



TODAY'S GOSPEL:
Matthew 6:13-35

A FAITHFUL STEWARD'S RESPONSE:

♥ Today's Gospel points us to the meaning of simplicity as a lifestyle and faith choice. Following Jesus' call to focus on God's abundance, we can shift our attention from our own worrying and fears to the needs of others. God's call, "Look here," shows us God's kingdom and invites us to learn and change.



A Measure of Our Love



A total of **\$3,545.00** per week is needed to maintain the day-to-day ministry of our parish.

Date Rec'd	Attendance	Envelope Offerings	Year-to-Date
09/04	77	\$1,980	\$(15,456)
09/11	143	\$2,717	\$(16,284)
09/18	128	\$1,750	\$(18,079)
09/25	144	\$2,667	\$(18,957)

2011 Building Fund Debt (as of 9/25):

Total cost of projects:	\$174,348
Total amount borrowed:	\$ 92,600 (incl. interest)
Amount received to date (to pay off loans):	\$ 75,354

PARISH STAFF

The Rev. James L. Friesner, Jr., Pastor
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The Parish Office will be open
Monday-Thursday from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
throughout the Fall/Winter months.

Lake-Mason-Osceola Chapter #30813
Thrivent Financial for Lutherans
Annual Dinner/Election
Sunday, October 16, 2011
Time-3:00pm

New Location:

Trinity Lutheran School
139 W. Church Ave
(on US-10 East of I-133 about 3-miles)
Reed City, MI

Directions to the School:

From the intersection of US 131 head east on US 10 for approximately 1 mile. At four-way-stop w/blinker light (Old US 131) turn South. Go approximately 1 mile to the traffic light at Church Street. Turn right on Church Street. Drive one block. The school is on the left side.

Entertainment by the "The Sweet Wind"
and, yes, we will have door prizes.

We need to plan for dinner, so **please RSVP by October 10, 2011**
Ruth Anderson at 231-843-4780 or anderson.35@charter.net
Jane Potter at 231-912-0433 or janealice22@yahoo.com

Bring a friend! See you there.

Looking Ahead...



TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18
OCTOBER! FEAST!

We're planning a big fundraising dinner to help close Emanuel's budget gap, and we need volunteers! Please sign-up at the table in Luther Hall on Sunday mornings or call Steve Mertz (845-1185).



The Annual Thanksgiving Day Community Dinner will be held at Emanuel Lutheran Church on Thursday, November 24, 2011 from noon until 2:00 p.m.

Vicki Dorrell has graciously agreed to chair the event once again. Thank you, Vicki!

As is our custom, we will be collecting cans of fruit pie filling for the LHS Home Economics Dept. to make pies for the meal. Please bring your donations to the church from now until October 16th.

We are also in need of Kitchen Help! Please call Vicki to volunteer: 843-8873.

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October 2, 2011

"Celebrating and faithfully sharing God's love within and beyond the walls of our church."

PLEASE NOTE: Sunday Worship will begin at 9:30 am throughout the year.

At Emanuel This Week

Sunday	October 2--16th Sunday after Pentecost <i>Stewardship Focus continues</i>
9:30 AM	Sunday School
9:30 AM	Word & Sacrament—Traditional Service
5:00 PM	Confirmation Class
8:00 PM	AA Meeting Downstairs

—Pastor Jim at McCormick Seminary all week—

Monday	October 3
1:00 PM	WeW
Tuesday	October 4
4:00 PM	Community Table
8:00 PM	AA Meeting Downstairs

Wednesday	October 5
9:00 AM	Men's Coffee & Conversation
11:00 AM	Prayer Group
6:00 PM	Grace Notes
7:00 PM	Choir

Thursday	October 6
8:00 PM	AA Meeting Downstairs

Upcoming Events

Sunday	October 9--17th Sunday after Pentecost <i>Stewardship Focus continues</i>
9:30 AM	Sunday School
9:30 AM	Word & Sacrament—Contemporary Service
5:00 PM	Confirmation Class
8:00 PM	AA Meeting Downstairs

Please join us for fellowship & hospitality each week in Luther Hall immediately following the Sunday service.



THE SANCTUARY LIGHT is offered to the glory of God in thanksgiving for all who minister to the elderly, the infirm, and those with special needs in our community.



Parish members in need: Mary Gwen Barrington, Tammy Brand, Ken Haus, Ardith Johnson, Max Kline, Keila Lankton, Walt Leinberger, Marian Rogan, Jan Serrell, Vernice Walker, Kay Williams.

