

Emanuel Lutheran Church
(A Member of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod)

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 30, 2026 9:00 AM

Welcome to Emanuel

We warmly welcome all who join us in worship today, especially our visitors. We invite you to join us for refreshments in the Fellowship Hall following worship each Sunday and encourage you to sign our guest book and the friendship records in the pews. A nursery room is available at the back of the church. We also have activity bags available for all children. Please ask one of the Ushers for directions.

Our Mission

Emanuel Lutheran Church shares the love of God the Father, by proclaiming the Gospel of our Savior, Jesus Christ, guided by the Holy Spirit, showing love for all people, lending a helping hand to those in need, and equipping God's people for ministry.

Holy Communion

Emanuel Lutheran Church follows the biblical and historical practice of the Christian Church known as Closed Communion. If you are not a member of an LCMS congregation (or a church body we are in full altar and pulpit fellowship with), and you would like to commune or if you have any questions, please speak with the pastor before the service. If you are a visitor and would like to come forward for a blessing this morning, we welcome you. Please cross your arms at the Communion rail. This blessing is for all ages. If you are unable to come to the front for Communion, please sit near the center aisle.

Serving in Worship:

Rev. Dr. Chris Davis

Organist: Nancy Meyer

Sound Tech: Larry Underwood

Acknowledgments Divine Service, Setting Four from Lutheran Service Book Unless otherwise indicated, all scripture quotations are from *The Holy Bible, English Standard Version*, copyright © 2001 by Crossway Bibles, a division of Good News Publishers. Used by permission. All rights reserved. Created by Lutheran Service Builder © 2006 Concordia Publishing House.

Divine Service Setting Four (LSB 203)

Opening Hymn

“Send, O Lord, Your Holy Spirit” (LSB 681)

Confession and Absolution (LSB 203)

Introit

Psalm 37:5–7; antiphon: v. 4

Delight yourself in the Lord,

and he will give you the desires of your heart.

Commit your way to the Lord;

trust in him, and he will act.

He will bring forth your righteousness as the light,

and your justice as the noonday.

Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for him;

fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way, over the man who carries out evil devices!

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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and he will give you the desires of your heart.

Kyrie (LSB 204)

Gloria In Excelsis (LSB 204)

Salutation and Collect of the Day

Almighty God, Your Son willingly endured the agony and shame of the cross for our redemption. Grant us courage to take up our cross daily and follow Him wherever He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

Reading from the Lutheran Confessions

First Reading

Jeremiah 15:15–21

¹⁵O Lord, you know; remember me and visit me, and take vengeance for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance take me not away; know that for your sake I bear reproach. ¹⁶Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart, for I am called by your name, O Lord, God of hosts. ¹⁷I did not sit in the company of revelers, nor did I rejoice; I sat alone, because your hand was upon me, for you had filled me with indignation.

¹⁸Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Will you be to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail? ¹⁹Therefore thus says the Lord: “If you return, I will restore you, and you shall stand before me. If you

utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall be as my mouth. They shall turn to you, but you shall not turn to them. ²⁰And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, declares the Lord. ²¹I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.”

P This is the Word of the Lord. **C** **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

Romans 12:9–21

⁹Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. ¹⁰Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹²Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. ¹³Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality. ¹⁴Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be conceited. ¹⁷Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. ¹⁸If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, “Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.” ²⁰To the contrary, “if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head.” ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

P This is the Word of the Lord. **C** **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia and Verse (LSB 205)

Holy Gospel

Matthew 16:21–28

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the Sixteenth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²¹From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. ²²And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you.” ²³But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.” ²⁴Then Jesus told his disciples, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ²⁵For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. ²⁶For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his life?

Or what shall a man give in return for his life? ²⁷For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done. ²⁸Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C Praise to You, O Christ.**

Nicene Creed (LSB 206)

Sermon Hymn *“Why Should Cross and Trail Grieve Me” (LSB 756)*

Sermon

Offering

Prayers of the Church

Service of the Sacrament (LSB 208)

Distribution Hymns (LSB 561, 618, 566, 629, 724)

Post-Communion Canticle-Nunc Dimittis (LSB 211)

Benediction (LSB 212)

Closing Hymn *“We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God” (LSB 941)*