

# IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

October 22, 2023—10:15am

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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 Dave

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

**People:** Amen.

## A Time for Praise

### Hymn: "Here 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  
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

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### **“He Is Exalted”**

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high,

I will praise Him.

He is exalted, forever exalted and

I will praise His name!

He is the Lord

Forever His truth shall reign.

Heaven and earth rejoice in His holy name.

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high!

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### **Confession and Absolution**

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord

**People: who made heaven and earth.**

Pastor: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**People: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore, You are feared.**

Pastor: Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: god, be merciful to me, a sinner.

*(Silent reflection)*

**People: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

Pastor: Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

### **Children’s Song: “He’s Got the Whole World”**

He’s got the whole world

In His hands,

He’s got the whole wide world

In His hands,

He’s got the whole world

In his hands, He’s got the whole world in His hands

He’s got the wind and the rain

In His hands,

He’s got the sun and the moon

In His hands,

He’s got the wind and the rain

In His hands,

He’s got the whole world in His hands

**Children’s Message:** Pastor Dave

### **The Old Testament Reading – Isaiah 45:1-7**

<sup>1</sup> Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped, to subdue nations before him and to loose the belts of kings, to open doors before him that gates may not be closed:

<sup>2</sup> “I will go before you and level the exalted places, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, <sup>3</sup> I will give you the treasures of darkness and the hoards in secret places, that you may know that it is I, the LORD, the God of Israel, who call you by your name.

<sup>4</sup> For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I name you, though you do not know me.

<sup>5</sup> I am the LORD, and there is no other, besides me there is no God; I equip you, though you do not know me, <sup>6</sup> that people may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is none besides me; I am the LORD, and there is no other.

<sup>7</sup> I form light and create darkness; I make well-being and create calamity; I am the LORD, who does all these things.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### **The Epistle Reading – 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10**

<sup>1</sup> Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

<sup>2</sup> We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, <sup>3</sup> remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>4</sup> For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you, <sup>5</sup> because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake.

<sup>6</sup> And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit, <sup>7</sup> so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia.

<sup>8</sup> For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything.

<sup>9</sup> For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, <sup>10</sup> and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### **The Gospel**

Pastor: The Holy Gospel is written in the 22<sup>nd</sup> chapter of St. Matthew beginning at the 15<sup>th</sup> verse

**People: Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

<sup>15</sup> Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle him in his words.

<sup>16</sup> And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances.

<sup>17</sup> Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?”

<sup>18</sup> But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why put me to the test, you hypocrites?

<sup>19</sup> Show me the coin for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius.

<sup>20</sup> And Jesus said to them, “Whose likeness and inscription is this?”

<sup>21</sup> They said, “Caesar's.” Then he said to them, “Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's.”

<sup>22</sup> When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.

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: "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 – *Matthew 22:15-22* Pastor Dave

Offerings are gathered

Prayer of the Church

### The Prayers

Successful cancer treatments & surgery for Karen Wolfe, friend of Kathy Hogue

Strength & healing thru treatments for Adam, Nephew of the Kelp's

Healing for Orianna Botero, niece of Alejandro Guerrero

*(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

Sharing the Peace – Greet One Another with the Peace of the Lord

**Distribution Hymn: #712 "Seek Ye First"**



1 Seek ye first the king - dom of God, And His  
2 Ask and it shall be giv - en un - to you, Seek and  
3 Man does not live by bread a - lone, But by



rig - teous - ness. And all these things shall be  
ye shall find, Knock and the door shall be  
ev - 'ry word That pro - ceeds from the



add - ed un - to you! Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!  
o - pened un - to you, Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!  
mouth of the Lord, Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

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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.)*

**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 “The Trees Of The Field”**

You shall go out with joy  
And be led forth with peace  
The mountains and the hills  
Will break forth before you  
There'll be shouts of joy  
And all the trees of the field  
Will clap will clap their hands

And all the trees of the field  
Will clap their hands  
The trees of the field  
Will clap their hands  
The trees of the field  
Will clap their hands  
While you go out with joy

*Repeat*

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## **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.**

*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.*

**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 Marilyn Hayden, mother of friend of Jacquelyn Hahn

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**

Jack Proeschel, father of Tom Proeschel

Shirlee Glass, mother of Lise Seedroff

Baby Brooks, and strength & comfort for parents, great-nephew of Christine Garrett

Stephanie Winn

Joan Crouse

**Battling with Cancer or Serious Illness**

Beleja Rangel, friend of Kathy Sanabria  
Dan McSpadden, friend of Deb Haver  
Walt Nea  
Barfolome  
Ricardo Gonzalez, friend of the Hynick family  
DeeAnn Cook, sister-in-law of Steve & Pat Cook  
Christine Van Etten  
Rich Richards  
Barbara LaVere  
Cathy Nichols with terminal cancer, mother of Cathy Wilson  
Tom Meyferth

**PRAYERS FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY**

**Safety for... and strength for families:**

Kincaide Green, stationed at Mountain Home AFB, Idaho  
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

**ALSO, FOR ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND FIRST RESPONDERS**

**PRAYERS FOR OUR FAMILIES**

Sunday: Tim & Anna Hall, Dominic  
Monday: Troy & Crystal Hall, Claire  
Tuesday: Jeff & Kori Hamilton, Zack, Jackson  
Wed: Seth & Krystel Hardesty, Jacob, Lukas, Noah  
Thurs: Peter & Sarah Haupt, Andrew, Asher, Isabel, Caleb  
Friday: Deb Haver  
Saturday: Bob & Ann Heinkel

**PRAYERS FOR OUR SCHOOL STUDENTS & FAMILIES**

Sunday Nate Gennille  
Monday: Maliya Gill  
Tuesday: Lincoln Gloetzner  
Wed: Sione Gomes  
Thurs: Liam Goncalves  
Friday: Avigail & Eliana Gonzalez  
Saturday: Dontae Gonzalez

**But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.**

Isaiah 40:31

*Father, we confess we have difficulty in waiting patiently. As we continue through this process of calling a Senior Pastor, help us to wait with eager anticipation, like children waiting for Christmas or a couple waiting for the arrival of their child. May Your words through Isaiah be words of comfort and of hope. May we wait with expectation toward what You are going to do, because it is then that we "will soar on wings like eagles". Father, give us the strength to wait on You. In Christ's name, Amen.*