

**SIXTH SUNDAY  
OF EASTER  
MAY 9, 2021  
IMMANUEL  
LUTHERAN  
CHURCH  
Missouri Synod**



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***Sunday*  
9:00 A.M.  
Worship Service**

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

**Holy Communion:  
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**I HAVE  
called you  
FRIENDS**



*John 15:15*

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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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.

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** - Risen and ascended Lord, while I was still in my sins, You chose me, laid down Your life for me, and called me friend. By Your great love for me, inspire me to love one another and to go out into the world to bear fruit according to Your promise; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**AS WE GATHER** - "In the sight of God" is a phrase used throughout Scripture. It reminds us of God's unceasing care and concern for His creation. In Proverbs: "Let not steadfast love and faithfulness forsake you; bind them around your neck; write them on the tablet of your heart. So you will find favor and good success in the sight of God

and man” (Proverbs 3:3–4). All our life is in God’s amazingly loving sight as He watches over all His creation and especially over people. Out of love for Christ and one another, we can strive to see others around us in the same way that God sees them.

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### **WELCOME**

### **PRELUDE**

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



# OPENING HYMN

## *O Jesus, King Most Wonderful*

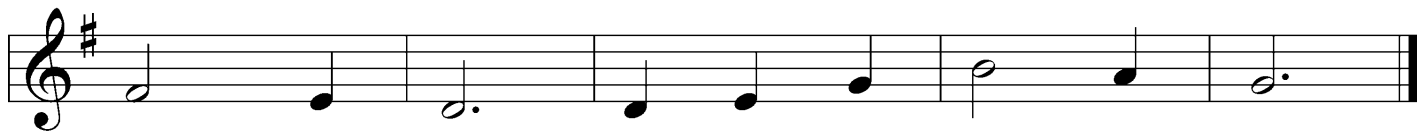
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1 O Je - sus, King most won - der - ful!  
2 When once You vis - it dark - ened hearts,  
3 O Je - sus, light of all be - low,  
4 May ev - 'ry heart con - fess Your name,  
5 Oh, may our tongues for - ev - er bless,



O Con - quer - or re - nowned! O Source of peace in -  
Then truth be - gins to shine, Then earth - ly van - i -  
The fount of life and fire, Sur - pass - ing all the  
For - ev - er You a - dore, And, seek - ing You, it -  
May we love You a - lone And ev - er in our



ef - fa - ble, In whom all joys are found:  
ty de - parts, Then kin - dles love di - vine.  
joys we know, All that we can de - sire:  
self in - flame To seek You more and more!  
lives ex - press The im - age of Your own!

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*Please stand*

## 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 66:1-2, 8-9, 20; antiphon: v. 16*

**P** Come and hear, all you who fear God, and I will tell what He has done for my soul.

**C** **Shout for joy to God, all the earth; sing the glory of His name; give to Him glorious praise!**

**P** Bless our God, O peoples; let the sound of His praise be heard,

**C** **who has kept our soul among the living and has not let our feet slip.**

P Blessed be God, because He has not rejected my prayer or removed His steadfast love from me!

**C Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P Come and hear, all you who fear God, and I will tell what He has done for my soul.

## KYRIE



**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 with your spirit.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P** Let us pray. O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

*Please sit*

## **FIRST READING**     *Acts 10:34–48*

(People from every nation are accepted by God.)

34 Then Peter opened his mouth and said: "In truth I perceive that God shows no partiality. 35 But in every nation whoever fears Him and works righteousness is accepted by Him. 36 The word which God sent to the children of Israel, preaching peace through Jesus Christ—He is Lord of all— 37 that word you know, which was proclaimed throughout all Judea, and began from Galilee after the baptism which John reached: 38 how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him. 39 And we

are witnesses of all things which He did both in the land of the Jews and in Jerusalem, whom they killed by hanging on a tree. 40 Him God raised up on the third day, and showed Him openly, 41 not to all the people, but to witnesses chosen before by God, even to us who ate and drank with Him after He arose from the dead. 42 And He commanded us to preach to the people, and to testify that it is He who was ordained by God to be Judge of the living and the dead. 43 To Him all the prophets witness that, through His name, whoever believes in Him will receive remission of sins.”

44 While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit fell upon all those who heard the word. 45 And those of the circumcision who believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out on the Gentiles also. 46 For they heard them speak with tongues and magnify God. Then Peter answered, 47 “Can anyone forbid water, that these should not be baptized who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?” 48 And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord. Then they asked him to stay a few days.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM**      *Psalm 98*

P Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for He has done marvelous things! His right hand and His holy arm have worked salvation for Him.

**C The LORD has made known His salvation; He has revealed His righteousness in the sight of the nations.**

P He has remembered His steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the



salvation of our God.

**C Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!**

P Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody!

**C With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD!**

P Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who dwell in it!

**C Let the rivers clap their hands; let the hills sing for joy together before the LORD, for He comes to judge the earth.**

P He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

**C Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**EPISTLE**                    *1 John 5:1–8*

(The victory of Christ overcomes the world.)

1 Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and everyone who loves Him who begot also loves him who is begotten of Him. 2 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and keep His commandments. 3 For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome. 4 For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. 5 Who is he who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

6 This is He who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not only by water, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit who bears witness, because the Spirit is truth. 7 For there are three that bear witness in heaven: the Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit; and these three are one. 8 And there are three that bear witness on earth: the Spirit, the water, and the blood; and these three agree as one.

P This is the Word of the Lord.


C **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand*

## ALLELUIA and VERSE



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



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



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



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

**HOLY GOSPEL**      *John 15:9–17*

(Obeying Christ's commands and remaining in His love)

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

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

9 "As the Father loved Me, I also have loved you; abide in My love. 10 If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love.

11 "These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may remain in you, and that your joy may be full. 12 This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. 13 Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends. 14 You are My friends if you do whatever I command you. 15 No longer do I call you servants, for a servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all things that I heard from My Father I have made known to you. 16 You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should remain, that whatever you ask the Father in My name He may give you. 17 These things I command you, that you love one another.

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.

*Please sit*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**    *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*    **LSB 770**



1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, All our sins and griefs to bear!  
2 Have we tri - als and temp-ta-tions? Is there trou-ble an - y-where?  
3 Are we weak and heav - y lad - en, Cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry Ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!  
We should nev - er be dis-cour-aged— Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge— Take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; Oh, what need-less pain we bear—  
Can we find a friend so faith - ful Who will all our sor-rows share?  
Do thy friends de-spise, for-sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



All be - cause we do not car - ry Ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!  
Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak-ness— Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
In His arms He'll take and shield thee; Thou wilt find a sol-ace there.

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**SERMON**                    *"Jesus, your One True Friend"*

(John 15:15)

**OFFERING** *(Please place your offering in the offering plate as you exit, thank you)*

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**SHARING OF THE PEACE** *"Peace be with you" (John 20:21)*  
*[using ASL (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.

We thank God for the Church and pray that God's people live confidently and joyfully share the message of salvation in word and deed. Gathered by the Holy Spirit, we pray that we be blessed with all grace and evidence the fruit of the Spirit in our lives. Lord, be with us and bless us.

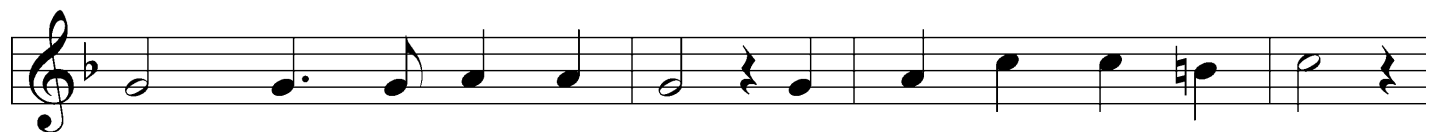
**HYMN** *Now Thank We All Our God* [St. 1: LSB 895]



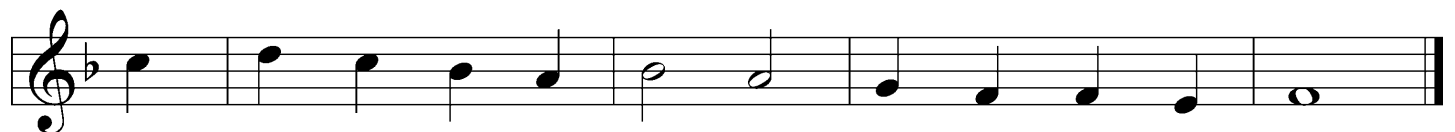
**C** 1 Now thank we all our God With hearts and hands and voic - es,



Who won - drous things has done, In whom His world re - joic - es;



Who from our moth - ers' arms Has blest us on our way



With count - less gifts of love And still is ours to - day.

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P We pray for our families, especially for mothers, grandmothers, and great-grandmothers on this special day. We ask the blessing of our bounteous God on all those who share in our Christian fellowship and join with us in worship and for all who are part of the household of faith. Also we pray for those with special concerns and needs this day: those who are hospitalized or shut-in, those who are grieving, the unemployed and underemployed, the chronically ill and shut-in, and all those whose needs are known to us, [especially . . .]. Lord, grant that we bring Your blessing to situations of need in all places.

**HYMN**                      *Now Thank We All Our God*      **[St. 2: LSB 895]**



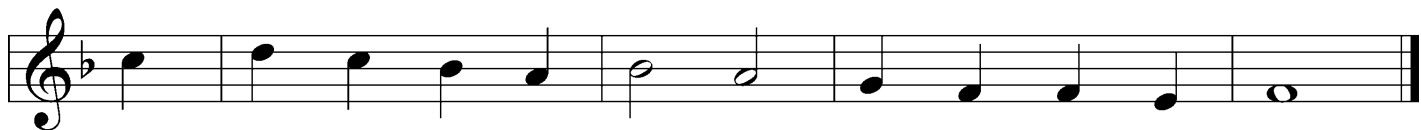
**C** 2 Oh, may this boun-teous God Through all our life be near us,



With ev - er joy - ful hearts And bless - ed peace to cheer us



And keep us in His grace And guide us when per - plexed



And free us from all ills In this world and the next!

P Most merciful God, we thank You for all those faithful people whose words and actions have guided us in the past, especially remembering those no longer with us on earth, who now share in Your eternal presence. By the working of Your Holy Spirit, direct us to walk Your servant way

throughout our lives, seeing each person through Your loving eyes, until that day when we stand in Your glorious presence in heaven.

## **C Amen.**

### **HYMN**                      *Now Thank We All Our God*    **[St. 3: LSB 895]**



**C** 3 All praise and thanks to God The Fa - ther now be giv - en,



The Son, and Him who reigns With them in high - est heav - en,



The one e - ter - nal God, Whom earth and heav'n a - dore;



For thus it was, is now, And shall be ev - er - more.

## **LORD'S PRAYER**                      *(Matthew 6:9-13)*

**All**     **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.**

## **RECOGNITION OF MOTHERS**

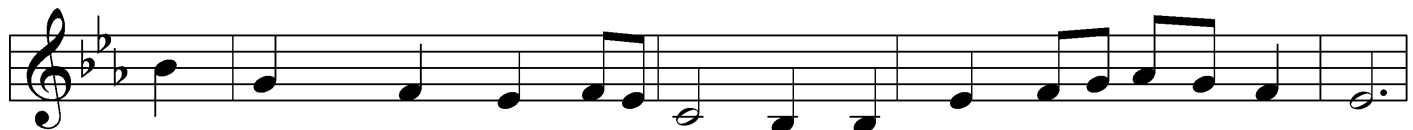
**P**     The final stanza of "For All the Faithful Women" is a

doxology, most appropriate this day to glorify God as we express our thanks for the faithful women in our lives and in the ongoing life of the Church.

**HYMN**      *For All the Faithful Women*      **[St. 4: LSB 855]**



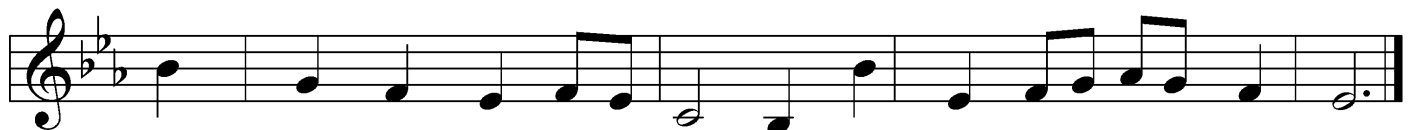
**C** 4 All praise to God the Fa - ther! All praise to Christ the Son!



All praise the Ho - ly Spir - it, Who binds the Church in one!



With saints who went be - fore us, With saints who wit - ness still,



We sing glad Al - le - lu - ias And strive to do Your will.

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**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.**





*Please sit*

## SENDING HYMN

## *Oh, Blest the House*

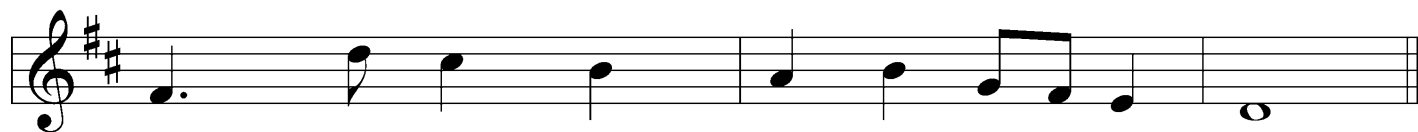
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1 Oh, blest the house, what - e'er be - fall, Where Je - sus  
2 Oh, blest that house where faith is found And all in  
3 Oh, blest the par - ents who give heed Un - to their  
4 Oh, blest that house; it pros - pers well. In peace and  
5 Then here will I and mine to - day A sol - emn



Christ is all in all! A home that is not whol - ly  
hope and love a - bound; They trust their God and serve Him  
chil - dren's fore - most need And wea - ry not of care or  
joy the par - ents dwell, And in their chil - dren's lives is  
prom - ise make and say: Though all the world for - sake His



His— How sad and poor and dark it is!  
still And do in all His ho - ly will!  
cost. May none to them and heav'n be lost!  
shown How rich - ly God can bless His own.  
Word, I and my house will serve the Lord!

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## DISMISSAL

**P** Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

**C** Thanks be to God!

## POSTLUDE

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FROM PASTOR'S DESK

*Portals of Prayer  
for April to June 2021 are available in the  
Narthex or office.*



*Adult Bible Class/Sunday School  
at 10:30 a.m.  
Tim Sorenson leading the class.*



	<b>Bi-Weekly Church Activity Schedule</b>	
	<b>May Sunday Servants:</b>	
Elder:	Joe Winston	
Altar Guild:	Billie Jo Neuhaus & Maribel Perez	
Music:	Doris Pickering	
<b>This Week</b>	Sixth Sunday of Easter	
Usher:	Ken Eilers	
Sunday:	Worship Service	9:00 am
	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study	10:30 am
<b>Next Week</b>	Seventh Sunday of Easter	
Usher:	Don Vogel	
Sunday:	Holy Communion Worship Service	9:00 am
	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study	10:30 am



**May 4th**



**May 15**



**May 6 to 12**

## The Lord Jesus Is with His Church in the Apostolic Ministry of the Gospel

The crucified and risen Lord Jesus is with His Church through the word of His apostles, who “are witnesses of all that he did.” He was anointed by God “with the Holy Spirit and with power,” and “he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil,” and so He was with those whom He sent “to preach to the people” (Acts 10:38–42). The Holy Spirit is bestowed on those who hear that apostolic preaching, who are “baptized in the name of Jesus Christ,” so that “everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name” (Acts 10:43–44, 48). For as He came by the water of His Baptism, even to the blood of His Passion, so the Spirit testifies to the truth with “the water and the blood” in the apostolic ministry of the Gospel (1 John 5:6–7). By these means, Christ Jesus speaks to us, that His joy may be in us and that our “joy may be full.” For this purpose, He appointed the apostles to “go and bear fruit” in order to make known His divine friendship to us (John 15:11, 15–16).

**5/2/2021**

<b>Sunday Worship</b>	<b>20</b>	
Plate:		\$ 5.00
Envelopes		\$ 1,568.00
Donation:		
<b>Total:</b>		\$ 1,573.00
<b>Bible Class:</b>	<b>10</b>	\$ 4.00

### ***Seventh Sunday of Easter Readings:***

*Acts 1:12-26*

*Psalm 1*

*1 John 5:9-15*

*John 17:11b-19*

**This week's memory verse:** *Ephesians 1:16-20*

“ I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you ... that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places.”