

**FOURTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST**

JULY 3, 2022

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Sunday

9:00 A.M.

Worship Service

10:30 a.m.

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Holy Communion:

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GALATIANS 6:14

BUT GOD FORBID THAT I SHOULD

BOAST EXCEPT IN THE CROSS

OF OUR LORD JESUS

CHRIST, BY WHOM THE WORLD

HAS BEEN CRUCIFIED

TO ME, AND I TO THE WORLD.



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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 - Almighty God, You have built Your Church on the foundation of the apostles and prophets with Christ Jesus Himself as the true cornerstone. Continue to send Your messengers to preserve Your people in true peace that, by the preaching of Your Word, Your Church may be strengthened in the mission and ministry of the Gospel; 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 - "Peace be to this house!" (Luke 10:5b). "The kingdom of God has come near to you" (Luke 10:9b). Did you catch that? Those are more than words spoken long ago; those are the realities of God's Word being proclaimed directly to you today! Through the living voice of Jesus, peace comes into Your heart and home. As you lay the burdens of your brokenness at the foot of Christ's cross, the healing medicine of His Word fills you

with His mercy. The kingdom of God Himself comes to you and your family today as you gather for worship. Within the household of faith, Jesus is here and “brings pleasure eternal”! Since God Himself is present, lift up your hearts to Him in joyful songs of praise!

DIVINE SERVICE, SETTING FOUR

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WELCOME

PRELUDE

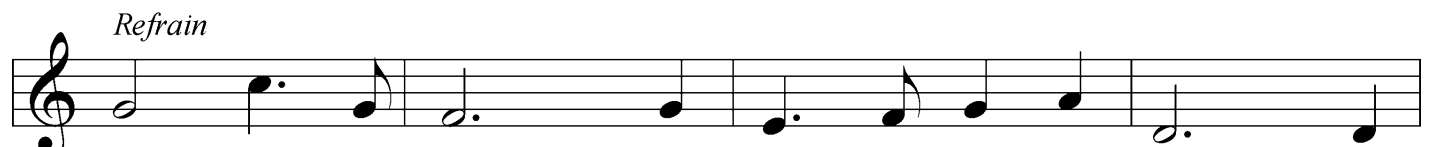
(A quiet time for prayer and meditation in preparation for worship)

OPENING HYMN

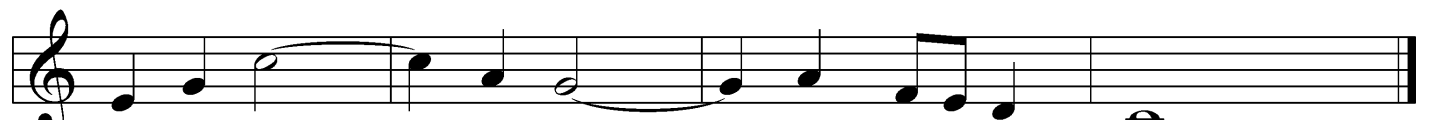
Lift High the Cross

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Refrain




Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro-claim Till



all the world a-dore His sa-cred name.



1 Come, Chris-tians, fol-low where our Cap-tain trod,
2 Led on their way by this tri-um-phant sign,
3 All new-born sol-diers of the Cru-ci-fied
4 O Lord, once lift-ed on the glo-rious tree,



Refrain

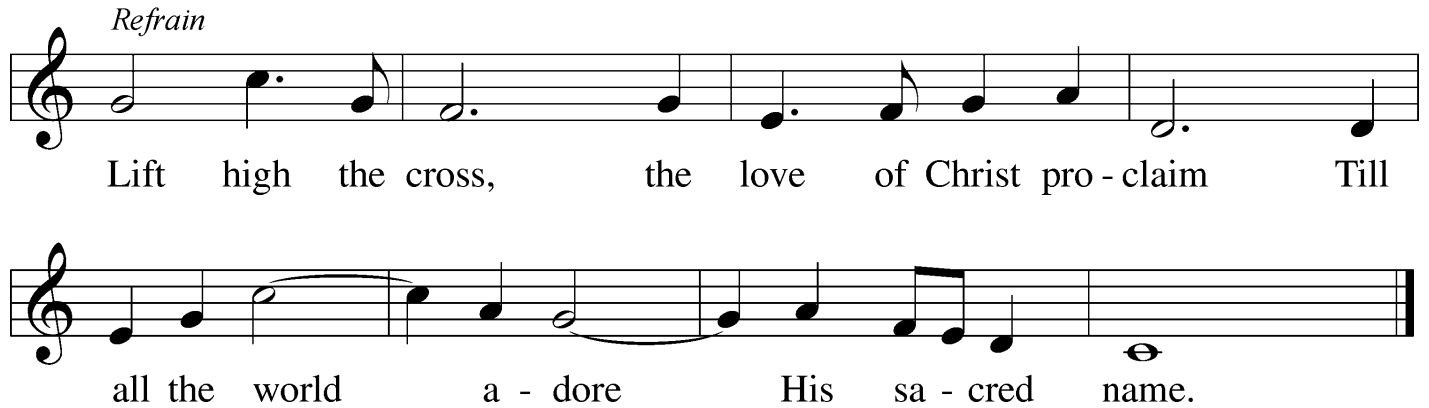
Our king vic-to-rious, Christ, the Son of God.
The hosts of God in con-quer-ing ranks com-bine.
Bear on their brows the seal of Him who died.
As Thou hast prom-ised, draw us all to Thee.

5 Let ev'ry race and ev'ry language tell
Of Him who saves our lives from death and hell. Refrain

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6 So shall our song of triumph ever be:
Praise to the Crucified for victory! Refrain

Refrain



Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro-claim Till
all the world a-dore His sa-cred name.

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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 19:2, 4-6; antiphon: v. 1*

P The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament shows His handiwork.

C **Day unto day utters speech, and night unto night reveals knowledge.**

P Their line has gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them He has set a tabernacle for the sun,

C **Which is like a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, and rejoices like a strong man to run its race.**

P Its rising is from one end of heaven, and its circuit to the other end; and there is nothing hidden from its heat.

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 The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament shows His handiwork.

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 - shipped 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. Almighty God, You have built Your Church on the foundation of the apostles and prophets with Christ Jesus Himself as the cornerstone. Continue to send Your messengers to preserve Your people in true peace that, by the preaching of Your Word, Your Church may be kept free from all harm and danger; 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

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Isaiah 66:10–14*

(The Lord will extend His peace, and your heart shall rejoice.)

10 “Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad with her, all you who love her; rejoice for joy with her, all you who mourn for her;

11 That you may feed and be satisfied with the consolation of her bosom, that you may drink deeply and be delighted with the abundance of her glory.” 12 For thus says the Lord:

“Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river, and the glory of the Gentiles like a flowing stream. Then you shall feed; on her sides shall you be carried, and be dandled on her knees.

13 As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort you; and you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.”

14 When you see this, your heart shall rejoice, and your bones shall flourish like grass; the hand of the Lord shall be known to His servants, and His indignation to His enemies.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM *Psalm 66:1–7; antiphon: vv. 8–9*

(Come and see what God has done!)

P Oh, bless our God, you peoples! And make the voice of His praise to be heard, 9 who keeps our soul among the living, and does not allow our feet to be moved.

C **Make a joyful shout to God, all the earth!**

P Sing out the honor of His name; make His praise glorious.

C **Say to God, “How awesome are Your works! Through the greatness of Your power Your enemies shall submit themselves to You.**

P All the earth shall worship You and sing praises to You; they shall sing praises to Your name.”

C **Come and see the works of God; He is awesome in His doing toward the sons of men.**

P He turned the sea into dry land; they went through the river on foot. There we will rejoice in Him.

C **He rules by His power forever; His eyes observe the nations; do not let the rebellious exalt themselves.**

P Oh, bless our God, you peoples! And make the voice of His praise to be heard, 9 who keeps our soul among the living, and does not allow our feet to be moved.

EPISTLE *Galatians 6:1–10, 14–18*

(Sharing peace, mercy, and all good things in the household of faith)

1 Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, considering yourself lest you also be tempted. 2 Bear one another’s burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. 3 For if anyone thinks himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. 4 But let each one examine his own work, and then he will have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in

another. 5 For each one shall bear his own load.

6 Let him who is taught the word share in all good things with him who teaches. 7 Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. 8 For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life. 9 And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart. 10 Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith.

14 But God forbid that I should boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. 15 For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision avails anything, but a new creation.

16 And as many as walk according to this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God. 17 From now on let no one trouble me, for I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus. 18 Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

P This is the Word of the Lord.


C **Thanks be to God.**

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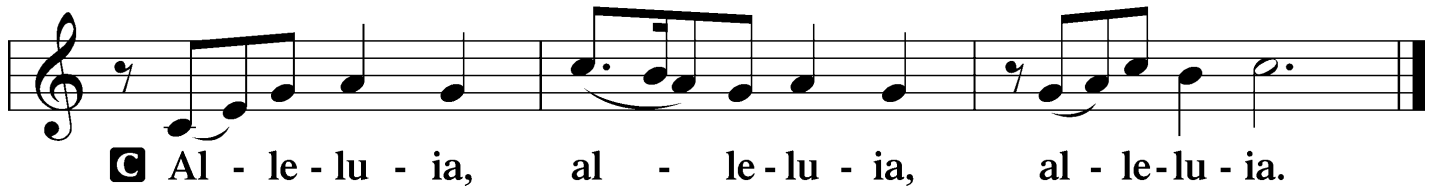
ALLELUIA and VERSE



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



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



HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 10:1-20

(Jesus sends out His messengers of peace to proclaim the kingdom of God.)

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

C Glory to You , O Lord.

1 After these things the Lord appointed seventy others also, and sent them two by two before His face into every city and place where He Himself was about to go. 2 Then He said to them, "The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few; therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest. 3 Go your way; behold, I send you out as lambs among wolves. 4 Carry neither money bag, knapsack, nor sandals; and greet no one along the road. 5 But whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house.' 6 And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest on it; if not, it will return to you. 7 And remain in the same house, eating and drinking such things as they give, for the laborer is worthy of his wages. Do not go from house to house. 8 Whatever city you enter, and they receive you, eat such things as are set before you. 9 And heal the sick there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' 10 But whatever city you enter, and they do not receive you, go out into its streets and say, 11 'The very dust of your city which clings to us we wipe off against you. Nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near you.' 12 But I say to you that it will be more tolerable in that Day for Sodom than for that city.

13 "Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works which were done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they

would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. 14 But it will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the judgment than for you. 15 And you, Capernaum, who are exalted to heaven, will be brought down to Hades. 16 He who hears you hears Me, he who rejects you rejects Me, and he who rejects Me rejects Him who sent Me.”

17 Then the seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Your name.”

18 And He said to them, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. 19 Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you. 20 Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rather rejoice because your names are written in heaven.”

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.*

Please sit

HYMN OF THE DAY

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

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1 Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Chris - tian love;
2 Be - fore our Fa - ther's throne We pour our ar - dent prayers;
3 We share our mu - tual woes, Our mu - tual bur - dens bear,
4 When here our path - ways part, We suf - fer bit - ter pain;
5 From sor - row, toil, and pain, And sin we shall be free



The fel - low - ship of kin - dred minds Is like to that a - bove.
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, Our com - forts and our cares.
And of - ten for each oth - er flows The sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
Yet, one in Christ and one in heart, We hope to meet a - gain.
And per - fect love and friend - ship reign Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

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SERMON *“New Creation burden bearing, sowing, and boasting
in the Cross of Christ”* (Galatians 6:14)

OFFERING

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OFFERTORY

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

LSB 427; v.1-2



1 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, Tow'r - ing
2 When the woes of life o'er - take me, Hopes de -



o'er the wrecks of time, All the light of sa - cred
ceive, and fears an - noy, Nev - er shall the cross for -



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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.
Almighty Father, Your kingdom has come near to us through the preaching of the Word of Jesus. He alone gives us life and makes us Your household, Your family, where You dwell by Your Holy Spirit.
- C** **Enable us to receive Your Word with trusting hearts, knowing that the message we hear today is the living and active voice of Jesus.**
- P** When You sent out workers into Your harvest field, O Lord, You equipped them to proclaim the message of peace and salvation to all who would listen. Even when they faced rejection, You remained faithful to them and strengthened them through Your ongoing presence in their lives.
- C** **We praise You for doing the same in our lives today, gracious Lord! Even as Your Church goes through challenging times, remind us that Your mission continues and Your presence remains with us always.**
- P** Merciful King, equip all pastors, teachers, missionaries, and servants of Your Church to know Your love and declare it boldly to those You have called them to serve. Bless the

partnership of the Gospel that is ours in the household of faith that we may work together as brothers and sisters in Christ in the ventures You have prepared for us.

C Bless our ministry and mission here that we may worship You in Spirit and in truth, doing all that we can to proclaim Your Word in our community.

P Healing Lord, You give the pure medicine of Your Word and Supper to bless and nourish the souls of those who trust in You. As we gather together at Your altar today, we remember also those who are sick, homebound, hospitalized, and, for other reasons, unable to join with us in person. Send Your Spirit to fill their hearts and homes with Your perfect peace. Be especially with [names], that they may be restored by Your mighty, healing hand and ever praise You for Your work in their lives.

C We thank You, O Lord, that You hear and heal. Answer and bless all those who call out to You for mercy.

P Sovereign God, You are exalted above all nations, rulers, and authorities on earth. Today we pray for our nation as we celebrate the anniversary of our independence. Continue to bless our country and keep us mindful of Your blessings. Raise up godly men and women who will serve among us and work for the common good. Place Your hand upon all public servants and members of the armed forces that they may know Your presence and provision in their lives.

C Almighty God, bless our native land! Govern us by Your grace that we may experience Your lasting peace!

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

C Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C **And with your spirit.**

P Lift up your hearts.

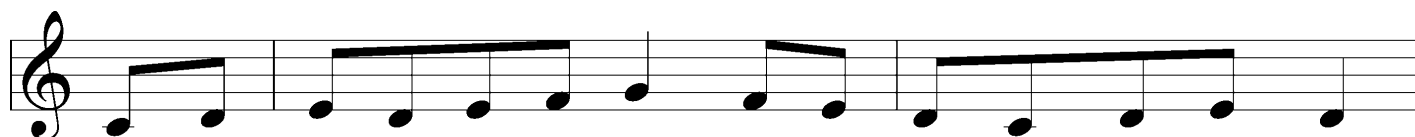
C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

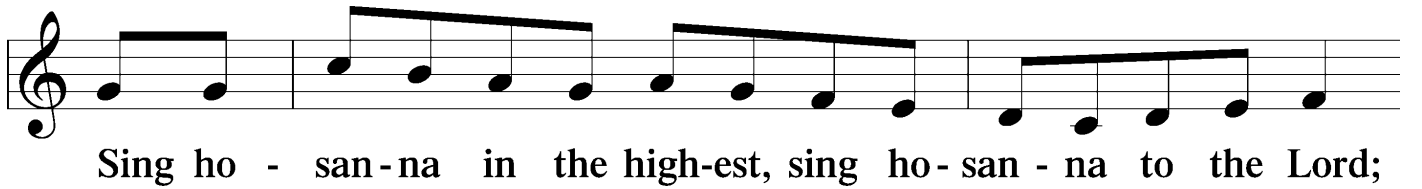
C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

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, for the countless blessings You so freely give to us and to all who belong to the household of faith. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into this world to bear our burdens and pay the penalty for our sins by His death upon the cross. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, Satan is defeated and the peace of Jesus is offered to all who trust in Him! 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 - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life and always know Your unending peace.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by the Second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant that the healing medicine of Your Word and Sacrament may put to flight the diseases of our souls that, with willing hearts, we may ever love and serve You.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

C Amen.

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.**

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."

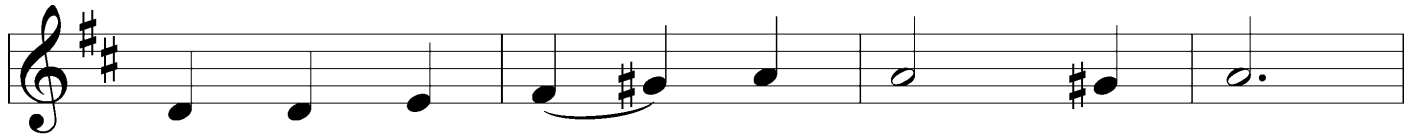
P In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **Amen.**

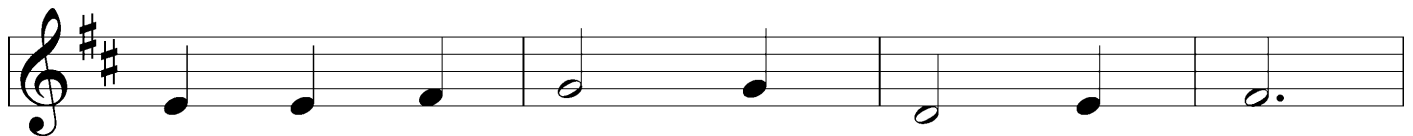
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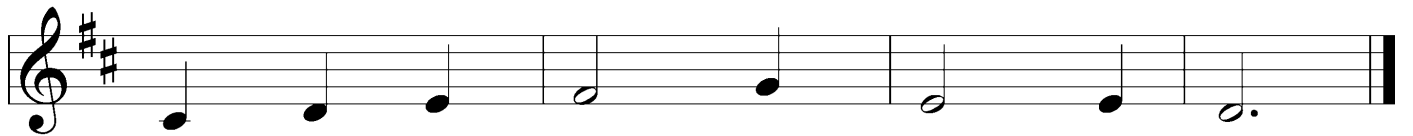
1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,



You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;



O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,



Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Please sit

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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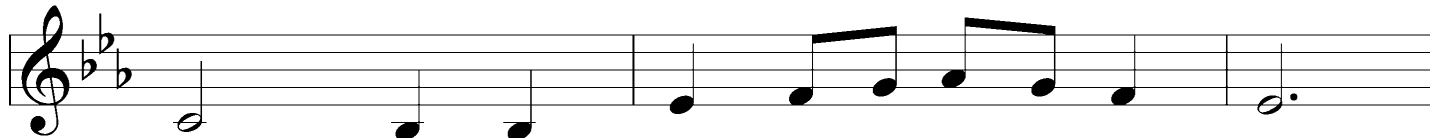
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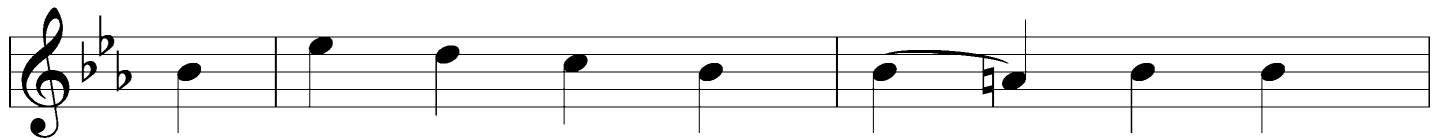
1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All



part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the



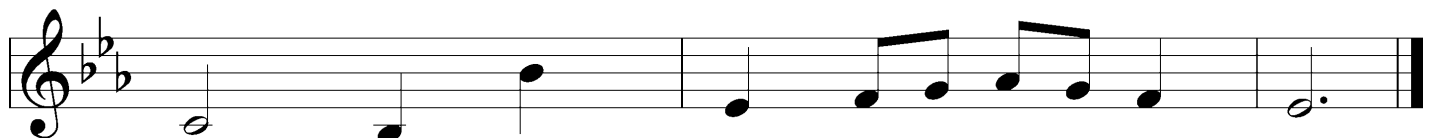
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;



A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is



to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -



peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P Let us pray. O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Meal of mercy. We ask You not to forsake Your children but always to reign in our hearts and homes by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; 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

Numbers 6:24-26

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you, and give you peace.

