IMMANUEL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Our mission as disciples of Jesus, is to commit ourselves to making Christ known through worship, service, outreach, learning, and loving one another



Sunday, October 18, 2020 20th Sunday after Pentecost

*11am In Person Worship Service held in Church Social Hall

Lector: Joe Fleck

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Altar Flowers are dedicated to the Glory of God and in honor of Gail Miller's birthday by Pam Miller

- Worship Services at Immanuel:
 - Saturday evenings
 - Online zoom service at 5:00pm
 - Sunday mornings
 - Online zoom service at 9:00am followed by
 Dwelling in the Word Bible Study
 - In-person service at 11:00am in Social Hall
- Dwelling in the Word Bible Study:
 - o following Sunday Zoom worship
- Food Distribution: Tues & Sat, 10am 12pm
 - Needed: Cash donations for milk and Egg Cartons (clean, not styrofoam)
- Zoom Bible study: Tuesday 3pm
- LEAD Team: Tuesday 7pm at Chris Crouch's home
- Planning Committee: Wednesday 7pm on Zoom
- Lutheran Social Ministries of Maryland corporation meeting: Thursday, 5:30pm online (Carroll Lutheran Village parent organization)
- Church Cookbook: in search of Immanuel's 'Come to the Table' Contact Rhonda Kiler: kkiler@comcast.net

October Monthly Mission Offering –

Wreaths Across America (Immanuel ceremony Dec 19)

- o Offerings accepted through end of month.
- More information is in the October newsletter and in Pastor's weekly email, including a sponsor form.
- Link to sponsor wreaths for Immanuel's cemetery: https://www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/pages/164

 670/Overview/?relatedId=0

Wreaths Across America

12noon at Immanuel on Dec 19th



Please help us color all the stars on the wreath to meet our goal of 300!

One star = 10 sponsored wreaths

We Rejoice!

We rejoice with Henry and Susan Adami on the birth of their grandson, **Brooks Rodenberger Adami** on September 25 to oldest son Christian and his wife Noelle.



PRAYER CONCERNS

David

Ruth Shilke

Bert Albert

Ron Davidson

Mike & Barb Shelton

Dessie Ann Hann

Caroline Marshall

Matt Siran

Catherine Cormick

Tony Haines

Jerry Trent

Pr Earl & Lori Janssen

Tom & Sue Becke

Shari Trevey Brayton

Delores Whitehead

David Barnhart

Connie Dattilio

Audrey Moose

Liz & Brett Richardson

Donna Marshall

Joe Zentgraf

Gene Black

Mike Hockensmith

Ryan Whitehead

Don Diseroad

Doris Dell

Pat Davis

Ardice Holbrook

Carol Nicoll

Carroll Lutheran Village

Pam & Tyler Mullins

Mary Mitchell

Shanihya Derossett

David MacArthur

Donna Kent

John Adcock

Gene Voight

David Sparaco

Our men & women in uniform

Austin Maloney

Bill & Barb Skelley

Glenn Minnick

Gulla Vandergucht

Eugene Link

Ellen Hopkins

Sandy Hughes

Ray Sims

Rudy Fernandez

Chuck Smith

Brandon Toston

Olivia Arriazola

Christine Palmisano

Gene Yingling

~Pastor Charlie

PRELUDE Majesty

Majesty, worship His majesty
Unto Jesus be all glory
Honor and praise
Majesty kingdom authority
Flow from His throne
Unto His own His anthem raise
So exalt lift up on high
The name of Jesus
Magnify come glorify
Christ Jesus the King
Majesty worship His majesty
Jesus who died now glorified
King of all kings

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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation. Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

Faithful God, have mercy on us.
We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.
We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways.
We pass judgment on one another before examining ourselves.
We place our own needs before those of our neighbors.

We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves.

Make us humble, cast away our transgressions,
and turn us again to life in you
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

ELW #413 Holy, Holy, Holy vs 1

¹ Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee. Holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Text: Reginald Heber, 1783-1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823-1876

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.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray...

Sovereign God, raise your throne in our hearts.

Created by you, let us live in your image; created for you, let us act for your glory; redeemed by you, let us give you what is yours, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 45:1-7

The prophet announces that Cyrus the Persian emperor is the one the LORD has anointed to end Israel's exile. The LORD makes this choice so that the whole world will recognize this LORD as the only God. Persia had a god of light and a god of darkness; the LORD claims sovereignty over both light and darkness.

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped to subdue nations before him and strip kings of their robes,

to open doors before him— and the gates shall not be closed: I will go before you and level the mountains, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, I will give you the treasures of darkness and riches hidden in secret places,

so that you may know that it is I, the Lord, the God of Israel, who call you by your name.

For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I surname you, though you do not know me.

I am the Lord, and there is no other; besides me there is no god.

I arm you, though you do not know me, so that they may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is no one besides me;

I am the Lord, and there is no other.

I form light and create darkness, I make weal and create woe; I the Lord do all these things.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 96:1-3, 11-13

Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.

Sing to the Lord, bless the name of the Lord; proclaim God's salvation from day to day.

Declare God's glory among the nations and God's wonders among all peoples.

Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea thunder and all that is in it; let the field be joyful and all that is therein.

Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy at your coming, O Lord, for you come to judge the earth.

You will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with your truth.

SECOND READING: 1 THESSALONIANS 1:1-10

Most likely this letter is the first written by Paul. Paul gives pastoral encouragement and reassurances to new Christians living in an antagonistic environment. Their commitment of faith, love, and hope makes them a model for other new Christian communities.

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 22:15-22

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

After Jesus begins teaching in the temple, religious leaders try to trap him with questions. First they ask if God's people should pay taxes to an earthly tyrant like Caesar.

Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap [Jesus] in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius.

Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MESSAGE

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW #685 Take My Life, That I May Be vs 1,4-6

- ¹ Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to thee; take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.
- ⁴ Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold; take my intellect and use ev'ry pow'r as thou shall choose.
- ⁵ Take my will and make it thine, it shall be no longer mine. Take my heart, it is thine own, it shall be thy royal throne.
- ⁶ Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, if all for thee.

APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

With confidence in God's grace and mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence.

- Gracious God, you call us by name and invite us to share your good news.
- Send your Holy Spirit among preachers, missionaries, and evangelists.
- We give thanks for the witness of your servant Luke, the evangelist, whom the church commemorates today.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

God of praise, the heavens and all creation declare your salvation.

From the rising of the sun to its setting, may the whole universe show forth your goodness. Raise up devoted stewards of all that you have made. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

God of all, may your word of justice sound forth in every place.

Restore divided nations and communities with reconciling truth.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

God of light, we pray for those living with pain, illness, isolation, grief, anger, or doubt including all on our prayer list and those we remember before you now...

Join their voices in a new song, assuring them that you call them each by name. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of truth, you show no partiality.

May your spirit guide the work of justices, magistrates, court officials, and all vocations of the law, that your promise of restoration may be known.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Living God, as you raised Jesus from the dead, so raise up those who have died in you, including our loved ones who rest in you.

We give thanks for their witness, confident of your rescuing welcome for all. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Listen as we call on you, O God, and enfold in your loving arms all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you.

OFFERING

Your offerings are especially needed during this time of crisis. You may mail your offering to the church office or give online through our website www.immanuellutheranccmd.org or the Tithe.ly app at https://tithe.ly/give Thank you for helping us pursue God's mission together!

OFFERING SONG

ELW #686 We Give Thee But Thine Own sv 1

We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be; all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823-1897, alt. Music: HEATH, L. Mason and G. Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

OFFERING PRAYER

Blessed are you,

O God, maker of all things.

You have set before us these gifts of your good creation.

Prepare us for your heavenly banquet, nourish us with this rich food and drink, and send us forth to set tables in the midst of a suffering world, through the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God, our Bread of life, our Table, and our Food, you created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance.

You dined with Abraham and Sarah, promising them life, and fed your people Israel with manna from heaven.

You sent your Son to eat with sinners and to become food 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 given for us and his rising from the grave, we await his coming again to share with us the everlasting feast.

By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal: strengthen us to serve all in hunger and want, and by this bread and cup make of us the body of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,
in your holy Church, both now and forever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

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

Come to the banquet table where Christ gives himself as food and drink.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We give you thanks, gracious God, that you have once again fed us with food beyond compare, the body and blood of Christ.

Lead us from this place, nourished and forgiven, into your beloved vineyard to wipe away the tears of all who hunger and thirst, guided by the example of the same Jesus Christ and led by the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor + and give you peace. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

ELW #821 Shout to the Lord

My Jesus, my Savior,
Lord, there is none like you.
All of my days I want to praise
the wonders of your mighty love.
My comfort, my shelter,
tower of refuge and strength;
let ev'ry breath, all that I am
never cease to worship you.

Shout to the Lord, all the earth, let us sing power and majesty, praise to the King. Mountains bow down and the seas will roar at the sound of your name. I sing for joy at the work of your hands; forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand. Nothing compares to the promise I have in you.

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SENDING

We are God's family on a journey of love with Jesus, rich in history and tradition yet open to the Spirit,

- welcoming all in worship and learning,
- •growing in faith as the Spirit leads us,
- reaching out with our neighbors to serve those in need,
- •sharing with others God's all-embracing love. We invite you to walk with us on this journey.

Let us go in peace and make Christ known through worship, service, outreach, learning, and loving one another. Amen! Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

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