

**CHURCH AT
THE PARK**
and picnic



WELCOME TO
WORSHIP

Immanuel Lutheran Church



*Making known by Word and Action
The Healing Presence of God
And Christ Jesus
With us and with the world*



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When we celebrate Holy Communion we are eating and drinking the true body and blood of our Savior, Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of our sins. Because the Bible says it is possible for someone to eat and drink to their harm if their understanding of the sacrament is lacking, we ask our visitors to speak with our Pastor before communing here for the first time. Ask an usher to help you find our Pastor before the service begins or call during the week.

WELCOME to all guests and members; we are glad that you are here to worship with us and hope you will return often as *our friends in Christ!*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN SING

Do Lord!

Refrain

Do Lord, oh, do Lord, oh do remember! (repeat 3x)

Look away beyond the blue!

I took Jesus as my Savior, You take Him too.

I took Jesus as my Savior, You take Him too.

I took Jesus as my Savior, You take Him too.

Way beyond the blue. *Refrain*

You're my light and my salvation, I won't be afraid!

You're the stronghold of my life, by You all things were made.

Foes attack me, hassle me, but I will never fade,

For I move in the strength of the Lord. *Refrain*

God Is So Good

God is so good, God is so good.

God is so good He's so good to me.

He loves me so, He loves me so,

He loves me so, He's so good to me.

He answers prayer, He answers prayer,

He answers prayer, He's so good to me.

Rejoice in the Lord Always

Rejoice in the Lord always and again I say rejoice.

Rejoice in the Lord always and again I say rejoice.

Rejoice, Rejoice, and again I say rejoice.

Rejoice, Rejoice, and again I say rejoice. *Repeat*

Jesus Loves Me

Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so.

Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong.

Refrain Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!

Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me he who died heaven's gate to open wide.

He will wash away my sin, let his little child come in. *Refrain*

Jesus loves me, this I know, as he loved so long ago,

taking children on his knee, saying, "Let them come to me." *Refrain*

INVOCATION

P In the name of God the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P This is the day that the Lord has made,

C Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

P Make a joyful noise to the Lord,

C Serve the Lord with gladness.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P Luther instructs us that before God we should plead guilty of all sins, even those of which we are unaware.

C Most merciful God, I confess that I have sinned in thought, word and deed. I have not always done what I should. I have not always been kind or forgiving to others as I ought. Sometimes I do not honor your glory through my daily life. For these and all other sins, forgive and renew me, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

P God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith. Amen.

Do you believe that my forgiveness is God's forgiveness?

C Yes, I believe.

P "Let it be done for you as you believe." And by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Let us join our thankful voices,

C Amen! Amen! Praise the Lord!

HYMN OF PRAISE – “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”



- 1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore Thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
 2 All Thy works with joy sur-round Thee, Earth and heav'n re - flect Thy rays,
 △ 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, Ev - er bless-ing, ev - er blest,



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore Thee, Prais-ing Thee, their sun a - bove.
 Stars and an-gels sing a-round Thee, Cen - ter of un - bro-ken praise.
 Well-spring of the joy of liv - ing, O - cean-depth of hap-py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, Drive the gloom of doubt a - way.
 Field and for - est, vale and moun-tain, Flow - 'ry mead-ow, flash-ing sea,
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it, Foun - tain - head of love di-vine:



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad-ness, Fill us with the light of day.
 Chant-ing bird, and flow - ing foun-tain Call us to re - joice in Thee.
 Joy - ful, we Thy heav'n in - her - it! Joy-ful, we by grace are Thine!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

O Lord, You have called us to enter Your kingdom through the narrow door.
 Guide us now and always into the feast of Your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives
 and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 66:18-23

L The Old Testament for the Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost is from Isaiah, chapter sixty-six.

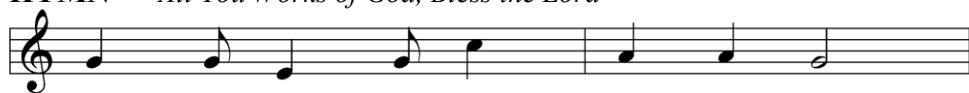
“For I know their works and their thoughts, and the time is coming to gather all nations and tongues. And they shall come and shall see my glory, and I will set a sign among them. And from them I will send survivors to the nations, to Tarshish, Pul, and Lud, who draw the bow, to Tubal and Javan, to the coastlands afar off, that have not heard my fame or seen my glory. And they shall declare my glory among the nations. And they shall bring all your brothers from all the nations as an offering to the Lord, on horses and in chariots and in litters and on mules and on dromedaries, to my holy mountain Jerusalem, says the Lord, just as the Israelites bring their grain offering in a clean vessel to the house of the Lord. And

some of them also I will take for priests and for Levites, says the Lord. “For as the new heavens and the new earth that I make shall remain before me, says the Lord, so shall your offspring and your name remain. From new moon to new moon, and from Sabbath to Sabbath, all flesh shall come to worship before me, declares the Lord.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

HYMN – “All You Works of God, Bless the Lord”



1 All you works of God, bless the Lord!
2 Sing, you sun and you moon a - bove,



All you an - gels, now bless the Lord;
Stars of heav - en, now sing His love;



Come, you heav - ens and pow'rs that be,
Dew and show - ers, you winds that blow,



Praise the Lord and His maj - es - ty:
Heat and fire, you ice and snow:

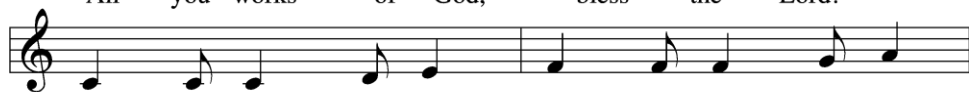
Refrain



Raise your voic - es high, praise and mag - ni - fy,



All you works of God, bless the Lord!



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EPISTLE READING

Hebrews 12:4-24

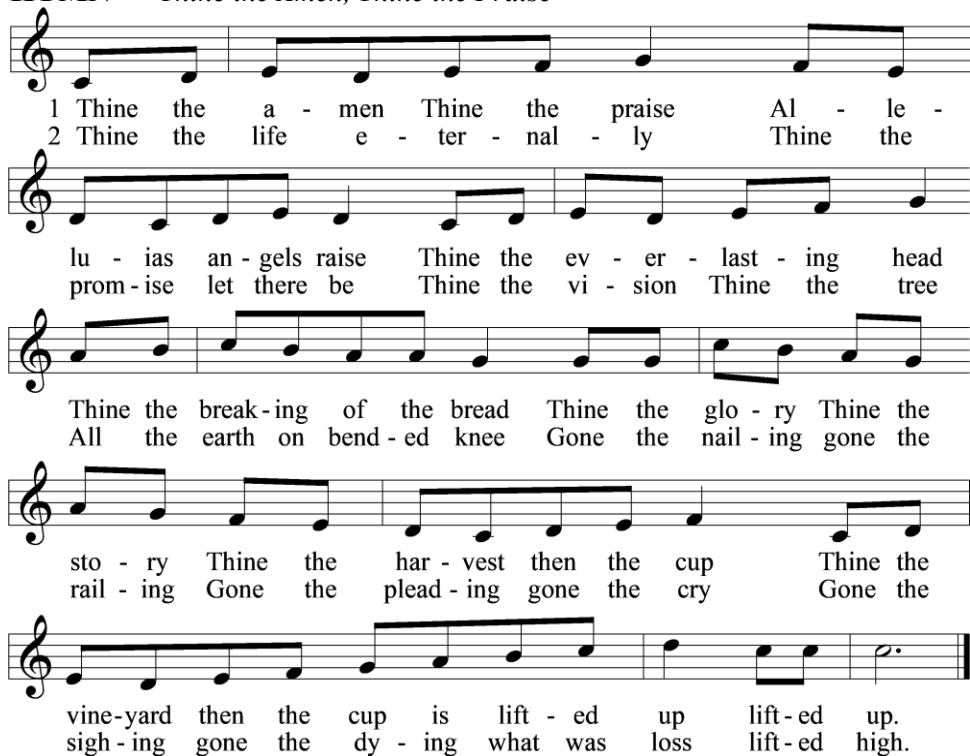
L The Epistle is from Hebrews, chapter twelve.

