THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SEPTEMBER 8, 2019

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Sunday 9:00 AM Worship Service

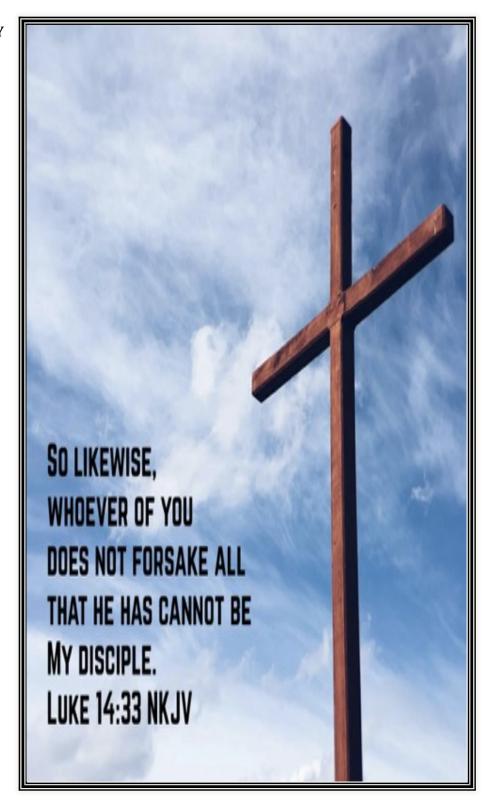
Adult Bible Class Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

Holy Communion: 1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday

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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.

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 O merciful Lord, You did not spare Your only Son but delivered Him up for me, even though I have run away from Your presence. Grant that I, restored into the fellowship of Your family, share with others the forgiveness I from Your hand receive; 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** The book is only twenty-one verses, but the impact of today's Epistle is powerful! In his shortest New Testament letter, Paul appeals to a slave owner named Philemon on behalf of a repentant runaway named Onesimus. Within this bold appeal is the powerful display of Christ's work of redemption for all who seek the renewed favor of their master. The death and resurrection of Jesus make an appeal on our behalf before the Father. For we, like Onesimus, have run away from Him. And we, like Onesimus, are offered restoration, full and free, when we come into Jesus' presence in humble repentance and faith. Let's do that together this day! As repentant runaways, let's gather to receive the restoration our Master alone can give!

## WELCOME

#### **PRELUDE**

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

# **DIVINE SERVICE, SETTING FOUR**

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OPENING HYMN

Praise the Almighty

LSB 797

#### 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.
- 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 119:28–32; antiphon: v. 27

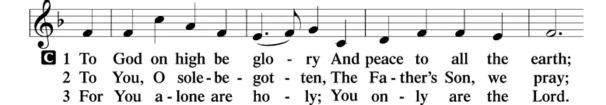
- P Make me understand the way of Your precepts,
- C and I will meditate on Your wondrous works.
- P My soul melts away for sorrow; strengthen me according to Your word!
- C Put false ways far from me and graciously teach me Your law!
- P I have chosen the way of faithfulness;
- C I set Your just decrees before me.
- P I cling to Your testimonies, O LORD; let me not be put to shame!
- C I will run in the way of Your commandments when You enlarge my heart!
- 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 Make me understand the way of Your precepts,
- C and I will meditate on Your wondrous works.

#### **KYRIE**



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

## **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**





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 also with you.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. Merciful Father, You gave up Your Son to the sacrifice of the cross in order to restore those who have run away from Your presence. Grant us to faithfully follow Him who offered His life for us all. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our

Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

#### **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

*Deuteronomy 30:15–20* (The Lord is your life!)

15 "See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil, 16 in that I command you today to love the Lord your God, to walk in His ways, and to keep His commandments, His statutes, and His judgments, that you may live and multiply; and the Lord your God will bless you in the land which you go to possess. 17 But if your heart turns away so that you do not hear, and are drawn away, and worship other gods and serve them, 18 I announce to you today that you shall surely perish; you shall not prolong your days in the land which you cross over the Jordan to go in and possess. 19 I call heaven and earth as witnesses today against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; therefore choose life, that both you and your descendants may live; 20 that you may love the Lord your God, that you may obey His voice, and that you may cling to Him, for He is your life and the length of your days; and that you may dwell in the land which the Lord swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to give them."

