



**The Fifth Sunday
After Pentecost**

**10:30 A.M. Worship with Eucharist
June 23, 2024**

Welcome!

Immanuel Lutheran Church is a Reconciling in Christ congregation.

We welcome people of every age and size, color and culture, every sexual orientation and gender identity, socio-economic status and marital status, every ability and challenge.

We welcome believers and questioners, and questioning believers.


We're glad God has called you here today! If you're a guest, please feel free to introduce yourself to our pastor or assisting minister. If you would, sign the guest book in the Gathering Area or fill in a guest card, and we'll be happy to send information on how you can get involved at Immanuel.

Masks are now optional during worship service.

Facilities

- Our parking lot is located on the south side of the church off Sherman Avenue. You may park in the lot at any time, whether for church events or for shopping or other errands in downtown Evanston; weekdays, see the church office at the Lake St. entrance to get a parking pass. Parking meters are free until 1:00 P.M. on Sunday.
- The parking lot entrance is an accessible entrance. An elevator is located just inside that door.
- Restrooms are downstairs near the meeting of the two hallways. Accessible restrooms are located near the elevator on both upper and lower levels. A gender-neutral restroom is located on the lower level by the elevator.
- We love having children in worship! Activity bags are available from the ushers. There is a nursery and changing/crying room for parents to use, if needed, located downstairs. There are also changing tables in both restrooms on this level, by the elevator. An usher will be happy to direct you.
- Hearing assistance is available. Ask an usher for equipment.
- Wi-Fi is available throughout most of the building. The network is "Immanuel," password "allarewelcome." Please use the Internet responsibly!

About Our Worship

Our Sunday worship is organized around the proclamation of the Word of God and the celebration of the Lord's Supper. It has a familiar form each week, but the content changes for each service according to a calendar shared with many other Christians. The liturgy is printed in this bulletin. If you're worshipping via Zoom, please remain muted until you get to the part where you will be invited to unmute and participate in some parts of the liturgy, as marked by this symbol.  = UNMUTE

Receiving Holy Communion

We invite you to share with us in the sacramental meal because Christ invites you! There is no specific age requirement for Communion. There are two options: You may come forward to receive the bread from the Pastor and wine or grape juice from the Assisting Minister. The glasses will be pre-poured, with the grape juice in the inner circle and wine in the outer circle. Each person will take their own glass from the tray. Empty glasses can be deposited in trays on the front pews. This will be a continuous communion, standing to receive the elements. The other option is we have individually packaged communion with either wine or grape juice that you can pick up at the entrance of the sanctuary. The pastor will say "The body of Christ given for you and the blood of Christ shed for you" following the singing of the Communion Song. Please deposit the cups and wrappers in the trash receptacles as you leave the sanctuary.

Gathering: *The Holy Spirit assembles us as the People of God ...*

Now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation! Now we are in the storm, the boat almost swamped; but Jesus is here now, and when we call him, he will calm the storm. Even the wind and waves listen to him as they would to their creator. We also listen to him and are called to believe in the power of God's word in him, a power greater than all that we fear.

P: Presiding Minister **L:** Leader/Assisting Minister **R:** Reader **A:** Assembly

✝ *All may make the sign of the cross.*

Prelude

"Prelude and Fugue in C Major by J.S. Bach and "To a Wild Rose"
by Edward MacDowell

The Assembly stands when directed and turns toward the font.

Confession and Forgiveness

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

A 🗣️ **Amen.**

P Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance,
let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P God, Our provider,

A 🗣️ **help us.**

It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

**We question your ways when they differ from the ways
of the world in which we live.**

We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you.

We take offense at your teachings and your ways.

Turn us again to you.

Where else can we turn?

**Share with us the words of eternal life
and feed us for life in the world.**

Amen.

P Beloved people of God:
in Jesus, the manna from heaven,
you are fed and nourished.
By Jesus, the worker of miracles,
there is always more than enough.

