

# Immanuel Lutheran Church \* St. Charles, MO

## Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 13 2020—8:00 am & September 14, 2020—6:30 pm

\* - Congregation will rise

### Welcome

### Opening Hymn

“Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us” - #851

- 1 Lord of glory, You have bought us  
With Your lifeblood as the price,  
Never grudging for the lost ones  
That tremendous sacrifice;  
And with that have freely given  
Blessings countless as the sand  
To the\_unthankful and the evil  
With Your own unsparing hand.
- 2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give You  
Gladly, freely of Your own.  
With the sunshine of Your goodness  
Melt our thankless hearts of stone  
Till our cold and selfish natures,  
Warmed by You, at length believe  
That more happy and more blessed  
'Tis to give than to receive.

- 3 Wondrous honor You have given  
To our humblest charity  
In Your own mysterious sentence,  
“You have done it all to Me.”  
Can it be, O gracious Master,  
That You deign for alms to sue,  
Saying by Your poor and needy,  
“Give as I have giv'n to you”?
- 4 Lord of glory, You have bought us  
With Your lifeblood as the price,  
Never grudging for the lost ones  
That tremendous sacrifice.  
Give us faith to trust You boldly,  
Hope, to stay our souls on You;  
But, oh, best of all Your graces,  
With Your love our love renew.

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### Order of Worship “Prayer & Preaching”

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#### \*Invocation

- L** In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

#### \*Opening Versicles

- L** This is the day which the Lord has made;
- C** let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- L** Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;
- C** I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.
- L** Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.
- C** Teach me Your paths.
- L** Sanctify us in Your truth.
- C** Your Word is truth.

**L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,  
**C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.

**C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

**\*Old Testament Canticle** (Sunday)

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**C** The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

With joy will you draw water from the wells of salvation.

And you will say in that day: "Give thanks to the Lord, call upon His name,  
make known His deeds among the peoples, proclaim that His name is exalted."

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

Sing praises to the Lord, for He has done gloriously;  
let this be made known in all the earth.

Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitants of Zion,  
for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

## Readings From Holy Scripture

### Old Testament Reading

Genesis 50:15-21

<sup>15</sup>When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him." <sup>16</sup>So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this command before he died, <sup>17</sup>'Say to Joseph, Please forgive the transgression of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you.' And now, please forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. <sup>18</sup>His brothers also came and fell down before him and said, "Behold, we are your servants." <sup>19</sup>But Joseph said to them, "Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? <sup>20</sup>As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. <sup>21</sup>So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones." Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Anthem

"When Peace, Like a River"

1 When peace, like a river, attendeth my way;  
When sorrows, like sea billows, roll;  
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,  
It is well, it is well with my soul. Refrain

*Refrain: It is well (It is well)  
with my soul, (with my soul),  
It is well, it is well with my soul.*

2 *Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,  
Let this blest assurance control,  
That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate  
And hath shed His own blood for my soul. Refrain*

3 *He lives—oh, the bliss of this glorious thought;  
My sin, not in part, but the whole,  
Is nailed to His cross, and I bear it no more.  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! Refrain*

4 *And, Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight,  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,  
The trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend;  
Even so it is well with my soul. Refrain*

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## Epistle Reading

*Romans 14:1-12*

<sup>1</sup>As for the one who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not to quarrel over opinions. <sup>2</sup>One person believes he may eat anything, while the weak person eats only vegetables. <sup>3</sup>Let not the one who eats despise the one who abstains, and let not the one who abstains pass judgment on the one who eats, for God has welcomed him. <sup>4</sup>Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make him stand.

<sup>5</sup>One person esteems one day as better than another, while another esteems all days alike. Each one should be fully convinced in his own mind. <sup>6</sup>The one who observes the day, observes it in honor of the Lord. The one who eats, eats in honor of the Lord, since he gives thanks to God, while the one who abstains, abstains in honor of the Lord and gives thanks to God. <sup>7</sup>For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. <sup>8</sup>If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. <sup>9</sup>For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

<sup>10</sup>Why do you pass judgment on your brother? Or you, why do you despise your brother? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God; <sup>11</sup>for it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God."  
<sup>12</sup>So then each of us will give an account of himself to God.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Psalm of the Day

*Psalm 103:1-12*

**L** Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

**C** Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits,

**L** who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,

**C** who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,

- L** who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.
- C** **The Lord works righteousness and justice for all who are oppressed.**
- L** He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel.
- C** **The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**
- L** He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever.
- C** **He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.**
- L** For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;
- C** **as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.**
- C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**\*Gospel Reading**

*Matthew 18:21-35*

<sup>21</sup> Peter came up and said to [Jesus], "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?"

<sup>22</sup> Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven.

<sup>23</sup> "Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. <sup>24</sup> When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. <sup>25</sup> And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. <sup>26</sup> So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' <sup>27</sup> And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt.

<sup>28</sup> But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, 'Pay what you owe.' <sup>29</sup> So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.'

<sup>30</sup> He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. <sup>31</sup> When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place.

<sup>32</sup> Then his master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. <sup>33</sup> And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' <sup>34</sup> And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. <sup>35</sup> So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

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

**\*Responsory**

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- L** Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.
- C** **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.**
- L** Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.
- C** **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.**
- L** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.**

**\*Apostles' Creed**

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**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life  $\dagger$  everlasting. Amen.

**\*Lord's Prayer**

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**C** 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.

**Children's Message (Sunday)**

**Hymn**

"Come Down, O Love Divine" - #501

1 Come down, O Love divine;  
Seek Thou this soul of mine,  
And visit it with Thine own ardor glowing;  
O Comforter, draw near;  
Within my heart appear,  
And kindle it, Thy holy flame bestowing.

2 O let it freely burn,  
Till worldly passions turn  
To dust and ashes in its heat consuming;  
And let Thy glorious light  
Shine ever on my sight,  
And clothe me round,  
the while my path illuming.

3 Let holy charity  
Mine outward vesture be  
And lowliness become mine inner clothing—  
True lowliness of heart,  
Which takes the humbler part,  
And o'er its own shortcomings  
weeps with loathing.

4 And so the yearning strong,  
With which the soul will long,  
Shall far outpass the pow'r of human telling;  
No soul can guess His grace  
Till it become the place  
Wherein the Holy Spirit makes His dwelling.

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**Sermon**

"My Massive Debt ..." - Matthew 18:21-35

**Offering**

**\*Prayer**

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**L** In peace let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

- L** For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For reasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For . . . *(special intercessions)* . . . Lord, in your mercy:
- C** **Hear our prayer.**

### ***Special Intercessions***

- † The family of Vicar Kurt H at the death of his grandmother, Frances H, on September 8th.
- † Raya Rose H who is being welcomed into God's family this weekend through Holy Baptism.
- † Watch over and bless those students at our Concordia Universities, including: Emma D, Abby F, Caroline H  
Also grant Your blessings to those at our Concordia Seminaries preparing to serve as Pastors, including: Zachariah B (Ft. Wayne), Trey D (STL)
- † For Christ's help and hope for those fighting cancer: *(please notify the Church Office of updates for long-term cancer patients and we will gladly include them in our prayers)*  
Jim P, Frank T, Ulla W, Nicole T, Jodi B, Lonna C, Tate V, Doris G, Tim A, Nadine B, Diane M, Julie S, Bill H, Joni D, Marilyn S, Susan M, Tate S, Gary R, Donna K, Rachel M, Anita G, Christopher G, James K, Pat C, Donna F, Diane D, Nicki S, Carol S, Dorothy H, Janet L, Terri J
- † Edith M and Richard P who are now both in hospice care.
- L** Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

## Collect of the Day

- L** O God, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, hear the devout prayers of Your Church, especially in times of persecution, and grant that what we ask in faith we may obtain; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

## Collect for the Word

- L** Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

## \*Morning Prayer (Sunday)

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- C** I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.

## \*Evening Prayer (Monday)

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- C** I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.

## \*New Testament Cantic (Sunday)

*LSB 266*

- C** Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia. Alleluia.

Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed.  
Raised from the dead, He will never die again.  
Death has no more dominion over Him.

Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia. Alleluia.

Dying, Christ dies to sin, once for all.  
Living, He lives to God.

Count yourselves as dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia. Alleluia.

## \*Blessing

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- L** Let us bless the Lord.

- C** Thanks be to God.

- L** The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the  $\text{✠}$  Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.

- C** Amen.

**\*Closing Hymn**

“Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus” - #685

1 Let us ever walk with Jesus,  
 Follow His example pure,  
 Through a world that would deceive us  
 And to sin our spirits lure.  
 Onward in His footsteps treading,  
 Pilgrims here, our home above,  
 Full of faith and hope and love,  
 Let us do the Father’s bidding.  
 Faithful Lord, with me abide;  
 I shall follow where You guide.

3 Let us gladly die with Jesus.  
 Since by death He conquered death,  
 He will free us from destruction,  
 Give to us immortal breath.  
 Let us mortify all passion  
 That would lead us into sin;  
 And the grave that shuts us in  
 Shall but prove the gate to heaven.  
 Jesus, here with You I die,  
 There to live with You on high.

2 Let us suffer here with Jesus  
 And with patience bear our cross.  
 Joy will follow all our sadness;  
 Where He is, there is no loss.  
 Though today we sow no laughter,  
 We shall reap celestial joy;  
 All discomforts that annoy  
 Shall give way to mirth hereafter.  
 Jesus, here I share Your woe;  
 Help me there Your joy to know.

4 Let us also live with Jesus.  
 He has risen from the dead  
 That to life we may awaken.  
 Jesus, You are now our head.  
 We are Your own living members;  
 Where You live, there we shall be  
 In Your presence constantly,  
 Living there with You forever.  
 Jesus, let me faithful be,  
 Life eternal grant to me.

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**\*Postlude**

**Participants**

**Preacher** ..... Rev. Scott Schmieding  
**Liturgist** ..... Rev. Allen Schade (Sunday)  
**Organist**..... Mr. Brian Scheller (Sunday); Mr. Josh Freund (Monday)  
**Soloist**..... Shannon Knabach  
**Acolyte** ..... Connor Oetting (Sunday)  
**Sound Technician** ..... Adrian Archer (Sunday)

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