

January 23, 2022

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

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FOR NO OTHER  
FOUNDATION

CAN ANYONE LAY  
THAN THAT WHICH IS LAID,  
WHICH IS JESUS CHRIST.

I CORINTHIANS. 3:11



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## PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

*Psalm 19:1-6*

The heavens declare the glory of God; And the firmament shows His handiwork. <sup>2</sup>Day unto day utters speech, And night unto night reveals knowledge. <sup>3</sup>*There is* no speech nor language *Where* their voice is not heard. <sup>4</sup>Their *line* has gone out through all the earth, And their words to the end of the world. In them He has set a *tabernacle* for the sun, <sup>5</sup>*Which is* like a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, *And* rejoices like a strong man to run its race. <sup>6</sup>Its rising *is* from one end of heaven, And its circuit to the other end; And there is nothing hidden from its heat.

## Order of Divine Worship

Hymn: TLH #293

“O Holy Spirit, Grant Us Grace”

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

**C** ♪ A - - - men.

### CONFESSIO AND ABSOLUTION:

**P** Pastor

**C** Congregation

**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**

*Psalm 102:18-22*

**P** You will arise and have pity on Zion; it is the time to favor her; the appointed time has come.

**C** Let this be recorded for a generation to come, so that a people yet to be created may praise the LORD:

**P** That he looked down from his holy height; from heaven the LORD looked at the earth,

**C** To hear the groans of the prisoners, to set free those who were doomed to die,

**P** That they may declare in Zion the name of the LORD, and in Jerusalem his praise,

**C** when peoples gather together, and kingdoms, to worship the LORD.

**P** You will arise and have pity on Zion; it is the time to favor her; the appointed time has come.

**GLORIA PATRI**

*Latin for "Glory be to the Father"*

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of four staves. The first two staves are for the vocal line, and the last two are for the piano accompaniment. The music is in a major key and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: "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 piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody.

**VERSE OF THE DAY**

*Luke 4:18a*

**P** Alleluia. The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. Alleluia.

THE KYRIE

Latin for "O Lord"

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

GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST

TLH #237:1

**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** Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal and defend us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** *♩* A - - - men.

**OLD TESTAMENT READING – Leviticus 19:1-2,9-18** And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, <sup>2</sup>“Speak to all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say to them: ‘You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God *am* holy. <sup>9</sup>‘When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not wholly reap the corners of your field, nor shall you gather the gleanings of your harvest. <sup>10</sup> And you shall not glean your vineyard, nor shall you gather *every* grape of your vineyard; you shall leave them for the poor and the stranger: I *am* the LORD your God. <sup>11</sup> ‘You shall not steal, nor deal falsely, nor lie to one another. <sup>12</sup> And you shall not swear by My name falsely, nor shall you profane the name of your God: I *am* the LORD. <sup>13</sup> ‘You shall not cheat your neighbor, nor rob *him*. The wages of him who is hired shall not remain with you all night until morning. <sup>14</sup> You shall not curse the deaf, nor put

a stumbling block before the blind, but shall fear your God: I *am* the LORD. <sup>15</sup> ‘You shall do no injustice in judgment. You shall not be partial to the poor, nor honor the person of the mighty. In righteousness you shall judge your neighbor. <sup>16</sup> You shall not go about *as* a talebearer among your people; nor shall you take a stand against the life of your neighbor: I *am* the LORD. <sup>17</sup> ‘You shall not hate your brother in your heart. You shall surely <sup>Ⓜ</sup>rebuke your neighbor, and not bear sin because of him. <sup>18</sup> You shall not take vengeance, nor bear any grudge against the children of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I *am* the LORD.

**GOSPEL LESSON – Matthew 5:38-48** “You have heard that it was said, ‘An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.’ <sup>39</sup> But I tell you not to resist an evil person. But whoever slaps you on your right cheek, turn the other to him also. <sup>40</sup> If anyone wants to sue you and take away your tunic, let him have *your* cloak also. <sup>41</sup> And whoever compels you to go one mile, go with him two. <sup>42</sup> Give to him who asks you, and from him who wants to borrow from you do not turn away. <sup>43</sup> “You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ <sup>44</sup> But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you, <sup>45</sup> that you may be sons of your Father in heaven; for He makes His sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. <sup>46</sup> For if you love those who love you, what reward have you? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? <sup>47</sup> And if you greet your <sup>Ⓜ</sup>brethren only, what do you do more *than others*? Do not even the <sup>Ⓜ</sup>tax collectors do so? <sup>48</sup> Therefore you shall be perfect, just as your Father in heaven is perfect.

## **CONFESSION OF FAITH**

*The Apostles’ Creed*

**I believe in God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.  
I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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.

**Hymn: TLH #341:1,4,5**

**“Crown Him with Many Crowns”**

**SERMON – I Corinthians 3:10-17** <sup>10</sup> According to the grace of God which was given to me, as a wise master builder I have laid the foundation, and another builds on it. But let each one take heed how he builds on it. <sup>11</sup> For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. <sup>12</sup> Now if anyone builds on this foundation *with* gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw, <sup>13</sup> each one’s work will become clear; for the Day will declare it, because it will be revealed by fire; and the fire will test each one’s work, of what sort it is. <sup>14</sup> If anyone’s work which he has built on *it* endures, he will receive a reward. <sup>15</sup> If anyone’s work is burned, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire. <sup>16</sup> Do you not know that you are the temple of God and *that* the Spirit of God dwells in you? <sup>17</sup> If anyone <sup>Ⓛ</sup>defiles the temple of God, God will destroy him. For the temple of God is holy, which *temple* you are.

## THE CODE VIOLATIONS WE CAN’T AFFORD

### OFFERTORY

- ☞ **♪ 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 #352:1-2, 6-7**

**“O Savior, Precious Savior”**

### - OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS –

*Followed immediately by the Offering Hymn printed on the next page:*

**OFFERING: TLH #442:2**

**“Lord of Glory, Who Hast Bought Us”**

- ☞ 🎵 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to yield Thee- Gladly, freely, of Thine own; With the sunshine of Thy goodness Melt our thankless hearts of stone Till our cold and selfish natures, Warmed by Thee, at length believe That more happy and more blessed 'Tis to give than to receive.

**PRAYERS & the BENEDICTION**

*Numbers 6:24-26*

- ☞ 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.
- ☞ 🎵 Amen, amen, a – men.

**HYMN: TLH #46**

**“On What Has Now Been Sown”**

**✝ Announcements ✝**

**Welcome!** Vacancy Pastor Vance Fossum will be arriving sometime Saturday evening. He will be preaching Sunday, January 29 and Sunday, February 6. We will be having Bible Class both Sundays as well. He will be presenting "JOY!" What is it? and "What Do You Know for Sure about Justification and Conversion?" If the services of the Pastor are needed, please call church or contact Pastor Fossum directly at 803-556-3161.

- ✝ **Jan. 28:** Art Fair at School 6pm
- ✝ **Jan. 29:** Pastor Fossum arrives
- ✝ **Jan. 30:** Bible Class & SS 9:15a
- ✝ **Jan. 30:** Council/Elders Meet
- ✝ **Feb. 6:** Bible Class & SS 9:15a
- ✝ **Feb. 6:** Annual Voters' Mtg.
- ✝ **Feb. 13:** Orlando Service 8a
- ✝ **Feb. 13:** Confirmation Sunday  
WH service with Pastor Mark Bernthal preaching – meal to

**Art Fair** This Friday, January 28 at 6:00 p.m. Immanuel Lutheran School is having an Art Fair. The students

are show casing the art they created from the beginning of the year until now. They will be available to talk about the art they created. Come join us to view some art and get to know the students and families. Please bring a drink or snack to share. See you there.

**Voters' Meeting** Sunday, February 6 is the annual voters' meeting. We will be approving the budget and electing the church officers. If you are a voting member, please plan to attend this important meeting.

**Confirmation Sunday** Sunday, February 13 will be Confirmation Sunday. Grant Bernthal will be confirmed with his examination during

the service. Pastor Mark Bernthal will be preaching the sermon. There will be a meal following the service thanking the Lord for creating faith through the baptism of Grant and strengthening his faith through the Word.

**CLC Call News** To the Congregation of Believers at Immanuel Lutheran Winter Haven, FL: We the members of Faith Lutheran Church, Manchester, MO wish to offer our prayers to you with the vacancy left in our calling of Pastor Samuel Rodebaugh. We know that losing your pastor will leave a void in many of the everyday duties Pastor Rodebaugh did but we pray that the Holy Spirit answers your call for another pastor and he fills that void shortly. May God give you strength and wisdom to carry out the duties of Immanuel Lutheran and continue to proclaim His gospel faithfully.

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,  
Faith Lutheran Church  
Manchester, MO

Pastor Luke Bernthal of St. Stephen Lutheran Church, Mountain View, CA, has returned the call to Immanuel Lutheran, Winter Haven, FL. We will be issuing another call.

**Shut-in/Encouragement List** **Patti Meno** continues to receive regular dialysis and is awaiting a kidney transplant. **Johanna Jaehnigen** remains mostly housebound. **Greg Tincher** is recovering from his recent surgeries at home and receiving frequent therapy. **Shirley Rosenberry** is struggling with severe knee pain which has greatly limited her mobility. **Paulette Galstad** is doing much better recently with the back pains that have hampered her mobility for so long.

**Last Week:** WH – 50 | **Total Offering = \$1,966.00**

General = \$1,791.00 | Property Improvement = \$100 |

Benevolence = \$25 | ILC Scholarship = \$50

**Cleaner (1/29):** Naumann | **Acolyte (1/30):** Maxwell Kuehne



## Daily Bible Readings for Home Devotions; Jan. 24-29, '22

**Mon Isaiah 61:1-3** The capitalized pronouns signal that Jesus is speaking of Himself, equipped by the Spirit to carry out His mission on Earth—to proclaim to the poor in spirit (repentant) that He has procured a vast inheritance for them, that God has His remedy to heal broken hearts and has unlocked Satan's shackles—which adds up to The LORD's Jubilee Year, as per Leviticus ch. 25. God, grant us all a good (Jubilee) new year!

**Tues Luke 4:16-30** When Jesus identified Himself as the speaker via the voice of Isaiah, the folks in the pews got irritated, for they couldn't digest Jesus as God's Chosen Servant (20-22). Jesus met their prejudice head-on, reminding them that over the centuries God had favored any number of low-level people (24-27). Their knee-jerk reaction was: "You have hurt our feelings, so we will hurt you worse" (28-29). [Jesus: "Not today." (30)]

**Wed Acts 4:23-31** Peter and John didn't cave in either, and the congregation rejoiced that God (in His creative genius) had validated Psalm 2 (23-26) and nullified the opposition (27-29). Let us note that they did not ask God to curse the opposition, but rather to bless His servants by fortifying them in their preaching and by producing physical evidence that He was supporting them (30). That pleased God to grant these blessings. Hallelujah!

**Thurs Psalm 2** transports us to God's view of earthly affairs. Why, indeed, do humans fight against God—when it's laughable and easily thwarted? Those who oppose God and attempt to derail His plans will be thwarted by His Son (4-9). What's the solution? Surrender to the LORD, thrilled that He allows you to serve Him and not perish—the way you started out (10-13).

**Fri Luke 1:46-55** It's clear that God does not disdain lowliness, for He chose Bethlehem as the lowly locale for Jesus' birthplace and He chose lowly Mary for Jesus' mother, and He elevated both to heights of blessedness. In stanza 1 Mary praises God for elevating her personally (47-49), in stanza 2 for thwarting the high and mighty (50-53), and in stanza 3 for blessing all who are humble children of Abraham by faith in their Redeemer (54-55).

**Sat 1 Corinthians 1:18-31** Lowliness seems foolish to egocentric humans, yet it is the hallmark of God's salvation program. The disgrace of Christ crucified contains the power of God (18-19); though disdained by philosopher and pragmatist (20-22), the superior love of God empowers the Cross to supersede human thinking and earthly values (26-29). Bottom line: If bragging is suitable, give credit to whom credit is due – to the LORD, who has redeemed the whole wide world via Christ crucified, who is our righteousness and sanctification and redemption (31). Amen.