

INCARNATION LUTHERAN CHURCH

✠ Sixth Sunday after Pentecost • July 9th, 2023 ✠

Worship Notes: • Our Lector for today is Susan McArver • Our Crucifer for today is Amy Kehl •
• Our Worship Leader is Maggie Murdock • Our Presiding Pastor is Pastor Jesse Canniff-Kuhn •
• Our Guest Organist is Jeff Maddox • Our Guest Flutist is Cynthia Hopkins •
• We are using Setting 10 from the ELW •

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS *Please stand as able and face the back of the church.*
Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of our neighbors. Merciful God, **we confess that we have sinned. We have hurt our community. We have squandered your blessings. We have hoarded your bounty. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy. We confess that we have sinned. We have failed to be honest. We have lacked the courage to speak. We have spoken falsely. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.**

God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of ✠ Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN: ELW 777

Come to Me, All Pilgrims Thirsty!
BEACH SPRING

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:

Kyrie will be spoken.

Lord, have mercy: Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy: Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy: Lord, have mercy.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. **You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**
Please be seated.

WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON

FIRST READING: Zechariah 9:9-12

⁹Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!

Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!

Lo, your king comes to you;

triumphant and victorious is he,

humble and riding on a donkey,

on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

¹⁰He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim

and the war-horse from Jerusalem;

and the battle bow shall be cut off,

and he shall command peace to the nations;

his dominion shall be from sea to sea,

and from the River to the ends of the earth.

¹¹As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,

I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

¹²Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;

today I declare that I will restore to you double.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 145:8-14

Read responsively.

⁸The LORD is gracious and full of compassion,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

⁹**LORD, you are good to all,
and your compassion is over all your works.**

¹⁰All your works shall praise you, O LORD,
and your faithful ones shall bless you.

¹¹**They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your power,**

¹²that all people may know of your power
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

¹³**Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures throughout all
ages.**

You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in all your works.

¹⁴The Lord upholds all those who fall
and lifts up those who are bowed down.

SECOND READING: Romans 7:15-25a

¹⁵I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. ¹⁷But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. ¹⁹For I do not do the good I want, but

the evil I do not want is what I do. ²⁰Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. ²¹So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. ²²For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, ²³but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? ^{25a}Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Please stand as able.

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

¹⁶“To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, ¹⁷‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.’ ¹⁸For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; ¹⁹the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.” ²⁵At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. ²⁸“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

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

Please be seated.

SERMON

Pastor Jesse Canniff-Kuhn

HYMN OF THE DAY: ELW 608

Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling
THOMPSON

THE APOSTLES' CREED

Please stand as able.

**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 "*Hear us, O God.*" We respond: "**Your mercy is great.**"

PEACE

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

MEAL

The offering plate will be passed throughout the Congregation.

OFFERTORY

Please stand as able.

OFFERING PRAYER

God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

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 thanks and praise.

PREFACE

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

Congregation will speak.

SANCTUS:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

heav'n and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

EUCCHARISTIC 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

The gifts of God for the people of God. Welcome to the table of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**
Please be seated.

COMMUNION - *We invite you to join with us in the sacrament of Holy Communion, as Jesus invites us all to the table. Please take an empty communion glass from the trays at the front of the church. The innermost ring of glasses are pre-filled with juice for those who prefer juice to wine. There are discard trays by the side aisles. Please follow the directions of the Ushers.*

LAMB OF GOD: p.208



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

COMMUNION HYMN: ELW 790

Day by Day
BLOTTEN DAG

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Please stand as able.

We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

SENDING

BLESSING

The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed ✠ bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN: ELW 546

To Be Your Presence
ENGELBERG

DISMISSAL:

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

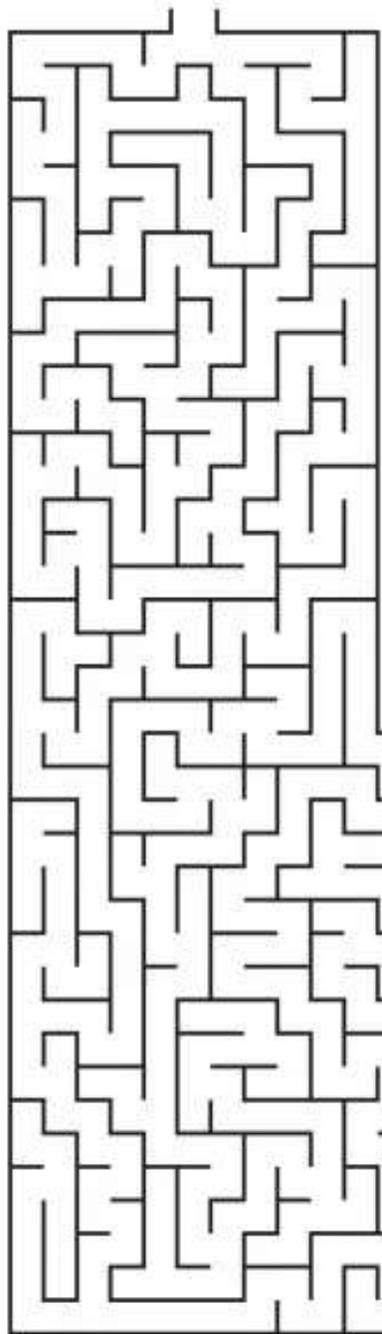
POSTLUDE

Join us for coffee hour in the Fellowship Hall.

JESUS GIVES THANKS

Guide Jesus to the mountaintop to pray.

START



END



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship: 10:00 am

Office Hours: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm M-F

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Prayer List

- Current: Esther Allen, Bonnie Taylor-Shumaker, Rachel Mock, Nadine Jordan, Luzie Arnold, Jeff DeJames, and all homebound and caregivers.
- Continuing: The family of Stephen Abbott, The family of Betty Lynn Kirwan, The family of Randy Taylor, Joe DeMichael, Elizabeth Johnson, Brandon Faust, Harry Evans, Meredith Schulz
- Military: Hilary Compton, (Kim Yerrick's niece), Tyler Owens, (Kim Yerrick's nephew).

Financial Update

	Actual	Plan	Difference
Last Week	\$2,057	\$5,000	\$2,943-
Year-to-Date	\$127,918	\$130,000	\$2,082-

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, July 11th:

6:30 pm Council Meeting

Thursday, July 13th:

6:00 Mary Martha Circle at Pizza Palace

Monday, July 17th - Friday, July 21st:

Vacation Bible School

Thursday, July 27th:

6:00 pm Holy Guacamole at Casa Linda

Giving to ILC

Please consider giving to Incarnation Lutheran Church's ministries and projects.



VBS Donations

will need enough for about 30 children
*can be brought to the church the week before.

prepackaged apple slices*

clementine oranges*

prepackaged bags or mini popcorn cakes or rice cakes



We appreciate any donations! I have attached a QR Code that will take you to our Amazon Wish List. In the coming days, more will probably be added to the list.

Thank you!



STEWARDSHIP SNIPPET

JULY 9TH, 2023

“WE GRUMBLE AND COMPLAIN WITHOUT THOUGHT, BUT WE MUST “THINK” TO GIVE THANKS.”



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.