

# Immanuel Lutheran Church

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# The 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

11 a.m., Sunday, October 24, 2021

Warm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church.
Most Sundays, we live stream our morning liturgy. We plan to do so this morning too. 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 (<a href="mailto:ceafryer@gmail.com">ceafryer@gmail.com</a>).

In Christ,

Gregory Pyer

Pastor Gregory P. Fryer

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### Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

PRELUDE Jesu nostra redemptio, vs. 2 Hieronymus Praetorius (1560-1629)
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.
- @ 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,
- 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.

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 400

God, Whose Almighty Word

**ITALIAN HYMN** 

- 1 God, whose almighty word chaos and darkness heard and took their flight: hear us, we humbly pray, and where the gospel day sheds not its glorious ray, let there be light!
- 2 Lord, who once came to bring, on your redeeming wing, healing and sight, health to the sick in mind, sight to the inly blind: oh, now to humankind let there be light!
- 3 Spirit of truth and love, life-giving, holy dove, speed forth your flight; move on the water's face bearing the lamp of grace, and in earth's darkest place let there be light!
- 4 Holy and blessed three, glorious Trinity, wisdom, love, might!
  Boundless as ocean's tide, rolling in fullest pride, through the earth, far and wide, let there be light!

Text: John Marriott, 1780-1825, alt.

#### **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.
- **And also with you.**

#### **KYRIE**



### HYMN OF PRAISE Glory to God in the Highest



#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

P Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Sit

# The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON .......Jeremiah 31:7-9, RSV

This passage speaks not only of the southern kingdom, Judah, and its homecoming from exile in Babylon, but also of the northern kingdom ("Israel" or "Ephraim") and its restoration. The northern tribes of Israel had been lost in exile to Assyria more than a century before Jeremiah prophesied.

**A** The word of the Lord.

for I am a father to Israel,

and E'phraim is my first-born.

**©** Thanks be to God.

#### PSALM 126, LBW

Erhalt Uns Herr tone



Choir <sup>1</sup>When the LORD restored the for- / tunes of Zion,\* then were we like / those who dream.

All <sup>2</sup>Then was our mouth / filled with laughter,\* and our tongue with / shouts of joy.

Choir <sup>3</sup>Then they said a- / mong the nations,\*

"The LORD has done great / things for them."

All 4The LORD has done great / things for us,\* and we are / glad indeed.

Choir <sup>5</sup>Restore our for- / tunes, O LORD,\* like the watercourses / of the Negev.

All 6Those who / sowed with tears\* will reap with / songs of joy.

Choir <sup>7</sup>Those who go out weeping, carry-/ing the seed,\* will come again with joy, shoulder-/ing their sheaves.

SECOND LESSON ......Hebrews 7:23-28, RSV

Human priests of old offered sacrifice for their own sins and served only until their death. In contrast, Jesus is God's Son, the holy, sinless, resurrected high priest. Death did not terminate his priestly service, but through his death and resurrection, he intercedes for us.

<sup>23</sup>The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; <sup>24</sup>but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues for ever. <sup>25</sup>Consequently he is able for all time to save those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

<sup>26</sup>For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, unstained, separated from sinners, exalted above the heavens. <sup>27</sup>He has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for his own sins and then for those of the people; he did this once for all when he offered up himself. <sup>28</sup>Indeed, the law appoints men in their

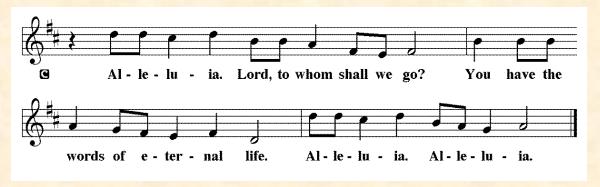
weakness as high priests, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect for ever.

<sup>7</sup>In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard for his godly fear. <sup>8</sup>Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; <sup>9</sup>and being made perfect he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, <sup>10</sup>being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

**A** The word of the Lord.

#### **©** Thanks be to God.

Stand for the Alleluia Verse and the Holy Gospel



Before the Gospel:

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



<sup>46</sup>And they came to Jericho; and as he was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a great multitude, Bartimae'us, a blind beggar, the son of Timae'us, was sitting by the roadside. <sup>47</sup>And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" <sup>48</sup>And many rebuked him, telling him to be silent; but he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" <sup>49</sup>And Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; rise, he is calling you." <sup>50</sup>And throwing off his mantle he sprang up and came to Jesus. <sup>51</sup>And Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" And the blind man said to him, "Master, let me receive my sight." <sup>52</sup>And Jesus said to him, "Go your way; your faith has made

you well." And immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way.

#### After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



HYMN LBW 435 O God, Whose Will Is Life and Good

LEUPOLD

- 1 O God, whose will is life and good for all of mortal breath: unite in bonds of servanthood all those who strive with death.
- 2 Make strong their hands and hearts and wills to drive disease afar, to strive against the body's ills and wage your healing war.
- 3 By healing of the sick and blind, Christ's mercy they proclaim, make known the great physician's mind, affirm the Savior's name.
- 4 Before them set your gracious will, that they, with heart and soul, to you may consecrate their skill and make the suff'rer whole.

Text: Hardwicke D. Rawnsley, 1851-1920, alt.

#### **SERMON**

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

#### APOSTLES' CREED

**Q** 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.
- 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:

Or you can donate via this link: <u>Donate</u> Here are some other options for giving: <u>Ways to</u> Give

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 Jubilate Deo Orlande de Lassus (1532-1594)

Jubilate Deo, omnis terra;
Servite Domino in lætitia.

Intrate in conspectu eius in exsultatione,

quia Dominus ipse est Deus.

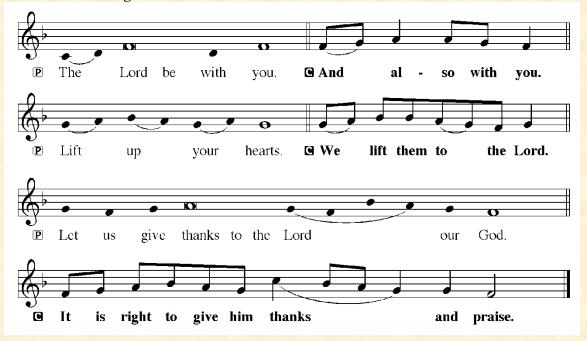
O be joyful in the LORD, all ye lands:
Serve the LORD with gladness,
and come before his presence with a song.
For the LORD he is God

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

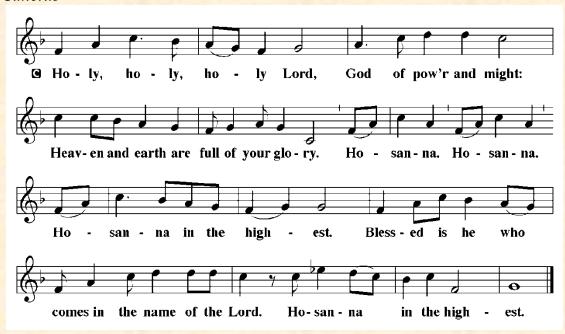
Eucharistic Dialogue



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



#### 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.

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.

- **Amen.** Come, Lord Jesus.
- P 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.
- P 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.

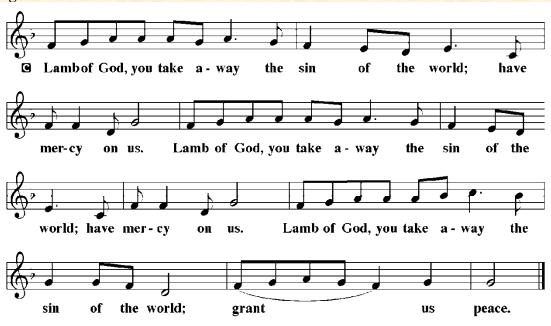


The Lord's Prayer

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



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 *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 Anthem

Cibavit Eos

William Byrd (1540-1623)

Cibavit eos ex adipe frumenti, alleluia. Et de petra melle saturavit eos, alleluia. Exultate Deo adiutori nostro, Iubilate Deo Iacob. Gloria Patri et Filio et Spiritui Sancto sicut erat in principio et nunc et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen. He fed them from the fullness of the wheat, alleluia.

And sated them with honey from the rock, alleluia.

Rejoice in God our helper, sing for joy to the God of Jacob. Glory be to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.

1 Let us break bread together on our knees; let us break bread together on our knees.

#### Refrain

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

- 2 Let us drink wine together on our knees; let us drink wine together on our knees. *Refrain*
- 3 Let us praise God together on our knees; let us praise God together on our knees. *Refrain*

Text: African American spiritual

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.
- **G** Amen

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

## The Sending

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

HYMN ELW 779 Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

**NEW BRITAIN** 

- 1 Amazing grace! how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.
- 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

- 3 Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come; 'tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
- 4 The Lord has promised good to me; his word my hope secures; he will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.
- When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

Text: John Newton, 1725-1807, alt., sts. 1-4; anonymous, st. 5

#### DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE Jesu nostra redemptio, vs. 3 Hieronymus Praetorius (1560-1629)

### Parish Announcements

- + COFFEE HOUR IN THE UNDERCROFT. You are invited to join us for refreshments and fellowship following the Liturgy. Today's Coffee Hour is hosted by Karen Bazik and Kathy Jolowicz. To get to the undercroft for Coffee Hour, bear to the left in the narthex.
- + 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: Charles Schramm (retired Music Director of this congregation), Steven Golden (friend of Kathy Jolowicz), Joan Walter, Naomi Kinley (friend of Jeff Rudat), Diane Kinley (mother of Jeff's friend Naomi), Tina Christiansen, (daughter of our member Borge Christiansen, of blessed memory), Ellen, Mrs. P (sister-in-law to Michael Pamulo).

### Service Notes

Maggie and Richard Schreiber (John was their brother-in-law)

Music Director	Dr. Gwendolyn Toth
Greeters/UshersToshitake "Jazo" I	chikawa, Ed Indellicati, Luz Ortiz
Lector	Justin Pfauth
Assisting Minister and Preacher	Rev. Carol E. A. Fryer
Presiding Minister	Rev. Gregory P. 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 a.m. Sundays
MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION	6:30 p.m. Wednesdays
SUNDAY SCHOOL	Sundays at 10 a.m. in the undercroft
MONDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY 6:30 p.m. in the Martin Luther Room	
INTERIM OFFICE MANAGER	Melissa Phillips
SEXTON	Gerry Britton
PARISH BOOKKEEPER	
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 MEALS ON HEELS...... Barbara Chomko, bchomko@nyc.rr.com

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: