

Emanuel First Evangelical Lutheran Church



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Service Times: Sunday 8:00AM & 10:30AM - Wednesday 6:30PM & 7:00PM

Radio Broadcast Sunday 8:00AM on WJIM 1240 on the AM dial

Live streaming 8:00 and 10:30AM follow the prompt on the website

Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS)

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Pastor Joel A. Voss

Notes for Visitors:

- **Restrooms** are located in the hallway north of the sanctuary.
- **Nursery Room:** If you need a quiet place for your children, we have a room near the church offices. If you need help finding the room, please ask an usher for assistance.
- **Hymnals:** Use the red hymn books in the rack ahead of your pew to follow along in the service. If you need help or guidance, please ask someone nearby to assist you.
- **Holy Communion:** The Sacrament of Holy Communion (The Lord's Supper) will be celebrated at the close of our church services today. If you are a communicant member of another WELS congregation, we invite you to share this Sacrament with us. If you are not a member of our church, we ask you to honor our Biblical practice of close communion and refrain from coming forward until you have completed doctrinal discussions with one of our pastors. (Please read "Attending the Lord's Supper" for more information. Pamphlets are in the Capitol Ave. entryway.)

June 27, 2021

The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

The Pastors' Notes

After reliving the events of Christ's life in the festival half of the church year (Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, and Easter seasons), we spend half a year focusing on the teachings of Christ in what we call the non-festival half of the year (the Sundays after Pentecost). The parameters are green during this season as the Holy Spirit uses Christ's teaching to grow the faith of believers.

Today, our Lord teaches us that faith trusts even in the midst of trouble. Last week we considered how faith gives evidence of itself in our lives. Often, however, we consider evidence outside of us or our control that challenges our faith. Christ living in us by faith does not guarantee we will never have trouble, will never doubt, or never fear. Instead, our Lord has promised there will be plenty of troubles in our lives. However, he has also promised that he will be with us during those troubles. It's that Gospel promise which leads us to trust him through our own storms.

Order Of Worship: Common Service pg. 15

Hymns.....	353; 379; 433
Distribution Hymns.....	415; 405; 309
Sermon Theme.....	Mark 4:35-41

Get in the Boat with Jesus

Prayer Of The Day

O Lord, our God, govern the nations on earth and direct the affairs of this world so that your Church may worship you in peace and joy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament Lesson: Job 38: 1-11

Then the LORD responded to Job out of a violent storm. He said:² Who is this who spreads darkness over my plans with his ignorant words? ³ Get ready for action like a man! Then I will ask you questions, and you will inform me. ⁴ Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you understand anything about it. ⁵ Who determined its dimensions? Who stretched out the surveying line over it? ⁶ What supports its foundation? Who set its cornerstone in place,⁷ when the morning stars sang loud songs together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy? ⁸ Who locked up the sea behind doors when it burst out of the womb? ⁹ When I clothed the sea with clouds, when I wrapped it with thick darkness as its swaddling cloths, ¹⁰ when I broke its power with my decree, when I locked it up behind barred, double doors, ¹¹ I said, “You may come this far, but no farther. Here is the barrier for your proud waves.”

Psalm 46 (hymnal, pg. 84)

Epistle Lesson: 2 Corinthians 5:14-21

¹⁴ For the love of Christ compels us, because we came to this conclusion: One died for all; therefore, all died. ¹⁵ And he died for all, so that those who live would no longer live for themselves but for him, who died in their place and was raised again.

¹⁶ As a result, from now on, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we knew Christ according to the flesh, we no longer know him that way. ¹⁷ So then, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away. The new has come! ¹⁸ And all these things are from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ

and gave us the ministry of reconciliation. ¹⁹ That is, God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them. And he has entrusted to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰ Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, inasmuch as God is making an appeal through us. We urge you, on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. ²¹ God made him, who did not know sin, to become sin for us, so that we might become the righteousness of God in him.

Verse of the Day

Alleluia. Because we are his children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" Alleluia. (Galatians 4:6 cf. NIV)

Gospel Lesson: Mark 4: 35-41

³⁵ On that day, when evening came, Jesus said to them, "Let's go over to the other side." ³⁶ After leaving the crowd behind, the disciples took him along in the boat, just as he was. Other small boats also followed him. ³⁷ A great windstorm arose, and the waves were splashing into the boat, so that the boat was quickly filling up. ³⁸ Jesus himself was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. They woke him and said, "Teacher, don't you care that we are about to drown?"

³⁹ Then he got up, rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" The wind stopped, and there was a great calm. ⁴⁰ He said to them, "Why are you so afraid? Do you still lack faith?"

⁴¹ They were filled with awe and said to one another, "Who then is this? Even the wind and the sea obey him!"

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As you depart the sanctuary today and return to the life with which God has blessed you, please take a moment to greet those around you in the name of the Lord. Introduce yourself to people you may not know. Offer to help those who may need assistance. Ask questions if you have any. Answer any questions as you are able.