IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost June 16, 2024—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:

Song: "10,000 Reasons"

Chorus 1
Bless the Lord
O my soul O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never
before O my soul
I'll worship
Your holy name

Verse 1
The sun comes up
it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing
Your song again
Whatever may pass and
whatever lies before me
Let me be singing
when the evening comes
Chorus

Verse 2
You're rich in love
and You're slow to anger
Your name is great
and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness
I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons
for my heart to find
Chorus

Verse 3
And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing
Your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore
Chorus 2X

Tag
Worship Your holy name
Lord I'll worship Your holy name

Invocation

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Confession and Absolution

People:

Lord, we humbly come before you and ask for your forgiveness. We have failed to love you as you have loved us. We do not fully love our neighbor as ourselves. Our words are sometimes harsh and bitter. We think more about our welfare than the needs of others. We do not deserve your love or forgiveness. But we appeal to your mercy. Forgive us and renew us. Grow in us and through us all the fruit of the Spirit, especially the fruit of love. Help us to love others well as you first loved us. Amen!

Children's Message:

The Epistle Reading – Galatians 5:16-25 (MSG)

¹⁶⁻¹⁸ My counsel is this: Live freely, animated and motivated by God's Spirit. Then you won't feed the compulsions of selfishness. For there is a root of sinful self-interest in us that is at odds with a free spirit, just as the free spirit is incompatible with selfishness. These two ways of life are contrary to each other, so that you cannot live at times one way and at times another way according to how you feel on any given day. Why don't you choose to be led by the Spirit and so escape the erratic compulsions of a law-dominated existence?

¹⁹⁻²¹ It is obvious what kind of life develops out of trying to get your own way all the time: repetitive, loveless, cheap sex; a stinking accumulation of mental and emotional garbage; frenzied and joyless grabs for happiness; trinket gods; magic-show religion; paranoid loneliness; cutthroat competition; all-consuming-yet-never-satisfied wants; a brutal temper; an impotence to love or be loved; divided homes and divided lives; small-minded and lopsided pursuits; the vicious habit of depersonalizing everyone into a rival; uncontrolled and uncontrollable addictions; ugly parodies of community. I could go on.

This isn't the first time I have warned you, you know. If you use your freedom this way, you will not inherit God's kingdom.

²²⁻²³ But what happens when we live God's way? He brings gifts into our lives, much the same way that fruit appears in an orchard—things like affection for others, exuberance about life, serenity. We develop a willingness to stick with things, a sense of compassion in the heart, and a conviction that a basic holiness permeates things and people. We find ourselves involved in loyal commitments, not needing to force our way in life, able to marshal and direct our energies wisely.

²³⁻²⁴ Legalism is helpless in bringing this about; it only gets in the way. Among those who belong to Christ, everything connected with getting our own way and mindlessly responding to what everyone else calls necessities is killed off for good—crucified.

²⁵⁻²⁶ Since this is the kind of life we have chosen, the life of the Spirit, let us make sure that we do not just hold it as an idea in our heads or a sentiment in our hearts, but work out its implications in every detail of our lives. That means we will not compare ourselves with each other as if one of us were better and another worse. We have far more interesting things to do with our lives. Each of us is an original.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

Pastor: The Holy Gospel is written in the 8th chapter of St. Luke beginning at the 4th verse

People: Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

⁴ And when a great crowd was gathering and people from town after town came to him, he said in a parable, ⁵ "A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some fell along the path and was trampled underfoot, and the birds of the air devoured it.

⁶ And some fell on the rock, and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture.

⁷ And some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up with it and choked it.

⁸ And some fell into good soil and grew and yielded a hundredfold." As he said these things, he called out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

⁹ And when his disciples asked him what this parable meant, ¹⁰ he said, "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God, but for others they are in parables, so that 'seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand.'

¹¹ Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God.

¹²The ones along the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, so that they may not believe and be saved.

¹³ And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy. But these have no root; they believe for a while, and in time of testing fall away.

¹⁴ And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature.

¹⁵ As for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patience.

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 the life everlasting. Amen

Song: "Run to the Father"

Verse 1
I've carried a burden for too long on my own
I wasn't created to bear it alone
I hear Your invitation to let it all go
I see it now
I'm laying it down
And I know that I need You

Chorus 1
I run to the Father
I fall into grace
I'm done with the hiding
No reason to wait
My heart needs
(found) a surgeon
My soul needs
(found) a friend
So I'll run to the Father
Again and again
And again and again

Verse 2
You saw my condition
Had a plan from the start
Your Son for redemption
The price for my heart
I don't have a context
For that kind of love
I don't understand
I can't comprehend
All I know is I need You
Chorus

Interlude 1 Oh oh oh *Verse 2, Chorus*

Interlude 2
Oh oh
Again and again
And again and again
Oh oh oh
(Again and again)

Bridge

My heart has been in Your sights Long before my first breath Running into Your arms Is running to life from death I feel this rush deep in my chest Your mercy is calling out Just as I am You pull me in And I know I need You now Chorus 2X, Interlude 2

Sermon "Fruit of the Spirit - Patience"

Offerings are gathered

Prayer of the Church

The Prayers

Successful cancer treatment for Edie, friend of Deb Haver Successful surgery & healing for Linda, sister-in-law of Denise Cranmer Healing from a broken hip for Walt Braudis Safe travels for Kathy & Jim Hogue

(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 Song – "Broken Vessels"

(Solo-Congregation joins in on Chorus)
Chorus
Oh I can see You now
Oh I can see the love in Your eyes
Laying Yourself down
Raising up the broken to life

(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

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

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: "Everlasting God"

Verse 1

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

Pre-Chorus

Our God You reign forever Our Hope our strong Deliv'rer

Chorus

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 Repeat Verse 1, Pre-Chorus, Chorus

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.

And serve the Lord All:

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.

<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>

Continued Prayers

God's safety and protection for Kate Tumlin as she studies abroad

Thanks & praise for the 28th anniversary of Bob & Christine Garrett

Thanks & praise for the acceptance of the call for Principal of ILS by Dr. Joan Davis and for 3rd grade teacher by Christine Ressler. Continued blessings of wisdom, energy and guidance from our awesome God for Pastor Phil and Pastor Miguel as they serve our Immanuel family, renewing and nourishing us through God's Word and Sacraments.

Healing or Good Test Results

Malia Lopez

Vance VanEtten, brother of Matthew Bonnie McDaniel, neighbor of Winona Kocurek Mark Tumlin, brother of Joe Stephanie Winn

Dam Murahu

Pam Murphy

Harold Blanton, father of Colleen Webb

Battling with Cancer or Serious Illness

Barry, friend of the Kelp's

Charlotte C., friend of Lynette Irani

Edith Boerner, friend of Jeannine DePaola

Kelsey Hilscher, friend of Jeannine DePaola

Dave, brother of the Kelps

Adam, nephew of the Kelp's

Karen Webb, with ALS, neighbor of Pat Cook

Carson Cox, boyfriend of Kim Blomquist

Don Monahan, friend of Cathy Wilson

Terry McCann, friend of the Plumb's

Don Swisher, step-father of Larry Habeck

Fred Wiener, friend of the Habeck's

Ronnie Tumlin, brother of Joe Tumlin

Rev. Stu Merkle, cousin of Nancy Trathowen

Carol Guiler, Pat Cook's sister.

Andrew Hynick, father of Aaron Hynick

Heather Boatwright, friend of Cindy Szczesny

David, son-in-law of Nancy Christianson

Cassandra, niece of Steve & Pat Cook

Walt Nea

Christine Van Etten

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

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

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: Tom & Trish Smith
Monday: Edie Sparks
Tuesday: Bill & Kathy Steele
Wed: Sue & Jim Steenis

Thurs: Richard & Judy Steinbrueck
Friday: Bill & Kim Stromberg
Saturday: Bob & Cindy Szczesny, Corrine

PRAYERS FOR OUR SCHOOL STUDENTS & FAMILIES

Sunday Daniel & Kristian McDuffie Monday: Alyssa & Matthew Medina

Tuesday: Nevaeh Mendoza

Wed: Readan, Rhilynne & Ronnie Messer

Thurs: Christina Molina

Friday: Mason, Ja'Nylah & Massiah Morrissey

Saturday: Amira & Angelina Nelson

A Prayer for Christian Fathers
Heavenly Father,
You entrusted your Son Jesus, the child of Mary,
to the care of Joseph, an earthly father.
Bless all fathers as they care for their families.
I strength and wisdom, tenderness and patience

Give them strength and wisdom, tenderness and patience; support them in the work they have to do, protecting those who look to them, as we look to you for love and salvation, through Jesus Christ our rock and defender. Amen.

- Author Unknown