

Pentecost



About the Cover

The occasional glimpse of the beauty of blooming flowers at the golden setting of the sun testifies to the work of our amazing Creator. After creating this world with all of its splendor, God rested on the seventh day (the Sabbath). Our sin, however, introduced death into this world, and no amount of our work can merit salvation and rest. Yet, in Christ we have eternal Sabbath rest in God for all the work He has done on His cross, in the tomb, and upon His resurrection to accomplish our salvation.

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Old Testament Reading: Ecclesiastes 5:10–20

¹⁰He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves wealth with his income; this also is vanity. ¹¹When goods increase, they increase who eat them, and what advantage has their owner but to see them with his eyes? ¹²Sweet is the sleep of a laborer, whether he eats little or much, but the full stomach of the rich will not let him sleep.

13 There is a grievous evil that I have seen under the sun: riches were kept by their owner to his hurt, 14 and those riches were lost in a bad venture. And he is father of a son, but he has nothing in his hand. 15 As he came from his mother's womb he shall go again, naked as he came, and shall take nothing for his toil that he may carry away in his hand. 16 This also is a grievous evil: just as he came, so shall he go, and what gain is there to him who toils for the wind? 17 Moreover, all his days he eats in darkness in much vexation and sickness and anger.

¹⁸Behold, what I have seen to be good and fitting is to eat and drink and find enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under the sun the few days of his life that God has given him, for this is his lot. ¹⁹Everyone also to whom God has given wealth and possessions and power to enjoy them, and to accept his lot and rejoice in his toil—this is the gift of God. ²⁰For he will not much remember the days of his life because God keeps him occupied with joy in his heart.

Epistle: Hebrews 4:1–13

¹Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it. ²For good news came to us just as to them, but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened. ³For we who have believed enter that rest, as he has said,

"As I swore in my wrath,
'They shall not enter my rest,'"

although his works were finished from the foundation of the world. ⁴For he has somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way: "And God rested on the seventh day from all his works." ⁵And again in this passage he said, "They shall not enter my rest."

⁶Since therefore it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience, ⁷again he appoints a certain day, "Today," saying through David so long afterward, in the words already quoted,

"Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts."

⁸For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on. ⁹So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, ¹⁰for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as God did from his.

¹¹Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience. ¹²For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ¹³And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

Holy Gospel: Mark 10:23-31

²³Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How difficult it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" 24And the disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how difficult it is to enter the kingdom of God! 25It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God." ²⁶And they were exceedingly astonished, and said to him, "Then who can be saved?" ²⁷Jesus looked at them and said, "With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God." 28Peter began to say to him, "See, we have left everything and followed you." 29 Jesus said, "Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for my sake and for the gospel, 30 who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life. 31But many who are first will be last, and the last first.'

Come, Holy Spirit, and fill the hearts of Your faithful people and kindle in them the fire of Your love: You, who through diverse tongues gathered together the nations in the unity of faith.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH 24th Saturday After Pentecost Church Phone: 812-867-5088 — October 19, 2024 --- 5:30 pm Worship with Holy Communion

Opening Prayer // Opening Hymn: "For all the Saints who from their labors rest" 677 vs. 1-3

Invocation: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. C: Amen.

P: O Lord, open my lips.

P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me;

P: God the Father, made the Plan

P: Jesus carried out the Plan.

P: The Holy Spirit makes the Plan a part of our lives C: He opens our hearts

P: The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

P: Our God made, carried out, and brought.

P: This is the day the Lord has made

C: And my mouth will declare Your praise.

C: Make haste to help me, O Lord.

C: He gave to us the Plan of the Gospel.

C: He died on the Cross for our sins

C: The Holy Trinity that grants life

C: His plan of salvation to us.

C: We will rejoice and be glad in it.

Psalmody: Psalm 119: 9-16

P: How can a young man keep his way pure? C: By guarding it according to Your Word.

P: With my whole heart I seek You; C: Let me not wander from Your Commandments!

P: I have stored up Your Word in my heart, C: That I might not sin against You.

P: Blessed are You, O Lord; C: Teach me Your statutes!

P: With my lips I declare C: All the rules of Your mouth.

P: In the way of Your testimonies I delight C: As much as in all riches.

P: I will meditate on Your precepts C: And fix my eyes on Your ways.

P: I will delight in Your statutes; C: I will not forget Your Word.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, All: is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Collect: O God, Your divine wisdom sets in order all things in heaven and on earth. Put away from us all things hurtful and give us those things that are beneficial for us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. C: Amen.

Hymn: Seek Ye First 712

O.T. Lesson: Ecclesiastes 5: 10-20 Epistle Lesson: Hebrews 4: 1-13 (Please rise) Holy Gospel: Mark 10: 23-31 Hymn: Salvation Unto Us 555 vs. 1-3, 10

Children's Sermon /// Sermon /// Confession of Faith: Nicene Creed (back of hymnal)

Offerings brought to the Altar

Prayers: The families of: Hamby, David and Jane Ann, Hamby, Midge, Heilmans, Robert and Connie.

Lord's Prayer (Back of Hymnal)

Confession of Sins C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, have mercy upon us. Forgive 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.

Absolution: Upon this your confession, I by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Admonition to Communicants: I exhort you in Christ, that you give attention to the Testament of Christ in true faith, and above all take to heart the Words with which Christ presents His body and blood to us for forgiveness. That you take note of, and give thanks for, the boundless love that He showed us when He saved us from the wrath of God, sin, death, and hell by His blood; and that you then externally receive the bread and wine, that is, His body and blood, as a guarantee and pledge. Let us then in His name, according to His command, and with His own Words administer and receive His Sacrament.

Blessing of Elements /// Distribution Hymn: At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing 633

Closing Hymn: Amazing Grace 744

Closing Collect: Heavenly Father, You grant us Your Spirit to open our eyes and enlighten our minds to serve You and fellow believers; lead us by Your Spirit to enable us to witness of Your love, live according to Your will, bring Your Word of life to others, rejoice in the goodness You have showered upon us, and reflect Your love in how we reach out to others; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

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Kirk Horstmeyer, Pastor Matt Wilson, Organist

WHAT THE SCRIPTURES TEACHES CONCERNING THE LORD'S SUPPER In I Corinthians 11 the Holy Spirit led Paul to write, "This is my body" and "This cup is the new covenant in my blood" to explain the spiritual truth of the Supper: Christ is truly present in His body and blood in the bread and wine. This is a mystery, a Heavenly gift; one we can only understand in faith. Paul further says, "Therefore whoever eats the bread and drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord" and, "let a man examine himself, for he who eats and drinks, eats and drinks indement to himself if he does not examine himself...for he who eats and drinks, eats and drinks judgment to himself if he does not judge the body rightly." There is no doubt from our Lord's Word, we are receiving His body and blood. The Father offers us forgiveness, unity of faith, strengthening of faith, etc.; it is never our right, we approach His altar only by His invitation. If you are visiting we ask that you please speak with the Pastor before receiving the Lord's Supper. We strive to lovingly carry out our responsibility to ensure the supper remains a blessing for all, never a curse. May His richest blessing be upon you all.

THIS WEEK

TODAY:

Worship with H/C at 5:30 pm

SUNDAY:

Worship 8 am w/ HC, SS 9:10 am, Worship 10:15 am w/ HC Voter's Mtg.

TUESDAY:

Confirmation 6:00 pm

WEDNESDAY:

Choir Practice 6 pm

THURSDAY:

Bible Class at 9:30 (Revelation) Bible Study at 6:00 (Hebrews 10)

Next SATURDAY: Confirmation 9:30 am, Worship w/HC 5:30

Next SUNDAY:

Worship w/HC 8 am, SS 9:10 am, Worship w/HC 10:15 am City- Wide

Reformation Service at St. Paul's at 3:00 pm

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE: Sat, Oct 12: 58 LS: 49; Sun, Oct. 13: 8 am: 88; 10:15 am: 54

MEMBER PRAYER LIST: Next week we will be praying for the families of: Herrmann, Alyssa and Adam, Collins and Lincoln; Hill, Warren and Jackie, Addison, Jude, Jordan; Hoffherr, Stu and Carol

Items Needed for our Food Pantry: Chef Boyardee Ravioli, Chef Boyardee Beefaroni, Packages of Rice Meals, Noodle Meals, Pasta Meals, etc. Toilet Paper, Paper towels, Kleenex, Small bottles of Laundry detergent, Bars of Soap, Cans of Fruit Cocktail, Variety of Jellies, Cans of Soup, Beef Stew, Deodorant.

Things we have an ample supply: Raisins, Large bags of Rice, Macaroni and Cheese, Pears. Fruit cups, Green Beans, Corn, Peas, Peanut Butter, Tomato Soup, chicken Noodle, Toothpaste, Shampoo, Conditioner.

OUR SAVIOR CLOSING SERVICE: The members of Our Saviour, are cordially inviting us to join them on November 10, 2024 at 1 p.m. for their closing service and decommissioning of their sanctuary. Rev. Dr. Richard Stuckwischwill preach and preside over their closing. Please plan on joining them in rejoicing in Christ and bearing the burden of closing another area congregation.

Reformation Meal for City- Wide Meal: we will begin preparation at about 12:45 pm on Sunday after our services and people have time to get lunch. We will be leaving her about 2:25 to take everything to St. Paul's and get it into the kitchen and warmers. I will be taking food, we need two other vehicles to transport everything there. Thanks and blessing.

FROM THE ELDERS: Christ our Lord said, "Let the children come to me" Immanuel is blessed to have the number of children we do, and we are even more blessed praents bring them to worship. We have experienced a growing number of incidents recently, though, in which in the chorus of children, at times, makes it difficlut for others to concentrate on the service. We want the children in the worship service, but we are also making a plea to parents to make sure their children are not too distracting. Children will not be perfect, and it is up to each parents to determine when additional action needs to be taken, but if a parent believes their child needs to be temporarily removed from the service, there is a "cry room" in the back of the sanctuary, and there is also a closed circuit TV feed in the Hich School Sunday school room just off the narthex. Please understand, we are not asking parents to keep their children out of worship, but we are asking everyone to make sure others are able to concentrate on the worship service.

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS

VOTER'S MEETING: tomorrow Sunday, October 20th, following the 10:15 am service.

City-Wide Reformation Service at St. Paul's at 3:00 pm on October 27 with meal being provided by Immanuel.

THĂNKSGIVING FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON: Sunday, November 10 at 11:15 am

SPECIAL VOTER'S MEETING: Sunday, November 17th, following the 10:15 am service to elect 2025 officers and board members and approve 2025 Budget.

OFFICER & BOARD MEMBER LUNCHEON & ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING: Sunday, Dec 1 at 11:15 am