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(414) 534-7279 (863) 967-5145 <sup>1</sup> LORD, you were favorable to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob. <sup>2</sup> You forgave the iniquity of your people; you covered all their sin. Selah <sup>3</sup> You withdrew all your wrath; you turned from your hot anger. 4 Restore us again, O God of our salvation, and put away your indignation toward us! 5 Will you be angry with us forever? Will you prolong your anger to all generations? <sup>6</sup> Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you? 7 Show us your steadfast love, O LORD, and grant us your salvation. 8 Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints; but let them not turn back to folly. 9 Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him, that glory may dwell in our land. 10 Steadfast love and faithfulness meet; righteousness and peace kiss each other. 11 Faithfulness springs up from the ground, and righteousness looks down from the sky. 12 Yes, the LORD will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase. Righteousness will go before him and make his footsteps a way.

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#### **OPENING PRAYER**

HYMN: TLH #512 "O Christ, Our True and Only Light"

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. 89:1, 20, 26-28

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

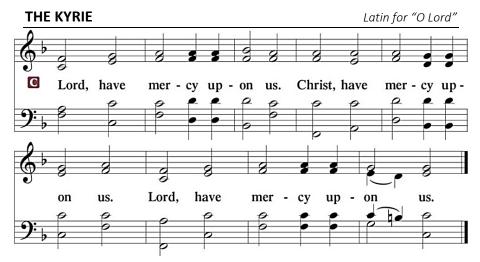
- P Behold the Lord, the ruler, has come, and the kingdom and the power and the glory are in His hand.
- I have found David, My servant; with My holy oil I have anointed Him.
- I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD, forever; with my mouth I will make known Your faithfulness to all generations.
- He shall cry to Me, "You are My Father, My God, and the Rock of My salvation."
- P And I will make Him the firstborn, the highest of the kings of the earth.
- My steadfast love I will keep for Him forever, and My covenant will stand firm for Him.

#### **GLORIA PATRI**

Latin for "Glory be to the Father"



P Alleluia. The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to proclaim good news to the poor. Alleluia.



**GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST** 

TIH #237:1

- 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!
- Let us pray. Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**EPISTLE READING – 1 Corinthians 1:26-31** For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. <sup>27</sup> But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; <sup>28</sup> God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, <sup>29</sup> so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. <sup>30</sup> And because of him you are

in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption, <sup>31</sup> so that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

**GOSPEL READING – Luke 4:14-21** And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee, and a report about him went out through all the surrounding country. <sup>15</sup> And he taught in their synagogues, being glorified by all. <sup>16</sup> And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. And as was his custom, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read. <sup>17</sup> And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and

found the place where it was written, <sup>18</sup> "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, <sup>19</sup> to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." <sup>20</sup> And he rolled up the scroll and gave it back to the



attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. <sup>21</sup> And he began to say to them, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

#### **CONFESSION OF FAITH**

HYMN: TLH #27

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** – **Isaiah 61:1-3** The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me to bring good news to the poor; he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound; <sup>2</sup> to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; <sup>3</sup> to grant to those who mourn in Zion-- to give them a beautiful headdress instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the garment of praise instead of a faint spirit; that they may be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that he may be glorified.

### We Shall Be Called Oaks of Righteousness

- I. Standing in Christ
- II. Beautiful in Christ

#### **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 #130** 

"O Jesus, King of Glory"

#### - 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

- 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 #149** 

"Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain"

## **♣** Announcements **♣**

**Delores Seger** entered into our Savior's rest last Sunday in the early afternoon. After being hospitalized for some seven weeks, she passed away peacefully at Good Shepherd Hospice center in Auburndale. Her victory service will be held next Sunday as a part of the

# **Looking Ahead...**

- ☆ Today: Orlando Service 8 am
- ₱ Jan. 19: Delores Seger Victory Service and Memorial Meal

regular Sunday service. The Ladies of Immanuel are planning a memorial meal to be held in the fellowship hall after the service.

**Nepal 2020** Both Darrin Ream and Pastor Rodebaugh will be going to Nepal this summer on the 2020 CLC Mission Helper Trip. Please keep them both in your prayers over the coming months as preparations begin.

**CLC Call News** Pastor John Hein has returned the call extended to him by the CLC Call Committee for Educational Institutions to serve as professor at Immanuel Lutheran College in Eau Claire, WI. <> Faith, Markesan, WI has called Caleb Noeldner, who is graduating in the spring with a degree in education from the UW-EC, to be their upper grade teacher and principal. <> Bethel, Morris, MN has called Pastor Mark Bernthal, Peace Thru Christ, Middleton, WI.

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. Crystal Shaw has recently received a positive diagnosis and is awaiting more doctor analysis. Bill Hartmann's health is deteriorating. Bill Issitt Sr. is progressing very well. Loye Issitt is receiving regular dialysis.

## **Last Week** (1/5) WH - 57

January Usher: Paul Seger | Cleaning (1/18): Rodebaugh | Acolyte (1/19): Landon

## **Special Fund Balances**

Balance of Funds	Mar. 31	June 30	Sep. 30	Dec. 31	Qtrly Change
Activity Fee	\$221	\$116	\$566	\$288	(\$278)
Benevolence Fund	\$626	\$636	\$1,086	\$1,226	\$140
Building Fund	\$2,112	\$1,700	\$1,890	\$1,109	(\$781)
Medical Reimbursement Fund	\$4,858	\$4,789	\$4,359	\$4,359	\$0
Property Improvement Fund	(\$2,742)	(\$1,927)	\$3,158	\$2,703	(\$455)
Property Insurance Fund	\$10,655	\$10,990	\$11,290	\$11,590	\$300
(ILS) Scholarship Fund	\$605	\$975	\$505	\$550	\$45
School Fund	\$2,519	\$2,548	\$4,136	\$3,417	(\$719)
Tuition Grant Fund	\$1,988	\$1,988	\$1,588	\$1,038	(\$550)

# Analysis of Treasurer's Report from 1/5/20 Voter's Meeting

Although our expenses in 2019 increased over 2018 by \$2,752, we thank the Lord for \$3,040 more of income than expenses in 2019. We have ended the year in the black, which has not happened in the past few years. Offerings were up \$2,099 in 2019 compared to 2018. Tuition is up \$13,038 in 2019 compared to 2018 (we have 5 more students this school year and tuition is \$400/mo. compared to \$350/mo. last school year).

The funds are down \$2,298 over the past 3 months. The Medical Reimbursement Fund decreased \$1,079 in 2019 (\$4,359 in fund); the fund is for eye and dental needs of the workers' families.

The Lord has directed us as He enabled us to keep our mission going as a congregation and school. It will require a continued commitment of faith to keep going. We simply ask you to prayerfully consider these needs as you willingly give of your first-fruits to the Lord.

#### Welcome!

If you are curious about what we believe and teach... At your convenience the Pastor is ready to arrange free Bible instruction classes at your home or at church for you and your family so that you may be sure of eternal life.

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