

# Immanuel Lutheran Church

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# The 21st Sunday after Pentecost

11 a.m. Sunday, October 22, 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 (<a href="mailto:gpfryer@gmail.com">gpfryer@gmail.com</a>) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (<a href="mailto:ceafryer@gmail.com">ceafryer@gmail.com</a>) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (<a href="mailto:lara.bhasin@tsm.edu">lara.bhasin@tsm.edu</a>).

In Christ, Cregory Fryer

Pastor Gregory Fryer

## Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

**PRELUDE** 

Bagatelle VI

Béla Bartók (1881-1945); arr. Gouin

#### **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.

#### **A**men

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.

## 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 WOV 719

God Is Here

ABBOT'S LEIGH

## God Is Here!



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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.
- **And also with you.**

### **KYRIE**





#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

P Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations. Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your name; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Sit

# The Liturgy of the Word of God

..... Isaiah 45:1-7, RSV FIRST LESSON..... The prophet announces that Cyrus the Persian emperor is the one the LORD has anointed to end Israel's exile. The LORD makes this choice so that the whole world will recognize him as the only God. Persia had a god of light and a god of darkness; the LORD claims sovereignty over both light and darkness.

<sup>1</sup>Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped, to subdue nations before him and ungird the loins of kings, to open doors before him that gates may not be closed: <sup>2</sup>"I will go before you and level the mountains, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut asunder the bars of iron, <sup>3</sup>I will give you the treasures of darkness

and the hoards in secret places,

that you may know that it is I, the LORD, the God of Israel, who call you by your name.

<sup>4</sup>For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen,

I call you by your name,

I surname you, though you do not know me.

<sup>5</sup>I am the LORD, and there is no other, besides me there is no God;

I gird you, though you do not know me,

<sup>6</sup>that men may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is none besides me; I am the LORD, and there is no other.

<sup>7</sup>I form light and create darkness, I make weal and create woe, I am the LORD, who do all these things. **A** The word of the Lord.

**□** Thanks be to God.

## PSALM 96, LBW



Cantors <sup>1</sup>Sing to the LORD | a new song;\* sing to the LORD, all | the whole earth.

All <sup>2</sup>Sing to the LORD and | bless his name;\* proclaim the good news of his salvation from | day to day.

Cantors <sup>3</sup>Declare his glory a- | mong the nations\* and his wonders a- | mong all peoples.

All <sup>4</sup>For great is the LORD and greatly | to be praised;\* he is more to be feared | than all gods.

Cantors <sup>5</sup>As for all the gods of the nations, they | are but idols;\* but it is the LORD who | made the heavens.

All 6Oh, the majesty and magnificence | of his presence!\* Oh, the power and the splendor of his | sanctuary!

Cantors <sup>7</sup>Ascribe to the LORD, you families | of the peoples;\* ascribe to the LORD hon- | or and power.

All 8Ascribe to the LORD the honor | due his name;\* bring offerings and come in- | to his courts.

Cantors <sup>9</sup>Worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness;\* let the whole earth trem- | ble before him.

All 10Tell it out among the nations: "The | LORD is king!"

He has made the world so firm that it cannot be moved; he will judge the peo- | ples with equity."

Cantors <sup>11</sup>Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea thunder and all | that is in it;\* let the field be joyful and all that | is therein.

All

12Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy
before the LORD | when he comes,\*
when he comes to | judge the earth.

<sup>13</sup>He will judge the | world with righteousness\* and the peoples | with his truth.

SECOND LESSON ...... 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10, NRSV

Most likely this letter is the first written by St. Paul. He gives pastoral encouragement and reassurances to new Christians living in an antagonistic environment. Their commitment of faith, love, and hope makes them a model for other new Christian communities.

<sup>1</sup>Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

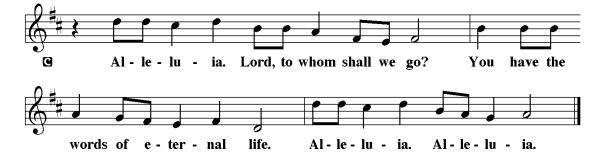
To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

<sup>2</sup>We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly <sup>3</sup>remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, <sup>5</sup>because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. <sup>6</sup>And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, <sup>7</sup>so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. <sup>8</sup>For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. <sup>9</sup>For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, <sup>10</sup>and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

**A** The word of the Lord.

**☑** Thanks be to God.

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



HOLY GOSPEL ...... Matthew 22:15-22, RSV

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 22<sup>nd</sup> Chapter.

Before the Gospel:



<sup>15</sup>Then the Pharisees went and took counsel how to entangle him in his talk. <sup>16</sup>And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Hero'di-ans, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are true, and teach the way of God truthfully, and care for no man; for you do not regard the position of men. <sup>17</sup>Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" <sup>18</sup>But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? <sup>19</sup>Show me the money for the tax." And they brought him a coin. <sup>20</sup>And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" <sup>21</sup>They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Render therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." <sup>22</sup>When they heard it, they marveled; and they left him and went away.

## After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



HYMN LBW 562

Lift Every Voice and Sing LIFT EV'RY VOICE AND SING (Next page)



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

#### **SERMON**

Following the sermon, silence for reflection.

#### APOSTLES' CREED

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

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

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

**INTERCESSIONS** 

# The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

#### THE PEACE

- 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."

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:





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.

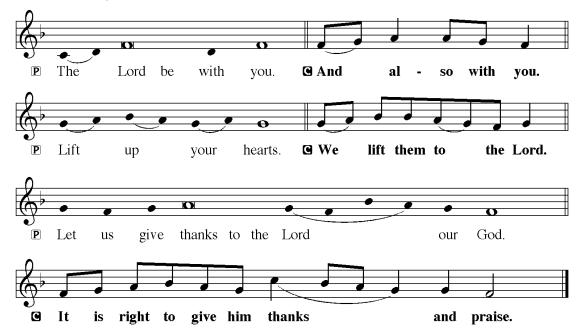
Ach, ich habe schon erblicket Diese große Herrlichkeit! Jetzund werd' ich schön geschmücket Mit dem weißen Himmelskleid Und der goldnen Ehrenkrone, Stehe da vor Gottes Throne, Schaue solche Fruede an, Die kein Ende nehmen kann. Ah, I have already beheld this great glory!
Now I shall be adorned with the white garments of heaven and the golden crown of honour, I shall stand before the throne of God, gazing on such joys that can never end.

## 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

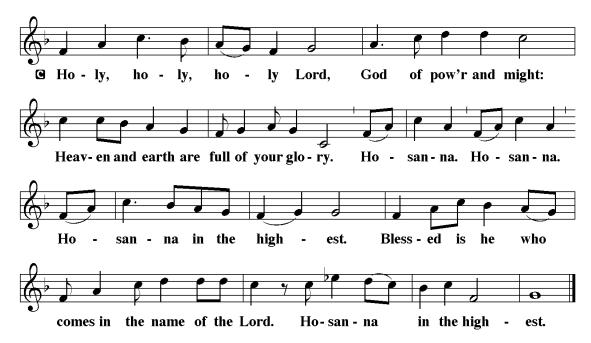
Eucharistic Dialogue



## Preface for Sundays after Pentecost

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.

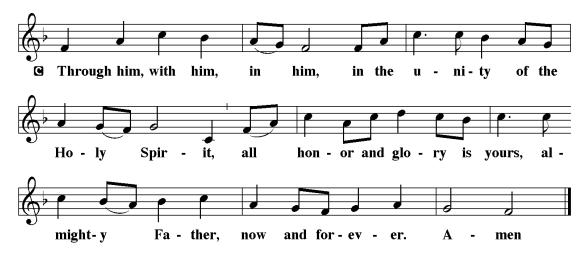
In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

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.

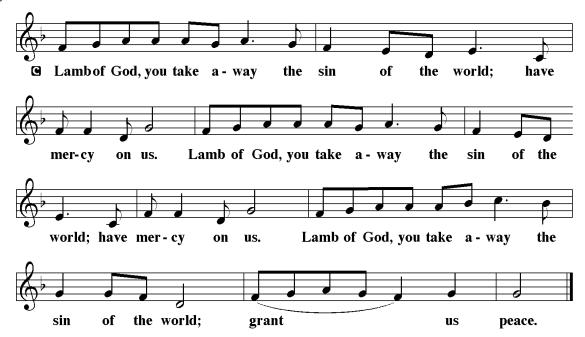


The Lord's Prayer

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, 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 WOV 776

Be Thou My Vision (Next page)

**SLANE** 

## Be Thou My Vision



Text: Irish 8th-10th cent.; tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1880-1931; vers. Eleanor H. Hull, 1860-1935, alt. Music: SLANE, Irish tune

#### Stand

## POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

#### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

# The Sending

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

HYMN LBW 327

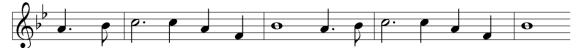
Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

**TOPLADY** 

## Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me



- A ges, cleft for me, let 1 Rock of me hide my - self in
- of my hands can ful -hand I bring; sim ply can ful - fill thy law's de - mands; la - bors Not the
- 3 Noth ing in my to thy cross I cling.
- fleet-ing breath, when mine eye lids close in 4 While I draw this death,



the wa - ter and the blood, from thy riv - en side which flowed, could my zeal no res - pite know, could my tears for - ev - er Na - ked, come to thee for dress; help-less, look to thee for to worlds un - known, see thee on soar thy judg-ment throne,



dou - ble cure; cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r. be of sin the all for sin could not a - tone; thou must save, and thou a - lone. the foun-tain fly; wash me, Sav - ior, or Rock of A ges, cleft for me, let me hide my-self in

Text: Augustus M. Toplady, 1740-1778 Music: TOPLADY, Thomas Hastings, 1784-1872

#### DISMISSAL

**A** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**©** Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE** 

Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827) Fuga a 4

# 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. Please, no adult clothing. Set up for our Christmas Bazaar is 2-8 p.m. Friday, December 1. The Bazaar itself is set for 10 a.m. 5 p.m. Saturday, December 2.
- + Next Sunday is REFORMATION SUNDAY. It is a beloved Sunday for us here at Immanuel. We celebrate the Lutheran Chorale Mass. Welcome!
- + Next Sunday is also CONSECRATION SUNDAY, when we turn in our Estimates of Giving for next year, 2024. Stewardship letters about that, and Estimate forms, are available in the back of the church.
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# Service Notes

Organist and Choirmaster	
Cantors	Kerrigan Bigelow, Teresa Castillo, and Olivia Ericsson
Greeters/Ushers	Luz Ortiz, Jazo Ichikawa
Altar Guild	
Crucifer	Matthias Bhasin
Lector	Jean Grenning
Preacher	
Presiding Minister	
Assisting Minister	
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# Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Marilyn Schreiber (Richard's mother), Jean and Stephen Fischer

# 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 COMMUNIC	DN11 a.m. Sundays	
MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION	6:30 p.m. Wednesdays	
SUNDAY SCHOOL		
BIBLE STUDY6:30	p.m. Thursdays, Martin Luther Room and Zoom	
PARISH SECRETARY	Karen Katz-Shea	
SEXTON	Gerry Britton	
ORGANIST AND CHOIRMASTER	RZac Schurman	
CANTOR	Olivia Ericsson <u>oliviaer@umich.edu</u>	
	Vicar Lara Bhasin	
PASTORAL ASSOCIATE	Rev. Carol E. A. Fryer	
PASTOR		
Some Parish Ministry Opportunities:		
CHOIR	Organist and Choirmaster Zac Schurman	
	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

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