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Reformation Sunday

11 a.m. Sunday, October 29, 2023

Warm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church.

Today is the 506th anniversary of Martin Luther's posting of the *Ninety-five Theses on the Power and Efficacy of Indulgences*, October 31, 1517. That date is considered the official public beginning of the Reformation. By God's grace, our Lutheran tradition is now half-a-millennium old plus six!

Today's liturgy includes many of the elements of Reformation era worship. For example, our Hymn of Praise, *All Glory Be to God on High*, was composed by a contemporary of Luther named Nikolaus Decius (1490-1541),



and this morning's *Kyrie* is even older than that, based on a Latin text from 1100 and a tune going back to 800.

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

In Christ,

Gregory Fryer

Pastor Gregory Fryer

Lutheran Chorale Mass

PRELUDE

Passacaglia 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.

☑ Amen

☐ 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

☐ 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.

☐ 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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EDEN CHURCH

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ, our head and
 2 To this tem - ple, where we call you, Come, O Lord of
 3 Grant, we pray, to all your faith - ful All the gifts they
 4 Praise and hon - or to the Fa - ther, Praise and hon - or

cor - ner - stone, Cho - sen of the Lord and pre - cious,
 hosts, and stay; Come, with all your lov - ing - kind - ness,
 ask to gain; What they gain from you for - ev - er
 to the Son, Praise and hon - or to the Spir - it,

Bind - ing all the Church in one; Ho - ly Zi - on's
 Hear your peo - ple as they pray; And your full - est
 With the bless - ed to re - tain; And here - af - ter
 Ev - er three and ev - er one; One in might and

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help for - ev - er And our con - fi - dence a - lone.
 ben - e - dic - tion Shed with - in these walls to - day.
 in your glo - ry Ev - er - more with you to reign.
 one in glo - ry While un - end - ing a - ges run!

Text: Latin hymn, c. 7th cent.; tr. John M. Neale, 1818-1866, alt.
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EDEN CHURCH
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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.
- C** And also with you.

KYRIE, LBW 168 (*See next page*)

Kyrie, God Father

Ky - ri - e! God, Fa - ther in heav'n a - bove,
you a - bound in gra - cious love, of all things the mak - er
and pre - serv - er. E - le - i - son! E - le - i - son!
Ky - ri - e! O Christ, our king, sal - va - tion for
all you came to bring. O Lord Je - sus, God's own Son, our me -
di - a - tor at the heav'n - ly throne: hear our cry and grant our sup -
pli - ca - tion. E - le - i - son! E - le - i - son!
Ky - ri - e! O God the Ho - ly Ghost, guard our
faith, the gift we need the most. And bless our life's last hour,
that we leave this sin - ful world with glad - ness. E - le -
i - son! E - le - i - son! A - - - men

Text: Latin, c. 1100; tr. W. Gustave Polack, 1890-1950, alt.
Music: KYRIE. GOTT VATER. "Kyrie fons bonitatis," c. 800, adapt.

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All Glory Be to God on High



1 All glo - ry be to God on high and thanks to him for -
2 O Fa - ther, for your lord - ship true we give you praise and
3 Lord Je - sus Christ, the on - ly Son of God, cre - a - tion's
4 O Ho - ly Spir - it, per - fect gift, who brings us con - so -



ev - er! What - ev - er Sa - tan's host may try, God
hon - or; we wor - ship you; we trust in you; we
au - thor, re - deem - er of your wan - d'ring ones, and
la - tion: to men and wom - en saved by Christ as -



foils their dark en - deav - or. He bends his ear to
give you thanks for - ev - er. Your will is per - fect,
source of all true plea - sure: O Lamb of God, O
sure your in - spi - ra - tion. Through sick - ness, need, and



ev - 'ry call, and of - fers peace, good - will to all, and
and your might re - lent - less - ly con - firms the right; your
Lord di - vine, con - form our lives to your de - sign, and
bit - ter death, grant us your warm, life - giv - ing breath; our



calms the trou - bled spir - it.
lord - ship is our bless - ing.
on us all have mer - cy.
lives are in your keep - ing. A - - men

Text: Nikolaus Decius, c. 1485–c. 1550; tr. Gilbert E. Doan, b. 1930
Music: ALLEIN GOTT IN DER HÖH, arr. Nikolaus Decius, c. 1485–c.1550

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- ☐ The Lord be with you.
- ☑ And also with you.

☐ Let us pray. Almighty God, gracious Lord, pour out your Holy Spirit upon your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies, and bestow on the Church your saving peace; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

☑ Amen.

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON..... Jeremiah 31:31-34, NRSV
The renewed covenant will not be breakable, for the LORD will write his holy law upon the hearts of his people.

³¹The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel

after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

☐ The word of the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

PSALM 46, LBW



Cantors ¹God is our ref- / uge and strength,*
a very present / help in trouble.

²Therefore we will not fear, though the / earth be moved,*
and though the mountains be toppled into the depths / of the sea;

All ³though its waters / rage and foam,*
and though the mountains tremble / at its tumult.

⁴The LORD of / hosts is with us;*
the God of Jacob / is our stronghold.

Cantors ⁵There is a river whose streams make glad the cit- / y of God,*
the holy habitation of / the Most High.

⁶God is in the midst of her; she shall not be / overthrown;*
God shall help her at the / break of day.

All ⁷The nations make much ado, and the king- / doms are shaken;*
God has spoken, and the earth shall / melt away.

⁸The LORD of / hosts is with us;*
the God of Jacob / is our stronghold.

Cantors ⁹Come now and look upon the works / of the LORD,*
what awesome things he has / done on earth.

¹⁰It is he who makes war to cease in / all the world;*
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear,
and burns the / shields with fire.

All ¹¹”Be still, then, and know that / I am God;*
I will be exalted among the nations;
I will be exalted / in the earth.”

¹²The LORD of / hosts is with us;*
the God of Jacob / is our stronghold.

SECOND LESSON..... Romans 3:19-28, NRSV
Saint Paul’s words stand at the heart of the preaching of Martin Luther and the other Reformation leaders. Though we are called to holiness of life, we do not make ourselves right with God through works of the law. We are reconciled with God through the divine work centered in Christ’s death. This act is a gift of grace that liberates us from sin and gives our faith power.

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For “no human being will be justified in his sight” by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

²¹But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴they are now justified by his

grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

²⁷Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

A The word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the Sequence Hymn and for the reading of the Holy Gospel.

Sequence Hymn LBW 239 *God's Word Is Our Great Heritage*

EIN FESTE BURG



God's word is our great her - i - tage and shall be ours for - ev - er;



to spread its light from age to age shall be our chief en - deav - or.



Through life it guides our way; in death it is our stay. Lord, grant while



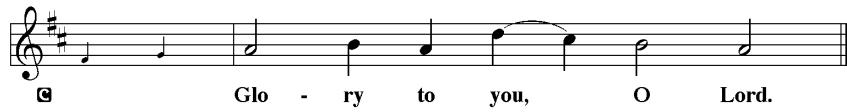
time shall last your church may hold it fast through-out all gen - er - a - tions.

Text: Nikolai F. S. Grundtvig, 1783–1872; tr. Ole G. Belsheim, 1861–1925, alt.
 Music: EIN FESTE BURG, Martin Luther, 1483–1546

HOLY GOSPELJohn 8:31-36, RSV

Before the Gospel:

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Eighth Chapter:



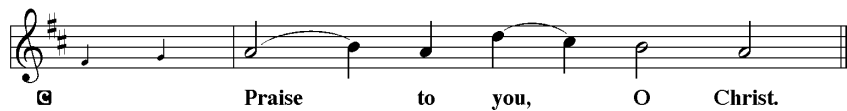
Jesus then said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." ³³They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham, and have never been in bondage to any

one. How is it that you say, 'You will be made free?'"

³⁴Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, every one who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not continue in the house for ever; the son continues for ever. ³⁶So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -
 2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -
 3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat -'ning to de -
 4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who

to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and
 ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom
 your us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they
 fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with

wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe
 God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?
 can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;
 weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,

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has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might
The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,
in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;
goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,

he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.
God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.
they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*
Music: EIN FESTE BURG, Martin Luther
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Please sit after the minister's opening invocation of the Holy Trinity.

SERMON

Following the sermon, silence for reflection, then stand if you are able for the singing of the Creed, with a tune that goes back to 1300 and a text by Martin Luther.

CREED, LBW 374

We All Believe in One True God
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WIR GLAUBEN ALL

We All Believe in One True God

1 We all be - lieve in one true God,
 2 We all be - lieve in Je - sus Christ,
 3 We all con - fess the Ho - ly Ghost

who cre - at - ed earth and heav - en, the Fa - ther,
 his own Son, our Lord, pos - sess - ing an e - qual
 who, in high - est heav - en dwell - ing with God the

who to us in love has the right of chil - dren giv - en.
 God-head, throne, and might, source of ev - 'ry grace and bless - ing;
 Fa - ther and the Son, com - forts us be - yond all tell - ing;

He in soul and bod - y feeds us; all we need his
 born of Mar - y, vir - gin moth - er, by the pow - er
 who the church, his own cre - a - tion, keeps in u - ni -

hand pro - vides us; through all snares and per - ils leads us.
 of the Spir - it, Word made flesh, our el - der broth - er;
 ty of spir - it. Here for - give - ness and sal - va - tion

Watch - ing that no harm be - tide us, he cares
 that the lost might life in - her - it, was put
 dai - ly come through Je - sus' mer - it. All flesh

for us by day and night.
 to death up - on the cross,
 shall rise, and we shall be

All things are gov - erned by his might. A - men
 and raised by God vic - to - ri - ous.
 in bliss with God e - ter - nal - ly.

Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. *Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book*, 1912, alt.
 Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL., Latin credo, c. 1300

INTERCESSIONS

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Let us offer a sign of peace to our neighbors: "Peace be with you."

Sit

CONSECRATION SUNDAY.....A few words from Pastor Gregory P. Fryer

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

Chorale from BWV 188

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

**Auf meinen lieben Gott
Trau' ich in Angst und Not,
Der kann mich allzeit retten
Aus Trübsal, Angst und Nöten,
Mein Unglück kann er wenden,
Steht all's in seinen Händen.**

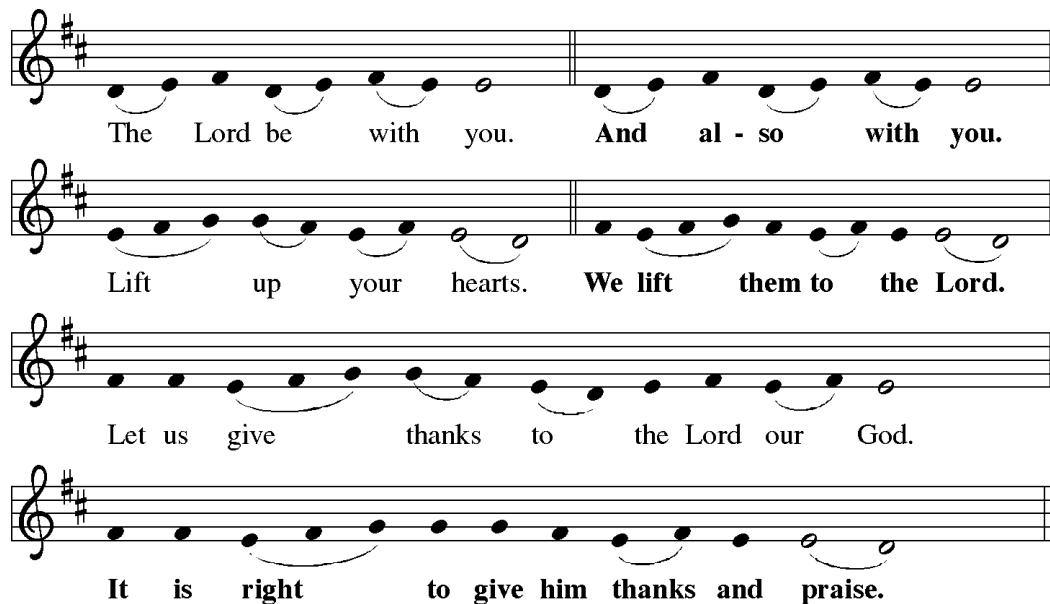
*In my beloved God
I trust in anxiety and trouble;
He can always deliver me
from sorrow, anxiety, and troubles;
he can change my misfortune,
everything is in his hands.*

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 is begun by the minister at the altar.



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 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

Isaiah, Mighty Seer, in Days of Old JESAIA, DEM PROPHETEN
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I - sa-iah, might-y seer, in days of old the Lord of all in spir-it did be-hold
high on a loft - y throne, in splen-dor bright, with flow-ing train that filled the
tem-ple quite. A - bove the throne were state-ly ser - a-phim; six wings had they,
these mes-sen - gers of him. With twain they veiled their fac - es, as was meet,
with twain in rev-'rent awe they hid their feet, and with the oth - er twain
a - loft they soared, one to the oth - er called and praised the Lord:
"Ho - ly is God, the Lord of Sab - a - oth! Ho - ly is God, the Lord of
Sab - a - oth! Ho - ly is God, the Lord of Sab - a - oth! Be - hold,
his glo - ry fill - eth all the earth!" The beams and lin - tels trem-bled
at the cry, and clouds of smoke en-wrapped the throne on high.

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. composite
Music: JESAIA, DEM PROPHETEN, Martin Luther, 1483–1546

Eucharistic Prayer II

P You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

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

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C **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.

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

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.*

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God



O Christ, thou Lamb of God that tak - est a-way the sin of the world,



have mer - cy up - on us! O Christ, thou Lamb of God that tak -



est a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us!



O Christ, thou Lamb of God that tak - est a-way the sin of the world,



grant us thy peace! A - men

Text: German, 1528, based on the Agnus Dei; tr. unknown
Music: CHRISTE, DU LAMM GOTTES, *Kirchenordnung*, Braunschweig, 1528

Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

✦ If you are home, 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.

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in your word; curb those who
 2 Lord Je - sus Christ, your pow'r make known, for you are
 3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, send peace and

by de - ceit or sword would wrest the king - dom from your Son
 Lord of lords a - lone; de - fend your ho - ly church, that we
 u - ni - ty on earth; sup - port us in our fi - nal strife

and bring to naught all he has done.
 may sing your praise e - ter - nal - ly.
 and lead us out of death to life.

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.
 Music: ERHALT UNS, HERR, J. Klug, *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543

Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

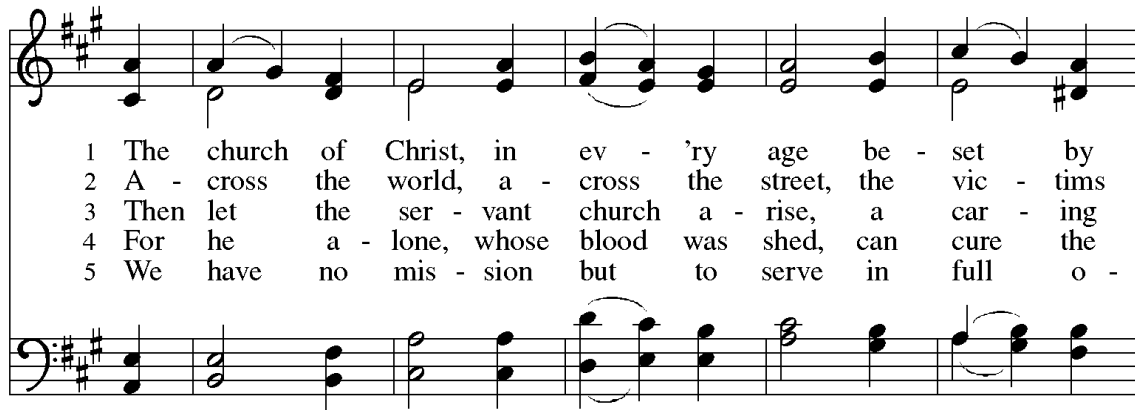
POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

The Sending

BENEDICTION (*Spoken*)

The Church of Christ, in Every Age



1 The church of Christ, in ev - 'ry age be - set by
 2 A - cross the world, a - cross the street, the vic - tims
 3 Then let the ser - vant church a - rise, a car - ing
 4 For he a - lone, whose blood was shed, can cure the
 5 We have no mis - sion but to serve in full o -



change, but Spir - it - led, must claim and test its
 of in - jus - tice cry for shel - ter and for
 church that longs to be a part - ner in Christ's
 fe - ver in our blood, and teach us how to
 be - dience to our Lord; to care for all, with -



her - i - tage and keep on ris - ing from the dead.
 bread to eat, and nev - er live be - fore they die.
 sac - ri - fice, and clothed in Christ's hu - man - i - ty.
 share our bread and feed the starv - ing mul - ti - tude.
 out re - serve, and spread his lib - er - at - ing word.

Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1903–2000

Music: WAREHAM, William Knapp, 1698–1768

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DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

Concerto in A minor, BWV 593

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. 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.
- ✦ ABOUT TODAY’S PARAMENTS AND VESTMENTS. The paraments for Reformation Sunday are red—symbolic of the fire of the Holy Spirit.
- ✦ The FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of the Rev. Dr. Erich H. Kiehl, and for the Pastors, Teachers, and Church Workers who have kept the Church in the Faith expressed by Dr. Martin Luther and The Reformation, by David Kiehl.
- ✦ DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS NEXT SUNDAY: Fall back; Spring ahead! Don’t forget to set your clocks back one hour next Saturday night—an extra hour of sleep before All Saints’ Sunday!
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Service Notes

Organist and Choirmaster Zac Schurman
 Cantors.....Kerrigan Bigelow, Teresa Castillo, and Olivia Ericsson
 Greeters/Ushers.....Luz Ortiz and Jazo Ichikawa
 Altar Guild.....Rev. Carol E.A. Fryer
 CruciferMatthias Bhasin
 Lector Jeff Rudat
 Preacher Rev. Gregory P. Fryer

Presiding MinisterRev. Carol E.A. Fryer
Assisting Minister Vicar Lara Bhasin

Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Sally Graudons, Asta Kibler (Karen Bazik's mother-in-law), 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 COMMUNION.....11 a.m. Sundays
 MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION6:30 p.m. Wednesdays
 SUNDAY SCHOOL10 a.m. Sundays
 BIBLE STUDY6:30 p.m. Thursdays, Martin Luther Room and Zoom
 PARISH SECRETARY.....Karen Katz-Shea
 SEXTON.....Gerry Britton
 PARISH BOOKKEEPER Charles Derderian
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 MEALS ON HEELSBarbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.com)

We extend to you a cordial welcome and hope that you will return. If you are a visitor, please fill out one of the cards in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate or hand it to Pastor Carol Fryer. If you are interested in membership here at Immanuel, please contact the church office for an appointment with Pastor Carol. Or you can email her at caefryer@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:

