

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Family Worship Service

October 23, 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 Dan

The Call to Worship: Psalm 135

Pastor: Praise the Lord

All: Praise the name of the Lord; praise Him you servants of the Lord.

Pastor: You who minister in the house of the Lord, in the courts of the house of God.

All: Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good, sing praise to His name, for that is pleasant.

Pastor: For the Lord has chosen Jacob to be His own.

All: Israel to be His treasured possession

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: "Heart of Worship"

When the music fades All is stripped away

And I simply come

Longin' just to bring Something that's of worth

That will bless Your heart

I'll bring You more than a song

For a song in itself

Is not what You have required

You search much deeper within

Through the ways things appear

You're looking into my heart

Chorus

I'm comin' back to the heart of worship
And it's all about You
It's all about You, Jesus
I'm sorry, Lord, for the thing I've made it
When it's all about You
It's all about You, Jesus

King of endless worth No one could express
How much You deserve?
Though I'm weak and poor All I have is Yours
Every single breath
I'll bring You more than a song
For a song in itself
Is not what You have required
You search much deeper within
Through the way things appear
You're looking into my heart

Chorus

"Shout to the Lord"

My Jesus my Savior
Lord there is none like You
All of my days I want to praise
The wonders of Your mighty love
My comfort my Shelter
Tower of refuge and strength
Let every breath all that I am
Never cease to worship You

Shout to the Lord
All the earth let us sing
Power and majesty
Praise to the King
Mountains bow down
And the seas will roar
At the sound of Your name
I sing for joy
At the work of Your hands
Forever I'll love You
Forever I'll stand
Nothing compares to the promise I have In You.

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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 that You have loved us with an everlasting love and have chosen us to be Your people. Encourage us Lord to remember who we are in You and to share Your love with others.
(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. In the name of Jesus, I declare to you that you 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 cares for me, He cares for me

He cares for me, He's so good to me.

Baptism: *We welcome the daughters of Robert and Kristy Lowry; Alanna (9) and Audrey (7) through the waters of Holy Baptism this morning. We pray God's continued blessings upon them. LSB #268*

Children's Message: Pastor Dan

The Old Testament Reading – Deuteronomy 7:6-11

⁶“For you are a people holy to the LORD your God. The LORD your God has chosen you to be a people for his treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth.

⁷It was not because you were more in number than any other people that the LORD set his love on you and chose you, for you were the fewest of all peoples, ⁸but it is because the LORD loves you and is keeping the oath that he swore to your fathers, that the LORD has brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt.

⁹Know therefore that the LORD your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations, ¹⁰and repays to their face those who hate him, by destroying them. He will not be slack with one who hates him. He will repay him to his face.

¹¹You shall therefore be careful to do the commandment and the statutes and the rules that I command you today.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Special Music: “As the Deer” *Hand Bells*

Epistle Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

⁶For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come.

⁷I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.

⁸Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing.

¹⁶At my first defense no one came to stand by me, but all deserted me. May it not be charged against them!

¹⁷ But the Lord stood by me and strengthened me, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth.

¹⁸ The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

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 9th verse.

People: Glory be to Thee O Lord

⁹ He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and treated others with contempt: ¹⁰ "Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector.

¹¹ The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector.

¹² I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.'

¹³ But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!'

¹⁴ I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted."

¹⁵ Now they were bringing even infants to him that he might touch them. And when the disciples saw it, they rebuked them.

¹⁶ But Jesus called them to him, saying, "Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God.

¹⁷ Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it."

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 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:
Let it be a sweet, sweet sound in Your ear.

Repeat

Sermon – "God's Special People" Pastor Dan Deuteronomy 7:6-9

Offerings are gathered

The Prayers

Peace & comfort for family of Bob Cook, friend of Tom Proeschel

Peace & comfort for family of Wally

Successful surgery & treatment of a brain tumor for Alan Conklin, friend of Cindy Szczesny

Strength & healing for David Fortner, son-in-law of the Heinkel's

Healing for Bill Jennewine

(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: "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.

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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: “Shine, Jesus, Shine”

Lord, the light of Your love is shining,
In the midst of the darkness, shining:
Jesus Light of the world, shine upon us;
Set us free by the truth You now bring us;
Shine on me. Shine on me.

Chorus:

Shine, Jesus, Shine,
Fill this land with the Father’s glory;
Blaze, Spirit, blaze,
Set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow,
Flood the nations with grace and mercy,
Send forth Your Word,
Lord, and let there be light.

Lord, I come to your Awesome presence,
From the shadows into Your radiance;
By the blood I may enter Your brightness:
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness;
Shine on me. Shine on me.

Chorus

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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 9th birthday of Tommy Mongeon

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, 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

Will Smallwood, suffering from PTSD, nephew of Kathy Begley

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: Ron & Karri Funk
Monday: Bob & Christine Garrett
Tuesday: Sandra Goode
Wed: Alecia Grever, Macayla, Noah, Matthew
Thursday: Patti & Scott Grice
Friday: Martha Guerra
Saturday: Ian Habeck

PRAYERS FOR OUR SCHOOL STUDENTS & FAMILIES

Sunday Chase Foster
Monday: Brooke Frankman
Tuesday: Julian Garcia
Wed: Freddie & Nate Gennille
Thurs: Lincoln Gloetzner
Friday: Sione Gomes
Saturday: Avigail Gonzalez

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