

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

Third Sunday of Easter

(Divine Setting Three)

May 1, 2022—10am

We celebrate the Lord's Supper today! Please prepare yourselves using these questions as a guide:

- Have I been baptized in the Name of the Triune God, Father, Son & Holy Spirit?
- Do I believe that I am a sinful being without hope for eternal life except in mercy of Jesus Christ?
- Do I believe in Jesus as My Savior?
- Do I believe that Jesus Christ is personally present in communion with His body and blood to forgive my sins, as the Bible teaches?
- Do I desire and strive by the power of the Holy Spirit to live a God-pleasing life?

As you come to the Lord's Supper you are affirming with each communicant that Jesus is your Lord and Savior, and that the Lutheran Church's confession of Jesus Christ and His Supper is your confession as well.

Prelude

Welcome: Pastor Dan

Please note that in the hymnal whenever we see a small triangle next to a hymn verse, that triangle means the Trinity is proclaimed in that verse and we are to stand for that verse.

Hymn: #908 "Lord, Open Now my Heart to Hear"



1 Lord, o - pen now my heart to hear, And through Your
2 Your Word in - spires my heart with - in; Your Word grants
△ 3 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, And God the



Word to me draw near; Let me Your Word e'er pure re -
heal - ing from my sin; Your Word has pow'r to guide and
Spir - it, Three in One, Shall glo - ry, praise, and hon - or



tain; Let me Your child and heir re - main.
bless; Your Word brings peace and hap - pi - ness.
be Now and through - out e - ter - ni - ty.

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The Invocation and Confession

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

People: Amen.

Pastor: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: Who made heaven and earth.
Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

People: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.
(Silence for reflection on God's Word)

Pastor: O almighty God, merciful Father

People: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

The Word of Absolution

Pastor: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen. *(Please be seated)*

Introit

Pastor: All Your works shall give thanks to You, O Lord, and all Your saints shall bless You! One generation shall commend Your works to another, and shall declare Your mighty acts. On the glorious splendor of Your majesty, and on Your wondrous works, I will meditate. They shall speak of the might of Your awesome deeds, and I will declare Your greatness. They shall pour forth the fame of Your abundant goodness and shall sing aloud of Your righteousness. The Lord is good to all, and His mercy is over all that He has made.

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Kyrie



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

The Gloria in Excelsis

P: Glory be to God on high:

C: And on earth peace, good will toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, The only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Salutation

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

The Collect for The Day

Pastor: Let us pray:

People: O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen. *(Please be seated)*

The First Reading – Acts 9:1-9

¹ But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest ² and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem.

³ Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven shone around him.

⁴ And falling to the ground, he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?"

⁵ And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting.

⁶ But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do."

⁷ The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one.

⁸ Saul rose from the ground, and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus.

⁹ And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Second Reading – Revelation 5:8-14

⁸ And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints.

⁹ And they sang a new song, saying, "Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, ¹⁰ and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth."

¹¹ Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, ¹² saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!"

¹³ And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!"

¹⁴ And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" and the elders fell down and worshiped.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse *(Please rise)*

All: Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

The Gospel

Pastor: The Holy Gospel is written in the 8th chapter of St. John beginning at the 48th verse.



⁴⁸ The Jews answered him, "Are we not right in saying that you are a Samaritan and have a demon?"

⁴⁹ Jesus answered, "I do not have a demon, but I honor my Father, and you dishonor me.

⁵⁰ Yet I do not seek my own glory; there is One who seeks it, and he is the judge.

⁵¹ Truly, truly, I say to you, if anyone keeps my word, he will never see death."

⁵² The Jews said to him, "Now we know that you have a demon! Abraham died, as did the prophets, yet you say, 'If anyone keeps my word, he will never taste death.'

⁵³ Are you greater than our father Abraham, who died? And the prophets died! Who do you make yourself out to be?"

⁵⁴ Jesus answered, "If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father who glorifies me, of whom you say, 'He is our God.'

⁵⁵ But you have not known him. I know him. If I were to say that I do not know him, I would be a liar like you, but I do know him and I keep his word.

⁵⁶ Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day. He saw it and was glad."

⁵⁷ So the Jews said to him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?"

⁵⁸ Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am."

⁵⁹ So they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord.