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

### **PSALM** Psalm 1

- P Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,
- C nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers;
- P but his delight is in the law of the LORD,
- C and on His law he meditates day and night.
- P He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither.
- C In all that he does, he prospers.
- P The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.
- C Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;
- P for the LORD knows the way of the righteous,
- C but the way of the wicked will perish.
  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** *Philemon 1–21* 

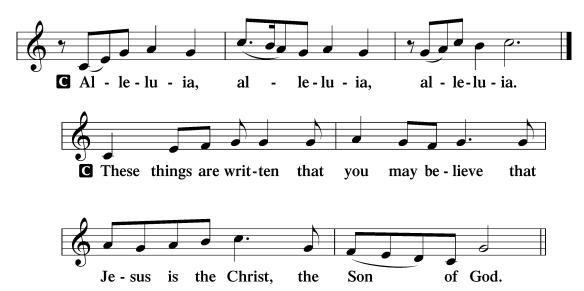
(Paul appeals on behalf of a repentant runaway.)

1 Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our beloved friend and fellow laborer, 2 to the beloved Apphia, Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house: 3 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord

Jesus Christ. 4 I thank my God, making mention of you always in my prayers, 5 hearing of your love and faith which you have toward the Lord Jesus and toward all the saints, 6 that the sharing of your faith may become effective by the acknowledgment of every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus. 7 For we have great joy and consolation in your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed by you, brother. 8 Therefore, though I might be very bold in Christ to command you what is fitting, 9 yet for love's sake I rather appeal to you—being such a one as Paul, the aged, and now also a prisoner of Jesus Christ— 10 I appeal to you for my son Onesimus, whom I have begotten while in my chains, 11 who once was unprofitable to you, but now is profitable to you and to me. 12 I am sending him back. You therefore receive him, that is, my own heart, 13 whom I wished to keep with me, that on your behalf he might minister to me in my chains for the gospel. 14 But without your consent I wanted to do nothing, that your good deed might not be by compulsion, as it were, but voluntary. 15 For perhaps he departed for a while for this purpose, that you might receive him forever, 16 no longer as a slave but more than a slave—a beloved brother, especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. 17 If then you count me as a partner, receive him as you would me. 18 But if he has wronged you or owes anything, put that on my account, 19 I, Paul, am writing with my own hand. I will repay—not to mention to you that you owe me even your own self besides. 20 Yes, brother, let me have joy from you in the Lord; refresh my heart in the Lord. 21 Having confidence in your obedience, I write to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

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

#### **ALLELUIA and VERSE**





**HOLY GOSPEL** 

Luke 14:25-35

(We count the cost of being Jesus' disciples.)

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

25 Now great multitudes went with Him. And He turned and said to them, 26 "If anyone comes to Me and does not hate his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and his own life also, he cannot be My disciple. 27 And whoever does not bear his cross and come after Me cannot be My disciple. 28 For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not sit down first and count the cost, whether he has enough to finish it—29 lest, after he has laid the foundation, and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, 30 saying, "This man began to build and was not able to finish'? 31 Or what king, going to make war against another king, does not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? 32 Or else, while the other is still a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks conditions of peace. 33 So likewise, whoever of you does not forsake all that he has cannot be My disciple.34 "Salt is good; but if the salt has lost its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? 35 It is neither fit for the land nor for the dunghill, but men throw it out. He who has ears to hear, let him hear!"

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.

**HYMN OF THE DAY** Lord, 'Tis Not That I Did Choose Thee **LSB 573** 

**SERMON** "Jesus' Disciple-making Budget" (Luke 14:28)

OFFERTORY All People That on Earth Do Dwell LSB 791

#### **OFFERING**

#### SHARING OF THE PEACE

# **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH** (Philemon 4–6)

- Paul writes, "I thank my God always when I remember you in my prayers, because I hear of your love and of the faith that you have toward the Lord Jesus and all the saints." United in love and faith, let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

