

Sunday, October 18, 2020
20th Sunday after Pentecost
WELCOME to Emanuel's Lutheran Church!
It is our joy to have you worship with us today.



PRELUDE

"Adagio"

Felix Mendelssohn

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

ELW p. 94

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **C: Amen.**

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ☩ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **C: Amen.**

GATHERING SONG

"God Is Here!"

ELW 526

GREETING

ELW p. 138

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

ELW p. 165

Cantor: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

Cantor: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

Cantor: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

Cantor: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

Cantor: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

GLORY TO GOD

ELW p. 167

Cantor: Glory to God in the Highest, and peace to God's people on earth,

**C: Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

ELW p. 170

AM: Let us pray together.

C Sovereign God, raise your throne in our hearts. Created by you, let us live in your image; created for you, let us act for your glory; redeemed by you, let us give you what is yours, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 45:1-7

L: A reading from Isaiah.

¹Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped to subdue nations before him and strip kings of their robes, to open doors before him— and the gates shall not be closed: ²I will go before you and level the mountains, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, ³I will give you the treasures of darkness and riches hidden in secret places, so that you may know that it is I, the LORD, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. ⁴For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I surname you, though you do not know me. ⁵I am the LORD, and there is no other; besides me there is no god. I arm you, though you do not know me, ⁶so that they may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is no one besides me; I am the LORD, and there is no other. ⁷I form light and create darkness, I make weal and create woe; I the LORD do all these things.

Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 96:1-9 [10-13]

Refrain: Ascribe to the Lord honor and power.

- ¹Sing to the LORD | a new song;
sing to the LORD, | all the earth.
- ²**Sing to the LORD, bless the name | of the LORD;
proclaim God's salvation from | day to day.**
- ³Declare God's glory a- | mong the nations
and God's wonders a- | mong all peoples.
- ⁴**For great is the LORD and greatly | to be praised,
more to be feared | than all gods. R**
- ⁵As for all the gods of the nations, they | are but idols;
but you, O LORD, have | made the heavens.
- ⁶**Majesty and magnificence are | in your presence;
power and splendor are in your | sanctuary.**
- ⁷Ascribe to the LORD, you families | of the peoples,
ascribe to the LORD hon- | or and power.
- ⁸**Ascribe to the LORD the honor due the | holy name;
bring offerings and enter the courts | of the LORD.**
- ⁹Worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness;
tremble before the LORD, | all the earth. **R**

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

L: A reading from 1 Thessalonians.

¹Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace. ²We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly ³remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, ⁵because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. ⁶And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, ⁷so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. ⁸For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. ⁹For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, ¹⁰and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming. Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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**Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.**

GOSPEL: Matthew 22:15-22

P: The holy gospel according to Matthew.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁵Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap [Jesus] in what he said. ¹⁶So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" ¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" ²¹They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." ²²When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Marcus

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Lift Every Voice and Sing"

ELW 841

SERVICE OF HOLY BAPTISM

ELW p. 227

Presentation of Matt Clardy, Cooper Clardy, Carsyn Clardy

CONFESSION

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C: 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.

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C: 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.

CONGREGATIONAL WELCOME

P: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

C: We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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AM: With confidence in God's grace and mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

Response to each petition: AM: Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

AM: Listen as we call on you, O God, and enfold in your loving arms all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

PEACE

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P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING INFORMATION

Mailing Address: Emanuel's Lutheran Church, 206 N. Travis Street Seguin, TX 78155

For online giving: <https://tinyurl.com/emanuelsgiving>

OFFERING HYMN

"For the Fruit of All Creation"

ELW 679

OFFERING PRAYER

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AM: Let us pray.

Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

ELW p. 172

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

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HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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LORD'S PRAYER

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

C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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P: Taste and see that the Lord is good.

COMMUNION

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When giving the bread and sharing the cup, you may use say:

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you. **Amen.**

TABLE BLESSING

P: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **C: Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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AM: Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

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P: The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus. **C: Amen.**

P: The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

The God of all grace ✝ bless you now and forever. **C: Amen.**

SENDING SONG

"You Servants of God"

ELW 825

DISMISSAL

ELW p. 174

P: Go in peace Share the good news. **C: Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