The Apostles Creed

All: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, Born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

Hymn #900 "Jesus! Name of Wondrous Love" Verses 1, 3 and 5



1 Je - sus! Name of won-drous love, Name all oth - er names a - bove,
2 Je - sus! Name de - creed of old, To the maid - en moth - er told,
3 Je - sus! Name of price - less worth To the fall - en of the earth
4 Je - sus! Name of mer - cy mild, Giv - en to the ho - ly Child



Un - to which must ev - 'ry knee Bow in deep hu - mil - i - ty.
Kneel - ing in her low - ly cell, By the an - gel Ga - bri - el.
For the prom - ise that it gave, "Je - sus shall His peo - ple save."
When the cup of hu - man woe First He tast - ed here be - low.

5 Jesus! Only name that's giv'n
Under all the mighty heav'n
Whereby those to sin enslaved
Burst their fetters and are saved.

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Sermon – "Who is Jesus?" John 8:58

1. Jesus often used different designations of Himself to teach us Who He is and What He is like as it relates to us and His mission.
2. In Exodus 3 we have Moses' encounter with God and the burning bush.
 - A. Moses went through a period of time in his life when he was having sort of an identity crisis.
3. It was from the burning bush that God told Moses that He was sending Him to Pharaoh.
 - A. When the Israelites ask, "What is His name?" what shall I say?
God said, "I AM Who I AM" "This is what you are to say to the Israelites.
4. What did God mean when He said His name is "I AM?"
 - A. God was revealing Himself as a personal being.
 - B. "I AM" emphasizes that God is absolutely independent.
 - C. When God said "I AM" he was revealing His constant nature.
5. Physically, the Jews were descendants of Abraham; spiritually though, Jesus said they were of their father, the devil.
6. Jesus' reference to Abraham meant that by faith Abraham believed God's plan of salvation.
 - A. This would be fulfilled in the person and work of Jesus.
 - B. The Bible tells us, "That Abraham believed and it was credited to him as righteousness.
7. By revealing Himself as "I AM" Jesus no doubt intended to lead others to saving faith

Offertory *(Please rise)*



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

Offering

Prayer of the Church

The Prayers

Peace & comfort for the family of David Perault, step-father of Jackie Ritter
Strength & comfort for Frankie Stallings & family, as she is under home Hospice care
Successful cancer treatment for Diane, friend of Sandra Goode
Strength & comfort for Lindy Stevens, as she is on permanent kidney dialysis
Strength, healing & Dr's wisdom & guidance for Michael Locklear, nephew of Marsha Doon
Healing from pain/kidney stones for Colin, grandson of the Steinbruecks
Continued healing for Derek, the brother of the daughter-in-law of the Steinbruecks

(Please help us keep our attendance numbers accurate by filling out the attendance cards and giving to Ushers at communion.)

The Lord's Prayer *(Please rise)*

All: 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.

The Lord's Supper

Preface

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

People: It is meet and right so to do.

Pastor: It is truly good and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying he has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore, with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witness of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

People: **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

The Words of Institution

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 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 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

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Distribution

Distribution Hymns: #619 "Thy Body, Given for Me, Thy Savior"



1 Thy bod - y, giv'n for me, O Sav - ior, Thy blood which
 2 With Thee, Lord, I am now u - nit - ed; I live in
 3 Who can con - demn me now? For sure - ly The Lord is
 4 Though death may threat - en with dis - as - ter, It can - not
 5 My heart has now be - come Thy dwell - ing, O bless - ed,



Thou for me didst shed, These are my life and
 Thee and Thou in me. No sor - row fills my
 nigh, who jus - ti - fies. No hell I fear, and
 rob me of my cheer; For He who is of
 ho - ly Trin - i - ty. With an - gels I, Thy



strength for - ev - er, By them my hun - gry soul is fed.
 soul, de - light - ed It finds its on - ly joy in Thee.
 thus se - cure - ly With Je - sus I to heav - en rise.
 death the mas - ter With aid and com - fort e'er is near.
 prais - es tell - ing, Shall live in joy e - ter - nal - ly.

