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The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

11 a.m. Sunday, August 27, 2023

arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We are delighted that you are here and hope that you will return. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (<u>gpfryer@gmail.com</u>) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (<u>ceafryer@gmail.com</u>) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (<u>lara.bhasin@tsm.edu</u>).

In Christ,

Pastor Gregory Fryer

Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting 1

PRELUDE

Improvisation

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.
- **G** 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.

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.

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

- P Most merciful God,
- 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.

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

The Entrance Rite

HYMN LBW 367

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

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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.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

G And also with you.

Let us pray. God of all creation, you reach out to call people of all nations to your kingdom. As you gather disciples from near and far, count us also among those who boldly confess your Son Jesus Christ as Lord. Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON....... Isaiah 51:1-6, RSV Just as the LORD had called Abraham and Sarah and given them many descendants, so now He offers comfort to Zion. The LORD's deliverance will come soon and will never end.

¹"Hearken to me, you who pursue deliverance, you who seek the LORD; look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were digged. ²Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for when he was but one I called him, and I blessed him and made him many. ³For the LORD will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places, and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song. ⁴"Listen to me, my people, and give ear to me, my nation; for a law will go forth from me, and my justice for a light to the peoples. ⁵My deliverance draws near speedily, my salvation has gone forth, and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope. ⁶Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens will vanish like smoke,

the earth will wear out like a garment, and they who dwell in it will die like gnats; but my salvation will be for ever, and my deliverance will never be ended."

A The word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

| PSALM 138, LBWPsalm Tone 3 | | |
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| Cantor | ¹ I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart;* before the gods I will sing your praise. | |
| All | ² I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name,* because of your love and faithfulness; | |
| Cantor | ³ for you have glori- fied your name* and your word a- bove all things. | |
| All | ⁴ When I called, you answered me;* you increased my strength within me. | |
| Cantor | ⁵ All the kings of the earth will praise you, O LORD,* when they have heard the words of your mouth. | |
| All | ⁶ They will sing of the ways of the LORD,* that great is the glory of the LORD. | |
| Cantor | ⁷ Though the LORD be high, he cares for the lowly;* he perceives the haughty from afar. | |
| All | ⁸ Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe;* you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me. | |
| | ⁹ The LORD will make good his pur- pose for me;* O LORD, your love endures forever; do not abandon the works of your hands. | |

¹I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ²Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God-- what is good and acceptable and perfect.

³For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁴For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, ⁵so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. ⁶We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ⁷ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; ⁸the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

A The word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

Please stand for Alleluia Verse and for the reading of the Holy Gospel.



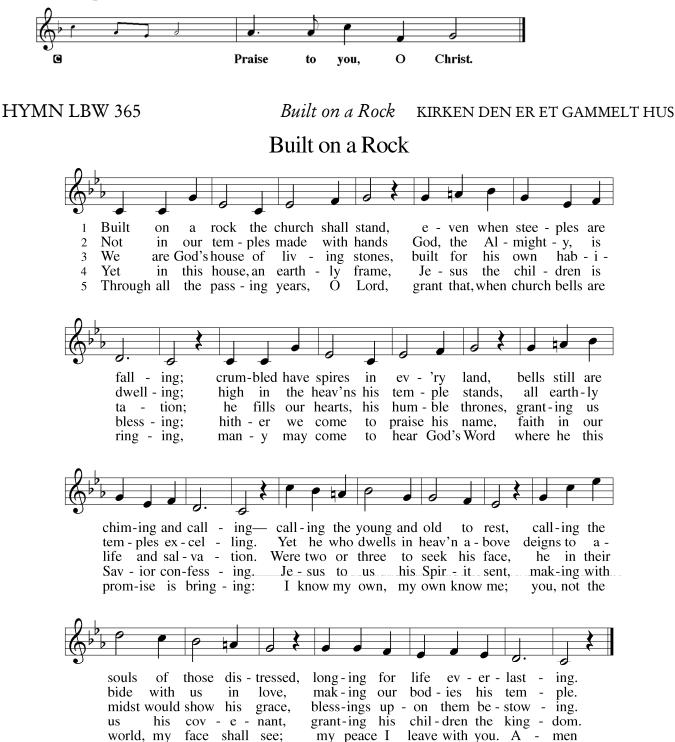
HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 16:13-20, RSV P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 16th Chapter.



¹³Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do men say that the Son of man is?" ¹⁴And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." ¹⁵He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" ¹⁶Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." ¹⁷And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jona! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. ¹⁸And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the powers of death shall not prevail against it. ¹⁹I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." ²⁰Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

After the Gospel:

₽ The Gospel of the Lord!



