

# IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 22, 2021—10am

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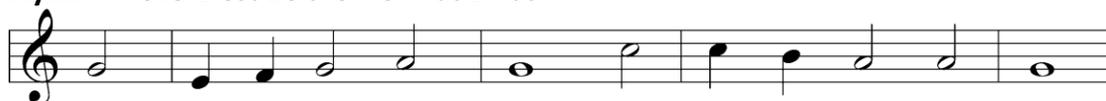
We celebrate the Lord's Supper today! Please prepare yourselves using these questions as a guide:

- 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

Hymn: #649 Blest Be the Tie That Binds



- 1 Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Chris - tian love;
- 2 Be - fore our Fa - ther's throne We pour our ar - dent prayers;
- 3 We share our mu - tual woes, Our mu - tual bur - dens bear,
- 4 When here our path - ways part, We suf - fer bit - ter pain;
- 5 From sor - row, toil, and pain, And sin we shall be free



The fel - low - ship of kin - dred minds Is like to that a - bove.  
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, Our com - forts and our cares.  
And of - ten for each oth - er flows The sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.  
Yet, one in Christ and one in heart, We hope to meet a - gain.  
And per - fect love and friend - ship reign Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

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## The Invocation

*Matthew 28:19*

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

C: **Amen.**

## The Confession of Sins

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: **Who made heaven and earth.**

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

C: **And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

P: O almighty God, merciful Father,

**All:** I, a poor miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserve Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter, sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being.

### **The Word of Absolution**

**P:** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** **Amen.**

### **Introit**

**P:** O Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells. Vindicate me, O Lord, for I have walked in my integrity, and I have trusted in the Lord without wavering. Prove me, O Lord, and try me; test my heart and my mind. I wash my hands in innocence and go around Your altar, O Lord, proclaiming thanksgiving aloud, and telling all Your wondrous deeds.

**All:** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

### **The Kyrie**

**C:** **Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

### **The Gloria in Excelsis**

**P:** Glory be to God on high:

**C:** **And on earth peace, good will toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, The only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

### **The Salutation**

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** **And with Thy Spirit.**

### **The Collect for the Day**

**P:** Let us pray:

**C:** **Almighty and merciful God, defend Your Church from all false teaching and error that Your faithful people may confess You to be the only true God and rejoice in Your good gifts of life and salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

**C:** **Amen.**

### **The Old Testament Reading – Isaiah 29:11-19**

<sup>11</sup> And the vision of all this has become to you like the words of a book that is sealed. When men give it to one who can read, saying, “Read this,” he says, “I cannot, for it is sealed.”

<sup>12</sup> And when they give the book to one who cannot read, saying, “Read this,” he says, “I cannot read.”

<sup>13</sup> And the Lord said: “Because this people draw near with their mouth and honor me with their lips, while their hearts are far from me, and their fear of me is a commandment taught by men, <sup>14</sup> therefore, behold, I will again do wonderful things with this people, with wonder upon wonder; and the wisdom of their wise men shall perish, and the discernment of their discerning men shall be hidden.”

<sup>15</sup> Ah, you who hide deep from the LORD your counsel,  
whose deeds are in the dark, and who say, “Who sees us? Who knows us?”

<sup>16</sup> You turn things upside down! Shall the potter be regarded as the clay, that the thing made should say of its maker,

“He did not make me”; or the thing formed say of him who formed it, “He has no understanding”?

<sup>17</sup> Is it not yet a very little while until Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field, and the fruitful field shall be regarded as a forest?

<sup>18</sup> In that day the deaf shall hear the words of a book,  
and out of their gloom and darkness the eyes of the blind shall see.

<sup>19</sup> The meek shall obtain fresh joy in the LORD, and the poor among mankind shall exult in the Holy One of Israel.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **The Gradual**

**All: Fear the Lord, you His saints, for those who fear Him lack nothing! Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord delivers Him out of them all.**

### **The Epistle Reading – Ephesians 5:22-33**

<sup>22</sup> Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord.

<sup>23</sup> For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior.

<sup>24</sup> Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands.

<sup>25</sup> Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, <sup>26</sup> that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, <sup>27</sup> so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish.

<sup>28</sup> In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself.

<sup>29</sup> For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, <sup>30</sup> because we are members of his body.

<sup>31</sup> “Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.”

<sup>32</sup> This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church.

<sup>33</sup> However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel Reading**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 7<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C: Glory be to Thee, O Lord!**

<sup>1</sup> Now when the Pharisees gathered to him, with some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem, <sup>2</sup> they saw that some of his disciples ate with hands that were defiled, that is, unwashed.

<sup>3</sup> (For the Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they wash their hands properly, holding to the tradition of the elders, <sup>4</sup> and when they come from the marketplace, they do not eat unless they wash. And there are many other traditions that they observe, such as the washing of cups and pots and copper vessels and dining couches.)

<sup>5</sup> And the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, “Why do your disciples not walk according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?”

<sup>6</sup> And he said to them, “Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written, “‘This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me; <sup>7</sup> in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.’

<sup>8</sup> You leave the commandment of God and hold to the tradition of men.”

<sup>9</sup> And he said to them, “You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God in order to establish your tradition!

<sup>10</sup> For Moses said, ‘Honor your father and your mother’; and, ‘Whoever reviles father or mother must surely die.’

<sup>11</sup> But you say, ‘If a man tells his father or his mother, “Whatever you would have gained from me is Corban”’ (that is, given to God)— <sup>12</sup> then you no longer permit him to do anything for his father or mother, <sup>13</sup> thus making void the word of God by your tradition that you have handed down. And many such things you do.”

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ!**

Hymn: #644 The Church's One Foundation



1 The Church's one foun - da - tion Is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;  
2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, Yet one o'er all the earth;  
3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der The world sees her op - pressed,  
4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion And tu - mult of her war  
5 Yet she on earth has u - nion With God, the Three in One,



She is His new cre - a - tion By wa - ter and the Word.  
Her char - ter of sal - va - tion: One Lord, one faith, one birth.  
By schisms rent a - sun - der, By her - e - sies dis - tressed,  
She waits the con - sum - ma - tion Of peace for - ev - er - more  
And mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion With those whose rest is won.



From heav'n He came and sought her To be His ho - ly bride;  
One ho - ly name she bless - es, Par - takes one ho - ly food,  
Yet saints their watch are keep - ing; Their cry goes up, "How long?"  
Till with the vi - sion glo - rious Her long - ing eyes are blest,  
O bless - ed heav'n - ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by Your grace



With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.  
And to one hope she press - es With ev - 'ry grace en - dued.  
And soon the night of weep - ing Shall be the morn of song.  
And the great Church vic - to - rious Shall be the Church at rest.  
That we, like saints be - fore us, May see You face to face.

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Sermon - "Corporate Nature of the Church" Sermon Series "What is the Church?" Sermon 1

I. The church is often mis-defined

- A. Many define the church by what the members are doing.
- B. During Covid we could give endless examples of love, kindness and generosity, but those outward acts don't define the church.

II. Christ defines the Church.

<sup>16</sup> Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." <sup>18</sup> And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock, I will build my church, and the gates of he shall not prevail against it. Matthew 16:16, 18

- A. The Lord builds His Church on the public declaration of Christ and His work-the proclamation of His Gospel.
- B. Christ builds his church by the work of the Holy Spirit.
- C. Our Lutheran confessions, as a result, give us this definition of the church:

*It is also taught among us that one holy Christian church will be and remain forever. This is the assembly of all believers, among whom the Gospel is preached in its purity and the holy sacraments are administered according to the Gospel. For it is sufficient for the true unity of the Christian church that the Gospel be preached (with one accord) in conformity with a pure understanding of it and that the sacraments be administered in accordance with the divine Word. Aug VII*

### III. Moving towards next week: “The Corporate Nature of the Church”. There is no substitute for being there!

- A. Ekklesia: we are called out
- B. Congregatio: we gather together
- C. Eucharist: we receive the gifts and give thanks

#### The Prayers

Peace & comfort for the family of Daryl Valent, friend of Seth Hardesty

Peace & comfort for the family of Betty Zurawski, cousin of Pastor Farnsworth

Peace & comfort for the family of Rev. Martin Platzer of Hartwell, GA

Successful surgery & healing for Sara Plumb

Healing for Carl Crouse, brother-in-law of Joan Crouse

Healing from pneumonia & Covid for Jeff St. Amant, former neighbor of Rob Ritter

For all the people of Haiti affected by the earthquake and flood

Safety for Logan Crouse, US Army as he is deployed to Afghanistan

Safety for Zach, son of friend of Beth Hutches, deployed to Afghanistan

For all our service men deployed to Afghanistan

Thanksgiving for the birth of baby to Erica, niece of Pastor Farnsworth

*(Please help us keep our attendance numbers accurate by filling out the attendance cards and putting in basket on the way out.)*

#### The Lord's Prayer

**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 Words of Institution

**P:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.” In the same way also, He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

#### Salutation and Benedicamus

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** **And with thy spirit.**

**P:** Bless we the Lord.

**C:** **Thanks be to God.**

#### The Benediction

**P:** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

**C:** **Amen, Amen, Amen!**

**Wait for Ushers to excuse you. Please leave nothing in the pews. Place pencils, attendance card and offering in the basket in front of the Baptismal Font. Please quietly return to your cars.**

**Communion Distribution** *(during final hymn)*

**The Closing Hymn #634** The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord

Verses 1-4, 7, 8



1 The death of Je - sus Christ, our Lord, We cel - e -  
2 He blot - ted out with His own blood The judg - ment  
3 That this for - ev - er true shall be He gives a  
4 His Word pro - claims and we be - lieve That in this



brate with one ac - cord; It is our com - fort  
that a - gainst us stood; For us He full a -  
sol - emn guar - an - tee: In this His ho - ly  
Sup - per we re - ceive His ver - y bod - y,



in dis - tress, Our heart's sweet joy and hap - pi - ness.  
tone - ment made, And all our debt He ful - ly paid.  
Sup - per here We taste His love so sweet, so near.  
as He said, His ver - y blood for sin - ners shed.

7 But blest is each believing guest  
Who in these promises finds rest;  
For Jesus shall in love remain  
With all who here His grace obtain.

8 Help us sincerely to believe  
That we may worthily receive  
Your Supper and in You find rest.  
Amen! They who believe are blest.

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**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.*

**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 Allen Jacobs, friend of the Farnsworth's  
Peace & comfort for the family of Rev. Robert Hinz of Bradenton, FL  
Healing from punctured spleen for Grace Session, friend of Lherif Loraamm  
Thanksgiving for the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Ron & Judy Black  
Good transition to college for John Blomquist & Zack Hamilton  
For the people of Cuba and Haiti  
Employment for those struggling to find a job

### **Healing**

Church congregation & Pastors of Lisa, friend of Kim Blomquist  
Emily Plumb  
Jan Sarrett, Aunt of Karri Funk  
Mark, neighbor of Sue Hague  
Craig Springer, brother-in-law of Bev Lowe  
Chris, husband of Cathy Wilson

### **Battling with Cancer or Serious Illness**

Julie, friend of Bryan & Judy Becknel  
Farmer (Bobby) Session, friend of Lherif Loraamm  
Betty, friend of Bryan & Judy Becknel  
Yvonne Lenzen, grandmother of Grace Sierra  
Gloria McNail, aunt of Susan Tumlin  
Cheryl Ford  
Marie Walser, cousin of Cathy Wilson  
Pat, suffering with dementia, Aunt of Beth Hutches  
Joann, friend of Beth Hutches  
Anona, friend of Susan Tumlin  
Jim Nichols, father of Cathy Wilson  
Carol, sister of Trish Smith  
Chad Pry, boyfriend of Cheryl, daughter of Joan Crouse  
Cathy Nichols with terminal cancer, mother of Cathy Wilson  
Raymond, brother of Barbara LaVere  
David, brother of Larry Habeck  
Barbara LaVere  
Tracy, cousin of Jacquelyn Hahn  
Lisa Steinbrueck, niece of the Steinbrueck's  
Kathy, daughter of Walt Braudis  
Keith Stallings  
Alan Sparks  
Don Swisher, step-father of Larry Habeck  
Paul Braudis, brother of Walt  
Bill, (w/brain cancer) uncle of Brian Littrel  
David Parkinson, brother of Betty Loraamm  
Tom Meyferth

### **PRAYERS FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY**

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

Josh Murphy at Army camp  
Samuel Drake, Captain stationed at Holloman AFB in Alamogordo, NM, son of Kerry Drake  
Xander Ritter stationed at Camp Pendleton, Oceanside, CA, (USMC)  
Matthew Albers, Major in USAF and in command in Sacramento, CA, son of Deb Albers  
Carson Crouse, (army) great-nephew of Joan Crouse, stationed in Georgia  
Gavin Mattson, para-rescue man, stationed in the Panhandle of FL, grandson of Edith Mattson  
Jeremy Brockmeier (USMC) & family, stationed in South Korea, son of Jerry and Janice Brockmeier

**PRAYERS FOR OUR FAMILIES**

Sunday: James Tucker  
Monday: Joe & Susan Tumlin, Andrew, Emma & Kate  
Tuesday: Bill & Colleen Webb, Christopher  
Wed: Charlane Webb  
Thursday: Don & Jan Wilcox  
Friday: Scott & Katie Wilcox, Ethan, Molly  
Saturday: Cathy Wilson

**PRAYERS FOR OUR SCHOOL STUDENTS & FAMILIES**

Sunday Evan Rosada  
Monday: Isaac & Joseph Russum  
Tuesday: Veronica Rueda  
Wed: Jaison Sallins  
Thurs: Derek & Yavier Santiago  
Friday: Ana Sarmianto  
Saturday Lauren & Katie Schneider

**PRAYER FOR THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

*Merciful God, You give eternal life to all who eat the body and blood of Your Son, Jesus. Give us faith that will never be ashamed of Him, but will take courage from His presence in our lives; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen*