

Incarnation Lutheran Church
Twentieth Sunday of Pentecost
October 18, 2020

Welcome to Incarnation Lutheran Church in the name of Christ. To facilitate our safe worship together, please follow all guidelines set forth by church staff; remain six feet away from others at all times, please wear a mask, and if you are considered high-risk, or have an immediate family member in isolation or quarantine, please stay home and join us via Facebook for Worship at 9am. Bulletins, Communion cups, hand sanitizer, and extra masks are available at the entrance. Please maintain six feet of distance between households.

GATHERING

VOLUNTARY	Sonata in C Minor, Op. 65/2 Grave Adagio	Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)
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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE	Sonata in G Major, Wq. 123 Andante	C.P.E. Bach (1714-1788)
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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.

God hears the cries of all who call out in need, and through his death and resurrection, Christ has made us his own. Hear the truth that God proclaims: Your sins are forgiven in the name of ✝ Jesus Christ. Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and newness to do God's work in the world.
Amen.

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 154

Grace Sawicki

GLORIA

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 45:1-7

After the Reading: The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: 96:1-9

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SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians:1-10

After the Reading: The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 22:15-22

Before the Reading: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

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

SERMON

Pastor Emily Willhide

HANDBELLS

(9AM) Peal No. 1 for Handbells

Hal Hopson (b. 1933)

(11AM) Vingt-Quatre Preludes Liturgiques
No.20

Gaston Litaize(1909-1991)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE 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

These are the gifts of God, for the people of God. Welcome to the table of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

LAMB OF GOD

ELW 194

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✝ give you peace.
Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Sonata in G Major, Wq. 123
Tempo di Minuetto

C.P.E. Bach (1714-1788)

Announcements

Guest musician: Cynthia Hopkins, flutist

Cynthia Hopkins, a native of Columbia, was raised as a member at Incarnation Lutheran Church. We are delighted to have her return to perform today! A graduate of the University of South Carolina School of Music, Cynthia is a highly experienced solo, chamber, and symphony musician. She regularly performs with the South Carolina Philharmonic, the August Symphony Orchestra, the Greenville Symphony, the Charleston Symphony Orchestra, The Charleston Chamber Players, The Goodwinds Quartet, and the Weinburg Jazz Quintet. She has performed numerous solo recitals at the SC Piccolo Spoleto Festival. Currently, Cynthia is Adjunct Instructor of Flute at Furman University.

A time for Self-directed Worship will be offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11am to 1 pm. We ask that those who attend please wear a mask and remain socially distant from others.

Wednesdays at noon, Incarnation will be hosting a short devotional Bible study. Bible study will be held over Zoom and the office will email out the link for the meeting each Wednesday morning.

If you schedule a meeting for any church committee or task force, please contact the office to inform the church of your meeting. We would like to have all meetings added to the church calendar, virtual meetings included.

Do you want to join Incarnation? If so, please contact the office at office@incarnationlutheran.com so that we can gather your contact information and reach out to you.

Online Giving!

We look forward to the day when we can worship together as a family again, but until then, please continue to support the mission of the church. You can use this image by scanning the QR Code with your smart phone's camera which will lead you to our Website for Online Giving or look for our new Paypal button on our Facebook page!



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Prayer List

Current: Thom Williamson, Gary Todd, Jesse, Emily Wright, Linda Blazek, Russ Rushe, The Philips Family, The Norton Family, Donnie Witherspoon (friend of Ester and Jim Allen), all those caring for elderly parents, and all those that are home bound.

Continuing: Thomas Ulmer, Esther Allen, Emily Prince, and Jenny Gantt.

Military: Michael Willhide, Mike Turner; Mavis Turner's son, Edward Wilson; friend of George Rushe, Hilary Compton; Kim Yerrick's niece, Tyler Owens; Kim Yerrick's nephew

Baptismal Anniversaries: Pierson DeJames 10/19

Guidelines for Indoor Worship

How will it work? Please read carefully to ensure a smooth transition.

- Worship will be at 9am and 11am
- Seating will be by reservation only -- we will send out a signup the Wednesday morning before worship. Call the office if you can't access it.
- Ushers will seat your group when you arrive. You may not be able to sit in "your" seat. Please be flexible!
- Masks will be required. We will have extras.
- Please plan to arrive early to allow time for everyone to be seated.
- Bathrooms will be available.
- Entry will be through the front doors only -- please don't come through the Fellowship Hall, even if you have a key.
- Sharing of the Peace will continue through sign language only.
- We will continue using individually-wrapped communion kits, picked up at the entrance along with the bulletin.
- Offering boxes in the Narthex will collect offerings.
- Music will be different -- we will use a spoken liturgy with no congregational singing -- hymns will be anthems or solos.
- CDC cleaning protocols will be followed.

We know this is a difficult time. If you would like to continue worshipping from home, please feel free. Worship will still be livestreamed on Facebook. Definitely don't come if you're feeling sick or have a temperature.

Finally, we still plan to have a church dedication and reception honoring Pastor Jane's ministries with us at a safer time.

Task force members:

Pastor Jane Mitcham, Previous Interim Pastor
Pastor Emily Willhide, Pastor
Patrick Hawkins, Music Director and Organist
Sarah Harris, ILC Church Council
Kim Yerrick, ILC Church Council and Altar Guild

Aubrey Sowell, MD
Sarah Sawicki, ILC Church Council
Carrie Wood, ILC Church Council
Larry Marchant, ILC Church Council
Billy Williamson, Head Usher



COFFEE WITH JESUS



You know that time when those dudes asked you, "Is it right to pay taxes to Caesar?" and you said "Bring me a coin and tell me who's picture is on it."?



Sure. And I said, "Render unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's, etcetera, etcetera." That was a good one. Stumped those boys.



Yeah, well I got a pocketful of hundred dollar bills with Ben Franklin's picture on them, and that old dude is nowhere to be found!



And if I had a nickel for every time I've heard that one, I could build...I dunno...like a big giant nickel house or something.

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