

# IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

October 17, 2021—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

Hymn: # 526 "You Are the Way, Through You Alone"



1 You are the way; through You a - lone Can  
2 You are the truth; Your Word a - lone True  
3 You are the life; the emp - ty tomb Pro -  
4 You are the way, the truth, the life; Grant



we the Fa - ther find; In You, O Christ, has  
wis - dom can im - part; You on - ly can in -  
claims Your con - qu'ring arm, And those who put their  
us that way to know, That truth to keep, that



God re - vealed His heart and will and mind.  
form the mind And pu - ri - fy the heart.  
trust in You Not death nor hell shall harm.  
life to win Whose joys e - ter - nal flow.

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## The Invocation

*Matthew 28:19*

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

♪ People: Amen.

## The Confession of Sins

P: 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.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: **Who made heaven and earth.**

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

C: **And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

P: O almighty God, merciful Father,

**All: I, a poor miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserve 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**

P: 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.

**C: Amen.**

### **Introit**

P: The Lord is near to the broken-hearted and saves the crushed in spirit. I will bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad. Oh, magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together! I sought the Lord, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears. When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears and delivers them out of all their troubles.

**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.**

### **The Kyrie**

**C: Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

### **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 with Thy Spirit.**

### **The Collect for The Day**

Pastor: Let us pray:

**People: O God, your divine wisdom sets in order all things in heaven and on earth. Put away from us all things hurtful and give us those things that are beneficial for us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

**People: Amen.**

## The Old Testament Reading – Ecclesiastes 5:10-20

<sup>10</sup> He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves wealth with his income; this also is vanity.

<sup>11</sup> When goods increase, they increase who eat them, and what advantage has their owner but to see them with his eyes?

<sup>12</sup> Sweet is the sleep of a laborer, whether he eats little or much, but the full stomach of the rich will not let him sleep.

<sup>13</sup> There is a grievous evil that I have seen under the sun: riches were kept by their owner to his hurt, <sup>14</sup> and those riches were lost in a bad venture. And he is father of a son, but he has nothing in his hand.

<sup>15</sup> As he came from his mother's womb he shall go again, naked as he came, and shall take nothing for his toil that he may carry away in his hand.

<sup>16</sup> This also is a grievous evil: just as he came, so shall he go, and what gain is there to him who toils for the wind?

<sup>17</sup> Moreover, all his days he eats in darkness in much vexation and sickness and anger.

<sup>18</sup> Behold, what I have seen to be good and fitting is to eat and drink and find enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under the sun the few days of his life that God has given him, for this is his lot.

<sup>19</sup> Everyone also to whom God has given wealth and possessions and power to enjoy them, and to accept his lot and rejoice in his toil—this is the gift of God.

<sup>20</sup> For he will not much remember the days of his life because God keeps him occupied with joy in his heart.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## The Gradual

**All: He will command His angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name!**

## Epistle Reading – Hebrews 4:1-13

<sup>1</sup> Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it.

<sup>2</sup> For good news came to us just as to them, but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened.

<sup>3</sup> For we who have believed enter that rest, as he has said, “As I swore in my wrath, ‘They shall not enter my rest,’” although his works were finished from the foundation of the world.

<sup>4</sup> For he has somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way: “And God rested on the seventh day from all his works.”

<sup>5</sup> And again in this passage he said, “They shall not enter my rest.”

<sup>6</sup> Since therefore it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience, <sup>7</sup> again he appoints a certain day, “Today,” saying through David so long afterward, in the words already quoted, “Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts.”

<sup>8</sup> For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on.

<sup>9</sup> So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, <sup>10</sup> for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as God did from his.

<sup>11</sup> Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience.

<sup>12</sup> For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

<sup>13</sup> And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### **Alleluia and Verse**

All: Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

**Special Music:** "Psalm 117" *Choir*

### **The Gospel**

Pastor: The Holy Gospel is written in the 10<sup>th</sup> chapter of St. Mark beginning at the 23<sup>rd</sup> verse.

♪ **People: Glory be to Thee, O Lord!**

<sup>23</sup> And Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How difficult it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!"

<sup>24</sup> And the disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how difficult it is to enter the kingdom of God!

<sup>25</sup> It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God."

<sup>26</sup> And they were exceedingly astonished, and said to him, "Then who can be saved?"

<sup>27</sup> Jesus looked at them and said, "With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God."

<sup>28</sup> Peter began to say to him, "See, we have left everything and followed you."

<sup>29</sup> Jesus said, "Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for my sake and for the gospel, <sup>30</sup> who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life.

<sup>31</sup> But many who are first will be last, and the last first."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

♪ **People: Praise be to Thee, O Christ!**

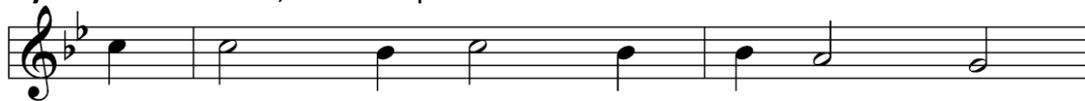
### **The Apostles Creed**

**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 #544 "O Love, How Deep"



1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high,  
 2 He sent no an - gel to our race,  
 3 For us bap - tized, for us He bore  
 4 For us He prayed; for us He taught;



Be - yond all thought and fan - ta - sy,  
 Of high - er or of low - er place,  
 His ho - ly fast and hun - gered sore;  
 For us His dai - ly works He wrought,



That God, the Son of God, should take  
 But wore the robe of hu - man frame,  
 For us temp - ta - tion sharp He knew;  
 By words and signs and ac - tions thus



Our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake!  
 And to this world Him - self He came.  
 For us the tempt - er o - ver - threw.  
 Still seek - ing not Him - self but us.

5 For us by wickedness betrayed,  
 For us, in crown of thorns arrayed,  
 He bore the shameful cross and death;  
 For us He gave His dying breath.

6 For us He rose from death again;  
 For us He went on high to reign;  
 For us He sent His Spirit here  
 To guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

D 7 All glory to our Lord and God  
 For love so deep, so high, so broad;  
 The Trinity whom we adore  
 Forever and forevermore.

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**Sermon** – “What’s happening here? Part II” *Mark 10:23-31*

**Intro:** *“With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God.”*

**I. How does this statement of Jesus strike you?**

- A. How do you classify that statement?
- B. In good Lutheran understanding, is it Law or is it Gospel?
- C. Be careful answering too quickly.

**II. To answer how you take these words we need context.**

- A. First consider the American context.
  - 1. Proof text for the Gospel.
  - 2. Really isn’t a Gospel.
  - 3. Prosperity Gospel.
- B. Let’s consider another context.
  - 1. Those who have possessions, it is difficult for them to enter heaven.
  - 2. The disciples freak out and Jesus takes them from difficult to impossible.
  - 3. Some think Jesus is taking the negative approach, that is “you think you kept the law, man, I’m gonna show you how you didn’t.”
  - 4. Contrary to that Jesus loves this man.
  - 5. One other scenario, the best of both worlds’ scenario.

**III. The proper context.**

- A. Jesus loves this man and hopes the rich man would answer his Gospel call.
- B. The same Gospel call that was answered by Jesus disciples.
- C. Core to understanding Jesus statement is the “identity of Jesus.”

**The Prayers**

Peace & comfort for the family of Joyce Briggs, Aunt of Scott Briggs and friend of the Farnsworth family  
Thanksgiving & praise for the birth of a healthy baby girl to Neysa (Farnsworth) McGowan

*(Please help us keep our attendance numbers accurate by filling out the attendance cards and putting in basket on the way out.)*

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**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 Words of Institution**

*Matthew 26:26-28*

**P:** 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**

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

## Agnus Dei

**C:** O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

## Distribution

### Distribution Hymn: #537 "Beautiful Savior"



1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion, Son of  
2 Fair are the mead - ows, Fair are the wood - lands, Robed in  
3 Fair is the sun - shine, Fair is the moon - light, Bright the  
4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions, Son of



God and Son of Man! Tru - ly I'd love Thee, Tru - ly I'd  
flow'rs of bloom - ing spring; Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is  
spar - kling stars on high; Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines  
God and Son of Man! Glo - ry and hon - or, Praise, ad - o -



serve Thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.  
pur - er, He makes our sor - r'wing spir - it sing.  
pur - er Than all the an - gels in the sky.  
ra - tion Now and for - ev - er - more be Thine!

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## Nunc Dimittis

**C:** Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. 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

## Thanksgiving

**P:** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

**C:** and His mercy endureth forever.

**P:** Let us pray.

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.

**C:** Amen.

## Salutation and Benedicamus

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** And with thy spirit.

**P:** Bless we the Lord.

**C:** Thanks be to God.

## The Benediction

P: 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.

C: **Amen, Amen, Amen!**

## *Offerings will be taken on your way out*

## The Closing Hymn #803 "Joyful We Adore Thee"



1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore Thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!  
2 All Thy works with joy sur-round Thee, Earth and heav'n re - flect Thy rays,  
△ 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, Ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore Thee, Prais - ing Thee, their sun a - bove.  
Stars and an - gels sing a - round Thee, Cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.  
Well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, O - cean - depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, Drive the gloom of doubt a - way.  
Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, Flow - 'ry mead - ow, flash - ing sea,  
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it, Foun - tain - head of love di - vine:



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, Fill us with the light of day.  
Chant - ing bird, and flow - ing foun - tain Call us to re - joice in Thee.  
Joy - ful, we Thy heav'n in - her - it! Joy - ful, we by grace are Thine!

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**Altar flowers are placed to the glory of God.**

*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

Peace & comfort for the family of Keith Stallings

Peace & comfort for the family of Jim Shefchik, father of Sue Steenis

Peace & comfort for the family of Rev. Dr. David H. Bernthal of Juliette, GA, who served over 56 yrs in LCMS as Teacher & Pastor

For good transition to day care for grandson of Cathy Wilson

Employment for those struggling to find a job

**Healing**

Jeffrey Elliott, Jr.

Ray Dempsey

Victims of shootings at Mansfield, TX high school Don, brother-in-law of Cathy Wilson

Chris, from knee replacement, husband of Cathy Wilson

**Battling with Cancer or Serious Illness**

Barbara Knott

Amber, mother of Emma Bieske

Yvonne Lenzen, grandmother of Grace Sierra

Gloria McNail, aunt of Susan Tumlin

Cheryl Ford

Marie Walser, cousin of Cathy Wilson

Pat, suffering with dementia, Aunt of Beth Hutches

Joann, friend of Beth Hutches

Anona, friend of Susan Tumlin

Carol, sister of Trish Smith

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

David Parkinson, brother of Betty Loraamm

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, deployed to Kuwait

Carson Crouse, US Army, great-nephew of Joan Crouse, deployed to Virginia

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

**PRAYERS FOR OUR FAMILIES**

Sunday: Neoda Dumke

Monday: Felton & Carol Dunnehoo

Tuesday: Col Irv & Franci Dupre

Wed: Richard Ensor

Thursday: David Ervast

Friday: Ray Eydman

Saturday: Jeff & Janice Fabry, Brittany, Matthew

**PRAYERS FOR OUR SCHOOL STUDENTS & FAMILIES**

Sunday Tavaris Buggs  
Monday: Alice Burnett  
Tuesday: Jacob Byrne  
Wed: Aljandra Calix  
Thurs: Jaidyn, Kamryn & Shaniya Campbell  
Friday: Sebastian Cancio  
Saturday Kaynin Canciobello

**SPECIAL NOTE:** Each Sunday you will find printed here, on the inside of the back cover of the bulletin, a scripture and a prayer that the Transition Committee has prepared.

The congregation is encouraged to post this somewhere where you can see it and use it in lifting Pastor, the Transition Committee and all of your Immanuel brothers and sisters to the Lord each day.

These will also be in your weekly email that you can print and post at home.

*I have set the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.*

*Psalm 16:8*

*Dear heavenly Father,  
Thank you for your abiding presence and all your trustworthy promises.  
As you led Paul by your Holy Spirit, lead us  
also in the way we should go, all for your  
glory, our good, and the  
furtherment of your kingdom.  
Through Christ your Son and our Savior, Amen.*