyes were like blazing fire. His feet were like bronze glowing in a furnace, and his voice was like the sound of rushing waters. In his right hand he held seven stars, and out of his mouth came a sharp double-edged sword. His face was like the sun shining in all its brilliance. When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. Then he placed his right hand on me and said: "Do not be afraid. I am the First and the Last. I am the Living One; I was dead, and behold I am alive for ever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and Hades.

### Verse of the Day: John 20:29b

Alleluia. Alleluia. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed. Alleluia.

### Gospel Lesson: John 20:19-31

#### Today's Sermon Theme:

*"That's Pretty Hard to Believe!"*

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord. Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone his sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven. Now Thomas (called Didymus), one of the

Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!" But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe it." A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe." Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." Jesus did many other miraculous signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

## Pinewood Derby

### April 17th in the gym

All are invited to support  
our children as they  
race their personally  
designed cars.

Racing 10:00 a.m.—Noon

Fellowship Soup &  
Sandwich Lunch at Noon

Awards at 1:00 p.m.

*Please join us!*



### Announcements

- **Memorials & Gifts:** *Almoners Fund*—\$1,000.00 given in loving memory of Chad Nickols by Rollie & Kay Nickols.
- **Confirmed Today:** *Julie Day & Brooke Narsesian*. To be confirmed privately *Carolina Mox & Sheryl Mox*. We would like to extend a big welcome to our newest members.
- **Special Bible Class Series beginning today—*The Ten Commandments***. This series will run through Sunday, May 30. Please join us!
- **Save these upcoming dates:** Sunday, **April 27** for our quarterly voters' meeting and Sunday, **May 2** for Jr. Confirmation.
- Food bank: 63 items for a total of 4,206 this year. Thank you!

Find information on these events  
on our church bulletin board.....



- New WELS Investment Funds fact sheets are posted.
- **Spring Rummage Sale save-the-date:** May 20-21, drop off begins May 16.