



July 5 & 6, 2020

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THE 5th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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Welcome to Worship! This weekend includes celebration of the freedoms we enjoy as a nation. It is also an opportunity for some to use their freedom of speech to argue for even greater liberty. God's word today speaks of the One who gives real liberty from the burdens that oppress us and warns us about ways that freedom can be undone.

A **Nursery** is available at **9:00 A.M.** below the entrance on Walnut St. and a Comfort Room is in the Atrium. The Nursery is not staffed at this time.

School Classes and Bible Classes are suspended at this time. Visit our website at www.immanuelseymour.com for online resources.

Cell Phones: Please remember to silence cell phones and electronics during worship.

Holy Communion will be offered at the 11:15 service. If you are not a confirmed member of the Lutheran Church, please contact an Elder or Pastor before Communing. An usher will dismiss your row to move forward to the person serving the bread, which will be dropped into your hand, and then to the person serving the individual cup. Wine with alcohol removed is available. You may then dispose of the cup and return by the center aisle, keeping appropriate distance from those in front of you.

Hearing devices are available from an usher.

+ DIVINE SERVICE I +

THE PRESERVICE MUSIC: 9:00 & 11:15 - "The Gift of Love"

7:00 - "Blessed Jesus at Thy Word" - J.S. Bach

THE PATRIOTIC MEDLEY AND PLEDGES:

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"God of Our Fathers"

1. God of our fathers, whose almighty hand Leads forth in beauty all the starry band
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies: Our grateful songs before Your throne arise.
2. Your love divine has led us in the past; In this free land by You our lot is cast;
Oh, be our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay; Your Word our law, Your paths our chosen way.

"The Battle Hymn of the Republic"

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| 1. Mine eyes have seen the glory | 2. In the beauty of the lilies |
| Of the coming of the Lord; | Christ was born across the sea, |
| He is trampling out the vintage | With a glory in His bosom |
| Where the grapes of wrath are stored! | That transfigures you and me; |
| He hath loosed the fateful lightning | As He died to make men holy, |
| Of His terrible swift sword; | let us live to make men free, |
| His truth is marching on. Chorus | While God is marching on. Chorus |

Glory, glory, Hallelujah! Glory, glory Hallelujah!

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Please rise and face the back of the church as the cross and the Christian and American flags are processed into the church. Turn toward the front as they pass by your place. Remain standing through the pledges of allegiance.

THE HYMN: "God Bless Our Native Land"

Hymn 965

- 1 God bless our native land; Firm may she ever stand Through storm and night.
When the wild tempests rave, Ruler of wind and wave, Do Thou our country save
By Thy great might.
- 2 So shall our prayers arise To God above the skies; On Him we wait.
Thou who art ever nigh, Guarding with watchful eye, To Thee aloud we cry:
God save the state!

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE CHRISTIAN FLAG

I pledge allegiance to the cross of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and to the faith for which it stands, one Savior eternal, with mercy and grace for all.

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

L: In the Name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

L: Let us confess our failures and seek God's mercy (*Silence for reflection and self-examination*)
O Lord, we often put ourselves at the center of everything.

C: **We do not always love You or care for neighbors as we ought. We have neglected Your Word at home and in worship. We have taken forgiveness for granted and abused freedom that You have given us. Forgive us for the sake of Jesus. Make us strong witnesses to Your redeeming love. Amen.**

L: Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for us and, for His sake, forgives us all our sins. Through the washing of Holy Baptism, God has made us His sons and daughters. With that promise, we live forgiven and free.

C: **Amen!**

L: Let us pray. Gracious God, our heavenly Father, Your mercy attends us all our days. Be our strength and support amid the wearisome changes of this world, and at life's end grant us Your promised rest and the full joys of Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF THE MONTH: (We speak together) "Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Matthew 11:28

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Zechariah 9:9-12

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

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

+++9:00 & 11:15 THE ANTHEM: "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

THE EPISTLE READING: Romans 7:14-25a

For we know that the law is spiritual, but I am of the flesh, sold under sin. I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree with the law, that it is good. So now it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, I myself serve the law of God with my mind, but with my flesh I serve the law of sin.

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

C: **Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.**

THE GOSPEL: Matthew 11:25-30 C: (Sing) Glory to You, O Lord.

At that time Jesus declared, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord. C: **(Sing) Praise to You, O Christ**

THE HYMN: "Jesus Shall Reign"

Hymn 832

- 1 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun Does its successive journeys run;
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore Till moons shall wax and wane no more.
- 2 To Him shall endless prayer be made, And endless praises crown His head;
His name like sweet perfume shall rise With ev'ry morning sacrifice.
- 3 People and realms of ev'ry tongue Dwell on His love with sweetest song;
And infant voices shall proclaim Their early blessings on His name.
- 4 Blessings abound where'er He reigns: The pris'ners leap, unloose their chains,
The weary find eternal rest, And all who suffer want are blest.
- 5 Let ev'ry creature rise and bring Honors peculiar to our King;
Angels descend with songs again, And earth repeat the loud amen.

THE SERMON: "Freedom, Not Independence"

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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 + everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

+++11:15 THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

P The Lord be with you. C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts. C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary... evermore praising You and saying:

C **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING, LORD'S PRAYER AND WORD'S OF OUR LORD

P The peace of the Lord be with you always. C **Amen.**

C **Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Distribution Hymns: 570, 618, 684

570 Just as I Am, without One Plea

1 Just as I am, without one plea But that Thy blood was shed for me
And that Thou bidd'st me come to Thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

2 Just as I am and waiting not To rid my soul of one dark blot,
To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

3 Just as I am, though tossed about With many_a conflict, many_a doubt,
Fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

4 Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind; Sight, riches, healing of the mind,
Yea, all I need, in Thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

5 Just as I am, Thou wilt receive, Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
Because Thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

6 Just as I am; Thy love unknown Has broken ev'ry barrier down;
Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

618 I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table

1 I come, O Savior, to Thy table, For weak and weary is my soul;
Thou, Bread of Life, alone art able To satisfy and make me whole: Refrain.

ref Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood
Be for my soul the highest good!

2 Thy heart is filled with fervent yearning That sinners may salvation see
Who, Lord, to Thee in faith are turning; So I, a sinner, come to Thee. Refrain.

3 Unworthy though I am, O Savior, Because I have a sinful heart,
Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt banish never, For Thou my faithful shepherd art: Refrain.

4 Weary am I and heavy laden; With sin my soul is sore oppressed;
Receive me graciously and gladden My heart, for I am now Thy guest. Refrain.

5 What higher gift can we inherit? It is faith's bond and solid base;
It is the strength of heart and spirit, The covenant of hope and grace. Refrain.

684 Come unto Me, Ye Weary

1 "Come unto Me, ye weary, And I will give you rest."
O blessèd voice of Jesus, Which comes to hearts oppressed!
It tells of benediction, Of pardon, grace, and peace,
Of joy that hath no ending, Of love that cannot cease.

2 "Come unto Me, ye wand'ers, And I will give you light."
O loving voice of Jesus, Which comes to cheer the night!
Our hearts were filled with sadness, And we had lost our way;
But Thou hast brought us gladness And songs at break of day.

3 "Come unto Me, ye fainting, And I will give you life."
O cheering voice of Jesus, Which comes to aid our strife!
The foe is stern and eager, The fight is fierce and long;
But Thou hast made us mighty And stronger than the strong.

4 "And whosoever cometh, I will not cast him out."
O patient love of Jesus, Which drives away our doubt,
Which, though we be unworthy Of love so great and free,
Invites us very sinners To come, dear Lord, to Thee!

THE POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name. He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

THE POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

THE BENEDICTION

THE CLOSING HYMN: "Eternal Father, Strong to Save"

Hymn 717

1 Eternal Father, strong to save, Whose arm hath bound the restless wave,
Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep Its own appointed limits keep:
O hear us when we cry to Thee For those in peril on the sea.

2 O Christ, the Lord of hill and plain, O'er which our traffic runs amain
By mountain pass or valley low; Wherever, Lord, Thy people go,
Protect them by Thy guarding hand From ev'ry peril on the land.

3 O Spirit, whom the Father sent To spread abroad the firmament;
O Wind of heaven, by Thy might Save all who dare the eagle's flight,
And keep them by Thy watchful care From ev'ry peril in the air.

4 O Trinity of love and pow'r, Our people shield in danger's hour;
From rock and tempest, fire and foe, Protect them wheresoe'er they go;
Thus evermore shall rise to Thee Glad praise from air and land and sea.

THE POSTLUDE: "Prelude in E Minor" – Johann Pachelbel

Preacher: Pastor Blumenberg **Liturgists:** Pastor Rodriguez & Vicar Ronchetto

Lector: Pastor Bloch **Organist:** Mr. Paul Scheiderer

Soloist: Leah Schneider

Flag Bearers: 9:00 – Glenn Benter, Bob Vondielingen

11:15 – Jeff Schneider

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After the service today volunteers will be handing out a special election year prayer booklet. This small booklet is a wonderful resource for us as we pray for God's guidance and blessings upon our upcoming election.