

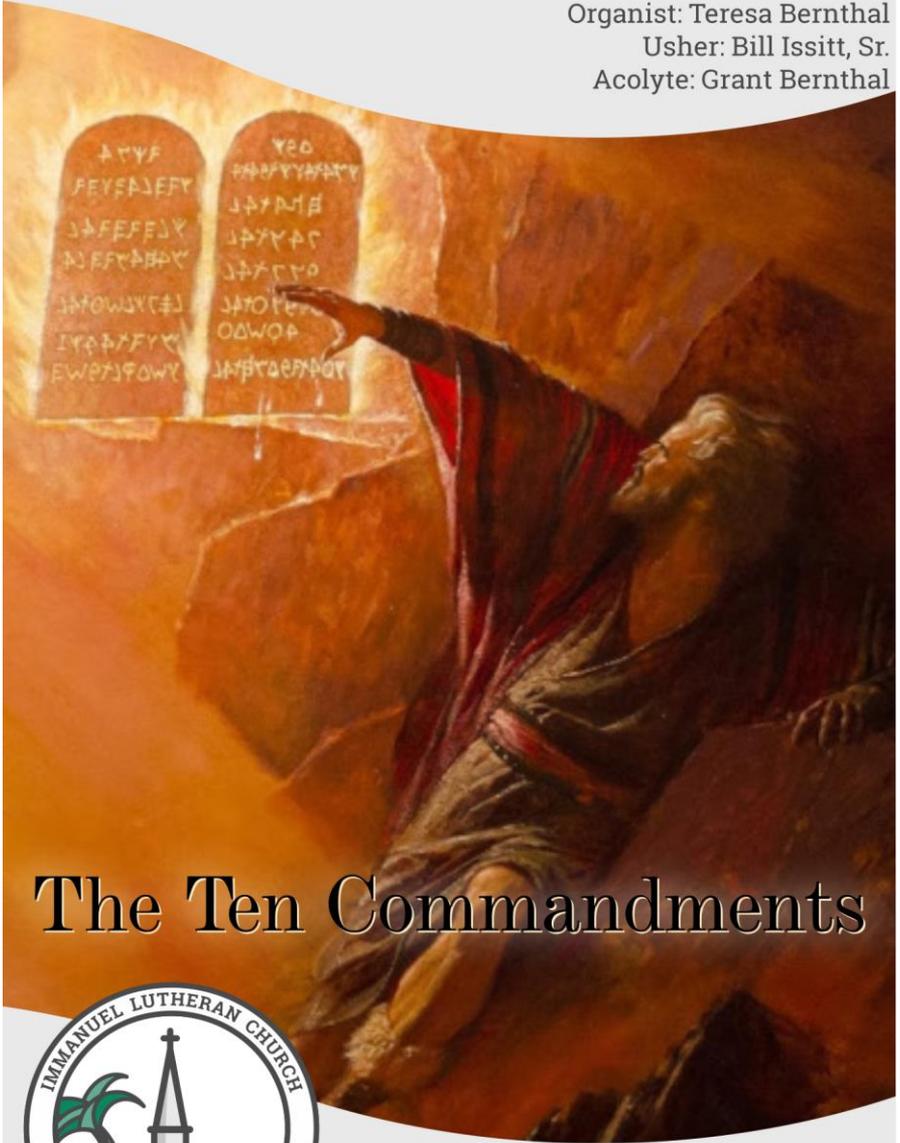
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The Ten Commandments



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A “Reformation” Series

This morning we are going to begin a series on the Catechism in preparation for Reformation. The word catechism is derived from the Greek and means to “repeat again” or to “teach.” A catechism is a book of instruction, specifically in the Christian faith. Martin Luther was motivated to write and publish a new catechism after making a visitation of Lutheran congregations and finding that both the laity and even pastors and teachers were basically ignorant of the basics of the Christian faith. He published both the Large and Small Catechisms in 1529 in an effort to provide a tool to help people learn the basic truths of God’s Word. Luther’s Catechism was divided into six main parts: The Ten Commandments, The Apostles’ Creed, The Lord’s Prayer, The Sacrament of Baptism, The Ministry of the Keys, and The Sacrament of the Altar. He also included a section called The Table of Duties. The Small Catechism has been called the “Gem of the Reformation” because of its lasting value and importance in instructing countless generations throughout the world in the truths of God’s Word. Within a generation there were 100,000 copies of Luther’s Catechism in print in Germany and it was required instruction in German schools. This morning we begin this study of God’s Word and the six chief parts of the Catechism. Here is our schedule:

Sept. 30 - The Ten Commandments

Oct. 7 - The Apostles’ Creed

Oct. 14 - The Lord’s Prayer

Oct. 21 - The Sacrament of Baptism

Oct. 28 - The Ministry of the Keys

Nov. 4 - The Sacrament of the Altar

Dig out and dust off your Catechism and take some time in the coming weeks to review this wonderful “gem of the Reformation”!

PRE-SERVICE MEDITATION

Ps. 19:7-12, 14

⁷ The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple; ⁸ the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes; ⁹ the fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever; the rules of the LORD are true, and righteous altogether. ¹⁰ More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb. ¹¹ Moreover, by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward. ¹² Who can discern his errors? Declare me innocent from hidden faults. ¹⁴ Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

✠ Order of Divine Worship ✠

OPENING PRAYER

Hymn: TLH #295:1,2,5,6 “The Law of God is Good and Wise”

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

C *♩* A - - - men.

CONFESSON AND ABSOLUTION:

We come before God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C *♩* **Who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

C *♩* **And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.**

P Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C **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.**

P 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.

C *♩* A - - - men.

INTROIT

Ps. 19:8, 10-12, 14

A collection of passages that set the tone for the service.

P Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

C **The precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes.**

P More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb.

C Moreover, by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

P Who can discern his errors? Declare me innocent from hidden faults.

C Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

GLORIA PATRI

Latin for "Glory be to the Father"

C Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;
as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

The musical score consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment in the bass clef. The first system begins with a common time signature and a key signature of one flat. The lyrics are: "Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;". The second system continues the lyrics: "as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men." The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line with chords that support the vocal melody.

VERSE OF THE DAY

Rom. 3:28

Alleluia. For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from the works of the law. Alleluia.

THE KYRIE

Latin for "O Lord." We approach our Lord with a cry for help in all the needs of our life.

C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

The musical score consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment in the bass clef. The key signature is one flat. The lyrics are: "Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us." The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line with chords that support the vocal melody.

C ♪ All glory be to God on high, Who hath our race befriended! To us no harm shall now come nigh, The strife at last is ended. God showeth His good will to men, And peace shall reign on earth again; O thank Him for His goodness!

P Let us pray. ... through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C ♪ A - - - men.

OLD TESTAMENT READING – Exodus 20:1-17 And God spoke all these words, saying, ² "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. ³ "You shall have no other gods before me. ⁴ "You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. ⁵ You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, ⁶ but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments. ⁷ "You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain. ⁸ "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. ⁹ Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, ¹⁰ but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. ¹¹ For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy. ¹² "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you. ¹³ "You shall not murder. ¹⁴ "You shall not commit adultery. ¹⁵ "You shall not steal. ¹⁶ "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. ¹⁷ "You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's."

GOSPEL READING – Luke 12:13-21 Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me." ¹⁴ But he said to him, "Man, who made me a judge or arbitrator over you?" ¹⁵ And he said to them, "Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his

possessions." ¹⁶ And he told them a parable, saying, "The land of a rich man produced plentifully, ¹⁷ and he thought to himself, 'What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?' ¹⁸ And he said, 'I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹ And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.'" ²⁰ But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' ²¹ So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God."

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Conclusion to the Ten Commandments

The Conclusion to the Ten Commandments is taken from Martin Luther's Small Catechism and provides a good summary of the purpose of God's Law.

P What does God say about all of these commandments?

G He says, "I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and fourth generations of those who hate me, but showing mercy to thousands of those who love Me and keep My commandments."

P What does this mean?

G God threatens to punish all who do not obey these commandments. Therefore, we should fear His anger and not do anything against what He commands. God also promises grace and every blessing to those who obey these commandments. Therefore, we should love and trust Him and willingly do what He commands.

Hymn: TLH #289

"The Law Commands and Makes Us Know"

SERMON – Romans 3:21-24 ²¹ But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it-- ²² the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³ for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴ and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.

The Righteousness of God is for Everyone

I. Because of sin—everyone needs it.

II. Because of Christ's redemption—everyone can have it!



OFFERTORY

In this prayer we OFFER God our hearts, asking Him for that best of all gifts, the Holy Spirit.

- C** 🎵 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.

Hymn: TLH #387:1-4,7 “Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice”

- OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS –

Followed immediately by the Offering Hymn printed below:

OFFERING HYMN: WS #788:1 “Lord You Love the Cheerful Giver”

- C** 🎵 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.

PRAYER, LORD’S PRAYER, and BENEDICTION

- P** 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 His peace.
- C** 🎵 Amen, amen, a – men.

Closing Hymn: TLH #370 “My Hope is Built on Nothing Less”

✠ Announcements ✠

CLC Call News Pastor Em. Robert List has accepted the call to serve as Vacancy Pastor of Trinity, Spokane beginning October 1. <> The Rev. Doug Priestap, pastor of Grace Lutheran, Live Oak FL, has accepted the part-time call to Resurrection Lutheran, Calgary, Alberta, Canada.

Looking Ahead...

- ✠ **Oct. 7:** Communion & Fellowship Snack
- ✠ **Oct. 7:** Ladies of Immanuel

“Scholarship Fund” Envelopes were placed in your bulletin today. These are the special envelopes that you can use if you’d like to

donate to the **“ILC Tuition Fund”** for assisting families in sending their children to Immanuel Lutheran High School in Eau Claire, WI. Some of our congregation’s other special funds include: **CLC Offerings** – Used to support the work of Immanuel Lutheran College and Mission Program of the CLC; **ILC Building Fund** – Used to pay for new academic center at Immanuel Lutheran High School; **Tuition Grant Fund** – Used to help students at our school through tuition grants; **Building Fund** – Used for special large ticket replacement items such as septic tank and AC. Also can be used to pay down or pay off loan on teacherage; **Property Improvement Fund** – Used for special larger improvement projects for church, parsonage, and teacherage; **Revolving Fund** – Basically an “in” and “out” fund for non-budgetary reimbursed expenses; **Benevolence Fund** – New fund to help families (especially within our congregation) with special needs. You can read more about these and other funds on page 7 of your Immanuel Yearbook. Thank you for all that you do to support this congregation!

Shut-in/Encouragement List **Loye Issitt** continues to battle for good health with a kidney condition. **Betty Sweet** is now living at the memory care facility at Spring Haven. **Emily Kuehne** suffers from total blindness and severe knee pain when standing or walking. **Patti Meno** continues to receive treatment for her kidney condition and is awaiting a transplant. **Ray Seger** remains shut-in at Spring Lake Rehabilitation Center. **Delores Seger** is battling severe back pain; she is having a minor surgery on her back tomorrow (10/1). **Bill Issitt III** remains mostly housebound while recovering from several health problems. **Richard Cook** is dealing with general unsteadiness. **Johanna Jaehnigen** remains mostly housebound, being no longer able to drive. **Liz Hartmann** is recovering from eye surgery.

Last Week (9/23) WH – 37 Orlando – 10

General = \$670 | Tuition = \$350 | Building Fund = \$25
Property Improvement = \$100 | CLC Missions = \$30
Total Offering = \$1,175.25

September Usher: Mark Moorehead | **Acolyte (10/7):** Hayden
| **Cleaner (10/6):** Galstad