

**EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST
OCTOBER 4, 2020
IMMANUEL
LUTHERAN
CHURCH
Missouri Synod**



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***Sunday*
9:00 AM
Worship Service**

**Adult Bible Class
Sunday School**

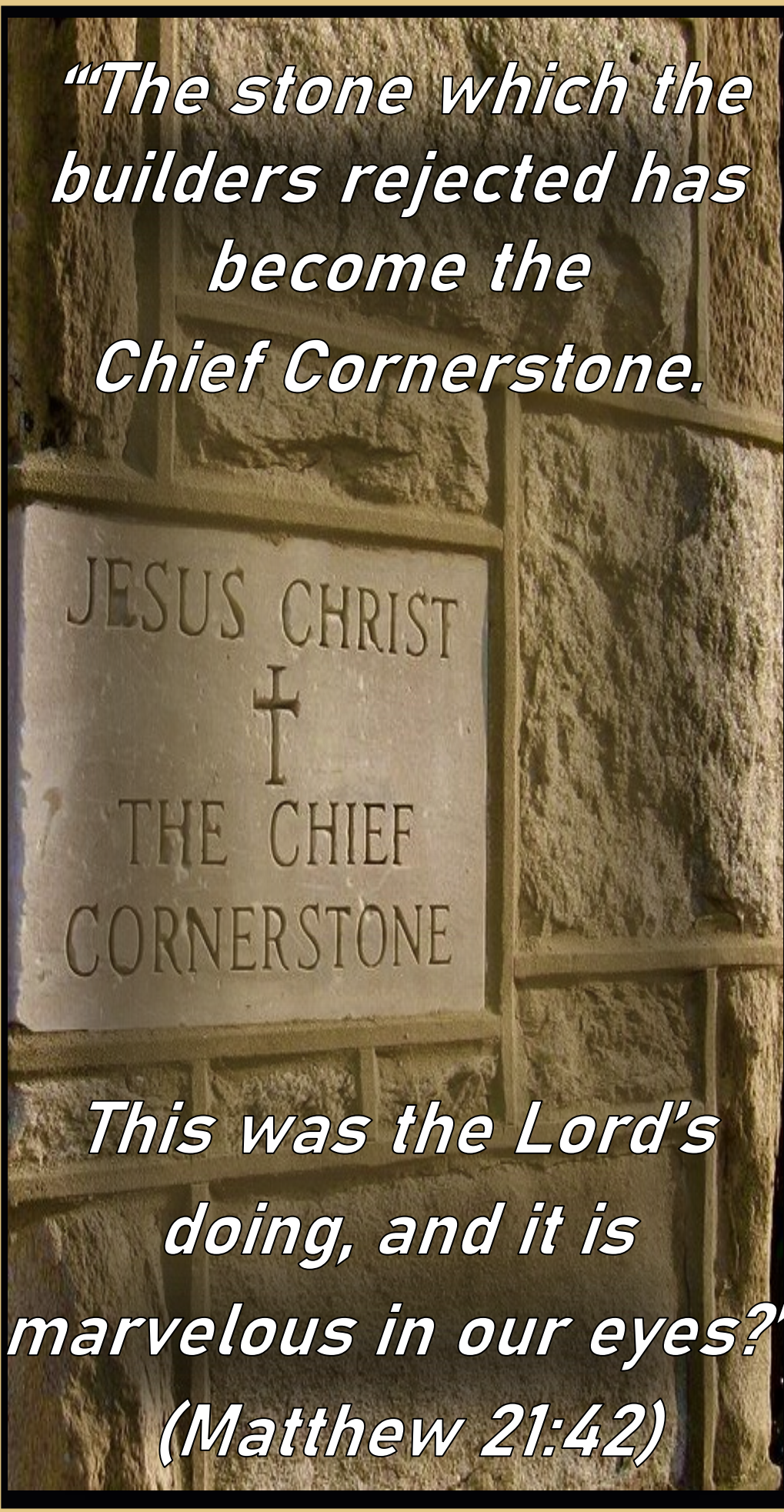
**Holy Communion:
1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday**

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***“The stone which the
builders rejected has
become the
Chief Cornerstone.***



**JESUS CHRIST
✠
THE CHIEF
CORNERSTONE**

***This was the Lord's
doing, and it is
marvelous in our eyes?”
(Matthew 21:42)***

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WELCOME to IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

We wish to extend a warm welcome to all our visitors this morning. It is our hope that you will benefit by your worship here with us, and that you will return again soon. We would greatly appreciate it if everyone would fill out an Attendance/Communion card so that we can keep track of our attendance. They are located in the pew racks in front of you.

This week we celebrate Holy Communion. We teach that in the receiving of the Lord's Supper each person receives the real presence of the Body and Blood of Christ for the forgiveness of their sins. If you are not a member of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod and desire to partake of Communion, please ask to speak with Pastor Weber or one of the elders prior to the service.

A Prayer Upon Entering Church - Lord God, You call me to work in Your vineyard. Supply me with diligence for tasks in Your kingdom, always rejoicing with those to whom Your Spirit has come; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

AS WE GATHER - The vineyard is frequently used in Scripture to denote a special place in God's creation. To have a vineyard and enjoy its fruit is a blessing. When the prophet Isaiah speaks of the goodness of the Lord, he says that God's favored people "shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit" (Isaiah 65:21). Vineyards were planted with a fruitful harvest in mind. We are the Lord's planting, and we eagerly await our harvest

home.

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WELCOME

PRELUDE

(A quiet time for prayer and meditation)

OPENING HYMN

The Church's One Foundation

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- 1 The Church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
She is His new creation
By water and the Word.
From heav'n He came and sought her
To be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her,
And for her life He died.
- 2 Elect from ev'ry nation,
Yet one o'er all the earth;
Her charter of salvation:
One Lord, one faith, one birth.
One holy name she blesses,
Partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses
With ev'ry grace endued.
- 3 Though with a scornful wonder
The world sees her oppressed,
By schisms rent asunder,
By heresies distressed,
Yet saints their watch are keeping;

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Their cry goes up, "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping
Shall be the morn of song.

4 Through toil and tribulation
And tumult of her war
She waits the consummation
Of peace forevermore
Till with the vision glorious
Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious
Shall be the Church at rest.

5 Yet she on earth has union
With God, the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion
With those whose rest is won.
O blessed heav'nly chorus!
Lord, save us by Your grace
That we, like saints before us,
May see You face to face.

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Δ INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the
Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Δ OPENING SENTENCES *Psalm 80:1, 14-15, 7*

P Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, You who lead Joseph like a
flock!

C **You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine
forth.**

P Turn again, O God of hosts!

C Look down from heaven, and see; have regard for this vine, the stock that Your right hand planted.

P Restore us, O God of hosts;

C let Your face shine, that we may be saved!

△ CONFESSIO AND ABSOLUTION

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(We take a moment of silence to reflect on our sin and our need for the Savior.)

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. (John 20:19-23)

C Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

ΔINTROIT *Psalm 118:22-24; antiphon: v. 1*

P Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever.

C The stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

P This was the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

C This is the day the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

P Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever.

ΔKYRIE



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.



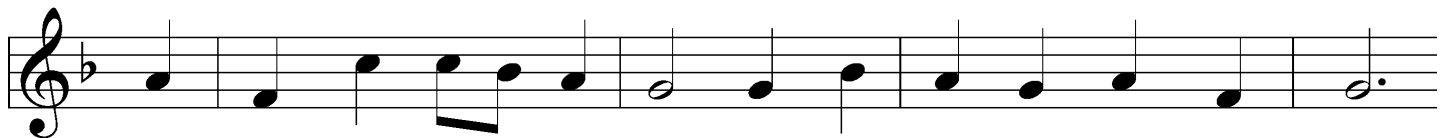
△GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

△SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

△PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. Gracious God, You gave Your Son into the hands of sinful men who killed Him. Forgive us when we reject Your unfailing love, and grant us the fullness of Your

salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Isaiah 5:1–7*

(The vineyard of the Lord is judged.)

1 Now let me sing to my Well-beloved a song of my Beloved regarding His vineyard:

My Well-beloved has a vineyard on a very fruitful hill.

2 He dug it up and cleared out its stones, and planted it with the choicest vine. He built a tower in its midst, and also made a winepress in it; so He expected it to bring forth good grapes, but it brought forth wild grapes. 3 “And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, judge, please, between Me and My vineyard. 4 What more could have been done to My vineyard that I have not done in it? Why then, when I expected it to bring forth good grapes, did it bring forth wild grapes? 5 And now, please let Me tell you what I will do to My vineyard: I will take away its hedge, and it shall be burned; and break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. 6 I will lay it waste; it shall not be pruned or dug, but there shall come up briars and thorns. I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain on it.” 7 For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel, and the men of Judah are His pleasant plant. He looked for justice, but behold, oppression; for righteousness, but behold, a cry for help.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM *Psalm 80:7–19; antiphon: v. 7*

P Restore us, O God of hosts; cause Your face to shine, and we shall be saved!

C You have brought a vine out of Egypt; You have cast out the nations, and planted it.

P You prepared room for it, and caused it to take deep root, and it filled the land.

C The hills were covered with its shadow, and the mighty cedars with its boughs.

P She sent out her boughs to the Sea, and her branches to the River.

C Why have You broken down her hedges, so that all who pass by the way pluck her fruit?

P The boar out of the woods uproots it, and the wild beast of the field devours it.

C Return, we beseech You, O God of hosts; look down from heaven and see, and visit this vine

P and the vineyard which Your right hand has planted, and the branch that You made strong for Yourself.

C It is burned with fire, it is cut down; they perish at the rebuke of Your countenance.

P Let Your hand be upon the man of Your right hand, upon the son of man whom You made strong for Yourself.

C Then we will not turn back from You; revive us, and we will call upon Your name.

P Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; cause Your face to shine, and we shall be saved!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (*Children remain seated*)

EPISTLE *Philippians 3:4b-14*

(Paul witnesses to the congregation at Philippi.)

4 If anyone else thinks he may have confidence in the flesh, I more so: 5 circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of the Hebrews; concerning the law, a Pharisee; 6 concerning zeal, persecuting the church; concerning the righteousness which is in the law, blameless. 7 But what things were gain to me, these I have counted loss for Christ. 8 Yet indeed I also count all things loss for the excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as rubbish, that I may gain Christ 9 and be found in Him, not having my own righteousness, which is from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which is from God by faith; 10 that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death, 11 if, by any means, I may attain to the resurrection from the dead. 12 Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me. 13 Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, 14 I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**



△ ALLELUIA and VERSE



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



C These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

△ HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 21:33-46*

(The parable of the tenants in the vineyard)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-first chapter.

C **Glory to You , O Lord.**

33 "Hear another parable: There was a certain landowner who planted a vineyard and set a hedge around it, dug a winepress in it and built a tower. And he leased it to vinedressers and went into a far country. 34 Now when vintage-time drew near, he sent his servants to the vinedressers, that they might receive its fruit. 35 And the vinedressers took his servants, beat one, killed one, and stoned another. 36 Again he sent other servants, more than the first, and they did likewise to them. 37 Then last of all he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' 38 But when the vinedressers saw the

son, they said among themselves, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and seize his inheritance.' 39 So they took him and cast him out of the vineyard and killed him. 40 "Therefore, when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those vine-dressers?" 41 They said to Him, "He will destroy those wicked men miserably, and lease his vineyard to other vinedressers who will render to him the fruits in their seasons." 42 Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures:

"The stone which the builders rejected
Has become the chief cornerstone.
This was the Lord's doing,
And it is marvelous in our eyes'?"

43 "Therefore I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a nation bearing the fruits of it. 44 And whoever falls on this stone will be broken; but on whomever it falls, it will grind him to powder." 45 Now when the chief priests and Pharisees heard His parables, they perceived that He was speaking of them. 46 But when they sought to lay hands on Him, they feared the multitudes, because they took Him for a prophet.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

ΔNICENE CREED

All I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came

down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Christ Is Our Cornerstone

LSB 912

- 1 Christ is our cornerstone,
On Him alone we build;
With His true saints alone
The courts of heav'n are filled.
On His great love
Our hopes we place
Of present grace
And joys above.

- 2 Here may we gain from heav'n
The grace which we implore,
And may that grace, once giv'n,
Be with us evermore
Until that day

When all the blest
To endless rest
Are called away.



Oh, then, with hymns of praise
These hallowed courts shall ring;
Our voices we will raise
The Three in One to sing
And thus proclaim
In joyful song,
Both loud and long,
That glorious name.

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SERMON *“Isn’t it Marvelous in Your Eyes!”*

(Matthew 21:42)

OFFERING *(Please place your offering in the offering plate as you leave.)*

OFFERTORY *How Can I Keep From Singing* **WOV 781**

1 My life flows on in endless song; above earth’s lamentation,
I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new
creation. **Refrain**

Ref No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rick I’m clinging.
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from
singing?