Through Jesus, ✝ the bread of life,
you are shown God's mercy:
you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

A 🗣️ **Amen.**

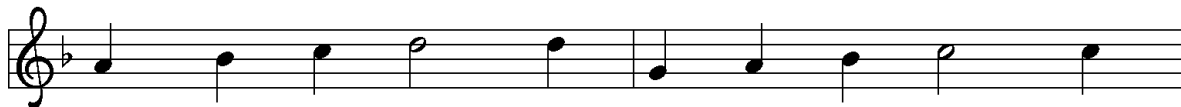
Gathering Song

“Evening and Morning” (DIE GUILDNE SONNE) ELW 761

You may reverence the cross as it passes you.



1 Eve - ning and morn - ing, sun - set and dawn - ing,
 2 Gra - cious Lord, hear me, par - don and spare me;
 3 Ills that still grieve me soon are to leave me;
 4 To God in heav - en all praise be giv - en!



wealth, peace, and glad - ness, com - fort in sad - ness:
 calm all my ter - rors, blot out my er - rors,
 though bil - lows tow - er, and winds gain pow - er,
 O God, we of - fer and glad - ly prof - fer



these are your works, rich in glo - ry di - vine!
 that jus - ti - fied in your sight I may stand.
 af - ter the storm the fair sun shows its face.
 gifts from your hand; these a - lone you will prize:



Times with - out num - ber, a - wake or in slum - ber,
 Or - der my go - ings, di - rect all my do - ings;
 Joys e'er in - creas - ing and peace nev - er ceas - ing:
 hearts that re - ceive you and faith to be - lieve you;



your eye ob - serves us, from dan - ger pre - serves us,
 guard me and guide me, and stay close be - side me;
 these shall I trea - sure and share in full mea - sure
 hymns that a - dore you are pre - cious be - fore you



caus - ing your mer - cy up - on us to shine.
 all I com - mit to your fa - ther - ly hand.
 when in your man - sions you grant me a place.
 and to your throne like sweet in - cense a - rise.

Greeting

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

A  **And also with you!**

Canticle of Praise

"Gloria"

S121

Refrain



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



1 Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.

Refrain



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of



God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are



seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

Refrain



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



3 For you a - lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly



Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Refrain



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

Prayer of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

A And also with you.

P Let us pray...

Pause for a moment of silence...

P O God of creation, eternal majesty, you preside over land and sea, sunshine and storm. By your strength pilot us, by your power preserve us, by your wisdom instruct us, and by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

A Amen.

The Assembly is seated.

Word: *God speaks to us in scripture, preaching, and song*

Reading from the Hebrew Scriptures

Job 38:1-11

R A reading from Job.

¹The LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind:

²"Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?

³Gird up your loins like a man,
I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

⁴"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?
Tell me, if you have understanding.

⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know!
Or who stretched the line upon it?

⁶On what were its bases sunk,
or who laid its cornerstone

⁷when the morning stars sang together
and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

⁸"Or who shut in the sea with doors
when it burst out from the womb?—

⁹when I made the clouds its garment,
and thick darkness its swaddling band,

¹⁰and prescribed bounds for it,
and set bars and doors,

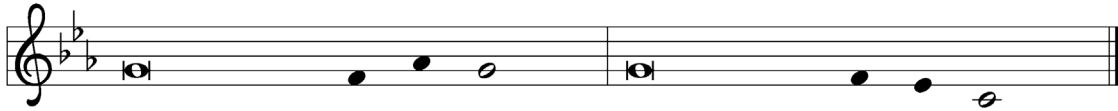
¹¹and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther,
and here shall your proud waves be stopped?'

R The Word of the Lord. Or, Word of God, word of life.

A Thanks be to God!

The organ will play the tone. All sing the psalm in unison. There is no refrain.

Tone:



- ¹Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good,
for God's mercy endures forever.
- ²**Let the redeemed of the LORD proclaim
that God redeemed them from the hand of the foe,**
- ³gathering them in from the lands;
from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.
- ²³**Some went down to the sea in ships,
plying their trade in deep waters.**
- ²⁴They beheld the works of the LORD,
God's wonderful works in the deep.
- ²⁵**Then God spoke, and a stormy wind arose,
which tossed high the waves of the sea.**
- ²⁶They mounted up to the heavens and descended to the depths;
their souls melted away in their peril.
- ²⁷They staggered and reeled like drunkards,
and all their skill was of no avail.
- ²⁸Then in their trouble they cried to the LORD,
and you delivered them from their distress.
- ²⁹**You stilled the storm to a whisper
and silenced the waves of the sea.**
- ³⁰Then were they glad when it grew calm,
when you guided them to the harbor they desired.
- ³¹**Let them give thanks to you, LORD, for your steadfast love
and your wonderful works for all people.**
- ³²Let them exalt you in the assembly of the people;
in the council of the elders, let them sing hallelujah!

Reading from the New Testament

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

R A reading from 2 Corinthians.

¹As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain.

²For he says,

"At an acceptable time I have listened to you,
and on a day of salvation I have helped you."

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! ³We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love,

⁷truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

¹¹We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. ¹²There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. ¹³In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

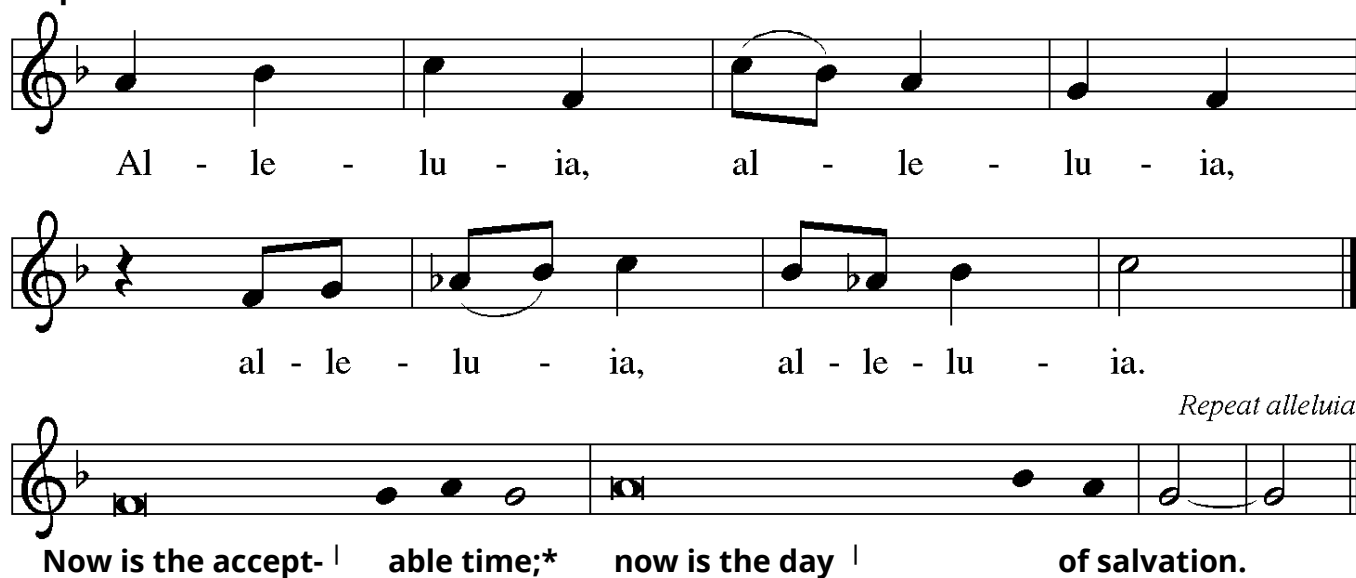
R The Word of the Lord. Or, Word of God, word of life.

A 🎤 **Thanks be to God!**

The Assembly stands to greet the Good News of Jesus.

Gospel Acclamation

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Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
 al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Repeat alleluia
 Now is the accept- | able time;* now is the day | of salvation.

Gospel

Mark 4:35-41

P The Holy Gospel according to Mark.

A **Glory to you, O Lord!**

³⁵When evening had come, [Jesus said to the disciples,] “Let us go across to the other side.” ³⁶And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. ³⁷A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. ³⁸But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” ³⁹He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, “Peace! Be still!” Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. ⁴⁰He said to them, “Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?” ⁴¹And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

A **Praise to you, O Christ!**

The Gospel Acclamation Alleluia is sung once again.

The Assembly is then seated.

Sermon

Time of Silence

A bell will sound to signal a time of silence for reflection.

During this time, you may want to meditate on one word from the scriptures which stands out to you, asking the Spirit to show you how it applies to your own life.

When the bell sounds a second time, the Assembly stands to respond to the Word with song.

Hymn of the Day

"Precious Lord, Take my Hand" (PRECIOUS LORD)

ELW 773

1 Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand,
2 When my way grows . . drear, pre-cious Lord, lin - ger near,
3 When the dark - ness ap - pears and the night draws . . . near,

I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
when my life is . . . al - most . . . gone,
and the day is . . . past and . . . gone,

Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light,
hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall.
at the riv - er I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand.

take my hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me home.
Take my hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me home.
Take my hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me home.

The Apostle's Creed

L With the whole Church, let us profess our faith.

**A I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the + resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

L We come before the triune God to pray for our communities, ourselves, and our world.

(brief pause)

L Equip your faithful people to approach this world with a sense of wonder. Make your church a safe place to explore big questions, troubling doubts, and honest laments. Humble our hearts to repent of the ways that communities of faith have inflicted pain or trauma. Merciful God,

A 🕊 receive our prayer.

L Speak into the hearts of our community members, so they support wholeheartedly our faith leaders. We pray for our bishops Elizabeth and Yehiel, our pastor Mark, our president Michael, our council, our justice ministries and all who guide and instruct our communities. Merciful God,

A receive our prayer.

L You spoke creation into order from the chaos of the swirling deep. May your name be praised by rivers and seas, wetlands and waterfalls. Secure clean water for all people and protect water sources from contamination or exploitation. Merciful God,

A receive our prayer.

L Amid whirlwinds of division, violence, and conflict, remind us again that you are as steadfast as the foundations of the earth. Rejuvenate peacemakers, advocates, and community organizers when they feel weary in their work. Merciful God,

A receive our prayer.

L Deliver your people from their distress, O God. We lift before you all who are sick or struggling, especially for Rebecca Bernstein, Serena Bernstein, Kathy Hermann, Dori Jacobson-Wenzel, Jim Jung, Nancy Lang, Elaine Nelson, Darryl Rohrer, Joe Simchak, and those we name now aloud or in the silence of our hearts... Grant consolation and peace to all who live with chronic, terminal, or persistent illness. In times of affliction or hardship, sustain us in faith. Merciful God,

A receive our prayer.

L Enfold all travelers with your protection. Bless the comings and goings of this assembly as we travel for leisure or for work. Let all journeys be met with hospitality on the way, and let community members return to us with celebration. Merciful God,

A receive our prayer.

L And now, sisters and brothers, for what else shall we pray?

The petitions and thanksgivings of the Assembly, silent or spoken aloud, are invited.

L Merciful God,

A receive our prayer.

L Now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation for all the redeemed of the Lord, especially John, Philipp, Cyril, Irenaeus, Peter and Paul. Joined together with the great cloud of witnesses, we give thanks for your steadfast love and your wonderful works. Merciful God,

A receive our prayer.

P Receive our prayers, O God, and come quickly to our aid, through the power of the Spirit and the love of Jesus Christ.

A Amen.

Peace

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

A  **And also with you.**

*Greet one another in the peace of Christ, saying "Peace be with you,"
"The peace of the Lord," or similar words.*

The Assembly is seated.

Meal: *God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ ...*



Offering *An offering for doing God's mission, including the care of those in need. You scan this code with your smartphone camera to make your financial offering online.*

Offering Music

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"
by Lee Dengler

The Assembly stands and sings twice as the gifts are brought forward.

God wel - comes all, strang - ers and friends;
 God's love is strong and it nev - er ends.

The image shows a musical score for two systems. Each system consists of a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#). The first system contains the lyrics 'God wel - comes all, strang - ers and friends;'. The second system contains the lyrics 'God's love is strong and it nev - er ends.'.

Offering Prayer

- L Let us pray.
- L Jesus, Bread of life,
 you have set this table with your very self,
 and called us to the feast of plenty.
 Gather what has been sown among us,
 and strengthen us in this meal.
 Make us to be what we receive here,
 your body for the life of the world.

A Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Dialogue

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The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

The image shows a musical score for four lines of dialogue. Each line is written on a single treble clef staff. The key signature is one flat (Bb). The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.', 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.', 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.', and 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.'.

Preface *The Presiding Minister begins the prayer:*

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
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 all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy *The Assembly joins in singing:*

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Thanksgiving at the Table

P Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal:
you we praise and glorify, you we worship and adore.

You formed the earth from chaos;
you encircled the globe with air;
you created fire for warmth and light;
you nourish the lands with water.
You molded us in your image,
and with mercy higher than the mountains,
with grace deeper than the seas,
you blessed the Israelites and cherished them as your own.

That also we, estranged and dying,
might be adopted to live in your Spirit,
you called to us through the life and death of Jesus.

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.

Together as the body of Christ,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:

A



Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

With this bread and cup we remember your Son,
the first-born of your new creation.
We remember his life lived for others,
and his death and resurrection, which renews the face of the earth.
We await his coming,
when, with the world made perfect through your wisdom,
all our sins and sorrows will be no more.

A Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Holy God, holy and merciful one, holy and compassionate,
send upon us and this meal your Holy Spirit,
whose breath revives us for life,
whose fire rouses us to love.
Enfold in your arms all who share this holy food.
Nurture in us the fruits of the Spirit,
that we may be a living tree, sharing your bounty with all the world.

A Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

Holy and benevolent God,
receive our praise and petitions,
as Jesus received the cry of the needy,
and fill us with your blessing,
until, needy no longer and bound to you in love,
we feast forever in the triumph of the Lamb:
through whom all glory and honor is yours, O God, O Living One,
with the Holy Spirit, in your holy church, now and forever.

A



The Lord's Prayer

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

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.**

The Breaking of the Bread and Invitation

P Christ has set the table with more than enough for all.
Come!

A  We come to be filled with your abundant life.

The Assembly is seated.

Communion Song

Lamb of God

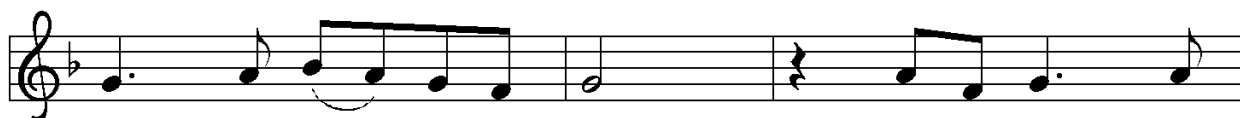
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Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you



take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Distribution of Holy Communion

For those who are communing with the packets or online, the pastor will say "The body of Christ given for you and the blood of Christ shed for you."

Those who wish, please come forward as the ushers direct, to receive the bread from the Pastor and wine or grape juice from the Assisting Minister. The glasses will be pre-poured, with the grape juice in the inner circle and wine in the outer circle. Each person will take their own glass from the tray. Empty glasses can be deposited in trays on the front pews. This will be a continuous communion, standing to receive the elements.

P This is the body of Christ, given for you.

All communing remotely or with individual packets may partake of the bread.

P This is the blood of Christ, shed for you.

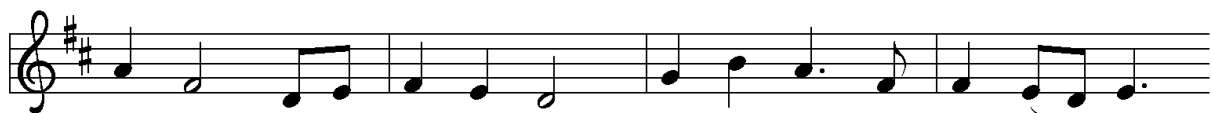
All communing remotely or with individual packets may drink of their cup.

When you receive the elements, you may respond by saying, "Amen."

Communion Hymn

"We Come to the Hungry Feast" (HUNGRY FEAST)

ELW 479



1 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a word of peace.
2 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a world re - leased
3 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry that the hun - ger cease,



To hun - gry hearts un - sat - is - fied the love of God is
from hun - gry folk of ev - 'ry kind, the poor in bod - y,
and know - ing, though we eat our fill, the hun - ger will stay



not de - nied. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
poor in mind. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
with us; still we come, we come to the hun - gry feast.

