



TODAY'S GOSPEL:
Matthew 20:1-16

A FAITHFUL STEWARD'S RESPONSE:

♥ *I'll pay you whatever is fair," says the owner of the vineyard to those he hires. However, by the end of the day, the payment hardly seems fair to those who have worked under the hot sun all day long. God's generosity knows no bounds. How many times do you think to yourself: "God's not being fair to me"? Think again!*



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
08/21	119	\$2,325	\$(13,763)
08/28	129	\$3,417	\$(13,891)
09/04	77	\$1,980	\$(15,456)
09/11	143	\$2,717	\$(16,284)

2011 Building Fund Debt (as of 8/21):

Total cost of projects:	\$174,348
Total amount borrowed:	\$ 92,600 (incl. interest)
Amount received to date (to pay off loans):	\$ 71,159

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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September 18, 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.

Web: www.emanuel-lutheran.com

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At Emanuel This Week

Sunday	September 18--14th Sunday after Pentecost <i>Stewardship Focus continues</i>
9:30 AM	Sunday School
9:30 AM	Word & Sacrament—Traditional Service —Noisy Offering
5:00 PM	Confirmation Class
8:00 PM	AA Meeting Downstairs
Monday	September 19
9:30 AM	Staff Meeting
6:30 PM	Christian Education Meeting
Tuesday	September 20
8:00 PM	AA Meeting Downstairs
Wednesday	September 21
9:00 AM	Men's Coffee & Conversation
11:00 AM	Prayer Group
6:00 PM	Grace Notes
7:00 PM	Choir
Thursday	September 22
8:00 PM	AA Meeting Downstairs

Upcoming Events

Sunday	September 25--15th 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 our teachers, para-professionals and parents who assist our children in the classroom.



Parish members in need: Mary Gwen Barrington, 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, 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 St Paul Lutheran Church in Reed City, Michigan and Pastor Dawn Pooley.

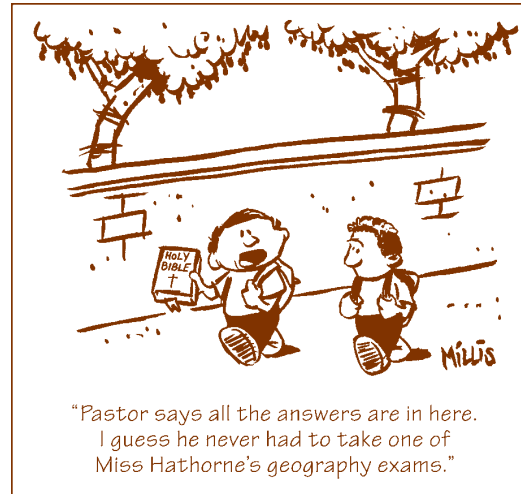
PRAYER REQUESTS: *To submit a prayer request, please call the Parish office at 843-3686 or fill out a prayer request card during Sunday worship. Your intention will be held in prayer for 30 days. (Please provide the office with an update if prayers for your intention need to be extended beyond 30 days.) For immediate prayers in a crisis situation, you may activate the Emanuel Prayer Chain by calling Stephanie Sundholm at 845-8320.*



Confirmation Class Meets Tonight **Sunday, Sept. 18 from 5:00-6:30 pm**

Tonight's Topic: Introduction to the Commandments

Rally Day was a HUGE success...with 32 children in attendance! Thank you to all who helped with this lively kick-off of our new Sunday School year.



"Coffee and Conversation" Wednesdays at 9:00 AM at Brenda's Harbor Cafe, 316 S. James Street.



You are invited to the
Fall Luncheon Meeting for LSSM
(Lutheran Social Services of Michigan)
October 6, 2011
from 10 am to 2 pm at
Victory Trinity Lutheran Church
3208 W Victory Drive, Ludington

Please RSVP by October 1st to
Phyllis Thompson, 231-757-4332 or rpthmp@gmail.com
Make \$5 check payable to : Victory Trinity Lutheran Church
and mail to above address or pay at the door.



This Sunday: September 18, 2011
Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
(Traditional Service)

Acolytes:	Shelby French, Rachael Petzak
Altar Guild:	Patricia & Tom Ezdebski
Altar Servers:	*Jenny & Jim Grey, Ryan Glanville
Bible Bearer:	Kaitlyn Dixon
Coffee Hour:	Dale & Carolyn Fitch
Crucifer:	Michael Heinrich
Greeters:	Fred & Jane Horstman
Lector:	Laurie Seidelman
Offering Counters:	Larry Rees, Joyce Usiak
Offering Teller:	Linda Rogers
Usher Captains:	W. & S. Millspaugh, Andy Nelson
Taper:	Suzanne Tibbot

Next Sunday: September 25, 2011
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
(Contemporary Service)

Altar Guild:	Jim & Jenny Grey
Altar Servers:	*L Rogers, B Dixon, D Samuel
Coffee Hour:	Ken & Cathy Iteen
Greeters:	Tony & Kim Hamm
Lector:	Bill or Anna Anderson
Offering Counters:	Joyce Usiak, Jerry Welton
Offering Teller:	Margaret Hayes
Usher Captains:	W. & S. Millspaugh, Andy Nelson
Taper:	Linda Ochs

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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