



**ALL** O most merciful God, who hast given Thine only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee and of Thy will and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end that by Thy grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**PASTOR** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in His name He gives power to become the sons of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

**CONGR. (sing) Amen.** *(congregation is seated)*

### THE INTROIT

*Having received the Lord's forgiveness, we are glad to enter into His courts with praise and thanksgiving. This entrance is made in the Introit with the Lord's own Word, often from the Psalms.*

**P:** Righteous are You, O Lord:

**C:** And upright are Your judgments.

**P:** Deal with Your servant:

**C:** According to Your mercy.

**P:** Blessed are the undefiled in the way:

**C:** Who walk in the way of the Lord.

### THE GLORIA PATRI

*Latin for "Glory to the Father" (Hymnal, page 6)*

**CONGR. (sing) Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

### THE KYRIE

*Latin for "O Lord." We approach our Lord with a cry for help in all the needs of our earthly life. (Hymnal page 7 - sing)*

**Lord, have mercy upon us.**

**Christ, have mercy upon us.**

**Lord, have mercy upon us.**

### THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

*"Glory to God in the highest" (Hymnal page 7 - sing)*

**Glory be to God on high: And on earth peace, good will toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, That takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world. Receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

### THE SALUTATION *(Greeting)*

**PASTOR** The Lord be with you.

**CONGR. (sing) And with thy spirit.**

### THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

*The main thoughts for the day are "collected" together in this prayer.*

**PASTOR** Let us pray.

**CONGR. (sing) Amen.**

### THE BIBLE LESSONS

*God speaks to us.*

#### The Old Testament Reading:

Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29 Now the mixed multitude who were among them yielded to intense craving; so the children of Israel also wept again and said: "Who will give us meat to eat? 5 "We remember the fish which we ate freely in Egypt, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; 6 "but now our whole being is dried up; there is nothing at all except this manna before our eyes!" 10 Then Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, everyone at the door of his tent; and the anger of the LORD was greatly aroused; Moses also was displeased. 11 So Moses said to the LORD, "Why have You afflicted Your servant? And why have I not found favor in Your sight, that You have laid the burden of all these people on me? 12 "Did I conceive all these people? Did I beget them, that You should say to me, 'Carry them in your bosom, as a guardian carries a nursing child,' to the land which You swore to their fathers?"

13 "Where am I to get meat to give to all these people? For they weep all over me, saying, 'Give us meat, that we may eat.' 14 "I am not able to bear all these people alone, because the burden is too heavy for me. 15 "If You treat me like this, please kill me here and now; if I have found favor in Your sight; and do not let me see my wretchedness!" 16 So the LORD said to Moses: "Gather to Me seventy men of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tabernacle of meeting, that they may stand there with you. 24 So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD, and he gathered the seventy men of the elders of the people and placed them around the tabernacle. 25 Then the LORD came down in the cloud, and spoke to him, and took of the Spirit that was upon him, and placed the same upon the seventy elders; and it happened, when the Spirit rested upon them, that they prophesied, although they never did so again. 26 But two men had remained in the camp: the name of one was Eldad, and the name of the other Medad. And the Spirit rested upon them. Now they were among those listed, but who had not gone out to the tabernacle; yet they prophesied in the camp. 27 And a young man ran and told Moses, and said, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." 28 So Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' assistant, one of his choice men, answered and said, "Moses my lord, forbid them!" 29 Then Moses said to him, "Are you zealous for my sake? Oh, that all the Lord's people were prophets and that the LORD would put His Spirit upon them!"

**PASTOR** Here ends the Old Testament Reading. We continue with the responsive reading of:

### **THE GRADUAL**

*The Gradual is a "Bridge of praise" that links the Old Testament with the New Testament.*

- P: Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord:  
**C: And the people whom He has chosen for His own inheritance.**  
P: By the Word of the Lord were the heavens made:  
**C: And all the host of the them by the breath of His mouth.  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**  
P: The right hand of the Lord is exalted:  
**C: The right hand of the Lord does valiantly. Hallelujah!**

**CONGR. (sing) Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

**PASTOR** The New Testament Reading comes from James chapter 4, beginning there in the 7<sup>th</sup> verse.

**CONGR. (sing) Glory be to Thee, O Lord!**

### **The New Testament Reading:**

James 4:7-12 Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. 8 Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded. 9 Lament and mourn and weep! Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. 10 Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He will lift you up. 11 Do not speak evil of one another, brethren. He who speaks evil of a brother and judges his brother, speaks evil of the law and judges the law. But if you judge the law, you are not a doer of the law but a judge. 12 There is one Lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy. Who are you to judge another?

**PASTOR** Here ends the New Testament Reading.

**CONGR. (sing) Praise be to Thee, O Christ!**

*Congregation stands for:*

### **THE APOSTLES' CREED**

*We boldly confess what we believe. (Hymnal, page 12)*

**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 Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; The Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; The forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting.  
Amen.**

**Hymn 244**

## THE SERMON

Mark 9:38-50 Now John answered Him, saying, "Teacher, we saw someone who does not follow us casting out demons in Your name, and we forbade him because he does not follow us." 39 But Jesus said, "Do not forbid him, for no one who works a miracle in My name can soon afterward speak evil of Me. 40 "For he who is not against us is on our side. 41 "For whoever gives you a cup of water to drink in My name, because you belong to Christ, assuredly, I say to you, he will by no means lose his reward. 42 "But whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in Me to stumble, it would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck, and he were thrown into the sea. 43 "If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter into life maimed, rather than having two hands, to go to hell, into the fire that shall never be quenched; 44 "where 'Their worm does not die, And the fire is not quenched.' 45 "And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life lame, rather than having two feet, to be cast into hell, into the fire that shall never be quenched; 46 "where 'Their worm does not die, And the fire is not quenched.' 47 "And if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye, rather than having two eyes, to be cast into hell fire; 48 "where 'Their worm does not die, And the fire is not quenched.' 49 "For everyone will be seasoned with fire, and every sacrifice will be seasoned with salt. 50 "Salt is good, but if the salt loses its flavor, how will you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and have peace with one another."

Theme: "A WELL-SEASONED DISCIPLE"

- I. Encourages the weak (38-41)
- II. Causes no one to stumble (42-48)
- III. Is filled with the Word (49-50)

## THE OFFERTORY

*In this prayer we OFFER God our hearts, asking Him for that best of all gifts, the Holy Spirit.  
(Hymnal, pages 12-13) (sing)*

**Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
And renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from Thy presence  
And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me  
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation  
And uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

## THE OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS

*In tangible evidence of our gratitude, we offer the Lord the gift of our money, remembering that He has first given to us that we might have to give to Him. While the ushers present our offerings at the Lord's Altar, we stand and sing the offering hymn 788:1:*

**Lord, You love the cheerful giver Who with open heart and hand  
Blesses freely, as a river that refreshes all the land.  
Grant us, then, the grace of giving with a spirit large and true.  
That our life and all our living we may consecrate to You.**

## PRAYERS - (Pastor)

### THE LORD'S PRAYER - (All)

**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.**

### Congregation sings Hymn 761

*Congregation stands for:*

### THE BENEDICTION

*The blessing given by God for the blessing of His people (Numbers 6:24-26).*

### **PASTOR:**

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

**CONGR. (sing) Amen, Amen, Amen.**

### The Closing Hymn (standing) 767:1

\*\*\* Silent Prayer \*\*\*

*Verbal Announcements --- Ushers dismiss by row*

# Announcements

*"If the LORD wills, we will do this or that." James 4:15*

## **THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE**

WED 9:00 am Women's Bible Reading

**TV CHURCH** – Today's Service replayed on Cable TV Channel 25  
Tuesday at noon, Friday at 4:00 pm, Sunday at 3:30 pm.

## **NEXT WEEK: EDUCATION SUNDAY & OPEN HOUSE**

From our beginning, God blessed the members of Luther Memorial Church to make the Christian education of their children a priority. When most schools today are supported by the tuition they charge, by God's grace we understand the importance and shared privilege of supporting our Christian school entirely through the regular church budget. The beginning of the school year is when many of the larger expenses of our school are met. Please give your prayerful attention to the special offering envelope in your church mail box that the School Committee has prepared for September 21<sup>st</sup> - Education Sunday. Following the service of Education Sunday, we ask everyone to take a few minutes and tour the classrooms of the school. This is YOUR school, and therefore YOUR classrooms. Teachers and students will be on hand to welcome you and answer questions. Come and see the good things God is doing in our school!

**PTC KICK-OFF MEETING** The first "Parent Teacher Connection" meeting is scheduled, Lord willing, for Wednesday September 24 at 6:30 pm. Parents and also non-parents who are interested in helping in and around the school are encouraged to come.

**CLC CONVENTION PROCEEDINGS** Copies (orange covers) are available in the hallway. One for each family. Please take one and read up on the work of our LORD for our Lutheran Synod – the CLC.

**TODAY'S SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON** Parents, relatives, and friends may like to know what is being taught to the children of our congregation in Sunday School. Our children heard the account of Jesus and Nicodemus from John 3:1ff Jesus teaches a Pharisee named Nicodemus about the Kingdom of God. The Kingdom of God

is not an earthly kingdom. Rather, it is His gracious rule in our hearts through faith. Jesus emphasizes the power of Baptism by speaking of the "new birth" as coming by means of water and the Spirit. Baptism gives the gift of faith – new birth! Nicodemus was later led at the time of Jesus' death to confess his faith and put his life on the line by claiming Jesus' body for burial. Now that you know what the children learned, you can reinforce what they learned by talking to them about it - ask questions, let them know your interested!

**TODAY'S BIBLE CLASS** In our study of the Old Testament, we are currently reading in the fourth chapter of the book of Galatians, Martin Luther's favorite book of the Bible. Gal. 3:26, "For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus."

## **IMMANUEL LUTHERAN COLLEGE ACADEMIC CENTER**

ILC Publicity Update: Beginning this past Wednesday, Sept. 3, action was able to be observed on the building site at ILC. Trees are now being cleared for the new academic center. This is the first on-site preparation for the new project! For on-going updates and information, check out [www.ilcpublicity.org](http://www.ilcpublicity.org). If you want to see a few pictures of the tree clearing, go to <http://ILCAcademicCenter.blogspot.com/> It is an exciting blessing to see the dirt being moved for this worthy building project now underway on our high school, college, and seminary campus in Eau Claire, WI. Supporting ILC with your donations and your loans to the CEF (Church Extension Fund) is supporting your future pastors and teachers, for that's where our young people are trained for the preaching and teaching ministry. That is where your children and grandchildren will get a Christ-centered high school and college education. Please pray about it and give this your gracious consideration in Christ. May the LORD open the generous hearts of His people at Luther Memorial. Mark your offering: "ILC Building Fund"

**LM STUDENT AID FUND** You can help a child from Luther Memorial attend Immanuel Lutheran High School, College, and Seminary by marking your offerings and memorials "LM Student Aid Fund." Envelopes are available on the registry table.

**CLC NEWS** >>Mrs. Gail Richardson of Redemption Lutheran Church, Lynnwood, WA, has accepted the call to teach kindergarten for the 2008-09 school year.

**TEACHER DUPLEX BUILDING FUND** Built in 2000, the total cost was: \$163,028. In the past eight years God has greatly blessed our efforts to pay down this mortgage. The current remaining balance is down to \$35,919. We praise You, LORD! Please remember the Building Fund in your prayers and with your offerings. Envelopes are available by the registration table.

### **WHY A CHRISTIAN DAY SCHOOL FOR OUR CHILDREN**

1. A Christian Day School can assist parents to provide the answer to the question "How can I be saved?" Jesus says: "I am the Way."
2. The Christian Day School assists the congregation of believers to carry out the responsibility to teach children the Word of God. "Feed My lambs."
3. The Christian Day School uses God's Word to give God's perspective to all subjects generally taught in schools. "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom." Science must begin with the knowledge that God is the Creator and Preserver of the universe. Math is used to promote wise stewardship of our God-given goods and property. History is the record of how God guides the destinies of men and nations.
4. The Christian Day School makes the love of God the basis and motive in training character. "If you love Me, keep My commandments."
5. The Christian Day School can spend the proper amount of time to the "one thing needful" - God's Word.

### **“YOU SHALL BE MY WITNESSES...”**

You are writing a gospel, a chapter a day  
By the deeds that you do and the things that you say.  
Men read your record whether faithless or true –  
Pray tell, what is the gospel according to you?

**SERVICE TODAY** Usher Team 1 Lowell Boelk, Rodney Kern, John Scheberl, David Dexter, Sam N., Tom N., Larry Stubbs Organist: Adrienne  
**NEXT SUNDAY** Usher Team 2 Don Seibel, Lowell Boelk, Joe Naumann, Ed Jacobs, Gene Mielke, Don Gescheidle, Adam Johnson Organist: Rhoda E.

### **FUNDS TO REMEMBER WITH YOUR PRAYERS AND OFFERINGS**

General Budget; Missions, Duplex Building Fund; Student Aid Fund; New Copier Fund; Summer Catch-up Fund; ILC Building Fund. Other synod and local funds are listed on the bulletin board. Envelopes are available on the registry table.

### **GIVEN TO THE LORD – FROM THANKFUL HEARTS** Attendance: - 156

*(This is an unofficial summary. For the official summary, speak to the Financial Secretary)*

<b>Budgetary</b>	<b>weekly</b>	<b>for the fiscal year</b>	
Received	\$3,527 (\$4,312 needed)	\$122,651	
<i>(\$10 given in the special Summer Catchup Fund. To date: \$1,604)</i>			
<b>Non-budgetary</b>			
Maintenance & Improvement	\$232	balance	\$2,555
Debt Retirement Fund	\$144	balance	\$1,416
LM Building Fund	\$150	mortgage	\$35,615
LM Student Aid Fund	\$50		
<i>(given in memory of David Tack)</i>			
New Copier Fund	\$20	balance	\$2,866
<b>Missions</b> (CLC fiscal year is July 1 to June 30)			
Budgetary	weekly	year to date	
Received	\$1,073	\$8,604	
<b>Non-budgetary</b>			
CLC India Orphanage		\$10	
Kinship Fund	\$100		
ILC Building Fund	\$150		

### **WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE**

**“Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. Draw near to God and He will draw near to you.” James 4:7-8**