## **Immanuel Lutheran Church**

## Sunday Worship - Lent 1B

Sunday, February 21, 2021

#### WELCOME

#### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

## GATHERING HYMN

ELW 319 O Lord, Throughout These Forty Days (Page 10 of this bulletin)

#### **GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. And also with you.

## **KYRIE**

(ELW p 98-99; Page 11 of this bulletin)

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Lord God, you led your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide now the people of your Church, that, following our Savior, we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

#### WORD

## FIRST READING

**Genesis 9:8-17** (NRSV)

<sup>8</sup>God said to Noah and to his sons with him, <sup>9</sup>"As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, <sup>10</sup> and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. 11I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." 12God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: 13I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. 14When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, <sup>15</sup>I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. <sup>16</sup>When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." <sup>17</sup>God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

The word of the Lord.

## **PSALM**

## Psalm 25:1-10 (ELW)

<sup>1</sup>To | you, O Lord, I lift | up my soul.

# <sup>2</sup>My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be | put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph | over me.

<sup>3</sup>Let none who look to you be | put to shame; rather let those be put to shame | who are treacherous.

# 4Show me your | ways, O Lord, and teach | me your paths. R

<sup>5</sup>Lead me in your | truth and teach me,

for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all | the day long.

# <sup>6</sup>Remember, O Lord, your compas- | sion and love, for they are from | everlasting.

<sup>7</sup>Remember not the sins of my youth and | my transgressions; remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your good- | ness, O Lord.

## <sup>8</sup>You are gracious and up- | right, O Lord; therefore you teach sinners | in your way. R

9You lead the low- | ly in justice and teach the low- | ly your way.

<sup>10</sup>All your paths, O Lord, are steadfast | love and faithfulness to those who keep your covenant and your | testimonies. R

## **HOLY GOSPEL:**

The Holy Gospel, according to St Mark, the 9<sup>th</sup> Chapter **Glory to You, O Lord** 

## Mark 1:9-15 (NRSV)

<sup>9</sup>In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. <sup>10</sup>And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. <sup>11</sup>And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

<sup>12</sup>And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. <sup>13</sup>He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

<sup>14</sup>Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, <sup>15</sup>and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

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

#### **SERMON**

## **HYMN OF THE DAY**

ELW 517 Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word (Page 12 of this bulletin)

#### NICENE CREED

We believe in one God. the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures: he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,\*
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## **Prayers of Intercession**

Relying on the promises of God, we pray boldly for the church, the world, and all in need. (A brief silence)

In Jesus your realm has come near to us in every place and time. Give your church throughout the world a spirit of humility and repentance; teach us to trust always in the good news of your salvation. Hear us, O God.

## Your mercy is great.

You have made a covenant of mercy with every living creature. Protect all the earth's creatures from destruction. Empower the work of biologists, conservationists, and science educators. Hear us, O God.

## Your mercy is great.

All your paths are steadfast love and faithfulness. Direct the words and actions of leaders in our community and throughout the world, that they may maintain justice for the lowly. Hear us, O God.

## Your mercy is great.

Even in the wilderness you are with us. Walk alongside migrants and refugees crossing dangerous lands. Tend to those whose lives feel desolate. Give healing and strength to all who suffer, especially

Aurelle Appel; Kimberly Armino; Bertie Black; Steven, Sarah, Anderson, & Abella Barre; Residents of the Bradley Home; Renee Bruenn; Jeanette Burgess; Robin Coon; Alana Daley & family; Gladys Ford; Jack Gade; Charlie & Charlotte Gardinier; family of Jerry Gianakos; Linda Gianakos; Terri Herteux; Doreen Jenkins; Carol Kania; Richard Kibwassali; Danielle Luft; Gail Magnuson; Herbert Manz; Rit Marrero; Kevin Matt; Maureen; Cindy McCarthy; Susan McCue; John McDonald; Sherri Phillips; Ann Phipps; Bill Preuss; David Ray; Katie Reeves; Doug Schultz; Annette Sprude; Jan Sprude; AT; RT; family of Richard Zuber; those who are suffering during the pandemic; those suffering from natural disasters; and those we name aloud or in our hearts.

