

# 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 31, 2021 *Reformation Sunday*

### *The Pastors' Notes*

On Reformation Sunday we give thanks to God for the most wonderful truth of Scripture: that we are saved by grace alone. Because that truth is found in Scripture alone, we seek to remain committed to that Word: in what we teach and proclaim, and how we live.

The cover page depicts “Luther’s Seal.” Martin Luther was a large part of the Reformation of the Church more than 500 years ago. He has contributed numerous writings, hymns, and art to the Christian Church while seeking to remain faithful to God’s Word. “Luther’s Seal” was designed by Martin Luther to represent the Christian faith. The cross in the middle represents the center of our faith—Christ crucified for us. It is inside a heart because we believe in Christ. The heart is in a white rose—our faith gives us joy and peace. The rose is set over a blue background. This represents that our faith is yearning for the heavenly joy to come. Finally, it is all surrounded by a gold ring which signifies our endless bliss in heaven.

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

Hymns.....203; 204; 291; 201

Choir Anthem.....*All Glory Be to God on High*

Sermon Theme.....Mark 13: 5-11

### *Reformed in the Word*

### Prayer Of The Day

Gracious Lord, our refuge and strength, pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies, and bestow on the Church your saving peace; 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: Jeremiah 18: 1-11

This is the word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: <sup>2</sup>“Get up, and go down to the potter’s house, and there I will reveal my words to you.”

<sup>3</sup> So I went down to the potter’s house, and he was making something on the wheel. <sup>4</sup> But the pot he was forming out of the clay was ruined as he shaped it with his hands, so the potter formed it into a different pot, whatever he saw fit to make.

<sup>5</sup> Then the word of the LORD came to me.

<sup>6</sup> House of Israel, can I not do with you as this potter does? declares the LORD. See, like clay in the potter’s hands, that is what you are in my hands, house of Israel. <sup>7</sup> One time I may say that a nation or a kingdom is to be uprooted, torn down, and destroyed, <sup>8</sup> but if that nation I spoke about repents of its evil, then I will relent and not bring the disaster I had planned to bring against it. <sup>9</sup> Another time I may say that a nation or a kingdom is to be built and planted, <sup>10</sup> but if they do what is evil in my sight by not listening to my voice, then I will not bring about the good I said I would do for them.

<sup>11</sup> Now therefore say this to the men of Judah and to those who live in Jerusalem. This is what the LORD says. Look! I am forming a disaster against you. I am devising a plan against you. Turn from your evil ways, each of you, and reform your ways and your actions.

**Psalm 46** (8:00AM)

**ELS Choir *If God Is For Us*** (based on Psalm 46) (10:30AM)

## **Epistle Lesson: Revelation 14: 6-7**

<sup>6</sup> Then I saw another angel flying in the middle of the sky. He had the everlasting gospel to proclaim to those who live on the earth, to every nation, tribe, language, and people. <sup>7</sup> He said with a loud voice: Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come. Worship him who made the sky, the earth, the sea, and the springs of water.

### **Verse of the Day**

Alleluia. If you continue in my Word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free. Alleluia.  
(John 8:31, 32 cf. RSV)

## **Gospel Lesson: Mark 13: 5-11**

<sup>5</sup> Jesus began by telling them, “Be careful that no one deceives you. <sup>6</sup> Many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am he,’ and will deceive many.

<sup>7</sup> “Whenever you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be troubled. Such things must happen, but the end is not yet. <sup>8</sup> In fact, nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places. There will be famines. These are the beginning of birth pains. <sup>9</sup> But be on your guard! People will hand you over to councils, and you will be beaten in synagogues. You will stand in the presence of rulers and kings for my sake as a witness to them. <sup>10</sup> And the gospel must first be preached to all the nations. <sup>11</sup> Whenever they arrest you and hand you over, do not worry beforehand what you should say. Say whatever is given to you in that hour, because you will not be the ones speaking; instead it will be the Holy Spirit.

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