

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 22, 2021—9am

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.**

The Kyrie

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

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 Gospel

Pastor: The Holy Gospel is written in the 6th chapter of St. John beginning at the 51st verse.

♪ **People: Glory be to Thee, O Lord!**

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

³ (For the Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they wash their hands properly, holding to the tradition of the elders, ⁴ 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.)

⁵ 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?”

⁶ 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; ⁷ in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.’”

⁸ You leave the commandment of God and hold to the tradition of men.”

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

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

¹¹ 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)— ¹² then you no longer permit him to do anything for his father or mother, ¹³ thus making void the word of God by your tradition that you have handed down. And many such things you do.”

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: #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.

¹⁶ Simon Peter replied, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” ¹⁸ 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 50th 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