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# The Second Sunday after Pentecost

11 a.m., Sunday, June 6, 2021

Warm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. In my sermon this morning, I focus on the story of Adam and Eve in our First Lesson, Genesis 3. They are us. Their story is the story of *our* innocence, falling away, and hope of salvation. What can we learn?

If you do not already have a church home, please consider joining us here at Immanuel. Just speak with Pastor Carol or send her a note (ceafryer@gmail.com).

In Christ,

Pastor Gregory P. Fryer gpfryer@gmail.com

Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting Two

PRELUDE

Christe der du bist Tag und Licht

Georg Böhm (1661-1733)

#### THE BELLS

Please stand when the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

▶ In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**G** Amen.

- Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- **G** Amen.
- If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

#### Stand/kneel

- P Most merciful God,
- G we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.
- Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

### The Entrance Rite

#### HYMN LBW 352

I Know that My Redeemer Lives!

**DUKE STREET** 

(In this time of COVID-19, we ask that you entrust the singing of the hymn to the cantor. Instead, let us meditate on the words.)

I know that my Redeemer lives!
 What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
 He lives, he lives, who once was dead;
 he lives, my ever-living head!

- 2 He lives triumphant from the grave;
  he lives eternally to save;
  he lives exalted, throned above;
  he lives to rule his church in love.
- 5 He lives to bless me with his love; he lives to plead for me above; he lives my hungry soul to feed; he lives to help in time of need.
- 8 He lives, all glory to his name!
  He lives, my Savior, still the same;
  what joy this blest assurance gives:
  I know that my Redeemer lives!

#### **APOSTOLIC GREETING**

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- **G** And also with you.

#### HYMN OF PRAISE

(In this time of COVID-19, we ask that you entrust the singing of the hymn to the Cantor. Instead, let us meditate on the words.)

Glory to God in the Highest

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:
We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:
You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O God, the strength of those who hope in you: Be present and hear our prayers; and, because in the weakness of our mortal nature we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, so that in keeping your commandments we may please you in will and deed; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

### The Liturgy of the Word of God

<sup>8</sup>And [Adam and Eve] heard the sound the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. <sup>9</sup>But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" <sup>10</sup>And he said, "I heard the sound of thee in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." <sup>11</sup>He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" <sup>12</sup>The man said, "The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate." <sup>13</sup>Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent beguiled me, and I ate." <sup>14</sup> the LORD God said to the serpent,

"Because you have done this, cursed are you above all cattle, and above all wild animals; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. <sup>15</sup>I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel."

A The word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

PSALM 130, LBW, to be read responsively.

<sup>1</sup>Out of the depths have I called to you, O LORD; LORD, hear my voice; let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

#### <sup>2</sup>If you, LORD, were to note what is done amiss,

#### O LORD, who could stand?

<sup>3</sup>For there is forgiveness with you; therefore you shall be feared.

### <sup>4</sup>I wait for the LORD; my soul waits for him; in his word is my hope.

<sup>5</sup>My soul waits for the LORD, more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.

#### <sup>6</sup>O Israel, wait for the LORD,

#### for with the LORD there is mercy;

<sup>7</sup>with him there is plenteous redemption, and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

<sup>13</sup>Since we have the same spirit of faith as he had who wrote, "I believed, and so I spoke," we too believe, and so we speak, <sup>14</sup>knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. <sup>15</sup>For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

<sup>16</sup>So we do not lose heart. Though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed every day. <sup>17</sup>For

A The word of the Lord.

this slight momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, <sup>18</sup>because we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen; for the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

<sup>5:1</sup>For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

**G** Thanks be to God.

#### Stand for the Verse and the Holy Gospel

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL...... Mark 3:20-35, RSV

#### Before the Gospel:

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the Third Chapter:

#### Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus again came to Capernaum]<sup>20</sup>and the crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. <sup>21</sup>And when his family heard it, they went out to seize him, for people were saying, "He is beside himself." <sup>22</sup>And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He is possessed by Beelzebul, and by the prince of demons he casts out the demons." <sup>23</sup>And he called them to him, and said to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? <sup>24</sup>If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. <sup>25</sup>And if a house is divided against itself, that

house will not be able to stand. <sup>26</sup>And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but is coming to an end. <sup>27</sup>But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man; then indeed he may plunder his house.

<sup>28</sup>"Truly, I say to you, all sins will be forgiven the sons of men, and whatever blasphemies they utter; <sup>29</sup>but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin" -- <sup>30</sup>for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

#### After the Gospel:

**P** The Gospel of the Lord! **G** Praise to you, O Christ.

HYMN LBW 229 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God **EIN FESTE BURG** (In this time of COVID-19, we ask that you entrust the singing of the hymn to the Cantor. Instead, let us meditate on the words.)

- 1 A mighty fortress is our God, a sword and shield victorious; he breaks the cruel oppressor's rod and wins salvation glorious. The old satanic foe has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dreadful might he arms himself to fight. On earth he has no equal.
- 2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, rejected. But now a champion comes to fight,

whom God himself elected. You ask who this may be? The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Jesus, mighty Lord, God's only Son, adored. He holds the field victorious.

- 3 Though hordes of devils fill the land all threat'ning to devour us, we tremble not, unmoved we stand; they cannot overpow'r us. Let this world's tyrant rage; in battle we'll engage! His might is doomed to fail; God's judgment must prevail! One little word subdues him.
- God's Word forever shall abide, no thanks to foes, who fear it; for God himself fights by our side with weapons of the Spirit.
  Were they to take our house, goods, honor, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched away, they cannot win the day.

#### SERMON

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for the Creed.

#### APOSTLES' CREED

**G** I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

#### **INTERCESSIONS**

### The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

#### THE PEACE

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

#### **G** And also with you.

Let us offer a sign of peace to our neighbors: "Peace be with you."

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your smart phone to the code:



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The Eucharistic Bread and Wine are moved from the credence table to the altar. The congregation remains in the pews until the Distribution of the Sacrament.

Offertory Meditation (Solo)

Ave Verum

Jacques-Nicholas (1823-1881)

Ave, verum corpus natum Ex Maria Virgine: Vere passum, immolatum In cruce pro homine: Cuius latus perforatum Vero fluxit sanguine, Esto nobis praegustatum, Mortis in examine. O clemens, O pie, O dulcis jesu, Fili Mariae. Hail the true body, born of the Virgin Mary: you who truly suffered and were sacrificed on the cross for the sake of man, from whose pierced flank flowed water and blood, be a foretaste for us in the trial of death. O merciful, O gentle, O sweet Jesus, son of Mary.

#### A Let us pray.

Merciful Father, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (spoken)

#### Eucharistic Dialogue

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **G** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

### **C** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

#### Preface for Sundays after Pentecost

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

#### Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

#### Eucharistic Prayer I

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign. You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory. Through Abraham you promised to bless all nations. You rescued Israel, your chosen people. Through the prophets you renewed your promise; and, at this end of all the ages, you sent your Son, who in words and deeds proclaimed your kingdom and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**G** Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

- P Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us. And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.
- G Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.
- **G** Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.
- Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.
- **C** Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

#### The Lord's Prayer

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 Fraction. (The host is broken.)

#### Agnus <mark>Dei</mark>

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Sit

#### THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home during this pandemic, worshiping online with us, here is a possible "Prayer for Spiritual Communion" lifted up in a recent *Forum Letter* (May 2020). *Forum Letter* is a respected Lutheran newsletter published by the American Lutheran Publicity Bureau:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

#### SCHMÜCKE DICH

#### HYMN LBW 203

Now We Join in Celebration (In this time of COVID-19, we ask that you entrust the singing of the hymn to the Cantor. Instead, let us meditate on the words.)