Hear us. O God.

## Your mercy is great.

In the covenant of baptism you claim us as beloved children. Nurture us in our baptismal identity and teach us to live within it for the sake of others. Strengthen this congregation's ministries of care and concern. Hear us, O God.

## Your mercy is great.

In baptism you join us to the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. We praise you for all those who have died trusting in your faithfulness. Bring us with them to the fullness of your reign. Hear us, O God.

## Your mercy is great.

We entrust ourselves and all our prayers to you, O faithful God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

#### **OFFERING and OFFERING PRAYER**

(Offering Music offered by Andrew Hopko, Director of Music)

Let us pray.

Faithful God, you walk beside us in desert places, and you meet us in our hunger with bread from heaven. Accompany us in this meal, that we may pass over from death to life with Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

## **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

#### **SURSUM CORDA**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## PREFACE (Lent)

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.

You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace.

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:

#### **SANCTUS**

(Music on ELW p 108 or Page 13 of this bulletin)

Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

## **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER D: Lent (WOV) and LORD'S PRAYER**

P Holy God, our living Water and our merciful Guide, together with rivers and seas, wells and springs we bless and magnify you.

You led your people Israel through the desert, and provided them water from the rock.

We praise you for Christ, our Rock and our Water, who joined us in our desert, pouring out his life for the world.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his life, death, and resurrection, we await your salvation for all this thirsty world.

Pour out your Spirit on this holy food and on all the baptized gathered for this feast: wash away our sin, that we may be revived for our journey by the love of Christ.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Immanuel Lutheran Church Page 7 / 15 Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

#### C Amen

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray together as Jesus taught us.

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**

Jesus draws the whole world to himself. Come to this meal and be fed.

#### **AGNUS DEI**

(Music on ELW p 112 or Page 13 of this bulletin)

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, grant us peace.

#### **DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

ELW 777 Come to Me, All Pilgrims Thirsty (Page 14 of this bulletin)

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of steadfast love, at this table you gather your people into one body for the sake of the world. Send us in the power of your Spirit, that our lives bear witness to the love that has made us new in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Tuesday Night at Immanuel "Pilgrims of the Cross" Tue 2/16/21/ at 7:00
- Communion Packets Still Available

## **BENEDICTION**

You are what God made you to be: created in Christ Jesus for good works, chosen as holy and beloved, freed to serve your neighbor.
God bless you + that you may be a blessing, in the name of the holy and life-giving Trinity.

Amen.

#### SENDING HYMN

ELW 325 I Want Jesus to Walk with Me (Page 15 of this bulletin)

#### **Dismissal**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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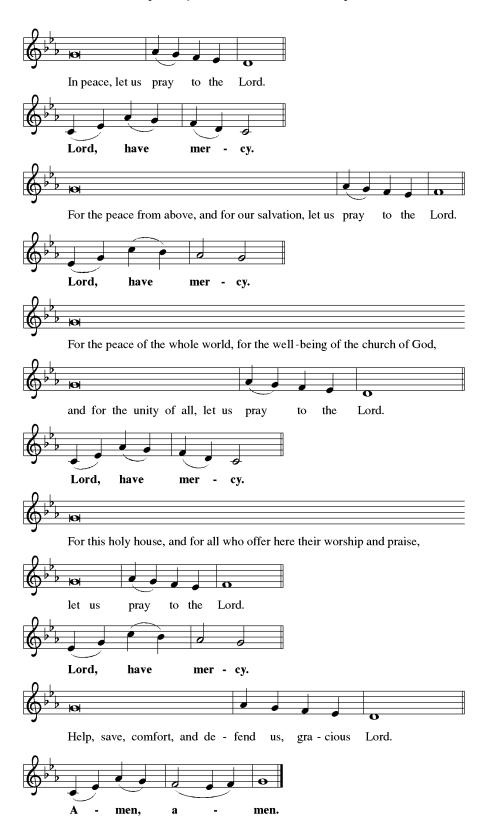
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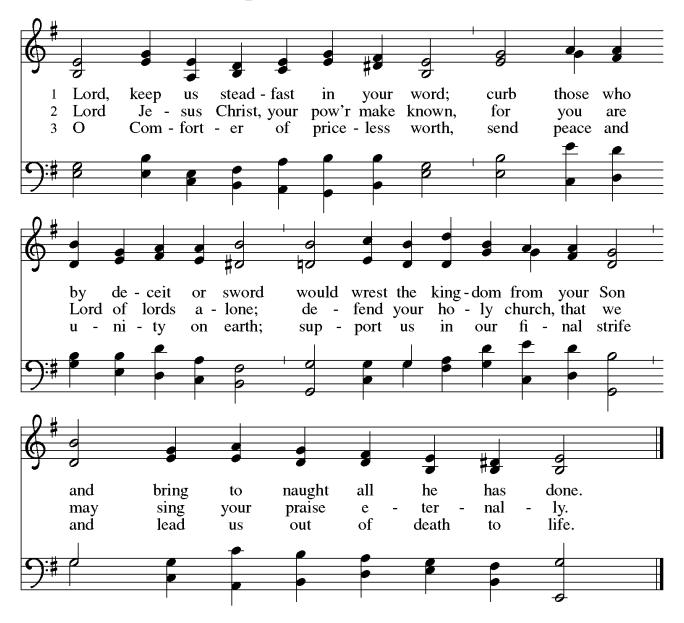
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## **Kyrie / Lord Have Mercy**

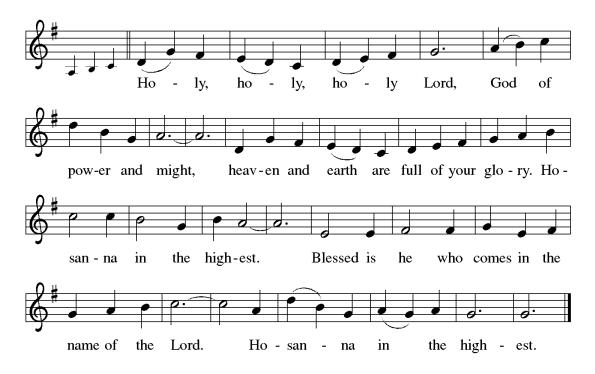


## Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

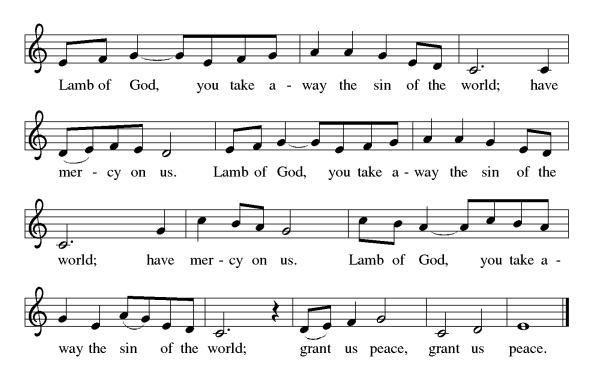


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## Sanctus / Holy, Holy, Holy



## Agnus Dei / Lamb of God



## Come to Me, All Pilgrims Thirsty



- 5 "Come to me, distressed and needy;
   I would be your trusted friend.
   Come and seek the gift I offer, come, your open hands extend." Refrain
- 6 "Come to me, abandoned, orphaned; lonely ways no longer roam.

  Come and take the gift I offer, let me make in you my home." Refrain

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## I Want Jesus to Walk with Me



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