IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL Fourth Sunday after Pentecost June 25, 2023—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.

Prelude

Welcome:Pastor DanSharing the Peace – Greet One Another with the Peace of the Lord

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.

The Invocation (Please rise)

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!

People: Amen.

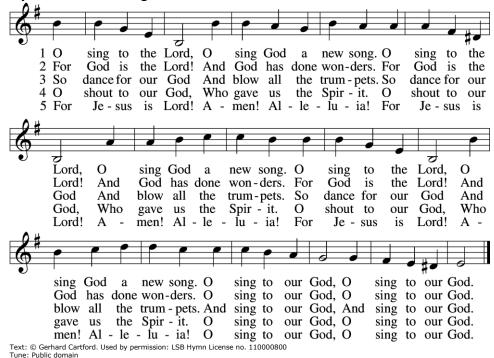
Call to Worship from Psalm 92

Pastor:	It is good to give thanks to the Lord;	

- People: To sing praises to Your name, O Most High!
- Pastor: To declare Your steadfast love in the morning
- People: And Your faithfulness by night.
- Pastor: How great are Your works, O Lord
- People: Your thoughts are very deep.

A Time for Praise (Please rise as you are able)

Hymn: #808 "O Sing to the Lord" Verses 1 & 2



"Amazing Grace – My Chains are Gone"

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me. I once was lost, but now I'm found Was blind but now I see

T'was grace that taught my heart to fear And grace my fears relieved How precious did that grace appear, The hour I first believed.

Chorus

My chains gone. I've been set free, My God, my Savior has ransomed me. And like a flood His mercy rains, unending love, amazing grace

The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures. He will my shield and portion be, As long as life endures *Chorus* Pastor: Let us pray.

We thank You Lord for Your love, Your mercy and Your grace. By Your life, Lord, You gained for us the forgiveness of sins and the promise of eternal life. With thankfulness in our hearts and soul, we give all glory to You, our living Lord and Savior.

People: Amen.

Please be seated

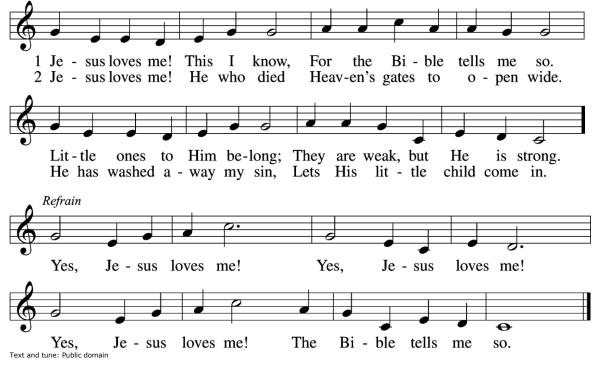
Confession and Absolution

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

- People: Lord, today I seek You and Your forgiving love for all my sins. Cleanse me inside and out, dear Savior, so that my longing may be for you; that my desires may confirm to Your will and my faith in Your strengthened.
- Pastor: We pause for a quiet moment of private prayer and confession
 Dear friends in Christ, the Good News is that in confessing your sins; through faith in Jesus, God forgives you all your sins. Jesus says, "Be of good cheer, your sins are forgiven, go and sin no more. So, in the precious name of Jesus, I declare to you that your sins are forgiven. In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
 People: Amen. Thank You Jesus.

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Children's Message Song: #588 "Jesus Loves Me" Verses 1 & 2



Children's Message: Pastor Dan

The First Reading – Jeremiah 20:7-13

⁷O LORD, you have deceived me, and I was deceived;

you are stronger than I, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all the day; everyone mocks me. ⁸ For whenever I speak, I cry out, I shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the LORD has

become for me a reproach and derision all day long.

⁹ If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name," there is in my heart as it were a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot.

¹⁰ For I hear many whisperings. Terror is on every side! "Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" say all my close friends, watching for my fall. "Perhaps he will be deceived; then

we can overcome him and take our revenge on him."

¹¹ But the LORD is with me as a dread warrior; therefore, my persecutors will stumble; they will not overcome me. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten.

¹² O LORD of hosts, who tests the righteous, who sees the heart and the mind, let me see your vengeance upon them, for to you have I committed my cause.

¹³ Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hand of evildoers.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Epistle Reading – Ephesians 2:4-10

⁴But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵ even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— ⁶ and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷ so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹ not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

¹⁰ For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

Pastor: The Holy Gospel is written in the 10th chapter of St. Matthew beginning at the 5th verse

People: Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

⁵ These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, "Go nowhere among the Gentiles and enter no town of the Samaritans,

²¹ Brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, ²² and you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved.

²³ When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next, for truly, I say to you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

²⁴ "A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. ²⁵ It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household.

²⁶ "So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known.

²⁷ What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops.

²⁸ And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell.

²⁹ Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father.

³⁰ But even the hairs of your head are all numbered.

³¹ Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows.

³² So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, ³³ but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven.

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: #803 "Joyful, 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, \triangle 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 of liv - ing, O - cean - depth of hap - py rest! iov 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! Text and tune: Public domain

Sermon – "In His Great Love" Ephesians 2:4-6 Pastor Dan

Offerings are gathered

Prayers of the Church

The Prayers

Successful chemo treatments for mass on kidney for 2 ½ yr old Colin Martinson, great-nephew of Jerry & Kathy Begley Healing for Phil, brother-in-law of Bill & Dona Trlak Healing for Beth Kelp Safe travels from Spain for Katherine Sanabria's mother & sister Safety for Madison, as she studies abroad in Spain, grand-daughter of Steve & Pat Cook

(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

Distribution Hymn: "Lamb of God"

Your only Son no sin to hide, But you have sent Him from Your side To Walk upon this guilty sod And to become the Lamb of God

Your gift of love they crucified They laughed and scorned Him as He died. The humble King they named a fraud And sacrificed the Lamb of God.

Chorus

O Lamb of God, Sweet lamb of God I love the holy Lamb of God! O wash me in His precious blood My Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God

I was so lost I should have died, But You have brought me to Your side To be led by Your staff and rod And to become a Lamb of God *Chorus*

(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.)

Welcome to the Table of the Lord

Post Communion Blessing

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

The Benediction

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

People: Amen.

The Closing "Awesome God"

Refrain Our God is Awesome God. He reigns from heaven above. In wisdom, power and love, our God is an Awesome God. Repeat

When He rolled up His sleeves He wasn't just puttin' on the Ritz Our God is an Awesome God. There is thunder in His footsteps and Lightning in His fists Our God is an awesome God And the Lord, He wasn't jokin' When He kicked 'em out of Eden It wasn't for no reason that He shed His blood His return is very close so you'd better start believin' That our God is an awesome God. *Refrain*

The sky was starless in the void of the night Our God is an Awesome God. He spoke into the darkness and created all the light Our God is an Awesome God. Judgment and wrath He poured out on Sodom Mercy and Grace He gave us at the cross I hope that we have not too quickly forgotten That our God is an Awesome God. *Refrain*

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 and in loving memory of Larry Lewis by his family

Services will be live-streamed and a recording of service will be posted by the end of the day. You may watch these on Facebook, YouTube or go to website under Worship or scroll down on home page and find the latest services. <u>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.</u>

My deepest gratitude goes out to our Immanuel family. It's so hard going through losing a spouse after 42 years of marriage. I just want to hug every one of you for all the love, support, prayers, meals and funds for Michaela's college that we received that were graciously given to us during this difficult time. Our deepest gratitude to each and every one of you. We love our Immanuel family. Please keep us in your prayers for God's peace and comfort. The Farnsworth family

Continued Prayers

Peace & comfort for the family of Rev. David Mueller of Palm City, FL Strength & comfort for Elpana Calderon & family Thanksgiving & praise for the birth of Tobias Powell to Tim & Sasha (Farnsworth) Powell Strength & comfort for all the tornado victims Safe travel to Europe for Jeannine & Lauren DePaola Safety on their trip for Keith & Michelle Safe & successful mission trip to Honduras for Andrew Hynick and fellow missionaries. God's safety and protection for Kate Tumlin while she studies abroad. We pray to God our Lord for Pastor Miguel and our Hispanic Ministry in Immanuel Employment for those struggling to find a job

Healing or Good Test Results

Michael DePaola Pamela Guerrero, sister of Alejandro Guerrero Bonny Jacobi Christine Van Etten Teresa Lopez Baylee Fortner, grand-daughter of Ann & Bob Heinkel

Battling with Cancer or Serious Illness

Belisa Rangel Lora Swarm, friend of Nancy Trathowen **Richard Seedroff** Cassandra, niece of Pat Cook Carol Joyner, sister-in-law of Deb Haver Bob Heinkel Gene Doon, Uncle of Marsha Doon Kathi Dillon, sister of Kim Blomquist Andrew Hynick, father of Aaron Hynick Chris DeVito, sister of Patty Shawver Lou Mercaldo & family, as he is suffering with dementia, grandfather of Carolyn Clarke 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 David, son-in-law of Nancy Christianson Nancy Schild, (non-Hodgkins Lymphoma) former teacher of ILS and member of ILC Lee, father of Ashlee Garrett **Rich Richards** Barbara LaVere Yvonne Lenzen, grandmother of Grace Sierra Cathy Nichols with terminal cancer, mother of Cathy Wilson David, brother of Larry Habeck

PRAYERS FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Safety for... and strength for families:

Kincaide Green, stationed at Sheppard AFB in Wichita Falls, TX Robert Lowry

Joshua Littrel, stationed at Ft. Campbell, KY with the 101st Airborne/Air Assault Division, 3rd Brigade "Rakkasans

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:	Tom & Betsy Proeschel, Matthew, Caroline, Wendy & Will
Monday:	Peg Rankin, Kelsey, Lilah
Tuesday:	Ken & Ellen Reikowski
Wed:	Thomas Reikowski
Thurs:	Richard & Nancy Richards
Friday:	Rob Ritter, Jackie, Alexander, Madelyn
Saturday:	Matt & Karen Roberts, Lauren, Emma, Haley

PRAYERS FOR OUR SCHOOL STUDENTS & FAMILIES

SundayArianna & Sebastian PlazaMonday:Aubrey PostellTuesday:Cullen PowellWed:Libby PowellThurs:NyJah PowellFriday:Ally & Mason QueenSaturday:Chloe Quintana

Special Message from the Call Committee:

Over the next 2 weeks, the Call Committee will be accepting names of potential pastoral candidates to submit to our District office on July 10th.

Forms for submitting nominees are available in the breezeway. You can also contact the church office for a form to be sent to you via email.

NOTE: All nominees MUST be submitted via these forms and must be received by July 9th.

God's Blessings,

Your Call Committee

Pat Cook, Kerry Drake, Alecia Grever, Jackie Hahn, Jose Lopez, Lynda Smith, Judy Steinbrueck, Susan Tumlin. Pastor Miguel Sanabria

Therefore, since through God's mercy we have this ministry, we do not lose heart...We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed but not in despair...not abandoned..." 2 Corinthians 4:1, 8, 9

Dear Lord, we come before you today with thanksgiving that You promise to be with us in all difficulties. We have experienced another set-back, yet we trust in Your loving guidance to open new doors, to strengthen us in our resolve, and to give us renewed excitement and joy as we seek Your will in calling the shepherd You have chosen as our Senior Pastor. In the strong and precious name of Christ we pray, Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

God our Savior, multitudes do not know the redeeming work of our Savior Jesus Christ. By the prayers and labors of Your Church, lead all people to know and worship you through Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.