#### EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**OCTOBER 13, 2019** 

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH Missouri Synod



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*Sunday* 9:00 AM Worship Service

Adult Bible Class Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

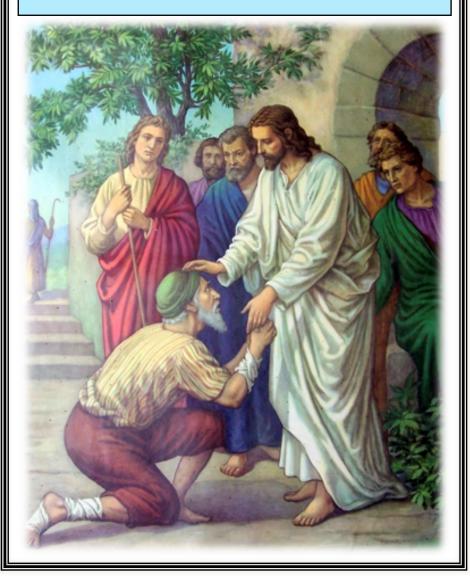
Holy Communion: 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday

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# And He said to him, "Arise, go your way. Your faith has made you well." Luke 17:19



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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 the 3x5 white cards located in the pew racks in front of you.

Next 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 0 Lord, from generation to generation You have made Yourself known to Your people and led me by the voice of Your Word. Give me faith and courage to trust You now and to hold fast to the unchangeable truth of Your Word, that I may not fear but enjoy the comfort of Your presence as I follow in Your way to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one eternal God forevermore. Amen.
- **AS WE GATHER** We have heard the Gospel account of the ten lepers so often we know it by heart. But we may still struggle to see clearly God's mercy in our hour of need, the full expression of His healing grace even to everlasting life, and how to respond with gratitude and thanksgiving. Christians, the Lord knows our need, and He will not abandon us in our hour of need. For us the goal remains to keep our eyes focused upon Jesus and to trust that His grace is sufficient for all our need. We pray the Lord to give us a grateful heart to rejoice in His gracious favor and not to forget all His benefits.

# **TODAY'S READINGS**

**Today is the Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost as we journey through the final third of the Pentecost season of life and growth.** Today we are called to remember the goodness of the Lord and to be grateful for the mercies He provides for all our needs of this body and life and for everlasting life. In the Old Testament Reading from Ruth, we hear the introduction to the life of Ruth and her pledge to Orpah and the Lord. In the Second Letter of Paul to Timothy, read as our Epistle, we hear the apostle call Timothy to be strong in the Lord and trust in Him for all things. In the Gospel of Luke, we hear the familiar account of ten lepers who were cleansed but only one who returned to the Lord with thanksgiving and faith.

#### WELCOME

## PRELUDE

(A quiet time for prayer and meditation in preparation for worship)

## **DIVINE SERVICE, SETTING FOUR**

#### **OPENING HYMN**

#### **INVOCATION**

- P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

## **CONFESSION 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.)

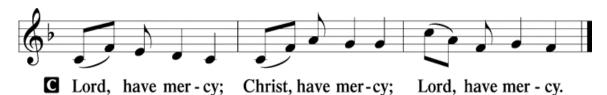
- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our 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

## **INTROIT** Psalm 34:2–4, 17; antiphon: Psalm 48:1a

- P Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised.
- C My soul shall make its boast in the Lord; the humble shall hear of it and be glad.
- P Oh, magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together.
- C I sought the Lord, and He heard me, and delivered me from all my fears.
- P The righteous cry out, and the Lord hears, and delivers them out of all their troubles. Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised.

## **KYRIE**



#### **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**



#### **SALUTATION**

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

#### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P Let us pray. Almighty God, You show mercy to Your people in all their troubles. Grant us always to recognize Your goodness, give thanks for Your compassion, and praise Your holy name; 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**

*Ruth 1:1–19a* (Where you go, I will go.)

1 Now it came to pass, in the days when the judges ruled, that there was a famine in the land. And a certain man of Bethlehem, Judah, went to dwell in the country of Moab, he and his wife and his two sons. 2 The name of the man was Elimelech, the name of his wife was Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion—Ephrathites of Bethlehem, Judah. And they went to the country of Moab and remained there. 3 Then Elimelech, Naomi's husband, died; and she was left, and her two sons. 4 Now they took wives of the women of Moab: the name of the one was Orpah, and the name of the other Ruth. And they dwelt there about ten years. 5 Then both Mahlon and Chilion also died; so the woman survived her two sons and her husband. 6 Then she arose with her daughters-in-law that she might return from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the country of Moab that the Lord had visited His people by giving them bread. 7 Therefore she went out from the place where she was, and her two daughters-in-law with her; and they went on the way to return to the land of Judah. 8 And Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go, return each to her mother's house. The Lord deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. 9 The Lord grant that you may find rest, each in the house of her husband." So she kissed them, and they lifted up their voices and wept. 10 And they said to her, "Surely we will return with you to your people." 11 But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters; why will you go with me? Are there still sons in my womb, that they may be your husbands? 12 Turn back, my daughters, go—for I am too old to have a husband. If I should say I have hope, if I should have a husband tonight and should also bear sons, 13 would you wait for them till they were grown? Would you restrain yourselves from having husbands? No, my daughters; for it grieves me very much for your sakes that the hand of the Lord has gone out against me!" 14 Then they lifted up their voices and wept again; and Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her. 15 And she said, "Look, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." 16 But Ruth said:

"Entreat me not to leave you, Or to turn back from following after you; For wherever you go, I will go; And wherever you lodge, I will lodge; Your people shall be my people, And your God, my God. 17 Where you die, I will die, And there will I be buried. The Lord do so to me, and more also, If anything but death parts you and me."

18 When she saw that she was determined to go with her, she stopped speaking to her.

19 Now the two of them went until they came to Bethlehem.

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God

# **PSALM** *Psalm 111; antiphon: v. 10*

- P The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; a good understanding have all those who do His commandments. His praise endures forever.
- C Praise the Lord! I will praise the Lord with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright and in the congregation.
- P The works of the Lord are great, studied by all who have pleasure in them.
- C His work is honorable and glorious, and His righteousness endures forever.
- P He has made His wonderful works to be remembered; the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.
- C He has given food to those who fear Him; He will ever be mindful of His covenant.
- P He has declared to His people the power of His works, in giving them the heritage of the nations.
- C The works of His hands are verity and justice; all His precepts are sure.
- P They stand fast forever and ever, and are done in truth and uprightness.
- C He has sent redemption to His people; He has commanded His covenant forever: holy and awesome is His name.
- P The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; a good understanding have all those who do His commandments. His praise endures forever.

# CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

# EPISTLE

2 Timothy 2:1–13

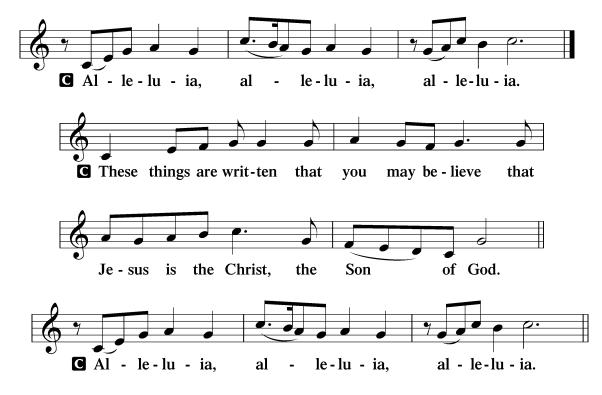
(If we have died with Him, we shall also live with Him.)

1 You therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. 2 And the things that you have heard from me among many witnesses, commit these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also. 3 You therefore must endure hardship as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. 4 No one engaged in warfare entangles himself with the affairs of this life, that he may please him who enlisted him as a soldier. 5 And also if anyone competes in athletics, he is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. 6 The hardworking farmer must be first to partake of the crops. 7 Consider what I say, and may the Lord give you understanding in all things. 8 Remember that Jesus Christ, of the seed of David, was raised from the dead according to my gospel, 9 for which I suffer trouble as an evildoer, even to the point of chains; but the word of God is not chained. 10 Therefore I endure all things for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory. 11 This is a faithful saying:

For if we died with Him, We shall also live with Him. 12 If we endure, We shall also reign with Him. If we deny Him, He also will deny us. 13 If we are faithless, He remains faithful; He cannot deny Himself.

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

#### **ALLELUIA and VERSE**



## HOLY GOSPEL Luke 17:11–19 (Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine?)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the seventeenth chapter.

## C Glory to You , O Lord.

11 Now it happened as He went to Jerusalem that He passed through the midst of Samaria and Galilee. 12 Then as He entered a certain village, there met Him ten men who were lepers, who stood afar off. 13 And they lifted up their voices and said, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" 14 So when He saw them, He said to them, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And so it was that as they went, they were cleansed. 15 And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, returned, and with a loud voice glorified God, 16 and fell down

on his face at His feet, giving Him thanks. And he was a Samaritan. 17 So Jesus answered and said, "Were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine? 18 Were there not any found who returned to give glory to God except this foreigner?" 19 And He said to him, "Arise, go your way. Your faith has made you well."

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

# **APOSTLES CREED**

*All* I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

HYMN OF THE DAY	Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old	LSB 846
SERMON	"Cleansed Foreigners, not Foreign to God"	(Luke 17:16)
OFFERTORY	Praise and Thanksgiving	LSB 789

**OFFERING** 

# SHARING OF THE PEACE

# PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Welcomed by the Lord, we come to present before Him the prayers of His people, trusting in His wisdom and grace to grant us all things in Christ for our good and for the good of all people.

Blessed Lord, You led Ruth to know You and by Your Spirit taught her fearful heart to trust in You for the future You had prepared. Grant us the same Spirit so that we, who know Your mercy in Christ, trust in Your eternal mercy in Jesus Christ for this life, for our forgiveness, and for our eternal salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,

# C hear our prayer.

P Lord of all things, You have granted Your people Your presence and grace from age to age, that where Your Word dwells, You are present with forgiveness and life. Grant to Your Church and those who minister to us in Your name the grace of Your Spirit, that we hear Your Word and believe it, keep it in holy hearts, live it out in faithfulness to Your baptismal gift, and proclaim it to the ends of the earth. Lord, in Your mercy,

# C hear our prayer.

- P Mighty Lord, You hold all things in Your hand, including all the might of man. Give to
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us wise and faithful leaders who will guide and govern Your people according to Your commands and protect the weak and most vulnerable, including the unborn. the orphaned, the widowed, and the infirm. Lord, in Your mercy,

#### С hear our prayer.

Holy God, You are holy and righteous and have clothed us with the holiness and Ρ righteousness of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant us to desire and strive for holiness of life, doing the good You desire and avoiding the evil that contradicts Your gracious will and purpose. Lord, in Your mercy,

#### hear our prayer. С

Ρ Merciful Lord, You granted hope to lepers and gave them healing according to Your will and purpose. Grant to all the sick and suffering, the troubled in mind and heart, the grieving and dving the full measure of Your grace and strength. [especially...]. Guard them against the temptation to doubt or despair, and keep them by Your Word through the days of their affliction when all the ills of this mortal life shall cease and we shall live fully the abundant life of Your promise. Lord, in Your mercy,

#### hear our praver. С

Ρ Generous Lord, You daily provide mercies new and continue to nourish and nurture us in Your favor through all adversity. Instill in us a grateful heart, that we not presume Your goodness but live thankful and joyful lives because You have heard our cry and have delivered to us all that we need for this body and life and for everlasting life. Lord, in Your mercy,

#### hear our prayer. С

Ρ God of grace. Your saints have loved and served You and provided a blessed example to us in our striving. Grant us the fortitude of Ruth, that we live in confidence of Your presence and Your guidance all our days, until at last You bring us to our final home, where, with all Your saints, we shall live in Your presence forevermore. Lord, in Your mercy,

#### С hear our prayer.

Gracious God, You not only supply all things for daily bread for this life but have Ρ granted to us the bread that is Christ's body and the cup of His blood, with which we are fed and nourished to everlasting life. Lord, in Your mercy,

#### С hear our prayer.

- Ρ O Father of all mercies and God of our salvation, give to us all things good and holy and true, and build us up in these things, that knowing Your saving grace in Christ, we not fall victim to pride, temptation, or doubt, but endure all the changes of this mortal life with hope and peace through Jesus Christ, to whom we commend ourselves and all our prayers, trusting in Your mercy through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- С Amen.

#### LORD'S PRAYER (*Matthew 6:9–13*)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, All Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread;  $_{0}$  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.

#### **BENEDICAMUS**

- P Let us bless the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

#### 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.
- C Amen.

SENDING HYMN	All People That on Earth Do Dwell	LSB 791

#### DISMISSAL

- P Go in peace! Serve the Lord!
- C Thanks be to God!

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# From the Pastor's Desk

**Portals of Prayer** for October to December are available in the Narthrex.



Join us for Sunday School and Bible Study at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. You have fellowship with one another and also enrich your spiritual life with the Word. Rev. Weber is leading the Bible Study.

> **Youth Confirmation Classes** @ 6:00 p.m. on Tuesdays in the Pastor's Office

Adult Instruction Classes Wednesdays in the Pastor's Office @ 7:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.

> **100th Anníversary** for St. John Lutheran Church of San Beníto October 20th, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.

**Appreciation Dinner for Brenda Segovia** Friday, November 1st, 2019 from 7 pm to 9pm St. Paul, Harlingen



**Third Quarter Voters Meeting** Tuesday, October 15th, 2019

7:30 p.m.

Borderland Hardware of Mercedes Inc. 100th Anniversary Saturday, October 19th at 10:00 a.m. Come join us for Refreshments & Prizes!

# Faith Returns Thanks to God and Worships Him in the Person of Christ Jesus

Jesus comes in mercy and, by His Word, heals you in body and soul. "Go and show yourselves to the priests," for you are cleansed (Luke 17:14), and you are granted access to the Lord's temple. It is "at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks" (Luke 17:16), that you worship God, for Christ Jesus is your great High Priest; His body is the true temple. In Him, you "find rest, each of you in the house of her husband" (Ruth 1:9), for the Lord has "visited his people and given them food" (Ruth 1:6). The person of Jesus Christ lodges Himself in holy food — bread and wine for believers to eat and drink. You lodge where Jesus lodges; His Father is your God, His people are your people. Death cannot part you from Him because His death and resurrection are eternally yours through Holy Baptism. "Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead" (2 Tim. 2:8). As surely as death could not hold Him, so surely "the word of God is not bound" (2 Tim. 2:9). His Gospel is entrusted "to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also" (2 Tim. 2:2), so that you "may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus" (2 Tim. 2:10). Such is the confession of faith for all the saints, who believe, teach and confess the one Lord and Savior — Jesus Christ.

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Sunday Worship Plate: Envelopes:	<b>34</b> \$ 841.00 \$ 1,020.00	Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost Readings:	
Donation: Genesis PC Memorial:	\$ 500.00	Genesis 32:22-30 Psalm 121	
Total:	\$ 2,361.00	2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 Luke 18:1-8	
Bible Class: 1	LO \$ 7.00		
Bi-Weekly Church Activity Schedule			
	October Sunday Servants:		
Elder:	Dan Wehling		
Altar Guild:	Billie Jo Neuhaus & Maribel Perez		
Music:	Bonny Winston		
This Week	Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost		
Usher:	Ken & Bob Eilers		
Sunday:	Worship Service 9:00 am		
	Sunday School & Adu	lt Bible Study 10:30 am	
Next Week	Nineteenth Sunday afte	Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost	
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