MUSICIANS TODAY: Cantors: Men of the Choir; Jubilation Singers

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October Worship Leaders

	October 4, 2020	October 11, 2020.	October 18, 2020	October 25, 2020
	10:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	10:30 AM	10:30 a.m.
Preaching	Pastor Marcus	Pastor Kelsie	Pastor Marcus	Pastor Kelsie
Presiding	Pastor Kelsie	Pastor Marcus	Pastor Kelsie	Pastor Marcus
Assisting Ministers	Marsha Schroeder	Wayne Stalworth	Elizabeth Jandt	Evelyn Dittmar
Ushers	Alan Bode	Thomas Hall	Tandi Hepp	Tim Troell
	Donna Dodgen	Hughlene Micheli	Ryanne Hepp	Joe Kane
	Bill Meier	Karen Weinstein	Darlene Zies	NEEDED
	Ron Schneider	TBD	Ilene Cherry	Bev Seidenschwarz
Acolytes	Caitlyn Hannibal	Katie Miller	Corbin Hannibal	Bryce Vickers
Reader	Francine Pidgeon	Cathy Anderson	Mike Haug	Carolyn Blumberg
Council Greeter	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Altar Guild	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
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"To be the church God is calling us to be by declaring God's love, serving others, and embracing all."

Emanuel's Lutheran Church Announcements

SUNDAY WORSHIP is still on Facebook and on the KWED AM 1580 radio at 10:30 a.m.

IN-PERSON WORSHIP has resumed in the Sanctuary at 10:30 a.m. What we need you to do:

- **Check your temperature.** If you have a fever, do not come to church.
- **Stay home if you are not feeling well or are at risk.**
- **Sanitize hands** when you enter and exit the church.
- **Wear a mask over mouth and nose.** Masks may be removed only when seated.
- **Enter through the main doors on Travis Street.** Contact an usher if you need assistance.
- **Sit with family and practice social distancing.** Keep 6ft from non-household members.
- **Refrain from physical contact.** Waving is encouraged.
- **Place offering in basket in the narthex.** Offerings may still be mailed or given online.
- **Follow directions of the pastors and ushers** before, during, and after the service.
- **Communion elements and worship bulletins** will be on the center table in the narthex. Please take them with you to your seat. Communion will be observed from the pews.
- **Worshipers are to refrain from singing.** The music Ministry will provide selections for the service. This is a practice we must abide until transmission of the virus ceases.
- **Please exit the church after worship and maintain social distancing.** We thank you for practicing *grace and space* during this time.

TRUNK OR TREAT at the Day School is **Friday, Oct. 30** from 6-7 in the parking lot. You can HOST A TRUNK by dressing up and passing out treats to the kids (call 372-0332 to register); BRING TRICK OR TREATERS for a fun time; DONATE candy, other treats, or money; and/or ORDER CHICK-FIL-A! The Chick-fil-A food truck will be on campus from 4-7. Pre-orders will be available the week before the event. 10% of Chick-fil-A proceeds goes to Emanuel's Lutheran Day School. You won't want to miss this great evening!

HOLIDAY TAMALES SALES! Youth are selling frozen tamales from Delicious Tamales in SA. Your support helps fund summer and special programs. Traditional pork, spicy pork, chicken, and bean & jalapeño tamales are \$12 a dozen. Place your order with any youth or the church office by Nov. 2.

FACES OF OUR FAITH devotional podcast is posted Tuesdays on Facebook and Soundcloud. Join our pastors and their colleagues each week as they discuss lesser-known stories that have shaped our faith. Booklets may be downloaded from our website homepage.

SMALL GROUPS IN-PERSON are resuming. Gatherings are limited to fewer than 15 people and social distancing practices are required. Masks are to be worn at all times on the church campus.

- **JUBILATION SINGERS** choir rehearsals on **Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m.** in the Music Suites.
- **HERITAGE BIBLE CLASS** on **Sundays at 9:15 a.m.** in the third floor Family Life Center.
- **FAITH CIRCLE** will meet on **Tuesday, October 20 at 7pm** in the Family Life Center.
- **JOY CIRCLE** meets on **Thursday, October 10 at 9:30 a.m.** in the Family Life Center.
- **LWR QUICK QUILTERS** are meeting again in their spacious 1st Floor room on **Monday mornings.**
- **PROPERTY STEWARDS** tackle facility needs on **Tuesday mornings.**
- **GARDEN OF EATIN'** every **Tuesday from 9-11.** Fall beds are planted.

SMALL GROUPS ONLINE continue. Staff and Council meetings are via Zoom.

- **HOLY YOGA** via Zoom with Pastor Kelsie every Monday in October. Registration has expired for this session. Contact PK if you are interested in future Holy Yoga classes.
- **WWJB** (What Would Jesus Brew?) meets on **First Fridays at 7pm** on Zoom. WWJB is our once-a-month young adult fellowship. Contact [*Pastor Kelsie*](#) for Zoom link.
- **CONFIRMATION CLASS** meets monthly via Zoom with students and leaders from Emanuel's. Spirit of Joy and St. John Marion.