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## The 16th Sunday after Pentecost

11 a.m., Sunday, September 12, 2021

**W**arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. Our summertime liturgies are what we call "Piano Sundays." They are nice because the Cantor is near us. We are grateful to Music Director Gwendolyn Toth and Cantor Motomi Tanaka for leading our music this morning.

Most Sundays, we live stream our morning liturgy. We plan to do so this morning too. If for some reason, the live stream does not work this morning, you should be able to watch the recorded service later in the day. Actually you can always do that, whether you watch at 11 a.m. or not.

Our Task Force on Re-Opening says that *if we are vaccinated* then masks are optional. But if we are not vaccinated, then we should wear masks. Also the Task Force says that we can sing again!

Carol and I are fully vaccinated, but at least for a while, we mean to wear our masks when we are close to the people, as in the Distribution of Holy Communion.

We hope you will find strength for your souls in this liturgy. Thank you for joining in the prayers of thanksgiving by way of the Lord's Supper.

If you do not already have a church home, please consider joining us here at Immanuel. Just speak with Pastor Carol or send her a note ([ceafryer@gmail.com](mailto:ceafryer@gmail.com)).

In Christ,



Pastor Gregory P. Fryer  
[gp Fryer@gmail.com](mailto:gp Fryer@gmail.com)

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## *Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One*

PRELUDE *Danse Lente* César Franck (1822-1890)

THE BELLS

*Please stand when the minister approaches the center aisle.*

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

☐ In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

☑ **Amen.**

☐ Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

☑ **Amen.**

☐ If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Stand/kneel*

☐ Most merciful God,

☑ **we confess that we are in bondage 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.**

☐ Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

## The Entrance Rite

HYMN LBW 312 *Once He Came in Blessing*

GOTTES SOHN IST KOMMEN

- 1 Once he came in blessing,  
all our ills redressing;  
came in likeness lowly,  
Son of God most holy;  
bore the cross to save us;  
hope and freedom gave us.
- 2 Still he comes within us;  
still his voice would win us  
from the sins that hurt us;  
would to truth convert us  
from our foolish error  
ere he comes in terror.
- 3 Thus, if you have known him,  
not ashamed to own him,  
nor have spurned him coldly,  
but will trust him boldly,  
he will then receive you,  
heal you, and forgive you.
- 4 Those who then are loyal  
find a welcome royal.  
Come, then, O Lord Jesus,  
from our sins release us;  
let us here confess you,  
till in heav'n we bless you.

Text: Johann Horn, c. 1490-1547; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1829-1878, alt.

APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

☑ **And also with you.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

*Glory to God in the Highest*  
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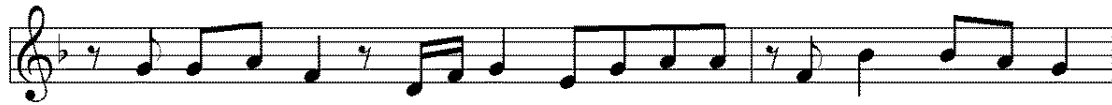
**A** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



**B** 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.



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.



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

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

☐ O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity. Grant us the fullness of your grace, that, pursuing what you have promised, we may share your heavenly glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

*Sit*

## The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON .....Isaiah 50:4-9a, RSV

*The image of the Servant of the LORD is one of the notable motifs in the book of Isaiah. Today's reading describes the mission of the Servant, whom early Christians took to be Jesus. Like Jesus, the Servant does not strike back at his detractors but trusts in Lord GOD's steadfast love.*

<sup>4</sup>The Lord GOD has given me  
the tongue of those who are taught,  
that I may know how to sustain with a word  
him that is weary.

Morning by morning he wakens,  
he wakens my ear  
to hear as those who are taught.

<sup>5</sup>The Lord GOD has opened my ear,  
and I was not rebellious,  
I turned not backward.

<sup>6</sup>I gave my back to the smiters,  
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;  
I hid not my face  
from shame and spitting.

<sup>7</sup>For the Lord GOD helps me;  
therefore I have not been confounded;  
therefore I have set my face like a flint,  
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;

<sup>8</sup> he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?  
Let us stand up together.

Who is my adversary?  
Let him come near to me.

<sup>9</sup>Behold, the Lord GOD helps me;  
who will declare me guilty?

**A** The word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

PSALM 116:1-8, LBW (*to be read responsively*)

<sup>1</sup>I love the LORD, because he has heard the voice of my supplication,  
because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.

<sup>2</sup>**The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took hold of me;  
I came to grief and sorrow.**

<sup>3</sup>Then I called upon the name of the LORD:

“O LORD, I pray you, save my life.”

<sup>4</sup>**Gracious is the LORD and righteous;  
our God is full of compassion.**

<sup>5</sup>The LORD watches over the innocent;  
I was brought very low, and he helped me.

<sup>6</sup>**Turn again to your rest, O my soul.  
for the LORD has treated you well.**

<sup>7</sup>For you have rescued my life from death,  
my eyes from tears, and my feet from stumbling.

<sup>8</sup>**I will walk in the presence of the LORD  
in the land of the living.**

SECOND LESSON .....James 3:1-12, NRSV

*This text uses various images to illustrate how damaging and hurtful the way we speak to and about others can be. Not only are we to control our speech, but what we say and how we say it are to reflect our faith.*

<sup>1</sup>Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. <sup>2</sup>For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. <sup>3</sup>If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. <sup>4</sup>Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. <sup>5</sup>So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! <sup>6</sup>And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. <sup>7</sup>For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, <sup>8</sup>but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. <sup>9</sup>With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. <sup>10</sup>From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. <sup>11</sup>Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? <sup>12</sup>Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine yield figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

**A** The word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand for the Verse and the Holy Gospel*

**C** Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

**You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.**

HOLY GOSPEL .....Mark 8:27-38, NRSV

*Before the Gospel:*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, from the Eighth Chapter:

**C** Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>27</sup>Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” <sup>28</sup>And they answered him, “John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.” <sup>29</sup>He asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Messiah.” <sup>30</sup>And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

<sup>31</sup>Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. <sup>32</sup>He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. <sup>33</sup>But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

<sup>34</sup>He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross



and follow me. <sup>35</sup>For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. <sup>36</sup>For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? <sup>37</sup>Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? <sup>38</sup>Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

*After the Gospel:*

☐ The Gospel of the Lord!

☑ Praise to you, O Christ.

HYMN LBW 398    *“Take Up Your Cross,” the Savior Said*

NUN LASST UNS DEN LEIB BEGRABEN

- 1    *“Take up your cross,” the Savior said,  
      “if you would my disciple be;  
      forsake the past, and come this day,  
      and humbly follow after me.”*
- 2    *Take up your cross; let not its weight  
      pervade your soul with vain alarm;  
      his strength shall bear your spirit up,  
      sustain your heart, and nerve your arm.*
- 3    *Take up your cross, nor heed the shame,  
      nor let your foolish heart rebel;  
      for you the Lord endured the cross  
      to save your soul from death and hell.*
- 4    *Take up your cross and follow Christ,  
      nor think till death to lay it down;  
      for only those who bear the cross  
      may hope to wear a golden crown.*

Text: Charles W. Everest, 1814-1877, alt.

SERMON

*Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for the Creed.*

## APOSTLES' CREED

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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**

## INTERCESSIONS

# The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

## THE PEACE

**☩** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**☩ And also with you.**

*Let us offer a sign of peace to our neighbors: "Peace be with you."*

**THE OFFERING** *You can give your tithes and offerings via our Q code. Just point the camera on your smart phone to this code on your screen:*



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*The Eucharistic Bread and Wine are moved from the credence table to the altar. The congregation remains in the pews until the Distribution of the Sacrament.*

Offertory Anthem

*Hear My Cry, O God* César Franck (1822-1890)

Hear my cry, O God, attend unto my prayer;  
From the end of the earth will I cry unto Thee,  
When my heart is overwhelmed;  
Lead me to the Rock that is higher than I.  
For Thou has been a shelter for me  
And a strong tower from the enemy.  
When I cry unto God then shall my enemies turn back;  
This I know, for God is for me.  
In God will I praise His word,  
In God I have put my trust,  
In God will I praise His word.  
Let my mouth be filled with praise,  
And with Thy honor all the day. Amen.

**A** Let us pray.

**C** **Merciful Father, 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 him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (*spoken*)

*Eucharistic Dialogue*

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Preface for Sundays after Pentecost*

**P** It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; 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 on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



*Sanctus*

**☩ Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

*Eucharistic Prayer I*

**☩** Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign. You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory. Through Abraham you promised to bless all nations. You rescued Israel, your chosen people. Through the prophets you renewed your promise; and, at this end of all the ages, you sent your Son, who in words and deeds proclaimed your kingdom and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**☩ Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

**☩** Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us. And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

**☩ Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

**☩** Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

**☩ Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**



☐ Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.

☑ **Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.**

*The Lord's Prayer*

☑ **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 Fraction. (The host is broken.)*

*Agnus Dei*

☑ **Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

*Sit*

#### THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

✠ If you are home during this pandemic, worshipping online with us, here is a possible "Prayer for Spiritual Communion" lifted up in *Forum Letter* (May 2020). *Forum Letter* is a respected Lutheran newsletter published by the American Lutheran Publicity Bureau:

*My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.*

Communion Meditation

*Prelude #15 in D-flat Major*

Frederic Chopin (1810-1849)

*When all have received the Blessed Sacrament, the people stand for the Post-Communion Blessing:*

☐ The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

☑ Amen

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

## The Sending

BENEDICTION (*Spoken*)

HYMN LBW 454

*If God Himself Be for Me*

IST GOTT FÜR MICH

- 1 If God himself be for me,  
I may a host defy;  
for when I pray, before me  
my foes, confounded, fly.  
If Christ, my head and master,  
befriend me from above,  
what foe or what disaster  
can drive me from his love?
- 2 I build on this foundation,  
that Jesus and his blood  
alone are my salvation,  
the true, eternal good.  
Without him all that pleases  
will vain and empty prove.  
The gifts I have from Jesus  
alone are worth my love.
- 3 Christ Jesus is my splendor,  
my sun, my light, alone;  
were he not my defender  
before God's awesome throne,  
I never should find favor  
and mercy in his sight,  
but be destroyed forever  
as darkness by the light.

- 4 For joy my heart is ringing;  
all sorrow disappears;  
and full of mirth and singing,  
it wipes away all tears.  
The sun that cheers my spirit  
is Jesus Christ, my king;  
the heav'n I shall inherit  
makes me rejoice and sing.

Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607-1676; tr. Richard Massie, 1800-1887, adapt.

#### DISMISSAL

- A** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.  
**G** Thanks be to God.

#### POSTLUDE

*Petite Marche*

Alexander Guilmant (1837-1911)

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## Parish Announcements

- ✦ COFFEE HOUR IN THE UNDERCROFT. You are invited to join us for refreshments and fellowship following the Liturgy. Today's Coffee Hour is hosted by Barbara Chomko and Karen Bazik. To get to the undercroft for Coffee Hour, bear to the left in the narthex.
- ✦ TODAY'S ALTAR FLOWERS given to the glory of God and in loving memory of my mother, Dorothy Krone Kiehl, and my Aunts, Esther Krone Albers, Pauline Krone Kiehl, Irene Krone, Louise Krone Ruprecht, and Ruth Kiehl Growcock, by David Kiehl.
- ✦ VOTERS' ASSEMBLY in the undercroft today, during Coffee Hour. The purpose of this meeting is to vote on selling the church parsonage apartment.
- ✦ TODAY'S PARAMENTS AND VESTMENTS: The many Sundays after Pentecost mark a calm period of growth and maturing. The focus is on day-by-day inner faithfulness, in contrast to the festivals and observances that characterize the first half of the church year. The green paraments used during the 26 weeks following Pentecost Sunday bid us onwards toward spiritual growth.



- ✦ A MEMORIAL SERVICE for Ann Chomko will be held here at Immanuel at 11 a.m. on Saturday, August 25. Daughter Barbara will host a reception afterwards in Immanuel’s undercroft.
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- ✦ FAIRLY NEW TO PRAYER LIST: Tina Christiansen, (daughter of our member Borge Christiansen, of blessed memory), Ellen T (sister-in-law to Michael Pamulo), Lucille Bruno (niece of Sexton Gerry Britton), Jamel Devine (friend of Tamares Perez), Donald Kerr, Patricia Sanders, Matt O’Donnell (son-in-law of our member Jim O’Donnell, of blessed memory), Dieter Reinboth (friend of Kathy Jolowicz), Anne Swinka (maternal aunt of Thomas Wicks)
- ✦ IN CONTINUING NEED OF PRAYER: Thomas Hannon (on the Sexton’s staff here at Immanuel), Kenny Ramos Jr. (son of Ester Neubacher), Marc Petitto (nephew of Michael Pamulo), Rev. Dr. Richard J. Shuta (uncle of Jeff Rudat), Elise Chard (niece of Jean Grenning), Raymond Chin (cousin of Priscilla O’Carroll), Agnes Schumacher (mother of one of our VBS children), Jürgen Ramcke (uncle of Thomas Wicks), Sieglinda O’Donnell (wife of our Jim O’Donnell, of blessed memory), Marion Nitsch (mother of David Kiehl’s friend Carolina Nitsch), Marion Molno, Britney Berhaman (friend of Diana Montesdeoca), Melissa Alke (friend of Kathy Jolowicz), John Romano (brother-in-law to Richard and Maggie Schreiber), Robert Mallery (son-in-law of David Kiehl’s sister), Wolfgang Hahn, Yoleidy Perez (Tamares’s brother), Obdulia Mundo (friend of Maggie Schreiber), Mary Ann Grant (Deirdre’s mother)

## Service Notes

Pianist.....Dr. Gwendolyn Toth  
 Cantor ..... Motomi Tanaka  
 Greeters/Ushers .....Toshitake “Jazo” Ichikawa, Ed Indellicati, Luz Ortiz  
 Lector.....Susan Gottridge  
 Assisting Minister and Preacher ..... Rev. Gregory P. Fryer  
 Presiding Minister .....Rev. Carol E. A. Fryer



## Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- ✦ You might be interested to hear about our reredos — the wooden altarpiece at the front of our church. It was hand carved by artists in Germany's Black Forest. The left statue is Moses, with the Ten Commandments in his left arm and the two horn-like rays of light shining forth from his face after his encounter with the Lord on Mt. Sinai (Exodus 34:29-30). The right-hand statue is St. John the Evangelist, with a quill pen in his hand and an eagle at his feet. And the center statue is Jesus Christ, the personal unity and the most perfect meaning of the Law (Moses) and the Gospel (St. John).
- ✦ Our painting of the Transfiguration of Our Lord, above the reredos, pays tribute to the founding liturgy of our congregation, Transfiguration Sunday, February 11, 1863. Our painting shows Jesus, Moses, and Elijah elevated above the ground, so that at first glance you might think that it is a painting of the Ascension. But the saintly company with Jesus — Moses and Elijah on either side, with Peter, James, and John fallen down in awe at the sight — point to the Transfiguration. Heaven knows and gives credit to the anonymous painter of our painting, but we note that it is in the style of Raphael's painting of *The Transfiguration* (1517-1520). Raphael also placed Jesus, Moses, and Elijah elevated above the disciples.
- ✦ Our church windows were installed in 1973 and constitute a visual meditation on an ancient hymn of the Church, the *Te Deum*. Pamphlets are available in the rear of the church explaining the windows one by one.
- ✦ Our church bells, named *Glaube*, *Hoffnung*, and *Liebe* for Faith, Hope, and Love, were a gift from German Empress Augusta Viktoria.
- ✦ A hint about acoustics: you will be able to hear the choir and organ better if you sit toward the front half of the church. The overhanging choir balcony obscures some of the beauty of the music for those sitting under it.
- ✦ Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me," and we view the presence of children in worship, even when they are wiggly and noisy, as a gift to the Church and an encouragement that our congregation is growing! Parents at their own preference are also welcome to take advantage of free childcare which we offer in the Undercroft every Sunday for children age 3-6. Our childcare worker will bring these children up to the Communion rail to receive a Blessing. We encourage

older children to attend the entire service, either sitting with their parents or up in the balcony where the teens tend to congregate.

- ✦ Our worship book is the green hymnal, the *Lutheran Book of Worship* ("LBW"). This book contains both liturgies and hymns, with liturgies in the first half and hymns in the second. Sometimes we include hymns from *With One Voice* ("WOV") or from *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* ("ELW").
- ✦ If you have a cell phone, please silence it for the liturgy. And please finish coffee or other drinks out in the narthex rather than in the main nave.
- ✦ This congregation is a member of the NALC – the "North American Lutheran Church." The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel W. Selbo.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL .....In summer recess  
MONDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY .....In summer recess  
INTERIM OFFICE MANAGER .....Melissa Phillips  
SEXTON..... Gerry Britton  
PARISH BOOKKEEPER..... Charles Derderian  
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC .....Dr. Gwendolyn Toth  
PASTOR.....Rev. Carol E. A. Fryer  
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### *Some Parish Ministry Opportunities:*

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**W**e extend to you a cordial welcome and hope that you will return. If you are a visitor, please fill out one of the cards in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate or hand it to Pastor Carol Fryer. If you are interested in membership here at Immanuel, please contact the church office for an appointment with Pastor Carol. Or you can email her at

ceafryer@gmail.com.

- ✦ HOLY COMMUNION is offered to all baptized Christians who have been instructed in the Church's faith, who confess it with us (as in the Creeds), and who may in good conscience receive the Sacrament in keeping with the understanding with which it is celebrated here: namely, that the Body and Blood of Christ are truly present in the consecrated bread and wine and are distributed to and received by all who commune.
- ✦ HOLY BAPTISM is celebrated and MARRIAGES solemnized only after consultation with the pastor well in advance. If you or someone you know is ill, hospitalized, homebound, or otherwise in need of the ministry of the Church, let us know. Call the church office during the week from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- ✦ We mean for PRIVATE CONFESSION to be available as often as you need. Please call one of the Pastors (212-289-8128) or email them: [gp Fryer@gmail.com](mailto:gp Fryer@gmail.com) or [ceafryer@gmail.com](mailto:ceafryer@gmail.com).
- ✦ LAYING ON OF HANDS AND ANOINTING WITH OIL FOR THE SICK is available. Again, simply contact either Pastor Fryer.
- ✦ FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP: There is a long line of Christians, both rich and poor, who have disciplined themselves to budget a portion of their income, put it into an offering envelope first thing, and give it to the church. Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer live by that tradition and commend it to you. Online giving is also available through our website, or by following this QR code with your phone camera:

