

#### Pentecost



## **About the Cover**

We have no need or ability to appease God by our merits or sacrifices. Even the high priest of the Old Testament was a shadow of the eternal priest after the order of Melchizedek: lesus Christ, Priests needed to make continual sacrifices. **But Christ has** accomplished everything that we need. As both our great High Priest and our sacrifice, His one sacrifice of Himself on the cross has covered all our sins.

## TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

# Old Testament Reading: 1 Kings 17:8–16

<sup>8</sup>Then the word of the Lord came to [Elijah], 9"Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to feed you." 10So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks. And he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, that I may drink." 11 And as she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." 12And she said, "As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of flour in a jar and a little oil in a jug. And now I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die." 13And Elijah said to her, "Do not fear; go and do as you have said. But first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son. 14For thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, 'The iar of flour shall not be spent, and the jug of oil shall not be empty, until the day that the Lord sends rain upon the earth." 15 And she went and did as Elijah said. And she and he and her household ate for many days. <sup>16</sup>The jar of flour was not spent, neither did the jug of oil become empty, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah.

## Epistle: Hebrews 9:24-28

<sup>24</sup>For Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into

heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. <sup>25</sup>Nor was it to offer himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters the holy places every year with blood not his own, <sup>26</sup> for then he would have had to suffer repeatedly since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself. <sup>27</sup>And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment, <sup>28</sup>so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

## Holy Gospel: Mark 12:38-44

<sup>38</sup>In his teaching [Jesus] said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes and like greetings in the marketplaces <sup>39</sup>and have the best seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at feasts, <sup>40</sup>who devour widows' houses and for a pretense make long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

<sup>41</sup>And he sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the offering box. Many rich people put in large sums. <sup>42</sup>And a poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which make a penny. <sup>43</sup>And he called his disciples to him and said to them, "Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the offering box. <sup>44</sup>For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

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 27th Saturday After Pentecost Church Phone: 812-867-5088 — November 9, 2024 --- 5:30 pm Worship with Holy Communion

Opening Prayer // Opening Hymn: "Open now Thy Gates of Beauty" 901

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: 1-8

P: Blessed are those whose way is blameless, C: Who walk in the law of the Lord!

P: Blessed are those who keep His testimonies, C: Who seek Him with their whole heart,

P: Who also do no wrong, C: But walk in His ways!

P: You have commanded Your precepts, C: To be kept diligently.

P: Oh that my ways may be steadfast C: In keeping Your statutes!

P: Then I shall not be put to shame, C: Having my eyes fixed on all Your commandments.

P: I will praise You with an upright heart, C: When I learn Your just and righteous decrees.

P: I will keep Your statutes; C: Do not utterly forsake me!

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: Almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Grant us so firmly to believe in Your Son Jesus that our faith may never be found wanting; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. C: Amen.

Hymn: "Children of the Heavenly Father" 725

Epistle Lesson: Hebrews 9: 24-28 **O.T.** Lesson: *I Kings* 17: 8- 16 ///

(Please rise) Holy Gospel: Mark 12: 38-44 Hymn: "Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God" 712

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

Offerings brought to the Altar

Prayers: The families of: James, Taylor and Hallie and Waylon; Johnson, Sarah and Shane,

Sadie, Sofie; Jones, Karl and Theresa.

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: "Your Table I Approach" 628

Closing Hymn: "Praise and Thanksgiving" 789

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.

#### Benediction

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Kirk Horstmeyer, Pastor Beth Vance, 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 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, Thanksgiving

Meal at 11: 15 am

TUESDAY:

Confirmation 6:00 pm

WEDNESDAY: THURSDAY:

Choir Practice 6 pm 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 8 am, SS 9:10 am, Worship 10:15 am

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE: Sat, Nov. 2: 52 LS: 47; Sun, Nov. 3: 8 am: 90; LS: 68 10:15 am: 58, LS: 38

MEMBER PRAYER LIST: Next week we will be praying for the families of: Juncker, Brian; Karch, Allen, Christine, and Flynn; and Karch, Kurt and Waverlyn.

THANK YOU: Pastor and members of Immanuel Church, Thank you for all the prayers and cards I have received. It has been a rough year for me. God is helping me get thru this and one day I will be strong again. Thank You, Sharon McWilliams

I would like to thank everyone for their prayers and the visits during my recovery, the beautiful cards with well wishes, and for the food delivered for my mom, Kurt and me. Your generosity is very appreciated! Blessings to all, Waverlyn Karch

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

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 difficult 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**

THANKSGIVING FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON: Today, Sunday, November 10 at 11:15 am

**SPECIAL VOTERS' MEETING:** Sunday, November 17th, following the 10:15 am service, to elect 2025 officers and board members and approve the 2025 budget. Also, a vote will be taken to approve a landscaping proposal.

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

PASTOR'S 40<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION: As most of you know, this year is Pastor Horstmeyer's 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary at our church. We are planning a celebration in his honor on December 8, with a dinner at 12:30 p.m. and a short program to follow. Additional details and RSVP information will be forthcoming. Thank you, Anniversary Committee

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### 2024 OFFICERS

OFFICE	ELECTED TERM	NAME	PHONE
PRESIDENT	2024	Jim Bratton	812-746-0307
VICE PRESIDENT	2024	Scott Wittman	812-457-4173
RECORDING SECRETARY	2024	Debbie Somers	812-449-1172
FINANCIAL SECRETARY	2023-2024-2025	Josie Newmaster	812-205-6177
TREASURER	2023-2024-2025	Theresa Newman	812-480-7294
CEMETERY BOARD	2024-2025-2026 2023-2024-2025 2024-2025-2026 Honorary Member	Shelly Farney, Chair Mark Somers Steiger Farney* Jerry Racine	812-305-4923 812-568-9800 812-305-0624 812-867-2306
BOARD OF TRUSTEES	2024-2025-2026 2022-2023-2024 2022-2023-2024 2023-2024-2025 2023-2024-2025 2024-2025-2026	Steven Vandergriff, Jr., Chair* Gaylen Farney Dylan Vandergriff Scott LaMar Robert Parker Darrin Bailey	812-454-8116 812-305-4806 812-454-2326 812-652-0424 812-453-8884 812-779-7097
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The names highlighted in yellow are the list of the candidates running for 2025 officer/committee positions.