

Incarnation Lutheran Church
Fourteenth Sunday of Pentecost
September 6, 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.

GATHERING HYMN

We Eat the Bread of Teaching

Refrain



We eat the bread of teach-ing, drink wine of wis-dom, are
giv-en here a taste of the king-dom. To-geth-er
joined, the great-est and the least, we all are
one at Wis-dom's ho-ly feast.

1 Wis-dom calls through-out the cit-y, knows our
2 Sim-ple ones whose hearts are yearn-ing, come and
3 En-ter with de-light and sing-ing, for her
hun-ger, and in pit-y gives her lov-ing in-vi-
gain from Wis-dom's learn-ing; bread and wine she is pre-
rich-ness now is bring-ing us this joy-ous cel-e-

Refrain

ta-tion to the ban-quet of sal-va-tion.
par-ing, know her lov-ing in the shar-ing,
bra-tion; eat and drink in ju-bi-la-tion.

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: Ezekiel 33:7-11

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

PSALM Psalm 119:33-40

Cantor: Janet Hoffmann

SECOND READING: Romans 13:8-14

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

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 18:15-20

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

We Are All One in Christ
Somos uno en Cristo

So - mos u - no en Cris - to, so - mos u - no. So - mos
We are all one in Christ, we are one bod - y, all one

u - no, u - no so - lo. So - mos u - no en Cris - to, so - mos
peo - ple out of man - y. We are all one in Christ, we are one

u - no. So - mos u - no, u - no so - lo.
bod - y, all one peo - ple out of man - y.

Un so - lo Dios, un so - lo Se - ñor, u - na so - la
There is one God, and on - ly one Lord; there is one

fe, un so - lo a - mor. Un so - lo bau - tis - mo, un so - lo Es -
faith, one ho - ly love. There is one bap - tism; there is one

pí - ri - tu, y e - se es el con - so - la - dor.
Spir - it, who is God the com - fort - er.

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

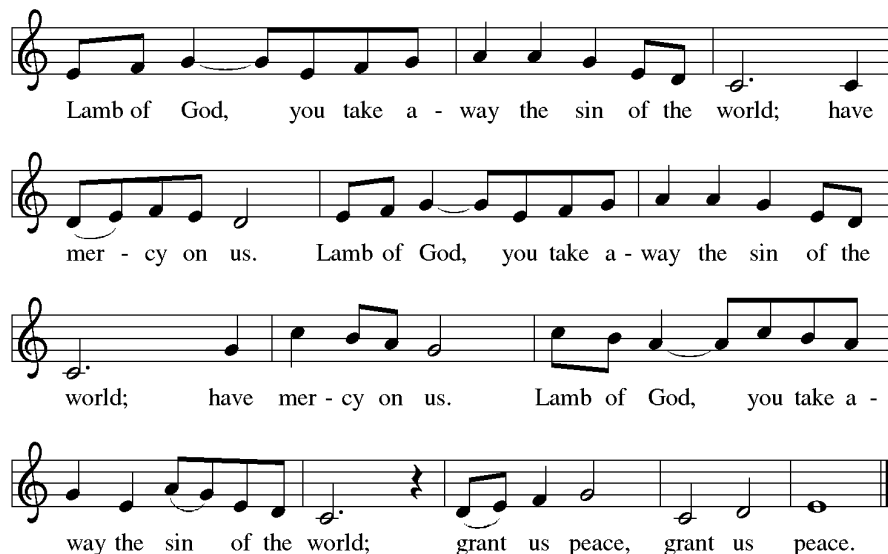
THE LORD’S PRAYER

**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



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

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.**

SENDING HYMN

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee



1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays,
3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless-ing, ev - er blest,



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore thee, prais-ing thee, their sun a - bove.
stars and an - gels sing a-round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
well-spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean-depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way.
Field and for - est, vale and moun-tain, flow-'ry mead-ow, flash - ing sea,
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine;



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.
chant-ing bird, and flow - ing foun - tain call us to re - joice in thee.
teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di-vine!

DISMISSAL

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

Announcements!

Worship and Music planning committee will meet today after Worship.

The church office will be closed on Monday for Labor Day.

Narrative Budget Team will meet Tuesday at 6:00 pm at Incarnation.

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. The first meeting will be on September 9th. 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!

Financial Update - General Fund Contributions

	Actual	Plan	Difference
August	\$25,863	\$24,040	\$1,823+
Year-to-Date	\$132,361	\$168,280	\$35,919-

Prayer List

Current: James McArver and Melissa Corbett, Thomas Ulmer, Alice Middleton, Mavis Turner, The Norton Family, Esther Allen, and all those that are home bound.

Continuing: The Family of Eloise Justice, Emily Prince, and Jenny Gantt.

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

Baptismal Anniversaries: Teresa Boykin 09/06, Jeff DeJames 09/06, Rowan Willhide 09/09

Birthdays: Delores Lee 09/06, Shirley Lindler 09/08, Patrick Hawkins 09/09, Jason Sowell 09/12



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Our 100th Anniversary is Coming!

Did you know that in 2021, Incarnation will turn 100 years old? Pandemic or no pandemic, we are preparing to celebrate - and we want your contributions to help make it festive!

While our original timetable has already been changed by the course of world events – and may change again - here are some things you can do now:

- **Enter the Logo contest:** Submit your ideas for an anniversary logo and slogan which will be used all year to highlight our centennial. It will appear everywhere – bulletins, shirts, bags, ornaments, etc. Use your creativity and submit ideas for either a logo, slogan, or both to Leslie Skinner (drlwskinner@gmail.com).
- **Contribute to the “One Hundred Reasons” project:** What are “100 reasons” to be a member of Incarnation? What are some concrete ways we can show our thanks to God for our congregation? What ministries can we do for others to celebrate? Contribute your ideas, large and small, of things we can do as individuals, families, or a congregation to honor the last century and lead into the next one. Send your ideas to Mimi Fisher (Fisherm173@aol.com) or Elizabeth Johnson (elmjohnson01@gmail.com).
- **Gather “historic artifacts”:** Do you have mementos of life at Incarnation over the last 100 years? Old pictures? Confirmation certificates? Decades-old Sunday bulletins or wedding announcements? We would love to see and display them (and you can have them back, of course!) Contact Susan McArver (swmcarver@mac.com) if you have treasures to share.
- **Put these dates on your calendar:** (and hope and pray the pandemic is under control by then)
- **January 3, 2021:** Covered Dish lunch, on the day closest to the actual date of Incarnation’s organization on January 2, 1921. While this is our actual kickoff date, larger events follow later in the year.
- **April 18, 2021:** Homecoming, a day filled with a catered meal, outdoor seating, and celebratory worship. Invite your friends, neighbors and former members!
- **October 31, 2021:** Reformation Sunday, a day to wear red and celebrate the past century as we look forward to the next one!
- **Join the anniversary Committee:** Our next meeting is Wednesday, August 26th at 6:00 pm by Zoom. Contact Susan McArver (swmcarver@mac.com) if you would like to join us, or would merely like to send some suggestions!



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