

Incarnation Lutheran Church
Ninth Sunday of Pentecost
August 2, 2020

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, consider staying home and joining us via Facebook for Worship. Bulletins, Communion cups, and extra masks are available at the entrance. Please maintain six feet of distance between households. If you are feeling sick please stay home. We're so glad that you are able to join us for worship today. We look forward to worshipping together.

GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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

Most merciful God, **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

OPENING HYMN

Praise and Thanksgiving



1 Praise and thanks-giv - ing, God, we would of - fer for all things
2 God, bless the la - bor we bring to serve you, that with our
3 Fa - ther, pro - vid - ing food for your chil - dren, by Wis - dom's
4 Then will your bless - ing reach ev - 'ry peo - ple, free - ly con -



liv - ing, you have made good: har - vest of sown fields, fruits of the
neigh - bor we may be fed. Sow - ing or till - ing, we would work
guid - ing teach us to share one with an - oth - er, so that, re -
fess - ing your gra - cious hand. Where you are reign - ing, no one will



or - chard, hay from the mown fields, blos - som and wood.
with you, har - vest - ing, mill - ing for dai - ly bread.
joic - ing with us, all oth - ers may know your care.
hun - ger; your love sus - tain - ing show - ers the land.

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 *Found on the insert*

WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 55:1-5

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

SECOND READING: Romans 9:1-5

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

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 14:13-21

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

HYMN OF THE DAY

Meditation for Matthew 14:13-21

Suggested tune: St. Anne

- 1 When circumstances drain the soul
to leave us dry as sand,
compassion understands the way
to fill us up again.
- 2 When Jesus learned that John was dead
he sought a lonely place;
instead he found a teeming crowd
who ran to him for grace.
- 3 The people brought ten thousand needs
and waited to be fed,
and Jesus, for the love of God,
was willing to be bread.
- 4 God, show us in our emptiness
that there is grace to spare
each time we take the bread we have,
look up, give thanks, and share.

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

Each petition concludes "Lord, in your mercy" We respond: "hear our prayer."

SHARING THE PEACE

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

OFFERING PRAYER

God of goodness and growth, all creation is yours, and your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens. Water and word, wine and bread: these are signs of your abundant grace. Nourish us through these gifts, that we might proclaim your steadfast love in our communities and in the world, through Jesus Christ, our strength and our song. **Amen.**

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.

LAMB OF GOD

Led by: Mary Kehl

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.

CLOSING HYMN

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness



1 Praise the One who breaks the dark-ness with a lib - er - at - ing light;
2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren with a strong yet gen - tle word;
3 Praise the one true love in - car - nate: Christ, who suf - fered in our place;



praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners, turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight.
praise the One who drove out de - mons with a pierc - ing, two - edged sword.
Je - sus died and rose for man - y that we may know God by grace.



Praise the One who preached the gos - pel, heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease,
Praise the One who brings cool wa - ter to the des - ert's burn - ing sand;
Let us sing for joy and glad - ness, see - ing what our God has done.



calm - ing storms and feed - ing thou - sands with the ver - y bread of peace.
from this well comes liv - ing wa - ter quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.
Praise the one re - deem - ing glo - ry; praise the One who makes us one.

DISMISSAL

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

Announcements!

Congratulations to the Bickley family! Brandon, Emmy, and Declan have joined Incarnation by the Rite of Baptism and Affirmation of Baptism. We are excited to welcome them into the Incarnation family!

Devine Street Association Annual Sidewalk Sale!

August 8th (10-2) and 9th (11-3) our youth, children, and adults will be manning a table facing Devine Street. We will be passing out water bottles and knick knacks, and using the opportunity to tell our community about the 2022 National Youth Gathering!

Our Incarnation Ringers will also be playing, stop by for beautiful music and a visit!

The office is currently putting together a photo directory!

We only need a few things from you!

- A current picture of you and your family! It does not have to be a professional picture, just make sure everyone in your household is included!
- We also need updated contact information, even if you recently gave updated information. We want all information to be up-to-date! Please include your family's primary address, preferred phone numbers for all adults in the household, and current email addresses for all adults.

Please send all information with pictures attached to Savannah at office@incarnationlutheran.com
If you are a household with adult children, please forward this information to them so we can have their updated information and images as well!

Dear Incarnation family,

After much deliberation and prayerful consideration, your Oktoberfest team leaders have decided not to hold Oktoberfest this year. We do not feel we can offer a safe, socially-distant festival while being fiscally responsible.

This would have been our 10th Oktoberfest, and it's so disappointing, amongst a year of disappointments. It would also have been Pastor Emily's first official Oktoberfest.

Last year, Oktoberfest donated \$26,000, divided between the church, our renovation fund, our Youth Gathering fund, Lutheran Services Carolinas and our Scout Troop 8. We also paid off the original loan from the Foundation that got us started. Hopefully we can resume our work and these donations in 2021.

Oktoberfest has been a true ministry, both to ourselves and our community. I look forward to seeing how we can continue to serve in 2021!

Mary Karl Boepple and Sarah Sawicki
Co-Direktors

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!

Prayer List

Current: The Norton Family, Gary Todd, Sarah Parker, Mimi Fisher, and all those that are home bound

Continuing: The Harris family, The Parker family, The Smith family, The Sawicki family, Bill Behymer, Eloise Justice, Emily Prince, Alex McArver, Jenny Gantt, and Jack Tucker.

Military:

Michael Willhide
Chandler Turner; Mavis Turner's Grandson
Edward Wilson; George Rushe's best friend
Hilary Compton; Kim Yerrick's niece, Tyler Owens; Kim Yerrick's nephew

Birthdays: Teresa Boykin 08/07, Cheryl Carroll 08/05, Mary Crosby 08/07, Dylan DeJames 08/07, Larry Marchant 08/04, Mary Powers 08/08, and John Sawicki 08/08



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Financial Update - General Fund

	Actual	Plan	Difference
Month-to-Date	\$13,336	\$14,424	\$1,088-
Year-to-Date	\$106,247	\$139,432	\$33,185-



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