REFORMATION SUNDAY

OCTOBER 30, 2022

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Sunday 9:00 AM Worship Service

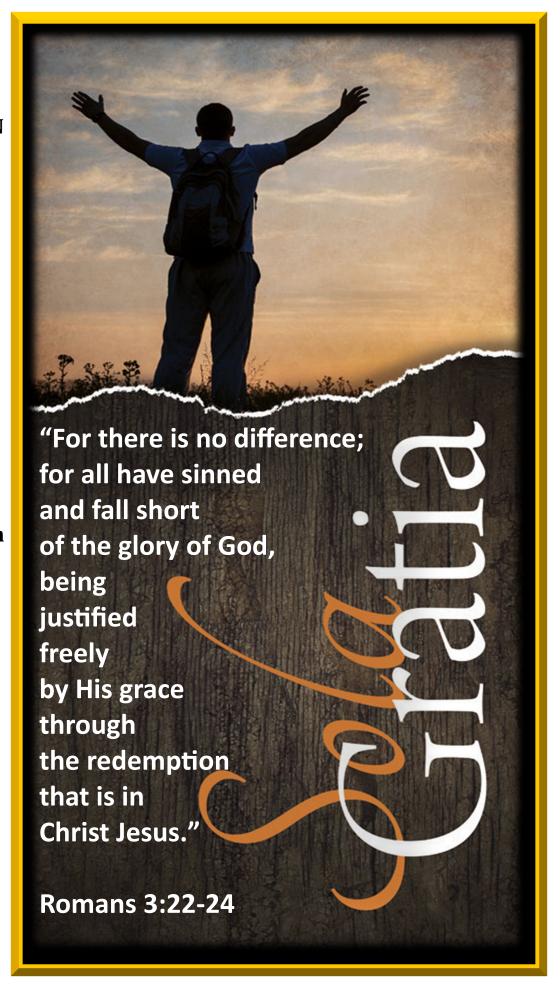
10:30 am Adult Bible Class Sunday School

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

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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 Merciful Lord, in darkness You shine Your light and send forth Your Word that those who hear may believe and believing may live by Your gracious favor. As once You renewed a people lost in error and without the comfort of Your Gospel, so bring this renewal to my own time, that sin may be forgiven, death overcome, and faith may cling to Christ alone; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.
- **AS WE GATHER** Reformation Day is sometimes treated as merely a nod to history for those who claim Luther's legacy. But the great Reformation is not about recalling a hero. It is about reclaiming the Gospel in our own time. The once and eternal call is to "fear God and give Him glory" (Revelation

14:7). This fear is nothing less than faith, although it is more. It is respect for the Law that condemns our sin and trust in the Gospel that forgives us. It is reverence before the God who could have settled for being just but instead chose to be merciful. With joy, we claim the heritage and enjoin the responsibility of keeping this faith pure, vigorously proclaiming this faith both within and outside the company of the faithful.

DIVINE SERVICE, SETTING THREE

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WELCOME

PRELUDE

Amazing Grace

Brass Choir

(A quiet time for prayer and meditation)



Please stand

INVOCATION

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

C Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- 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.)

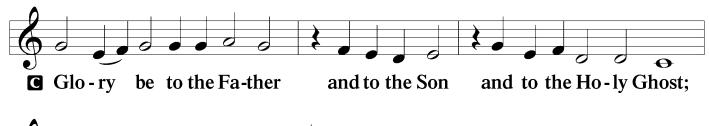
- Let us then confess our sins to God our Father. P
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature C sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our 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.
- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you P 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)
- Amen. **C**.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

Psalm 34:1-2, 11, 22; antiphon: Psalm 119:46 INTROIT

- I will speak of Your testimonies also before kings, and will not be ashamed.
- I will bless the Lord at all times; His C praise shall continually be in my mouth.
- My soul shall make its boast in the Lord; the humble shall P hear of it and be glad.
- Come, you children, listen to me; I will teach you the C fear of the Lord.
- The Lord redeems the soul of His servants, and none of P those who trust in Him shall be condemned.
- Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy C Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- I will speak of Your testimonies also before kings, and will P not be ashamed.

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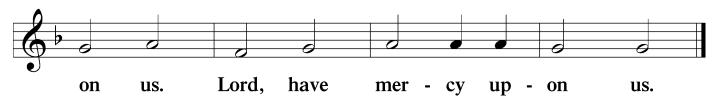


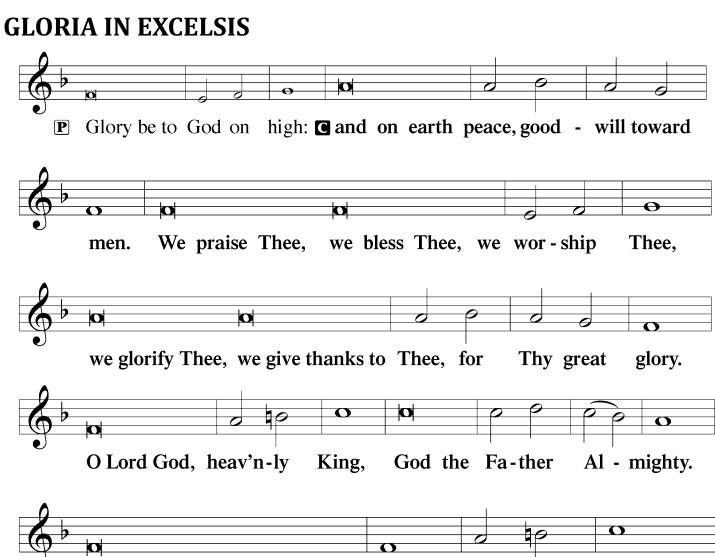
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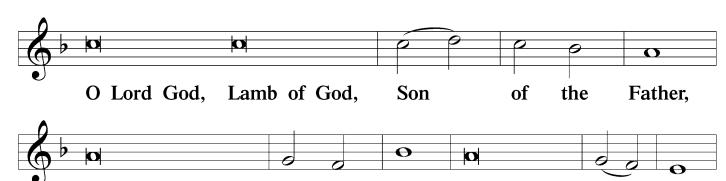


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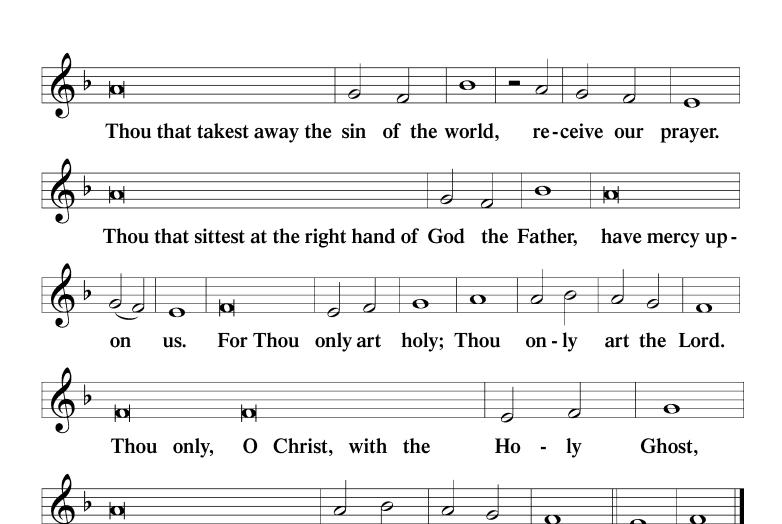








that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.



God the Father.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Please sit

FIRST READING Revelation 14:6–7

(John describes the eternal Gospel, which is to be proclaimed to every people in every corner of the earth.)

6 Then I saw another angel flying in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach to those who dwell on the earth—to every nation, tribe, tongue, and people—

7 saying with a loud voice, "Fear God and give glory to Him, for the hour of His judgment has come; and worship Him who made heaven and earth, the sea and springs of water."

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

PSALM Psalm 46; antiphon: v. 7

- P The Lord of hosts is with us; The God of Jacob is our refuge.
- C God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

- P Therefore we will not fear, even though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea;
- C Though its waters roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with its swelling.
- P There is a river whose streams shall make glad the city of God, the holy place of the tabernacle of the Most High.
- C God is in the midst of her, she shall not be moved; God shall help her, just at the break of dawn.
- P The nations raged, the kingdoms were moved; He uttered His voice, the earth melted.
- C The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.
- P Come, behold the works of the Lord, who has made desolations in the earth.
- C He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; He breaks the bow and cuts the spear in two; He burns the chariot in the fire.
- P Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!
- C The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

EPISTLE Romans 3:19–28

(By grace are you saved through faith and not of yourselves.)

19 Now we know that whatever the law says, it says to those who are under the law, that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God. 20 Therefore by the deeds of the law no flesh will be justified in His sight, for by the law is the knowledge of sin.

21 But now the righteousness of God apart from the law is

revealed, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets, 22 even the righteousness of God, through faith in Jesus Christ, to all and on all who believe. For there is no difference; 23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, 24 being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, 25 whom God set forth as a propitiation by His blood, through faith, to demonstrate His righteousness, because in His forbearance God had passed over the sins that were previously committed, 26 to demonstrate at the present time His righteousness, that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

27 Where is boasting then? It is excluded. By what law? Of works? No, but by the law of faith. 28 Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith apart from the deeds of the law.

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

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ALLELUIA

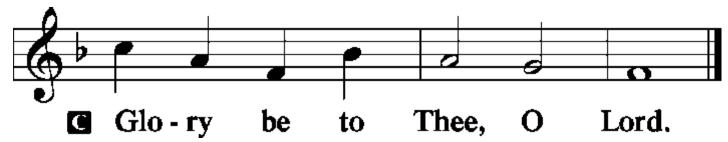


HOLY GOSPEL

John 8:31-36

(If the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.



31 Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, "If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. 32 And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." 33 They answered Him, "We are Abraham's descendants, and have never been in bondage to anyone. How can You say, 'You will be made free'?"

34 Jesus answered them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, whoever commits sin is a slave of sin. 35 And a slave does not abide in the house forever, but a son abides forever. 36 Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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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

By Grace I'm Saved LSB 566 vs. 1-4



- 1 By grace I'm saved, grace free and bound-less; My soul, be-lieve and
- 2 By grace! None dare lay claim to mer - it; Our works and con - duct
- 3 By grace God's Son, Say - ior, Came down to earth to our on - ly
- 4 By grace! This ground of faith is cer - tain; As long as God



doubt it not. Why stag - ger this word of prom - ise? at have no worth. God in His love sent our Re - deem - er, sin. Was it of bear our be - cause your own mer - it What saints have penned true. it stands. by in spi - ra - tion,



ev - er false - hood taught? No! Then this word must Has Scrip - ture Christ Je - sus, His death did to this sin - ful earth: for our Je - sus died your soul win? No. to it was grace, and His Word our God com-mands, What in Our faith in what our



true re - main: Bvgrace you too will life ob - tain. And saved grace a - lone. sins a - tone. we are by That brought Him from His a - lone. heav'n - ly throne. grace God has done De - pends on grace— grace through His Son.

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"Justified Freely by Grace Alone" **SERMON**

Romans 3:24

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SHARING OF THE PEACE "Peace be with you" [through use of American Sign Language]

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LSB, p. 215

Friends in Christ, I urge you all to lift up your hearts to P God and pray with me as Christ our Lord has taught us and freely promised to hear us. God, our Father in heaven, look with mercy on us, Your needy children on earth, and grant us grace that Your holy name be hallowed by us and all the world through the pure and true teaching of Your Word and the fervent love shown forth in our lives. Graciously turn from us all false doctrine and evil living whereby Your precious name is blasphemed and profaned. Lord, in Your mercy,

hear our prayer. \mathbf{C}

P May Your kingdom come to us and expand. Bring all transgressors and those who are blinded and bound in the devil's kingdom to know Jesus Christ, Your Son, by faith that the number of Christians may be increased. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Strengthen us by Your Spirit according to Your will, both in life and in death, in the midst of both good and evil things, that our own wills may be crucified daily and sacrificed to Your good and gracious will. Into Your merciful hands we commend [name(s)] and all who are in need, praying for them at all times: Thy will be done. Lord, in Your mercy,

\mathbf{C} hear our prayer.

P Grant us our daily bread, preserve us from greed and selfish cares, and help us trust in You to provide for all our needs. Lord, in Your mercy,

\mathbf{C} hear our prayer.

P Forgive us our sins as we also forgive those who sin against us so that our hearts may be at peace and may rejoice in a good conscience before You, and that no sin may ever frighten or alarm us. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lead us not into temptation, O Lord, but help us by Your Spirit to subdue our flesh, to turn from the world and its ways, and to overcome the devil with all his wiles. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P And lastly, O heavenly Father, deliver us from all evil of both body and soul, now and forever. Lord, in Your mercy,

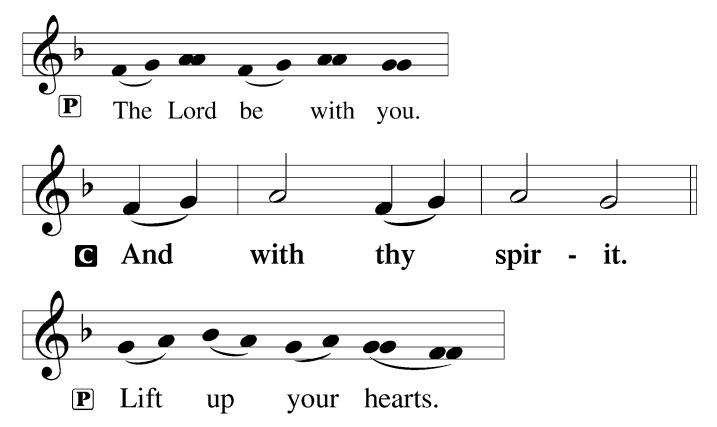
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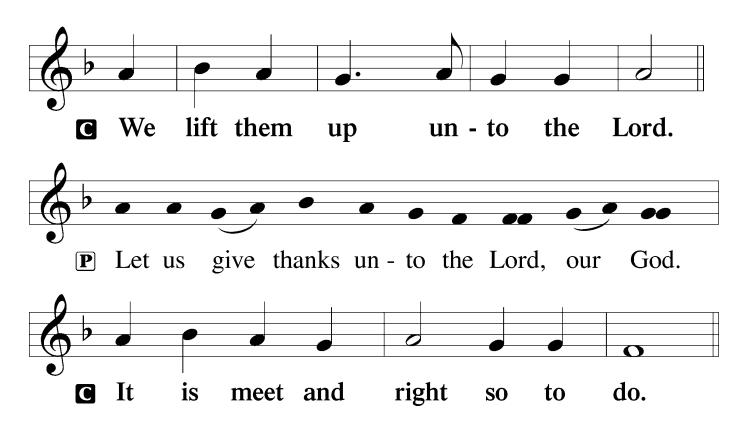
P We trust, O Lord, in Your great mercy to hear and answer us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

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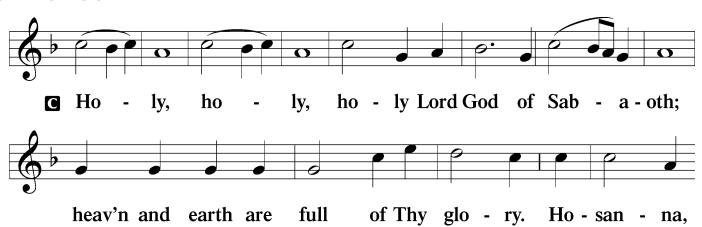
PREFACE





P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus 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. 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





ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,



bless-ed is He, bless-ed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

- Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of all creation, for P You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. Grant us Your Spirit, gracious Father, that we may give heed to the testament of Your Son in true faith and, above all, firmly take to heart the words with which Christ gives to us His body and blood for our forgiveness. By Your grace, lead us to remember and give thanks for the boundless love He manifested to us when, by pouring out His precious blood, He saved us from Your righteous wrath and from sin, death, and hell. Grant that we may receive the bread and wine, that is, His body and blood, as a gift, guarantee, and pledge of His salvation. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER (*Matthew 6:9–13*)

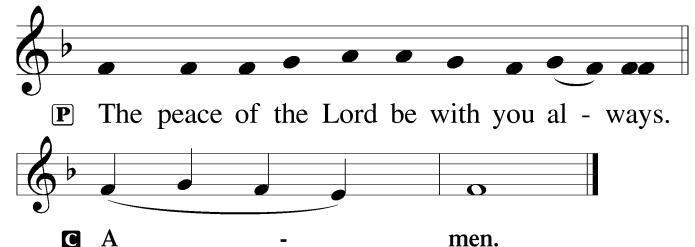
C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.



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



AGNUS DEI





Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the

Please sit

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SILENT PRAYER before COMMUNING

Heavenly Father, in my Holy Baptism you have called me to be Your own possession. Prepare my heart to receive the most holy body and blood of Christ for the forgiveness of all my sins. Strengthen my faith, increase my love and hope, and assure me a place at Your heavenly table, where I will eat eternal manna and drink of the river of the water of life freely, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, my Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

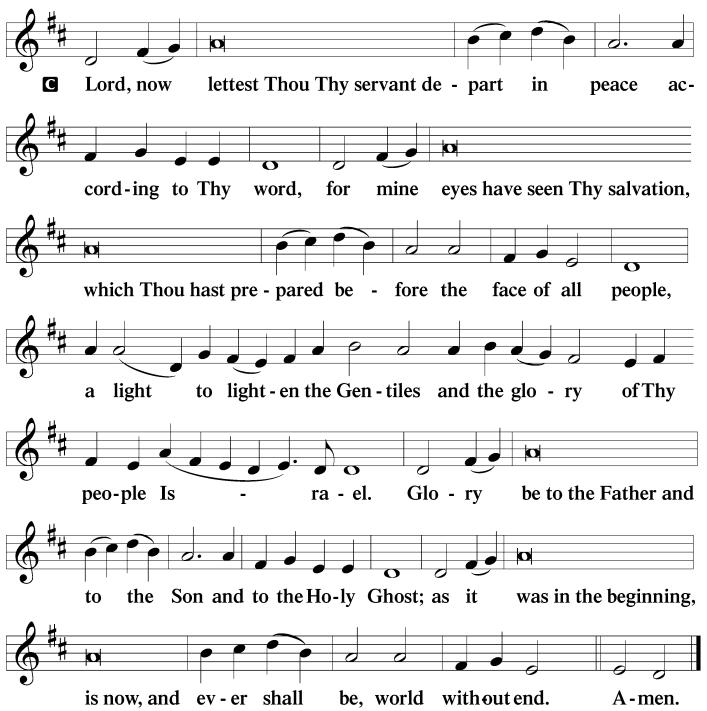
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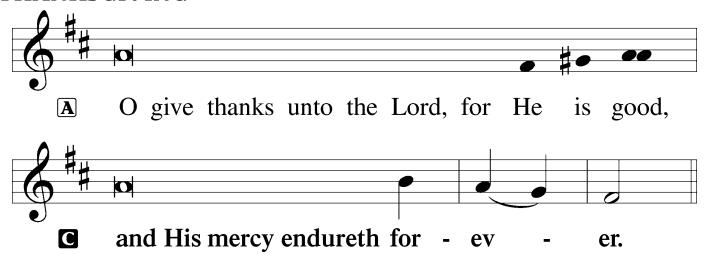
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THANKSGIVING



P Let us pray. O God, our refuge and our strength, You raised up Your servant Martin Luther to reform and renew Your Church in the light of Your living Word, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Defend and purify the Church in our own day, and grant that we may boldly proclaim Christ's faithfulness unto death and His vindicating resurrection, which You made known to those in every age who have renewed Your Church by recalling us to this eternal Gospel; through Jesus Christ, our Savior, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



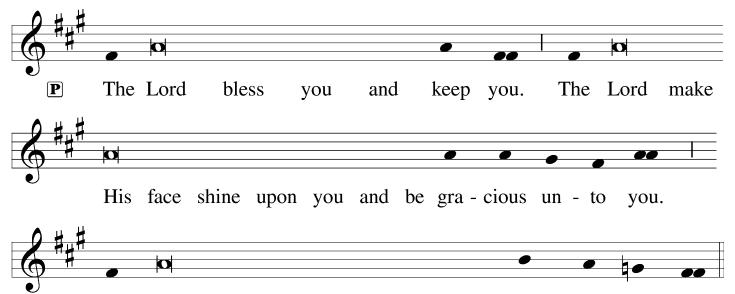
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The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.

God.



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SENDING HYMN All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name LSB 549 vs. 1,3,6,7



ΑII hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros-trate fall; 3 Ye Is - rael's cho - sen race. Ye ran - somed from the fall. seed of



di - a - dem And crown Him Lord of Bring forth the roy - al all. Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.



of all. Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem And crown Him Lord Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.

- 6 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe, On this terrestrial ball To Him all majesty ascribe And crown Him Lord of all. To Him all majesty ascribe And crown Him Lord of all.
- 7 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng We at His feet may fall! We'll join the everlasting song And crown Him Lord of all. We'll join the everlasting song And crown Him Lord of all.

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DISMISSAL

- P Go in peace as you serve the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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November's Upcoming Events

Ladies Bible Study & Dinner

Thursday, November 3, 2022 @ 6:00 p.m. In the Social Hall

Men's Steak Night Dinner and Presentation

Thursday, November 10, 2022 @ 6:00 p.m. in the Social Hall (free will offering for dinner)

RGV Zone Rally

Sat., November 12, 2022 @ 11:00 a.m., St. Paul, Harlingen Registration begins at 10:00 a.m.

Thanksgiving Eve Service

Wednesday, November 23, 2022 @ 6:00 p.m. followed by a Pie Social (Bring your favorite pie to share)

First Mid-Week Advent Service

Wednesday, November 30, 2022 5:00 p.m. Soup Supper and 6:00 p.m. Worship Service

From the Pastor's Desk

Portals of Prayer for October to December 2022 are available in the Narthex.

Join us for Sunday School and Bible Study at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. **Rev. Weber is leading the class.**

Elders' Meeting, Tuesday, November 1,2022 at 9:00 a.m.





A 24" x 18" lawn sign with stand advertising the school is available for all who would like to display it at one's home.

Please help promote the school to our community! The school would also be grateful for a \$20 donation to cover the cost of the sign.

You can pick up your sign after church or during the week in the church office.

We thank you for your support and continual prayers for Immanuel Lutheran School!

	Bi-Weekly Church Activity Schedule		
	October Sunday Servants: Nove	ember Sunday Servants:	
Elder:	Dan Wehling	Earl Neuhaus	
Altar Guild:	BJ Neuhaus & M. Perez	Suzanne Wehling	
Music:	Doris Pickering		
This Week	Reformation Sunday		
Usher:	Don Vogel		
Sunday:	Holy Communion Worship Service	9:00 am	
	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study	10:30 am	
Next Week	All Saints' Day		
Usher:	Earl Neuhaus		
Sunday:	Holy Communion Worship Service	9:00 am	
	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study	10:30 am	

The Lord Comes to Save and Call Us to Himself by the Tree of His Cross

God will judge "those who do not obey the gospel" (2 Thess. 1:8), but "when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven" (2 Thess. 1:7), He will "be glorified in his saints" (2 Thess. 1:10). For by His cross, you are "considered worthy of the kingdom of God" (2 Thess. 1:5). Therefore, "give ear to the teaching of our God" (Is. 1:10), and "let us reason together" by faith in His Gospel (Is. 1:18). "Make yourselves clean" (Is. 1:16), not by "the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats" (Is. 1:11), but by the blood of Christ. His salvation comes to you by grace, as it came to Zacchaeus. That man sought "to see who Jesus was," but he could not "because he was small in stature" (Luke 19:3). It is by way of a tree that Zacchaeus is found by the One he sought, for Jesus Himself "was about to pass that way" (Luke 19:4). The Lord calls Zacchaeus down and goes "in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner" (Luke 19:7). So also, He visits us as sinners, securing eternal redemption for us through the tree of His holy cross.

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Bible Class: 12	\$ 9.00

All Saints' Day Readings :

Revelation 7:(2-8) 9-17

Psalm 149

1 John 3:1-3

Matthew 5:1-12

Memory Verse Challenge

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

This week's memory verse: Genesis 15:6

And he believed the Lord, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

