## INCARNATION LUTHERAN CHURCH

# + Pentecost 9 Sunday · August 7th, 2022 +

# **Worship Notes:**

• Our Lector for today is Leslie Skinner • Our Crucifer for today is Bill Williamson • Our Guest Organist is Janet Marks • We are in Setting 3 of the ELW •

**PRELUDE** 

Was Gott tut, das ist wohlgetan

Johann Pachelbel

## WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, & TEMPLE TALK

Mimi Fischer

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS** Please stand as able and face the Processional Cross. Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose steadfast love endures forever. **Amen.** 

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Most merciful God, we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.

Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of  $\oplus$  Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves. **Amen.** 

**GATHERING HYMN:** ELW 771

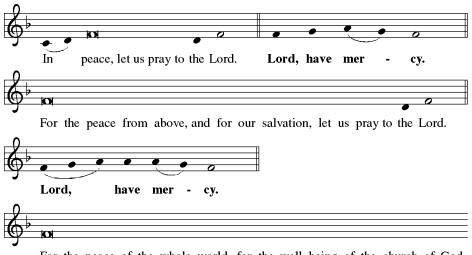
God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens

HOLY MANNA

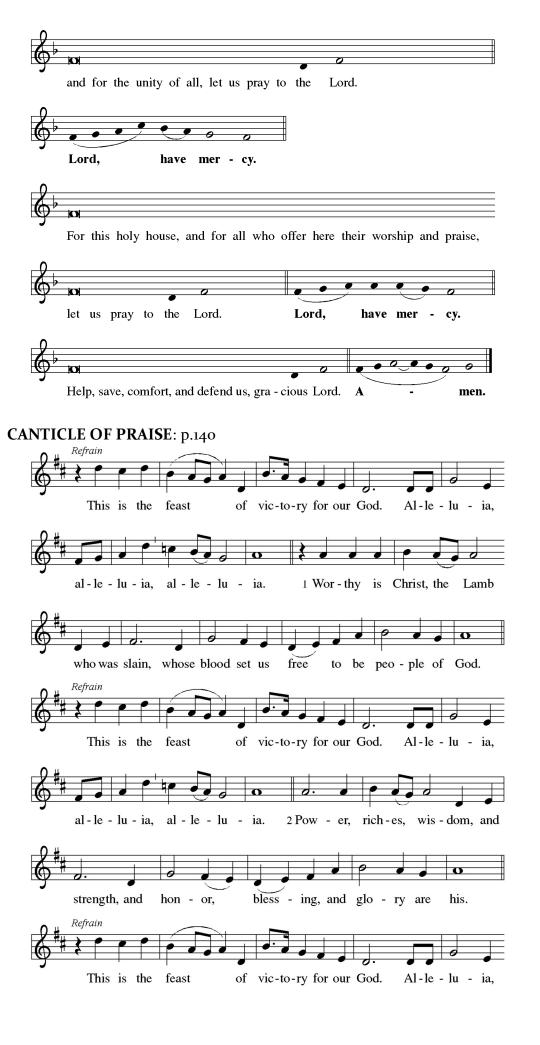
#### **GREETING**

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**: p.138



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,





## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

**WORD** 

# FIRST READING: Genesis 15:1-6

¹After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." ²But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" ³And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." ⁴But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." ⁵He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." ⁶And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

# **PSALM:** Psalm 33:12-22

<sup>12</sup>Happy is the nation whose God | is the LORD! Happy the people chosen to | be God's heritage!

<sup>13</sup>The LORD looks | down from heaven, and sees all | humankind.

<sup>14</sup>God sits firmly en- | throned and watches all who dwell | on the earth.

<sup>15</sup>God fashions | all their hearts and observes | all their deeds. R

<sup>16</sup>A king is not saved by the size | of the army, nor are warriors rescued by | their great strength.

<sup>17</sup>The horse gives vain | hope for victory; despite its great strength it | cannot save.

<sup>18</sup>Truly, your eye is upon those who fear | you, O LORD, upon those who wait for your | steadfast love,

<sup>19</sup>to deliver their | lives from death, and to keep them alive in | time of famine. R

<sup>20</sup>Our innermost being waits for | you, O LORD, our helper | and our shield.

<sup>21</sup>Surely, our heart rejoic- | es in you, for in your holy name we | put our trust.

<sup>22</sup>Let your lovingkindness, O LORD, <sup>|</sup> be upon us, even as we place our <sup>|</sup> hope in you. **R** 

# **SECOND READING:** Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

<sup>1</sup>Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. <sup>2</sup>Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. <sup>3</sup>By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

<sup>8</sup>By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. <sup>9</sup>By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. <sup>10</sup>For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. <sup>11</sup>By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. <sup>12</sup>Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

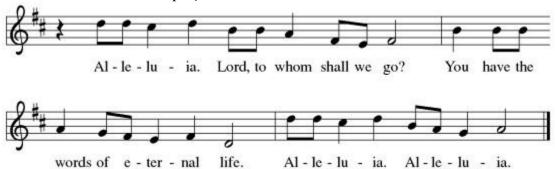
<sup>13</sup>All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw

and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, <sup>14</sup>for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. <sup>15</sup>If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. <sup>16</sup>But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** p.142



**GOSPEL:** Luke 12:32-40

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

[Jesus said:] <sup>32</sup>"Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. <sup>33</sup>Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. <sup>34</sup>For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. <sup>35</sup>"Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; <sup>36</sup>be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. <sup>37</sup>Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. <sup>38</sup>If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. <sup>39</sup>"But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. <sup>40</sup>You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

*After the Reading:* This is the gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** *Please be seated.* 

SERMON Pastor Emily Willhide

Please stand as able.

**HYMN OF THE DAY**: ELW 764

Have No Fear, Little Flock

LITTLE FLOCK

# **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 "Merciful God," We respond: "Receive our prayer."

#### **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Please be seated.

#### **MEAL**

The offering plate will be passed throughout the Congregation.

**OFFERING:** ELW 685 (v.3-4) Take My Life, That I May Be *PATMOS* 

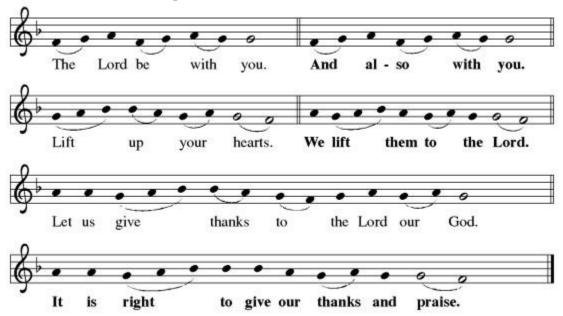
Please stand as able.

**OFFERTORY:** ELW 884 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow OLD HUNDREDTH

#### **OFFERING PRAYER**

God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. **Amen.** 

# **GREAT THANKSGIVING:** p.144



#### **PREFACE**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

# HOLY, HOLY, HOLY: p.144



#### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

## 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.** 

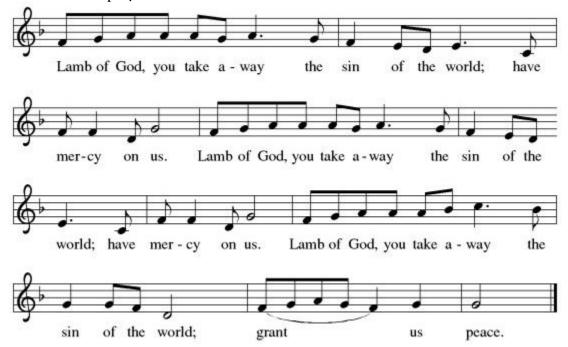
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#### **COMMUNION**

We invite you to either take communion in your pew with the communion pods, or to come to the front of the church to receive a wafer and wine. The communion cups are in trays at the front of the church. There are discard trays by the side aisles.

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you. **Amen**.

# LAMB OF GOD: p.146



**COMMUNION HYMN:** ELW 488

Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness SCHMUCKE DICH

**COMMUNION HYMN:** ELW 484

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart BICENTENNIAL

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Please stand as able.

Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus. **Amen.** 

#### **SENDING**

# **BLESSING**

The God of peace, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always. **Amen.** 

**SENDING HYMN:** ELW 638

Blessed Assurance
ASSURANCE

#### **DISMISSAL:**

Go in peace. Love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Rondeau Jean Joseph Mouret

Join us for Coffee Hour after Worship.