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(414) 534-7279 (863) 967-5145 <sup>7</sup> "Will the Lord spurn forever, and never again be favorable? <sup>8</sup> Has his steadfast love forever ceased? Are his promises at an end for all time? <sup>9</sup> Has God forgotten to be gracious? Has he in anger shut up his compassion?" Selah <sup>10</sup> Then I said, "I will appeal to this, to the years of the right hand of the Most High." <sup>11</sup> I will remember the deeds of the LORD; yes, I will remember your wonders of old. <sup>12</sup> I will ponder all your work, and meditate on your mighty deeds. <sup>13</sup> Your way, O God, is holy. What god is great like our God? <sup>14</sup> You are the God who works wonders; you have made known your might among the peoples. <sup>15</sup> You with your arm redeemed your people, the children of Jacob and Joseph.

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#### OPENING PRAYER

**HYMN: TLH #394** 

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

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

## **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:**

P Pastor

**C** Congregation

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

- 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.
- ✓ Who made heaven and earth.
- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.
- 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.
- 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.

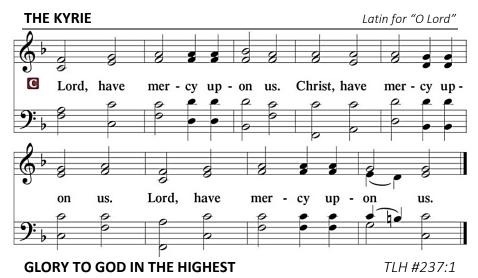
INTROIT Ps. 32:1ff

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

- P Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.
- Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.
- P I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity;
- I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.
- Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to You at a time when You may be found; surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him.
- You are a hiding place for me; You preserve me from trouble; You surround me with shouts of deliverance.



P Alleluia. You are my hiding place and my shield; I hope in your word. Alleluia.



- 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.

**EPISTLE READING – Romans 5:12-17** Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned-- <sup>13</sup> for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. <sup>14</sup> Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come. <sup>15</sup> But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many. <sup>16</sup> And the free gift is not like the result of that one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift

following many trespasses brought justification. <sup>17</sup> For if, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL READING - John 8:2-11 Early in the morning he came again to the temple. All the people came to him, and he sat down and taught them. <sup>3</sup> The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery, and placing her in the midst 4 they said to him, "Teacher, this woman has been caught in the act of adultery. 5 Now in the Law, Moses commanded us to stone such women. So what do you say?" <sup>6</sup> This they said to test him, that they might have some charge to bring against him. Jesus bent down and wrote with his finger on the ground. <sup>7</sup> And as they continued to ask him, he stood up and said to them, "Let him who is without sin among you be the first to throw a stone at her." 8 And once more he bent down and wrote on the ground. 9 But when they heard it, they went away one by one, beginning with the older ones, and Jesus was left alone with the woman standing before him. 10 Jesus stood up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" 11 She said, "No one, Lord." And Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you; go, and from now on sin no more."

## **CONFESSION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed

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

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 – Genesis 3:21-24** And the LORD God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them. <sup>22</sup> Then the LORD God said, "Behold, the man has become like one of us in knowing good and evil. Now, lest he reach out his hand and take also of the tree of life and eat, and live forever-- " <sup>23</sup> therefore the LORD God sent him out from the garden of Eden to work the ground from which he was taken. <sup>24</sup> He drove out the man, and at the east of the garden of Eden he placed the cherubim and a flaming sword that turned every way to guard the way to the tree of life.

## **God's Important Reminders**

- I. The reminder of clothing
- II. The reminder of working
  - III. The reminder of dying

#### **OFFERTORY**

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

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 #371:1-5 "Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness"

#### - OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS -

Followed immediately by the Offering Hymn printed below:

## OFFERING HYMN: TLH #441:1 "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

■ ✓ 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.

# + Announcements +

# **Delegates Conference** in

St. Louis this past week was a success. Our congregation was represented by Pastor Rodebaugh and Steve Goodwin. Papers were presented on Genesis 3:21-24, Galatians 3:1-5, "Three Methods of Apologetics and Why it Matters," the process for removal of wayward pastors,

# **Looking Ahead...**

- ☆ Oct. 13: Orlando Service 8 am
- ♣ Oct. 20: Board of Trustees & Church Council
- ♣ Nov. 3: Reformation Service & Potluck Meal
- ♣ Nov. 3: Quarterly Voters Mtg.
- ♣ Nov. 3: Ladies of Immanuel

"Encouraging Our People During a Time of Pastoral Candidate Shortage," and our current overseas missions. The conference also developed a memorial to be sent to the CLC Convention this summer regarding the Joint Statement. On Tuesday night, a communion service was held. It was a very beneficial conference; thanks be to the Lord that we were able to participate!

**ILC Scholarship Fund** — As the second semester of school approaches, we are looking to make another disbursement from the ILC Scholarship Fund in order to assist with the high school tuition of Joel Bernthal. Looking forward to next school year, we are projected to have two students from our congregation attending ILC in Eau Claire, WI. In preparation for this, please consider donating to the "ILC Scholarship Fund" to help our member families who seek to continue their children's Christian education at Immanuel Lutheran High School.

**Lutheran Spokesman Subscriptions** This announcement is coming a bit late, but your Lutheran Spokesman subscriptions were renewed at the beginning of July. The subscriptions were \$14 to renew per member, and if you would like to contribute to help offset this cost, simply make a note of your intentions on your offering envelopes. This is a freewill offering; the subscriptions have already been renewed and will continue coming until June regardless.

<u>Petty Cash</u> If you are able and willing to donate to petty cash, there are a number of supplies and services provided at Immanuel through the use of petty cash.

**<u>CLC Call News</u>** Stephen Sydow, Eau Claire, WI has returned the call to be pastor of Trinity, Spokane, WA.

**Letter Writing** We have a number of members that would like to make it to church but are unable for various reasons. Most of these members you can find below in the "Shut-in/Encouragement List." I have heard from several different people over the past few years that they greatly miss the Christian fellowship that church attendance often affords. Paul directs us in 1 Thessalonians 5:11 "Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing." If you know any of the individuals on the list, (or even if you do not!) please take the time over the coming weeks to reach out with Christian encouragement in the form of a letter or a phone call. I cannot express strongly enough how much a kind word from a friend can help an individual in a time of sickness or loneliness.

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 (10/06) WH - 74

General = \$2,201 | CLC Missions = \$10 | Property Improvement = \$40 | ILC Scholarship = \$100 | Benevolence = \$10

Total Offering = \$2,361

October Usher: Mark Moorehead | Cleaning (10/19): Custodio | Acolyte (10/20): Hayden

## What About YOUR Home?

"For 120 years Noah preached the Gospel; tell me, how many conversions did he get? Seven. Who were Noah's converts? They were his wife and family. The place where the reality of a man's religion is tested the most is in his own home." — Alan Redpath