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# **WELCOME to IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

We wish to extend a warm welcome to all our visitors this evening. 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.

A Prayer Upon Entering Church Almighty God, I thank You for all the mercies You have shown to me. You give me food and drink, a place I can call home, and most importantly, the sacrifice of Your Son on the cross to give me forgiveness, life, and salvation through His atoning death and resurrection, which conquered death and the grave forever. Help me not to be a fool, that I instead give You thanks on this day and every day. I pray this through Jesus Christ, my Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

AS WE GATHER Good land produces generous fruits to nourish and preserve life. This goodness proceeds from the generosity, bounty, and grace of God. Therefore, in prayer and supplication we offer thanksgiving to Him, content in all circumstances, grateful for sustenance needed for our body, soul, and spirit. So also when God eradicates disease through His Word, we rejoice in His omnipotent grace and power.

# **WELCOME**

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



- 1 Come, ye thank-ful peo ple, come; Raise the song of har-vest home.
- 2 All the world is God's own field, Fruit un to His praise to yield;
- 3 For the Lord, our God, shall come And shall take His har-vest home,
- 4 E ven so, Lord, quick ly come To Thy fi nal har vest home;



All be safe - ly gath - ered in Ere Wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, Un - From His field shall in that day All Gath - er Thou Thy peo - ple in, Free

Ere the win-ter storms be - gin; Un - to joy or sor-row grown. All of - fens - es purge a - way, Free from sor-row, free from sin,



God. our mak - er, doth pro-vide For our wants to be sup-plied. the blade and then the ear, Then full corn shall ap - pear. First the Give His an - gels charge at last In the fire the tares to cast, There, for - ev - er pu - ri - fied, In Thy gar - ner a - bide: to



Come to God's own tem-ple, come; Raise the song of har-vest home. Lord of har-vest, grant that we Whole-some grain and pure may be. But the fruit-ful ears to store In His gar-ner ev-er-more. Come with all Thine an-gels, come, Raise the glo-rious har-vest home.

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# **INVOCATION**

- P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

# **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our (Continue on next page) <sup>3</sup>

Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord,

- C who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.
  (Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination)
- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

# + SERVICE OF THE WORD +

**INTROIT** *Psalm 104:24, 27–28, 30; antiphon: v. 33* 

- P I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have my being.
- C O Lord, how manifold are Your works! In wisdom You have made them all. The earth is full of Your possessions—
- P These all wait for You, that You may give them their food in due season.
- C What You give them they gather in; You open Your hand, they are filled with good.
- P You send forth Your Spirit, they are created; and You renew

the face of the earth.

C I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have my being.

### **KYRIE**



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

### **SALUTATION**

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And with your spirit.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. Almighty God, You crown the fields with Your blessing and permit us to gather the fruits of the earth. As stewards of Your creation, grant that we receive Your gifts in humble thankfulness and share Your bounty with those in need; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# C Amen.

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**OLD TESTAMENT READING** Deuteronomy 8:1–10 ("The LORD your God is bringing you into a good land.")

1 "Every commandment which I command you today you must be careful to observe, that you may live and multiply, and go in and possess the land of which the Lord swore to your fathers. 2 And you shall remember that the Lord your God led you all the way these forty years in the wilderness, to humble you and test you, to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep His commandments or not. 3 So He humbled you, allowed you to hunger, and fed you with manna which you did not know nor did your fathers know, that He might make you know that man shall not live by bread alone; but man lives by every word that proceeds from the mouth of the Lord. 4 Your garments did not wear out on you, nor did your foot swell these forty years. 5 You should know in your heart that as a man chastens his son, so the Lord your God chastens you. 6 "Therefore you shall keep the commandments of the Lord your God, to walk in His ways and to fear Him. 7 For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and springs, that flow out of valleys and hills; 8 a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive oil and honey; 9 a land in which you will eat bread without scarcity, in which you will lack nothing; a land whose stones are iron and out of whose hills you can dig copper. 10 When you have eaten and are full, then you shall bless the Lord your God for the good land which He has given you.

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

# **PSALM** Psalm 67

- P God be merciful to us and bless us, and cause His face to shine upon us,
- C That Your way may be known on earth, Your salvation among all nations.
- P Let the peoples praise You, O God; let all the peoples praise You.
- C Oh, let the nations be glad and sing for joy! for You shall judge the people righteously, and govern the

# nations on earth.

- P Let the peoples praise You, O God; let all the peoples praise You.
- C Then the earth shall yield her increase; God, our own God, shall bless us.
- P God shall bless us, and all the ends of the earth shall fear Him.

# **EPISTLE** 1 Timothy 2:1–8

(Prayers and supplications are to be made for all people.)

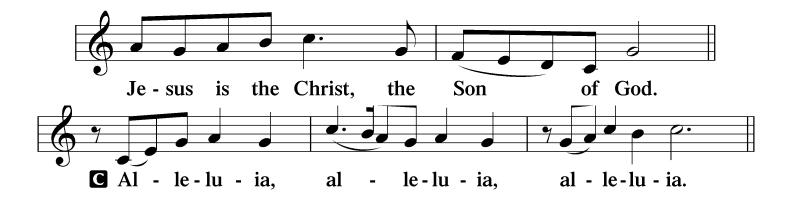
1 Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, 2 for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence. 3 For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, 4 who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. 5 For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus, 6 who gave Himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time, 7 for which I was appointed a preacher and an apostle—I am speaking the truth in Christ and not lying—a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth. 8 I desire therefore that the men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting;

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

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# **ALLELUIA AND VERSE**





### **HOLY GOSPEL**

Luke 17:11–19 (Healing of the ten lepers)

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the seventeenth chapter.
- C Glory to You, O Lord.
- 11 Now it happened as He went to Jerusalem that He passed through the midst of Samaria and Galilee. 12 Then as He entered a certain village, there met Him ten men who were lepers, who stood afar off. 13 And they lifted up their voices and said, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!"
- 14 So when He saw them, He said to them, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And so it was that as they went, they were cleansed.
- 15 And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, returned, and with a loud voice glorified God, 16 and fell down on his face at His feet, giving Him thanks. And he was a Samaritan.
- 17 So Jesus answered and said, "Were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine? 18 Were there not any found who returned to give glory to God except this foreigner?" 19 And He said to him, "Arise, go your way. Your faith has made you well."
- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

### **APOSTLES' CREED**

C 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.

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SERMON

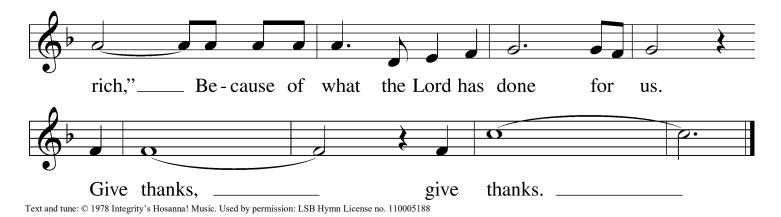


"Bless the Lord, your God!" Deuteronomy 8:10

# **OFFERING**

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### SHARING OF THE PEACE

"Peace be with you"

(Use of American Sign Language)

### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P With great thanksgiving for all God has given us, we pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and all people according to their needs.
- C We come before the Lord with thankful hearts for all He has done. Lord, hear our prayer.
- P Almighty God, we come before You on this great day of Thanksgiving, confessing that You have given us all we have,
- C yet we often foolishly think what we have is of our doing. Forgive us for our foolishness. Lord, hear our prayer.
- P We remember those in our church family and those we know who are sick and suffering, [especially . . .].
- C We lift them up to the great heavenly physician, asking You, dear Lord, to bring healing and health, bringing remedies as only You can and according to Your will. Lord, hear our prayer.
- P We recall that You have called us in Scripture to pray for kings and all in authority that we might live peaceful lives.
- C We lift up every ruler in every land; especially this day, we lift up our President, Congress, and all government officials. Guide all by Your Holy Spirit to accomplish Your will on this earth, that Your kingdom may truly come. Lord, hear our prayer.
- P We are also reminded by Your Word to pray for those who are persecuted.
- C We ask that You would be with them in their hour of trial;

- strengthen their faith and remind them of their great reward. Lord, hear our prayer.
- P Each year, Your people of old would recall who they were because of Your blessings.
- C We, like them, are nobody apart from You. Through the cross and empty tomb, You make us Yours by faith, members of Your family, for which we give You thanks. Lord, hear our prayer.
- P Your Word calls us to remember the poor and those in need.
- C By Your Holy Spirit, open our eyes that we may see those who are poor and in need that we can serve them. Lord, hear our prayer.
- P Lord Jesus Christ, You have sent Your Holy Spirit into our hearts, by which we have believed Your Word and are members of Your kingdom,
- C but we know there are those who do not believe in You. Use us by Your Spirit, according to Your will, that these ripe fields may bring a great harvest for Your glory. Lord, hear our prayer.
- P We lift these and all the prayers of our hearts before Your throne, almighty God.
- C We pray in the name of Jesus, who with You and the Holy Spirit is one God, now and forever. Amen.

# THE LORD'S PRAYER

- P With thanksgiving, we pray the prayer Jesus taught us.
- 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.

# **BENEDICAMUS**

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

### BENEDICTION

- P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.
- C Amen.

Please Sit.



# **DISMISSAL**

- P Go in peace as you serve the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God!



# **THANKSGIVING** crossword puzzle -8. S.P. mingkin 7. Mayflower 8.Pilgrim and mingkin 6. Indian 7. Mayflower 8.Pilgrim 1.Cornucopia 2.Turkey 3.Corn 4.Apple

Cover Answers before solving puzzle