Refrain



Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

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#632 "O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee"



1 O Je - sus, bless - ed Lord, to Thee My heart - felt
 2 Break forth, my soul, for joy and say: What wealth is



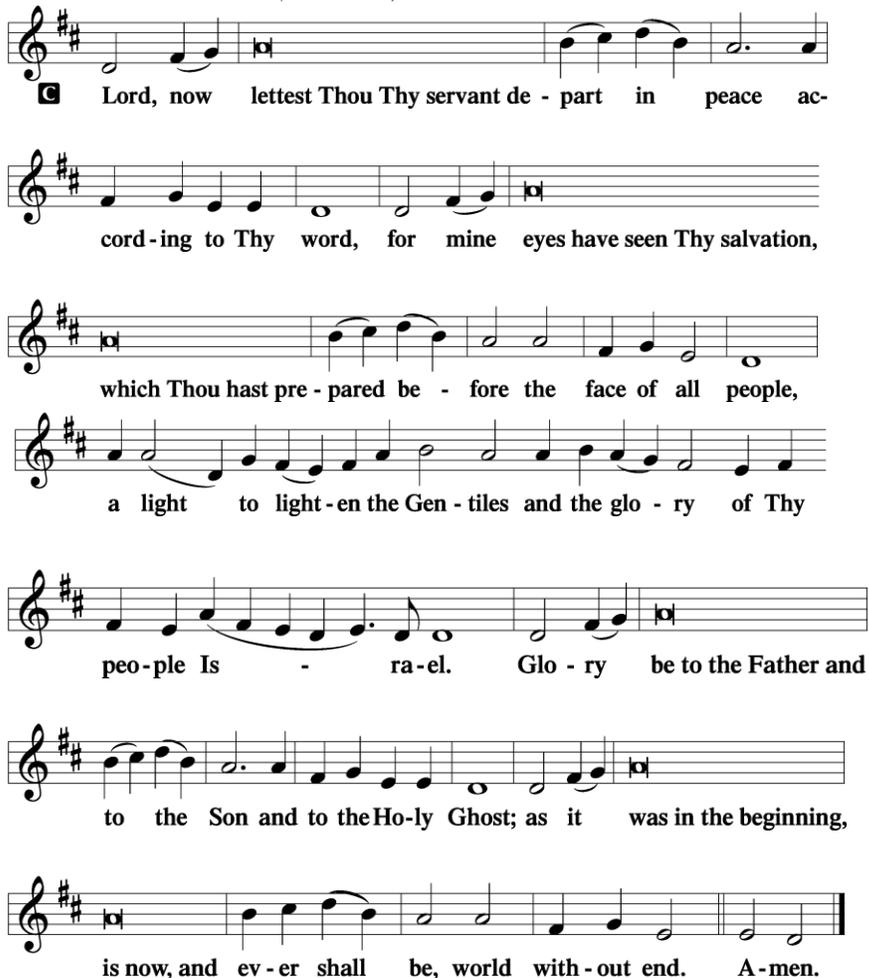
thanks for - ev - er be, Who hast so lov - ing -
 come to me this day! My Sav - ior dwells with -



ly be - stowed On me Thy bod - y and Thy blood.
 in my heart: How blessed am I! How good Thou art!

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Nunc Dimittis *(Please rise)*



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-
cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

Post Communion Collect

Pastor: Let us pray

People: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Salutation and Benedicamus

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Pastor: Bless we the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Benediction

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

People: Amen, Amen, Amen!

The Closing Hymn #527 "O Savior, Precious Savior" Verses 1-3



1 O Sav - ior, pre - cious Sav - ior, Whom yet un - seen we love;
 2 O bring - er of sal - va - tion, Who won - drous - ly hast wrought
 3 In Thee all full - ness dwell - eth, All grace and pow'r di - vine;
 4 O grant the con - sum - ma - tion Of this our song a - bove



O name of might and fa - vor, All oth - er names a - bove,
 Thy - self the rev - e - la - tion Of love be - yond our thought,
 The glo - ry that ex - cel - leth, O Son of God, is Thine.
 In end - less ad - o - ra - tion And ev - er - last - ing love;



We wor - ship Thee, we bless Thee, To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
 We wor - ship Thee, we bless Thee, To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
 We wor - ship Thee, we bless Thee, To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
 Then shall we praise and bless Thee Where per - fect prais - es ring,



We praise Thee and con - fess Thee, Our ho - ly Lord and King.
 We praise Thee and con - fess Thee, Our gra - cious Lord and King.
 We praise Thee and con - fess Thee, Our glo - rious Lord and King.
 And ev - er - more con - fess Thee, Our Sav - ior and our King!

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Our Vision:

All: Through Word and Sacrament ministry, we share the love, joy and peace of Jesus Christ among ourselves and with those around us.

Pastor: Our worship has ended, our service now begins. Let us go in peace.

All: And serve the Lord

Altar flowers are placed to the glory of God.

*The Hispanic Congregation Service wants to give thanks to this beautiful family of Immanuel. Each one of you reflects the love of Jesus Christ and together we will grow the kingdom of God
 Blessings, Pastor Miguel and Katherine*

Services will be live-streamed and a recording of service will be posted by the end of the day.

Please keep the church office updated on prayers that have been asked to be kept on indefinitely, military and ones for continued healing or cancer treatments.

Continued Prayers

Thanks & praise for the anniversary of Bill & Colleen Webb

Safe travels for Bob & Christine Garrett

We pray to God our Lord for the new Hispanic Mission in Immanuel and that through the Holy Spirit he will give us guidance to share the Gospel with new families.

Employment for those struggling to find a job

Healing

Battling with Cancer or Serious Illness

Barbara LaVere
Vickie Potter, friend of Lynda Smith
Dr. Khalid Mahmood, father of Farrah Briggs
Richard Seedroff
Barbara Knott
Yvonne Lenzen, grandmother of Grace Sierra
Gloria McNail, aunt of Susan Tumlin
Pat, suffering with dementia, Aunt of Beth Hutches
Cathy Nichols with terminal cancer, mother of Cathy Wilson
Raymond, brother of Barbara LaVere
David, brother of Larry Habeck
Barbara LaVere
Tracy, cousin of Jacquelyn Hahn
Lisa Steinbrueck, niece of the Steinbrueck's
Alan Sparks
Don Swisher, step-father of Larry Habeck
Bill, (w/brain cancer) uncle of Brian Littrel
Tom Meyferth

PRAYERS FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Safety for... and strength for families:

Matthew Reikowski as he is deployed on the Carl S. Vinson
Logan Crouse, US Army, great-nephew of Joan Crouse, stationed at Ft. Campbell in NC
Carson Crouse, US Army, great-nephew of Joan Crouse, stationed at Ft. Bragg
Samuel Drake, Captain stationed at Holloman AFB in Alamogordo, NM, son of Kerry Drake
Xander Ritter, USMC, deployed to Okinawa, Japan
Matthew Albers, Major in USAF and in command in Sacramento, CA, son of Deb Albers
Gavin Mattson, para-rescue man, stationed in the Panhandle of FL, grandson of Edith Mattson
Jeremy Brockmeier (USMC) & family, stationed in South Korea, son of Jerry and Janice Brockmeier
ALSO, FOR ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND FIRST RESPONDERS

PRAYERS FOR OUR FAMILIES

Sunday: James Ford
Monday: Ron & Karri Funk
Tuesday: Bob & Christine Garrett
Wed: Sandra Goode
Thursday: Alecia Grever, Macayla, Noah, Matthew
Friday: Patti & Scott Grice
Saturday: Cathy Gustavus

PRAYERS FOR OUR SCHOOL STUDENTS & FAMILIES

Sunday: Jonah Eschenfelder
Monday: Valerie Feliciano-Soto
Tuesday: BriAnna Felton
Wed: Anthony Ferrante
Thurs: Casey, Emily, Grace Forsong
Friday: Scott Frank
Saturday: Brooke Frankman

The Transition Committee is now officially the Call Committee! We continue to ask all of our Immanuel family to bathe this process in prayer as we work towards calling first an Intentional Interim Pastor and then our permanent Called Pastor.

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD... Jeremiah 29:11

Lord God, Heavenly Father, once again we come to You for guidance and direction for the Call Committee as they do the work necessary to prepare to call the shepherd that will lead Your Immanuel flock. Our Hispanic Ministry is still in its infancy and many of our other ministries are facing challenges of their own. We ask that You would make Your plans known to us; that You would raise up leaders and members with willing hearts to give of their time as well as the gifts of skills and treasure that You have so generously given each one of us. We pray Your strength, Your assurance, Your peace. In the holy and precious Name of Jesus, Amen.