

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

10am Family Worship Service

September 25, 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.

White grape juice is now available in the center of the communion tray for those who cannot partake of alcohol.

Prelude

Welcome: Pastor Dan

The Call to Worship: Psalm 126

Pastor: We rejoice, for the Lord has done great things for us!

All: His love and concern for us has set us free from captivity.

Pastor: Our mouths can now be filled with laughter. And songs of joy can be sung from our lips.

All: Let us put on the garment of praise, for He has turned our tears into laughter and put our sorrows into songs of joy.

Pastor: Let us rejoice and give praise to our Mighty God; the Great I AM!

All: for He has forgiven us and set us free!

Pastor: We make our beginning in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

A Time of Praise *(please rise as you are able)*

Sing: "Come Let us Worship and Bow Down"

Come let us worship and bow down

Let us kneel before the Lord

Our God our Maker

Come let us worship and bow down

Let us kneel before the Lord

Our God our Maker

For He is our God

And we are the people of His pasture

And the sheep of His hand

Just the sheep of His hand

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“Glorify Thy Name”

Verse 1

Father, we love You, we worship and adore You
Glorify Thy name in all the earth.
Glorify Thy name, Glorify Thy name,
Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Jesus, we love You, (repeat above)

Spirit, we love You, (repeat above)

Pastor: Let us pray:

Gracious heavenly Father, as we gather for worship this morning, we praise and thank You for Your goodness towards us in Jesus Christ. We thank You for Your grace and mercy towards us and ask you to be with us to bless this time that we have with You through the Word and Sacrament. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.
(Please be seated)

Confession and Absolution

Pastor: Let us now confess our sins and receive God's forgiveness.

All: O Lord, unless You are Lord of my life, I will get in the way of You being Lord of the Church. My own desires, self-ideas, personal theologies tear down what You build up. Forgive me and give me a new vision for Your Kingdom. May I become a loving sanctuary of Your love, my heart a living altar for You, that the Church may grow and Your Kingdom come.

Pastor: The Lord hears the prayers of our hearts and he says to you and me this morning. “I will remove your sin as far as the East is from the West and I will remember it no more.” We praise God for His mercy and grace given to us through His Son Jesus Christ. In the name of Jesus, I declare to you that your sins are forgiven. Amen.

Children's Message Song: “God is so Good”

God is so good. God is so good.

God is so good. He's so good to me.

He loves me so....

Children's Message: Pastor Dan

The Epistle Reading – 1 Timothy 6:6-19

⁶But godliness with contentment is great gain, ⁷for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world.

⁸But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content. ⁹But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction.

¹⁰For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs.

¹¹But as for you, O man of God, flee these things. Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, gentleness.

¹²Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and about which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.

¹³ I charge you in the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, ¹⁴ to keep the commandment unstained and free from reproach until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵ which he will display at the proper time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, ¹⁶ who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

¹⁷ As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy.

¹⁸ They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, ¹⁹ thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Please rise for the reading of the Gospel)

The Gospel

Pastor: The Holy Gospel is written in the 16th chapter of St. Luke beginning at the 19th verse.

People: Glory be to Thee O Lord

¹⁹ “There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day.

²⁰ And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹ who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores.

²² The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried, ²³ and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side.

²⁴ And he called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.’

²⁵ But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish.

²⁶ And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.’

²⁷ And he said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house— ²⁸ for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.’

²⁹ But Abraham said, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.’

³⁰ And he said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’

³¹ He said to him, ‘If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.’”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

People: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Pastor: Let us confess our Christian faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

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.

(Please be seated)

Hymn: “Jesus Messiah”

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

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

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Sermon – “Carpe Diem” Luke 16:19-31 Pastor Dan

Sing: “Seek Ye First”

Seek ye first the kingdom of God
And His righteousness
And all these things shall be added unto you!
Allelu, alleluia!

Ask and it shall be given unto you,
Seek and ye shall find,
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you,
Allelu, alleluia!

Man does not live by bread alone,
But by ev’ry word
That proceeds from the mouth of the Lord,
Allelu, alleluia!

Please be seated

Offerings are gathered

The Prayers

Peace & comfort for the family of Don Persinger, friends of Sandy Goode
Healing & Dr’s wisdom for leg & hip pain for Don Case
Strength & comfort for the hurricane victims of Puerto Rico
For Lutheran Bible Translators: that God will protect our entire team; help us finish well so that Komba people may hear the complete Word of God, as it can be a time when satan especially works hard to postpone and prevent the completion of the Bible; and prayers for safety for all.

(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 Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Pastor: This morning Jesus stands before us and we'll hear Him say: "Take and eat, this is MY body, take and drink this My blood. In this holy meal we see again the hand of God at work; calling us in faith and not to stumble over what seems foolish in our human minds. In Jesus we are truly assured that He is present in this meal to forgive and renew; His Word is sure.

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."

Song: "I Love You, Lord"

I love you Lord, and I lift my voice
To worship you, O my soul, rejoice!
Take joy, my King in what you hear:
May it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear.
Repeat

(Distribution is continuous style. Please come to the communion rail and kneel or stand. As a place at the communion rail becomes open, please come forward and take that spot. After receiving the bread and the wine and you feel comfortable, please dismiss yourself to return to your seat; the post communion blessing will be given to all at the end. There are baskets available for the empty communion cups.)

Pastor: Welcome to the Table of the Lord.

Post Communion Collect

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart in peace.
Please rise for the benediction.

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: “You are My All and All”

You are my strength when I am weak.
You are the Treasure that I seek.
You are my All in All.
Seeking You as a precious jewel,
Lord, to give up I’d be a fool.
You are my All in All.

Refrain: Jesus, Lamb of God,
 Worthy is Your name.
 Jesus, Lamb of God,
 Worthy is Your name.

Taking my sin, my cross, my shame,
Rising again, I bless Your name.
You are my All in All.
When I fall down you pick me up,
When I am dry you fill my cup.
You are my All in All.

Refrain
By Bernard Kyamanywa, Howard S. Olsen, Public Domain

Our Vision:

Pastor: As a reminder of the reason why we exist as a church let us speak our vision statement together.

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 and in honor of Bob Garrett’s birthday

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 Jennifer’s mother, friend of Sue Hague

Thanksgiving for the 51st anniversary of Jerry & Jan Brockmeier

Safe travels for Joe & Susan Tumlin

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

Kenny Nichols, brother of Cathy Wilson

Rick, with aortic arch aneurysm, friend of Sue Hague

Nefer Bermudez, friend of Irene Davis

Karen, with pulmonary Fibrosis, neighbor of Pat Cook

Dona Trlak

Battling with Cancer or Serious Illness

Lou Meraldo & family, as he is suffering with dementia, grandfather of Carolyn Clarke
Debra's son-in-law, just diagnosed with fatal brain tumor, friend of Sue Hague
Donald Crouse as he has dementia, brother-in-law of Joan Crouse
Wally, friend of Sue Hague
Kidney transplant for Charles, grandfather of Immanuel student
Don Monahan, brother-in-law of Cathy Wilson
Michael Morrow
David, son-in-law of Nancy Christianson
Nancy Schild, (non-Hodgkins Lymphoma) former teacher of ILS and member of Immanuel
Diane, friend of Sandy Goode
Doug Woodward, father of Jennifer Woodward, friend of Beth (Harmon) DeKnoblough
Richard Seedroff
Victoria Hage, friend of Cindy Szczesny
Lee, father of Ashlee Garrett
Rich Richards
Barbara LaVere
Barbara Knott
Yvonne Lenzen, grandmother of Grace Sierra
Pat, suffering with dementia, Aunt of Beth Hutches
Cathy Nichols with terminal cancer, mother of Cathy Wilson
David, brother of Larry Habeck
Don Swisher, step-father of Larry Habeck
Art Carroll, friend of the Habeck's
Tracy, cousin of Jacquelyn Hahn
Lisa Steinbrueck, niece of the Steinbrueck's
Bill, (w/brain cancer) uncle of Brian Littrel
Tom Meyferth

PRAYERS FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Safety for... and strength for families:

Luke Buchholz, Navy, grandson of Ann Donahue, stationed at Norfolk, VA
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
Cpl. Xander Ritter, USMC, stationed at Camp Pendleton, CA
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 at Camp Pendleton in CA, son of Jerry and Janice Brockmeier

ALSO, FOR ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND FIRST RESPONDERS

PRAYERS FOR OUR FAMILIES

Sunday: Tommy & Elizabeth Combs, Ainsley, Asher
Monday: Joanne Conley, Jay, Eric
Tuesday: Steve & Pat Cook
Wed: Denise Cranmer, Ted
Thursday: Joan Crouse
Friday: Irene Davis
Saturday: Heather DeBrocke, Derek, Drew

PRAYERS FOR OUR SCHOOL STUDENTS & FAMILIES

Sunday: Kailey Charles
Monday: John Clapp
Tuesday: Gracelyn Clarito
Wed: Ludger Clerge
Thurs: Kalib Connell
Friday: Carolina, Ezekiel, Janelle, Natalia & Sophia Cordova
Saturday: Ariella, Aaliyah, Emanuel, Josiah Cordova

Please take this scripture and prayer that the Call Committee has prepared and place it on your refrigerator or in a spot where you can see it often. We would encourage all of our Immanuel family to memorize the scripture verse each week and to daily lift each other, the Committee and our Vacancy Pastor, Pastor Dan, in prayer

Pray without ceasing...1 Thessalonians 5:17

Lord God, our Heavenly Father, we thank you for the powerful gift of prayer. We come to you now and ask Your guidance for our District President as he will be reviewing the names for potential Senior Pastors that we have submitted. We pray the Holy Spirit will give President Rocky wisdom in removing and/or adding any other names to that list. We pray for peace as we wait, trusting You for the blessing of the Pastor You have already chosen to shepherd our Immanuel family.

In Jesus' precious, holy name. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Grant, merciful Lord, pardon and peace to Your faithful people as they bear Your cross and follow You as Your disciples. Cleanse us from our sins to serve You with a quiet mind, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.