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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



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HYMN LBW 165

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PSALM 29, LBW tone: DUKE STREET



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All ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

Cantor ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;* the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

Cantor ⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees;* the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;

All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,* and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

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10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

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Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

God." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not marvel

that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

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Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

- + About today's PARAMENTS AND VESTMENTS. Today's dazzling white paraments shout the news He is Risen!
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Service Notes

Choirmaster and Organist	Zac Schurman
Cantor	Olivia Ericsson
Greeters/Ushers	Luz Ortiz and Jazo Ichikawa
Crucifer	Matthias Bhasin
Altar Guild	Rev. Lara Bhasin
Lector	Maria Barbera
Preacher	Rev. Gregory P. Fryer
Presiding Minister	Rev. Lara Bhasin

Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + 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.
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- + 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").
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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.

MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
- + IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW IS ILL, hospitalized, homebound, or otherwise in need of the ministry of the Church, let us know. Please call one of the Pastors (212-289-8128) or email them: gpfryer@gmail.com or ceafryer@gmail.com.
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- + 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:





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PATMOS

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Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

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Service Notes

Choirmaster and Organist	Zac Schurman
Cantor	Olivia Ericsson
Greeters/Ushers	Luz Ortiz and Jazo Ichikawa
Crucifer	Matthias Bhasin
Altar Guild	Rev. Lara Bhasin
Lector	Maria Barbera
Preacher	Rev. Gregory P. Fryer
Presiding Minister	Rev. Lara Bhasin

Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + 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.
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- + 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.

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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.

MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

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Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

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Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

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man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

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Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

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Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

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G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

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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



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HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

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Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + 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.
- + 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.

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MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUN	ION6:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the Martin Luther Room	
SUNDAY SCHOOL		
BIBLE STUDY	Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. in the Martin Luther Room and Zoom	
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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.

MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

In Christ,

Gregory Tryer

Pastor Gregory P. Fryer

Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

Holy, Holy, Holy



Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

A The word of the Lord.

man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

⁶Then flew one of the seraphim to me, having in his hand a burning coal which he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And he touched my mouth, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin forgiven." ⁸And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

G Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29, LBW tone: DUKE STREET



Cantor ¹Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods,* ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.

All ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

Cantor ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;* the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

Cantor ⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees;* the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;

All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,* and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

All

10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

A The word of the Lord.

© Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

God." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not marvel

that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

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Offertory Prayer

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- 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.

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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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



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HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

In Christ,

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Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

Holy, Holy, Holy



Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

A The word of the Lord.

man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

⁶Then flew one of the seraphim to me, having in his hand a burning coal which he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And he touched my mouth, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin forgiven." ⁸And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

G Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29, LBW tone: DUKE STREET



Cantor ¹Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods,* ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.

All ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

Cantor ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;* the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

Cantor ⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees;* the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;

All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,* and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

All

10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

A The word of the Lord.

© Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

God." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not marvel

that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

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HYMN LBW 165

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PSALM 29, LBW tone: DUKE STREET



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All ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

Cantor ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;* the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

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All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,*
and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

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10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

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Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

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that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

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Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

- + About today's PARAMENTS AND VESTMENTS. Today's dazzling white paraments shout the news He is Risen!
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Service Notes

Choirmaster and Organist	Zac Schurman
Cantor	Olivia Ericsson
Greeters/Ushers	Luz Ortiz and Jazo Ichikawa
Crucifer	Matthias Bhasin
Altar Guild	Rev. Lara Bhasin
Lector	Maria Barbera
Preacher	Rev. Gregory P. Fryer
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Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + 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.
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MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

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Service Notes

Choirmaster and Organist	Zac Schurman
Cantor	Olivia Ericsson
Greeters/Ushers	Luz Ortiz and Jazo Ichikawa
Crucifer	Matthias Bhasin
Altar Guild	Rev. Lara Bhasin
Lector	Maria Barbera
Preacher	Rev. Gregory P. Fryer
Presiding Minister	Rev. Lara Bhasin

Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + 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.
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- + 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.

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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.

MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

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Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

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Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

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man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

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Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

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Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

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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



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HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

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POSTLUDE

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Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + 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.
- + 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.

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MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUN	ION6:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the Martin Luther Room	
SUNDAY SCHOOL		
BIBLE STUDY	Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. in the Martin Luther Room and Zoom	
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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.

MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

In Christ,

Gregory Tryer

Pastor Gregory P. Fryer

Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

Holy, Holy, Holy



Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

A The word of the Lord.

man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

⁶Then flew one of the seraphim to me, having in his hand a burning coal which he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And he touched my mouth, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin forgiven." ⁸And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

G Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29, LBW tone: DUKE STREET



Cantor ¹Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods,* ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.

All ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

Cantor ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;* the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

Cantor ⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees;* the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;

All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,*
and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

All

10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

A The word of the Lord.

© Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

God." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not marvel

that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

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- 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.

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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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



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HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

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Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

Holy, Holy, Holy



Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

A The word of the Lord.

man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

⁶Then flew one of the seraphim to me, having in his hand a burning coal which he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And he touched my mouth, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin forgiven." ⁸And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

G Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29, LBW tone: DUKE STREET



Cantor ¹Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods,* ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.

All ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

Cantor ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;* the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

Cantor ⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees;* the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;

All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,* and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

All

10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

A The word of the Lord.

© Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

God." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not marvel

that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

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All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

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All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,* and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

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10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

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Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

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that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

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Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

- + About today's PARAMENTS AND VESTMENTS. Today's dazzling white paraments shout the news He is Risen!
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Service Notes

Choirmaster and Organist	Zac Schurman
Cantor	Olivia Ericsson
Greeters/Ushers	Luz Ortiz and Jazo Ichikawa
Crucifer	Matthias Bhasin
Altar Guild	Rev. Lara Bhasin
Lector	Maria Barbera
Preacher	Rev. Gregory P. Fryer
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Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

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- + 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.
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MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

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Service Notes

Choirmaster and Organist	Zac Schurman
Cantor	Olivia Ericsson
Greeters/Ushers	Luz Ortiz and Jazo Ichikawa
Crucifer	Matthias Bhasin
Altar Guild	Rev. Lara Bhasin
Lector	Maria Barbera
Preacher	Rev. Gregory P. Fryer
Presiding Minister	Rev. Lara Bhasin

Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + 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.
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- + 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.

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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.

MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

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Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

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Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

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man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

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Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

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P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

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Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

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G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

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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



Sit

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HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

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Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + 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.
- + 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.

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MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION6:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the Martin Luther Room	
SUNDAY SCHOOL	
BIBLE STUDY	Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. in the Martin Luther Room and Zoom
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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.

MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

In Christ,

Gregory Tryer

Pastor Gregory P. Fryer

Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

Holy, Holy, Holy



Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

A The word of the Lord.

man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

⁶Then flew one of the seraphim to me, having in his hand a burning coal which he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And he touched my mouth, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin forgiven." ⁸And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

G Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29, LBW tone: DUKE STREET



Cantor ¹Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods,* ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.

All ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

Cantor ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;* the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

Cantor ⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees;* the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;

All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,* and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

All

10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

A The word of the Lord.

© Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

God." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not marvel

that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

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Offertory Prayer

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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.

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of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



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HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

In Christ,

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Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

Holy, Holy, Holy



Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

A The word of the Lord.

man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

⁶Then flew one of the seraphim to me, having in his hand a burning coal which he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And he touched my mouth, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin forgiven." ⁸And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

G Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29, LBW tone: DUKE STREET



Cantor ¹Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods,* ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.

All ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

Cantor ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;* the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

Cantor ⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees;* the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;

All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,*
and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

All

10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

A The word of the Lord.

© Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

God." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not marvel

that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

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All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,* and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

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10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

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Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

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that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

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Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

- + About today's PARAMENTS AND VESTMENTS. Today's dazzling white paraments shout the news He is Risen!
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Service Notes

Choirmaster and Organist	Zac Schurman
Cantor	Olivia Ericsson
Greeters/Ushers	Luz Ortiz and Jazo Ichikawa
Crucifer	Matthias Bhasin
Altar Guild	Rev. Lara Bhasin
Lector	Maria Barbera
Preacher	Rev. Gregory P. Fryer
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Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

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- + 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.
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MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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PATMOS

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Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

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Service Notes

Choirmaster and Organist	Zac Schurman
Cantor	Olivia Ericsson
Greeters/Ushers	Luz Ortiz and Jazo Ichikawa
Crucifer	Matthias Bhasin
Altar Guild	Rev. Lara Bhasin
Lector	Maria Barbera
Preacher	Rev. Gregory P. Fryer
Presiding Minister	Rev. Lara Bhasin

Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + 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.
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- + 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.

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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.

MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

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Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

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Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

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man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

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Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

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Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

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G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

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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



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HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

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Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + 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.
- + 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.

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MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUN	ION6:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the Martin Luther Room	
SUNDAY SCHOOL		
BIBLE STUDY	Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. in the Martin Luther Room and Zoom	
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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.

MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

In Christ,

Gregory Tryer

Pastor Gregory P. Fryer

Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

Holy, Holy, Holy



Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

A The word of the Lord.

man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

⁶Then flew one of the seraphim to me, having in his hand a burning coal which he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And he touched my mouth, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin forgiven." ⁸And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

G Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29, LBW tone: DUKE STREET



Cantor ¹Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods,* ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.

All ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

Cantor ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;* the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

Cantor ⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees;* the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;

All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,* and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

All

10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

A The word of the Lord.

© Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

God." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not marvel

that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

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Offertory Prayer

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- 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.

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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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



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HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

In Christ,

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Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

Holy, Holy, Holy



Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

A The word of the Lord.

man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

⁶Then flew one of the seraphim to me, having in his hand a burning coal which he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And he touched my mouth, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin forgiven." ⁸And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

G Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29, LBW tone: DUKE STREET



Cantor ¹Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods,* ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.

All ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

Cantor ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;* the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

Cantor ⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees;* the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;

All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,* and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

All

10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

A The word of the Lord.

© Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

God." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not marvel

that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

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HYMN LBW 165

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PSALM 29, LBW tone: DUKE STREET



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All ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

Cantor ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;* the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

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All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,*
and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

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10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

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Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

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that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

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Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

- + About today's PARAMENTS AND VESTMENTS. Today's dazzling white paraments shout the news He is Risen!
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Service Notes

Choirmaster and Organist	Zac Schurman
Cantor	Olivia Ericsson
Greeters/Ushers	Luz Ortiz and Jazo Ichikawa
Crucifer	Matthias Bhasin
Altar Guild	Rev. Lara Bhasin
Lector	Maria Barbera
Preacher	Rev. Gregory P. Fryer
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Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + 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.
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MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

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Service Notes

Choirmaster and Organist	Zac Schurman
Cantor	Olivia Ericsson
Greeters/Ushers	Luz Ortiz and Jazo Ichikawa
Crucifer	Matthias Bhasin
Altar Guild	Rev. Lara Bhasin
Lector	Maria Barbera
Preacher	Rev. Gregory P. Fryer
Presiding Minister	Rev. Lara Bhasin

Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + 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.
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- + 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.

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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.

MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

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Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

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Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

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man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

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Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

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Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

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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



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HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

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POSTLUDE

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Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + 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.
- + 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.

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MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUN	ION6:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the Martin Luther Room	
SUNDAY SCHOOL		
BIBLE STUDY	Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. in the Martin Luther Room and Zoom	
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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.

MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

In Christ,

Gregory Tryer

Pastor Gregory P. Fryer

Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

Holy, Holy, Holy



Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

A The word of the Lord.

man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

⁶Then flew one of the seraphim to me, having in his hand a burning coal which he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And he touched my mouth, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin forgiven." ⁸And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

G Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29, LBW tone: DUKE STREET



Cantor ¹Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods,* ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.

All ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

Cantor ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;* the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

Cantor ⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees;* the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;

All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,*
and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

All

10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

A The word of the Lord.

© Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

God." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not marvel

that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

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- 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.

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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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



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HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

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Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

Holy, Holy, Holy



Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

A The word of the Lord.

man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

⁶Then flew one of the seraphim to me, having in his hand a burning coal which he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And he touched my mouth, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin forgiven." ⁸And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

G Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29, LBW tone: DUKE STREET



Cantor ¹Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods,* ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.

All ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

Cantor ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;* the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

Cantor ⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees;* the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;

All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,* and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

All

10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

A The word of the Lord.

© Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

God." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not marvel

that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

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All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

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All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,* and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

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10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

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Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

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that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

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Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

- + About today's PARAMENTS AND VESTMENTS. Today's dazzling white paraments shout the news He is Risen!
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Service Notes

Choirmaster and Organist	Zac Schurman
Cantor	Olivia Ericsson
Greeters/Ushers	Luz Ortiz and Jazo Ichikawa
Crucifer	Matthias Bhasin
Altar Guild	Rev. Lara Bhasin
Lector	Maria Barbera
Preacher	Rev. Gregory P. Fryer
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Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

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- + 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.
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MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

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Service Notes

Choirmaster and Organist	Zac Schurman
Cantor	Olivia Ericsson
Greeters/Ushers	Luz Ortiz and Jazo Ichikawa
Crucifer	Matthias Bhasin
Altar Guild	Rev. Lara Bhasin
Lector	Maria Barbera
Preacher	Rev. Gregory P. Fryer
Presiding Minister	Rev. Lara Bhasin

Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + 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.
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- + 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.

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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.

MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

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Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

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Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

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man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

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Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

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P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

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Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

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G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

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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



Sit

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HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

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Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + 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.
- + 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.

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MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION6:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the Martin Luther Room	
SUNDAY SCHOOL	
BIBLE STUDY	Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. in the Martin Luther Room and Zoom
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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.

MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

In Christ,

Gregory Tryer

Pastor Gregory P. Fryer

Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

Holy, Holy, Holy



Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

A The word of the Lord.

man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

⁶Then flew one of the seraphim to me, having in his hand a burning coal which he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And he touched my mouth, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin forgiven." ⁸And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

G Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29, LBW tone: DUKE STREET



Cantor ¹Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods,* ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.

All ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

Cantor ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;* the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

Cantor ⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees;* the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;

All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,* and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

All

10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

A The word of the Lord.

© Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

God." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not marvel

that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

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Offertory Prayer

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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.

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of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



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HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

In Christ,

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Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

Holy, Holy, Holy



Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

A The word of the Lord.

man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

⁶Then flew one of the seraphim to me, having in his hand a burning coal which he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And he touched my mouth, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin forgiven." ⁸And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

G Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29, LBW tone: DUKE STREET



Cantor ¹Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods,* ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.

All ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

Cantor ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;* the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

Cantor ⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees;* the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;

All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,*
and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

All

10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

A The word of the Lord.

© Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

God." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not marvel

that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

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All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,* and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

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10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

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Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

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that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

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Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

- + About today's PARAMENTS AND VESTMENTS. Today's dazzling white paraments shout the news He is Risen!
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Service Notes

Choirmaster and Organist	Zac Schurman
Cantor	Olivia Ericsson
Greeters/Ushers	Luz Ortiz and Jazo Ichikawa
Crucifer	Matthias Bhasin
Altar Guild	Rev. Lara Bhasin
Lector	Maria Barbera
Preacher	Rev. Gregory P. Fryer
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Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

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- + 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.
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MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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PATMOS

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Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

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Service Notes

Choirmaster and Organist	Zac Schurman
Cantor	Olivia Ericsson
Greeters/Ushers	Luz Ortiz and Jazo Ichikawa
Crucifer	Matthias Bhasin
Altar Guild	Rev. Lara Bhasin
Lector	Maria Barbera
Preacher	Rev. Gregory P. Fryer
Presiding Minister	Rev. Lara Bhasin

Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + 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.
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- + 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.

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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.

MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

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Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

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Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

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man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

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Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

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Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

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G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

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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



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HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

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Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + 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.
- + 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.

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MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUN	ION6:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the Martin Luther Room	
SUNDAY SCHOOL		
BIBLE STUDY	Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. in the Martin Luther Room and Zoom	
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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.

MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

In Christ,

Gregory Tryer

Pastor Gregory P. Fryer

Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

Holy, Holy, Holy



Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

A The word of the Lord.

man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

⁶Then flew one of the seraphim to me, having in his hand a burning coal which he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And he touched my mouth, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin forgiven." ⁸And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

G Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29, LBW tone: DUKE STREET



Cantor ¹Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods,* ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.

All ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

Cantor ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;* the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

Cantor ⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees;* the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;

All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,* and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

All

10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

A The word of the Lord.

© Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

God." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not marvel

that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

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Offertory Prayer

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- 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.

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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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



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HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

In Christ,

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Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

Holy, Holy, Holy



Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

A The word of the Lord.

man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

⁶Then flew one of the seraphim to me, having in his hand a burning coal which he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And he touched my mouth, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin forgiven." ⁸And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

G Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29, LBW tone: DUKE STREET



Cantor ¹Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods,* ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.

All ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

Cantor ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;* the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

Cantor ⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees;* the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;

All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,* and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

All

10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

A The word of the Lord.

© Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

God." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not marvel

that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

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HYMN LBW 165

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PSALM 29, LBW tone: DUKE STREET



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All ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

Cantor ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;* the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

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All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,*
and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

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10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

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Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

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that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

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Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

- + About today's PARAMENTS AND VESTMENTS. Today's dazzling white paraments shout the news He is Risen!
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Service Notes

Choirmaster and Organist	Zac Schurman
Cantor	Olivia Ericsson
Greeters/Ushers	Luz Ortiz and Jazo Ichikawa
Crucifer	Matthias Bhasin
Altar Guild	Rev. Lara Bhasin
Lector	Maria Barbera
Preacher	Rev. Gregory P. Fryer
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Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + 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.
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MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

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Service Notes

Choirmaster and Organist	Zac Schurman
Cantor	Olivia Ericsson
Greeters/Ushers	Luz Ortiz and Jazo Ichikawa
Crucifer	Matthias Bhasin
Altar Guild	Rev. Lara Bhasin
Lector	Maria Barbera
Preacher	Rev. Gregory P. Fryer
Presiding Minister	Rev. Lara Bhasin

Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + 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.
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- + 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.

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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.

MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

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Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

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Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

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man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

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Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

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Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

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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



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HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

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POSTLUDE

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Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + 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.
- + 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.

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MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUN	ION6:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the Martin Luther Room	
SUNDAY SCHOOL		
BIBLE STUDY	Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. in the Martin Luther Room and Zoom	
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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.

MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

In Christ,

Gregory Tryer

Pastor Gregory P. Fryer

Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

Holy, Holy, Holy



Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

A The word of the Lord.

man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

⁶Then flew one of the seraphim to me, having in his hand a burning coal which he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And he touched my mouth, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin forgiven." ⁸And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

G Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29, LBW tone: DUKE STREET



Cantor ¹Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods,* ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.

All ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

Cantor ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;* the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

Cantor ⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees;* the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;

All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,*
and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

All

10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

A The word of the Lord.

© Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

God." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not marvel

that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

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- 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.

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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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



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HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

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Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

Holy, Holy, Holy



Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

A The word of the Lord.

man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

⁶Then flew one of the seraphim to me, having in his hand a burning coal which he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And he touched my mouth, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin forgiven." ⁸And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

G Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29, LBW tone: DUKE STREET



Cantor ¹Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods,* ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.

All ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

Cantor ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;* the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

Cantor ⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees;* the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;

All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,* and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

All

10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

A The word of the Lord.

© Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

God." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not marvel

that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

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All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

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All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,* and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

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10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

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Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

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that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

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Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

- + About today's PARAMENTS AND VESTMENTS. Today's dazzling white paraments shout the news He is Risen!
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Service Notes

Choirmaster and Organist	Zac Schurman
Cantor	Olivia Ericsson
Greeters/Ushers	Luz Ortiz and Jazo Ichikawa
Crucifer	Matthias Bhasin
Altar Guild	Rev. Lara Bhasin
Lector	Maria Barbera
Preacher	Rev. Gregory P. Fryer
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Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

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- + 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.
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MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

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Service Notes

Choirmaster and Organist	Zac Schurman
Cantor	Olivia Ericsson
Greeters/Ushers	Luz Ortiz and Jazo Ichikawa
Crucifer	Matthias Bhasin
Altar Guild	Rev. Lara Bhasin
Lector	Maria Barbera
Preacher	Rev. Gregory P. Fryer
Presiding Minister	Rev. Lara Bhasin

Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + 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.
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- + 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.

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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.

MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

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Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

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Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

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man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

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Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

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P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

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Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

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G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

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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



Sit

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HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

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Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + 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.
- + 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.

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MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION6:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the Martin Luther Room	
SUNDAY SCHOOL	
BIBLE STUDY	Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. in the Martin Luther Room and Zoom
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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.

MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

In Christ,

Gregory Tryer

Pastor Gregory P. Fryer

Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

Holy, Holy, Holy



Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

A The word of the Lord.

man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

⁶Then flew one of the seraphim to me, having in his hand a burning coal which he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And he touched my mouth, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin forgiven." ⁸And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

G Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29, LBW tone: DUKE STREET



Cantor ¹Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods,* ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.

All ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

Cantor ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;* the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

Cantor ⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees;* the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;

All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,* and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

All

10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

A The word of the Lord.

© Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

God." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not marvel

that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

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Offertory Prayer

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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.

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of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



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HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

In Christ,

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Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

Holy, Holy, Holy



Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

A The word of the Lord.

man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

⁶Then flew one of the seraphim to me, having in his hand a burning coal which he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And he touched my mouth, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin forgiven." ⁸And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

G Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29, LBW tone: DUKE STREET



Cantor ¹Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods,* ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.

All ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

Cantor ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;* the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

Cantor ⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees;* the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;

All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,*
and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

All

10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

A The word of the Lord.

© Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

God." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not marvel

that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

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All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,* and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

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10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

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Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

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that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

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Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

- + About today's PARAMENTS AND VESTMENTS. Today's dazzling white paraments shout the news He is Risen!
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Service Notes

Choirmaster and Organist	Zac Schurman
Cantor	Olivia Ericsson
Greeters/Ushers	Luz Ortiz and Jazo Ichikawa
Crucifer	Matthias Bhasin
Altar Guild	Rev. Lara Bhasin
Lector	Maria Barbera
Preacher	Rev. Gregory P. Fryer
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Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

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- + 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.
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MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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PATMOS

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Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

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Service Notes

Choirmaster and Organist	Zac Schurman
Cantor	Olivia Ericsson
Greeters/Ushers	Luz Ortiz and Jazo Ichikawa
Crucifer	Matthias Bhasin
Altar Guild	Rev. Lara Bhasin
Lector	Maria Barbera
Preacher	Rev. Gregory P. Fryer
Presiding Minister	Rev. Lara Bhasin

Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + 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.
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- + 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.

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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.

MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

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Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

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Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

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man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

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Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

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Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

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G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

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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



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HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

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Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + 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.
- + 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.

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MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUN	ION6:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the Martin Luther Room	
SUNDAY SCHOOL		
BIBLE STUDY	Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. in the Martin Luther Room and Zoom	
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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.

MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

In Christ,

Gregory Tryer

Pastor Gregory P. Fryer

Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

Holy, Holy, Holy



Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

A The word of the Lord.

man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

⁶Then flew one of the seraphim to me, having in his hand a burning coal which he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And he touched my mouth, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin forgiven." ⁸And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

G Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29, LBW tone: DUKE STREET



Cantor ¹Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods,* ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.

All ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

Cantor ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;* the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

Cantor ⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees;* the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;

All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,* and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

All

10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

A The word of the Lord.

© Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

God." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not marvel

that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

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Offertory Prayer

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- 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.

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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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



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HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

In Christ,

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Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

Holy, Holy, Holy



Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

A The word of the Lord.

man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

⁶Then flew one of the seraphim to me, having in his hand a burning coal which he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And he touched my mouth, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin forgiven." ⁸And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

G Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29, LBW tone: DUKE STREET



Cantor ¹Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods,* ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.

All ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

Cantor ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;* the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

Cantor ⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees;* the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;

All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,* and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

All

10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

A The word of the Lord.

© Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

God." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not marvel

that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

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HYMN LBW 165

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PSALM 29, LBW tone: DUKE STREET



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All ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

Cantor ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;* the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

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All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,*
and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

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10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

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Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

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that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

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Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

- + About today's PARAMENTS AND VESTMENTS. Today's dazzling white paraments shout the news He is Risen!
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Service Notes

Choirmaster and Organist	Zac Schurman
Cantor	Olivia Ericsson
Greeters/Ushers	Luz Ortiz and Jazo Ichikawa
Crucifer	Matthias Bhasin
Altar Guild	Rev. Lara Bhasin
Lector	Maria Barbera
Preacher	Rev. Gregory P. Fryer
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Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + 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.
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MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

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Service Notes

Choirmaster and Organist	Zac Schurman
Cantor	Olivia Ericsson
Greeters/Ushers	Luz Ortiz and Jazo Ichikawa
Crucifer	Matthias Bhasin
Altar Guild	Rev. Lara Bhasin
Lector	Maria Barbera
Preacher	Rev. Gregory P. Fryer
Presiding Minister	Rev. Lara Bhasin

Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + 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.
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- + 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.

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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.

MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

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Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

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Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

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man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

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Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

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Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

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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



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HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

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POSTLUDE

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Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + 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.
- + 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.

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MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUN	ION6:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the Martin Luther Room	
SUNDAY SCHOOL		
BIBLE STUDY	Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. in the Martin Luther Room and Zoom	
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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.

MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

In Christ,

Gregory Tryer

Pastor Gregory P. Fryer

Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

Holy, Holy, Holy



Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

A The word of the Lord.

man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

⁶Then flew one of the seraphim to me, having in his hand a burning coal which he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And he touched my mouth, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin forgiven." ⁸And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

G Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29, LBW tone: DUKE STREET



Cantor ¹Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods,* ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.

All ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

Cantor ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;* the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

Cantor ⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees;* the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;

All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,*
and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

All

10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

A The word of the Lord.

© Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

God." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not marvel

that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

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- 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.

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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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



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HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

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Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

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PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

Holy, Holy, Holy



Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

A The word of the Lord.

man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

⁶Then flew one of the seraphim to me, having in his hand a burning coal which he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And he touched my mouth, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin forgiven." ⁸And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

G Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29, LBW tone: DUKE STREET



Cantor ¹Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods,* ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.

All ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

Cantor ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;* the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

Cantor ⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees;* the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;

All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,* and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

All

10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

A The word of the Lord.

© Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

God." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not marvel

that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

HYMN LBW 169

Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

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Holy Trinity Sunday

11 a.m., Sunday May 26, 2024 In Our Church Undercroft



arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a beautiful church! But some plaster and wood fell in our chancel a few weeks ago, and so, to be safe, we are worshiping in our church undercroft today. Engineers from two separate reputable engineering firms inspected the ceiling area in the Sanctuary over the chancel. Both engineers concluded that the damage appears to be mostly superficial plaster damage, and they believed it would be safe to worship in the undercroft for now. So, welcome to our church undercroft!

We are honored and delighted that you are joining us by live stream and hope that join us quite often. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

In Christ,

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Pastor Gregory P. Fryer

Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC).
- A hint about acoustics: you will be able to hear the cantors 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.

PRELUDE

Improvisation

THE BELLS

Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

G Amen

P 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.

G Amen

P 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.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P 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 of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

HYMN LBW 165

Holy, Holy, Holy

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Holy, Holy, Holy



Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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APOSTOLIC GREETING

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever.

G Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8, RSV

This reading tells the story of Isaiah's vision of the LORD surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving. The Sanctus invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of the LORD of host's glory. That glory is the LORD's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a

A The word of the Lord.

man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

⁶Then flew one of the seraphim to me, having in his hand a burning coal which he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And he touched my mouth, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin forgiven." ⁸And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

G Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29, LBW tone: DUKE STREET



Cantor ¹Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods,* ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.

All ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

Cantor ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;* the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

All ⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;* the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

Cantor ⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees;* the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;

All 6he makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,* and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

All 8The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe* and strips the | forests bare.

Cantor ⁹And in the temple | of the LORD* all are | crying, "Glory!"

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10The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;*

the LORD sits enthroned as | king forevermore.

11The LORD shall give strength | to his people;*

the LORD shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Holy Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to

fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

A The word of the Lord.

© Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Third Chapter.



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of

God." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not marvel

that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can this be?" 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell

you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

After the Gospel:

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 410

We Give Thee but Thine Own (Next page)

HEATH

We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 5 The captive to release, the lost to God to bring, to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christlike thing.
- 6 And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

SERMON (Sit, after the invocation.)

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for Luther's sung version of the Creed (next page)

We All Believe in One True God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt. Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin credo, c. 1300

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **And also with you.**

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

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.

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Hymn LBW 406

Take My Life, that I May Be (Next page)

PATMOS

Take My Life, That I May Be



- 5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

The gifts are presented.

Offertory Prayer

- **A** 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



Preface for Holy Trinity

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, almighty and ever-living God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

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.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice

of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P 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.



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



Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping 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.

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Father Most Holy (Next page)

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Parish Announcements

- + About today's PARAMENTS AND VESTMENTS. Today's dazzling white paraments shout the news He is Risen!
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Service Notes

Choirmaster and Organist	Zac Schurman
Cantor	Olivia Ericsson
Greeters/Ushers	Luz Ortiz and Jazo Ichikawa
Crucifer	Matthias Bhasin
Altar Guild	Rev. Lara Bhasin
Lector	Maria Barbera
Preacher	Rev. Gregory P. Fryer
Presiding Minister	Rev. Lara Bhasin

Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Davida Goldman, Kathleen Mays (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer), The Rev. Ray F. Kibler III (friend of Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer and regular participant from California in our Sunday evening Compline service), Jessica Cheng, George Wong (friend of Jazo Ichikawa and family), Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + 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.
- + 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.

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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.

MEALS ON HEELS Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.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.
- + IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW IS ILL, hospitalized, homebound, or otherwise in need of the ministry of the Church, let us know. Please call one of the Pastors (212-289-8128) or email them: gpfryer@gmail.com or ceafryer@gmail.com.
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