

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Family Worship Service

October 16, 2022—10:15am

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 David Haara

The Call to Worship: Psalm 86

Pastor: Hear me, Lord, and answer me, for I am poor and needy.

All: Guard my life, for I am faithful to You; save Your servant who trusts in You.

Pastor: You are my God; have mercy upon me, Lord.

All: For I call to You all day long.

Pastor: Bring joy to Your servant, Lord

All: For I put my trust in You.

Pastor: Trusting in the Word of Life given in our baptism, we are gathered together today 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: "Hear I am to Worship"

Light of the world

You stepped down into darkness

Opened my eyes let me see

Beauty that made

This heart adore You

Hope of a life spent with You

CHORUS

So here I am to worship

Here I am to bow down

Here I am to say that You're my God

And You're altogether lovely

Altogether worthy

Altogether wonderful to me

King of all days
Oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came
To the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor

CHORUS

And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
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CHORUS

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“Open Our Eyes Lord”

Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus,
To reach out and touch Him and say that we love Him.
Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen.
Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.

Soften my heart, Lord, melt me and mold me,
Make me a vessel to pour out Your Spirit,
To bring joy and gladness to those who have sorrow.
Open our eyes, Lord, I want to see Jesus.

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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 the privilege and blessings we have
from Your gracious hands in the gift of prayer. Encourage us Lord to take everything on hearts to
You in prayer. In Jesus' name.
(Please be seated)

Confession and Absolution

Pastor: Let us now confess our sins and receive God's forgiveness.
**All: O Lord Jesus, the glory and beauty of Your eternal home gives me hope for all my tomorrows.
Yet I know I am a sinful person without any hope except for You. You know the sinful condition
of my heart and so I come to You now in prayer. For the sake of Your innocent, sufferings and
death on the cross hear me and forgive me my sins.**

(We pause for a few minutes of silence to reflect upon God's Word and self-examination.)

Pastor: Praise God, for the precious Word of the Lord is faithful and true. To those who confess with
penitent hearts, God forgives us and calls us His children. Washed clean in His blood, we can stand
before His throne rejoicing.

Children’s Message Song: “My God is so Great”

My God is so great, so strong and so mighty!
There’s nothing my God cannot do!
The mountains are His, the rivers are His,
The stars are His handiwork too,
My God is so great, so strong and so mighty!
There’s nothing my God cannot do!
For you!

Children’s Message: Pastor Haara

The Old Testament Reading –Genesis 32:22-30

²²The same night he arose and took his two wives, his two female servants, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok.

²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and everything else that he had.

²⁴And Jacob was left alone. And a man wrestled with him until the breaking of the day.

²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he touched his hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him.

²⁶Then he said, “Let me go, for the day has broken.” But Jacob said, “I will not let you go unless you bless me.”

²⁷And he said to him, “What is your name?” And he said, “Jacob.”

²⁸Then he said, “Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with men, and have prevailed.”

²⁹Then Jacob asked him, “Please tell me your name.” But he said, “Why is it that you ask my name?” And there he blessed him.

³⁰So Jacob called the name of the place Peniel, saying, “For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life has been delivered.”

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

¹⁴But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it ¹⁵and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

¹⁶All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

^{4:1} I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom: ² preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching.

³ For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions, ⁴ and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths.

⁵ As for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

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 18th chapter of St. Luke beginning at the 1st verse.

People: Glory be to Thee O Lord

¹ And he told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart.

² He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected man.

³ And there was a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying, 'Give me justice against my adversary.'

⁴ For a while he refused, but afterward he said to himself, 'Though I neither fear God nor respect man,⁵ yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will give her justice, so that she will not beat me down by her continual coming.'"

⁶ And the Lord said, "Hear what the unrighteous judge says.

⁷ And will not God give justice to his elect, who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long over them?

⁸ I tell you, he will give justice to them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

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: "I Will Call Upon the Lord"

I will call upon the Lord

Who is worthy to be praised

So shall I be saved from my enemies

I will call upon the Lord

The Lord liveth

And blessed be the Rock

And let the God of my salvation be exalted

(REPEAT)

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Sermon – "Persistent Praying" Pastor Haara Luke 18:1-8

Offerings are gathered

The Prayers

Peace & comfort for the family of James Tucker

Peace & comfort for the family of Betty Smith, grandmother of Ed Clarke

Healing from surgery for Bonny Jacobi

Healing for Richard Steinbrueck

Good diagnosis & healing for Don Case

(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 is Celebrated

Pastor: The Consecration of the Bread and Wine

All: "Give Thanks"

Give thanks with a grateful heart

Give thanks to the Holy One

Give thanks because He's given

Jesus Christ His Son

Give thanks with a grateful heart

Give thanks to the Holy One

Give thanks because He's given

Jesus Christ His Son

And now let the weak say I am strong

Let the poor say I am rich

Because of what the Lord has done for us

And now let the weak say I am strong

Let the poor say I am rich

Because of what the Lord has done for us

Give thanks

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(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: “Everlasting God”

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord

We will wait upon the Lord

We will wait upon the Lord

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord

We will wait upon the Lord

We will wait upon the Lord

Our God You reign forever

Our hope our strong Deliv'rer

You are the everlasting God

The everlasting God

You do not faint You won't grow weary

You're the defender of the weak

You comfort those in need

You lift us up on wings like eagles

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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 the 5th anniversary of Chris & Grace Sierra and the baptism anniversary of Benjamin Sierra

We want to thank the people who sponsored and prayed for our trip to the FL-GA Pastor's Conference in Daytona and also the Educator's Conference.

We met many interesting people and learned a lot during these few days. We also took back a lot of material to be helpful to evangelize and extend the Kingdom of God.

In Christ,

Pastor Miguel & 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

Peace & comfort for the family of Joyce Guzel

Peace & comfort for the family of Rev. Daniel Brockhoff (Emeritus) who served 28 years at Christ the King in Largo, FL

Peace & comfort for the family of Chris James Reda, friend of the Farnsworth family

Strength, comfort & peace for Will Smallwood, suffering from PTSD, nephew of Kathy Begley

Employment for Matt Murphy

Peace, strength & comfort for all the victims of Hurricane Ian, who have lost loved ones or their home and belongings

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.

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

Barbara & Dan Ferguson, friends of Joan Crouse

Ken Zicheck, husband of friend of Joan Crouse

Kenny Nichols, brother of Cathy Wilson

Karen, with pulmonary Fibrosis, neighbor of Pat Cook

Battling with Cancer or Serious Illness

Rusty Cotterman, friend of Ed Clarke

Tammy Smith, friend of Danielle Farnsworth

Lou Mercaldo & 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

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
Samuel Drake, Captain stationed at Holloman AFB in Alamogordo, NM, son of Kerry Drake
Cpl. Xander Ritter, USMC, stationed at Camp Pendleton, CA
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: Rev. Ken & Tammie Farnsworth, Michaela
Monday: Michael & Danielle Farnsworth, Jacob, Nicholas, Emma
Tuesday: Doug Felton, Eric
Wed: Tom Finger
Thursday: Joe & Claire Fleischman, Avery, Benjamin
Friday: Austin & Helena Flynn, Jane
Saturday: James Ford

PRAYERS FOR OUR SCHOOL STUDENTS & FAMILIES

Sunday John & Peter Ebsworth-Llavona
Monday: Braxton Edwards
Tuesday: Elizabeth & Jonah Eschenfelder
Wed: Eugenia & Martina Fernandez-Riveron
Thurs: Anthony Ferrante
Friday: Asiel Flores
Saturday: Casey, Emily & Grace Forsong

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

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

Ps. 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 the Call Committee also in the way we should go especially at this time of reviewing the pastors on our list, all for your glory, our good, and the furtherment of your kingdom. Through Christ your Son and our Savior, Amen.

Dear Lord,

Thank you for sending our pastor to shepherd the church. I'm grateful for the love you put in the pastor's heart for You and Your people. I appreciate the unique set of gifts and talents that enrich the pastor's ministry and bless our church. Would You, in turn, bless the pastor today? Help the pastor to sense Your presence in such a sweet way. Fill the pastor up, Lord and use the pastor for Your glory today. And show me how I can support and encourage. My pastors are on the front line; an easy target for the enemy and his minions. My pastors are preaching the Word faithfully from the platform each week as a community leader, and a completely sold out servant to You. Dear Holy Spirit, empower the pastor this day to boldly proclaim the truth of Your Word. Help the pastor not to grow weary in well-doing or to fall away but provide grace upon grace. I'm thanking You in advance for what You will do in and through our pastor this very day, Thanking You for this good leader, I pray this in Jesus' name.

"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9

"The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace." Numbers 6:24-26