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The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

11 a.m. Sunday, September 3, 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 Excerpt from Passacaglia in C minor, BWV 583 J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

BELLS

Please stand when the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- ▶ In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- **G** Amen
- 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.

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

The Entrance Rite

HYMN LBW 364

Son of God, Eternal Savior

IN BABILONE

Son of God, Eternal Savior

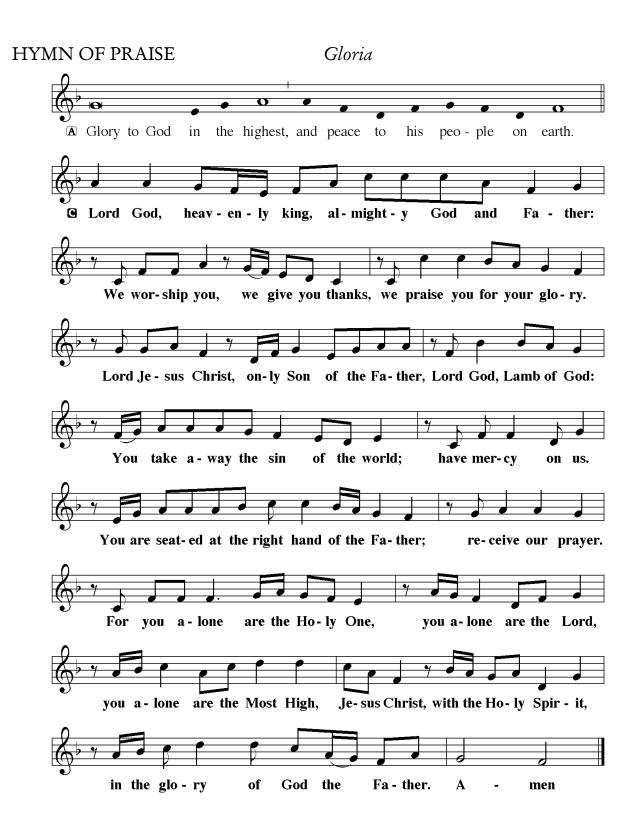


Text: Somerset C. Lowry, 1855–1932 Music: IN BABILONE, Oude en Nieuwe Hollantse Boerenlities en Contradansen, 1710

APOSTOLIC GREETING

- ▶ 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.





PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **₽** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.
- Let us pray. O God, we thank you for your Son who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow his commands; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON.....Jeremiah 15:15-21, RSV Jeremiah's delight in the word of the LORD is contradicted by the heaviness of the LORD's hand upon him and His seeming unfaithfulness. The LORD's tough love for Jeremiah takes the form of saying that if the prophet repents, he will be allowed to continue in his strenuous ministry. Jeremiah is offered strength by the simple words: "I am with you."

¹⁵O LORD, thou knowest; remember me and visit me, and take vengeance for me on my persecutors. In thy forbearance take me not away; know that for thy sake I bear reproach. ¹⁶Thy words were found, and I ate them, and thy words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart; for I am called by thy name, O LORD, God of hosts. ¹⁷I did not sit in the company of merrymakers, nor did I rejoice; I sat alone, because thy hand was upon me, for thou hadst filled me with indignation. ¹⁸Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Wilt thou be to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail? ¹⁹Therefore thus says the LORD: "If you return, I will restore you, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless,

| you shall be as my mouth. They shall turn to you, but you shall not turn to them. ²⁰ And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the LORD. ²¹ I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless." | | |
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| The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God. | | |
| PSALM 26:1-8, LBWPsalm Tone 3 | | |
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| Cantor ¹Give judgment for me, O LORD, for I have lived with integrity;* I have trusted in the LORD and have not faltered. All ²Test me, O LORD, and try me;* examine my heart and my mind. | | |
| Cantor ³ For your love is be- fore my eyes;* I have walked faith- fully with you. All ⁴ I have not sat with the worthless,* nor do I consort with the deceitful. | | |
| Cantor ⁵ I have hated the company of evildoers;* I will not sit down with the wicked. All ⁶ I will wash my hands in inno- cence, O LORD,* that I may go in procession round your altar, | | |
| Cantor ⁷ singing aloud a song of thanksgiving [*] and recounting all your won- derful deeds. All ⁸ LORD, I love the house in which you dwell [*] and the place where your glo- ry abides. | | |

SECOND LESSON.....

...... Romans 12:9-21, NRSV

St. Paul teaches that love is the unflagging standard of our behavior. When we encounter evil, we do not resort to its tactics but seek to overcome it with good. While Christians cannot control the actions and attitudes of others, we seek to live at peace with all people.

⁹Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹²Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. ¹³Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. ¹⁴Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them.

¹⁵Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. ¹⁷Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.

¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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



▶ The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 16th Chapter.

Before the Gospel:



²¹From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. ²²And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you." ²³But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."

²⁴Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ²⁵For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his

After the Gospel:

life for my sake will find it. ²⁶For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what shall a man give in return for his soul? ²⁷For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done. ²⁸Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

P The Gospel of the Lord!

Praise

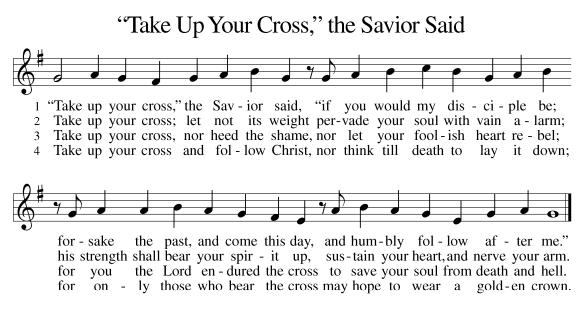
to

HYMN 398 "Take Up Your Cross," the Savior Said NUN LAST UNS DEN LEIB BEGRABEN

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Christ.

you,



Text: Charles W. Everest, 1814–1877, alt. Music: NUN LASST UNS DEN LEIB BEGRABEN, G. Rhau, *Newe deudsche geistliche Gesenge*, 1544

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

SERMON

Following the sermon, silence for reflection.

APOSTLES' CREED

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

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

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

INTERCESSIONS

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

THE PEACE

 \mathbf{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

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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:

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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 | Ehr sei Gott in de | em höchsten Thron | J. S. Bach (1685-1750) |
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| Ehr sei Gott in dem höchs | sten Thron, | Honor be to God on | the highest throne, |
| Dem Vater aller Güte, | | the Father of all good | lness, |
| Und Jesu Christ, sein'm li | ebsten Sohn, | and Jesus Christ, His | beloved Son, |
| Der uns allzeit behüte, | | who watches over us | at all times, |
| Und Gott dem Heiligen G | Geiste, | and God the Holy Sp | pirit, |
| Der uns sein Hülf allzeit l | eiste, | who always lends us | His aid, |
| Damit wir ihm gefällig sei | n, | so that we be pleasing | g to Him, |
| Hier in dieser Zeit | | here at this time | |
| Und folgends in der Ewig | keit. | and hereafter in eterr | nity |
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Offertory Prayer

A Merciful Father,

Eucharistic Dialogue

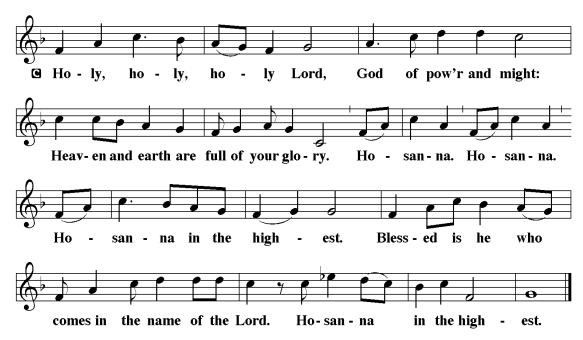
we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us - our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Ο The with **P** Lord be you. **C** And al SO with you. -Θ Lift your P up **G** We lift them to the Lord. hearts. Ο • Ο give thanks to the Lord God. P Let us our C It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Preface for Sundays after Pentecost

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



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.

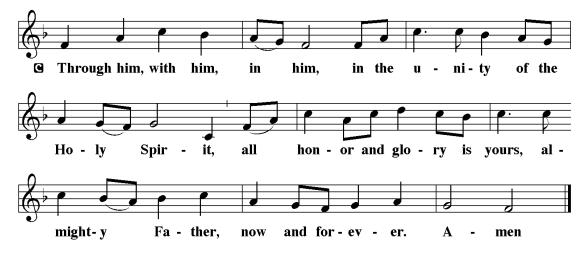
For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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.

G Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

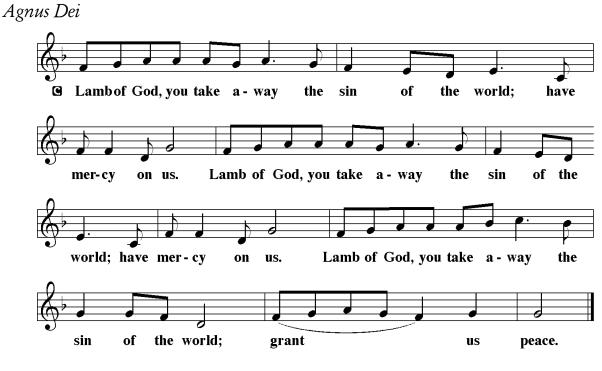
- Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.
- G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.
- ▶ Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.



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, 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 455

"Come, Follow Me", the Savior Spake MACHS MIT MIR, GOTT (Next page)

"Come, Follow Me," the Savior Spake "Come, fol - low me," "all 1 the Sav - ior spake, in my way a -"I the light; light the way, 2 am Ι а god - ly life dis heart a - bounds in low - li - ness; 3 My my soul with love is shun and flee "I you how teach 4 to what harms your soul's sal -5 Then let us fol - low Christ, our Lord, and take the cross ap -6 bid - ing; de your - selves, world for - sake, ny the 0 play - ing; Ι Ι bid you walk the day; as in glow - ing; and gra - cious words my lips ex - press, with heart from ev va - tion; 'ry your guile to free, from point - ed, firm - ly cling - ing his word, and, to in bey my call and guid - ing. Oh, bear the cross, what keep your feet from stray - ing. Ι am the way, and o - ver - flow - ing. My mind, meek-ness my my heart, Ι and its temp - ta - tion. the ref sin am uge suf - f'ring be un - daunt - ed. For those who bear the n e'er be - tide; take your guide." my ex - am - ple for well should so - journ here low." Ι show how you be _ yield; strength, my God him Ι call. all to Ι on the soul and heav'n - ly goal." of lead you to your

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Text: Johann Scheffler, 1624–1677; tr. Charles W. Schaeffer, 1813-1896, alt. Music: MACHS MIT MIR, GOTT, Bartholomäus Gesius, c. 1555-1613, adapt.

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POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

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POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

The Sending

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

| HYMN LBW 428 | O God of Earth and Altar | KING'S LYNN |
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| | O God of Earth and Altar | |
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| 2 From a | od of earth and al - tar, bow down and hear our ll that ter - ror teach - es, from lies of tongue and n a liv - ing teth - er the prince and priest and | cry; pen, thrall; |
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| our from bind | earth-ly rul - ers fal - ter, our peo - ple drift and all the eas - y speech - es that com-fort cru - el all our lives to - geth - er; smite us, and save us | die; men, all; |
| the from in | walls of gold en - tomb us; the swords of scorn di - sale and pro - fa - na - tion of hon - or, and the ire and ex - ul - ta - tion, a - flame with faith, and | sword, |
| Take n from sl | | pride. |

Text: Gilbert K. Chesterton, 1874–1936 Music: KING'S LYNN, English folk tune

DISMISSAL

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

PRELUDE Excerpt from Passacaglia in C minor, BWV 583 J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

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 | Zac Schurman |
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| Cantors | Teresa Castillo and Olivia Ericsson |
| Greeters/Ushers | Luz Ortiz, Jazo Ichikawa |
| Altar Guild | Irene Juhasz |
| Crucifer | Matthias Bhasin |
| Lector | Davida Goldman |
| Preacher and Assisting Minister | Rev. Gregory P. Fryer |
| Presiding Minister | Rev. Carol E.A. Fryer |

Intercessions

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 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.
- + 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 | |
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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



