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The Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

11 a.m., Sunday, February 13, 2022

Warm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We are singing the hymns and liturgy these days — grateful as we always are for the leadership of Music Director Gwendolyn Toth and our Immanuel Choir. Because singing is a forceful way of breathing, the Task Force invites people who have not been vaccinated to sit in the balcony. It is an option that would help protect you.

Because of Omicron and the upsurge of COVID cases in our land, we ask that everyone wear a mask nowadays, even if you are vaccinated. Also, we worry about the elderly and people with weakened immune systems — we worry about them for Coffee Hour in the undercroft. It is the same as in restaurants: people take off their masks to eat. So, we are seeking to comply with NYC vaccination mandates: Please do not eat in the undercroft unless you are vaccinated.

Pastor Carol and I and our whole congregation extend warm greetings to you this festival day. If you are new in town or do not yet have a church home, please consider joining our congregation. We have included a contact information insert in this worship folder, and we hope we can meet with you at your convenience. Send Pastor Carol an email sometime: ceafryer@gmail.com.

In Christ,



Pastor Gregory P. Fryer

Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting Three

PRELUDE *Te Matrem Dei (Kleber Tabulatur)* Leonhard Kleber (c.1495-1556)

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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

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

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 of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty



1 O - pen now thy gates of beau - ty, Zi - on, let me en - ter there,
 2 Gra - cious God, I come be - fore thee; come thou al - so un - to me;
 3 Here thy praise is glad - ly chant - ed, here thy seed is du - ly sown;
 4 Thou my faith in - crease and quick - en, let me keep thy gift di - vine;
 5 Speak, O God, and I will hear thee, let thy will be done in - deed;



where my soul in joy - ful du - ty waits for God who an - swers prayer.
 where we find thee and a - dore thee, there a heav'n on earth must be.
 let my soul, where it is plant - ed, bring forth pre - cious sheaves a - lone,
 how - so - e'er temp - ta - tions thick - en, may thy Word still o'er me shine
 may I un - dis - turbed draw near thee while thou dost thy peo - ple feed.



Oh, how bless - ed is this place, filled with sol - ace, light, and grace!
 To my heart, oh, en - ter thou, let it be thy tem - ple now!
 so that all I hear may be fruit - ful un - to life in me.
 as my guid - ing star through life, as my com - fort in all strife.
 Here of life the foun - tain flows; here is balm for all our woes.

Text: Benjamin Schmolck, 1672–1737; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1829–1878, alt.
 Music: UNSER HERRSCHER, Joachim Neander, 1650–1680

APOSTOLIC GREETING

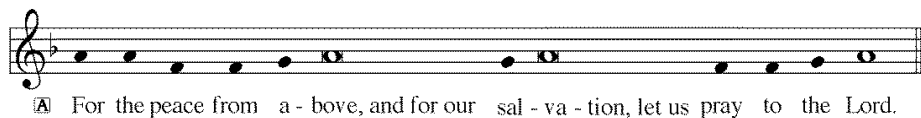
P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

KYRIE



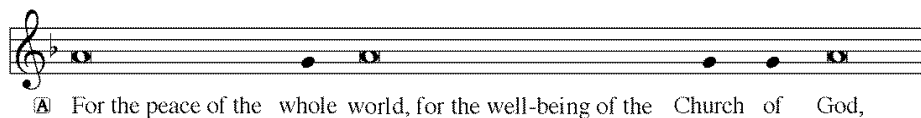
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **G** Lord, have mer-cy.



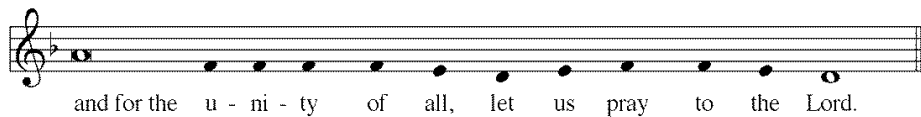
A For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - va - tion, let us pray to the Lord.



G Lord, have mer - cy.



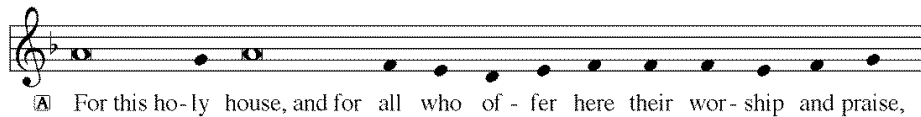
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



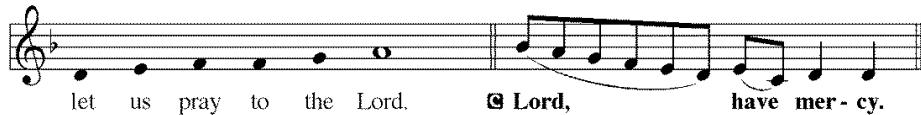
and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



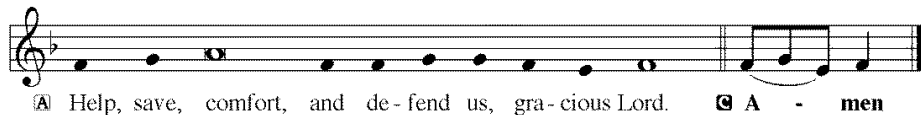
G Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this ho - ly house, and for all who of - fer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **G** Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord. **G** A - men

HYMN OF PRAISE (*Next page*)



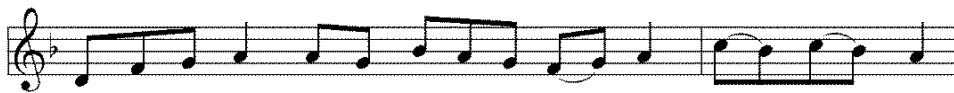
A Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



B Lord God, heav'n - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther: We wor - ship



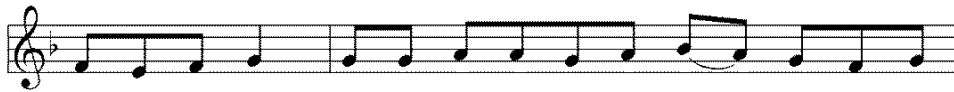
you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, O Lord God,



Lamb of God: You take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer - cy on us. You are seat - ed at the right hand of the



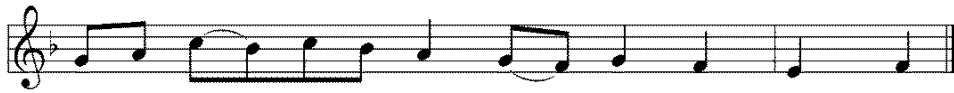
Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the



Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone



are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. Lord God, mercifully receive the prayers of your people. Help us to see and understand the things we ought to do, and give us grace and power to do them; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Jeremiah 17:5-10, RSV

These verses contrast two ways of life. Life with the LORD brings blessing. Life without the LORD brings a curse and will not flourish.

⁵Thus says the LORD:

“Cursed is the man who trusts in man
and makes flesh his arm,
whose heart turns away from the LORD.

⁶He is like a shrub in the desert,
and shall not see any good come.

He shall dwell in the parched places of the wilderness,
in an uninhabited salt land.

⁷“Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD,
whose trust is the LORD.

⁸He is like a tree planted by water,
that sends out its roots by the stream,
and does not fear when heat comes,

for its leaves remain green,
and is not anxious in the year of drought,
for it does not cease to bear fruit.”

⁹The heart is deceitful above all things,
and desperately corrupt;
who can understand it?

¹⁰“I the LORD search the mind
and try the heart,
to give every man according to his ways,
according to the fruit of his doings.”

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 1, LBW



Choir ¹Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel / of the wicked,*

nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats / of the scornful!

All ²**Their delight is in the law / of the LORD,*
and they meditate on his law / day and night.**

Choir ³They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that / do not wither;*
everything they / do shall prosper.

All ⁴**It is not so / with the wicked;*
they are like chaff which the wind / blows away.**

Choir ⁵Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when / judgment comes,*
nor the sinner in the council / of the righteous.

All ⁶**For the LORD knows the way / of the righteous,*
but the way of the wick- / ed is doomed.**

SECOND LESSON 1 Corinthians 15:12-20, NRSV
For St. Paul, the resurrection of Christ is the basis for Christian hope. Because Christ has been raised, those who are in Christ know that they too will be raised to a new life beyond death.

¹²Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? ¹³If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; ¹⁴and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in

vain. ¹⁵We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. ¹⁶For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. ¹⁷If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. ¹⁸Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. ¹⁹If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. ²⁰But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

A The word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

Stand for the Alleluia Verse and the Holy Gospel

ALLELUIA: Traditional Gregorian Chant



All: **Alleluia.**

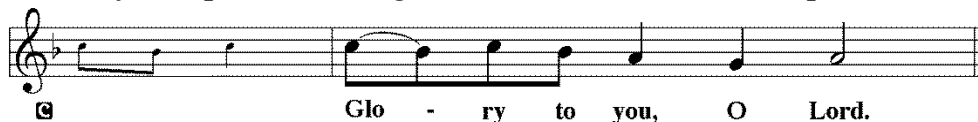
Verse: Rejoice, and leap for joy,* for surely your reward is great in heaven.

All: **Alleluia.**

HOLY GOSPEL..... Luke [6:12-16], 17-26, RSV

Before the Gospel:

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



¹²In these days he [Jesus] went out to the mountain to pray; and all night he continued in prayer to God. ¹³And when it was day, he called his

disciples, and chose from them twelve, whom he named apostles; ¹⁴Simon, whom he named Peter, and Andrew his brother, and James and John, and Philip, and Bartholomew, ¹⁵and Matthew, and Thomas, and James the son of Alphaeus, and Simon who was called the Zealot, ¹⁶and Judas the son of James, and Judas Iscariot, who became a traitor.

¹⁷And he came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, who came to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; ¹⁸and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. ¹⁹And all the crowd sought to touch him, for power came forth from him and healed them all.

²⁰And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said:

“Blessed are you poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹“Blessed are you that hunger now, for you shall be satisfied.

“Blessed are you that weep now, for you shall laugh.

²²“Blessed are you when men hate you, and when they exclude you and revile you, and cast out your name as evil, on account of the Son of man! ²³Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for so their fathers did to the prophets.

²⁴“But woe to you that are rich, for you have received your consolation.

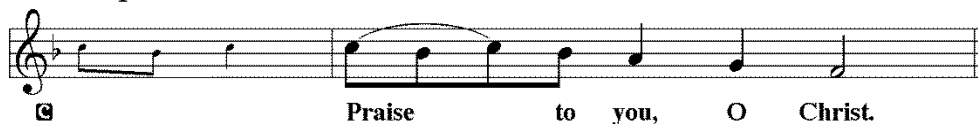
²⁵“Woe to you that are full now, for you shall hunger.

“Woe to you that laugh now, for you shall mourn and weep.

²⁶“Woe to you, when all men speak well of you, for so their fathers did to the false prophets.

After the Gospel:

☐ The Gospel of the Lord.



HYMN LBW 232

Your Word, O Lord, is Gentle Dew

AF HIMLENS

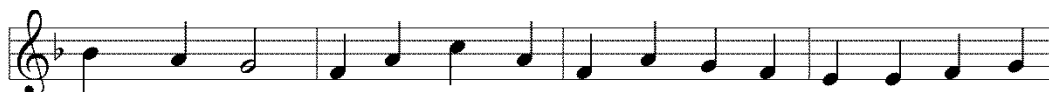
Your Word, O Lord, Is Gentle Dew



- 1 Your word, O Lord, is gen - tle dew to suf - f'ring
 2 Your word is like a flam - ing sword, a sharp and
 3 Your word, a won - drous star, sup - plies true guid - ance



might - y ar - row, a wedge that cleaves the rock; that word can pierce through
 when we need it; it points to Christ and so makes wise all sim - ple



heart and mar - row. Oh, send it forth o'er all the earth, to purge un -
 hearts that heed it; let not its light e'er sink in night, but keep it



righ - teous leav - en and cleanse all hearts for heav - en.
 bright-ly burn - ing, and fill our deep - est yearn - ing.

Text: Carl B. Garve, 1763–1841; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1829–1878, alt.
 Music: AF HIMLENS, *Koralpsalmboken*, Stockholm, 1697

Sit

SERMON

Following the sermon, silence for reflection.

Reception of New Members

Karel Horkey Fernandez, Donald Kerr, and Christopher George Siverd

INTRODUCTIONS

PASTORAL ADDRESS

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

CREED (*Congregation stands and joins our new members in the Creed.*)

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

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.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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.

THE PROMISES to continue in the faith of the Church.

PRAYER for our new members.

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."

Sit

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: [Donate](#) Here are some other options for giving: [Ways to 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.*

Anthem *Beati Pauperes, pt 1* Orlande de Lassus (d. 1594)

Beati pauperes spiritu quoniam ipsorum est regnum caelorum.

Beati mites quoniam ipsi possidebunt terram.

Beati qui lugent quoniam ipsi consolabuntur.

Beati qui esuriunt et sitiunt iustitiam quoniam ipsi saturabuntur.

Beati misericordes quia ipsi misericordiam consequentur.

Beati mundo corde quoniam ipsi Deum videbunt. Amen.

Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.

Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.

Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God. Amen.

Offertory Prayer

A Merciful Father,

C 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.

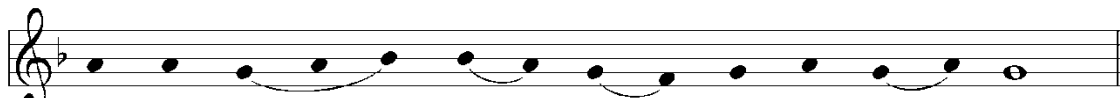
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING




♩ The Lord be with you. ♪ And al - so with you.



♩ Lift up your hearts. ♪ We lift them to the Lord.



♩ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



♪ It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Preface for Epiphany

♩ 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. Sharing our life, he lived among us to reveal your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to his own brilliant light. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus



☐ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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.

☩ 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 u - ni - ty of the
 Ho - ly Spir - it, all hon - or and glo - ry is yours,
 al - might - y Fa - ther, now and for - ev - er. A - men

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 a - way the
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace. A - men

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 *O Herre Gott Mein Not* Orlande de Lassus (d. 1594)

O Herre Gott, mein Not tu' ich dir klagen,
Ich hoff' in dich, laß mich doch nicht
verzagen,
Komm zu Hilf, o Herr mir armen,
Und tu dich mein erbarmen
Durch die Pein und Marter dein,

O Lord God, I complain to you about my
troubles;
My hope is in you, do not let me despair.
Come to my aid, O Lord, pity me,
and have mercy on me,
in my pain and torment, for I am yours.

Du bist die Port zu der ich mich tu' kehren,
Dein göttlich Wort tut mir die Hoffnung
mehren,
Der hat kein Gnad der dir tut widerstreben,
Glück und Heil tust du dem geben,
Der in deiner Furcht tut leben.

You are the port to which I turn;
your divine word brings me hope.
He who resists you receives no mercy;
you give happiness and salvation
to those who fear you.

Jesus, the Very Thought of You

1 Je - sus, the ver - y thought of you fills us with sweet de - light;
 2 No voice can sing, no heart can frame, nor can the mind re - call
 3 O Hope of ev - 'ry con - trite soul, O Joy of all the meek,
 4 O Je - sus, be our joy to - day; help us to prize your love;



but sweet-er far your face to view and rest with - in your light.
 a sweet-er sound than your blest name, O Sav - ior of us all!
 how kind you are to those who fall! How good to those who seek!
 grant us at last to hear you say: "Come, share my home a - bove."

Text: attr. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091–1153; tr. Edward Caswall, 1814–1878

Music: ST. AGNES, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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

Dismissal

BLESSING

HYMN LBW 221

Sent Forth by God's Blessing

THE ASH GROVE

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Sent Forth by God's Blessing



1 Sent forth by God's bless - ing, our true faith con - fess - ing,
2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing to God ev - er - liv - ing,



the peo - ple of God from this dwell - ing take leave.
the tasks of our ev - 'ry - day life we will face—



The sup - per is end - ed. Oh, now be ex - tend - ed
our faith ev - er shar - ing, in love ev - er car - ing,



the fruits of this ser - vice in all who be - lieve.
em - brac - ing God's chil - dren, the whole hu - man race.



The seed of Christ's teach - ing, re - cep - tive souls
With your feast you feed us, with your light now



reach - ing, shall blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all.
lead us; u - nite us as one in this life that we share.



Your grace shall in - cite us, your love shall u - nite us
Then may all the liv - ing with praise and thanks - giv - ing



to work for your king - dom and an - swer your call.
give hon - or to Christ and his name that we bear.

Text: Omer Westendorf, 1916-1997, alt.

Music: THE ASH GROVE, Welsh folk tune

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DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE *Fantasy in Fa (Kleber Tabulatur)* Leonhard Kleber (c.1495-1556)

Parish Announcements

- ✦ COFFEE HOUR IN THE UNDERCROFT. Karen Bazik and son Hans Kibler are hosting Coffee Hour today, with a Super Bowl theme! You are invited to join us for refreshments and fellowship following the Liturgy. To get to the undercroft for Coffee Hour, bear to the left in the narthex.
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- ✦ Readings of Holy Scripture are downloaded from Bible Gateway — <https://www.biblegateway.com/>. Copyright information for the various translations is included on the Bible Gateway website.
- ✦ FAIRLY NEW TO PRAYER LIST: Ana Almonte (friend of our member Tamares Perez, Larry Oglesby (father of our former member Laurin Smith), Davida Goldman, Rev. David McGettigan, Ken Richardson (husband of former choir member Lisa Richardson), Tony Cull, (friend of Donald Kerr), Cynthia Uzzo, Charles Schramm (retired Music Director of this congregation).

✝ RECENTLY DIEDOtto Trabert
 Bereaved.....wife Karin, daughter Susan Swinka (née Trabert), and
 grandchildren Sophia, Jakob, and Kilian
 Otto is the father-in-law to the cousin of our member Thomas Wicks,
 Andreas Swinka

Service Notes

Music Director Dr. Gwendolyn Toth
 Greeters/Ushers Toshitake “Jazo” Ichikawa, Ed Indelicati, Luz Ortiz
 Lector Deirdre Grant
 Preacher and Assisting Minister 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 a.m. Sundays
MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION6:30 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
PARISH SECRETARY..... Rev. Carol E.A. Fryer
SEXTON Gerry Britton

PARISH BOOKKEEPER Charles Derderian
 DIRECTOR OF MUSIC Dr. Gwendolyn Toth
 PASTOR Rev. Carol E. A. Fryer
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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. Please call one of the Pastors (212-289-8128) or email them: gpfryer@gmail.com or ceafryer@gmail.com.
- ✦ 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:

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- ✦ 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:

