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The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

11 a.m., Sunday, August 1, 2021

Warm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. Our summertime liturgies are what we call "Piano Sundays." They are nice because the Cantor is near us. We are grateful to Pianist Motomi Tanaka and Cantor Michael Celentano for leading our music this morning.

Most Sundays, we live stream our morning liturgy. We plan to do so this morning too, but also we are video recording and posting it. If for some reason, the live stream does not work this morning, you should be able to watch the recorded service later in the day. Actually you can always do that, whether you watch at 11 a.m. or not.

Our Task Force on Re-Opening says that *if we are vaccinated* then masks are optional. But if we are not vaccinated, then we should wear masks. Also the Task Force says that we can sing again!

Carol and I are fully vaccinated, but at least for a while, we mean to wear our masks when we are close to the people, as in the Distribution of Holy Communion.

We hope you will find strength for your souls in this liturgy. Thank you for joining in the prayers of thanksgiving by way of the Lord's Supper.

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 One

PRELUDE *Allemande & Sarabande from French Suite No. 5 in G major, BWV 816*
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

THE BELLS

Please stand when the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

C Amen.

P 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.

C Amen.

P 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,

C **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 197

O Living Bread from Heaven

AURELIA

- 1 O living Bread from heaven,
how well you feed your guest!
The gifts that you have given
have filled my heart with rest.
Oh, wondrous food of blessing,
oh, cup that heals our woes!
My heart, this gift possessing,
with praises overflows!
- 2 My Lord, you here have led me
within your holiest place,
and here yourself have fed me
with treasures of your grace;
for you have freely given
what earth could never buy,
the bread of life from heaven,
that now I shall not die.
- 3 You gave me all I wanted;
this food can death destroy.
And you have freely granted
the cup of endless joy.
My Lord, I do not merit
the favor you have shown,
and all my soul and spirit
bow down before your throne.

4 Lord, grant me then, thus strengthened
with heav'nly food, while here
my course on earth is lengthened,
to serve with holy fear.
And when you call my spirit
to leave this world below,
I enter, through your merit,
where joys unmingled flow.

APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

HYMN OF PRAISE *Glory to God in the Highest* LBW pages 58-59

Cantor *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

- ☐ The Lord be with you.
☑ **And also with you.**
- ☐ Gracious Father, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world. Give us this bread, that he may live in us and we in him, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15, RSV

A food crisis becomes a faith crisis for the Israelites in the wilderness. The hungry people forget the LORD's saving work in the exodus, and they wish for the food they had in Egypt. Nevertheless, the LORD miraculously meets their needs, with manna for bread and quail for meat.

²And the whole congregation of the people of Israel murmured against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness, ³and said to them, "Would that we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate bread to the full; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

⁴Then the LORD said to Moses, "Behold, I will rain bread from heaven for you; and the people shall go out and gather a day's portion every day, that I may prove them, whether they will walk in my law or not.

⁹And Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, 'Come near before the LORD, for he has heard your murmurings.'" ¹⁰And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, they looked toward the wilderness, and behold, the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. ¹¹And the LORD said to Moses, ¹²"I have heard the murmurings of the people of Israel; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat flesh, and in the morning you shall be filled with bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.'"

¹³In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning dew lay round about the camp. ¹⁴And when the dew had gone up, there was on the face of the wilderness a fine, flake-like thing, fine as hoarfrost on the ground. ¹⁵When the people of Israel saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. And Moses said to them, "It is the bread which the LORD has given you to eat.

A The word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

PSALM 78:23-29, LBW (*to be read responsively*)

²³So he commanded the clouds above
and opened the doors of heaven.

²⁴**He rained down manna upon them to eat
and gave them grain from heaven.**

²⁵So mortals ate the bread of angels;
he provided for them food enough.

**²⁶He caused the east wind to blow in the heavens
and led out the south wind by his might.**

²⁷He rained down flesh upon them like dust
and winged birds like the sand of the sea.

**²⁸He let it fall in the midst of their camp
and round about their dwellings.**

²⁹So they ate and were well filled,
for he gave them what they craved.

SECOND LESSON Ephesians 4:1-16, NRSV
Christians share fundamental unity and diversity. Our unity consists in the one body, one Spirit, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God. Our diversity is expressed in various forms of ministry, whose goal is equipping the saints and building up Christ's one body.

¹I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, ⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

⁷But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. ⁸Therefore it is said,

“When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive;
he gave gifts to his people.”

⁹(When it says, “He ascended,” what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? ¹⁰He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) ¹¹The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, ¹²to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, ¹³until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. ¹⁴We must no

longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. ¹⁵But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, ¹⁶from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

A The word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

Stand for the Verse and the Holy Gospel

G Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL John 6:24-35, RSV

Before the Gospel:

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, from the Sixth Chapter:

G Glory to you, O Lord.

So when the people saw that Jesus was not there, nor his disciples, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum, seeking Jesus.

