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**Trinity 3**

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YOU WILL CAST ALL  
OUR SINS  
INTO THE DEPTHS OF THE SEA.



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## PRE-SERVICE MEDITATION

*Psalm 89:1-8*

<sup>1</sup> You I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD, forever; with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all generations. <sup>2</sup> For I said, "Steadfast love will be built up forever; in the heavens you will establish your faithfulness." <sup>3</sup> You have said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one; I have sworn to David my servant: <sup>4</sup> 'I will establish your offspring forever, and build your throne for all generations.'" Selah <sup>5</sup> Let the heavens praise your wonders, O LORD, your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones! <sup>6</sup> For who in the skies can be compared to the LORD? Who among the heavenly beings is like the LORD, <sup>7</sup> a God greatly to be feared in the council of the holy ones, and awesome above all who are around him? <sup>8</sup> O LORD God of hosts, who is mighty as you are, O LORD, with your faithfulness all around you?

## ✠ Order of Divine Worship ✠

**P** Pastor

### OPENING PRAYER

**C** Congregation

**HYMN: TLH #31:1, 2, 5 "When All Thy Mercies, O My God"**

- 1. When all Thy mercies, O my God, My rising soul surveys,  
Transported with the view, I'm lost In wonder, love, and praise.**
- 2. Ten thousand thousand precious gifts My daily thanks employ;  
Nor is the least a cheerful heart That tastes those gifts with joy.**
- 5. Through all eternity to Thee A joyful song I'll raise;  
But, oh! eternity's too short To utter all Thy praise. Amen.**

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

**C** *♫* **A - - - men.**

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

*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.

**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

**Daily Bible Readings for Home Devotions; June 29-July 4, '20.**

**Mon Exodus 19:2-8a** God put His cards on the table: “Since you know how severely I deal with My enemies—in contrast to how gentle I have been with you (4), you should realize I love you dearly; besides, I have a grand destiny for you. Now, are you ready to yield to My guidance and directives (5-6)?” The Israelites declared they were ready and willing (8:a). That was the right attitude and a good resolve. Hallelujah!

**Tues Matthew 9:35-10:8** Jesus lived and performed according to the highest standards (35-38) and gave His disciples (one and all, including the misfit Judas) power to do likewise (10:2-4). With HIS equipment and precise directions, they went out to do His work—among their Hebrew friends and relatives (5-6). Jesus directed them to attend to spiritual needs first, to bodily needs second—and always be generous (5).

**Wed Romans 5:6-11** Here’s God’s program: a) Because we were weaklings, b) Jesus took over, and c) with superior love sacrificed Himself to set things straight between us and God. d) Now then, since Jesus’ death canceled all of our negatives, e) His life provides us with all of God’s positives. Believe it!

**Thurs Psalm 100** We add our voices to this choir—and for good reason: We too know that the LORD (Jehovah) is God, and we too know that He made us to be *His people, the sheep of His pasture*. The last verse is same as the first: *Praise the Lord, for He is good, always merciful, and has entrusted His Word to us and our descendants, forever after. Amen!*

**Fri Luke 17:1-4** In a “new normal” world we have awesome responsibilities: Let’s be painfully careful about what we say and do, both in public and in private (1-2). And when it happens that we get into trouble with one another, let’s do our best to get things straightened out, even if it happens over and over. God has given us the opportunity and ability to do so, in Jesus’ name.

**Sat Acts 12:25-13:3** As the word of God grew from its seedbed and multiplied by producing the fruit of saved souls, our attention shifts from Peter’s work in Jerusalem to the work which God had lined up for others in the wider field of the Mediterranean world. Since the large congregation in Syrian Antioch had already been blessed with a full roster of teachers and preachers (13:1), the Holy Spirit decided that Paul, Barnabas, and John Mark (not to be confused with Apostle John or Evangelist Mark) should become traveling missionaries (2-3). They were lean and keen (via fasting and praying) to go forward with God’s grand search-and-rescue enterprise. Stay tuned.

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.**

**☩** 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.

**☩ ♪ A - - - men.**

**INTROIT**

*Ps. 25:1ff*

**☩** Turn to me and be gracious to me, for I am lonely and afflicted.

**☩ Consider my affliction and my trouble, and forgive all my sins.**

**☩** To You, O LORD, I lift up my soul. O my God, in You I trust; let me not be put to shame.

**☩ You are the God of my salvation; for You I wait all the day long.**

**☩** My eyes are ever toward the LORD, for He will pluck my feet out of the net.

**☩ Oh, guard my soul, and deliver me! Let me not be put to shame, for I take refuge in you.**

**GLORIA PATRI**

*Latin for “Glory be to the Father”*

The musical score for the Gloria Patri is presented in three systems. Each system consists of a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The first system begins with a common time signature and contains the lyrics: "Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;". The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The third system concludes with the lyrics: "as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men." The score uses various musical notations including notes, rests, and bar lines.

## VERSE OF THE DAY

Ps. 18:1-2a

**P** Alleluia. I love you, O LORD, my strength. The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer. Alleluia.

## THE KYRIE

Latin for "O Lord"

**C** 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. . . . and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** ♪ A - - - men.

**NEW TESTAMENT READING – Acts 9:1-18** But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest <sup>2</sup> and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. <sup>3</sup> Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven shone around him. <sup>4</sup> And falling to the ground, he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" <sup>5</sup> And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. <sup>6</sup> But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." <sup>7</sup> The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one. <sup>8</sup> Saul rose from the ground, and

## ✠ Announcements ✠

### The Lutheran Spokesman

Please be sure to pay your subscriptions renewal fee—\$14 for the year. You can put it in the offering plate.

### Quarterly Voters Meeting

is coming up over July 4 weekend. If you are a voter and will be unable to attend, please let Pastor or Ed know. It's very important that every voter attends the meeting.

### Plans Moving Forward

— We've been holding a masks-on service here at Immanuel at 9 am on Sunday mornings. In two weeks, the Orlando services will be starting back up at 8 am. So starting in July, the plan is to alternate those Sundays: 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays Pastor will hold the 9 am service here, and the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays will be Orlando. The 10:15 service will continue as usual. This will be the schedule until further notice.

### Shut-in/Encouragement List

**Emily Kuehne** suffers from total blindness and severe knee pain. **Patti Meno** continues to receive regular dialysis and is awaiting a kidney transplant. **Bill Issitt III** remains mostly housebound due to poor health. **Johanna Jaehnigen** remains mostly housebound. **Crystal Shaw** recently had a heart operation recently and is recovering. **Bill Hartmann's** health is deteriorating quickly. **Bob Doriot** recently underwent hip replacement and is awaiting another hip surgery. **Jo Ann Sedberry's** health is deteriorating. **Paulette Galstad** is suffering through bad back pain. **Mark Moorehead** is recovering from surgery. **Mr. Beymer** is still quarantined at Southern Gardens. **Belinda King** is struggling through a prolonged respiratory illness that has greatly affected her ability to continue working as a nurse. **Loye Issitt** had another operation on Friday after the one on Monday was unsuccessful. The operation went well, and she is recovering. **Megan Goodwin** (as of this printing) is being induced into labor to deliver her baby a few weeks early.

### Last Week (6/21) WH – 38

General = \$817 | Building Fund = \$50 | ILC Scholarship = \$50  
Memorial = \$25 | Daily Rest = \$15 | WP = \$49 **Total Offering = \$1,006**

**July Usher:** Goodwin

| **Cleaning (7/4):** Custodio

| **Acolyte (7/5):** Landon

### Looking Ahead...

- ✠ **June 21:** Trustees and Council
- ✠ **July 5:** Voters' Meeting
- ✠ **July 5:** Mask-On Service 9 am
- ✠ **July 12:** Orlando Service 8 am
- ✠ **July 19:** Mask-On Service 9 am
- ✠ **July 26:** Orlando Service 8 am
- ✠ **July 13-24:** Pastor Vacation

**HYMN: TLH #373:1, 3, 5, 7****“By Grace I’m Saved”**

1. **By grace I'm saved, grace free and boundless; My soul, believe and doubt it not. Why stagger at this word of promise? Hath Scripture ever falsehood taught? Nay; then this word must true remain; By grace thou, too, shalt heav'n obtain.**
3. **By grace! Oh, mark this word of promise When thou art by thy sins opprest, When Satan plagues thy troubled conscience, And when thy heart is seeking rest. What reason cannot comprehend God by His grace to thee doth send.**
5. **By grace! This ground of faith is certain; So long as God is true, it stands. What saints have penned by inspiration, What in His Word our God commands, What our whole faith must rest upon, Is Grace alone, grace in His Son.**
7. **By grace! On this I'll rest when dying; In Jesus' promise I rejoice; For though I know my heart's condition, I also know my Savior's voice. My heart is glad, all grief has flown, Since I am saved by grace alone.**

– THE OFFERING PLATE IS IN THE AISLE –

**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.
- G** *♫* Amen, amen, a – men.

**HYMN: TLH #351:1, 4****“Love Divine, All Love Excelling”**

1. **Love Divine, all love excelling, Joy of heaven, to earth come down, Fix in us Thy humble dwelling, All Thy faithful mercies crown. Jesus, Thou art all compassion, Pure, unbounded love Thou art; Visit us with Thy salvation, Enter every trembling heart.**
4. **Finish, then, Thy new creation; Pure and spotless let us be. Let us see Thy great salvation Perfectly restored in Thee, Changed from glory into glory, Till in heaven we take our place, Till we cast our crowns before Thee, Lost in wonder, love, and praise.**

although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. <sup>9</sup> And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank. <sup>10</sup> Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." <sup>11</sup> And the Lord said to him, "Rise and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying, <sup>12</sup> and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." <sup>13</sup> But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints at Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup> And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on your name." <sup>15</sup> But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. <sup>16</sup> For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." <sup>17</sup> So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road by which you came has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." <sup>18</sup> And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptized.

**GOSPEL READING – Luke 15:11-32** And he said, "There was a man who had two sons. <sup>12</sup> And the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.' And he divided his property between them. <sup>13</sup> Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living. <sup>14</sup> And when he had spent everything, a severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need. <sup>15</sup> So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. <sup>16</sup> And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything. <sup>17</sup> "But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger! <sup>18</sup> I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. <sup>19</sup> I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants.'" <sup>20</sup> And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father

saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. <sup>21</sup> And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' <sup>22</sup> But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. <sup>23</sup> And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. <sup>24</sup> For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to celebrate. <sup>25</sup> "Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. <sup>26</sup> And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. <sup>27</sup> And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and sound.' <sup>28</sup> But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, <sup>29</sup> but he answered his father, 'Look, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command, yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might celebrate with my friends. <sup>30</sup> But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!' <sup>31</sup> And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. <sup>32</sup> It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.'"



## CONFESSIO 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.**

## HYMN: TLH #384

**"Oh, How Great is Thy Compassion"**

- 1. Oh, how great is Thy compassion, Faithful Father, God of grace,  
That with all our fallen race And in our deep degradation  
Thou wast merciful that we Might be saved eternally!**
- 2. Thy great love for this hath striven That we may from sin be free  
And forever live with Thee; Yea, Thy Son Himself hath given  
And extends an earnest call To His Supper unto all.**
- 3. And for this our soul's salvation Voucheth Thy good Spirit, Lord,  
In Thy Sacraments and Word. He imparts true consolation,  
Granteth us the gift of faith That we fear nor hell nor death.**
- 4. Lord, Thy mercy will not leave me,-Truth doth evermore abide,-  
Then in Thee I will confide. Since Thy Word cannot deceive me,  
My salvation is to me Well assured eternally.**
- 5. I will praise Thy great compassion, Faithful Father, God of grace,  
That with all our fallen race And in our deep degradation  
Thou wast merciful that we Might bring endless praise to Thee.**

**SERMON – Micah 7:18-20** Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression for the remnant of his inheritance? He does not retain his anger forever, because he delights in steadfast love. <sup>19</sup> He will again have compassion on us; he will tread our iniquities underfoot. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea. <sup>20</sup> You will show faithfulness to Jacob and steadfast love to Abraham, as you have sworn to our fathers from the days of old.

## **"A God Like Me?" Not at all!**

His mercy is *daily*.

His anger has *passed*.

His promise is *certain*.

## 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.**