

Emanuel Lutheran Church

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Sunday, May 12, 2024

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY of EASTER

The gospel for Easter's seventh Sunday is always taken from the long prayer Jesus prays for his followers in John's gospel on the night before his death, and always includes Jesus' desire that his followers will be one as he and the Father are one. This oneness is not mere doctrinal agreement or institutional unity, but mutual abiding, interpenetrating life, mutual love, and joy. This oneness is the work of the Spirit whom we have received but also await. Come, Holy Spirit!



OPENING LITANY:

P: After fifty days of Easter rejoicing, the church cries out:

C: Come, Holy Spirit!

P: All those living in resurrection light sing with joy:

C: Come, Holy Spirit!

P: All those dying under the weight of sin and grief plead:

C: Come, Holy Spirit!

P: Come, Holy Spirit: fill the hearts of your faithful people,

C: and kindle in us the fire of your love.

OPENING HYMN: "Oh, Love, How Deep"

**LBW 88
vs.1, 6 & 7**

PRAYER OF THE DAY: (Located on the Today's Readings Insert)

GOD'S WORD

FIRST READING: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

In the days between Jesus' ascension and Pentecost, Peter oversees the process whereby one of the members of the community of believers is chosen to be the twelfth apostle, in order to fill the vacancy created by Judas's treachery and death.

Reader says: The Word of the Lord.

Congregation respond: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: 1 John 5:9-13

God has borne witness to the gift of eternal life in Jesus Christ. Whoever believes in the Son of God believes in the witness of God and has the promise of eternal life.

Reader says: The Word of the Lord.

Congregation respond: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN SERMON

Pastor Carol

Sing: "Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path."

P: The Gospel

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

THE GOSPEL READING: John 17:6-19

In this reading the church hears Jesus' words on the night before his death—his prayer for his disciples and for all who would believe in him through their words.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Carol

HYMN:

“Bind Us Together”

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THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH:

P: God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

THE PEACE:

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you!

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY HYMN:

“Create in Me”

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OFFERING PRAYER:

P: Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine.

C: Amen.

THE BENEDICTION:

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope ☩ bless you now and always.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN: “Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing” LBW 363

DISMISSAL:

P: Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude: Charlotte Rebelein

Attendance:

Sunday, April 28th: 24 Sunday, April 28th - Facebook Live: 6

Last Sunday (150TH Anniversary): 79

Last Sunday Facebook Live: 3

May 2024 Altar Schedule

Mary Fairbank

May 2024 Communion Schedule

Marilyn Perr

Today, Service Schedule, May 12th, 9:30 A.M., Happy Mother's Day!

Reader: Diane Fenendael

Usher: Wayne Heitmann

Money Counters: N/A

Next Week's Schedule, May 19th, 9:30 A.M.

Reader: Wayne Heitmann

Usher: Annette Raube

Money Counters: N/A

If the need arises, please feel free to sit at any time during the liturgy/hymns.

We welcome our visitors today. Please introduce yourself to the pastor and usher as a guest, if you have questions, please feel free to ask. Welcome! And please worship with us in the future.

THIS WEEK AT EMANUEL:

PLEASE PRAY for Ellen Fude's brother, Merlin Dahlke who is currently in the Rehab Center of the Markesan Nursing Home.

THERE WILL BE COFFEE AND CAKE THIS MORNING FOLLOWING WORSHIP.

"OUR CHURCH HAS BEEN PAINTED AND LOOKS AMAZING!"

150 YEARS... a new milestone has been reached at Emanuel. We celebrated this event on May 5, 2024. There was much fellowship and talk of memories from the past. We need to take a moment to give thanks to God, may He ever be present in our church, so we grow and flourish. Thank you to all who helped with this special event.

IF YOU MISSED THE 150TH CHURCH ANNIVERSARY you can still look at the history of Emanuel in the education area.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

ALTAR VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED for August and October of 2024 and January of 2025.

ENJOY A BLAST FROM THE PAST! CAR HOP FRY WITH OLD CAR & MOTORCYCLE SHOW this Saturday, May 18, 2024, from 4:30 P.M. – 7:30 P.M., 50s Diner Type Menu, Brandon Park, 150 N. West St., Brandon, WI. If you would like to display your car/motorcycle, please bring them to the park by 3:00 P.M. that day. Prizes will be awarded to the top three cars and motorcycles. Sponsored by: Senior High Youth Group of Bethel Church of Brandon.

WORSHIP & COMMUNION NOTES