

# Emanuel First Evangelical Lutheran Church



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*Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS)*

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## 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.

## October 17, 2021

*The Twenty First 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 paraments are green during this season as the Holy Spirit uses Christ's teaching to grow the faith of believers.

Our readings for several weeks have this focus: Christ wants to deepen our understanding to see him as our all in all. This includes the difficult task of detaching ourselves from our possessions and wealth. To be sure, these are blessings and gifts from God. Therefore, we listen to his Word to inform us how to properly use those gifts in order that they not become stumbling blocks on the path to heaven. In order to obtain such wisdom, we look to Christ, with whom all things are possible.

## Order Of Worship: Service of the Word, pg. 38

Hymns.....441; 290; 125; 319  
 Choir Anthem.....*What God Ordains Is Always Good*  
 Sermon Theme.....Mark 10: 17-27  
*What Must I do to Inherit Eternal Life?*

### Prayer Of The Day

Grant, O merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace that they may be cleansed from all their sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### Old Testament Lesson: Amos 5: 6,7, 10-15

- <sup>6</sup> Seek the LORD and live,  
 or he will rush upon the house of Joseph like fire.  
 The fire will consume, and no one will extinguish it for Bethel.
- <sup>7</sup> There are some who turn justice into wormwood,  
 who throw righteousness to the ground.
- <sup>10</sup> There are those who hate an arbitrator in the city gate.  
 They despise anyone who speaks honestly.
- <sup>11</sup> That is why you trample on the poor,  
 and you collect taxes on their grain.  
 You have built houses of cut stones,  
 but you will not live in them.  
 You have planted choice vineyards,  
 but you will not drink their wine.
- <sup>12</sup> For I know that your rebellious deeds are many,  
 and your sins are numerous,  
 you who are enemies of a righteous man,  
 you who take bribes.  
 They thrust away needy people in the city gate.
- <sup>13</sup> That is why a prudent man will be silent in that time,  
 because it is an evil time.
- <sup>14</sup> Seek good and not evil, so that you may live,  
 and then it will be like this for you:  
 The LORD, the God of Armies, will be with you, as you claim.
- <sup>15</sup> Hate evil and love good.  
 Establish justice in the city gate.  
 Perhaps the LORD, the God of Armies,  
 will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

**Psalm 90** (hymnal, pg. 99)

### **Epistle Lesson: Hebrews 3: 1-6**

Therefore, holy brothers, who share in the heavenly calling, focus your attention on Jesus, the apostle and high priest whom we confess. <sup>2</sup>He was faithful to the one who appointed him, as also Moses was faithful in God's whole house. <sup>3</sup>In fact, Jesus is worthy of greater glory than Moses, in the same way that the builder of a house has more honor than the house. <sup>4</sup>For every house is built by someone, and God is the one who built everything.

<sup>5</sup>Moses was faithful as a servant within God's whole house by testifying to the things that would be spoken. <sup>6</sup>But Christ is faithful as a Son over God's house. We are his house, if we hold on firmly to our confidence and the hope about which we boast until the end.

### **Verse of the Day**

*Alleluia. This is the Lord, we trusted in him; let us rejoice and be glad in his salvation. Alleluia. (Isaiah 25:9b cf. NIV)*

### **Gospel Lesson: Mark 10: 17-27**

<sup>17</sup> As Jesus was setting out on a journey, one man ran up to him and knelt in front of him. He asked, "Good teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

<sup>18</sup> Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good except one—God. <sup>19</sup> You know the commandments. 'You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not give false testimony. You shall not defraud. Honor your father and mother.'"<sup>[a]</sup>

<sup>20</sup> The man replied, "Teacher, I have kept all these since I was a child."

<sup>21</sup> Jesus looked at him, loved him, and said to him, "One thing you lack. Go, sell whatever you have, and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."

<sup>22</sup> When he heard this, he looked sad and went away grieving, because he had great wealth. <sup>23</sup> Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!"

<sup>24</sup> The disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus told them again, "Children, how hard it is for those who trust in their riches to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup> It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God."

<sup>26</sup> They were even more astonished and said to one another, "Who then can be saved?"

<sup>27</sup> Jesus looked at them and said, "For people, it is impossible, but not for God, because all things are possible for God."

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