The Assembly stands as directed.

Blessing after Communion

P May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you, and keep you in his grace.

A Amen.

Prayer after Communion

L Let us pray...
Jesus, Bread of life,
we have received from your table
more than we could ever ask.
As you have nourished us in this meal,
now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.
In your name we pray.

A Amen.

Sending: *God blesses us, and sends us in mission to the world ...*

Farewell and Godspeed to Corbin Treadwell

Blessing

P The blessing of God,
who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,
✝ be upon you now and forever.

A  **Amen.**

1 When peace like a riv - er at - tend - eth my way, when
 2 Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, let
 3 He lives—oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought; my
 4 Lord, has - ten the day when our faith shall be sight, the

sor - rows like sea bil - lows roll, what - ev - er my lot, thou hast
 this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, that Christ hath re - gard - ed my
 sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to his cross and I
 clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trum - pet shall sound and the

taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.
 help - less es - tate, and hath shed his own blood for my soul.
 bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
 Lord shall de - scend; e - ven so it is well with my soul.

Refrain

It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.
 It is well with my soul,

Dismissal

L Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

A  **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Prelude in A flat Major by J.S. Bach

Please stay for a time of fellowship, congregational announcements, and celebrations immediately following the service in Fellowship Hall (on the east side of the building).

Today's refreshments are hosted by Kirsten Brown & Jared Peck.

Come enjoy one another's company and this opportunity for connecting!!

Serving in worship today...

Presiding Minister.....	The Rev. Mark Sloss
Assisting Minister	Laurie Stivers
Lector	Anne Heider
Acolyte.....	Kit McCarthy
Organist	Christine Kraemer
Music Director.....	James Morehead
Table Preparation	Kit McCarthy
Zoom Host	Jim McCarthy
Audio-Visual Technician.....	Michael Kloster
Ushers	Terri Hummel
Counters	Greg Hummel

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Upcoming Events – for details see the weekly e-blast, *Immanuel Newsfeeds*, or the website Calendar at www.immanuelevanston.org. Worship services can be attended either in person or online.

Wednesday, June 26	FA Meeting	6:30 pm
Sunday, June 30	Sunday Worship	10:30 am
	New Community Church	1:00 pm

This week's commemorations....

John the Baptist

Monday, June 24, 2024

John said, "[Jesus] must increase, but I must decrease." And so his birth is celebrated half a year before Jesus', just as the daylight in the northern hemisphere begins to wane. Jesus honored John as being the greatest prophet.

Presentation of the Augsburg Confession, 1530

Tuesday, June 25, 2024

On this day in 1530 the German and Latin editions of the Augsburg Confession were presented to the Emperor Charles of the Holy Roman Empire. The Augsburg Confession was written by Philipp Melanchthon and endorsed by Martin Luther, and consists of a brief summary of points in which the reformers saw their teaching as either agreeing with or differing from that of the Roman Catholic Church of the time.

Philipp Melanchthon, renewer of the church, died 1560

Tuesday, June 25, 2024

Though he died on April 19, Philipp Melanchthon is commemorated today because of his connection with the Augsburg Confession. Colleague and co-reformer with Martin Luther, Melanchthon was a brilliant scholar, known as "the teacher of Germany."

Cyril, Bishop of Alexandria, died 444

Thursday, June 27, 2024

Cyril defended the orthodox teachings about the person of Christ. After a conflict involving all of the major Christian leaders of the time, it was decided that Cyril's interpretation, that Christ's person included both divine and human natures, was correct.

Irenaeus, Bishop of Lyons, died around 202

Friday, June 28, 2024

This important early church leader tried very hard to hold to the faith handed down by the apostles. An opponent of the movement known as gnosticism, Irenaeus was one of the first to speak of the church as catholic, or linked together.

Peter and Paul, Apostles

Saturday, June 29, 2024

These two strong-willed apostles are the pillars of the church in the first generation after Christ. Peter was one of the Twelve, one who both offered a glorious confession of faith and later denied knowing Jesus. Paul once led the persecution of Christians, then was converted and helped bring the faith to non-Jewish people.

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