

# IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 9, 2020

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## Prelude

### Hymn                    **Above All**

Above all powers above all kings  
Above all nature and all created things  
Above all wisdom and all the ways of man  
You were here before the world began

Above all kingdoms above all thrones  
Above all wonders the world has ever known  
Above all wealth and treasures of the earth  
There's no way to measure  
What You're worth

Crucified laid behind the stone  
You lived to die rejected and alone  
Like a rose trampled on the ground  
You took the fall and thought of me  
Above all

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## The Invocation

*Matthew 28:19*

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

## The Confession of Sins

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: **Who made heaven and earth.**

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

C: **And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

P: O almighty God, merciful Father,

**All: I, a poor miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserve Your temporal and eternal punishment, but I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter, sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being.**

### **The Word of Absolution**

- P: 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.
- C: **Amen.** (*Please be seated.*)

### **The Kyrie**

- ∞C: **Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

### **The Salutation**

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: **And with Thy Spirit.**
- P: Let us pray.

### **The Collect for the Day**

- P: Let us pray:
- C: **Almighty and most merciful God, preserve us from all harm and danger that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish what You want done; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**
- C: **Amen.**

**Special Music:** "Amazing Grace" *Kathy Hogue on Piano*

### **The Reading of the day – Romans 13:1-8**

<sup>1</sup> Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God. <sup>2</sup> Consequently, whoever rebels against the authority is rebelling against what God has instituted, and those who do so will bring judgment on themselves. <sup>3</sup> For rulers hold no terror for those who do right, but for those who do wrong. Do you want to be free from fear of the one in authority? Then do what is right and you will be commended. <sup>4</sup> For the one in authority is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for rulers do not bear the sword for no reason. They are God's servants, agents of wrath to bring punishment on the wrongdoer. <sup>5</sup> Therefore, it is necessary to submit to the authorities, not only because of possible punishment but also as a matter of conscience.

<sup>6</sup> This is also why you pay taxes, for the authorities are God's servants, who give their full time to governing. <sup>7</sup> Give to everyone what you owe them: If you owe taxes, pay taxes; if revenue, then revenue; if respect, then respect; if honor, then honor.

<sup>8</sup> Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for whoever loves others has fulfilled the law.

- L: This is the Word of the Lord.
- C: **Thanks be to God.**

### **The Apostles Creed**

- All: **I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.  
And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and life everlasting. Amen**

Hymn: # 664 "Fight the Good Fight" Verses 1, 2 & 4



1 Fight the good fight with all your might; Christ is your  
2 Run the straight race through God's good grace; Lift up your  
3 Cast care a - side, lean on your guide; His bound-less  
4 Faint not nor fear, His arms are near; He chang - es



strength, and Christ your right. Lay hold on life, and  
eyes, and seek His face. Life with its way be -  
mer - cy will pro - vide. Trust, and en - dur - ing  
not who holds you dear; On - ly be - lieve, and



it shall be Your joy and crown e - ter - nal - ly.  
fore us lies; Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.  
faith shall prove Christ is your life and Christ your love.  
you will see That Christ is all e - ter - nal - ly.

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**Sermon - "Necessary Conversations: Religion and Politics"**

*Romans 13:1-8*

- I. **Critical issues in the civil realm affect the beliefs of the Missouri Synod Lutheran Church.**
  - A. It is affected by civil interpretation of laws by courts.
  - B. It is affected by a proper understanding of what the Bible means in a clear and authoritative way.
  - C. "Christians should also realize, even in our current year of troubles, God still reigns." (LW5)
- II. **Necessary conversations are guided by a proper understanding of two kingdoms theology.**
  - A. One king, two kingdoms
  - B. Christ rules through the law with his left hand.
  - C. Christ rules through both law and gospel with his right hand.
  - D. Taking on divisive political topics as a Christian.

**The Rite of Confirmation**

*Cody Jacob Adam-Forsong*

*Lauren Beth DePaola*

*Andrew William Hynick*

*Angelica Annabelle Lopez*

**The Prayers**

Successful cancer treatment for Donna Hagen, friend of Bob & Cindy Szczesny

For Dennis & son Shawn to come to faith, and peace & comfort from recent loss of wife & mother, friends of John Hutches

Continued healing from surgery for Linda Dempsey

Healing and Dr's wisdom for Kandy, sister of Larry Habeck

Continued healing for Walt & Barbara Abel

Continued healing in rehab for Martha Clark

Situation of Corona Virus, protests and unemployment

*(Please help us keep our attendance numbers accurate by filling out the attendance cards and putting in basket on the way out.)*

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**All:** Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

### **The Words of Institution**

**P:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

### **Salutation and Benedicamus**

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** **And with thy spirit.**

**P:** Bless we the Lord.

**C:** **Thanks be to God.**

### **The Benediction**

**P:** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

**∴C:** **Amen, Amen, Amen!**

***Wait for Ushers to excuse you. Please leave nothing in the pews. Place pencils, attendance card and offering in the basket at the North exit of Sanctuary. Please return to your cars immediately.***

**Communion Distribution** *(during final hymn)*

## The Closing Hymn #627 "Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior"

Verses 1-4



1 Je - sus Christ, our bless - ed Sav - ior, Turned a - way God's  
2 As His pledge of love un - dy - ing, He, this pre - cious  
3 Je - sus here Him - self is shar - ing; Heed then how you  
4 Praise the Fa - ther, who from heav - en To His own this



wrath for - ev - er; By His bit - ter grief and woe  
food sup - ply - ing, Gives His bod - y with the bread,  
are pre - par - ing, For if you do not be - lieve,  
food has giv - en, Who, to mend what we have done,



He saved us from the e - vil foe.  
And with the wine the blood He shed.  
His judg - ment then you shall re - ceive.  
Gave in - to death His on - ly Son.

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### Altar flowers are placed to the glory of God.

***Thank you and much appreciation for the cards, gifts, thoughts and prayers from Del Zimmerman and family***

**Special thanks to our ...**

Organist: Kathy Hogue

Cantors: Michaela Farnsworth, Katie & Ethan Wilcox

Recording Artist: Scott Wilcox

Ushers: Mike Farnsworth, Ray Eydmann, Jeff Hoening,

Bob and Christine Garrett and

Elders – Kerry Drake and Tom Proeschel

*Services will be live-streamed and a recording of service will be posted by the end of the day.*

**Please keep the church office updated on prayers that have been asked to be kept on indefinitely, military and ones for continued healing or cancer treatments**

### Continued Prayers

Safe travels to Kansas for Del Zimmerman and family

Thanksgiving for 1<sup>st</sup> birthday of Daniel Sierra

Thanksgiving for the birth of Jack Stange, son of Pastor Farnsworth's Godson, Eric

Thanksgiving for the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Immanuel Lutheran Church and its congregation

Employment for those struggling to find a job

### Healing

Laurel Zimmerman, brother of Del Zimmerman

Vida Zimmerman, mother of Del Zimmerman

Joan Crouse

**Battling with Cancer or Serious Illness**

Walt Braudis  
Mike, brother-in-law of Kerry Drake  
Barbara LaVere  
Nancy Reeder, friend of the Habecks  
Robert Swift, friend of Tom & Trish Smith  
Tracy, cousin of Jacquelyn Hahn  
Lisa Steinbrueck, niece of the Steinbrueck's  
Andrew Krauska, brother-in-law of Sally James  
Kevin Eads, brother of Karri Funk  
Kathy, daughter of Walt Braudis  
Robert Petrosky  
Keith Stallings  
Alan Sparks, and strength & comfort  
Sammy Dunnehood, brother of Felton Dunnehood  
Richard Steinbrueck  
Don Swisher, step-father of Larry Habeck  
Tracie Danielle Rhodes, niece of Bill & Jackie Anton  
Paul Braudis, brother of Walt  
Bill, (w/brain cancer) uncle of Brian Littrel  
Bruce Zellmer, brother of Duane  
Cheryl Ford  
Cathy Nichols, mother of Cathy Wilson  
David Parkinson, brother of Betty Loraamm  
Regina Goodwin, niece of Plumb's  
Athlee Muehlnickel  
Nancy Meyers, sister of Jackie Anton  
Mike Kurtz  
Priscilla Ritter, mother of Lynda Smith and grandmother of Rob Ritter  
Lois Sutton, mother of Ruth Krause  
Kathy Kane, sister of Ray Dempsey  
Tom Meyferth  
Glenn Turner, uncle of Tammie Farnsworth

Peggy & Larry Audler, cousins of Irv Dupre

**PRAYERS FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY**

**Safety for... and strength for families:**

Matthew Albers as he is promoted to Major in USAF and assumes command in Sacramento, CA, son of Deb Albers  
Xander Ritter as he is in Marine Basics  
Logan Crouse as he is undergoing Army air borne training, great-nephew of Joan Crouse  
Carson Crouse, (army) great-nephew of Joan Crouse, stationed in Georgia  
Gavin Mattson, stationed in New Mexico, as he continues his para-rescue man training, grandson of Edith Mattson  
Nick Dillon as he travels on an aircraft carrier in the Middle East, nephew of Kim Blomquist

**PRAYERS FOR OUR FAMILIES**

Sunday: Richard & Lynda Stevenson  
Monday: Sharon Stinnett, Kristopher  
Tuesday: Bill & Kim Stromberg  
Wed: Bob & Cindy Szczesny, Corrine  
Thursday Nancy Thorne  
Friday: Clyde & Nancy Trathowen  
Saturday: Brian & Christal Trlak, Kerry, Erika, Jessica

**PRAYERS FOR OUR SCHOOL STUDENTS & FAMILIES**

Sunday Yaliana Hernandez  
Monday: RaeLynn & Ronald Hockman  
Tuesday: Colton Hodges  
Wed: Mareike Hoehn  
Thursday: Jaylyn & Mercedes Ibanez  
Friday: Olivia Jones  
Saturday Abigaelle, Jeremiah & Sammuel Joseph

*Dear Heavenly Father,*

*As we continue to see this virus spread like wild fire, we pray that Your Holy Spirit would rain down and stop its spread. Rain down, also, upon us to bring us comfort and peace in the midst of anxiety and seclusion. Give us confidence in all Your promises, and help us to remember that You will never leave us NOR forsake us. Make us confident of Your love and grace given to us through Jesus' blood and righteousness.*

*We pray for Your miraculous power to cover this earth and thwart the invisible enemy and the virus he is wielding. Help us find joy in Your Word of Truth, to find comfort in all your promises, and to find peace that passes all human comprehension in Jesus alone.*

*We submit ourselves to You for wholeness, for healing, and to once again experience the power of Your presence in our lives. Surround us with Your angels so that we may confidently rejoice in all Your blessings, even in the midst of adversity.*

*You, with the Son and the Spirit, are One God, world without end!*

*In Jesus' name we pray.*

*Amen.*