2 Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear that music ringing.
It finds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing? **Refrain**

3 What though my joys and comforts die? The Lord my Savior liveth.
What though the darkness gather round? Songs in the night be
giveth. **Refrain**

4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing!
All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from singing? **Ref**

Ref No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?

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Δ SHARING OF THE PEACE *"Peace be with you" (John 20:21)*
(Learning and sharing through ASL (American Sign Language))

Δ PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Jesus Christ and for all people according to their needs.

For the whole Christian community around the world that, as people united in faith, we are emboldened to witness to the good news that is ours in Christ Jesus, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For all nations of the earth, that there be times of peace; for our own nation that it would seek to bring that which is good and God-pleasing; and for our own communities and neighborhoods, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For faithfulness to carry out our callings with faithfulness, living each day with hope and confidence as we await the time of the great and glorious final harvest, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the needs that are specially known to us at this time, including health and family concerns, situations of disability or bereavement, and the changes that are part of human life, [especially . . .]. With assurance that our petitions are heard,

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let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P With thanks to You for all those who have completed their earthly journeys in faith and who serve to inspire us in our times, we bless You, abiding Lord. Confident that our prayers and petitions are heard and that all which is best for us is done according to His good and gracious will, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your Mercy through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C And also 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.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. We bless You for having planted us in Your vineyard and for keeping us in Your abiding care. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives

and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san - na in the high-est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, O Lord of heaven and earth. We give thanks to You for having sent Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, to be our Redeemer, saving us from the power of sin, death, and the devil. Invited by Your grace and made righteous by the sacrifice of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, we come to Your Table with gratitude and joy. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood that we

daily grow as people of faith and peace, looking forward to the eternal feast yet to come in Your heavenly kingdom. Amen.

Δ LORD'S PRAYER (*Matthew 6:9–13*)

C **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 WORDS OF OUR LORD

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

P In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

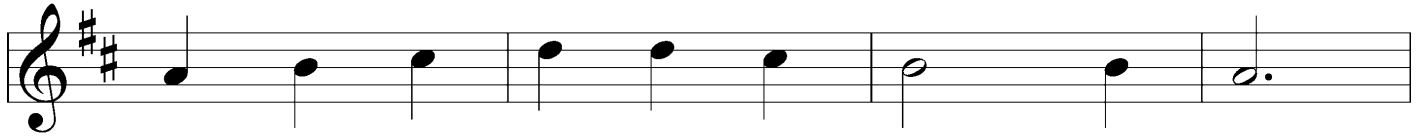
C **Amen.**



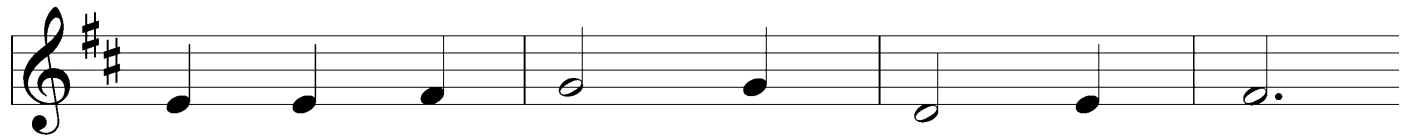
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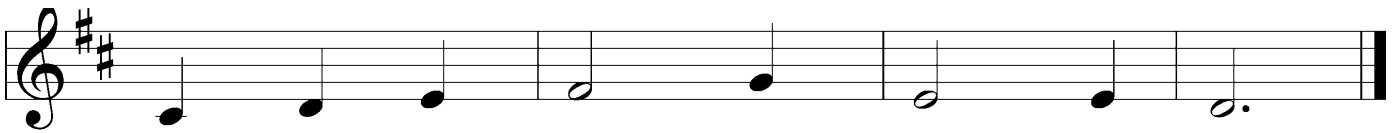
1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,



You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;



O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,



Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

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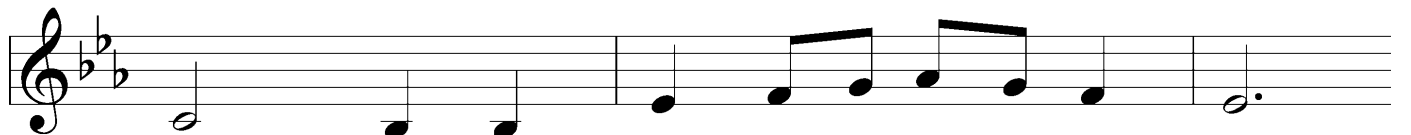
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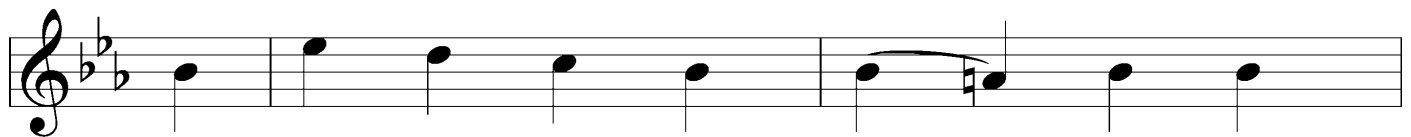
C 1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All



part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the



glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;



A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is



to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -



peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have again welcomed us at Your Table and have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in Your glorious kingdom. Strengthen us through this blessed gift that we live with assurance and confidence, free from every fear. Grant that Your Holy Spirit enlighten us with His gifts that we be people who rejoice in Your promises and live to Your glory. Sanctify and keep us in the one true faith throughout this earthly life until we come at last to the company of saints and angels in light eternal. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Savior.

C Amen.

Δ BENEDICAMUS

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Δ BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. Numbers 6:24-26

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN

From All That Dwell Below the Skies

LSB 816

1 From all that dwell below the skies
Let the Creator's praise arise;
Alleluia, alleluia!
Let the Redeemer's name be sung
Through ev'ry land by ev'ry tongue.
Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

2 Eternal are Thy mercies, Lord;
Eternal truth attends Thy Word.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore
Till suns shall rise and set no more.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

3 All praise to God the Father be,
All praise, eternal Son, to Thee.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Whom with the Spirit we adore
Forever and forevermore:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

C **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE:



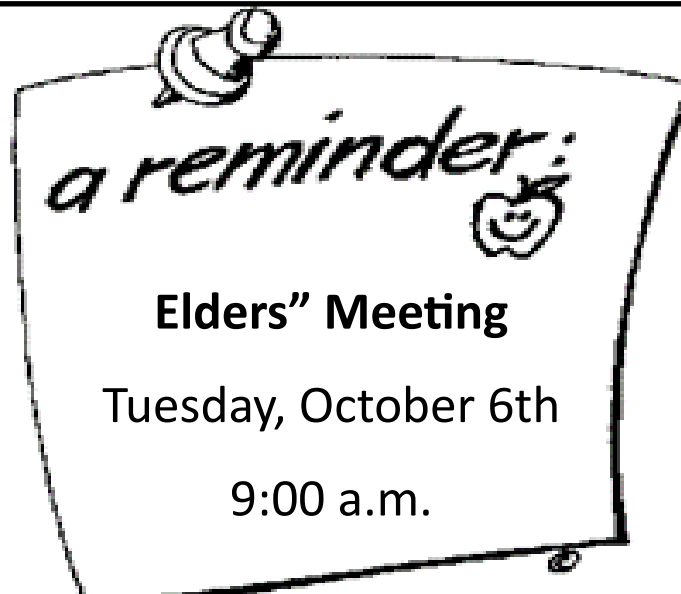
Portals of Prayer for October to December are available in the Narthex or office.

Memory Verse Challenge

The LCMS invites everyone to join together memorizing a verse together each week.

This week's memory verse: *Psalm 91:11-12*

"For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways. On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone."



October's



Happy Birthday

Members

- 4 *Karen Philipsky*
- 5 *Chuey Galvan*
- 6 *Pastor Ed Weber*
- 17 *Dakota Bolding*
- 21 *Mary Lou Mann*
- 23 *Dan Wehling*
- 23 *Blanca Bishop*
- 30 *Tim Sorenson*

Winter Texans

- 16 *Shirleen Wixon*

Immanuel Lutheran School

None



Happy Anniversary

Members

- 15 *Bob & Loretta Eilers*

Winter Texans

None

Being a Christian is like being a **pumpkin**. God **picks you** from the patch, brings you in, and **washes off** all the dirt. Then He cuts the top and **scoops out** all the yucky stuff. He **removes the seeds** of doubt, hate, and greed. Last, He **carves you** a new smiling face and **puts His light inside** of you to shine for all the world to see!

