

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

1 Peter 2:9



JULY 27, 2024

5:00 PM



AS WE GATHER

Sometimes the brightness of the day we are experiencing can affect how we perceive the space in which we are worshiping. A bright, sunny day can lift our spirits; a dark, cloudy day can have the opposite effect. Throughout the pages of Scriptures, God is associated with brightness and light. His setting of the rainbow in the heavens, recorded in the book of Genesis, is a symbol of God's promises to His faithful people. Images mentioned in our hymns also attest to the powerful brightness of God, as in "O Splendor of God's Glory Bright" (LSB 874), written by Ambrose of Milan in the fourth century. Whether a day has sunny skies or dull clouds or even rainbows, the very presence of God among us brings an eternal brightness to our time of worship.

AS YOU WORSHIP WITH US

- **Assisted Listening Devices** are available from an Elder or Usher.
- **If you do not wish to receive Holy Communion but would like a blessing**, simply come forward during the distribution, cross your arms when you approach the Pastor and he will speak a blessing.
- **Holy Communion** is offered to those who have been instructed in what the Scriptures teach about Communion. We believe the Bible teaches:
 - 1) Jesus Christ is our only Lord and Savior from all sin, death, and the power of evil;
 - 2) The Risen Christ is really present in the Sacrament and that with the bread and wine we receive His Body and Blood; and
 - 3) We resolve to dedicate our lives to the service of our Lord in His Body, the Church, through worship, sacrificial giving, and thankful living.
- **Non-alcoholic wine** is available for those who prefer this substitute. **Gluten-free wafers** are also available. Please inform the pastor of your preference when you approach.

✠ GATHERING ✠

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING SONG

"Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now"

LSB 902

CALLING ON GOD'S NAME

SPEAKING GOD'S WORD TO ONE ANOTHER

Psalm 143:1a, 2, 8, 10; 145:8–9

Pastor: Hear my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my pleas for mercy!

People: Enter not into judgment with Your servant, for no one living is righteous before You.

Pastor: Let me hear in the morning of Your steadfast love, for in You I trust. Make me know the way I should go, for to You I lift up my soul.

People: Teach me to do Your will, for You are my God! Let Your good Spirit lead me on level ground!

Pastor: The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

People: The LORD is good to all, and His mercy is over all that He has made.

SEEKING FORGIVENESS

Pastor: It is good and right that we should make confession of our sins. The section on confession in the Small Catechism informs and directs us with these words, which summarizes it well.

People: Confession has two parts. First, that we confess our sins, and second, that we receive absolution, that is, forgiveness, from the pastor as from God Himself, not doubting, but firmly believing that by it our sins are forgiven before God in heaven.

Pastor: Humble yourselves, then, before God, confess your sins to Him, and implore His forgiveness.

People: O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a troubled and penitent sinner, confess to You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your present and eternal punishment. By nature I am a sinful creature. By thought, word, and deed I have continually transgressed Your law. For the sake of the sufferings and death of Your Son, Jesus Christ, be gracious and merciful to me, a penitent and contrite being. Forgive me all my sins and grant me the power of Your Holy Spirit that I may amend my sinful life.

Pastor: God be gracious to you and strengthen your faith.

People: Amen.

RECEIVING FORGIVENESS

✠ HEARING GOD’S WORD ✠

FIRST READING

Genesis 9:8–17

(God makes a covenant with Noah.)

SECOND READING

Ephesians 3:14–21

(Paul writes concerning the love of Christ.)

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 6:45–56

(Jesus walks on the Sea of Galilee and heals the sick people.)

CONNECTING SONG

“Take My Life and Let it Be”

LSB 784, Sts. 1, 5, 6

MESSAGE

“Against the Wind”

Pastor Warren

CONFESSING OUR FAITH

Apostles’ Creed

TALKING WITH GOD

(Need prayer? Text 224-801-2902)

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Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

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THE WORDS OF JESUS

Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25

LORD’S PRAYER

(forgive us our sins)

COMMUNION SONG

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

LSB 802

LEAVING WITH A BLESSING

SENDING SONG

“Abide, O Dearest Jesus”

LSB 919, Sts. 1-4

Jim Vyhanek, Piano/Organ

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