

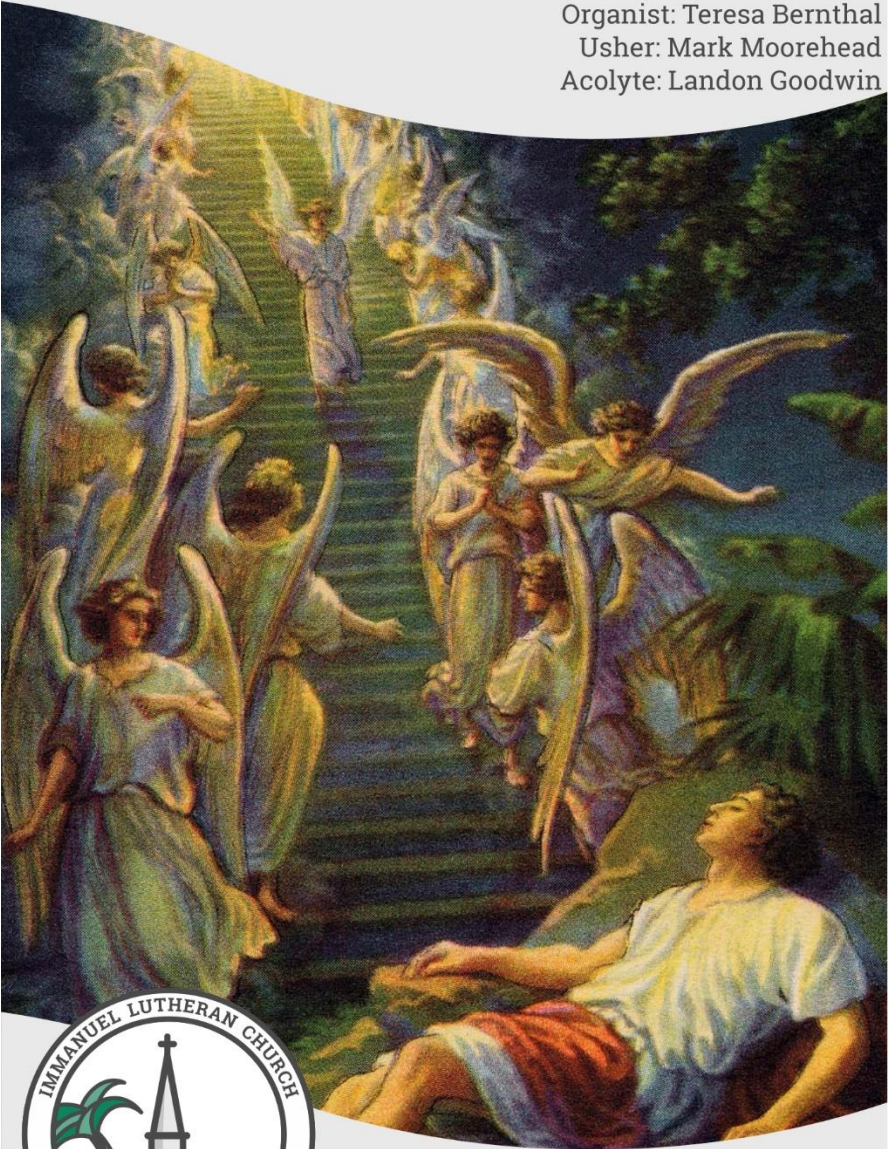
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**Pentecost 20**

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## PRE-SERVICE MEDITATION

Psalm 4

<sup>1</sup> Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness! You have given me relief when I was in distress. Be gracious to me and hear my prayer! <sup>2</sup> O men, how long shall my honor be turned into shame? How long will you love vain words and seek after lies? Selah <sup>3</sup> But know that the LORD has set apart the godly for himself; the LORD hears when I call to him. <sup>4</sup> Be angry, and do not sin; ponder in your own hearts on your beds, and be silent. Selah <sup>5</sup> Offer right sacrifices, and put your trust in the LORD. <sup>6</sup> There are many who say, "Who will show us some good? Lift up the light of your face upon us, O LORD!" <sup>7</sup> You have put more joy in my heart than they have when their grain and wine abound. <sup>8</sup> In peace I will both lie down and sleep; for you alone, O LORD, make me dwell in safety.

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## ✠ Order of Divine Worship ✠

### OPENING PRAYER

**HYMN: TLH #1**

**"Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty"**

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

**C** ♪ A - - - men.

**P** Pastor

### CONFESSON 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. 78; 35; 34; 48*

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

**P** Say to my soul, "I am your salvation!" When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears.

**C** **The Lord saved him out of all his troubles; this is God, our God forever and ever.**

**P** Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

**C** **I will open My mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old.**

**P** Things that we have heard and known, that our fathers have told us.

**C** **We will tell the coming generation the glorious deeds of the LORD, and His might, and the wonders that He has done.**

**GLORIA PATRI**

*Latin for "Glory be to the Father"*

The musical score for the Gloria Patri is presented in four systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The first system contains the lyrics: "Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;". The second system contains 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 consists of block chords and simple melodic lines in the bass clef.

**VERSE OF THE DAY**

*Ps. 98:1*

**P** Sing to the Lord a new song; for He has done marvelous things!


## 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. Almighty and merciful God, of Your bountiful goodness keep from us all things that may hurt us that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish whatever You would have us do. Through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C**  A - - - men.

**EPISTLE READING – Ephesians 4:20-29** But that is not the way you learned Christ!-- <sup>21</sup> assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus, <sup>22</sup> to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, <sup>23</sup> and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, <sup>24</sup> and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness. <sup>25</sup> Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. <sup>26</sup> Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, <sup>27</sup> and give no opportunity to the devil. <sup>28</sup> Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he

may have something to share with anyone in need. <sup>29</sup> Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear.

**GOSPEL READING – Matthew 9:1-8** And getting into a boat he crossed over and came to his own city. <sup>2</sup> And behold, some people brought to him a paralytic, lying on a bed. And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Take heart, my son; your sins are forgiven." <sup>3</sup> And behold, some of the scribes said to themselves, "This man is blaspheming." <sup>4</sup> But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, "Why do you think evil in your hearts? <sup>5</sup> For which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise and walk'? <sup>6</sup> But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"-- he then said to the paralytic-- "Rise, pick up your bed and go home." <sup>7</sup> And he rose and went home. <sup>8</sup> When the crowds saw it, they were afraid, and they glorified God, who had given such authority to men.

## **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.**

**HYMN: TLH #511:1, 4-6 "Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun"**

**SERMON – Genesis 28:10-17** Jacob left Beersheba and went toward Haran. <sup>11</sup> And he came to a certain place and stayed there that night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place to sleep.

<sup>12</sup> And he dreamed, and behold, there was a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven. And behold, the angels of God were ascending and descending on it! <sup>13</sup> And behold, the LORD stood above it and said, "I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac. The land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring. <sup>14</sup> Your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south, and in you and your offspring shall all the families of the earth be blessed. <sup>15</sup> Behold, I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land. For I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." <sup>16</sup> Then Jacob awoke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place, and I did not know it." <sup>17</sup> And he was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

## Finding the Stairway of Heaven

### 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 #634:1-3,7 "Come, Jesus, from the Sapphire Throne"**

### - 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 #638**

**"In Loud, Exalted Strains"**

## ✝ Announcements ✝

**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 on the next page 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.

**Thanksgiving Potluck** Next weekend we will be celebrating the 502<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of the Reformation here at Immanuel. As we thank God for reforming his church, bringing us out of darkness and into the marvelous light of His Gospel, we also will be thanking God for all that He does for us with a Thanksgiving potluck after church. Please bring a dish to pass and stay for an hour of Christian fellowship and thanksgiving!

**Voters Meeting** is scheduled to be held next Sunday after our Thanksgiving potluck. We do ask that all of our voters make a point to stay for this important meeting.

**Daylight Savings Ends** next weekend. Remember to turn your clock back an hour when you go to sleep next Saturday night!

**Immanuel Lutheran College Visitors Day** is November 15th, beginning at 10:05 a.m. in the ILC gymnasium for chapel. It will feature presentations and classroom visits until 2:50 p.m. Come and learn more about your church’s college and a continuing education with Christ. We will attempt to provide lodging, if needed, Thursday or Friday nights for those attending College Visitor’s Day. (No special activity is planned for Thursday evening.) Also, visitors will be our guests at meals. There is also the opportunity to see the ILC fall musical, which will be performed both

### **Looking Ahead...**

- ✝ **Oct. 27:** Orlando Service 8 am
- ✝ **Nov. 3:** Reformation Service & Potluck Meal
- ✝ **Nov. 3:** Quarterly Voters Mtg.
- ✝ **Nov. 3:** Ladies of Immanuel
- ✝ **Nov. 10:** Orlando Service 8 am

Friday and Saturday evenings at 7:30 p.m. A band concert will precede the musical on Friday night at 7:00 p.m.; a variety of student musical performances will precede the musical on Saturday night at 7:00 p.m. Please speak with your pastor about questions and attendance. Please convey attendance information and any housing requests to Prof. Dan Schierenbeck, ILC Academic Dean, by November 12th. Phone: 660-864-9231, e-mail: [dan.schierenbeck@ilc.edu](mailto:dan.schierenbeck@ilc.edu)

**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.

**CLC Call News** Redeemer and Zion of Bowdle and Ipswich, SD, have called Mr. Allen Durham (member of Resurrection, Corpus Christi) to serve as their pastor. The call document includes stipulations (1) to continue his distance studies through ILC with the intent of becoming a rostered called worker of the CLC in due time and (2) to reach out to the conference visitor for any matter he and the local trustees determine the Lord has yet to equip him sufficiently.

**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 and had an operation this past week.

**Last Week (10/20)** WH – 29

General = \$950 | Spokesman = \$34 | ILC Scholarship = \$50

**Total Offering = \$1,034**

**November Usher:** Darrin Ream

| **Cleaning (11/2):** Bernthal

| **Acolyte (11/3):** Mason K.