

**NINTH SUNDAY  
AFTER PENTECOST**

**AUGUST 2, 2020**

**IMMANUEL  
LUTHERAN  
CHURCH**

**Missouri Synod**



**703 W 3<sup>RD</sup> Street  
Mercedes**

**Texas 78570**

**956.565.1518**

**Immanuelmercedes  
@gmail.com**

**[https://www.facebook.com/  
LutheranMercedes/](https://www.facebook.com/LutheranMercedes/)**

**Rev. Ed Weber,  
Pastor**

**956.463.1305**

**eweber10@aol.com**

**Website:  
Lutheranmercedes.  
com**

***Sunday***

**9:00 AM**

**Worship Service**

**10:30 am**

**Adult Bible Class &  
Sunday School**

**Holy Communion:**

**1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday**

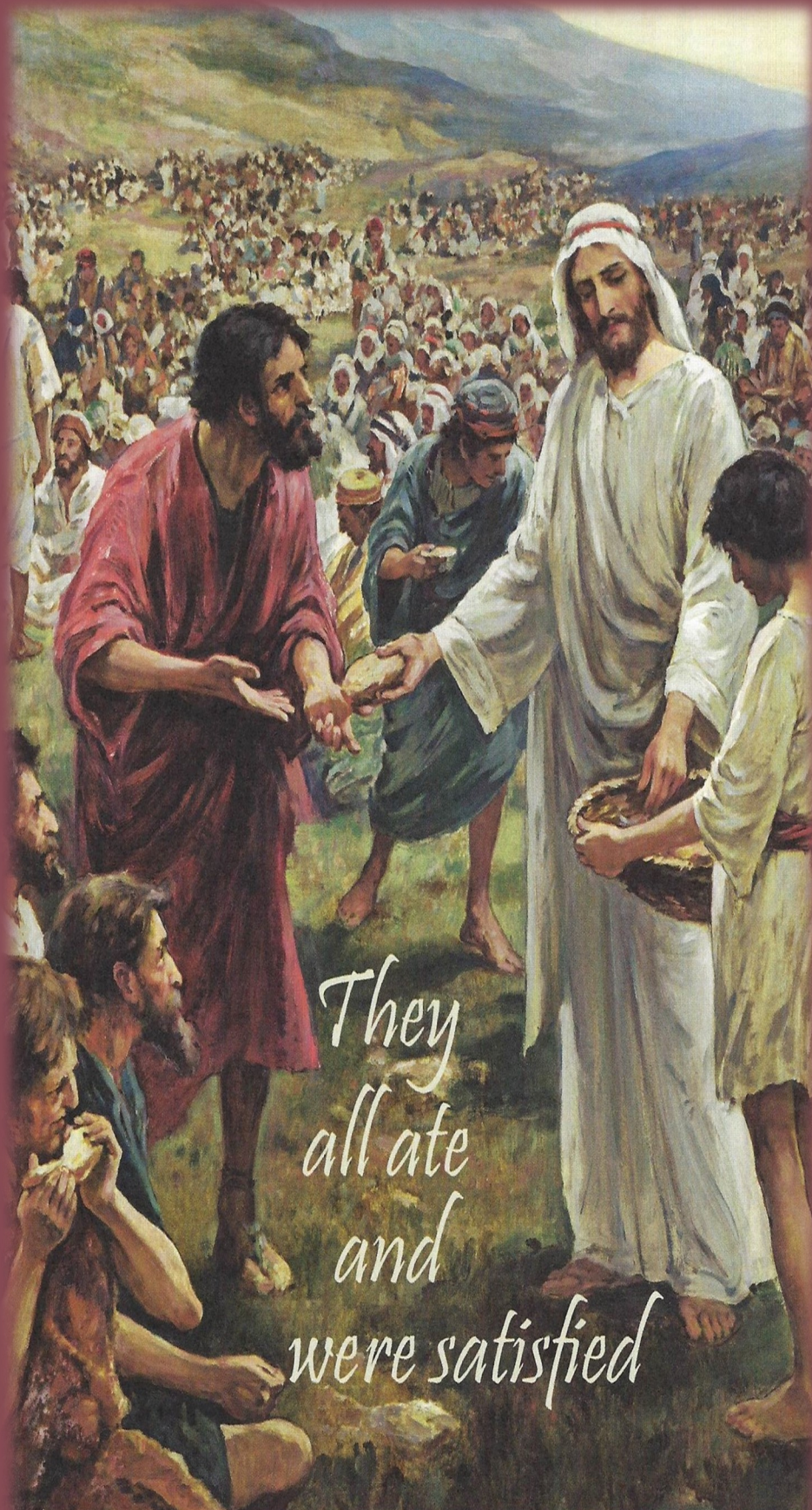
**Website:**

**Misionemanuel.com**

**Office Hrs, M-F**

**8 am to 12 pm**

**CCLI # 2585510**



*They  
all ate  
and  
were satisfied*

**NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**AUGUST 2, 2020**

**WELCOME to IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

We wish to extend a warm welcome to all our visitors this morning. It is our prayer that you will be spiritually nourished through God's Word, and we look forward to seeing you in person when we gather together in God's house again.

**A Prayer Upon Entering Church** - O blessed Lord, You are hidden in things simple and ordinary, but Your grace is never anything less than miraculous. Grant me grace that I recognize Your hand of blessing supplying me all that I need for this body and life and for my eternal salvation through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and teach me to receive them with gratitude and peace in my heart; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**AS WE GATHER WITH OUR FAMILIES** - Happiness and contentment are hard to find. Even with our abundance of possessions and opportunity, our hearts remain restless for things new and different, for the promise of something better. Paul reminds us that contentment does not come from having everything we desire, but with faith in the Lord, who is gracious and merciful and supplies all our needs. Today, we hear the terrible news of John the Baptist's martyrdom and a crowd restless with hunger. In the midst of it all, Jesus shows forth grace to rest our fears and satisfy us with all we need. We pray that we learn to trust in the Lord and to find contentment and peace in His grace sufficient for all things.

- 1 I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus,  
Trusting only Thee;  
Trusting Thee for full salvation,  
Great and free.
- 2 I am trusting Thee for pardon;  
At Thy feet I bow,  
For Thy grace and tender mercy  
Trusting now.
- 3 I am trusting Thee for cleansing  
In the crimson flood;  
Trusting Thee to make me holy  
By Thy blood.
- 4 I am trusting Thee to guide me;  
Thou alone shalt lead,  
Ev'ry day and hour supplying  
All my need.
- 5 I am trusting Thee for power;  
