

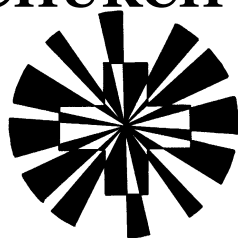


IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH



***Making known
by Word and Action
the Healing Presence of God
in Christ Jesus with Us
and with the World.***

Immanuel's Mission



Welcome to Immanuel

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Wednesday Evening Service

August 15, 2018 ✠ 5 pm

As we live out each day, we reflect on our faith in our words and actions. Each of us is an example of the Christian life as we struggle to live in forgiving love toward one another, and also as we continue to trust in the forgiveness Christ won for us. In today's

Old Testament Reading, Elijah almost gives up, but he is strengthened with miraculous food. Then in the Epistle, Paul provides a list of what our life in Christ should look like because of our new birth in Baptism. In the Gospel, Jesus spells out the connection between receiving His body and blood in the Lord's Supper and living in hope each day. He is the bread of life from heaven, who enables each of us to discard our old ways, live in the new life of God's forgiving love, and adorn ourselves with gladness.

OPENING HYMN

"Come Unto Me, Ye Weary"

LSB 684



- 1 "Come un - to Me, ye wea - ry, And I will give you rest."
- 2 "Come un - to Me, ye wan - d'ers, And I will give you light."
- 3 "Come un - to Me, ye faint - ing, And I will give you life."
- 4 "And who - so - ev - er com - eth, I will not cast him out."



O bless - ed voice of Je - sus, Which comes to hearts op - pressed!
O lov - ing voice of Je - sus, Which comes to cheer the night!
O cheer - ing voice of Je - sus, Which comes to aid our strife!
O pa - tient love of Je - sus, Which drives a - way our doubt,



It tells of ben - e - dic - tion, Of par - don, grace, and peace,
Our hearts were filled with sad - ness, And we had lost our way;
The foe is stern and ea - ger, The fight is fierce and long;
Which, though we be un - wor - thy Of love so great and free,



Of joy that hath no end - ing, Of love that can - not cease.
But Thou hast brought us glad - ness And songs at break of day.
But Thou hast made us might - y And strong - er than the strong.
In - vites us ver - y sin - ners To come, dear Lord, to Thee!

INVOCATION AND OPENING SENTENCES

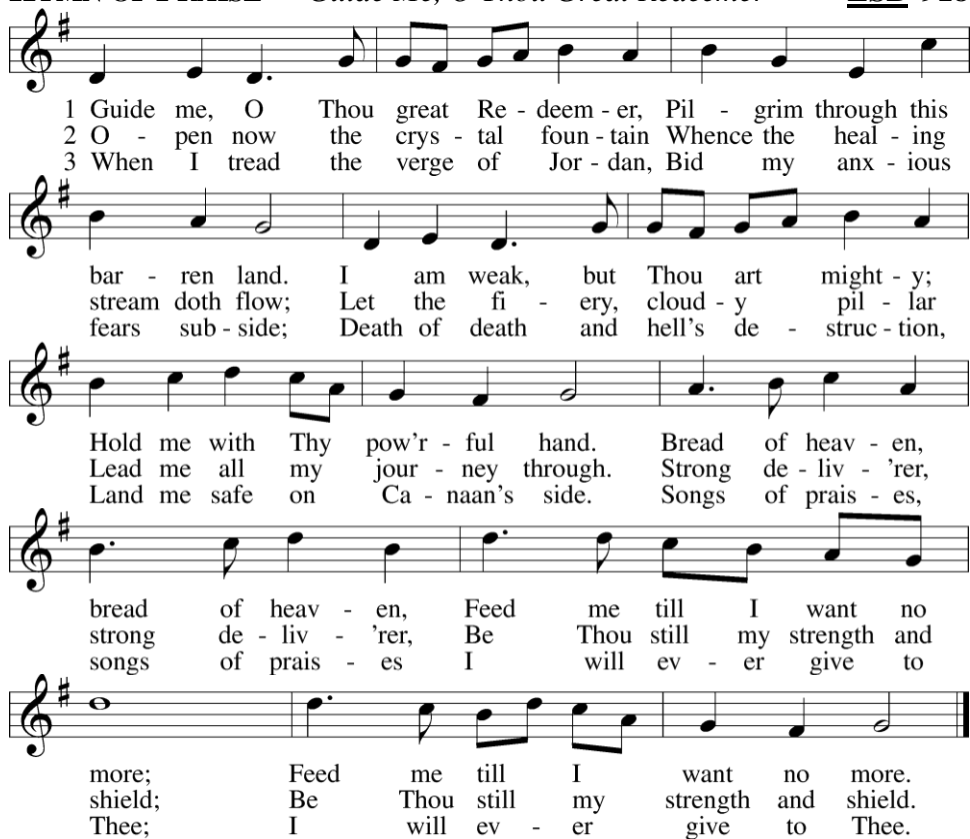
- P** In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**
- P** I sought the LORD, and He answered me
- C** **and delivered me from all my fears.**
- P** Those who look to Him are radiant,
- C** **and their faces shall never be ashamed.**
- P** I am the living bread that came down from heaven.
- C** **If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. Alleluia.**



CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- P** Lord God Almighty,
- C** **we confess that there are times when we have forgotten the hope that is within us. As Elijah feared and fled the forces of Jezebel, so we fear the evil around us. Although incapable of saving ourselves, we attempt to find peace and protection through our own efforts. Assure us of the new life You have given us, made certain in our Baptism into the death and resurrection of Christ.**
- P** Lord Jesus Christ,
- C** **we confess that in our daily struggles we often lose awareness of Your presence. We neglect to be faithful in our worship; we fail to recognize the forgiveness, life, and salvation that Your body and blood provide. Renew in us a desire to hear and take to heart Your promise of eternal life.**
- P** O Holy Spirit,
- C** **we confess that we fail to exhibit the new life, too often falling back into the old ways we thought we had put behind us. Strengthen us through the Word to see clearly the opportunities You provide to pass on the forgiveness we ourselves have received.**
- P** Our gracious heavenly Father sent His Son to give His life as the sacrifice for our sins. Our Lord Jesus is the bread of life from heaven, coming in the Lord's Supper to assure us of salvation until we join Him in eternity. The Holy Spirit uses Word and Sacrament to nurture our faith as we live out the new life God provides. 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.**





1 Guide me, O Thou great Re - deem - er, Pil - grim through this
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain Whence the heal - ing
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, Bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land. I am weak, but Thou art might - y;
 stream doth flow; Let the fi - ery, cloud - y pil - lar
 fears sub - side; Death of death and hell's de - struc - tion,

Hold me with Thy pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en,
 Lead me all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer,
 Land me safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es,

bread of heav - en, Feed me till I want no
 strong de - liv - 'rer, Be Thou still my strength and
 songs of prais - es I will ev - er give to

more; Feed me till I want no more.
 shield; Be Thou still my strength and shield.
 Thee; I will ev - er give to Thee.

THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT PRAYER

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray:

Gracious Father, Your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Grant that Christ, the bread of life, may live in us and we in Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT

I Kings 19:1–8

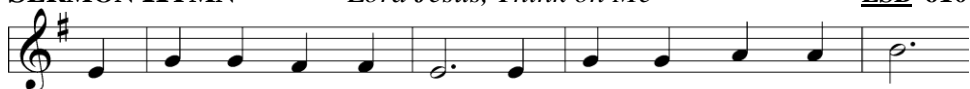
EPISTLE

Ephesians 4:17–5:2

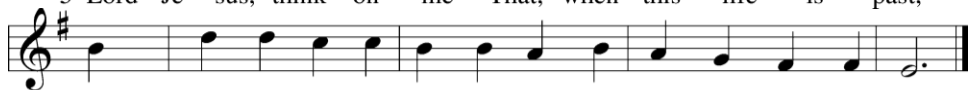
GOSPEL

st John 6:35–51



SERMON HYMN*“Lord Jesus, Think on Me”***LSB 610**

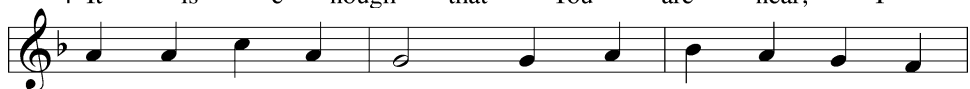
- 1 Lord Je - sus, think on me And purge a - way my sin;
 2 Lord Je - sus, think on me, By anx - ious thoughts op - pressed;
 3 Lord Je - sus, think on me A - mid the bat - tle's strife;
 4 Lord Je - sus, think on me Nor let me go a - stray;
 5 Lord Je - sus, think on me That, when this life is past,



From world - ly pas - sions set me free And make me pure with - in.
 Let me Your lov - ing ser - vant be And taste Your prom - ised rest.
 In all my pain and mis - er - y, O be my health and life!
 Through dark - ness and per - plex - i - ty Point out Your cho - sen way.
 I may the e - ter - nal bright - ness see And share Your joy at last.

SERMON *“God’s Grace Gives a New Outlook to Those Turned in on Self!”***HYMN OF RESPONSE***“I Lie, O Lord, within Your Care”***LSB 885**

- 1 I lie, O Lord, with - in Your care, A -
 2 Lord, You a - lone keep con - stant watch; My
 3 When shad - ows fall, I will not dwell On
 4 It is e - nough that You are near; I



wake or when I'm sleep - ing. Who - ev - er trusts in
 rest - less heart You qui - et - et. When dark - ness fills the
 trou - bles that dis - tress me, Nor let some pain - ful
 need not now dis - cov - er What hid - den plans You



Your strong arms Is safe with - in Your keep - ing.
 night with fear, I will by faith de - fy it.
 mem - o - ry Em - bit - ter and op - press me.
 have for me, My fu - ture's path un - cov - er.

- 5 Tomorrow's road I cannot trace
 Nor know what ills will meet me.
 You only ask that I be still
 And trust You there will greet me.
- 6 Each dawning day to which I wake
 Will show Your hand still guiding
 And ev'ry good my life requires
 Your grace again providing.
- 7 Though troubles still may cloud the sky,
 I'll see beyond them shining
 A light to show some hidden way—
 A way of Your designing.
- 8 Since You have gently touched my eyes,
 I'll sleep through tears of sorrow.
 Though long the night, my God, my friend,
 Will be my guide tomorrow.

DAILY PRAYER – EARLY EVENING

- P** Let my prayers rise before You as incense,
C **the lifting up of my hands**
as the evening sacrifice.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

{each petition ends "*Lord, in Your mercy:*"}

response: "*hear our prayer!*"}

LORD'S PRAYER

EVENING PRAYERS

- P** Lord Jesus, stay with us, for the evening is at hand and the day is past. Be our constant companion on the way; kindle our hearts, and awaken hope among us, that we may recognize You as You are revealed in the Scriptures and in the breaking of the bread. Grant this for Your Name's sake. **Amen.**
- 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. Amen.**
- P** Let us bless the Lord. **C** **Thanks be to God.**
- P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C** **Amen.**



**Strengthened by
That food
He walked 40 days
And 40 nights**

SONGS BY REQUEST ...

When Elijah said,
"Lord, I want to die,"
*God gave him
strength to live.*

1 Kings 19