Friends in need: Celeste Balogh, Serena Beaver, Dietrich Bidwell, Maynard Bidwell, Alex Branch, Janet Glinsky, John Hemmer, John Hunt, John Killabrew, Karen Klegon, Susan Knowlton, Karl & Lee Landgrebe, Karen Lock, Bob Montgomery, Anna Nappo, Dick Nelson, Norma Pross, Carrie Smith Roe, Dale Swanson, Jack Thomas.

Pray for those at home: Pat Aden, Marguerite Anderson, Robert & Helen Bahr, Leah Cutler, Loraine Emms, Charles Goff, Charles & Betty Hargreaves, Clara Johnson, Wilma Keson, Bruce & Helen Nelson, John & Lorraine Quinn, Evelyn Rohmoser, Jonah Schmidt, Sandy Vielmo, & Arlene Whitenight, Zachery Willis.

Pray for those in care facilities: Marguerite Andersen, Al Bloomer, Mamie Hansen.

Pray for our Armed Forces, especially our members: Navy - Anna Peterson, James Boomgaard, II; Army - Tad Reed, Ezra Swan, Dale Wheeler, Christian Boomgaard; National Guard - Jeremy Horstman, Jordan Martz; Air Force - Scott Mosley

Pray for our Veterans, especially those suffering from the wounds of war.

Pray for our parish family: our area churches and our Synod, as well as churches throughout the United States and the world and especially Hope Community Lutheran Church in Rockford, Michigan and Pastor Scott Swix.



PRAYER REQUESTS: To submit a prayer request, please call the Parish office at 843-3686 or fill out a prayer request card during Sunday worship. For immediate prayers in a crisis situation, you may activate the Emanuel Prayer Chain by calling Stephanie Sundholm at 845-8320.

Congratulations and best wishes to Jody French & Shawn Sroka who were united in marriage on Saturday, September 24, 2011.



Confirmation Class Meets Tonight

Sunday, October 2 from 5:00-6:30 pm



Tonight's Topic: Exploring the Commandments —parts 3 & 4

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

STEWARDSHIP

THANKSGIVING BRUNCH

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2011

(Immediately after worship)
to celebrate the completion of our
2011-12 Stewardship Focus



As you know, Emanuel has a partnership with Harbor Light Fellowship Emergency Food Pantry. We collect food for the pantry during months that contain a fifth Sunday.



Sunday, October 30th is the fifth Sunday of the month. We are asking for donations of canned goods and other non-perishable food items. Donated items may be placed in the Narthex. Thank you, in advance, for your generosity!



Community Table this Tuesday, October 4th at Community Church

Please sign up in Luther Hall.

SILENT AUCTION HELP NEEDED:

Do you have experience working at a silent auction? Are you willing to help our committee coordinate the Emanuel Silent Auction on December 18? We are looking for creative, talented people to make our auction successful. Please call the parish office, 843-3686, to volunteer your time.



If you have anything of value that you would be willing to donate to be auctioned, please contact the Parish Office, 231-843-3686, or bring your item into the office on or before November 27th. Please note, this is not a White Elephant sale. Only new, unused items of value, please.



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

This Sunday: October 2, 2011
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
(Traditional Service)

Acolytes:	Abby Millspaugh, Emily Millspaugh
Altar Guild:	Terri Boomgaard, Carolyn Fry
Altar Servers:	*Sandy Nelson, Jenny & Jim Grey
Bible Bearer:	Madisyn Brockelbank
Coffee Hour:	Dede Samuel
Crucifer:	Hayley Brockelbank
Greeters:	Bill & Anna Anderson
Lector:	Hjordis Rivet
Offering Counters:	Jeanne Kagey, Sandy Nelson
Offering Teller:	Larry Rees
Usher Captains:	K & J Haus, G & D Shank
Taper:	Dick Falk

Next Sunday: October 9, 2011
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
(Contemporary Service)

Altar Guild:	Barb Dixon, Linda Rogers
Altar Servers:	*Priscilla & Mike Burns, Volunteer
Coffee Hour:	Pr. Jim & Norma
Greeters:	Vicki Dorrell, Cathy Iteen
Lector:	Margaret Hayes
Offering Counters:	Cindy Jarvie, Sereé Jo Schmidt
Offering Teller:	Don Verduin
Usher Captains:	K & J Haus, G & D Shank
Taper:	Sandy Nelson

Please note: The office is no longer sending reminder postcards. You will receive a phone call early in the week to remind you of your scheduled commitment. MONTHLY SCHEDULES ARE AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE. Thank you for your continued service to Emanuel.



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