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16th Sunday of Pentecost

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SET YOUR  
MIND  
ON THINGS

Above



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## PRE-SERVICE MEDITATION

*Psalm 50:7-15*

<sup>7</sup> "Hear, O my people, and I will speak; O Israel, I will testify against you. I am God, your God. <sup>8</sup> Not for your sacrifices do I rebuke you; your burnt offerings are continually before me. <sup>9</sup> I will not accept a bull from your house or goats from your folds. <sup>10</sup> For every beast of the forest is mine, the cattle on a thousand hills. <sup>11</sup> I know all the birds of the hills, and all that moves in the field is mine. <sup>12</sup> "If I were hungry, I would not tell you, for the world and its fullness are mine. <sup>13</sup> Do I eat the flesh of bulls or drink the blood of goats? <sup>14</sup> Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and perform your vows to the Most High, <sup>15</sup> and call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me."

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## ✠ Order of Divine Worship ✠

### OPENING PRAYER

**HYMN: TLH #398**

**"Renew Me, O Eternal Light"**

**P** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** ♪ A - - - men.

**P** Pastor

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

**C** Congregation

*We come before God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness.*

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**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 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 Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.**

**P** Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**C** **O most merciful God, who hast given Thine only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee and of Thy will and true obedience to Thy Word, to the**

end that by Thy grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**P** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in His name He gives power to become the sons of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

**C** *♩* A - - - men.

**INTROIT**

*Ps. 86:1ff*

*A collection of passages that set the tone for the service.*

**P** Incline Your ear, O LORD, and answer me, save Your servant, who trusts in You—You are my God.

**C** Be gracious to me, O Lord, for to You do I cry all the day.

**P** Gladden the soul of Your servant, for to You, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.

**C** Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer; listen to my plea for grace.

**P** But You, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious; turn to me and be gracious to me;

**C** Give Your strength to Your servant and save the son of your maidservant.

**GLORIA PATRI**

*Latin for "Glory be to the Father"*

The musical score for the Gloria Patri is written in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The first system covers the lyrics: "Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;". The second system covers the lyrics: "as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men." The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody.

**VERSE OF THE DAY**

*Ps. 95:1*

**P** Alleluia. Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Alleluia.

# THE KYRIE

*Latin for "O Lord"*

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST

*TLH #237:1*

**C** *♩* All glory be to God on high, Who hath our race befriended! To us no harm shall now come nigh, The strife at last is ended. God showeth His good will to men, And peace shall reign on earth again; O thank Him for His goodness!

**P** Let us pray. . . . You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** *♩* A - - - men.

**OLD TESTAMENT READING – 1 Kings 17:8-16** Then the word of the LORD came to him, <sup>9</sup> "Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to feed you." <sup>10</sup> So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks. And he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, that I may drink." <sup>11</sup> And as she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." <sup>12</sup> And she said, "As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of flour in a jar and a little oil in a jug. And now I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die." <sup>13</sup> And Elijah said to her, "Do not fear; go and do as you have said. But first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son." <sup>14</sup> For thus says the LORD, the God of

Israel, 'The jar of flour shall not be spent, and the jug of oil shall not be empty, until the day that the LORD sends rain upon the earth.'"

<sup>15</sup> And she went and did as Elijah said. And she and he and her household ate for many days. <sup>16</sup> The jar of flour was not spent, neither did the jug of oil become empty, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

**GOSPEL READING – Luke 12:13-21** Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me."

<sup>14</sup> But he said to him, "Man, who made me a judge or arbitrator over you?" <sup>15</sup> And he said to them, "Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions." <sup>16</sup> And he told them a parable, saying, "The land of a rich man produced plentifully, <sup>17</sup> and he thought to himself, 'What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?' <sup>18</sup> And he said, 'I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. <sup>19</sup> And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.'" <sup>20</sup> But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' <sup>21</sup> So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God."

## **CONFESSION OF FAITH**

*The Apostles' Creed*

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*The Apostles' Creed is a summary of Christian faith as taught by the Apostles.*

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**I believe in God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.  
I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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.**

**SERMON – Galatians 6:7-10 (NKJV)** Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. <sup>8</sup> 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. <sup>9</sup> And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart. <sup>10</sup> Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith.

## **The Harvest Always Matches the Seed**

I. Sowing to the flesh always yields corruption

II. Sowing to the Spirit will yield the harvest of eternal life!



### **OFFERTORY**

*In this prayer we OFFER God our hearts, asking Him for that best of all gifts, the Holy Spirit.*

- C** ♪ **Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

**HYMN: TLH #403**

**“Savior, Thy Dying Love”**

### **- OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS -**

*Followed immediately by the Offering Hymn printed below:*

**OFFERING HYMN: TLH #441:1**

**“We Give Thee But Thine Own”**

- C** ♪ **We give Thee but Thine own, Whate’er the gift may be;  
All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.**

### **PRAYER, LORD’S PRAYER, and BENEDICTION**

- P** The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you; The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you His peace.

- C** ♪ **Amen, amen, a – men.**

**HYMN: TLH #438**

**“Almighty Father, Heaven and Earth”**

## ✝ Announcements ✝

### CLC Mission Prayer List

**Togo** – With a resident missionary now in place, Pastor Kossi is excited as they begin planning and conducting five evangelism campaigns to take place throughout Togo over the next year. A CLC-MDF grant was recently approved to provide funding for this effort to preach the truth of God’s saving word in Togo, Ghana, and Benin. Pray for the Lord’s blessing on this effort.

<> **Liberia** – Pastor Joseph continues to reach out with the Gospel in Monrovia and Bopolu. He is currently leading classes in both areas. Visiting Missionary John Hein is planning his trip to Liberia in November 2019. Pray that the Lord will bless the preparations necessary for Pastor Hein’s visit. <> **Missionary Evensen in Togo** – Missionary Peter Evensen continues to settle into his apartment and work in Lomé. He recently received a “Stay Card” which will allow him to stay in Togo for longer periods of time and will also allow him to more easily travel throughout West Africa. This is a big deal and the Lord was clearly behind the scenes making this happen. Pray that the Lord will continue to bless this transition to Togo and the work he is doing to assist in training men to be faithful preachers and teachers of God’s saving word. You can read his blog at <http://evensen.lutheranmissions.org/> – More mission prayer opportunities are posted on the hall bulletin board!

**Trip to Israel** – A group trip to Israel is being planned by CLC members for January of 2021. The dates are set for January 13-22, 2021 with a possible three day extension to Jordan for those who are interested. The trip will include visits to the traditional sites of many of the events in the ministry of Jesus as well as those of the prophets and apostles. This is a wonderful opportunity to see the places which we read and hear about in the Scriptures and where God brought His plan of salvation to completion through the life and the death of Jesus. If you have any questions or would like more information, please ask your pastor or contact Pastor Mayhew (404-729-4602 or [ndmayhew@att.net](mailto:ndmayhew@att.net)).

### Looking Ahead...

- ✝ **Sept. 29:** Board of Ed
- ✝ **Oct. 6:** Mission Sunday (School Children Sing)
- ✝ **Oct. 6:** Lord’s Supper and Fellowship Snack
- ✝ **Oct. 6:** Ladies of Immanuel
- ✝ **Oct. 6:** Board of Elders
- ✝ **Oct. 13:** Orlando Service 8 am
- ✝ **Oct. 20:** Board of Trustees & Church Council
- ✝ **Nov. 3:** Quarterly Voters Mtg.

**Nominations for ILC President:** The Immanuel Board of Regents invites nominations for the office of President of Immanuel Lutheran College. The current term of Professor Steven Sippert concludes on June 30, 2020. He has requested that he not be considered for another term. We thank him for his faithful service in this key administrative function at our campus. All pastors, professors, male teachers, and voting members of the CLC are entitled to nominate a man from the faculty of Immanuel Lutheran College to serve a two-year term beginning July 1, 2020. Nominations are to be received by email or letter no later than midnight December 15, 2019 (letters postmarked December 1, 2019) to: Mr. James Burkhardt; 217 Windy Lane; Rockwall, TX 75087; email: [jeb6217@yahoo.com](mailto:jeb6217@yahoo.com).

**CLC Call News** Bethel, Morris, MN has called Pastor David Ude, Living Hope, Appleton, WI. <> Trinity, Spokane, WA has called former Pastor Stephen Sydow, now living in Eau Claire, WI. <> The CLC Mission board has called Pastor Rob Sauers, Luther Memorial, Fond du Lac, WI to be their third full-time foreign missionary. <> Pastor Joel Fleischer of Berea Lutheran in Sioux Falls, SD has announced his resignation from the ministry for personal reasons.

**Shut-in/Encouragement List** **Emily Kuehne** suffers from total blindness and severe knee pain when standing or walking. **Patti Meno** continues to receive treatment for her kidney condition and is awaiting a transplant. **Bill Issitt III** remains mostly housebound while recovering from several health problems. **Johanna Jaehnigen** remains mostly housebound, being no longer able to drive. **Crystal Shaw** has many blood clots in her heart, lungs, and legs, and is receiving treatment to prevent a heart attack. **Bill Hartmann's** health is deteriorating. Please keep Bill and Liz in your prayers. **Bill Issitt Sr.** is still recovering from his hospital stay, but we praise the Lord for great progress so far. **Loye Issitt** is receiving regular dialysis.

**Last Week (9/22)** WH – 33 Orlando – 12

General = \$1,503.35 | Prop. Improvement = \$60 | Building Fund = \$50

**Total Offering = \$1,635.35**

**October Usher:** Mark Moorehead

| **Cleaning (10/5):** Moorehead

| **Acolyte (10/6):** Grant R.