

**ELEVENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST**

AUGUST 9, 2026

**IMMANUEL LUTHERAN
CHURCH**

Missouri Synod



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10:30 A.M.

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**“ And immediately Jesus
stretched out His hand and
caught him, and said to him,
‘O you of little faith,
why did you doubt?’”**

Matthew 14:31



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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.

The Lord's Supper is celebrated every Sunday at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as Christ our Lord says, He gives into our mouths not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins (Matthew 26:26-29). And through this sacrament, He strengthens us for new life in Him (Romans 8:10; 1 Peter 2:4). Jesus personally invites weak sinners (Mark 9:24) who trust His words, "This is My body which is given for you... this cup is the new covenant in My blood which is shed for you" (Luke 22:19-20), to receive His blessings of forgiveness, life and salvation. (Romans 8:31-32).

Because "he who eats and drinks our Lord's body and blood in an unworthy manner drinks judgement to oneself" (1 Corinthians 11:29), and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith by those gathered at this altar (1 Cor.10:17;11:26), any who have not been instructed, or who hold a confession and church fellowship differing from that of this congregation, and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and desire to receive the Sacrament, should first arrange to speak with the pastor. For further study, see Matthew 10:32f.; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; Mark 14:22-26; Luke 22:14-20; Acts 2:42; 20:7; 1 Cor. 10:14-21;11:17-34.

A Prayer Upon Entering Church - God of might and mercy, by Your mighty power save me from all disaster, and by Your tender mercy guard me from all evil; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, my Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

AS WE GATHER - The only way a sinful human being can dare to approach and worship an almighty God is if we also know that He is a God of mercy. God's mighty power is known from the vastness of His

creation, the stars and seas, light and darkness, tempests and storms (Job 38). “The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom” (Psalm 111:10). Yet we are told, “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved” (Romans 10:13). “Therefore the LORD waits to be gracious to you, and therefore He exalts Himself to show mercy to you” (Isaiah 30:18). This “almighty and most merciful God” (Prayer of the Day) showed both His might and mercy when He became aware of His disciples’ peril on a storm-tossed sea. Walking on water wasn’t the point. It was the Lord’s coming to save us in our fear and distress (Matthew 14). As the catechism says of God’s commandments, “We should fear and love God.” We can trust the God who has harnessed His wrath with His love. Greater love has no one than the God who joined us in our misery, took our sin upon Himself, and died our death but now is risen to save us from every evil that threatens us or makes us afraid.

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PRELUDE

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN *Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness* **LSB 849**



1 Praise the One who breaks the dark - ness With a lib - er -

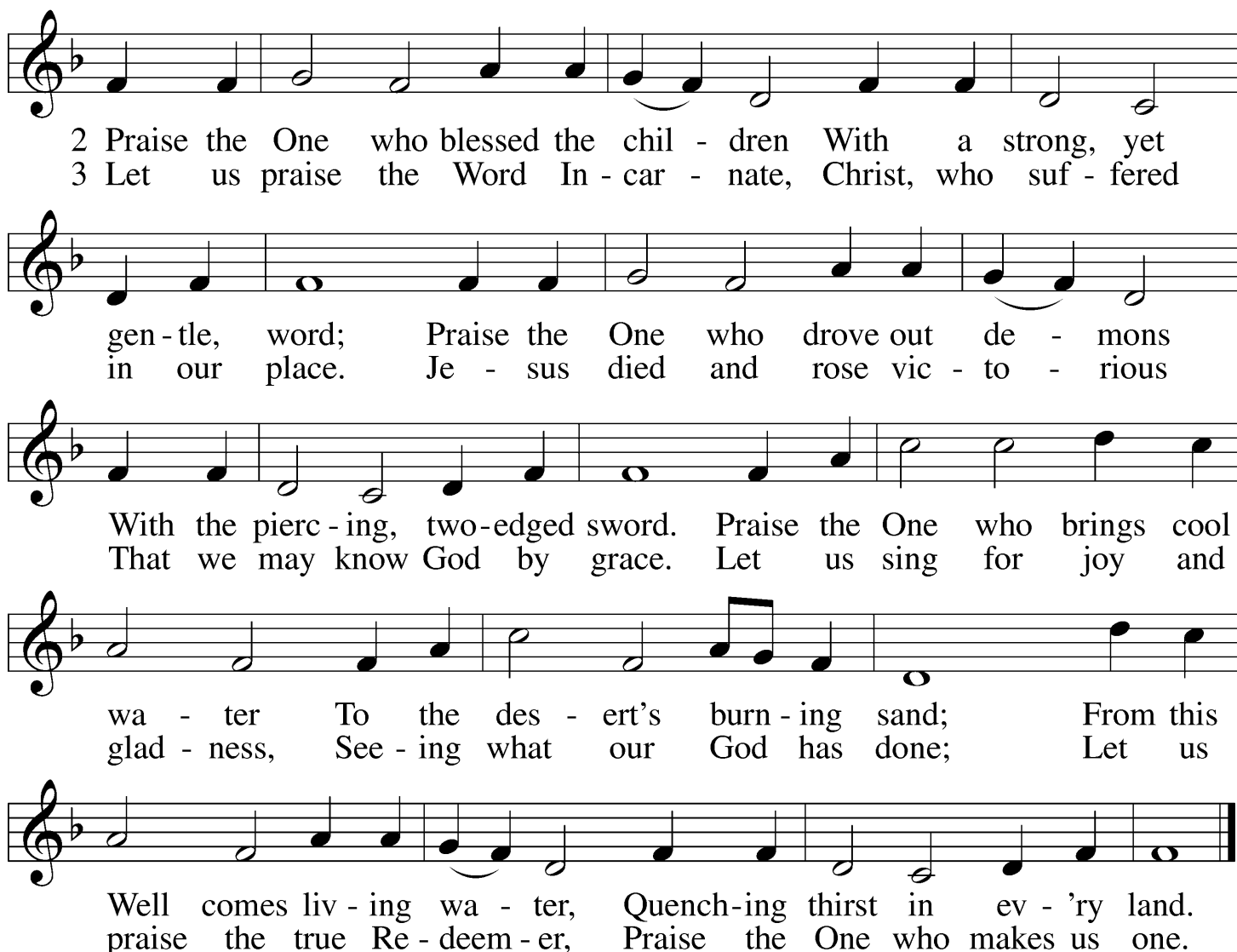
at - ing light; Praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners,

Turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight. Praise the One who preached the

Gos - pel, Heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, Calm - ing

storms, and feed - ing thou - sands With the ver - y Bread of peace.

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2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren With a strong, yet
 3 Let us praise the Word In - car - nate, Christ, who suf - fered

gen - tle, word; Praise the One who drove out de - mons
 in our place. Je - sus died and rose vic - to - rious

With the pierc - ing, two-edged sword. Praise the One who brings cool
 That we may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and

wa - ter To the des - ert's burn - ing sand; From this
 glad - ness, See - ing what our God has done; Let us

Well comes liv - ing wa - ter, Quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.
 praise the true Re - deem - er, Praise the One who makes us one.

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INVOCATION

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

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and
 confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name
 of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the
 name of the Lord,
 C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
 C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination)

P O almighty God, merciful Father,
 C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and
 iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly**

deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

INTROIT *Psalm 34:4–8; antiphon: v. 1*

P I will bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

C I sought the Lord, and He heard me, and delivered me from all my fears.

P They looked to Him and were radiant, and their faces were not ashamed.

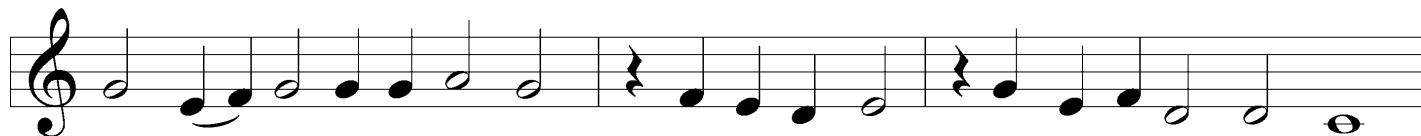
C This poor man cried out, and the Lord heard him, and saved him out of all his troubles.

P The angel of the Lord encamps all around those who fear Him, and delivers them.

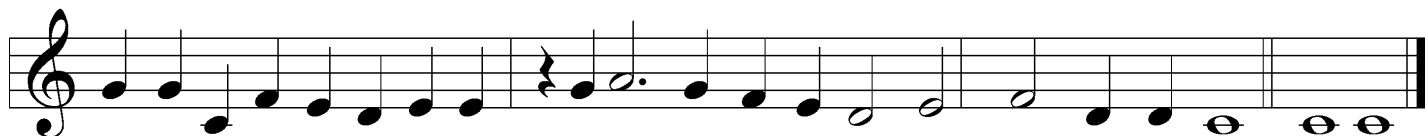
C Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the man who trusts in Him!

P I will bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

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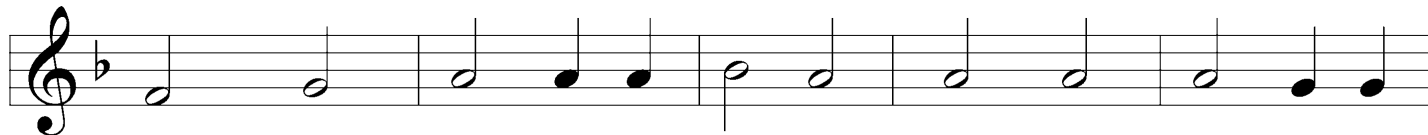


G Glo - ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;

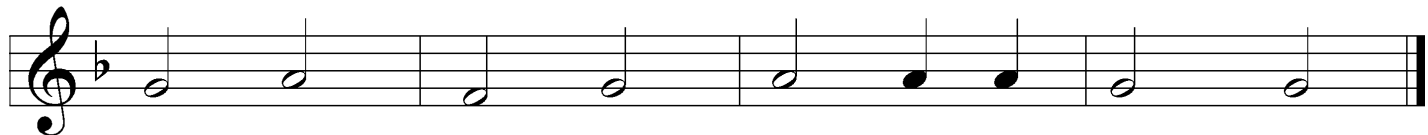


as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

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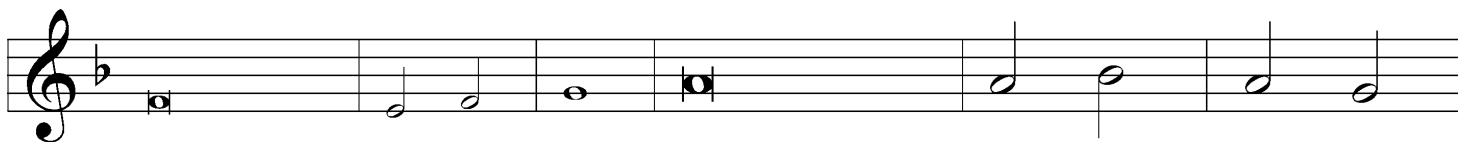


C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

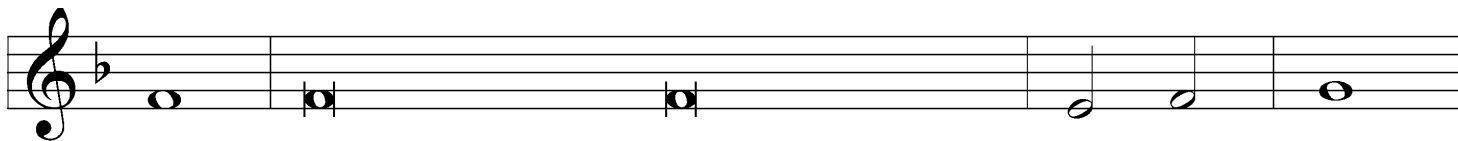


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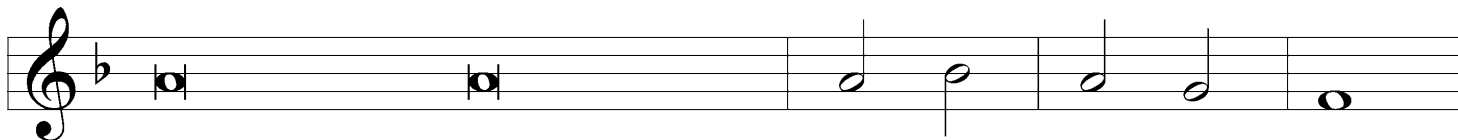
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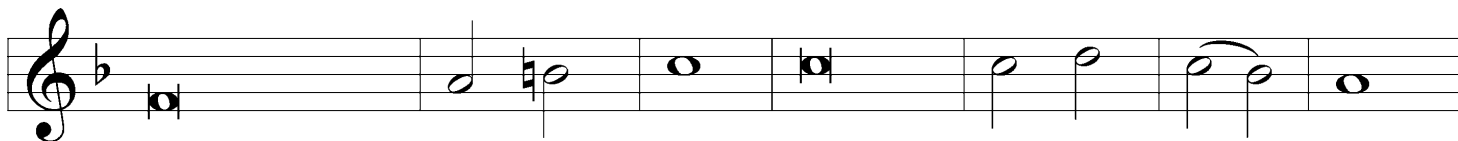
P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward



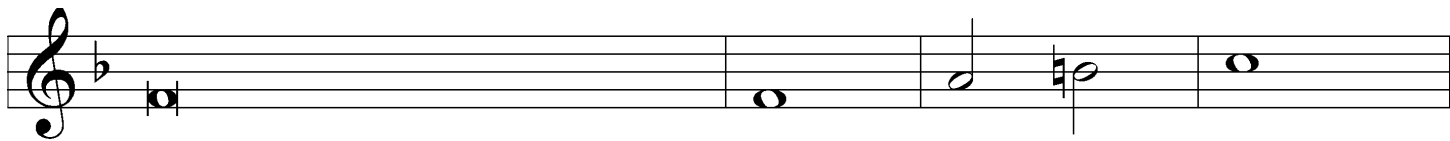
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



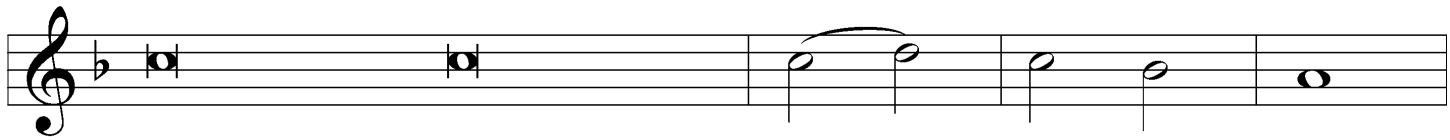
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.

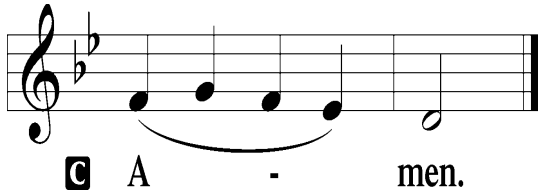


O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

P Almighty and most merciful God, preserve us from all harm and danger that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish what You want done; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Please sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Job 38:4–18

(Who prescribed the limits of the sea?)

4 “Where were you when I laid the foundations of the earth? Tell Me, if you have understanding.

5 Who determined its measurements? Surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it?

6 To what were its foundations fastened? Or who laid its cornerstone,

7 When the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy?

8 “Or who shut in the sea with doors, when it burst forth and issued from the womb;

9 When I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band;

10 When I fixed My limit for it, and set bars and doors;

11 When I said,

‘This far you may come, but no farther, and here your proud waves must stop!’

12 “Have you commanded the morning since your days began, and caused the dawn to know its place,

13 That it might take hold of the ends of the earth, and the wicked be shaken out of it?

14 It takes on form like clay under a seal, and stands out like a garment.

15 From the wicked their light is withheld, and the upraised arm is broken.

16 “Have you entered the springs of the sea? Or have you walked in search of the depths?

17 Have the gates of death been revealed to you? Or have you seen the doors of the shadow of death?

18 Have you comprehended the breadth of the earth? Tell Me, if you know all this.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM *Psalm 18:1–16; antiphon: v. 46*

P The Lord lives! Blessed be my Rock! Let the God of my salvation be exalted.

C I will love You, O Lord, my strength.

P The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

C I will call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised; so shall I be saved from my enemies.

P The pangs of death surrounded me, and the floods of ungodliness made me afraid.

C The sorrows of Sheol surrounded me; the snares of death confronted me.

P In my distress I called upon the Lord, and cried out to my God; He heard my voice from His temple, and my cry came before Him, even to His ears.

C Then the earth shook and trembled; the foundations of the hills also quaked and were shaken, because He was angry.

P Smoke went up from His nostrils, and devouring fire from His mouth; coals were kindled by it.

C He bowed the heavens also, and came down with darkness under His feet.

P And He rode upon a cherub, and flew; He flew upon the wings of the wind.

C He made darkness His secret place; His canopy around Him was dark waters and thick clouds of the skies.

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P From the brightness before Him, His thick clouds passed with hailstones and coals of fire.

C The Lord thundered from heaven, and the Most High uttered His voice, hailstones and coals of fire.

P He sent out His arrows and scattered the foe, lightnings in abundance, and He vanquished them.

C Then the channels of the sea were seen, the foundations of the world were uncovered at Your rebuke, O Lord, at the blast of the breath of Your nostrils.

P He sent from above, He took me; He drew me out of many waters.

C The Lord lives! Blessed be my Rock! Let the God of my salvation be exalted.

EPISTLE *Romans 10:5–17*

(Who calls on the name of the Lord?)

5 For Moses writes about the righteousness which is of the law, “The man who does those things shall live by them.” 6 But the righteousness of faith speaks in this way, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’ ” (that is, to bring Christ down from above) 7 or, “ ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’ ” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). 8 But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith which we preach): 9 that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. 10 For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. 11 For the Scripture says, “Whoever believes on Him will not be put to shame.” 12 For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek, for the same Lord over all is rich to all who call upon Him. 13 For “whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

14 How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? 15 And how shall they preach unless they are sent? As it is written:

“How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace,
Who bring glad tidings of good things!”

16 But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed our report?"

17 So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand

ALLELUIA



Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 14:22-33

(Who can walk on water?)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourteenth chapter.



Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

22 Immediately Jesus made His disciples get into the boat and go before Him to the other side, while He sent the multitudes away. 23 And when He had sent the multitudes away, He went up on the mountain by Himself to pray. Now when evening came, He was alone there. 24 But the boat was now in the middle of the sea, tossed by the waves, for the wind was contrary.

25 Now in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went to them, walking on the sea. 26 And when the disciples saw Him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out for fear.

27 But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Be of good cheer! It is I; do not be afraid."

28 And Peter answered Him and said, "Lord, if it is You, command me to come to You on the water."

29 So He said, "Come." And when Peter had come down out of the boat, he walked on the water to go to Jesus. 30 But when he saw that the wind was boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink he cried out, saying, "Lord, save me!"

31 And immediately Jesus stretched out His hand and caught him, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" 32 And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased.

33 Then those who were in the boat came and worshiped Him, saying, "Truly You are the Son of God."

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P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



G Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

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C 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.

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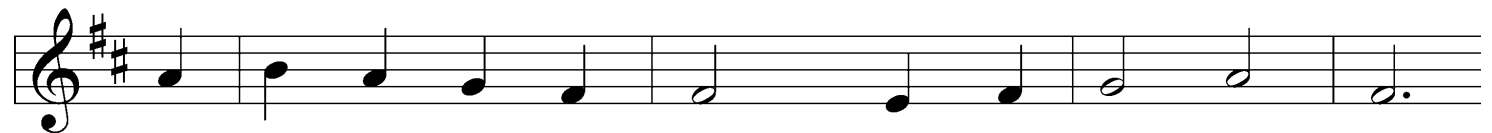
HYMN OF THE DAY

Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me

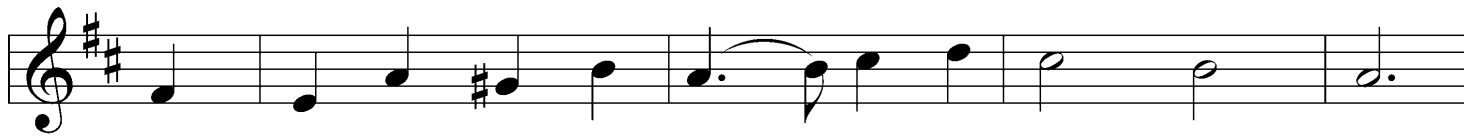
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1 Lord, take my hand and lead me Up - on life's way;
2 Lord, when the tem - pest ra - ges, I need not fear,
3 Lord, when the shad - ows length - en And night has come,



Di - rect, pro - tect, and feed me From day to day.
For You, the Rock of A - ges, Are al - ways near.
I know that You will strength - en My steps toward home.



With - out Your grace and fa - vor I go a - stray;
Close by Your side a - bid - ing, I fear no foe,
Then noth - ing can im - pede me, O bless - ed Friend;



So take my hand, O Sav - ior, And lead the way.
For when Your hand is guid - ing, In peace I go.
So take my hand and lead me Un - to the end.

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SERMON

"Against the wind"

Matthew 14:22-24

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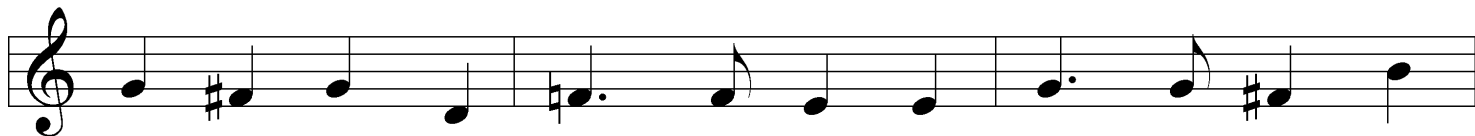
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Eternal Father, Strong to Save

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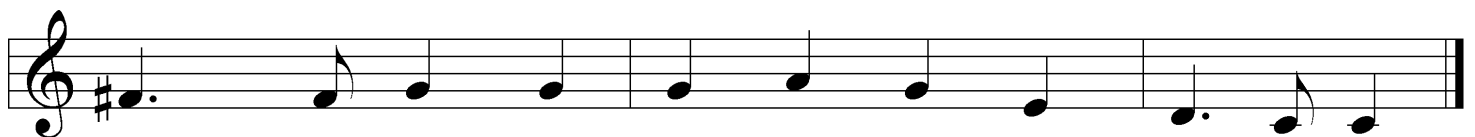
1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, Whose arm hath bound the
2 O Christ, whose voice the wa - ters heard And hushed their rag - ing



rest - less wave, Who bidd'st the might - y o - cean deep Its
at Thy word, Who walk - edst on the foam - ing deep And



own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: O hear us when we
calm a - mid its rage didst sleep: O hear us when we



cry to Thee For those in per - il on the sea.
cry to Thee For those in per - il on the sea.



3 O Spir - it, whom the Fa - ther sent To spread a - broad the
 4 O Trin - i - ty of love and pow'r, Our peo - ple shield in

fir - ma - ment; O Wind of heav - en, by Thy might Save
 dan - ger's hour; From rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, Pro -

all who dare the ea - gle's flight, And keep them by Thy
 tect them where - so - e'er they go; Thus ev - er - more shall

watch - ful care From ev - 'ry per - il in the air.
 rise to Thee Glad praise from air and land and sea.

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SHARING OF THE PEACE *"Peace be with you"* [American Sign Language]

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people, according to their needs.
 For the holy church throughout the world: that she always have confidence of divine help from the Lord and that her pastors and ministers be faithful in their proclamation of God's mercy and grace for all people, serving her members with love and compassion, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For all who cry out to God for deliverance and help: that their petitions be heard by the One who reaches out to all to rescue from danger and destruction, who can save by the grasp of His mighty hand of mercy, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For our country and all the nations of the world: that leaders seek the ways of peace and freedom for the welfare and prosperity of the people they are called to serve, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For all who are sick or suffering illness or injury, all who are in any trouble, those who are lonely or afraid, especially . . . , that the Lord

give strength, heal, and comfort all who call upon Him, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For those who have gone before us with the sign of faith, we give thanks to the Lord. That we may be included in the fellowship of the saints in heaven now by faith in the Son of God and at last by God's mercy and grace when He comes again in glory, let us pray to the Lord.

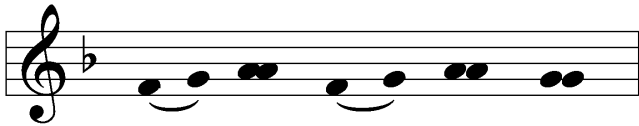
C Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

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

C Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

PREFACE



took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. 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;



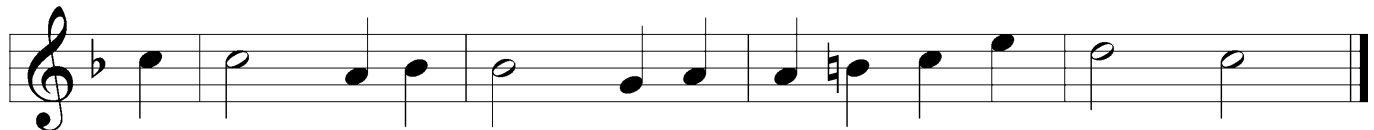
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



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



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



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

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 for give us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.



C For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the



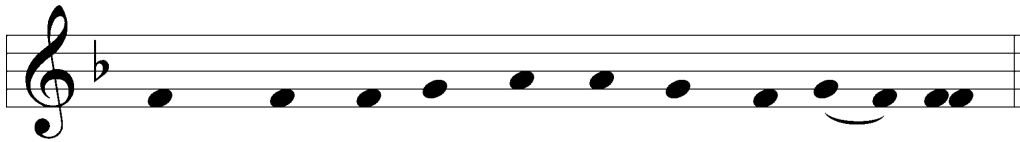
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THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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 al - ways.

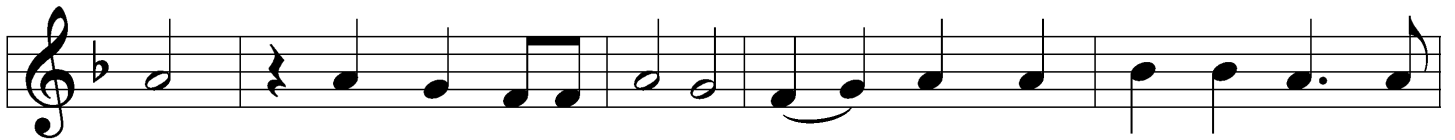


C A - men.

AGNUS DEI



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



world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



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



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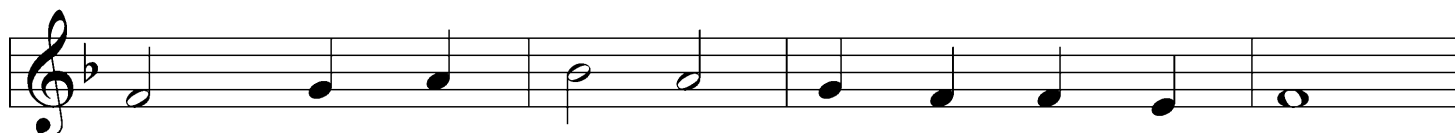
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SILENT PRAYER before COMMUNING

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.

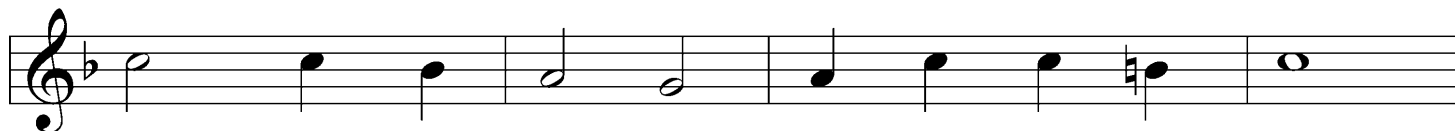
COMMUNION HYMN *Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord* LSB 637



1 Draw near and take the bod - y of the Lord,
 2 He who His saints in this world rules and shields,
 3 Come for - ward then with faith - ful hearts sin - cere,



And drink the ho - ly blood for you out - poured;
 To all be - liev - ers life e - ter - nal yields;
 And take the pledg - es of sal - va - tion here.



Of - fered was He for great - est and for least,
 With heav'n - ly bread He makes the hun - gry whole,
 O Lord, our hearts with grate - ful thanks en - dow



Him - self the vic - tim and Him - self the priest.
 Gives liv - ing wa - ters to the thirst - ing soul.
 As in this feast of love You bless us now.

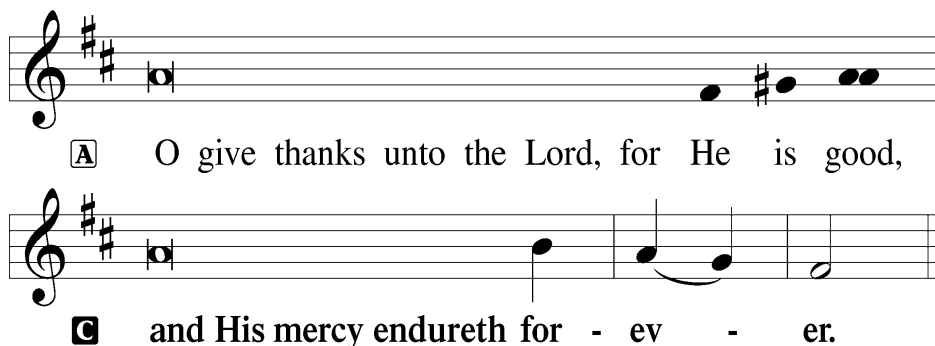
Please stand

NUNC DIMITTIS



C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-
cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
peo-ple Is - ra-el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A-men.

THANKSGIVING



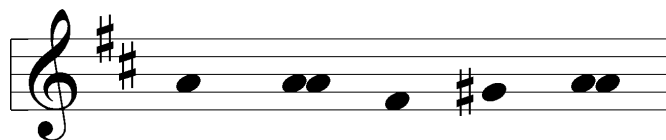
A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

P Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of
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Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



BENEDICAMUS



P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

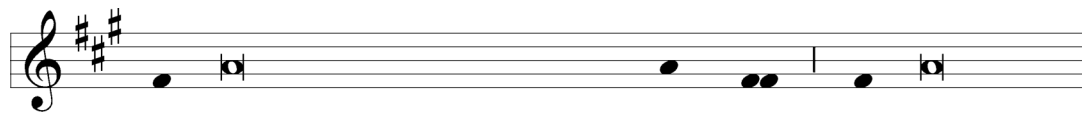


A Bless we the Lord.

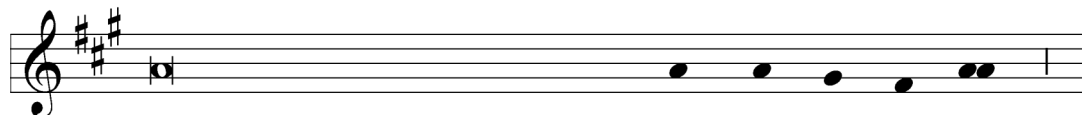


C Thanks be to God.

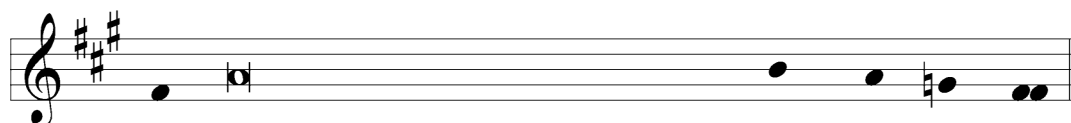
BENEDICTION



P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



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



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

Please sit

SENDING HYMN

God Moves in a Mysterious Way

LSB 765



1 God moves in a mys - te - rious way His
2 Judge not the Lord by fee - ble sense, But
3 His pur - pos - es will rip - en fast, Un -
4 Blind un - be - lief is sure to err And
5 You fear - ful saints, fresh cour - age take; The



won - ders to per - form; He plants His foot - steps
trust Him for His grace; Be - hind a frown - ing
fold - ing ev - 'ry hour; The bud may have a
scan His work in vain; God is His own in -
clouds you so much dread Are big with mer - cy



in the sea And rides up - on the storm.
prov - i - dence Faith sees a smil - ing face.
bit - ter taste, But sweet will be the flow'r.
ter - pret - er, And He will make it plain.
and will break In bless - ings on your head.

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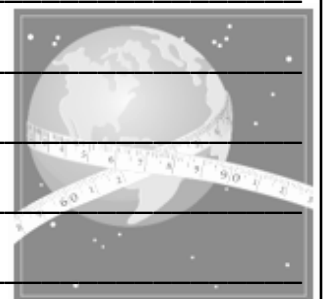
DISMISSAL

P Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Sermon Notes



AUGUST ANNOUNCEMENTS

- > **Portals of Prayer** for July to September 2026 are available in the Narthex or office.
- > Join us for **Sunday School and Bible Study** at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Pastor Weber will be leading the class.
- > **Plastic bottle caps and can tabs** are still being collected.
- > **Confirmation Class** - Thursdays, beginning August 20th at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.
- > **2026-2027 School Year: First Day of School** - Monday, August 17th. Please lift up in prayer Immanuel School staff and students for a blessed year; in play, learning, and growing together in Christ and in mind. (Small group but big in spirit and mind.)

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

(PROPER 15)

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

Psalm 67

Romans 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32

Matthew 15:21-28

8/2/2026				
Sunday Worship	56		Budgeted Need YTD:	\$143,373
Plate:		\$ 392.00	Actual Giving YTD:	\$104,101
Envelopes:		\$ 1,718.00	Over/(Shortfall YTD:	(\$39,272)
On-line/ Tithely			Budgeted Need Weekly:	\$4,480
Other:			For Church Balances, see Treasurer Reports	
Memorial:				
Other: Bible Class (July)	18	\$ 71.00		
TOTAL		\$ 2,181.00		

Christ the Crucified Comes to Save Us by the Word of Faith

The Lord who “laid the foundation of the earth” (Job 38:4) is the Author and Giver of life who governs all things by His Word. His wisdom and power are beyond our understanding, except as He reveals Himself in the incarnate Word, Christ Jesus. He has “entered into the springs of the sea” and “walked in the recesses of the deep” (Job 38:16), and He draws near to us in mercy. We have been “a long way from the land, beaten by the waves” and tossed about by hostile winds (Matt. 14:24). In our mortality and sinful unbelief, we do not always recognize the Lord Jesus. But as we cry out in fear, He speaks tenderly to us, “Do not be afraid,” and He reaches out His hand to save us (Matt. 14:27, 31). “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved” (Rom. 10:13), and now we call upon Him in faith, because we have heard “through the word of Christ” (Rom. 10:17). “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (Rom. 10:8).

Memory Verse Challenge: *2 Thessalonians 2:16–17*

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

	Bi-Weekly Church Activity Schedule	
	August Sunday Servants	
Elder:	Jerry Frese	
Altar Guild:	D Jackson/L Marchant/I Aguilera	
Music:	Doris Pickering/Pam Terral	
This Week	Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost	
Usher:	Ken Eilers	
Sunday:	Holy Communion Worship Service	9:00 am
	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study	10:30 am
Next Week	Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost	
Usher:	Don Vogel	
Sunday:	Holy Communion Worship Service	9:00 am
	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study	10:30 am