  For the Gospel of Jesus Christ to reach into every corner of our broken world, that all who are running away from our heavenly Father turn from the path that leads to destruction, and by the Holy Spirit turn to Jesus for redemption and restoration, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Father, strengthen us to turn to You in repentance and faith.
- P For all those within the Church of Jesus, both clergy and laity, that we join as one to share the restoring word of Jesus with those we are sent to serve, embodying the spirit of Paul's words to Philemon that "the sharing of [our] faith may become effective for the full knowledge of every good thing that is in us," let us pray to the Lord.
- C Father, grant that we know all the good things that come to us as we share Your Word.
- P For all those who seek restoration with others, that the message of forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation not only be received in humble faith, but also shared within the relationships we have, knowing that every one of us is dependent upon Christ's mercy and love, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Father, help us to extend to others the mercy we receive from You.
- P For all who labor in positions of service and leadership in our country, state, and local community, including the members of the armed forces, that they know the constant protection of our gracious God and joyfully serve others in the vocations they have been given, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Father, thank You for serving us through the lives of others.
- P For all who are broken in heart, body, mind, and relationship, including those who are shut-in, hospitalized, in care centers, awaiting surgery, and recovering from medical procedures, [especially...], that the Lord would refresh the hearts of His saints and work mightily for their good, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Father, grant healing and refreshment to all for whom we pray.
- P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- 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.

## **BENEDICAMUS**

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

# **BENEDICTION** Based on Philemon 3, 6

- P Grace go with you and peace flow through you, for they are gifts from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
- C By God's grace and peace, we have been blessed with "the full knowledge of every good thing that is in us for the sake of Christ."
- 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.

SENDING HYMN

Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways

LSB 707

#### DISMISSAL

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

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**Portals of Prayer** for October to December are available in the Narthrex.



**Join us for Sunday School and Bible Study** at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

You have fellowship with one another and also enrich your spiritual life with the Word.

Rev. Weber is leading the Bible Study.

Youth Confirmation Classes

@ 6:00 p.m. on Tuesdays in the Pastor's Office

Adult Instruction Classes

Wednesdays in the Pastor's Office @ 7:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.



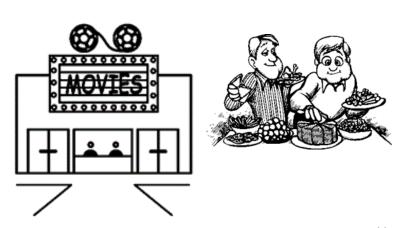


# Middle School & High School Youth Group

Today, September 8th @ 12:30pm at DCE Brenda's house! We'll have lunch together, a devotion, games, and watch a movie! Feel free to bring snacks to share & invite a friend!

Text DCE Brenda at (408) 512-8708 if you plan on coming.





# Christ Jesus Has Paid the Cost of Discipleship for You

A disciple of Jesus Christ will "bear his own cross" (Luke 14:27) and follow the Lord through death into life. Discipleship is costly because it crucifies the old man with "all that he has" (Luke 14:33), in order to raise up the new man in Christ. The disciple disavows "his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life" (Luke 14:26), in deference to Christ. That way of the cross is impossible, except that Christ Jesus has already paid the cost. His cross is set before you as "life and good, death and evil" (Deut. 30:15). Taking up His cross is to "choose life, that you and your offspring may live, loving the Lord your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him" (Deut. 30:19–20). To live that life in Christ is also to bear His cross in love, "that your goodness might not be by compulsion but of your own accord" (Philemon 14).

9/1/2019	:	•••••
Sunday Worship 42	li l	Fourteenth Sunday
Plate:	\$ 769.00	after Pentecost
Envelopes:	\$ 3,196.17	Readings:
Donation: Genesis PC Memorial:	\$ 500.00	Ezekiel 34:11-24 Psalm 119:169-176
Total:	\$ 4,465.17	1 Timothy 1:(5-11) 12-17 Luke 15:1-10
Bible Class: 12	\$ 13.00	

	Bi-Weekly Church Activity Schedule			
	September Sunday Servants:			
Elder:	Joe Winston			
Altar Guild:	Billie Jo Neuhaus & Maribel Perez			
Music:	Bonny Winston			
This Week	Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost			
Usher:	Ken & Bob Eilers			
Sunday:	Worship Service	9:00 am		
	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study	10:30 am		
Next Week	Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost			
Usher:	Don Vogel			
Sunday:	Holy Communion Worship Service	9:00 am		
12	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study	10:30 am		