- 1 Now we join in celebration at our Savior's invitation, dressed no more in spirit somber, clothed instead in joy and wonder; for the Lord of all existence, putting off divine transcendence, stoops again in love to meet us, with his very life to feed us.
- 2 Lord, as round this feast we gather, fill our hearts with holy rapture! For this bread and cup of blessing are for us the sure possessing of your loving deed on Calv'ry, of your living self, our vict'ry, pledge of your unfailing presence, foretaste here of heav'nly gladness.
- 3 Lord, we share in this communion as one fam'ly of God's children, reconciled through you, our brother, one in you with God our Father. Give us grace to live for others, serving all, both friends and strangers, seeking justice, love, and mercy till you come in final glory.

When all have received the Blessed Sacrament, the people stand for the Post-Communion Blessing:

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- **C** Amen

#### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

### The Sending

#### **BENEDICTION** (Spoken)

HYMN LBW 559Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to SingAZMON(In this time of COVID-19, we ask that you entrust the singing of the hymn to<br/>the Cantor. Instead, let us meditate on the words.)AZMON

- Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!
- 2 My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of your name.
- 3 The name of Jesus charms our fears and bids our sorrows cease, sings music in the sinner's ears, brings life and health and peace.
- 4 He breaks the pow'r of canceled sin; he sets the pris'ner free. His blood can make the foulest clean; his blood avails for me.
- 5 To God all glory, praise, and love be now and ever giv'n by saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heav'n.

#### DISMISSAL

**A** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

#### POSTLUDE

Chaconne

Georg Böhm (1661-1733)

### Parish Announcements

- + TODAY'S PARAMENTS AND VESTMENTS: The many Sundays after Pentecost mark a calm period of growth and maturing. The focus is on day-by-day inner faithfulness, in contrast to the festivals and observances that characterize the first half of the church year. The green paraments used during the 26 weeks following Pentecost Sunday bid us onwards toward spiritual growth.
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- FAIRLY NEW TO PRAYER LIST: Rev. Dr. Richard J. Shuta (uncle of Jeff Rudat), Elise Chard (niece of Jean Grenning), Raymond Chin (cousin of Priscilla O'Carroll), Agnes Schumacher (mother of one of our VBS children), Jürgen Ramcke (uncle of Thomas Wicks), Emma Kaefer.
- + IN CONTINUING NEED OF PRAYER: Sieglinda O'Donnell (wife of our Jim O'Donnell, of blessed memory), Edna Szmodis, Marion Nitsch (mother of David Kiehl's friend Carolina Nitsch), Marion Molno, Britney Berhaman (friend of Diana Montesdeoca), Melissa Alke (friend of Kathy Jolowicz), John Romano (brother-inlaw to Richard and Maggie Schreiber), Robert Mallery (son-in-law of David Kiehl's sister), Wolfgang Hahn, Yoleidy Perez (Tamares's brother), Obdulia Mundo (friend of Maggie Schreiber), Mary Ann Grant (Deirdre's mother)

### Service Notes

Organist and Director of Music	Dr. Gwendolyn Toth
Cantor	Peter Becker
Greeters/Ushers	Toshitake "Jazo" Ichikawa, Ed Indellicati, Luz Ortiz
Crucifer	
Lector	Lara Bhasin
Assisting Minister and Preacher	
Presiding Minister	

### Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- You might be interested to hear about our reredos — the wooden altarpiece at the front of our church. It was hand carved by artists in Germany's Black Forest. The left statue is Moses, with the Ten Commandments in his left arm and the two horn-like rays of light shining forth from his face after his encounter with the Lord on Mt. Sinai (Exodus 34:29-30). The right-hand statue is St. John the Evangelist, with a quill pen in his hand and an eagle at his feet. And the center statue is Jesus Christ, the personal unity and the most perfect meaning of the Law (Moses) and the Gospel (St. John).
- + Our painting of the Transfiguration of Our Lord, above the reredos, pays tribute to the founding liturgy of our congregation, Transfiguration Sunday, February 11, 1863. Our painting shows Jesus, Moses, and Elijah elevated above the ground, so that at first glance you might think that it is a painting of the Ascension. But the saintly company with Jesus – Moses and Elijah on either side, with Peter, James, and John fallen down in awe at the sight – point to the Transfiguration. Heaven knows and gives credit to the anonymous painter of our painting, but we note that it is in the style of Raphael's painting of The Transfiguration (1517-1520). Raphael also placed Jesus, Moses, and Elijah elevated above the disciples.
- Our church windows were installed in 1973 and constitute a visual meditation on an ancient hymn of the Church, the *Te Deum*. Pamphlets are available in the rear of the church explaining the windows one by one.

- Our church bells, named Glaube, Hoffnung, and Liebe for Faith, Hope, and Love, were a gift from German Empress Augusta Viktoria.
- + A hint about acoustics: you will be able to hear the choir and organ better if you sit toward the front half of the church. The overhanging choir balcony obscures some of the beauty of the music for those sitting under it.
- Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me," and we view the presence of children in worship, even when they are wiggly and noisy, as a gift to the Church and an encouragement that our congregation is growing! Parents at their own preference are also welcome to take advantage of free childcare which we offer in the Undercroft every Sunday for children age 3-6. Our childcare worker will bring these children up to the Communion rail to receive a Blessing. We encourage older children to attend the entire service, either sitting with their parents or up in the balcony where the teens tend to congregate.
- + Our worship book is the green hymnal, the *Lutheran Book of Worship* ("LBW"). This book contains both liturgies and hymns, with liturgies in the first half and hymns in the second. Sometimes we include hymns from *With One Voice* ("WOV") or from *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* ("ELW").
- + If you have a cell phone, please silence it for the liturgy. And please finish coffee or other drinks out in the narthex rather than in the main nave.
- This congregation is a member of the NALC – the "North American Lutheran Church." The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel W. Selbo.

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MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION	
SUNDAY SCHOOL	
MONDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY	6:30 PM Mondays, via Zoom these days
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SEXTON	Gerry Britton
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PASTOR	
SENIOR PASTOR	Rev. Gregory P. Fryer

#### Some Parish Ministry Opportunities:

CHOIR ......Director of Music Dr. Gwendolyn Toth (212) 289-8128

We extend to you a cordial welcome and hope that you will return. If you are a visitor, please fill out one of the cards in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate or hand it to Pastor Carol Fryer. If you are interested in membership here at Immanuel, please contact the church office for an appointment with Pastor Carol. Or you can email her at ceafryer@gmail.com.

- + HOLY COMMUNION is offered to all baptized Christians who have been instructed in the Church's faith, who confess it with us (as in the Creeds), and who may in good conscience receive the Sacrament in keeping with the understanding with which it is celebrated here: namely, that the Body and Blood of Christ are truly present in the consecrated bread and wine and are distributed to and received by all who commune.
- + HOLY BAPTISM is celebrated and MARRIAGES solemnized only after consultation with the pastor well in advance. If you or someone you know is ill, hospitalized, homebound, or otherwise in need of the ministry of the Church, let us know. Call the church office during the week from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- + We mean for PRIVATE CONFESSION to be available as often as you need. Please call one of the Pastors (212-289-8128) or email them: gpfryer@gmail.com or ceafryer@gmail.com.
- + LAYING ON OF HANDS AND ANOINTING WITH OIL FOR THE SICK is available. Again, simply contact Pastor Fryer.
- + FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP: There is a long line of Christians, both rich and poor, who have disciplined themselves to budget a portion of their income, put it into an offering envelope first thing, and give it to the church. Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer live by that tradition and commend it to you. Online giving is also available through our website, or by following this QR code with your phone camera:

