

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 7, 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:

God Bless America

God bless America, land that I love
Stand beside her and guide her
Through the night with the light from above
From the mountains to the prairies
To the oceans white with foam
God bless America, my home sweet home
God bless America, my home sweet home

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Songwriters: Irving Berlin

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DIOS Bendiga América *(Sung by our ILC Spanish students)*

DIOS Bendiga América
Tierra de amor
Junto a ella y con ella
El amor y la luz del creador
Sus montañas, sus praderas
Son gigantes como el mar.

DIOS Bendiga América Mi hogar, mi dulce hogar.

DIOS Bendiga América Mi hogar, mi dulce hogar.

Song: "Stand in Your Love"

Verse 1

When darkness tries to roll over my bones
When sorrow comes to steal the joy I own
When brokenness and pain is all I know
I won't be shaken
I won't be shaken

Chorus
My fear doesn't stand a chance
When I stand in Your love

Verse 2
Shame no longer has a place to hide
I am not a captive to the lies
I'm not afraid to leave my past behind
I won't be shaken
I won't be shaken
Chorus

Bridge
There's power that can break off every chain
There's power that can empty out a grave
There's resurrection power that can save
There's power in Your name power in Your name
Chorus 2X

Ending
Standing in Your love
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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 (NASB)

¹⁶ But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh.

¹⁷ For the desire of the flesh is against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, in order to keep you from doing whatever you want.

¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the Law.

¹⁹ Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are: sexual immorality, impurity, indecent behavior, ²⁰ idolatry, witchcraft, hostilities, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions, ²¹ envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these, of which I forewarn you, just as I have forewarned you, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.

²⁴ Now those who belong to Christ Jesus crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

²⁵ If we live by the Spirit, let's follow the Spirit as well.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel

Pastor: The Holy Gospel is written in the 16th chapter of St. Matthew beginning at the 1st verse.

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

¹ He also said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions.

² And he called him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager.'

³ And the manager said to himself, 'What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg.

⁴ I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.'

⁵ So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he said to the first, 'How much do you owe my master?'

⁶ He said, 'A hundred measures of oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.'

⁷ Then he said to another, 'And how much do you owe?' He said, 'A hundred measures of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and write eighty.'

⁸ The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light.

⁹ And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings.

¹⁰ "One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much.

¹¹ If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches?

¹² And if you have not been faithful in that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own?

¹³ No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money."

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: "In Christ Alone"

Verse 1

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love what depths of peace
When fears are stilled when strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

Verse 2

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

Verse 3

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

Verse 4

No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

Keith Getty; Stuart Townend 2001 Thankyou Music

Sermon "Fruit of the Spirit – Faithfulness"

Offerings are gathered

Prayer of the Church

The Prayers

Healing for Nell Yates

Prayers for Vacation Bible School

(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 – "Sanctuary"

Chorus

Lord prepare me To be a sanctuary

Pure and holy Tried and true

With thanksgiving I'll be a living

Sanctuary for You

(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"

Verse 1

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

Chorus
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 Verse 1 & 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.

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 Alexander Tomaszycski, father of Alexandra

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

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

Battling with Cancer or Serious Illness

Pam Murphy

Edie, friend of Deb Haver

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
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: Nell Yates
Monday: Duane Zellmer
Tuesday: Joseph Abiera
Wed: Megan Ackroyd, Josef, Madison, Johanna, Isabella
Thurs: Erick & Tracy Albuquerque, Isabelle, Luca
Friday: Thomas Anderson
Saturday: Bill & Jackie Anton

PRAYERS FOR OUR SCHOOL STUDENTS & FAMILIES

Sunday: Skylar Paulen
Monday: Elijah Perez
Tuesday: Nathan Pirozzi
Wed: Korina Pittman
Thurs: Gianna & Dominic Ponzi
Friday: Aubrey Postell
Saturday: Cullen Powell