Thine can never fail.  
Words which Thou Thyself shalt give me  
Must prevail.
- 6 I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus;  
Never let me fall.  
I am trusting Thee forever  
And for all.

- 1 Today Your mercy calls us  
To wash away our sin.  
However great our trespass,  
Whatever we have been,  
However long from mercy  
Our hearts have turned away,  
Your precious blood can wash us  
And make us clean today.
- 2 Today Your gate is open,  
And all who enter in  
Shall find a Father's welcome  
And pardon for their sin.  
The past shall be forgotten,  
A present joy be giv'n,  
A future grace be promised,  
A glorious crown in heav'n.
- 3 Today our Father calls us;  
His Holy Spirit waits;  
His blessed angels gather  
Around the heav'nly gates.  
No question will be asked us  
How often we have come;  
Although we oft have wandered,  
It is our Father's home.
- 4 O all-embracing Mercy,  
O ever-open Door,  
What should we do without You  
When heart and eye run o'er?  
4 When all things seem against us,

To drive us to despair,  
We know one gate is open,  
One ear will hear our prayer.

Public domain

## INVOCATION

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

A **Amen.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

L Let us come before God in true repentance, seeking His mercy and forgiveness.

L If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

A **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

L Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

A **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.**

L "In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to

become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ."

**A Amen.**

### **+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +**

**INTROIT** *Psalm 105:39–43; antiphon: v. 1*

L Oh, give thanks to the Lord! Call upon His name; make known His deeds among the peoples!

**A He spread a cloud for a covering, and fire to give light in the night.**

L The people asked, and He brought quail, and satisfied them with the bread of heaven.

**A He opened the rock, and water gushed out; it ran in the dry places like a river.**

L For He remembered His holy promise, and Abraham His servant.

**A He brought out His people with joy, His chosen ones with gladness.**

L Oh, give thanks to the Lord! Call upon His name; make known His deeds among the peoples!

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

L Let us pray. Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve Your goodness, still You provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your gifts, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**A Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**      *Isaiah 55:1–5*

(Come, all who hunger and thirst, and the Lord will satisfy you  
with all that you need.)

1 “Ho! Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat. Yes, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. 2 Why do you spend money for what is not bread, and your wages for what does not satisfy? Listen carefully to Me, and eat what is good, and let your soul delight itself in abundance. 3 Incline your ear, and come to Me. Hear, and your soul shall live; and I will make an everlasting covenant with you—the sure mercies of David. 4 Indeed I have given him as a witness to the people, a leader and commander for the people. 5 Surely you shall call a nation you do not know, and nations who do not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, and the Holy One of Israel; for He has glorified you.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

**A Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM**      *Psalm 136:1–9; antiphon: v. 26*

**A Give thanks to the God of heaven, for His steadfast love endures forever.**

L Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good,

**A for His steadfast love endures forever.**

L Give thanks to the God of gods,

**A for His steadfast love endures forever.**

L Give thanks to the Lord of lords,

**A for His steadfast love endures forever;**

L to Him who alone does great wonders,

**A for His steadfast love endures forever;**

L to Him who by understanding made the heavens,

**A for His steadfast love endures forever;**  
L to Him who spread out the earth above the waters,  
**A for His steadfast love endures forever;**  
L to Him who made the great lights, the sun to rule over the  
day, the moon and stars to rule over the night,  
**A for His steadfast love endures forever;**  
**A 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.**  
L Give thanks to the God of heaven, for His steadfast love  
endures forever.

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**      *(see video)*

**EPISTLE**      *Romans 9:1-5 (6-13)*

(Paul anguishes over the people of Israel.)

1 I tell the truth in Christ, I am not lying, my conscience also  
bearing me witness in the Holy Spirit, 2 that I have great sor-  
row and continual grief in my heart. 3 For I could wish that I  
myself were accursed from Christ for my brethren,  
my countrymen according to the flesh, 4 who are Israelites, to  
whom pertain the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving  
of the law, the service of God, and the promises; 5 of  
whom are the fathers and from whom, according to the flesh,  
Christ came, who is over all, the eternally blessed God. Amen.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

**A Thanks be to God.**

**ALLELUIA and VERSE**

**C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**C These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is  
the Christ, the Son of God.**



**C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**HOLY GOSPEL**      *Matthew 14:13-21*

*(Jesus feeds the five thousand, and all were satisfied.)*

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

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

13 When Jesus heard it, He departed from there by boat to a deserted place by Himself. But when the multitudes heard it, they followed Him on foot from the cities. 14 And when Jesus went out He saw a great multitude; and He was moved with compassion for them, and healed their sick. 15 When it was evening, His disciples came to Him, saying, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is already late. Send the multitudes away, that they may go into the villages and buy themselves food."

16 But Jesus said to them, "They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat."

17 And they said to Him, "We have here only five loaves and two fish."

18 He said, "Bring them here to Me." 19 Then He commanded the multitudes to sit down on the grass. And He took the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, He blessed and broke and gave the loaves to the disciples; and the disciples gave to the multitudes. 20 So they all ate and were filled, and they took up twelve baskets full of the fragments that remained. 21 Now those who had eaten were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

L This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**A Praise to You, O Christ**

**APOSTLES CREED**

**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.**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**      *Thine Forever, God of Love*      **LSB 687**

- 1    Thine forever, God of love!  
      Hear us from Thy throne above;  
      Thine forever may we be  
      Here and in eternity!
- 2    Thine forever! Oh, how blest  
      They who find in Thee their rest!  
      Savior, guardian, heav'nly friend,  
      O defend us to the end!
- 3    Thine forever, Lord of Life!  
      Shield us through our earthly strife.  
      Thou, the life, the truth, the way,  
      Guide us to the realms of day.
- 4    Thine forever! Shepherd, keep  
      These Thy frail and trembling sheep;  
      Safe alone beneath Thy care,  
      Let us all Thy goodness share.

5 Thine forever! Thou our guide,  
All our wants by Thee supplied,  
All our sins by Thee forgiv'n;  
Lead us, Lord, from earth to heav'n.

Public domain

**SERMON**                    ***"Satisfaction Guaranteed!"***

(Matthew 14:20 )

**OFFERING**                *Given with cheerful and joyful hearts*

**HYMN**                    *Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us*                **LSB 851**

- 1 Lord of glory, You have bought us  
With Your lifeblood as the price,  
Never grudging for the lost ones  
That tremendous sacrifice;  
And with that have freely given  
Blessings countless as the sand  
To the\_unthankful and the evil  
With Your own unsparing hand.
- 2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give You  
Gladly, freely of Your own.  
With the sunshine of Your goodness  
Melt our thankless hearts of stone  
Till our cold and selfish natures,  
Warmed by You, at length believe  
That more happy and more blessed  
'Tis to give than to receive.
- 3 Wondrous honor You have given  
To our humblest charity  
In Your own mysterious sentence,  
"You have done it all to Me."

*[CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE]*

Can it be, O gracious Master,  
That You deign for alms to sue,  
Saying by Your poor and needy,  
“Give as I have giv’n to you”?

- 4 Lord of glory, You have bought us  
With Your lifeblood as the price,  
Never grudging for the lost ones  
That tremendous sacrifice.  
Give us faith to trust You boldly,  
Hope, to stay our souls on You;  
But, oh, best of all Your graces,  
With Your love our love renew.

Public domain

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

- L Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and  
for all people according to their needs.

Hungry and thirsty we come to You, O Lord, and we pray  
You to supply us with all things needful to this body and  
life, and to teach us to receive Your gifts with thanksgiving.  
Lord, in Your mercy,

- A hear our prayer.**

- L With restless hearts we come to You, O Lord, and we pray  
that by faith we rest our hopes, dreams, anxieties, and  
needs upon Your everlasting arms and find contentment  
and peace. Lord, in Your mercy,

- A hear our prayer.**

- L Knowing that You have established Your Church by Your  
Word and Spirit and endowed her with the Means of Grace,  
we pray for those who serve us in Your name: for [name],  
our Synod President; [name], our District President; and  
for our pastors and church workers. Raise up those who

will follow in their footsteps and serve You faithfully on our behalf. Lord, in Your mercy,

**A hear our prayer.**

L Knowing that all power is Yours both in heaven and on earth, we thank You for all the blessings bestowed upon us in this nation and for those who govern for the protection of the weak, the punishment of the evildoer, and the encouragement of virtue. Lord, in Your mercy,

**A hear our prayer.**

L Broken and wounded, we come to You, O Lord, for healing, comfort, and consolation. Hear us on behalf of all those who cry to You in any need, [especially . . . and those we name in our hearts], that Your gracious will be done and all be preserved in affliction and raised to everlasting life. Lord, in Your mercy,

**A hear our prayer.**

L Mindful of the poor and those who struggle with daily needs, we ask You, O Lord, to grant us the good fruits of the earth and the fruits of our honest labors to supply what we need and for the poor, the needy, and the unemployed. Lord, in Your mercy,

**A hear our prayer.**

*(Local concerns may be added here.)*

L Bidden by Your Word, we come as Your baptized people. Grant us the Holy Spirit that we receive your holy gifts in faith and manifest the full fruits of repentance in lives of faith and obedience. Lord, in Your mercy,

**A hear our prayer.**

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

A 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.**

**BENEDICAMUS**

L Let us bless the Lord.

A **Thanks be to God.**

**BENEDICTION**

L The Lord bless us and keep us,

The Lord make His face shine upon us and be gracious to us

The Lord lift His countenance upon us and grant us peace

A **Amen**

**SENDING HYMN**

*Be Still, My Soul*

**LSB 752**

- 1 Be still, my soul; the Lord is on your side;  
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;  
Leave to your God to order and provide;  
In ev'ry change He faithful will remain.  
Be still, my soul; your best, your heav'nly Friend  
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.
- 2 Be still, my soul; your God will undertake  
To guide the future as He has the past.  
Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake;

All now mysterious shall be bright at last.  
Be still, my soul; the waves and winds still know  
His voice who ruled them while He dwelt below.

3 Be still, my soul; though dearest friends depart  
And all is darkened in this vale of tears;  
Then you will better know His love, His heart,  
Who comes to soothe your sorrows and your fears.  
Be still, my soul; your Jesus can repay  
From His own fullness all He takes away.

4 Be still, my soul; the hour is hast'ning on  
When we shall be forever with the Lord,  
When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,  
Sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.  
Be still, my soul; when change and tears are past,  
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

Public domain

## **POSTLUDE**

*If God Himself Be for Me*

**LSB 724**

1 If God Himself be for me,  
I may a host defy;  
For when I pray, before me  
My foes, confounded, fly.  
If Christ, my head and master,  
Befriend me from above,  
What foe or what disaster  
Can drive me from His love?

2 I build on this foundation,  
That Jesus and His blood  
Alone are my salvation,

My true, eternal good.  
Without Him all that pleases  
Is valueless on earth;  
The gifts I have from Jesus  
Alone have priceless worth.

3 Christ Jesus is my splendor,  
My sun, my light, alone;  
Were He not my defender  
Before God's judgment throne,  
I never should find favor  
And mercy in His sight,  
But be destroyed forever  
As darkness by the light.

4 He canceled my offenses,  
Delivered me from death;  
He is the Lord who cleanses  
My soul from sin through faith.  
In Him I can be cheerful,  
Courageous on my way;  
In Him I am not fearful  
Of God's great Judgment Day.

5 For no one can condemn me  
Or set my hope aside;  
Now hell no more can claim me:  
Its fury I deride.  
No sentence now reproves me,  
No guilt destroys my peace;  
For Christ, my Savior, loves me  
And shields me with His grace.



- 6 Who clings with resolution  
To Him whom Satan hates  
Must look for persecution;  
For him the burden waits  
Of mock'ry, shame, and losses  
Heaped on his blameless head;  
A thousand plagues and crosses  
Will be his daily bread.
- 7 From me this is not hidden,  
Yet I am not afraid;  
I leave my cares, as bidden,  
To whom my vows were paid.  
Though life from me be taken  
And ev'rything I own,  
I trust in You unshaken  
And cleave to You alone.
- 8 No danger, thirst, or hunger,  
No pain or poverty,  
No earthly tyrant's anger  
Shall ever vanquish me.  
Though earth should break asunder,  
My fortress You shall be;  
No fire or sword or thunder  
Shall sever You from me.
- 9 No angel and no gladness,  
No throne, no pomp, no show,  
No love, no hate, no sadness,  
No pain, no depth of woe,  
No scheming, no contrivance,

No subtle thing or great  
Shall draw me from Your guidance  
Nor from You separate.

10 My heart with joy is springing;  
I am no longer sad.  
My soul is filled with singing;  
Your sunshine makes me glad.  
The sun that cheers my spirit  
Is Jesus Christ, my King;  
The heav'n I shall inherit  
Makes me rejoice and sing.

Public domain

\*\*\*\*\*

*Creative Worship for the Lutheran Parish, Series A, Quarter 3. Copyright  
© 2020 Concordia Publishing House. All rights reserved. Used by permission*

### ***Memory Verse Challenge***

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

***This week's memory verse: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18***

***"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you."***



# Family Worship at Home

<b>SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST</b>  July 12, 2020  Prayer Upon Entering Church- ***** ***** *****  <b>OPENING HYMN ***** 123</b>  <b>CONFESSION *****</b> ***** . Amen  <b>INTROIT *****</b>	<b>OLD TESTAMENT READING</b> ***** *****  <b>PSALM</b> ***** *****  <b>HOLY GOSPEL</b> ***** *****  <b>SERMON *****</b>  <b>OFFERING</b>  <b>SENDING HYMN ***** 456</b>
---	---



*a reminder:*

**Elders' Meeting**  
Tuesday, August 4, 2020  
Time: check with Pastor  
Weber

## Christ Jesus, the Living Bread from Heaven, Feeds the Children of God

By the Gospel of “the Christ, who is God over all, blessed forever” (Rom. 9:5), we are “the children of God” (Rom. 9:8), “not because of works but because of him who calls” (Rom. 9:11). Therefore, “listen diligently” and “hear, that your soul may live.” By His sacrificial death in His flesh and blood, He has made “an everlasting covenant” for us. Since He now calls us to Himself, we come to Him “and eat what is good, and delight ... in rich food” (Is. 55:2–3). He has come with divine compassion to save us from sin and death and to feed us with Himself. As our Lord Jesus once took bread, “said a blessing,” broke the loaves “and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds” (Matt. 14:18–19), He also now takes bread, blesses it by His Word to be His very body, and distributes it to His Church by the hand of His called and ordained servants. Just as “they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces,” there is more than enough for His whole Church to eat and to be satisfied (Matt. 14:20).

**7/5 & 12/2020**

**Sunday Worship**

Plate:	\$ 200.00
Envelopes:	\$ 2,250.00
Donation:	
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 2,450.00</b>

**7/19 & 26/2020**

Plate:	
Envelopes:	\$ 1,100.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 1,100.00</b>
Bible Class:	N/A

***Tenth Sunday after Pentecost  
Readings :***

*Job 38:4-18*

*Psalms 18:1-9 (7-16)*

*Romans 10:5-17*

*Matthew 14:22-33*