

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—PROPER 25

October 23, 2022 – 9:30 a.m.

AS WE GATHER

“How can you be so sure?” That is the question we may find ourselves asking when we read the confidence expressed by Paul in today’s Epistle: “There is laid up for me the crown of righteousness” (2 Timothy 4:8); “The Lord stood by me and strengthened me. . . . I was rescued from the lion’s mouth. . . . The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into His heavenly kingdom” (2 Timothy 4:17–18a). “Paul, how can you be so sure?” Today’s service will help us to see that Paul’s certainty was not based upon his strength of faith or his works of ministry; no, it was based solely on God’s faithfulness to him in Jesus Christ, the Crucified! Through His Word and Spirit, God provides such confidence and certainty to us also as we gather in His presence and are received by Him as members of His heavenly kingdom. “To Him be the glory forever and ever. Amen” (2 Timothy 4:18b).

HYMN “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” *LSB* 686

- 1 Come, Thou Fount of ev’ry blessing,
 Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
 Call for songs of loudest praise.
While the hope of endless glory
 Fills my heart with joy and love,
Teach me ever to adore Thee;
 May I still Thy goodness prove.

- 2 Here I raise my Ebenezer,
 Hither by Thy help I’ve come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,
 Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
 Wand’ring from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
 Interposed His precious blood.

- 3 Oh, to grace how great a debtor
 Daily I’m constrained to be;
Let that grace now like a fetter
 Bind my wand’ring heart to Thee:
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it;
 Prone to leave the God I love.
Here’s my heart, O take and seal it,
 Seal it for Thy courts above.

- 4 Oh, that day when freed from sinning,
 I shall see Thy lovely face;
Clothed then in the blood-washed linen,
 How I’ll sing Thy wondrous grace!
Come, my Lord, no longer tarry;
 Take my ransom’d soul away;
Send Thine angels soon to carry
 Me to realms of endless day. Text: Public domain

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Through faith in Jesus Christ, we are adopted as God's sons and daughters and drawn into His kingdom. By means of His Word and Supper, we gather to receive our Savior's mercy and then respond to Him in thanksgiving and praise. Because of our sins of thought, word, and deed, we are unworthy of the grace we receive. Therefore, at our Lord's invitation, let us come before our heavenly Father in humility and faith, seeking His pardon for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

People: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. Received into the certainty and security of His eternal kingdom, be assured that you belong to Him—He is your Father, and you are His children! As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

INTROIT *Psalm 56:10–13; antiphon: v. 3*

Pastor: When I am afraid,

People: I put my trust in You.

Pastor: In God, whose word I praise, in the LORD, whose word I praise,

People: in God I trust; I shall not be afraid. What can man do to me?

Pastor: I must perform my vows to You, O God;

People: I will render thank offerings to You.

Pastor: For You have delivered my soul from death, yes, my feet from falling,

People: that I may walk before God in the light of life.

**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.**

Pastor: When I am afraid,

People: I put my trust in You.

HYMN OF PRAISE “White as Snow” -Leon Olguin

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White as snow, white as snow,
Though my sins were as scarlet, Lord, I know,
Lord, I know that I'm clean and forgiven.
Through the power of Your blood,
Through the wonder of Your love,
Through faith in You I know that I can be
White as snow.

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, You are always more ready to hear than we to pray and always ready to give more than we either desire or deserve. Strengthen us in the certainty of the forgiveness of sins and life everlasting in Your heavenly kingdom, that we may always trust in Him who was crucified for our

salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Genesis 4:1–15* (Cain and Abel bring their offerings to the Lord.) Now Adam knew Eve his wife, and she conceived and bore Cain, saying, “I have gotten a man with the help of the Lord.” And again, she bore his brother Abel. Now Abel was a keeper of sheep, and Cain a worker of the ground. In the course of time Cain brought to the Lord an offering of the fruit of the ground, and Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat portions. And the Lord had regard for Abel and his offering, but for Cain and his offering he had no regard. So Cain was very angry, and his face fell. The Lord said to Cain, “Why are you angry, and why has your face fallen? If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the door. Its desire is for you, but you must rule over it.” Cain spoke to Abel his brother. And when they were in the field, Cain rose up against his brother Abel and killed him. Then the Lord said to Cain, “Where is Abel your brother?” He said, “I do not know; am I my brother’s keeper?” And the Lord said, “What have you done? The voice of your brother’s blood is crying to me from the ground. And now you are cursed from the ground, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother’s blood from your hand. When you work the ground, it shall no longer yield to you its strength. You shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth.” Cain said to the Lord, “My punishment is greater than I can bear. Behold, you have driven me today away from the ground, and from your face I shall be hidden. I shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth, and whoever finds me will kill me.” Then the Lord said to him, “Not so! If anyone kills Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold.” And the Lord put a mark on Cain, lest any who found him should attack him.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM *Psalm 5; antiphon: v. 11a* (“Let them ever sing for joy.”)

Pastor: Give ear to my words, O LORD; consider my groaning.

People: Give attention to the sound of my cry, my King and my God, for to You do I pray.

Pastor: O LORD, in the morning You hear my voice;

People: in the morning I prepare a sacrifice for You and watch.

Let all who take refuge in You rejoice; let them ever sing for joy!

Pastor: For You are not a God who delights in wickedness;

People: evil may not dwell with You.

Pastor: The boastful shall not stand before Your eyes; You hate all evildoers.

People: You destroy those who speak lies; the LORD abhors the bloodthirsty and deceitful man.

Pastor: But I, through the abundance of Your steadfast love, will enter Your house.

People: I will bow down toward Your holy temple in the fear of You.

Let all who take refuge in You rejoice; let them ever sing for joy!

Pastor: Lead me, O LORD, in Your righteousness because of my enemies;

People: make Your way straight before me.

Pastor: For there is no truth in their mouth; their inmost self is destruction;

People: their throat is an open grave; they flatter with their tongue.

Pastor: Make them bear their guilt, O God; let them fall by their own counsels;

People: because of the abundance of their transgressions cast them out, for they have rebelled against You.

Pastor: But let all who take refuge in You rejoice; let them ever sing for joy,

People: and spread Your protection over them, that those who love Your name may exult in You.

Pastor: For You bless the righteous, O LORD;

People: You cover him with favor as with a shield.

Let all who take refuge in You rejoice; let them ever sing for joy!

BELL CHOIR “Praise to the Lord” -Kevin McChesney

EPISTLE 2 Timothy 4:6–18 (The Lord will bring me safely into His heavenly kingdom.) For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that Day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing. Do your best to come to me soon. For Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica. Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. Luke alone is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is very useful to me for ministry. Tychicus I have sent to Ephesus. When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments. Alexander the coppersmith did me great harm; the Lord will repay him according to his deeds. Beware of him yourself, for he strongly opposed our message. At my first defense no one came to stand by me, but all deserted me. May it not be charged against them! But the Lord stood by me and strengthened me, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

VERSE Luke 18:16b

Pastor: Alleluia. Let the children come to Me, and do not hinder them,

People: for to such belongs the kingdom of God. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 18:9–17 (The kingdom of God belongs to the children who come to Jesus.)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighteenth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

[Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and treated others with contempt: “Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.’ But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.” Now they were bringing even infants to him that he might touch them. And when the disciples saw it, they rebuked them. But Jesus called them to him, saying, “Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

CATECHISM The Third Article of the Creed

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

What does this mean?

I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Ghost has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith; even as He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith; in which Christian Church He daily and richly forgives all sins to me and all believers, and will at the Last Day raise up me and all the dead, and give unto me and all believers in Christ eternal life. This is most certainly true.

HYMN OF THE DAY “Beautiful Savior (All My Days)” -Stuart Townend
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1. All my days I will sing this song of gladness,
Give my praise to the Fountain of delights;
For in my helplessness You heard my cry,
And waves of mercy poured down on my life.

2. I will trust in the cross of my Redeemer;
I will sing of the blood that never fails,
Of sins forgiven, of conscience cleansed,
Of death defeated and life without end.

Chorus: Beautiful Savior, Wonderful Counselor,
Clothed in majesty, Lord of history,
You’re the Way, the Truth, the Life.
Star of the Morning, glorious in holiness,
You’re the Risen One, heaven’s Champion,
And You reign, You reign over all!

3. I long to be where the praise is never ending;
Yearn to dwell where the glory never fades,
Where countless worshipers will share one song,
And cries of “worthy” will honor the Lamb! *Chorus*

SERMON “I’m Not Done with You” 2 Timothy 4:7; 10-11

- I. Zoom calls
 - Which letter of Paul has a longer section of Paul’s greetings and instructions than this one?
- II. The “Beautiful Struggle” (v.6-8; 10-11)
 - What does “beautiful struggle” refer to?
 - In Paul’s life?
 - In our lives?
 - What is the inner struggle?
 - Who was Demas and what did he do?
 - Who was Mark and what did he do?
- III. “I’m not done with you”
 - What did Mark do in the Church?
 - What is the importance of a nail?

NEW MEMBER INSTALLATION

Dear Friends in Christ, on this day we have the joyful privilege of welcoming into our fellowship at Emmaus Lutheran Church these fellow saints in the body of Christ now present here before you.

To those of you who are becoming members through Affirmation of Faith, I would now ask you in the presence of God and this congregation:

Do you acknowledge and confess the teachings of the Evangelical Lutheran Church to be the true and unaltered teachings of the Word of God? If so, answer, “I Do.”

Do you desire in the sincere obedience of God, to be received into the communicant fellowship of the Evangelical Lutheran Church and of Emmaus congregation? If so, answer, “I Do.”

Do you intend to continue in the confession of this Church, to make diligent and faithful use of His Word and Sacrament, and to lead a sober, righteous and God-pleasing life, even unto the end? If so, answer, “I do so intend, with the help of God.”

Please join with the people of Emmaus in confessing our faith with the words of the Apostles’ Creed. *I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. 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. Amen.*

In the Name of our Gracious God and on behalf of the people of Emmaus, I bid you welcome as members of Emmaus Lutheran Church and encourage you to faithfully continue with us in worshiping God, in hearing His Word and sharing His Supper, in proclaiming the Good News of God in Christ through word and deed, and in striving for justice and peace in all the earth. May the blessings of the Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit rest upon you and abide with you. Depart in peace, serving the Lord!

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING

We offer our gifts to the Lord as we use this time in our service for contemplation and preparation for the sacrament of communion. Offerings can be placed in the plates at the back entrance doors as you leave the sanctuary.

PREFACE 2 Timothy 4:22

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. At Jesus’ gracious invitation, we, Your children, come unto Him and receive the assurance that You have made us members of Your eternal kingdom. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us.

To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER *Matthew 6:9-13*

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.

WORDS OF OUR LORD *Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25*

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My \times body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My \times blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI

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

People: Amen.

AGNUS DEI

1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

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You are invited to receive the Lord's Supper if you believe and confess that Jesus Christ is your Savior from sin, you are a baptized child of the Triune God, and you believe that He gives you His body and blood in the bread and wine you receive. White grape juice can be found in the center of each tray for those who cannot receive alcohol. Children are welcome to come forward for a blessing.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

“Jesus Messiah” –Daniel Carson, Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash, and Jesse Reeves

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1. He became sin, who knew no sin;
that we might become, His righteousness;
He humbled himself, and carried the cross.
Love so amazing, love so amazing.

Chorus: Jesus Messiah; Name above all names;
Blessed Redeemer; Emmanuel.
The Rescue for sinners, the Ransom from heaven;
Jesus, Messiah, Lord of all.

2. His body the bread, His blood the wine,
Broken and poured out, all for love.
The whole earth trembled, and the veil was torn,
Love so amazing, love so amazing. *Chorus*

Bridge: All our hope is in You,
All our hope is in You;
All the glory to You, God,
The Light of the world.

Chorus

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1. There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God’s own Son;
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

Chorus: Thank You, O my Father, for giving us Your Son,
And leaving Your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

2. Jesus, my Redeemer, name above all names;
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, O for sinners slain. *Chorus*

3. When I stand in glory, I will see His face;
There I’ll serve my King forever in that holy place. *Chorus*

BLESSING

Pastor: May our Lord’s body and blood strengthen and preserve you in true faith to life everlasting. Depart in peace and with joy.

People: Amen.

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray. O God the Father, who in love and mercy sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament. Strengthen us in the certainty of our Savior’s work to save us that we may live securely as members of Your heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION *Luke 18:16; Numbers 6:24–26*

Pastor: The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into His heavenly kingdom.

People: To Him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Pastor: Go forth now with the certainty of the Lord’s blessing:

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

People: Amen.

HYMN “Almighty Father, Bless the Word” *LSB* 923

1 Almighty Father, bless the Word
Which through Your grace we now have heard.
Oh, may the precious seed take root,
Spring up, and bear abundant fruit!

2 We praise You for the means of grace
As homeward now our steps we trace.
Grant, Lord, that we who worshiped here
May all at last in heav'n appear.

△ 3 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

GENEROSITY THOUGHTS: *2 Timothy 4:6* – “For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come.” As St. Paul nears the end of his life, he continues to view it as something to be spent in sacrifice toward God – just as he had told the Romans (12:1) to be “living sacrifices.” And why does St. Paul do this? Because he knows that His Lord has already won for him the crown of life. Jesus’ sacrifice that purchased our salvation leads us to imitate His sacrifice in our living for Him.

POTLUCK & CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: Please join us today, October 23, for our congregational meeting and potluck after the service. There will be activities for children during the meeting. Feel free to drop off your dish in the kitchen before the service. We can keep it warm or cold as needed.

WINTER COATS NEEDED: Jehovah Lutheran Church is collecting new and gently used winter coats, hats, and gloves to give to adults and children in need. Please bring donations to Emmaus **by Monday, October 31** so they can be delivered to Jehovah before the distribution day. Please place items in the box in the narthex. Jehovah is also happy to have volunteers on the distribution day (Sat., Nov 5th) to assist. There will be hours for sorting in the morning and for giving away in the afternoon. Please contact Jehovah if you are interested in volunteering your time: 651-644-1421.

LADIES OF EMMAUS: You are invited to a fall get together on Saturday, November 5th. We will gather downstairs in the Social Hall at 10 a.m. and wrap up around noon. Agenda is still in the planning stage, but it will include wonderful conversation, food and a relaxing time together. Please sign up in the narthex so we can plan food for the event. Questions? Talk to Pam U. Hope to see you there.

THE ORIGINS OF THE BIBLE will be presented by Dwight Nelson starting on Tuesday, October 18. He will be covering the origins of the Old and New Testaments, the intertestamental era, the translation of Scripture through time and concluding with a discussion of the many translations we have available today. The class will meet on Tuesday evenings from 7 to 8:15PM for 6 weeks at Emmaus. Discussion time will be included. All are welcome. Please contact Dwight at dpnelson50m@gmail.com or Emmaus at 651-489-9426 for more details.

LWML MITES: We will be having our fall Mites collection on October 30. Please bring in your coins! If you need a Mite box, they are available in the narthex.

EMMAUS FAMILY: DO YOU ENJOY CHRISTMAS MUSIC? The Fellowship Department is planning to order tickets for Bethel University's "Festival of Christmas – King of Kings" for Saturday, December 3, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. Tickets will be \$22-\$25, depending on availability. Please sign up on the sign-up sheet in the narthex. Deadline to sign up is Sunday, November 13, 2022.

EMMAUS ALL SAINTS DAY ROSE MEMORIAL: For this All Saints Day, we will be doing something new to honor and remember those who have departed in the Lord. It will not be limited to those who have passed this last year, but to any special saint(s) in your life who have departed. During the service, we will invite you to place a rose at a special spot while the names are read. We will limit this to one rose for each family's remembrances. To have your loved one's name in the special bulletin handout, and to ensure that there will be a rose for your family, please fill out the blue slip in the narthex, and have it back to us (collection plate, usher, office, Maria) by Reformation Sunday (10/30). We would love to have you participate in this special event, and to celebrate the memory of your dear loved one(s) in the Lord.

THE COMMUNITY IS CORDIALLY INVITED to attend the 19th annual polka service and Bavarian dinner at St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 4101 Washington Street NE, Columbia Heights, on Saturday, October 29. The service begins at 5:30 p.m. with the dinner following immediately afterwards in the church's fellowship hall. Chuck Thiel and his Jolly Ramblers from Lester Prairie, MN are featured musicians for the event. Tickets for the dinner are \$10 and are available by calling the church office at 763-788-9427.

HEAR "THE LUTHERAN HOUR" on Sunday mornings at 6:05 a.m. on WCCO 830 AM radio. Next week's broadcast: "Give Your Brother a Call" Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. God cares that we relate to Him with childlike faith and relate to others with Christlike love. (Luke 19:1-10)

YOU ARE INVITED to the 35th Annual Lutheran Free Conference on October 29 at Redeemer Lutheran Church, 2719 3rd St N., St. Cloud, from 9:30 to 3:30. The theme is "The State of Education in the USA: What Can Christians Do?" The speakers will be Dr. Ryan MacPherson, Professor, Bethany Lutheran College, Mankato, MN; Rev. Dr. Christian Preus, Pastor, Mt. Hope Lutheran Church, Casper, WY; and Dr. Gregory Schulz, Professor, Concordia University, Mequon, WI. Registration is \$30, which includes coffee, rolls, and lunch (\$10 for high school and college students). Though the fee is not due until you attend, for meal and refreshment planning, please RSVP to Redeemer on or before Monday, October 24: 320-252-8171 or office@redeemerstcloud.org.

CONCORDIA ACADEMY CRAFT FAIR: The Concordia Academy Craft Fair returns on November 12, and registration is open for crafters and vendors. Go to www.concordiaacademy.com/craftfair for details!



Emmaus Generations

Please join us for Emmaus Generations on Tuesday!

When: Tuesday, October 25th at 11:30am

Where: Emmaus Social Hall

What: Oktoberfest meal, Jim Seeman will speak about his work and we will do a project to assemble sandwiches to be distributed to the homeless.

Then, coming up in November, Emmaus Generations will be filling stockings for deployed Soldiers' Angels chaplains to distribute to service members in their care. We will be collecting new small gifts to be wrapped and used to fill the stockings. A box will be in the narthex through Sunday, November 13th to collect these gifts. Please see below for a list of suggestions:

Card games
Travel games
Small handheld games
DVD/Blu-Ray
Puzzle books
Warm Socks
Crystal Lite On-the-Go