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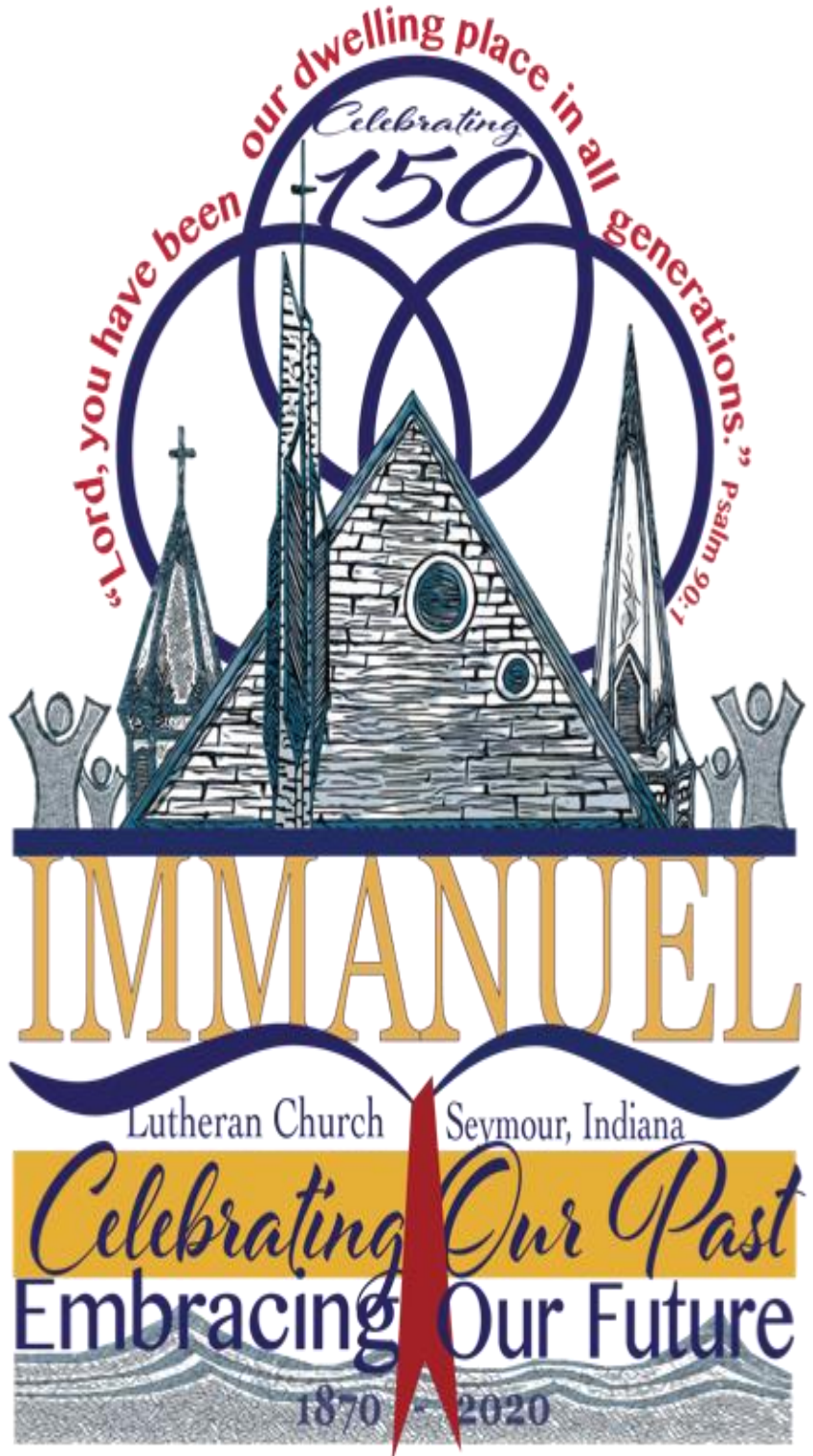
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**Welcome to Worship!** Jesus reminds us that “we cannot serve two masters.” Jesus is our Master. He is our God. He alone can save us. And graciously, He does. Jesus saves us “from the love of money,” which sent the rich young man away sad. He saves us from prisons of greed and discontent. He saves us for the same reason He spoke the truth to the rich young man in the Gospel reading. Jesus “looked at him, and He loved him.” He loves you, too, which is why He speaks the truth about money and its idolatrous power.

