

17th Sunday After Pentecost, September 27, 2020


Lesser Festival of Michael and All Angels

Zoom Service 10:30 AM



Immanuel Lutheran Church

Bring an angel, if you like, to our sacred space of worship to surround us this day!



Prelude ELW 823, Praise the Lord! O Heavens





1 Praise the Lord! O heav'ns, a - dore him; praise him, an - gels, in the height;
2 Praise the Lord, for he is gra - cious; nev - er shall his prom - ise fail.




sun and moon, re - joice be - fore him; praise him, gleam - ing stars and light.
God has made his saints vic - to - rious; sin and death shall not pre - vail.



Praise the Lord, for he has spo - ken; worlds his might - y voice o - beyed;
Praise the God of our sal - va - tion; hosts on high, his pow'r pro - claim;



laws which nev - er shall be bro - ken for their guid - ance he has made.
heav'n and earth, and all cre - a - tion, laud and mag - ni - fy his name!



Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.
Amen.

Let us unmute ourselves, or, remaining muted, confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.

We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.

Greeting

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

A And also with you!

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray.

Everlasting God, you have wonderfully established the ministries of angels and mortals.

Mercifully grant that as Michael and the angels contend against the cosmic forces of evil, so by your direction they may help and defend us here on earth, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God whom we worship and praise with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, now and forever.

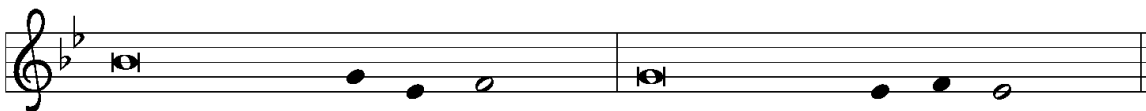
A Amen.

Reading from the Old Testament, Daniel 10:10-14; 12:1-3

¹⁰A hand touched me and roused me to my hands and knees. ¹¹He said to me, “Daniel, greatly beloved, pay attention to the words that I am going to speak to you. Stand on your feet, for I have now been sent to you.” So while he was speaking this word to me, I stood up trembling. ¹²He said to me, “Do not fear, Daniel, for from the first day that you set your mind to gain understanding and to humble yourself before your God, your words have been heard, and I have come because of your words. ¹³But the prince of the kingdom of Persia opposed me twenty-one days. So Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, and I left him there with the prince of the kingdom of Persia, ¹⁴and have come to help you understand what is to happen to your people at the end of days. For there is a further vision for those days.

^{12:1}“At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. ²Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. ³Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.”

Psalm 103:1-5, 20-22



¹Bless the LORD, | O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless God’s | holy name.

²**Bless the LORD, | O my soul,
and forget not | all God’s benefits—**

³who forgives | all your sins
and heals all | your diseases;

⁴**who redeems your life | from the grave
and crowns you with steadfast | love and mercy;**

⁵who satisfies your desires | with good things
so that your youth is renewed | like an eagle’s.

²⁰**Bless the LORD, you angels, you mighty ones who | do God’s bidding,
who obey the voice | of God’s word. R**

²¹Bless the LORD, all you | hosts of God,
you servants who | do God’s will.

²²**Bless the LORD, all you works of God, in all places | where God rules;
bless the LORD, | O my soul. R**

Reading from the New Testament, Revelation 12:7-12

⁷War broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon. The dragon and his angels fought back, ⁸but they were defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. ⁹The great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him.

¹⁰Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, proclaiming,
“Now have come the salvation and the power
and the kingdom of our God
and the authority of his Messiah,
for the accuser of our comrades has been thrown down,
who accuses them day and night before our God.

¹¹But they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb
and by the word of their testimony,
for they did not cling to life even in the face of death.

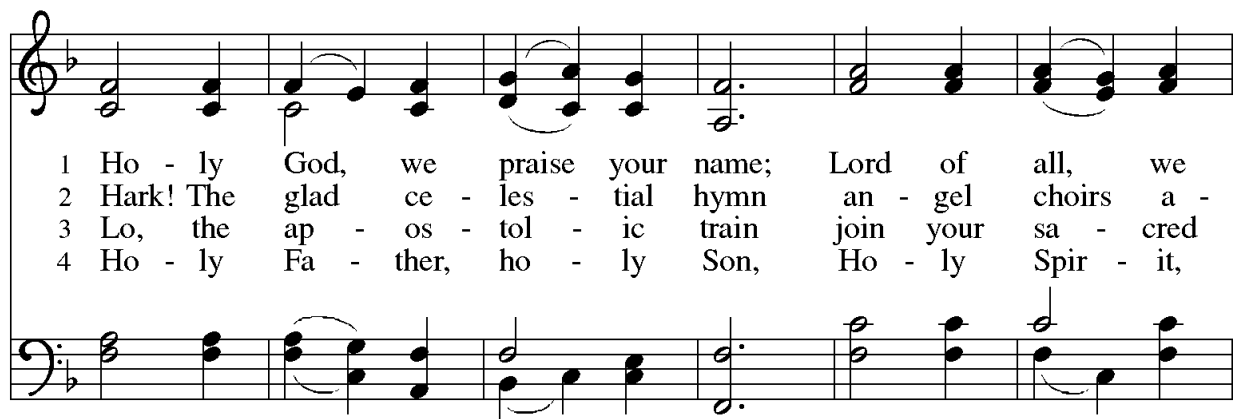
¹²Rejoice then, you heavens
and those who dwell in them!
But woe to the earth and the sea,
for the devil has come down to you
with great wrath,
because he knows that his time is short!”

GOSPEL: Luke 10:17-20

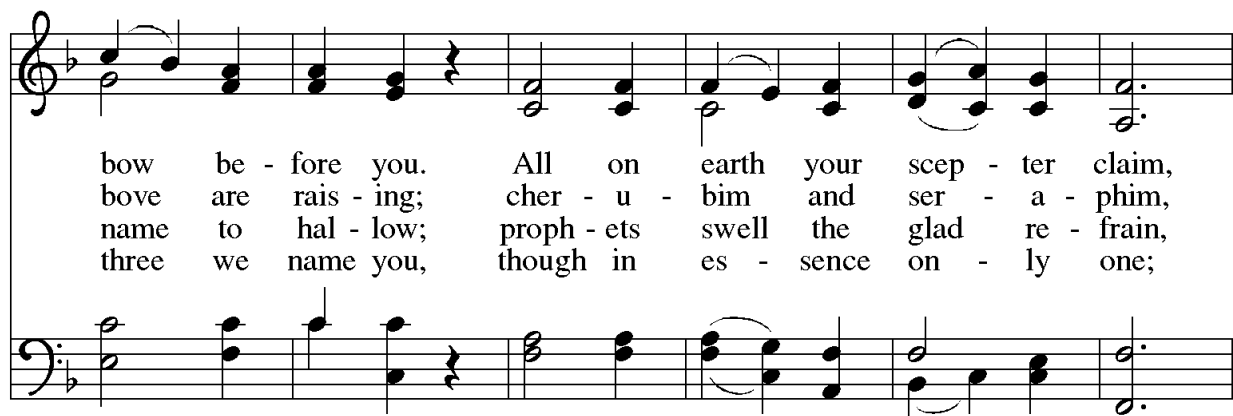
¹⁷The seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!” ¹⁸He said to them, “I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. ¹⁹See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. ²⁰Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

Sermon

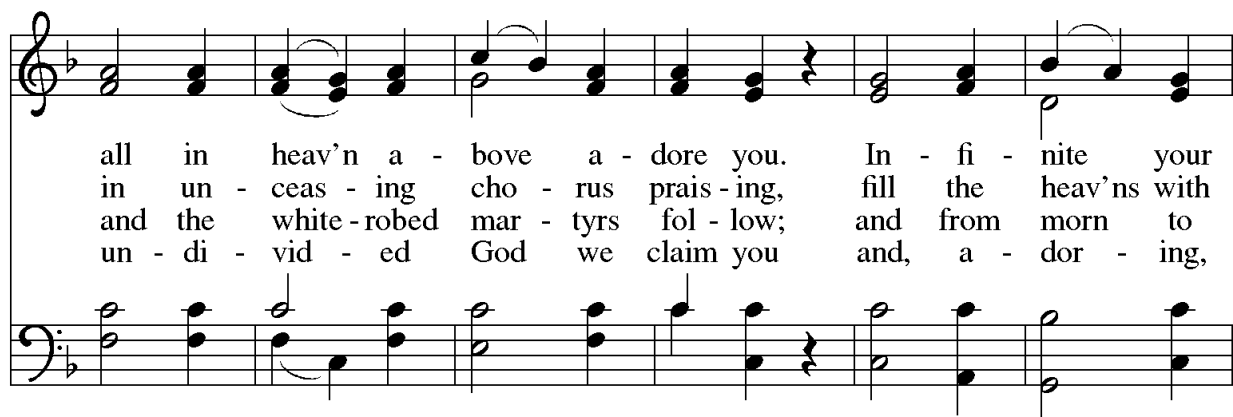
HYMN: Holy God, We Praise Your Name, ELW 414



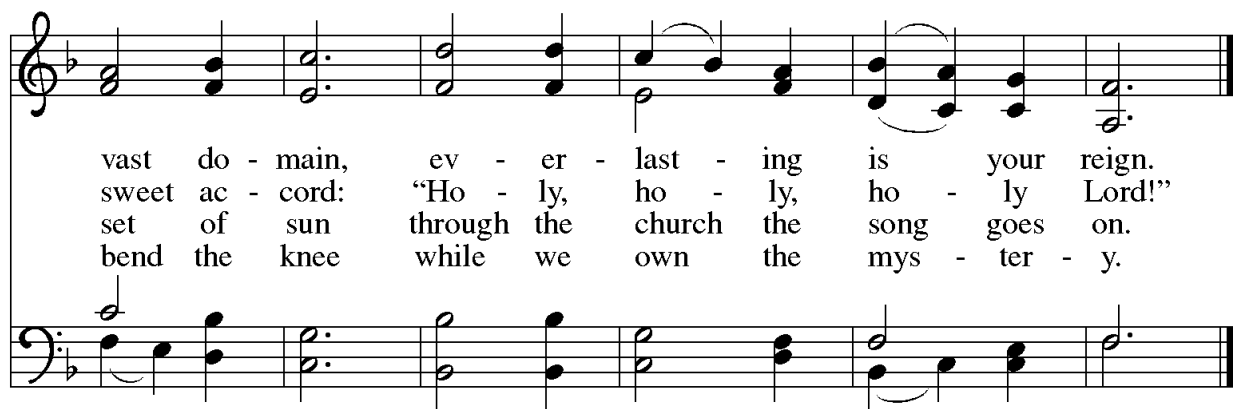
1 Ho - ly God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we
 2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial hymn an - gel choirs a -
 3 Lo, the ap - os - tol - ic train join your sa - cred
 4 Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it,



bow be - fore you. All on earth your scep - ter claim,
 bove are rais - ing; cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim,
 name to hal - low; proph - ets swell the glad re - frain,
 three we name you, though in es - sence on - ly one;



all in heav'n a - bove a - dore you. In - fi - nite your
 in un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing, fill the heav'ns with
 and the white - robed mar - tyrs fol - low; and from morn to
 un - di - vid - ed God we claim you and, a - dor - ing,



vast do - main, ev - er - last - ing is your reign.
 sweet ac - cord: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!"
 set of sun through the church the song goes on.
 bend the knee while we own the mys - ter - y.

Prayers of the People

Sustained and nurtured by our generous God, we speak together, both muted and unmuted, to pray for the church, the world, and all of God's creation.

Powerful Lord, embolden your people. Fill our mouths with your words and our hearts with the good news that the reign of God is near, bringing love and healing in your name that overcomes the power of evil. We pray for our bishops Elizabeth and Yehiel, pastor Kim, our president Scott, our council, call committee, and reopening team. Lord, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

Creating God, you made stars and planets, weather and tides, setting the cycles of the cosmos in ways we have yet to fully understand. Remind us of our limitations while inspiring humble wonder at your universe. Lord, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

Prince of peace, make wars to cease in all the land and your justice to reign on earth. Cast out evil in our midst. Deny victory to those who come to conquer, dominate, and oppress the weak and vulnerable. Lord, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

Saving God, we pray for all afflicted by the pandemic. Bring meaningful work to those furloughed. Guide and watch over all first responders and essential workers. Surround with your presence family and friends who are anxious for those on the front lines of crisis. Inspire healthcare workers and medical researchers. Be a powerful presence with those in quarantine and all students and faculty in academic communities. Lord, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

Healing God, grant rest to those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit. Heal illness, strengthen those who are weak, comfort those who grieve, and give peace to those near death. We pray especially for Steve Andes, Maren Baylaender, Rebecca Bernstein, Serena Bernstein, Babs Deacon, Laura Burdick, Lucas Forzley, Bob Fried, Kim Gann, Jennifer Grethe, John and Nancy, Judith Kratochvil, Ernie LeVon, Rowan Lopes, the Lamberg and Garcia Families, Alfhild Wikstrom, Elaine Nelson, Darryl Simchak, Alyssa Steinberg, Scott Weidler, and those we name now, muted or un-muted: Lord, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

Lord of hosts, we pray for musicians, for readers, assisting ministers, and those who welcome newcomers in this assembly that together we may join the angels in worship and lives of prayer and praise. Lord, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

And now, siblings, for what else shall we pray, spoken aloud or in our hearts?

A brief silence.

Lord, in your mercy,
receive our prayer.

God of heaven and earth, we give you thanks for all whose lives reflected your steadfast love and mercy and are now delivered to the victory of your endless reign. Lord, in your mercy,
receive our prayer.

Assured by your promise to hear us, we lay our prayers before your throne of grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Peace

Offertory: Choir Anthem, O Praise the Lord All Ye His Angels by George Alexander MacFarren

We worship God with our offerings. We give thanks for those who support Immanuel's life and mission and [we invite you to do that online](#) by mail, by automatic giving, with your presence, your prayer, and your talents.

As we mute or unmute ourselves for the Great Thanksgiving, we pray: Merciful God, **we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of the one who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and delight, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ, who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so with the church in heaven and the church on earth, with earth and sea and all their creatures, with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

Great Thanksgiving

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

The first system of music features a treble and bass clef with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody is primarily composed of chords and quarter notes, with some eighth notes in the treble. The lyrics are printed below the notes.

ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system, maintaining the same musical structure and lyrics.

heav-en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry.

The third system introduces a melodic line in the treble clef, with the lyrics "heav-en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry." The bass line continues with chords and quarter notes.

Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The fourth system features a melodic line in the treble clef with the lyrics "Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est." The bass line provides harmonic support with chords and quarter notes.

Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

The fifth system continues the melodic and harmonic progression with the lyrics "Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord." The treble clef has a melodic line, and the bass clef has chords and quarter notes.

Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The sixth system concludes the piece with the lyrics "Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est." The musical notation includes a final cadence in both staves.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE: AUTUMN

Holy God, our Bread of life, our Table, and our Food,
you created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance.

You dined with Abraham and Sarah, promising them life,
and fed your people Israel with manna from heaven.

You sent your Son to eat with sinners
and to become food for the world.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore,
his life given for us
and his rising from the grave,
we await his coming again to share with us the everlasting feast.
For this we pray: **Amen! Come Lord Jesus!**

By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal:
strengthen us to serve all in hunger and want,
and by this bread and cup make of us the body of your Son.
For this we pray: **Amen! Come, Holy Spirit!**

Through him all glory and honor is yours,
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,
in your holy Church, both now and forever. **Amen**

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

A Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Communion

Come for all things are now ready; the gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

This is the body of Christ, given for you.

All communing may receive their bit of bread from God's hand, and may share with others in their household also using these words.

This is the blood of Christ, shed for you.

All communing may drink of the cup they have prepared, and may share with others in their household also using these words.

For those fasting, receive this prayer of blessing in God's presence:

May God who loves you be truly present with the Spirit of grace, mercy and joy, uplifting and blessing you in the promise of your baptism.

Table Dismissal

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you, and keep you in God's grace.
Amen.

Benediction

May the God of heaven and earth shower grace and favor upon you.

May God's holy angels minister to you in your times of need.

May you stand with the saints and all the angels of heaven before Christ's eternal throne.

And may God almighty, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen

Go in peace, serve the Lord!

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Coffee hour/chat

THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL

Newsletter Submissions Needed

10 am Monday

Anti Racism Team

7-8:30 pm Tuesday on zoom

Midweek Adult Spiritual Growth – Join us as we reflect on next Sunday's readings

7 pm Wednesday on zoom

Quilting and Knitting on Zoom

10:30 am Thursday on zoom

COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITIES

Metro Chicago Synod October 3 Reflection & Celebration Video Event

The 2020 Synod Assembly was postponed. Nonetheless, the bishop and synod staff are offering some virtual time for MCS members and congregations to reflect and celebrate.

On October 3 at 10:30 AM, you are invited to a video event on the MCS Facebook and YouTube pages. You may watch the video, commenting and participating with others as it is premiered, or you may watch it after the event at a time that is convenient for you.

The video itself will highlight stories from MCS congregations, songs submitted from various ends of the synod, and brief reports from the bishop and synod staff. Think of it as an audio and visual online celebration of God's Spirit at work in and through our communities and at the synodical level. The video will be accompanied by a full written report from the bishop.

VOTER REGISTRATION PHONE BANKING FOR ILLINOIS POOR PEOPLE'S CAMPAIGN

We Must Do M.O.R.E phone banking is an opportunity to call or text poor and low-income voters in Illinois where their vote can have an impact on the election. You will sign voters up for election reminders, help them develop a voting plan, and connect them to the Poor People's Campaign: A National Call for Moral Revival.

You can still participate in a phone bank even if you haven't finished training as a M.O.R.E Organizer. There is a 1/2 hour training at the beginning of each of our virtual phone banks. This will be followed by 1 1/2 hours of phone banking. The total commitment for each phone bank is 2 hours.

Two dates are set for Illinois.

- **Sunday, Sept 27th @ 6-8 pm**
- **Monday, Oct 5th @ 6-8 pm**

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