²⁵When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" ²⁶Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you seek me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷Do not labor for the food which perishes, but for the food which endures to eternal life, which the Son of man will give to you; for on him has God the Father set his seal." ²⁸Then they said to him, "What must we do, to be doing the works of God?" ²⁹Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." ³⁰So they said to him, "Then what sign do you do, that we may see, and believe you? What work do you perform?" ³¹Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" ³²Jesus then said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven; my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven, and gives life to the world." ³⁴They said to him, "Lord, give us this bread always."

³⁵Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; he who comes to me shall not hunger, and he who believes in me shall never thirst."

After the Gospel:

☐ The Gospel of the Lord!

☑ **Praise to you, O Christ.**

HYMN LBW 345 *How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds*

ST. PETER

(Verses 1, 2, 3, 5, 7)

- 1 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds
in a believer's ear!
It soothes our sorrows, heals our wounds,
and drives away all fear.
- 2 It makes the wounded spirit whole
and calms the heart's unrest;
'tis manna to the hungry soul
and to the weary, rest.
- 3 Dear name! The rock on which I build,
my shield and hiding place;
my never-failing treasury, filled
with boundless stores of grace.
- 5 O Jesus, shepherd, guardian, friend,
my prophet, priest, and king,
my Lord, my life, my way, my end,
accept the praise I bring.
- 7 Till then I would thy love proclaim
with every fleeting breath;
and may the music of thy name
refresh my soul in death!

SERMON

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

APOSTLES' CREED

☑ **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

☩ The peace of the Lord be with you always.

☩ **And also with you.**

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

THE OFFERING *You can give your tithes and offerings via our Q code. Just point the camera on your smart phone to this code on your screen:*



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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 Anthem *Sanctus from the Saint Cecilia Mass* Charles Gounod
(1818-1893)

☩ 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.

C **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

P 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

C **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

P 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.

☩ Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

☐ 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.

☩ 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.

☩ 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.

☩ 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 Dei

**☩ 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, worshipping online with us, here is a possible “Prayer for Spiritual Communion” lifted up in *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.

Communion Meditation *Sonata in F Major, KV 332 – Adagio*
Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

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

Blessing:

☐ The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

☑ **Amen**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

The Sending

BENEDICTION (*Spoken*)

HYMN LBW 172 *Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor* BRYN CALFARIA

- 1 Lord, enthroned in heav'nly splendor,
first-begotten from the dead,
you alone, our strong defender,
lifting up your people's head.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Jesus, true and living bread!
Jesus, true and living bread!

- 2 Though the lowliest form now veil you
as of old in Bethlehem,
here as there your angels hail you,
branch and flow'r of Jesse's stem.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
We in worship join with them;
we in worship join with them.
- 3 Paschal Lamb, your off'ring, finished
once for all when you were slain,
in its fullness undiminished
shall forevermore remain,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
cleansing souls from ev'ry stain;
cleansing souls from ev'ry stain.
- 4 Life-imparting heav'nly manna,
stricken rock with streaming side,
heav'n and earth with loud hosanna
worship you, the Lamb who died,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
ris'n, ascended, glorified;
ris'n, ascended, glorified!

DISMISSAL

- A** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
G Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Silbersterlied from Album für die Jugend

Robert Schumann (1810-1856)

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: Matt O’Donnell (son-in-law of our member Jim O’Donnell, of blessed memory), Dieter Reinboth (friend of Kathy Jolowicz), Edna Szmodis, John Francis Henke (great grandson of Ruth Wendland), LyAsia Tamarez Beltre. (LyAsia was confirmed here at Immanuel back in 2018. She is a young relative of our member Tamares Perez.), Anne Swinka (maternal aunt of Thomas Wicks), Marc Petitto (nephew of Michael Pamulo), 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)
- ✦ IN CONTINUING NEED OF PRAYER: Georgia Pascual (cousin) of Michael Pamulo, Jürgen Ramcke (uncle of Thomas Wicks), Sieglinda O’Donnell (wife of our Jim O’Donnell, of blessed memory), 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-in-law 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

Pianist..... Motomi Tanaka
 Cantor Michael Celentano
 Greeters/UshersToshitake “Jazo” Ichikawa, Ed Indellicati, Luz Ortiz
 Lector..... Jean Grenning
 Assisting Minister and Preacher Rev. Gregory P. Fryer
 Presiding Minister..... Rev. Carol E. A. Fryer

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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HOLY COMMUNION.....	11 AM Sundays
MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION.....	6:30 PM Wednesdays
SUNDAY SCHOOL.....	In summer recess
MONDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY.....	In summer recess
INTERIM OFFICE MANAGER.....	Melissa Phillips
SEXTON.....	Gerry Britton
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DIRECTOR OF MUSIC.....	Dr. Gwendolyn Toth
PASTOR.....	Rev. Carol E. A. Fryer
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 either 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:

