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or later for a recording.

## The Fifth Sunday in Lent

11 a.m., Sunday, March 17, 2024

**W**arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. God be with you in this holy season of Lent now upon us.

Men of the congregation: Let us get ready to sing the Trisagion, early in this liturgy. The first verse is ours! Then the women sing the second verse, and we all join together for the great third verse.

We are honored and 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 ([gpfrayer@gmail.com](mailto:gpfrayer@gmail.com)) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer ([ceafryer@gmail.com](mailto:ceafryer@gmail.com)) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin ([lara.bhasin@tsm.edu](mailto:lara.bhasin@tsm.edu)).

In Christ,  
Pastor Gregory Fryer

## Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

- ✠ *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).*
- ✠ *A hint about acoustics: you will be able to hear the cantors 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.*

PRELUDE                      *Chorale XXIII Have mercy upon me, O Lord, My God*  
Marcel Dupré (1886-1971)

### THE 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**

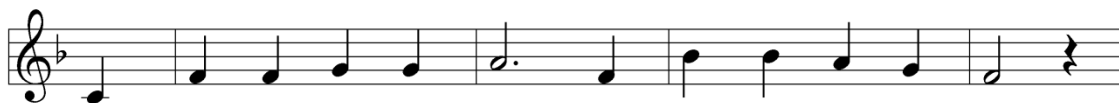
# The Entrance Rite

HYMN LBW 94

*My Song Is Love Unknown*

RHOSYMEDRE

## My Song Is Love Unknown



1 My song is love un - known, my Sav - ior's love to me,  
2 He came from his blest throne, sal - va - tion to be - stow;  
3 Some - times they strew his way and his sweet prais - es sing;  
4 Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and spite?



love to the love - less shown, that they might love - ly be.  
but men made strange, and none the longed-for Christ would know.  
re - sound - ing all the day ho - san - nas to their King.  
He made the lame to run, he gave the blind their sight.



Oh, who am I, that for my sake my Lord should take frail  
But, oh, my friend, my friend in - deed, who at my need his  
Then "Cru - ci - fy!" is all their breath, and for his death they  
Sweet in - ju - ries! Yet they at these them - selves dis - please, and



flesh and die? My Lord should take frail flesh and die?  
life did spend; who at my need his life did spend!  
thirst and cry, and for his death they thirst and cry.  
'gainst him rise; them - selves dis - please, and 'gainst him rise.

5 They rise, and needs will have my dear Lord made away;  
a murderer they save,  
the prince of life they slay.  
Yet cheerful he to suff'ring goes,  
that he his foes from thence might free.

6 In life, no house, no home  
my Lord on earth might have;  
in death, no friendly tomb  
but what a stranger gave.  
What may I say? Heav'n was his home;  
but mine the tomb wherein he lay.

7 Here might I stay and sing—  
no story so divine!  
Never was love, dear King,  
never was grief like thine.  
This is my friend, in whose sweet praise  
I all my days could gladly spend!

Text: Samuel Crossman, c. 1624–1683  
Music: RHOSYMEDRE, John D. Edwards, 1806–1885

## APOSTOLIC GREETING

- ☐ 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.**

## TRISAGION

From *Mass in Honor of Saint Luke*  
(Men of the congregation sing the first verse)

Pedro d'Aquino

*Men*  
Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and might-y, Ho - ly Im -

7  
*Women*  
mor - tal One, have mer - cy up - on us. Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and

13  
might - y, Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, have mer - cy up - on us.

19  
*All*  
Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and might - y, Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One,

24  
have mer - cy up - on us, have mer - cy up - on us. \_\_\_\_\_

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

- ☐ Let us pray. Almighty God, our redeemer, in our weakness we have failed to be your messengers of forgiveness and hope in the world. Renew us by your Holy Spirit, that we may follow your commands and proclaim your reign of love; 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, RSV  
*The Judeans in Babylon blamed their exile on their ancestors, who had broken the covenant established at Sinai. Here the prophet looks to a day when the LORD will make a new covenant with the people. There will be no need to teach the law, because the LORD will write it on their hearts.*

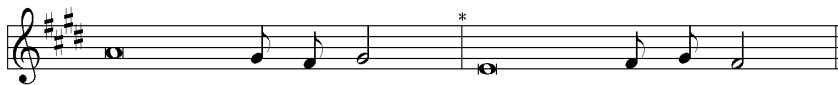
<sup>1</sup>“Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, <sup>32</sup>not like the covenant which I made with their fathers when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant which they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. <sup>33</sup>But this is the covenant which 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 upon their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. <sup>34</sup>And no longer shall each man teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, ‘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 I will remember their sin no more.”

**A** The word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

PSALM 51:1-13, LBW

Charles W. Schramm, Jr.



Cantors <sup>1</sup>Have mercy on me, O God, according to your | lovingkindness;\*  
in your great compassion blot out | my offenses.

**All** <sup>2</sup>**Wash me through and through | from my wickedness,\***  
**and cleanse me | from my sin.**

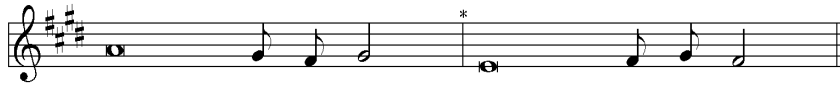
Cantors <sup>3</sup>For I know | my transgressions,\*  
and my sin is ev- | er before me.

**All** <sup>4</sup>**Against you only | have I sinned\***  
**and done what is evil | in your sight.**

Cantors <sup>5</sup>And so you are justified | when you speak\*  
and upright | in your judgment.

**All** <sup>6</sup>**Indeed, I have been wicked | from my birth,\***  
**a sinner from my | mother’s womb.**

*(Continued, next page)*



Cantors <sup>7</sup>For behold, you look for truth | deep within me,\*  
and will make me understand | wisdom secretly.

**All** <sup>8</sup>**Purge me from my sin, and I | shall be pure,\***  
**wash me, and I shall be | clean indeed.**

Cantors <sup>9</sup>Make me hear of | joy and gladness,\*  
that the body you have broken | may rejoice.

**All** <sup>10</sup>**Hide your face | from my sins,\***  
**and blot out all | my iniquities.**

Cantors <sup>11</sup>Create in me a clean | heart, O God,\*  
and renew a right spir- | it within me.

**All** <sup>12</sup>**Cast me not away | from your presence,\***  
**and take not your Holy | Spirit from me.**  
<sup>13</sup>**Give me the joy of your saving | help again\***  
**and sustain me with your boun- | tiful Spirit.**

SECOND LESSON ..... Hebrews 5:5-10, RSV

*Using priestly imagery and references to the Old Testament, the apostle explains how Christ lived in trusting obedience to God, and so God has made him the source of our eternal salvation.*

<sup>5</sup>So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him,

“Thou art my Son,  
today I have begotten thee”;

<sup>6</sup>as he says also in another place,

“Thou art a priest for ever,  
after the order of Melchizedek.”

<sup>7</sup>In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard for his godly fear. <sup>8</sup>Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; <sup>9</sup>and being made perfect he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, <sup>10</sup>being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

**A** The word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

*Please stand for the singing of the Lenten Verse and for the reading of the Holy Gospel.*

Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and  
 mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in  
 stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

HOLY GOSPEL ..... John 12:20-33, NRSV

*Before the Gospel:*

☐ The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Twelfth Chapter:

Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

<sup>20</sup>Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. <sup>21</sup>They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” <sup>22</sup>Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. <sup>23</sup>Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. <sup>24</sup>Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. <sup>25</sup>Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. <sup>26</sup>Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

<sup>27</sup>“Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say-- ‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. <sup>28</sup>Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” <sup>29</sup>The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” <sup>30</sup>Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. <sup>31</sup>Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. <sup>32</sup>And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” <sup>33</sup>He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

*After the Gospel:*

**P** The Gospel of the Lord!

Praise to you, O Christ.

HYMN LBW 148

*Now the Green Blade Rises*

NOËL NOUVELET

### Now the Green Blade Rises

1 Now the green blade ris - es from the bur - ied grain,  
 2 In the grave they laid him, love by ha - tred slain,  
 3 Forth he came at Eas - ter like the ris - en grain,  
 4 When our hearts are win - try, griev - ing, or in pain,

wheat that in dark earth man - y days has lain;  
 think - ing that he would nev - er wake a - gain,  
 he that for three days in the grave had lain;  
 your touch can call us back to life a - gain,

love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been;  
 laid in the earth like grain that sleeps un - seen;  
 raised from the dead, my liv - ing Lord is seen;  
 fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been;

love is come a - gain like wheat a - ris - ing green.

Text: John MacLeod Campbell Crum, 1872–1958  
 Music: NOËL NOUVELET, French carol  
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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 for the Creed.*



## 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

**☩** 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:*



*Or you can donate via this link: [Donate](#) Here are some other options for giving:  
[Ways to Give](#)*

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

## OFFERING

*Anthem*

Adoramus Te, Christe,  
et benedicimus tibi,  
quia per sanctam crucem tuam  
redemisti mundum.  
Qui passus es pro nobis,  
Domine, Domine, miserere nobis.

*Adoramus Te*

*We adore Thee, O Christ,  
and we bless Thee,  
who by Thy Holy Cross  
hast redeemed the world.  
Thou, who hast suffered death for us,  
O Lord, O Lord, have mercy on us.*

Francesco Rosselli (b. 1520)

*The gifts are presented.*

*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


*Eucharistic Dialog*



**P** The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so with you.



**P** Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

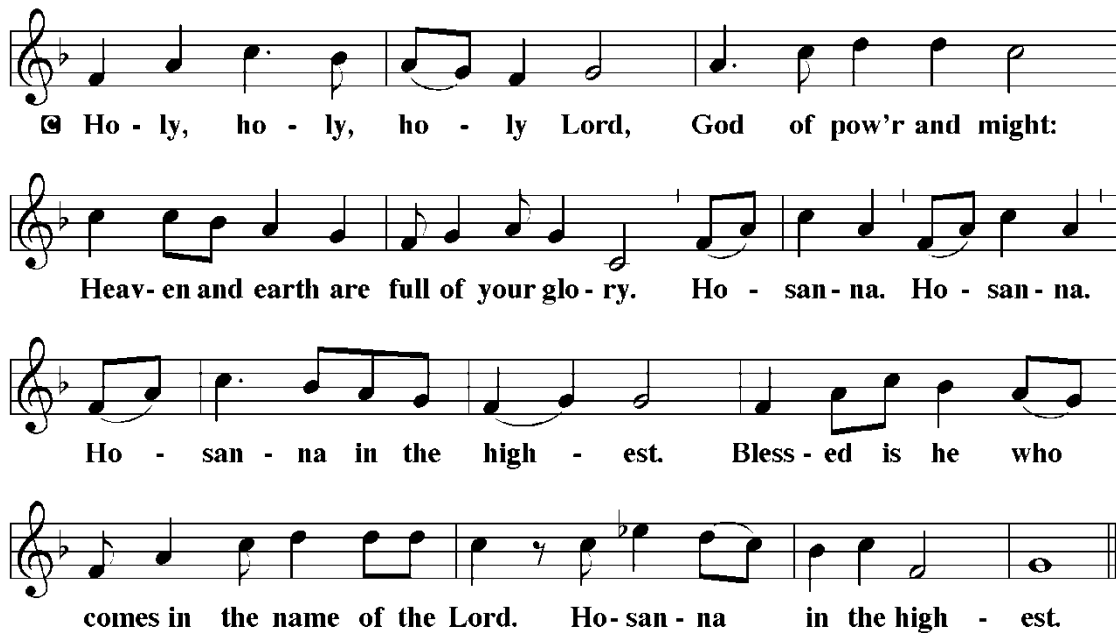


**C** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*Preface for Lent*

**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. You bid your people cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast. Renew our zeal in faith and life, and bring us to the fullness of grace that belongs to the children of God. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*Sanctus (Next page)*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:  
 Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.  
 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*Eucharistic Prayer I*

**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.

**C** 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.

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

☐ Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

☑ **Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

☐ Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.

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

☑ **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**

*Agnus Dei:*

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

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 105      *A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth*      AN WASSERFLÜSSEN BABYLON

### A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth



1 A lamb goes un - com - plain - ing forth  
2 This lamb is Christ, our great - est friend,  
3 He an - swered from his ten - der heart;  
4 Of death I am no more a - fraid;



to save a world of sin - ners.  
the Lamb of God, our Sav - ior,  
that he would take the bur - den:  
his dy - ing is my liv - ing.



He bears the bur - den all a - lone,  
the one, his on - ly Son, God sent  
“My Fa - ther’s will is my com - mand;  
He clothes me in his roy - al robes



dies shorn of all his hon - ors.  
to win us reb - els o - ver.  
I’ll do as I am bid - den.”  
that he is al - ways giv - ing.

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He goes to slaughter, weak and faint,  
 "Go down, my child," the Father said,  
 Oh, wondrous love! Oh, loving might!  
 His love is dressed enough for me



is led to die with - out com - plaint;  
 "and free my chil - dren from their dread  
 To right what mor - tals can - not right  
 to wear through all e - ter - ni - ty



his spot - less life he of - fers.  
 of death and con - dem - na - tion.  
 God sent his Son from heav - en.  
 be - fore the high - est Fa - ther,



He bears the shame, the stripes, the wrath;  
 The pain - ful stripes are hard to bear,  
 What love, O Love, who came to save  
 where we shall stand at Je - sus' side,



his an - guish, mock - er - y, and death  
 but by your death they all can share  
 by lov - ing e - ven to the grave  
 his church, the well - ap - point - ed bride,



for us he glad - ly suf - fers.  
 the joy of your sal - va - tion."  
 un - til the stone was riv - en.  
 when all the faith - ful gath - er.

Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607–1676; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*, 1978  
 Music: AN WASSERFLÜSSEN BABYLON, Wolfgang Dachstein, c. 1487–1553

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*Stand*

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*Silence for reflection.*

# The Sending

BENEDICTION (*Spoken*)

HYMN LBW 259 *Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing*

SICILIAN MARINERS, O SANCTISSIMA

## Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing



1 Lord, dis - miss us with your bless-ing, fill our hearts with joy and peace;  
2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion for your gos - pel's joy - ful sound.  
3 Sav - ior, when your love shall call us from our strug - gling pil - grim way,



let us each, your love pos - sess-ing, tri - umph in re - deem-ing grace.  
May the fruits of your sal - va - tion in our hearts and lives a - bound.  
let no fear of death ap - pall us, glad your sum - mons to o - bey.



Oh, re - fresh us; oh, re - fresh us, trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.  
Ev - er faith - ful, ev - er faith - ful to your truth may we be found.  
May we ev - er, may we ev - er reign with you in end - less day.

Text: attr. John Fawcett, 1740–1817, sts. 1–2, alt.; Godfrey Thring, 1823–1903, st. 3, alt.  
Music: SICILIAN MARINERS, Sicilian, 18th cent.

DISMISSAL

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE *Toccatà from Partita No. 6 in E minor, BWV 830* J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

# Parish Announcements

- ✦ Today's ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Maria Van Der Merwe in gratitude to God for her birthday.
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## Service Notes

Organist and Choirmaster..... Zac Schurman  
Cantors ..... Teresa Castillo, Olivia Ericsson, Kerrigan Bigelow, Tony Beck  
Greeters/Ushers ..... Luz Ortiz, Jazo Ichikawa  
Crucifer ..... Matthias Bhasin  
Altar Guild..... Carol Dittbrenner  
Lector..... Jeff Rudat  
Presiding Minister..... Rev. Gregory P. Fryer  
Communion Assistant..... Rev. Carol E. A. Fryer  
Preacher ..... Rev. Lara Bhasin

## Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith, Diane Kinley, Davida Goldman, Clifford Rose, Susan McIntosh (Richard McIntosh's sister), Stephen and Jean Fischer, Sally Graudons, Timna Rosenheimer (friend of David Kiehl)



# 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.

# Immanuel Lutheran Church

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LITURGY OF HOLY COMMUNION.....	11 a.m. Sundays
MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION.....	6:30 p.m. Wednesdays
SUNDAY SCHOOL.....	10 a.m. Sundays
BIBLE STUDY.....	Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. in the Martin Luther Room and Zoom
PARISH SECRETARY.....	Karen Katz-Shea
SEXTON.....	Gerry Britton
PARISH BOOKKEEPER.....	Charles Derderian
ORGANIST AND CHOIRMASTER.....	Zac Schurman
CANTOR.....	Olivia Ericsson <a href="mailto:oliviaer@umich.edu">oliviaer@umich.edu</a>
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 <a href="mailto:zac.schurman@juilliard.edu">zac.schurman@juilliard.edu</a>
MEALS ON HEELS.....	Barbara Chomko ( <a href="mailto:bchomko@nyc.rr.com">bchomko@nyc.rr.com</a> )

**W**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](mailto: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.
- ✦ 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](mailto:gpfryer@gmail.com) or [ceafryer@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:gpfryer@gmail.com) or [ceafryer@gmail.com](mailto: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:

