

Sunday, November 10, 2019 Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost Holy Communion

November 10, 2019 • 9:30, 11:00 A.M. Service

WELCOME TO EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

INTRODUCTION

We worship on the first day of the week because our Savior was raised on that day. Every Sunday is a little Easter. This Sunday feels more like Easter than many as the appointed texts celebrate the reality of the resurrection. Live it up this Lord's day. Our God is the God of the living.

PRELUDE

My Jesus, I Love Thee

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRINITARIAN CHIMES

The assembly stands.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins. Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, healer of our every ill, source of unending mercy. Amen.

Embraced in enduring grace and good hope, let us turn again to God, confessing the truth about ourselves.

Silence is kept for reflection. The assembly may stand or kneel.

Merciful God, we come before you, beloved but broken. We have not always treated others as we would want them to treat us. We have not always called out injustice and abuse. We have not always been kind to ourselves. We have not always taken care of the world we share with other living creatures. Remind us of who we are, beloved children bathed in your love. Renew us by your Spirit to live as your holy people, bringing healing to the brokenness around us. Amen.

At every moment you are held in existence by the love of God, renewed by the Spirit within and among you, and made alive again in Christ. Receive this assurance in Jesus' name: you are + forgiven and freed to live for the healing of the world. **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG: O Day Full of Grace (verses 1-3)

ELW 627

GREETING

From the one who is and who was and who is to come, and from Jesus Christ, the first fruits of the resurrection, grace and peace be with you all. **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, our eternal redeemer, by the presence of your Spirit you renew and direct our hearts. Keep always in our mind the end of all things and the day of judgment. Inspire us for a holy life here, and bring us to the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

The assembly is seated.

FIRST READING: Job 19:23–27a

Please turn to page 515 in the Old Testament of your pew Bible.

Job suffers the loss of children, wealth, and health. Accused by his companions of wrongdoing, he knows himself to be innocent. Here, in the midst of his suffering, Job clings to the radical hope that his vindicator, his redeemer, lives; and that one day he himself will see God.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

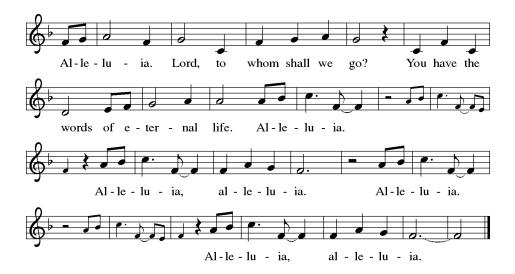
SECOND READING: 2 Thessalonians 2:1–5, 13–17

Please turn to page 221 in the New Testament of your pew Bible.

Paul writes to encourage the church at Thessalonica in a time of confusion and opposition. Here, the confusion concerned the return of Christ. Paul writes to those who were allowing their concern over Jesus' imminent return to divert them from the central teachings of the gospel.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.



GOSPEL: Luke 20:27–38 Please turn to page 86 in the New Testament of your pew Bible.

The holy gospel according to St. Luke, the twentieth chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The Sadducees, who do not believe in the resurrection of the dead, try to trap Jesus. They formulate the convoluted case of a serial widow who marries a succession of seven brothers. Jesus responds by teaching about God, to whom all are alive and in whom all relationships are fulfilled.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The assembly is seated. **SERMON**

Pastor Steven Wigdahl

The assembly stands. HYMN OF THE DAY:

I Know that My Redeemer Lives (Verses 1-3; 8) ELW 619

THE APOSTLES' CREED I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

United with the saints of every time and place, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation. *Hear us, O God*, **Your mercy is great**.

HEAR OUR PRAYER



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We bring to you, Christ, members and friends of Emmanuel who need your healing touch:

(Names from our congregation...)

Into your loving hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abundant mercy, through Jesus Christ our risen Savior. **Amen.**

Congregational refrain: "Hear Our Prayer"

PEACE

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ. The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

The assembly is seated. **OFFERING**

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.

During this time, the table is set.

OFFERTORY

My Times Are in Your Hand The Emmanuel Choir

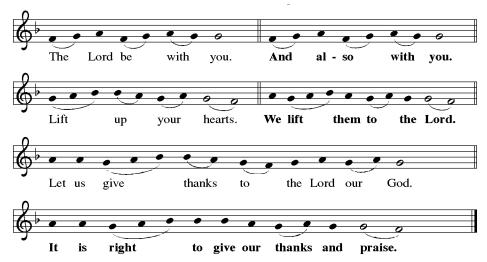
My times are in your hand, O Lord. My times are in your hand. Whenever my actions come to naught and I feel as useless as a broken pot, you rescue, you rescue me, you rescue me. My times are in your hand, O Lord. My times are in your hand. Whenever I sigh and waste in grief and flutter to earth like a falling leaf, you rescue me, you rescue me, you rescue me. My times are in your hand. O Lord. My times are in your hand. Make your face to shine upon me; let your loving kindness flow free, to rescue me, to rescue me, to rescue me. My times are in your hand, O Lord. My times are in your hand, O Lord. My times are in your hand, O Lord. My times are in your hand. Make your face to shine upon me; let your loving kindness flow free, to rescue me, to rescue me, to rescue me. My times are in your hand, O Lord. My times are in your hand. (Based upon Psalm 31: 9-16)

The assembly stands.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. God our creator, you give us all we are, all we have, all we bring, and all we need. Draw us together around your table with all your saints on earth and in your eternal home. Let us eat and drink your promise of new life, that we might be your promise to the world, spoken in Jesus' name. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING DIALOGUE



PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,

that we should at all times and in all places

give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,

through our Savior Jesus Christ;

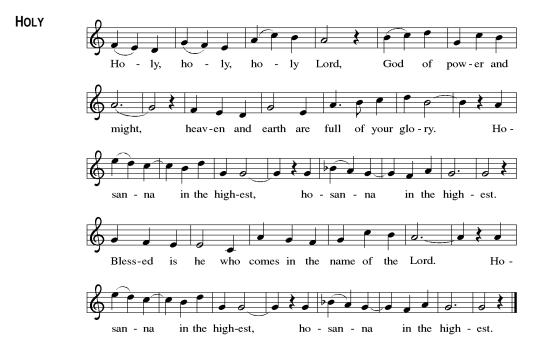
who on this day overcame death and the grave,

and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels,

with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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.

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.

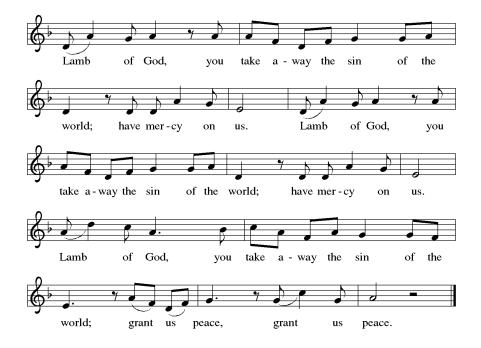
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

God keeps adding places to the table. Come to the banquet that has no end!

COMMUNION

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you. and each person may respond Amen. Jesus Christ is the host of this Holy Communion. in which we celebrate the Real Presence of our Lord. All are welcome! The Communion is administered by "intinction," that is, the bread is handed to the communicant and the communicant dips the bread into the wine. If you are not able to take the wine. simply take the bread. Children are invited to come forward for a blessing. If you desire Communion. but are not able to come forward. please let an usher know. We'll bring it to you. If you do not wish to partake of the Sacrament, simply remain seated when your row is directed to come forward. Glutenfree wafers are available; simply ask the server.

COMMUNION SONG



ASSEMBLY HYMNS:

I Am the Bread of Life	ELW 485
One Bread, One Body	ELW 496
Blessed Assurance	ELW 638

The assembly stands.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

We thank you, God our host, for inviting us here to taste the future when you will feed all the hungry at your table. Keep this hope alive in us and in our communities, so that we might bring hope to a suffering world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

BLESSING

Signed and sealed by the Holy Spirit, you are Christ's message of love for this troubled world, written by the same Sender. May our Lord Jesus Christ and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, '+ comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG:

Sent Forth by God's Blessing

ELW 547

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Set your hope on Christ. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

E America the Beautiful Bates (In commemoration of Veterans Day tomorrow, we thank the veterans in our congregation).

The Emmanuel Choir will be singing today at the 9:30 service (and the Emmanuel Choir Ensemble at the 11:00 service). Today's anthem, *My Times Are in Your Hand,* is based upon Psalm 31. Here is a word from the composer: "This anthem is a meditation about the power of God to reach out and rescue us in times of weakness, failure, sadness, and adversity...Psalm 31 is attributed to King David and shows the king's absolute reliance on God when he is beset with depression and strong opposition from his enemies. May this anthem bring a message of comfort to many people!"

9:30 Service

Greeters: Dave & Kerstin Beitzel Assisting Minister: Tom Jackson Lector: Jeff Heier Acolyte: Gussie Paulson Ushers: Janet Haughn, Hal Willliams, Bruce & Cheryl Carlson Altar Guild: Bruce & Cheryl Carlson AV: Zack Faust, Colleen Ziegelmaier, Adam Mason, Jayden Wampler (helper)

11:00 Service

Assisting Minister: *Rick Boe* Lector: *Carol Hartman* Acolyte: *Maridee Boe* Ushers: *Frank Loney, Tom & Karen Palmer, Donna Rhode* Altar Guild: *Diedre Milligan* AV: *Zack Faust, Colleen Ziegelmaier, Adam Mason, Jayden Wampler (helper)*

> The flowers that beautify our altar today are given by Emmanuel Lutheran Church.







"HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS" CONCERT

PRESENTED BY THE VOICES OF NAPLES

Tuesday, December 3, 2019, in the Sanctuary 7:00 p.m. No admission fee; free-will offering will be taken.