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Mission Sunday

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Preach the Word



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PRE-SERVICE MEDITATION

Ps. 105:1-3

"O give thanks to the LORD! Call upon His name; Make known His deeds among the peoples! Sing to Him, sing psalms to Him Talk of all His wondrous works! Glory in His name; Let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!"

✠ Order of Divine Worship ✠

HYMN: WS #770

"I Hear the Savior Calling"

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

C Amen.

P Pastor

C Congregation

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

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

P We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve Him as His dear children. But we have disobeyed Him and deserve only His wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Him and plead for His mercy.

C Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from *conception*. In countless ways I have sinned against You and do not deserve to be called Your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to Your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin and take away my guilt.

P God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to His will!

C Amen!

INTROIT

Various Readings

P Proclaim the good news of His salvation from day to day.

C Declare His glory among the nations. (Psalm 96:2-3)

P Jesus commands us: "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations,

C Baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

P Teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you;

C And lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." (Mt. 28:19-20)

P Jesus reminds us: "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.

LORD, HAVE MERCY and GLORY TO GOD



C: Lord, have mer - cy on us. Christ, have mer - cy on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

C: 1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;
 2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,
 3 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord,

Of heav'n - ly joy and peace on earth we sing.
 You bore for us the load of this world's sin.
 At God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high:

We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,
 O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,
 Who, with the Spir - it wor - shiped and a - dored,

Lord God, al - might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.
 Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.
 With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

- P** Almighty and gracious God, You desire all to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. Magnify the power of the Gospel in the hearts of Your faithful people that Your Church may spread the good news of salvation. Protect, encourage, and bless all missionaries who proclaim the saving cross, that Christ, being lifted up, may draw all people to Himself, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Children's Song

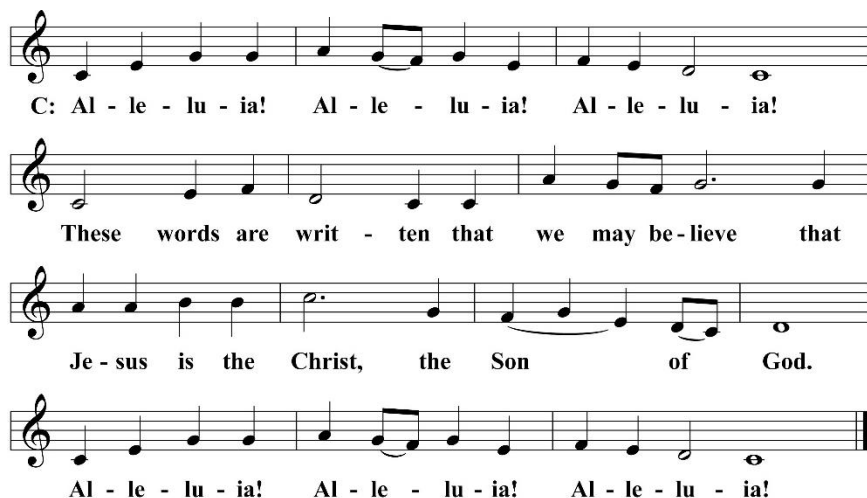
"Hale, Hale, Hale"

OLD TESTAMENT READING – Ezekiel 37:1-10 The hand of the Lord came upon me and brought me out in the Spirit of the Lord, and set me down in the midst of the valley; and it was full of bones. 2 Then He caused me to pass by them all around, and behold, there were very many in the open valley; and indeed they were very dry. 3 And He said to me, “Son of man, can these bones live?” So I answered, “O Lord God, You know.” 4 Again He said to me, “Prophecy to these bones, and say to them, ‘O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord! 5 Thus says the Lord God to these bones: “Surely I will cause breath to enter into you, and you shall live. 6 I will put sinews on you and bring flesh upon you, cover you with skin and put breath in you; and you shall live. Then you shall know that I am the Lord.” ’ ” 7 So I prophesied as I was commanded; and as I prophesied, there was a noise, and suddenly a rattling; and the bones came together, bone to bone. 8 Indeed, as I looked, the sinews and the flesh came upon them, and the skin covered them over; but there was no breath in them. 9 Also He said to me, “Prophecy to the breath, prophecy, son of man, and say to the breath, ‘Thus says the Lord God: “Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live.” ’ ” 10 So I prophesied as He commanded me, and [b]reath came into them, and they lived, and stood upon their feet, an exceedingly great army.

NEW TESTAMENT READING – 1 John 5:6-15 6 This is He who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not only by water, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit who bears witness, because the Spirit is truth. 7 For there are three that bear witness in heaven: the Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit; and these three are one. 8 And there are three that bear witness on earth: the Spirit, the water, and the blood; and these three agree as one. 9 If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater; for this is the witness of God which He has testified of His Son. 10 He who believes in the Son of God has the witness in himself; he who does not believe God has made Him a liar, because he has not believed the testimony that God has given of His Son. 11 And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. 12 He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life. 13 These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of God. 14 Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. 15 And if we know that He

hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him.

P Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by Whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, Whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

SERMON – John 17:3 And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.

“This Knowledge Is Life Eternal!”

OFFERTORY

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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 Your presence. Take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation. Uphold with Your Spirit free.**

HYMN: TLH #507

“Spread, O Spread Thou Mighty Word”

– OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS –

Followed immediately by the Offering Hymn printed below:

OFFERING HYMN: TLH #788:1

“Lord, You Love...”

- C** **♪ Lord, You love the cheerful giver Who with open heart and hand Blesses freely, as a river That refreshes all the land. Grant us, then, the grace of giving With a spirit large and true That our life and all our living We may consecrate to You.**

GENERAL PRAYER and the LORD’S PRAYER

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts!

C **We lift them up to the Lord!**

P It is right and beneficial that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God: Who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:

- C** **♪ Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of Sabaoth, adored; Heaven and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name. Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord; Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

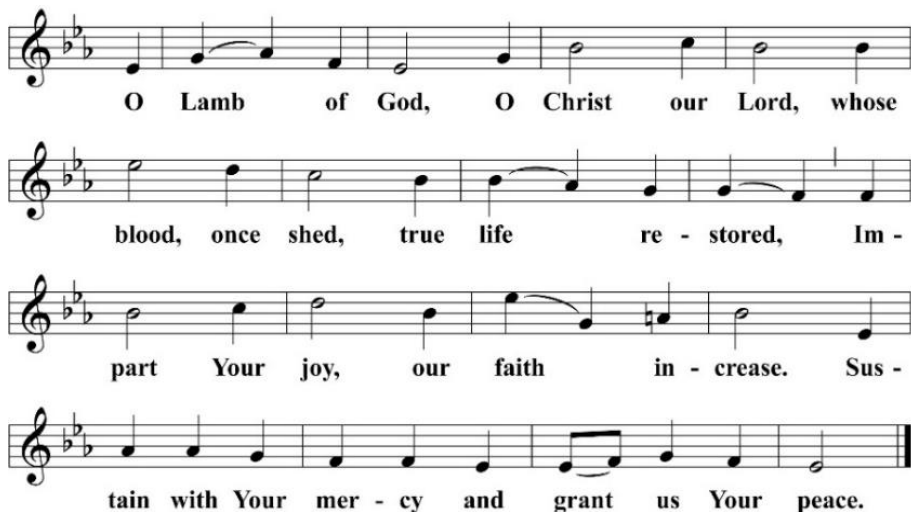
Lk. 22:19-20; Mt. 26:26-28; 1 Cor. 11:23-25

The Order of Holy Communion



P Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread. And when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take, eat. This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me."

In the same way He took the cup, after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, "Drink of it, all of you. This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this whenever you drink it, in remembrance of Me." And the peace of the Lord will be with you always!



Communion Today is for Members Only Please

We don't judge anyone's faith, but we do stand up for our own. The Bible teaches what we call "Close Communion," that is, God wants you to commune only with those people with whom you are agreed in ALL the Bible's teachings. This belief is based upon 1 Corinthians 1:10 & 11:26-30, among other Bible passages. Therefore, if you are a guest with us today, and BEFORE you come up to commune with us, you'll want to find out if our church teaches what the Bible does! The pastor would be happy to discuss this with you at your convenience!

THE DISTRIBUTION

Please remain seated.

P Take and eat. This is the true body of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

Take and drink. This cup is the true blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. May this body and blood strengthen and preserve you in the true faith, unto life everlasting. Depart in peace. Amen.

C: 1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
 2 All glo - ry to the the Fa - ther, All

part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
 glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the

glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace: A
 Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One; For

light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
 as in the be - gin - ning, Is

to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
 now, shall ev - er be, The God's tri - une name re -

peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
 sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord with gladness.

C: My heart has now be - come Your dwell - ing, O bless - ed,
 ho - ly Trin - i - ty. With an - gels I, Your prais - es

tell - ing, Shall live in joy e - ter - nal - ly. Lord, may Your

bod - y and Your blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

- 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!

HYMN: TLH #363

"To Our Redeemer's Glorious Name"

✠ Announcements ✠

- ✠ **Oct. 16** 9:15am Bible Class
10:15am WH Mission Sunday, children sing and Communion
- ✠ **Oct. 16** Meal after church
Quarterly Voters' Meeting
- ✠ **Oct. 19-21** Teachers' Conference in Eau Claire, WI
- ✠ **Oct. 23** 8am Orlanda service
10:15am WH service
- ✠ **Oct. 28** School Family Fall Festival 6 pm
- ✠ **Oct. 30** 10:15am WH service
- ✠ **Nov. 12** Work Day at the parsonage 9:00 am

Mission Sunday Today is Mission Sunday. We thank the children for singing in our service today. There will be a meal following the service. After the meal, there will be a quarterly voters' meeting. We will also be calling a full-time pastor. Please pray for the Lord's guidance as we continue to do the Lord's work here at Immanuel.

Last Week: WH – 25 **Total**
Offering = \$2,136.50

General = \$1,246.50 | **Tuition** = \$500.00 | **ILC Sch.** = \$50.00 |
Missions = \$240.00 | **Kinship** = \$100.00

Cleaner (10/22): Custodio | **Acolyte (10/23):** Usher

Daily Bible Readings for Home Devotions; October 17 - October 22, '22

Mon Luke 18:1-8 Even a judge who does not fear God or respect people will at times render justice if it will make things easier for himself. How much more won't a holy God – who gave His only-begotten Son – Himself give justice and hear the prayers of His chosen ones, who cry to Him day and night. How He wants us to pray to Him!

Tues 1 John 5:13-15 Believing in the name of the Son of God not only gives assurance of eternal life, but also the confidence to pray, knowing that He

hears and answers. Such faith and confidence, of course come to us from God through the writings of the apostles (in this case, John).

Wed Genesis 32:22-30 Jacob learned “always to pray and not lose heart” (Lk18:1) when he faced a threat which his own cleverness could not solve. His brother Esau, from whose murderous plans he had once run away, was now coming to meet him with 400 men! Jacob earnestly seeks the Lord’s blessing by the Jabbok ford.

Thurs 2 Timothy 3:14-17 Paul, preparing to depart this life, urges young Timothy to continue in His trust of the Holy Scriptures. Not only will they teach Him of salvation through faith in Christ Jesus, but they will also equip him for every good work in this life.

Fri 2 Timothy 4:1-5 Jesus once asked, “When the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?” (Lk18:8). Paul seems to echo this question as he solemnly charges Timothy to preach the Word in the face of many people who will not endure sound teaching but will turn away. Nevertheless, our help is in the name of the LORD.

Sat Psalm 121 If people in trouble “head for the hills,” there is an even greater source of help in Jehovah, who made the hills, and more than that, who made heaven and earth! To whom then shall we turn in prayer? The LORD never sleeps, is our strength day and night, keeps us from all evil in all our journeys, now and forever!

“Where Is Time Flying?

It was just one of those nervous gnats that flitted here and there on my computer keyboard. His wings were moving too fast for his legs, reminding me of the way we so often move in our society. A nation on the go, faster and faster; like the little gnat, we prefer to fly -- never mind the legs!

We are hooked on speed, and that’s not good. The flitting and frantic little gnat has no immortal soul, and no thought of eternal life after death. Instinctively it tries to feel this life to the fullest. Most Americans act like the soulless gnat. But your God did not create you as a lowly BUG! You are a human being with either eternal life or eternal death ahead of you. That’s why you need to slow up, my friend!

Take time to hear and read the Bible. Take the time to chew and digest what you read about Jesus Christ. People often say, “How time flies!” But few ask themselves the more important question: “Where is time flying?” The wings of time will take each of us to the end. And there, at the end, is Jesus Christ, the ALPHA AND THE OMEGA, the first and the last.” Whether you and I will go on with Him into the joys of heaven’s eternal life will depend upon whether we have eaten and drunk of Him by faith in His Word during our time on earth. Please, don’t risk being late for the heavenly meal He has spread for you!