Text: Nicolai F. S. Grundtvig, 1783–1872; tr. Carl Doving, 1867–1937, adapt. Music: KIRKEN DEN ER ET GAMMELT HUS, Ludvig M. Lindeman, 1812–1887

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Please sit after the minister's opening invocation of the Holy Trinity.

SERMON

Following the sermon, silence for reflection.

Reception of New Members

Dawn Chapin and Luz Ortiz

INTRODUCTION

PASTORAL ADDRESS

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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

P Do you believe in God the Father?

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

P 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.

P 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

- **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."

Sit

THE OFFERING You can give your tithes and offerings via our QR 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 Give</u>

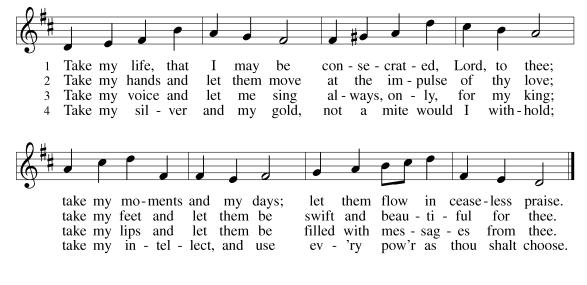
The Eucharistic Bread and Wine are moved from the credence table to the altar. The congregation remains in the pews until the Distribution of the Sacrament.

Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine. Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne. 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

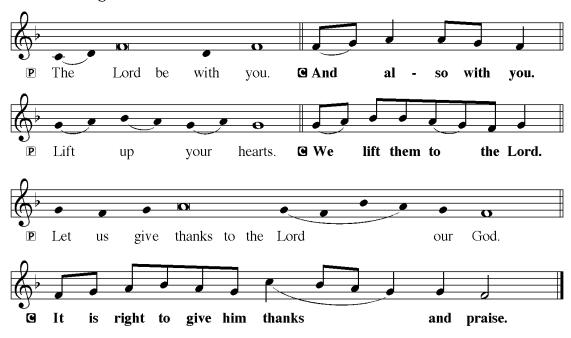
Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

Offertory Prayer

- A 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.

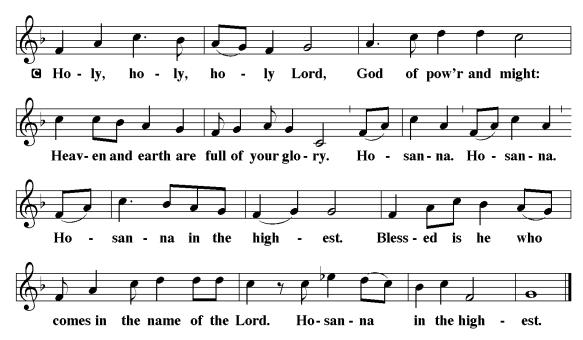


THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Eucharistic Dialogue*



Preface for Sundays after Pentecost

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.

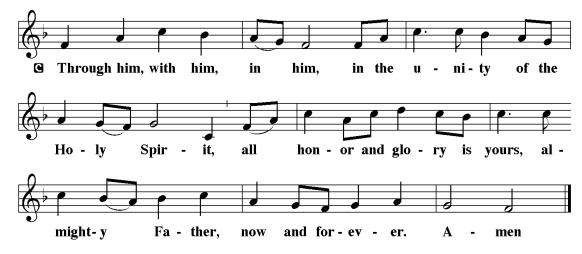
For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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

▶ 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.

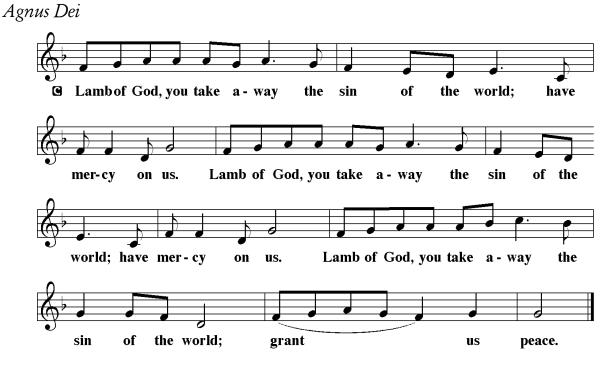
- Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.
- G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.
- ▶ Join our prayers with those of your servants 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.



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.



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:

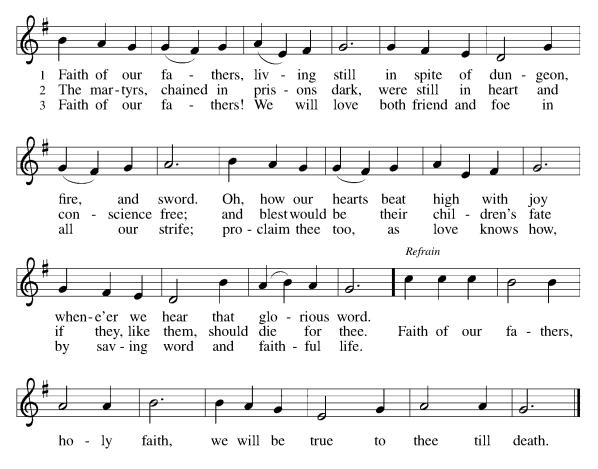
My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly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

Hymn LBW 500

Faith of Our Fathers (Next page)

ST. CATHERINE

Faith of Our Fathers



Text: Frederick W. Faber, 1814–1863, alt. Music: ST. CATHERINE, Henri F. Hemy, 1818–1888; James G. Walton, 1821–1905, refrain

Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

The Sending

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

| HYMN LBW 52 | 4 O Savior, Precious Sav | vior Al | NGEL'S STORY | | | |
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| O Savior, Precious Savior | | | | | | |
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| 1 O 2 O 3 In 4 Oh, | Sav - ior, pre-cious Sav - ior, whom bring - er of sal - va - tion, who thee all full-ness dwell - eth, all grant the con-sum - ma - tion of | yet un - seen we low won - drous - ly hast wro grace and pow'r di - vin this our song a - bo | bught, ne; | | | |
| O thy the in | name of might and fa - vor, all - self the rev - e - la - tion of glo - ry that ex - cel - leth, O end - less ad - o - ra - tion and | | ught: ne. | | | |
| we we We then | wor - ship thee; we bless thee; to wor - ship thee; we bless thee; to wor - ship thee; we bless thee; to shall we praise and bless thee where | thee a - lone we sir | ng; ng; ng; | | | |
| we we we and | praise thee and con - fess thee, our praise thee and con - fess thee, our praise thee and con - fess thee, our ev - er - more con - fess thee, our | ho - ly Lord and Kir gra - cious Lord and Kir glo - rious Lord and Kir Sav - ior and our Kir | ng. 1g. | | | |

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879 Music: ANGEL'S STORY, Arthur H. Mann, 1850–1929

DISMISSAL

- ▲ Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

- + BAZAAR: It will help if you would bring Bazaar things to the church on Sundays, all year round. That would save a rush as the Bazaar draws near, usually in December. Please, no adult clothing.
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Service Notes

| Organist and Choirmaster | Zachary Schurman |
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| Greeters/Ushers | |
| Altar Guild | Ester and Eric Neubacher |
| Crucifer | Matthias Bhasin |
| Lector | Maria Barbera |
| Cantor | Olivia Ericsson |
| Preacher | Rev. Lara Bhasin |
| Presiding Minister | Rev. Carol E.A. Fryer |
| Assisting Minister | Rev. Gregory P. Fryer |

Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Jonathan Lochrichio (nephew of Luz Ortiz), Richard Shuta (Jeff Rudat's uncle), Naomi Kinley (Jeff Rudat's friend), Karl Fritsch (Louise Laverde's brother-in-law).

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + 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 hornlike 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.
- + 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.

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| LITURGY OF HOLY COMMUNION | 11 a.m. Sundays |
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| MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION | 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays |
| SUNDAY SCHOOL | 10 a.m. Sundays |
| THURSDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY | In summer recess |
| PARISH SECRETARY | Karen Katz-Shea |
| SEXTON | Gerry Britton |
| PARISH BOOKKEEPER | Charles Derderian |
| ORGANIST AND CHOIRMASTER | Zac Schurman |
| CANTOR | Olivia Ericsson <u>oliviaer@umich.edu</u> |
| SEMINARY INTERN | Vicar Lara Bhasin |
| PASTORAL ASSOCIATE | Rev. Carol E. A. Fryer |
| PASTOR | Rev. Gregory P. Fryer |

Some Parish Ministry Opportunities:

| CHOIR | Organist and Choirmaster Zac Schurman |
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| | zac.schurman@juilliard.edu |
| MEALS ON HEELS | Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.com) |

e 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: 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:

