IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

Christ the King Sunday November 26, 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 Miguel

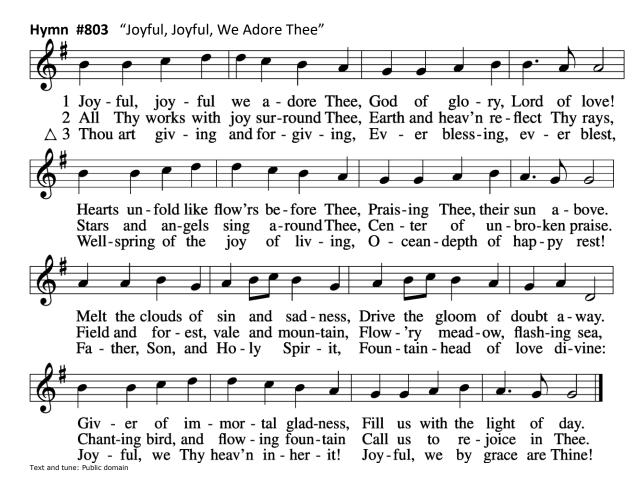
The Invocation (Please rise)

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of

the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Time for Praise



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 in 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)

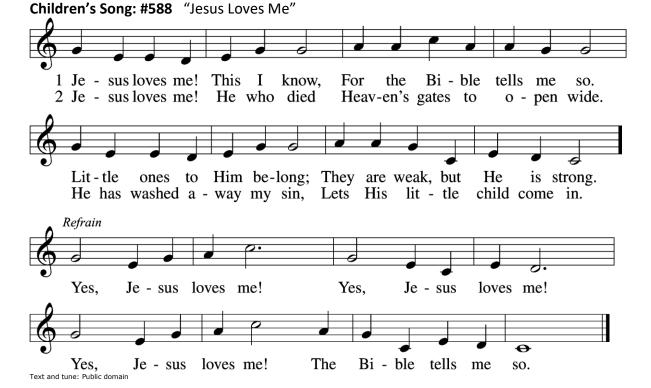
People: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

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 Message: Pastor Miguel

The Old Testament Reading – Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

- 11 "'For this is what the Sovereign LORD says: I myself will search for my sheep and look after them.
- ¹² As a shepherd looks after his scattered flock when he is with them, so will I look after my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places where they were scattered on a day of clouds and darkness.
- ¹³ I will bring them out from the nations and gather them from the countries, and I will bring them into their own land. I will pasture them on the mountains of Israel, in the ravines and in all the settlements in the land.

- ¹⁴I will tend them in a good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel will be their grazing land. There they will lie down in good grazing land, and there they will feed in a rich pasture on the mountains of Israel.
 - ¹⁵ I myself will tend my sheep and have them lie down, declares the Sovereign LORD.
- ¹⁶ I will search for the lost and bring back the strays. I will bind up the injured and strengthen the weak, but the sleek and the strong I will destroy. I will shepherd the flock with justice.
- ²⁰ "Therefore this is what the Sovereign LORD says to them: See, I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep.
- ²¹ Because you shove with flank and shoulder, butting all the weak sheep with your horns until you have driven them away, ²² I will save my flock, and they will no longer be plundered. I will judge between one sheep and another.
- ²³ I will place over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he will tend them; he will tend them and be their shepherd.
 - ²⁴ I the LORD will be their God, and my servant David will be prince among them. I the LORD have spoken.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Epistle Reading – 1 Corinthians 15:20-28

- ²⁰ But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.
- ²¹ For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man.
- ²² For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive.
- ²³ But each in turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him.
- ²⁴Then the end will come, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father after he has destroyed all dominion, authority and power.
 - ²⁵ For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet.
 - ²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death.
- ²⁷ For he "has put everything under his feet." Now when it says that "everything" has been put under him, it is clear that this does not include God himself, who put everything under Christ.
- ²⁸ When he has done this, then the Son himself will be made subject to him who put everything under him, so that God may be all in all.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

Pastor: The Holy Gospel is written in the 18th chapter of St. John beginning at the 33rd verse

People: Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

³³ So Pilate entered his headquarters again and called Jesus and said to him, "Are you the King of the Jews?"

- ³⁴ Jesus answered, "Do you say this of your own accord, or did others say it to you about me?"
- ³⁵ Pilate answered, "Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have delivered you over to me. What have you done?"
- ³⁶ Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But my kingdom is not from the world."
- ³⁷Then Pilate said to him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

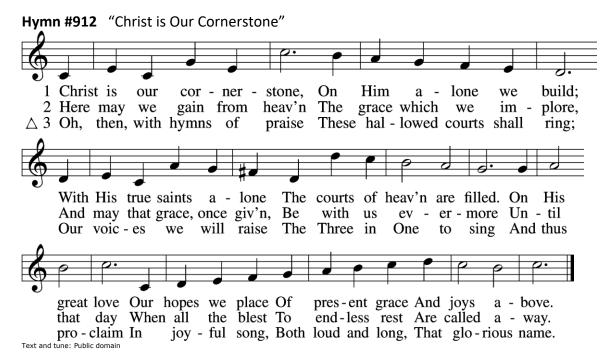
People: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

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



Sermon – Pastor Miguel

Offerings and Pledges are gathered

Prayer of the Church

The Prayers

Peace & comfort for the family of Shirlee Glass, mother of Lise Seedroff

Peace & comfort for the family of Marina Abiera

Strength & comfort for Rich Richards & family, as he is in hospice care, husband of Nancy Richards

Healing from heart issues for Beverly Fox, mother of ILS principal Bonne Faherty

(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 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: #924 "Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"



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 memory of Lydia Schweer, mother of Arlene Fuqua and Henry Simon, Jr., father of Ted Simon, III.

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

Safe delivery of baby girl to Rebekah Taylor-Hesser

Safe travels abroad for Joe & Susan Tumlin

We pray to God our Lord for Pastor Miguel and our Hispanic Ministry in Immanuel

Healing or Good Test Results

Brinley, great granddaughter of Barbara LaVere Adam, nephew of the Kelp's

Battling with Cancer or Serious Illness

Andrew Hynick, father of Aaron Hynick

Gloria McNail, aunt of Susan Tumlin

Heather Boatwright, friend of Cindy Szczesny

Tammy Granger, friend of Danielle Farnsworth

David, son-in-law of Nancy Christianson

Cassandra, niece of Pat Cook

Walt Nea

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: Beverly Mackey, Fran

Monday: Pam Murphy, Bill, Matt, Joshua

Tuesday: Walter Nea, Jr.

Wed: Martin & Dessyrredt Noria Thurs: John & Debbie O'Neil Friday: Andres & Nayibi Obonaga Saturday: Gustavo & Diana Olaya

PRAYERS FOR OUR SCHOOL STUDENTS & FAMILIES

Sunday Lyanna & Xenia Kora Monday: Margaret Larsen Tuesday: Landon Lawson Wed: Noah Leonardo Thurs: Noah Lewis Friday: Calden Lopez

Saturday: Raelynn Louis

Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit says the Lord of hosts. Zechariah 4:6

Lord God, Heavenly Father, we thank You for the opportunity to host Pastor Phil and his wife, Christine this week. We pray You would move all of us to bountifully share the love, the joy, and the peace of our Savior, Jesus in all the meetings Pastor will have with church and school staff, with the various Boards, the Elders, our Church Council, and the gathering with our Immanuel Family members this coming Saturday. We pray the Holy Spirit's guidance for Pastor Phil and Christine as they ponder the call we have extended for our Senior Pastor.

In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, Amen.