In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. And have you forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as sons? “My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor be weary when reproved by him. For the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives.” It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons. For what son is there whom his father does not discipline? If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons. Besides this, we have had earthly fathers who disciplined us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live? For they disciplined us for a short time as it seemed best to them, but he disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness. For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it. Therefore lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be put out of joint but rather be healed. Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord. See to it that no one fails to obtain the grace of God; that no “root of bitterness” springs up and causes trouble, and by it many become defiled; that no one is sexually immoral or unholy like Esau, who sold his birthright for a single meal. For you know that afterward, when he desired to inherit the blessing, he was rejected, for he found no chance to repent, though he sought it with tears. For you have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest and the sound of a trumpet and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that no further messages be spoken to them. For they could not endure the order that was given, “If even a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned.” Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, “I tremble with fear.” But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

HYMN – “Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise”



1 Thine the a - men Thine the praise Al - le -
 2 Thine the life e - ter - nal - ly Thine the

lu - ias an - gels raise Thine the ev - er - last - ing head
 prom - ise let there be Thine the vi - sion Thine the tree

Thine the break - ing of the bread Thine the glo - ry Thine the
 All the earth on bend - ed knee Gone the nail - ing gone the

sto - ry Thine the har - vest then the cup Thine the
 rail - ing Gone the plead - ing gone the cry Gone the

vine - yard then the cup is lift - ed up lift - ed up.
 sigh - ing gone the dy - ing what was loss lift - ed high.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

by Mary Ellen Fricke

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 13:22-30

L The Holy Gospel, according to St. Luke, the thirteenth chapter.

G Glory to You, O Lord.

[Jesus] went on his way through towns and villages, teaching and journeying toward Jerusalem. And someone said to him, “Lord, will those who are saved be few?” And he said to them, “Strive to enter through the narrow door. For many, I tell you, will seek to enter and will not be able. When once the master of the house has risen and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and to knock at the door, saying, ‘Lord, open to us,’ then he will answer you, ‘I do not know where you come from.’ Then you will begin to say, ‘We ate and drank in your presence, and you taught in our streets.’ But he will say, ‘I tell you, I do not know where you come from. Depart from me, all you workers of evil!’ In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God but you yourselves cast out. And people will come from

east and west, and from north and south, and recline at table in the kingdom of God. And behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last.”

L This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY – *“In Christ, There Is No East or West”*

- 1 In Christ there is no east or west,
In Him no south or north,
But one great fellowship of love
Throughout the whole wide earth.
- 2 With God there is no tribe or race;
In Him we all are one.
He loves us as His children through
Our faith in His dear Son.
- 3 So, brothers, sisters, praise His name
Who died to set us free
From sin, division, hate, and shame,
From spite and enmity!
- 4 Join hands, disciples of the faith,
Whate’er your race may be;
Who serves my Father as His child
Is surely kin to me.
- 5 In Christ now meet both east and west;
In Him meet south and north.
All Christian souls are one in Him
Throughout the whole wide earth.

SERMON

THE APOSTLES’ CREED

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 ✝ everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

We pray for the hospitalized this week: none known.

We pray for the family and friends of those who died: Eileen Huckstadt and Betty Watts.

We pray for strength and healing for: Mike Heidle, John and Ruth Roderick, Bev Page, Jensen Shutes, Dawn Campbell, Linda Pasquale, Rosalie Finet, Kyla Culotti, Rosemary Burmeister, Leslie Van Camp Stone, Del Krueger, Margie Souza, Dan Rull, Darlene Collins, Paul Teegarden, Earl Lackey, Dan Burmeister, Richard Wahlfeldt, Heather Christensen, Martha Elliott, Angie Lucas, Charlotte Schendel, Walter Harbison, Harvey Heerssen, Ethan Darby, Justin Fleming, Kevin Mixter, Jim Souza, Gregg Sacotnik, Joyce Owens, Joan Fleming, Linda Grinestaff, Jason Toms, Gabby Reynolds, Rodger Burgin, Toby Ceader, Sarah Koester, Tom Reese, Dottie Kliner, Mary Seifrig, Bruce Garrison, Carol Schafer, Tamara Fisher, Marilina Hutchison, Sarah and Patty Calderon, Keri Blankenbeckler, Jason Dawson, Judy Berg, Mike & Linda Borgward, Eric Wittmann, Kathy Howey, & Frank Hutnicke.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

BENEDICTION

P The Lord is good and His love endures forever:

C His faithfulness continues through all generations.

P May the grace of our Lord + Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with your all.

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN – “*Brothers and Sisters in Christ*”

Sing alleluia! Amen! Let your prayers and praises ascend.

Lift up your voices and sing To our Lord God, our Savior and King

Here brought together by grace We are gathered as friends in this place.

Refrain

And assembled as one, In the name of the Son,

Lifting hearts, lifting hands, Celebrating as friends,

And proclaiming the Lord, All our praises afford.

We are brothers and sisters in Christ.

Man walked alone and in need Without faith, hope or promise or creed;

Wandering, aimlessly lost, Unaware of the staggering cost:

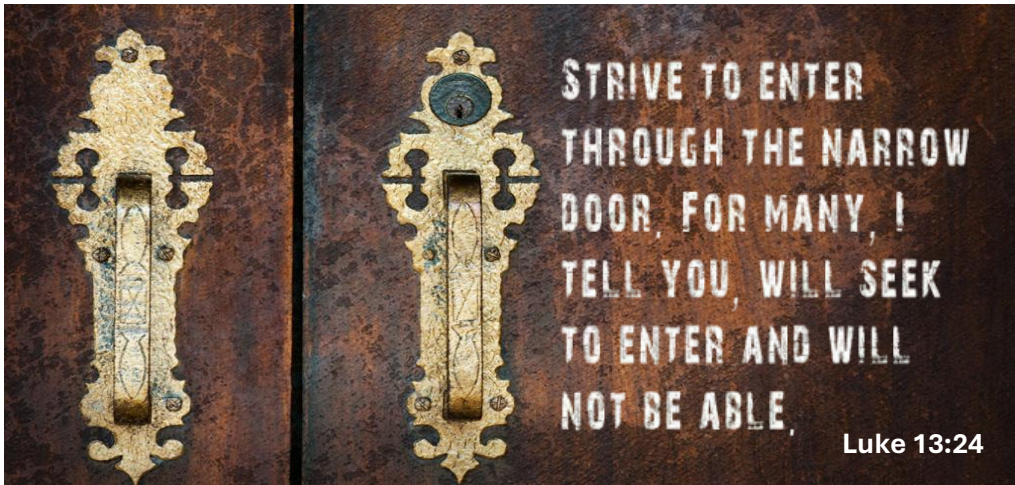
That God in his mercy would save All his people from death and the grave. *Refrain*

Lord, teach us how to proclaim

All your goodness, your love and your name!

Lord, teach us how to forgive And in love, teach us, Lord, how to live.

Raising our voices in song, Help us tell all the world we belong. *Refrain*



A close-up photograph of several pink roses with green leaves, serving as a background for the memorial bulletin.

IN LOVING Memory

*Today's bulletin is
sponsored by*

Bill and Joyce Martin

*In gratitude to God for the
precious friendship we shared
with Betty Watts. Betty was
a fun-loving, sweet soul who
brought joy to our lives. By
God's grace, we look forward
to the day we'll be reunited.*

*Until then, heaven grows
sweeter every day.*