**Please register your attendance and Communion in the Record of Fellowship.**

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

All Sunday School classes meet UPSTAIRS. Adult Bible Classes are in the Fellowship Hall, and the Adult Information Class meets in Heritage Room. Everyone is welcome!

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

**Holy Communion** will be offered at the 9:00 & 7:00 service. The Common Cup will be offered to those who desire it and will be cleansed and rotated between persons. If you prefer an individual cup, please take one from the tray. Wine with alcohol removed is in the tray center. If you are not a confirmed member of the Lutheran Church, please contact an elder or pastor before communing.

**Hearing devices** are available from an usher.

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**THE PRELUDE:** 9:00 “Faith of Our Fathers”

11:15 & 7:00 “With the Lord Begin Your Task” -William Braun

**THE HYMN:** “With the Lord Begin Your Task”

**Hymn 869**

- 1 With the Lord begin your task; Jesus will direct it.  
For His aid and counsel ask; Jesus will perfect it.  
Ev’ry morn with Jesus rise, And when day is ended,  
In His name then close your eyes; Be to Him commended.
  
- 2 Let each day begin with prayer, Praise, and adoration.  
On the Lord cast ev’ry care; He is your salvation.  
Morning, evening, and at night Jesus will be near you,  
Save you from the tempter’s might, With His presence cheer you.
  
- 3 With your Savior at your side, Foes need not alarm you;  
In His promises confide, And no ill can harm you.  
All your trust and hope repose In the mighty Master,  
Who in wisdom truly knows How to stem disaster.

4 If your task be thus begun With the Savior's blessing,  
Safely then your course will run, Toward the promise pressing.  
Good will follow ev'rywhere While you here must wander;  
You at last the joy will share In the mansions yonder.

5 Thus, Lord Jesus, ev'ry task Be to You commended;  
May Your will be done, I ask, Until life is ended.  
Jesus, in Your name begun Be the day's endeavor;  
Grant that it may well be done To Your praise forever.

### THE INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. C **Amen.**  
P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.  
C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

### THE CONFESSION

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.  
C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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 ABSOLUTION

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. C **Amen.**

### THE KYRIE

P In peace let us pray to the Lord. C **Lord, have mercy.**  
P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.  
C **Lord, have mercy.**  
P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord. C **Lord, have mercy.**  
P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.  
C **Lord, have mercy.**  
P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. C **Amen.**

**THE HYMN OF PRAISE:** "This is the Feast of Victory!"

**C** This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.  
Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.  
Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.  
Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation.  
Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.  
For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**THE PRAYER FOR THE DAY:** (we pray together)

Lord Jesus Christ, whose grace always precedes and follows us, help us to forsake all trust in earthly gain and to find in You our heavenly treasure; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**THE WORD OF THE MONTH:** (we speak together) "For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." Mark 10:45

**THE OLD TESTAMENT READING:** Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

Seek the LORD and live, lest he break out like fire in the house of Joseph, and it devour, with none to quench it for Bethel, O you who turn justice to wormwood and cast down righteousness to the earth! . . . They hate him who reproves in the gate, and they abhor him who speaks the truth. Therefore because you trample on the poor and you exact taxes of grain from him, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not dwell in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. For I know how many are your transgressions and how great are your sins — you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and turn aside the needy in the gate. Therefore he who is prudent will keep silent in such a time, for it is an evil time. Seek good, and not evil, that you may live; and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you, as you have said. Hate evil, and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

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

**+++ 11:15 THE ANTHEM:** "Let Me Learn of Jesus"

**THE EPISTLE READING:** Hebrews 3:12-19

Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called "today," that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. For we share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end. As it is said, "Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion." For who were those

who heard and yet rebelled? Was it not all those who left Egypt led by Moses? And with whom was he provoked for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.

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

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

**THE GOSPEL READING: Mark 10:17-22 C: (Sung) Glory to You, O Lord.**

As [Jesus] was setting out on his journey, a man ran up and knelt before him and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone. You know the commandments: 'Do not murder, Do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do not defraud, Honor your father and mother.'" And he said to him, "Teacher, all these I have kept from my youth." And Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, "You lack one thing: go, sell all that you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." Disheartened by the saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

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

**THE HYMN: "Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower"**

**Hymn 694**

- 1 Thee will I love, my strength, my tower; Thee will I love, my hope, my joy.  
Thee will I love with all my power, With ardor time shall ne'er destroy.  
Thee will I love, O Light divine, So long as life is mine.
- 2 Thee will I love, my life, my Savior, Who art my best and truest friend.  
Thee will I love and praise forever, For never shall Thy kindness end.  
Thee will I love with all my heart— Thou my Redeemer art!
- 3 I thank Thee, Jesus, Sun from heaven, Whose radiance hath brought light to me;  
I thank Thee, who hast richly given All that could make me glad and free;  
I thank Thee that my soul is healed By what Thy lips revealed.
- 4 O keep me watchful, then, and humble; Permit me nevermore to stray.  
Uphold me when my feet would stumble, And keep me on the narrow way.  
Fill all my nature with Thy light, O Radiance strong and bright!
- 5 Thee will I love, my crown of gladness; Thee will I love, my God and Lord,  
Amid the darkest depths of sadness, And not for hope of high reward,  
For Thine own sake, O Light divine, So long as life is mine.



## THE SERMON: "Almost"

### THE OFFERTORY HYMN: "Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings" Hymn 782 v. 1

1 Gracious God, You send great blessings New each morning all our days.  
For Your mercies never ending, For Your love we offer praise. Refrain

Refrain: Lord, we pray that we, Your people Who Your gifts unnumbered claim,  
Through the sharing of Your blessings May bring glory to Your name.

### THE CREED: 9:00 & 7:00 NICENE, pg. 158; 11:15 APOSTLES', pg. 159

#### +++ 9:00 & 7:00 NICENE CREED, page 158

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### +++ 11:15 APOSTLES' CREED, page 159

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

### +++ 9:00 & 7:00 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: 915, 555, 627, 643

**915 Today Your Mercy Calls Us**

1 Today Your mercy calls us To wash away our sin.  
However great our trespass, Whatever we have been,  
However long from mercy Our hearts have turned away,  
Your precious blood can wash us And make us clean today.

2 Today Your gate is open, And all who enter in  
Shall find a Father's welcome And pardon for their sin.  
The past shall be forgotten, A present joy be giv'n,  
A future grace be promised, A glorious crown in heav'n.

3 Today our Father calls us; His Holy Spirit waits;  
His blessed angels gather Around the heav'nly gates.  
No question will be asked us How often we have come;  
Although we oft have wandered, It is our Father's home.

4 O all-embracing Mercy, O ever-open Door,  
What should we do without You When heart and eye run o'er?  
When all things seem against us, To drive us to despair,  
We know one gate is open, One ear will hear our prayer.

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**555 Salvation unto Us Has Come**

1 Salvation unto us has come By God's free grace and favor;  
Good works cannot avert our doom, They help and save us never.  
Faith looks to Jesus Christ alone, Who did for all the world atone;  
He is our one Redeemer.

2 What God did in His Law demand And none to Him could render  
Caused wrath and woe on ev'ry hand For man, the vile offender.  
Our flesh has not those pure desires The spirit of the Law requires,  
And lost is our condition.

3 It was a false, misleading dream That God His Law had given  
That sinners could themselves redeem And by their works gain heaven.  
The Law is but a mirror bright To bring the inbred sin to light  
That lurks within our nature.

- 4 From sin our flesh could not abstain, Sin held its sway unceasing;  
The task was useless and in vain, Our guilt was e'er increasing.  
None can remove sin's poisoned dart Or purify our guileful heart—  
So deep is our corruption.
- 5 Yet as the Law must be fulfilled Or we must die despairing,  
Christ came and has God's anger stilled, Our human nature sharing.  
He has for us the Law obeyed And thus the Father's vengeance stayed  
Which over us impended.
- 6 Since Christ has full atonement made And brought to us salvation,  
Each Christian therefore may be glad And build on this foundation.  
Your grace alone, dear Lord, I plead, Your death is now my life indeed,  
For You have paid my ransom.
- 7 Let me not doubt, but truly see Your Word cannot be broken;  
Your call rings out, "Come unto Me!" No falsehood have You spoken.  
Baptized into Your precious name, My faith cannot be put to shame,  
And I shall never perish.
- 8 The Law reveals the guilt of sin And makes us conscience-stricken;  
But then the Gospel enters in The sinful soul to quicken.  
Come to the cross, trust Christ, and live; The Law no peace can ever give,  
No comfort and no blessing.
- 9 Faith clings to Jesus' cross alone And rests in Him unceasing;  
And by its fruits true faith is known, With love and hope increasing.  
For faith alone can justify; Works serve our neighbor and supply  
The proof that faith is living.
- 10 All blessing, honor, thanks, and praise To Father, Son, and Spirit,  
The God who saved us by His grace; All glory to His merit.  
O triune God in heav'n above, You have revealed Your saving love;  
Your blessèd name we hallow.

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**627 Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior**

- 1 Jesus Christ, our blessèd Savior, Turned away God's wrath forever;  
By His bitter grief and woe He saved us from the evil foe.
- 2 As His pledge of love undying, He, this precious food supplying,  
Gives His body with the bread, And with the wine the blood He shed.



- 3 Jesus here Himself is sharing; Heed then how you are preparing,  
For if you do not believe, His judgment then you shall receive.
- 4 Praise the Father, who from heaven To His own this food has given,  
Who, to mend what we have done, Gave into death His only Son.
- 5 Firmly hold with faith unshaken That this food is to be taken  
By the sick who are distressed, By hearts that long for peace and rest.
- 6 Agony and bitter labor Were the cost of God's high favor;  
Do not come if you suppose You need not Him who died and rose.
- 7 Christ says: "Come, all you that labor, And receive My grace and favor:  
Those who feel no pain or ill Need no physician's help or skill.
- 8 "For what purpose was My dying If not for your justifying?  
And what use this precious food If you yourself were pure and good?"
- 9 If your heart this truth professes And your mouth your sin confesses,  
You will be your Savior's guest, Be at His banquet truly blest.
- 10 Let this food your faith so nourish That its fruit of love may flourish  
And your neighbor learn from you How much God's wondrous love can do.

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**643 Sent Forth by God's Blessing**

- 1 Sent forth by God's blessing, Our true faith confessing,  
The people of God from His dwelling take leave.  
The Supper is ended. O now be extended  
The fruits of this service in all who believe.  
The seed of His teaching, Receptive souls reaching,  
Shall blossom in action for God and for all.  
His grace did invite us, His love shall unite us  
To work for God's kingdom and answer His call.
- 2 With praise and thanksgiving To God ever-living,  
The tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face.  
Our faith ever sharing, In love ever caring,  
Embracing His children of each tribe and race.  
With Your feast You feed us, With Your light now lead us;  
Unite us as one in this life that we share.

Then may all the living With praise and thanksgiving  
Give honor to Christ and His name that we bear.

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## 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: "Jesus, Lead Thou On"

Hymn 718

- 1 Jesus, lead Thou on Till our rest is won;  
And although the way be cheerless, We will follow calm and fearless.  
Guide us by Thy hand To our fatherland.
  
- 2 If the way be drear, If the foe be near,  
Let not faithless fears o'ertake us; Let not faith and hope forsake us;  
For through many\_a woe To our home we go.
  
- 3 When we seek relief From a long-felt grief,  
When temptations come alluring, Make us patient and enduring.  
Show us that bright shore Where we weep no more.
  
- 4 Jesus, lead Thou on Till our rest is won.  
Heav'nly leader, still direct us, Still support, console, protect us,  
Till we safely stand In our fatherland.

## THE POSTLUDE: "Jesus Shall Reign" -Balint Karosi

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**Preacher:** Pastor Bloch **Lector:** Vicar Wagenknecht

**Liturgists:** Pastor James A. Rodriguez, Jr. & Pastor Ralph Blumenberg

**Organist:** Mr. Paul Scheiderer **Handbells**(9:00)

**Violinists:** Emersyn Dailey & Lyla Schepman(11:15)

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