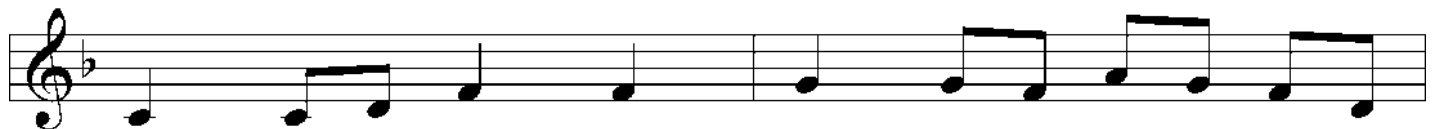
C Amen.

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SENDING HYMN

Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings

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1 Gra - cious God, You send great bless - ings
2 By Your Word You formed cre - a - tion
3 In His earth - ly life, our Sav - ior
4 Heav'n - ly Fa - ther, may our car - ing



New each morn - ing all our days. For Your mer - cies
 Filled with crea - tures large and small; As we tend that
 Knew the care of faith - ful friends; May our deeds of
 Bear the im - print of Your grace; With the Son and



nev - er end - ing, For Your love we of - fer praise.
 end - less trea - sure May our care en - cir - cle all.
 ded - i - ca - tion Of - fer love that nev - er ends.
 Ho - ly Spir - it, Praise be Yours in ev - 'ry place!

Refrain



Lord, we pray that we, Your peo - ple Who Your gifts un - num - bered claim,



Through the shar - ing of Your bless - ings May bring glo - ry to Your name.

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DISMISSAL

P Go in peace as you serve the Lord!

C Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Sermon Notes:



6/19/2022		
Sunday Worship	31	
Plate:	\$ 159.00	
Envelopes:	\$ 518.00	
Memorial:		
for Robert Eilers	\$ 250.00	
Total:	\$927.00	
Bible Class:	-	\$ -

Portals of Prayer

July to September 2022 are available

in the Nar-
office.

From Pastor's Desk

them or

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

Rev. Weber is leading the class.

Office will be closed tomorrow, Monday, July 4th.

The LCMS invites everyone to join together in memorizing a verse each week.

This week's memory verse: *Isaiah 64:8*

But no, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand.

Don't Forget, Elders' Meeting

Tuesday, July 5th

9:00 a.m.

Happy Fourth of July!
(Office will be closed, Monday, July 4th)



6/26/2022

Sunday Worship 26

Plate: \$ 130.00

Envelopes: \$ 1,628.00

Memorial:

Total: \$ 1,658.00

Bible Class: 8 \$ 7.00

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
Readings:

Leviticus (18:1-5) 19:9-18

Psalm 41

Colossians 1:1-14

Luke 10:25-37

The Lord Grants Peace and Life to His Church

The Lord restores Jerusalem, His Church, because she is the mother of His children, whom He comforts “as one whom his mother comforts” (Is. 66:13). We are “satisfied from her consoling breast” with the pure milk of the Word, and we “drink deeply with delight from her glorious abundance” (Is. 66:11). The messengers of Christ bestow such gifts upon His Church. For He sends them out “as lambs in the midst of wolves” (Luke 10:3), bearing in their bodies the sacrifice of His cross, by which “the kingdom of God has come near” (Luke 10:9, 11). Wherever He enters in with this Gospel, Satan is cast out and falls “like lightning from heaven” (Luke 10:18). Thus, we do not “boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ” (Gal. 6:14). Rejoicing in this Gospel, we “bear one another’s burdens” in love, according to “the law of Christ” (Gal. 6:2).

	Bi-Weekly Church Activity Schedule	
	July Sunday Servants	
Elder:	Dan Wehling	
Altar Guild:	Suzanne Wehling	
Music:	Doris Pickering/Pam Terral	
This Week	<i>Fourth Sunday after Pentecost</i>	
Usher:	Earl Neuhaus	
Sunday:	Holy Communion Worship Service	9:00 am
	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study	10:30 am
Next Week	<i>Fifth Sunday after Pentecost</i>	
Usher:	Ken Eilers	
Sunday:	Worship Service	9:00 am
	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study	10:30 am