SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

JUNE 2, 2019 IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH Missouri Synod



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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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Office Hrs, M-F 8:00 am to 12:00 pm CCLI # 2585510 "I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word; that they all may be one, as You, Father,

are in Me, and I in You"

(John 17:20-21)

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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.

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 - Your Son, O Lord God, was betrayed by Judas, yet He endured the cross and on the third day You raised Him in victory over sin, death, and hell. Forgive my betrayals and lead me to follow in the footsteps of the first disciples, who, united as one in Christ, devoted themselves to prayer as a community; 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 - During this season of Easter, an odd thing happens with the Lectionary. Instead of just reading what happened after Jesus rose and ascended, we are sometimes taken back to things Jesus said and did previously. Such is the case with today's Gospel, part of what is known as Jesus' High Priestly Prayer. It is a prayer that Jesus prayed just before going to the cross. Here Jesus prays that all who believe in Him—past, present, and future—may be one. Why review something that happened before the first Easter? Because Jesus' prayer is not bound by time or place; Jesus, who has ascended to the right hand of the Father, is even now praying such a prayer. "I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word" (John 17:20). This was Jesus' prayer for the Twelve. This is also Jesus' prayer for us. The model for our oneness in Christ is the Holy Trinity: "Just as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You, that they also may be in Us" (John 17:21). Jesus' prayer for the Church today is that we may all be one, just as the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are one, so that the world may believe.

WELCOME

PRELUDE

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

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OPENING HYMN	Alleluia! Sing to Jesus	LSB	821

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.

INTROIT *Psalm 61:3, 5–8; antiphon: v. 1*

- P Hear my cry, O God, listen to my prayer;
- C for You have been my refuge, a strong tower against the enemy.
- P For You, O God, have heard my vows; You have given me the heritage of those who fear Your name.
- C Prolong the life of the king; may his years endure to all generations!
- P May he be enthroned forever before God; appoint steadfast love and faithfulness to watch over him!
- C So will I ever sing praises to Your name, as I perform my vows day after day.
- ALL 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 Hear my cry, O God, listen to my prayer.

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SALUTATION

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P Let us pray. Lord Jesus, You prayed that we who follow You may all be one. By the power of Your Holy Spirit, make us one, so that the world may believe that You are Lord and come to You; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C₄ Amen.

FIRST READING

Acts 1:12-26

(The disciples gather in Jerusalem, devoting themselves to prayer.)

12 Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey. 13 And when they had entered, they went up into the upper room where they were staying: Peter, James, John, and Andrew; Philip and Thomas; Bartholomew and Matthew; James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot; and Judas the son of James. 14 These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication, with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with His brothers. 15 And in those days Peter stood up in the midst of the disciples (altogether the number of names was about a hundred and twenty), and said, 16 "Men and brethren, this Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke before by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus; 17 for he was numbered with us and obtained a part in this ministry." 18 (Now this man purchased a field with the wages of iniquity; and falling headlong, he burst open in the middle and all his entrails gushed out. 19 And it became known to all those dwelling in Jerusalem; so that field is called in their own language, Akel Dama, that is, Field of Blood.) 20 "For it is written in the Book of Psalms:

'Let his dwelling place be desolate,

And let no one live in it';

and,

'Let another take his office.'

21 "Therefore, of these men who have accompanied us all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, 22 beginning from the baptism of John to that day when He was taken up from us, one of these must become a witness with us of His resurrection." 23 And they proposed two: Joseph called Barsabas, who was surnamed Justus, and Matthias. 24 And they prayed and said, "You, O Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which of these two You have chosen 25 to take part in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas by transgression fell, that he might go to his own place." 26 And they cast their lots, and the lot fell on Matthias. And he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God

PSALM *Psalm 133; antiphon: v. 1*

- P Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity!
- C It is like the precious oil on the head, running down on the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down on the collar of his robes!
- P It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion!
- C For there the LORD has commanded the blessing, life forevermore.
- ALL 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 Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

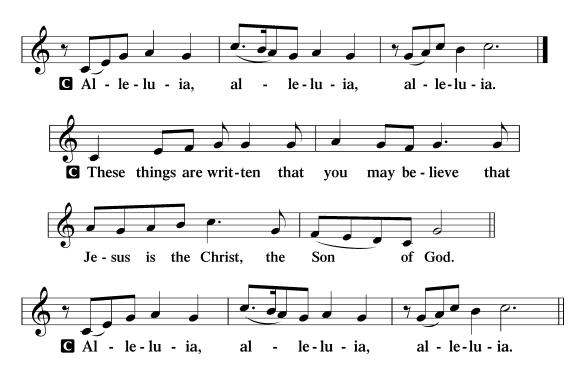
EPISTLE Revelation 22:1-6 (7-11) 12-20

(Christ, the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end, is coming soon.)

1 And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God and of the Lamb. 2 In the middle of its street, and on either side of the river, was the tree of life, which bore twelve fruits, each tree yielding its fruit every month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. 3 And there shall be no more curse, but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it, and His servants shall serve Him. 4 They shall see His face, and His name shall be on their foreheads. 5 There shall be no night there: They need no lamp nor light of the sun, for the Lord God gives them light. And they shall reign forever and ever. 6 Then he said to me, "These words are faithful and true." And the Lord God of the holy prophets sent His angel to show His servants the things which must shortly take place. 12 "And behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward is with Me, to give to every one according to his work. 13 I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End, the First and the Last." 14 Blessed are those who do His commandments, that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city. 15 But outside are dogs and sorcerers and sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and whoever loves and practices a lie. 16 "I, Jesus, have sent My angel to testify to you these things in the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, the Bright and Morning Star." 17 And the Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let him who hears say, "Come!" And let him who thirsts come. Whoever desires, let him take the water of life freely, 18 For I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: If anyone adds to these things, God will add to him the plagues that are written in this book; 19 and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part from the Book of Life, from the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book. 20 He who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming quickly." Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus!

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

ALLELUIA and VERSE



HOLY GOSPEL

John 17:20–26 (That all believers may be one)

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

C Glory to You , O Lord.

20 "I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word; 21 that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me. 22 And the glory which You gave Me I have given them, that they may be one just as We are one: 23 I in them, and You in Me; that they may be made perfect in one, and that the world may know that You have sent Me, and have loved them as You have loved Me. 24 "Father, I desire that they also whom You gave Me may be with Me where I am, that they may behold My glory which You have given Me; for You loved Me before the foundation of the world. 25 O righteous Father! The world has not known You, but I have known You; and these have known that You sent Me. 26 And I have declared to them Your name, and will declare it, that the love with which You loved Me may be in them, and I in them."

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

NICENE CREED

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

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

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

HYMN OF THE	DAY On Christ's Ascension I Now Build	LSB 492
SERMON	"Jesus' Fervent Prayer: Belief in Him through His	Declared Word!" (John 17:20-21)
OFFERTORY	Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings	LSB 782

OFFERING

SHARING OF THE PEACE

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P As the Body of the risen Christ and devoting ourselves to prayer, let us bring before the Lord the prayers of our minds and hearts.
 For Christians throughout the world, that our divisions decrease and our sense of oneness in Christ increase, O Lord,
- C make us one.
- P For our Synod—our president, district president, pastors, teachers, and all servants of the church, that by the power of the Holy Spirit we focus on demonstrating our oneness in Christ as a witness to the world of Your love for us in Christ, O Lord,

C make us one.

P For the president and the congress, for our governor and local elected officials, that all work for the common good, O Lord,

C make us one.

P That this nation so divided along political lines would repent of our hatred of those who differ from us, and, based on our one common humanity, discuss our differences with

reason and kindness, O Lord,

C make us one.

P For those in need in our community—the sick, those facing surgery, those with terminal illness—that with one voice we speak God's ever-present love for them with our visits and prayers, O Lord,

C make us one.

Other needs and concerns to the local community may be inserted here.

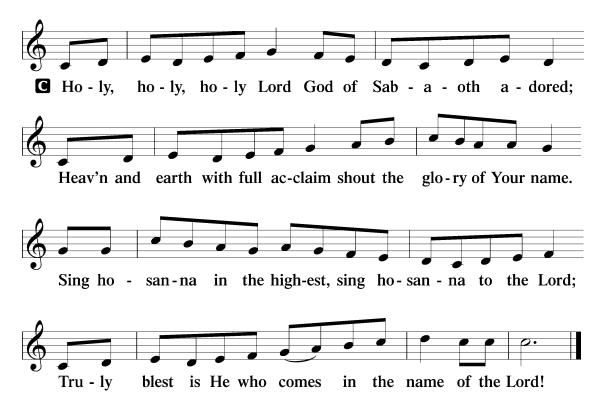
- P 0 Lord,
- C make us one.
- P For the families of our congregation—husbands and wives, children, grandparents, singles, aunts and uncles—that their love for one another be a sign to the world of God's never-ending love for us in Christ, O Lord,

C make us one.

- P In remembrance of all those who have gone before us in the faith and dwell with Christ in the new Jerusalem, grant that we with them confess one Lord, one faith, one Baptism, one God and Father of us all in eternal praise of the great Three in One and One in Three. O Lord,
- C make us one.
- P As You blessed the disciples gathered in Jerusalem awaiting the promised Spirit, so bless us by hearing our prayers as we await the coming of the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end, our Lord Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray.
- C Amen.

PREFACE

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who after His resurrection appeared openly to all His disciples and in their sight was taken up into heaven that He might make us partakers of His divine 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:



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P You, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, are one from all eternity. You saved one family out of the midst of the flood as a promise of life to all creation. You called the Israelites out of Egypt, through the sea, and made them one people in You, sent to bless the whole world. You sent the prophets—when even Your own people betrayed You and turned to other gods—to call Your people to repent and as one people return to You. Out of Your eternal oneness, Jesus became incarnate, God-with-us, to reconcile God and humanity once for all by His death on the cross and His resurrection to new life. For Your love for us throughout all of creation, we thank You, we praise You, we adore You. As You, in the very heart and center of Your being are one, so make us, who receive Christ's body and blood, one Body in You, called to love one another as a sign to the world of Your love for us. We thank You. We praise You. We adore You. 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. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

- P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."
- P In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

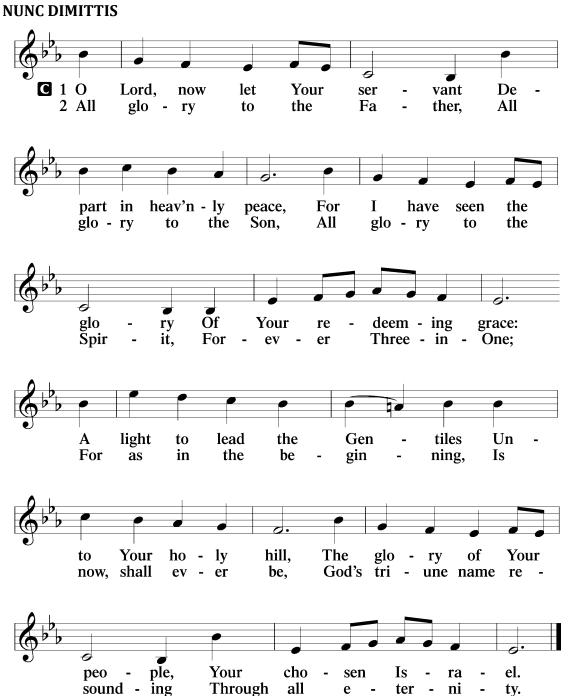
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- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

AGNUS DEI



DISTRIBUTION HYMN



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POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

- P Let us pray. Thank You, triune God, for making us one in the Body of Christ. Help us to demonstrate our oneness with You and with one another by words and deeds that demonstrate this love to the world; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

BENEDICAMUS

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

BENEDICTION

John 17:20–21

P Jesus prayed: "I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word, that they may all be one, just as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You, that they also may be in Us, so that the world may believe that You have sent Me."

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

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Crown Him with Many Crowns

LSB 525

DISMISSAL

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

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Elders' Meeting

Tuesday, June 4, 2019

7:30 p.m.

TO ASSIST YOU IN WORSHIP

- <u>Large print Worship Bulletins</u> for those who are sight impaired.
- <u>Personal Wireless Listening devices</u> for those with hearing difficulties.
- <u>Prayer requests</u> forms are located in a black binder in the Pew Hymnal Rack as well as with an usher.

Please print the request and place the form in the collection plate or give to a usher!

PLEASE ASK AN USHER FOR ANY ASSISTANCE

A REMINDER - THE PASTOR IS ALWAYS AVAILABLE FOLLOWING WORSHIP TO SPEAK AND PRAY WITH WORSHIPERS WHO HAVE CONCERNS FOR THEMSELVES OR OTHERS. -Please do not hesitate to seek him out.

FOR THOSE IN OUR WORSHIPING CONGREGATION WHO MAY BE PHYSICALLY UNABLE TO STAND FOR EXTENDED PERIODS OF TIME, OR WHO FIND IT DIFFICULT TO RISE AND SIT ON EVERY OCCASION DURING THE WORSHIP. PLEASE FEEL FREE TO SIT OR REMAIN SEATED EVEN THOUGH THE CONGREGATION HAS BEEN DIRECTED TO STAND.



WITNESS, MERCY, LIFE TOGETHER.

In Christ, for the Church and the World

Jesus Is with Us in His Holy Christian Church

On the night when He was betrayed, Jesus interceded for His Church — for His apostles and all who believe in Him through their word — that all of His disciples "may become perfectly one" in the Father and the Son (John 17:21–23). For Jesus became flesh and dwells among us in order to reveal the Father and His name, to share with us the glory of His righteousness, and to bring us to the Father in Himself. As the Father loved the Son from "before the foundation of the world" (John 17:24), so He loves the whole world (John 17:23, 26). Through the apostolic witness to the baptism, cross and resurrection of Jesus (Acts 1:21–22), the Lord gathers His disciples throughout the world "with one accord" as one body in Christ (Acts 1:14). And so with one voice and by one Spirit, His Bride prays, "Come" (Rev. 22:17). And He comes to us. He gives us "the water of life without price" to wash our robes and quench our thirst (Rev. 22:17); He feeds us from "the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit" (Rev. 22:2).

5/26/2019			
Sunday Worship Plate: Envelopes:	24	\$ 20.00 \$ 865.00	<u>The Day of Pentecost</u> <u>Readings :</u>
Donation:			Genesis 11:1–9
Memorial:			Psalm 143 Acts 2:1-21
	Total:	\$ 885.00	John 14:23–31
Bible Class:	9	N/A	
	Bi-Weekly Chur	ch Activity	Schedule
	June Sunday Servants:		
Elder:	Earl Neuhaus		
Altar Guild:	Billie Jo Neuhaus & Maribel Perez		
Music:	Bonny Winston		
This Week	Seventh Sunday of Easter		
Usher:	Earl Neuhaus		
Sunday:	Holy Communion Worship Service 9:00 am		
	Sunday School &	Adult Bible	Study 10:30 am
Next Week	The Day of Pented	ost	
Usher:	Ken & Bob Eilers		
Sunday:	Worship Service	Worship Service 9:00 am	
	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:30 am		