

Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Second Sunday after Pentecost*



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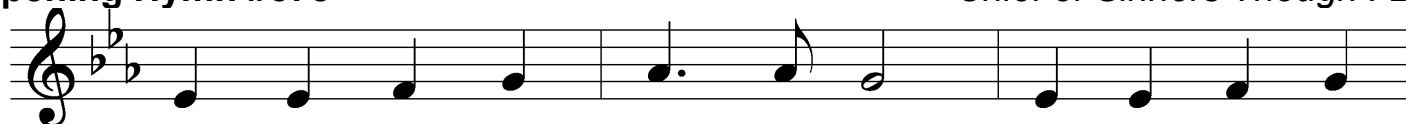
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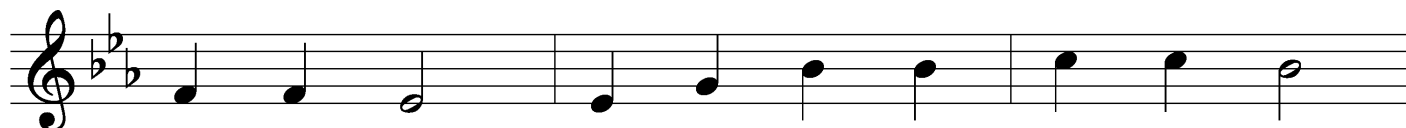


Opening Hymn #578

“Chief of Sinners Though I Be”



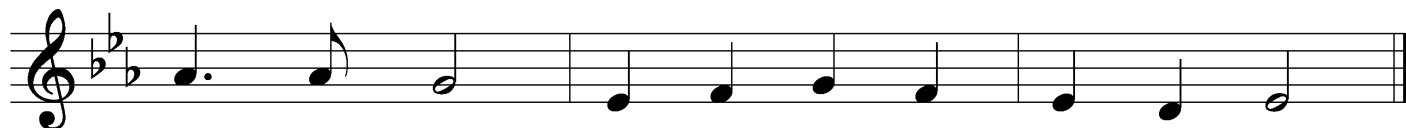
1 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Je - sus shed his
 2 Oh, the height of Je - sus' love, high - er than the
 3 On - ly Je - sus can im - part com - fort to a
 4 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Christ is all in
 5 Strength - en me, O gra - cious Lord, by your Spir - it



blood for me, died that I might live on high,
 heav'ns a - bove, deep - er than the depths of sea,
 wound - ed heart, peace that flows from sin for - giv'n,
 all to me; all my wants to him are known,
 and your Word. When my way - ward heart would stray,



lives that I might nev - er die. As the branch is
 last - ing as e - ter - ni - ty, love that found me—
 joy that lifts the soul to heav'n, faith and hope to
 all my sor - rows are his own. Safe with him in
 keep me in the nar - row way; grace in time of



to the vine, I am his and he is mine!
 won - drous thought— found me when I sought him not.
 walk with God in the way that E - noch trod.
 earth - ly strife, I a - wait the heav'n - ly life.
 need sup - ply while I live and when I die.

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Please stand.

Invocation

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Confession and Absolution

M: If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**C: If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

M: Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**C: Holy God, gracious Father,
I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you
in my thoughts, words, and actions.
I have not loved you with my whole heart;
I have not loved others as I should.
I deserve your punishment both now and forever.
But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins
with his innocent suffering and death.
Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

Silence for meditation and reflection.

M: Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

M: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

Glory to God in the Highest



Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



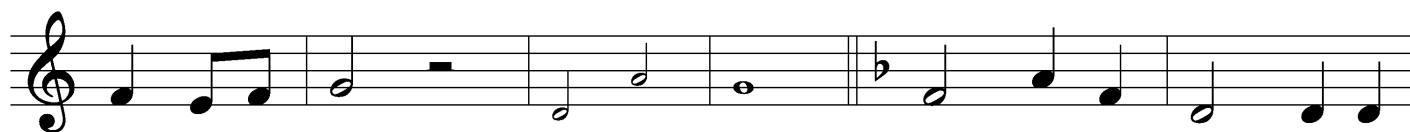
Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther. We



wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your



glo - ry. Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace to his



peo - ple on earth.

Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly



Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you



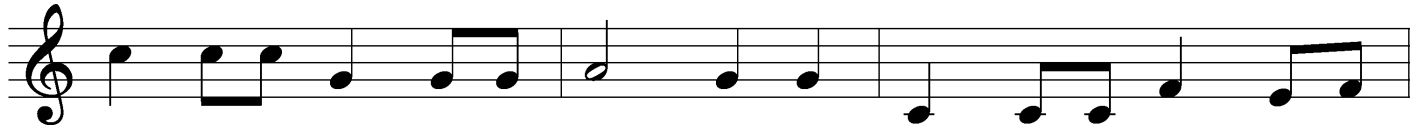
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on



us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the



Fa-ther: re - ceive our prayer, re - ceive our prayer.



Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace to his peo - ple on



earth. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the



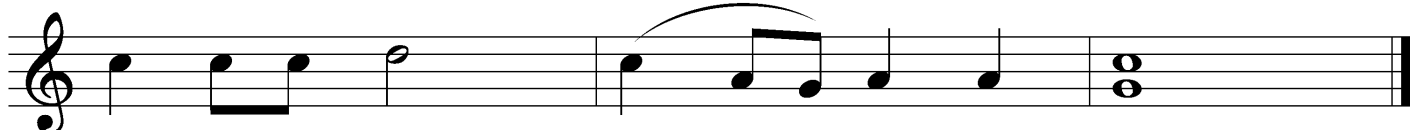
Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ,



with the Ho - ly Spir-it in the glo - ry of God the Fa-ther.



Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace to his peo-ple on earth.



Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God.

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Prayer of the Day

M: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

M: Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, you sent your Son, Jesus Christ, to seek and to save the lost. Graciously open our ears and our hearts to hear his call and follow him by faith that we may feast with him forever in his kingdom; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

Be seated.

¹Now Moses was tending the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian, and he led the flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. ²There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in flames of fire from within a bush. Moses saw that though the bush was on fire it did not burn up. ³So Moses thought, "I will go over and see this strange sight—why the bush does not burn up."

⁴When the LORD saw that he had gone over to look, God called to him from within the bush, "Moses! Moses!"

And Moses said, "Here I am."

⁵"Do not come any closer," God said. "Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground." ⁶Then he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob." At this, Moses hid his face, because he was afraid to look at God.

⁷The LORD said, "I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I have heard them crying out because of their slave drivers, and I am concerned about their suffering. ⁸So I have come down to rescue them from the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land into a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey—the home of the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites. ⁹And now the cry of the Israelites has reached me, and I have seen the way the Egyptians are oppressing them. ¹⁰So now, go. I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people the Israelites out of Egypt."

¹¹But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?"

¹²And God said, "I will be with you. And this will be the sign to you that it is I who have sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you will worship God on this mountain."

¹³Moses said to God, "Suppose I go to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' Then what shall I tell them?"

¹⁴God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM. This is what you are to say to the Israelites: 'I AM has sent me to you.' "

¹⁵God also said to Moses, "Say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your fathers—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob—has sent me to you.'

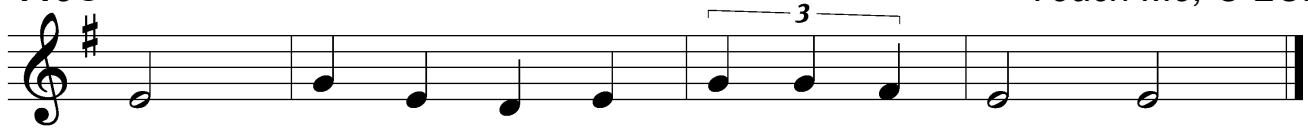
"This is my name forever,
the name you shall call me
from generation to generation." (NIV)

M; The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 119C

"Teach Me, O LORD"



Refrain Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes.

Psalm Tone



Do good to your / servant
according to your / word, LORD.
Teach me knowledge and good / judgment,
for I trust / your commands.
Before I was afflicted I / went astray,
but now I o- / bey your word. *Refrain*

You are good, and what you / do is good;
teach me / your decrees.
It was good for me to be af- / flicted
so that I might learn / your decrees.
The law from your mouth is more pre- / cious to me
than thousands of pieces of sil- / ver and gold.

**Glory be to the Father and / to the Son
and to the Holy / Spirit,
as it was in the be- / ginning,
is now, and will be forever. / Amen. *Refrain***

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Second Reading

1 Timothy 1:12-17

¹² I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength, that he considered me trustworthy, appointing me to his service. ¹³ Even though I was once a blasphemer and a persecutor and a violent man, I was shown mercy because I acted in ignorance and unbelief. ¹⁴ The grace of our Lord was poured out on me abundantly, along with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.

¹⁵ Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the worst. ¹⁶ But for that very reason I was shown mercy so that in me, the worst of sinners, Christ Jesus might display his immense patience as an example for those who would believe in him and receive eternal life. ¹⁷ Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen. (NIV)

M: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

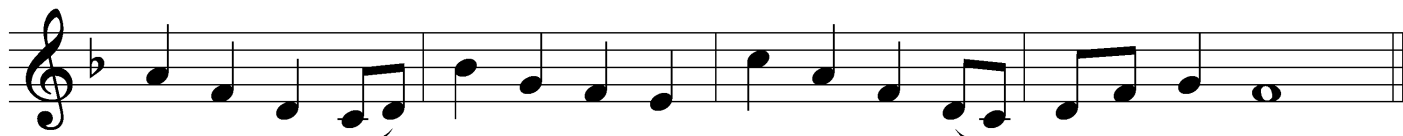
Please stand.

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 9:12,13



Refrain



C: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

M: It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick.
I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners.

C: *Refrain*

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Holy Gospel

St. Matthew 9:9-13

⁹As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax collector's booth. "Follow me," he told him, and Matthew got up and followed him.

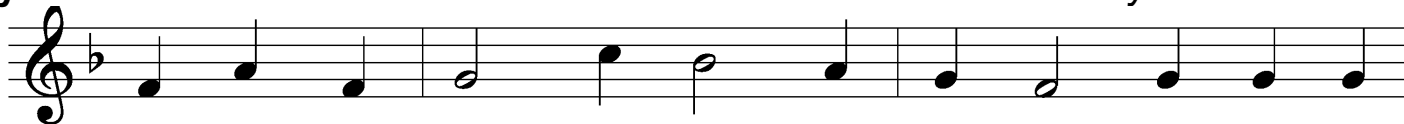
¹⁰While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, many tax collectors and sinners came and ate with him and his disciples. ¹¹When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?"

¹²On hearing this, Jesus said, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. ¹³But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners." (NIV)

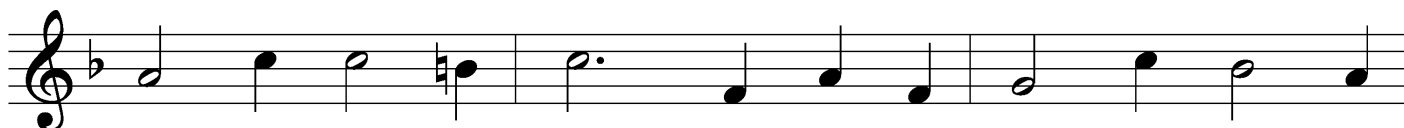
M: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise be to you, O Christ!**

Be seated.



1 By grace I'm saved, grace free and bound-less; my soul, be -
 2 By grace God's Son, our on - ly Sav - ior, came down to
 3 By grace! O mark this word of prom - ise when you are
 4 By grace to tim - id hearts that trem - ble, in trib - u -
 5 By grace! On this I'll rest when dy - ing; in Je - sus'



lieve and doubt it not. Why wa - ver at this word of
 earth to bear our sin. Was it be - cause of your own
 by your sins op - pressed, when Sa - tan plagues your trou - bled
 la - tion's fur - nace tried, by grace, de - spite all fear and
 prom - ise I re - joice, for though I know my heart's con -



prom - ise? Has Scrip - ture ev - er false - hood taught? So then this
 mer - it that Je - sus died, your soul to win? No, it was
 con - science, and when your heart is seek - ing rest. What rea - son
 trou - ble, the Fa - ther's heart is o - pen wide. Where could I
 di - tion, I al - so know my Sav - ior's voice. My heart is



word must true re - main: by grace you, too, shall heav'n ob - tain.
 grace, and grace a - lone, that brought him from his heav'n - ly throne.
 can - not com - pre - hend God by his grace to you did send.
 help and strength se - cure if grace were not my an - chor sure?
 glad, all grief has flown since I am saved by grace a - lone.

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Sermon Text

Exodus 3:1-15

Sermon

Please stand.

Apostles' Creed

C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

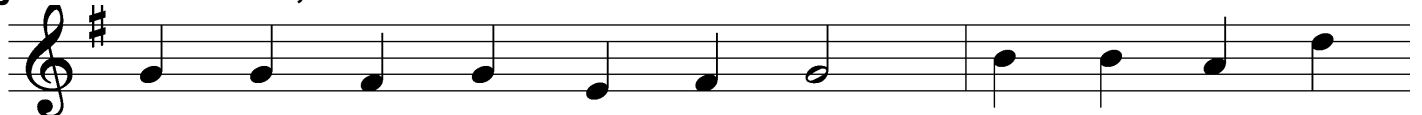
Be seated.

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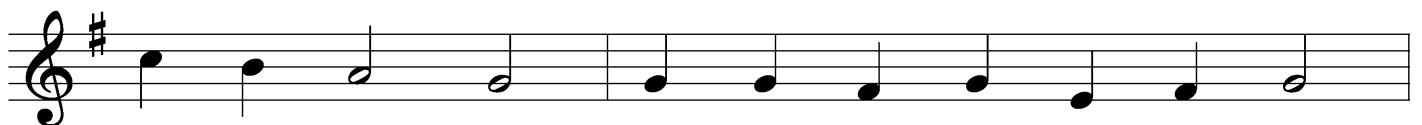
FREEWILL OFFERING The offering plate is located by the back entrance. You may also give electronically via our website: immanuelfindlay.org or the App: GivePlus.

Hymn #654 sts.1-3,5

"Jesus Sinners Does Receive"



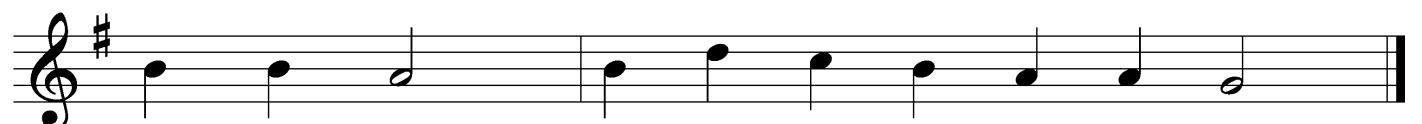
1 Je - sus sin - ners does re - ceive; oh, may all this
2 We de - serve but grief and shame, yet his words, rich
3 Sheep that from the fold did stray are not by the
5 Oh, how blest it is to know, were as scar - let



say - ing pon - der who in sin's de - lu - sions live
grace re - veal - ing, par - don, peace, and life pro - claim;
Lord for - sak - en; wea - ry souls who lost their way
my trans - gres - sion, it shall be as white as snow



and from God and heav - en wan - der. Here is hope for
here their ills have per - fect heal - ing who with hum - ble
are by Christ, the Shep - herd, tak - en in his arms that
by your blood and bit - ter pas - sion, for these words I



all who grieve: Je - sus sin - ners does re - ceive.
hearts be - lieve: Je - sus sin - ners does re - ceive.
they may live: Je - sus sin - ners does re - ceive.
do be - lieve: Je - sus sin - ners does re - ceive.

Prayer of the Church

M: Teach us knowledge and good judgment, that we may trust in your commands.
Show mercy to us, Lord.

C: **Pour your grace, faith and love on us.**

M: You are the one eternal God, “I am who I am,” unchanging in your love and faithful in all things. Strengthen our faith in your promise. Give us humble hearts that marvel at your grace. Show mercy to us, Lord.

C: **Pour your grace, faith and love on us.**

M: Your Son once called tax collectors and sinners to follow him. With your gospel, move our hearts to reach out to those who do not know you, that they may turn, believe in you, and receive eternal life. Show mercy to us, Lord.

C: **Pour your grace, faith and love on us.**

M: Faithful God, look on your people who are oppressed and persecuted because of their faith. Guide the nations of the earth, that your people may freely worship and proclaim your kingdom. Show mercy to us, Lord.

C: **Pour your grace, faith and love on us.**

M: Bless all who encourage us with your Word; pastors, teachers and Christian friends. Let their joy in your love overflow, that they may guide, uplift and strengthen their brothers and sisters in Christ. Show mercy to us, Lord.

C: **Pour your grace, faith and love on us.**

M: In your mercy, you hear the cries of those who suffer. With your love and power, relieve the misery of those who struggle with hardships of all kinds, [*especially...*]. Give strength, healing and patience, and deliver in your time. Show mercy to us, Lord.

C: **Pour your grace, faith and love on us.**

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: Gracious Father, in your great goodness you call sinners to repentance, and then call them to your service. Give us the power to withstand temptation, turn from all the deceptions of the world, and follow you. Hear us, our God, who lives and governs all things now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

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M: Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

C: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

Blessing

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

C: **Amen.**

Closing Hymn #579

"His Mercy Is More"



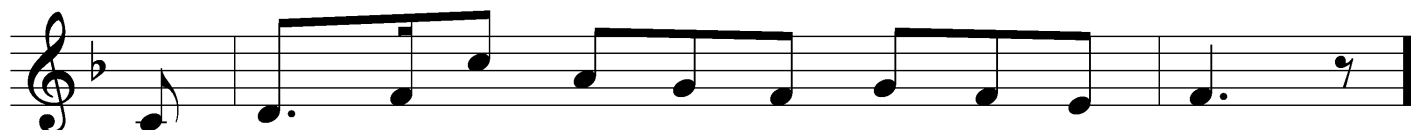
1 What love could re - mem - ber no wrongs we have done?
 2 What pa - tience would wait as we con - stant - ly roam,
 3 What rich - es of kind - ness he lav - ished on us;



Om - ni - scient, all - know - ing, he counts not their sum;
 what Fa - ther so ten - der is call - ing us home!
 his blood was the pay - ment, his life was the cost.

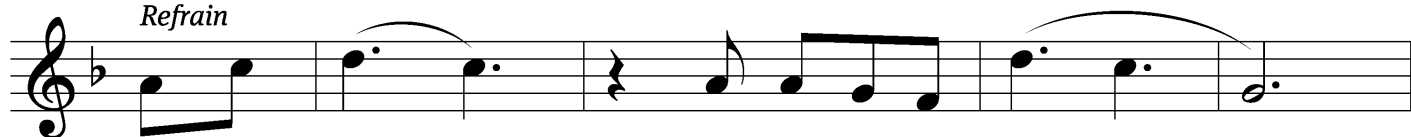


thrown in - to a sea with - out bot - tom or shore,
 He wel - comes the weak - est, the vil - est, the poor;
 We stood 'neath a debt we could nev - er af - ford;



our sins they are man - y, his mer - cy is more.
 our sins they are man - y, his mer - cy is more.
 our sins they are man - y, his mer - cy is more.

Refrain



Praise the Lord! His mer - cy is more!



Strong - er than dark - ness, new ev - 'ry morn; our



sins they are man - y, his mer - cy is more!

The refrain for stanza 3 is sung three times (twice, with no break between, then a final time).

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We thank **Pastor Alex Groth** of Beautiful Savior Lutheran in Cincinnati for leading our worship this morning. Pastor Krueger is at Trinity in Jenera today.



ONE DAY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Sign up! If you are available **June 13th** from **9:30 AM - noon** to help with a one-day Vacation Bible School, please consider how you can use your gifts! There is a sign-up in the back!
Contact Vicar Johannes with questions at 479- 684-8231.

Our Annual Voters' Meeting is today after the late service. We will vote on our Ministry Plan budget and elect officers for the coming year.

2026 Graduates We will honor this year's graduates one Sunday in June. We are asking for information on your graduate to include in the bulletin. Please call or email the church with the following information. Name of graduate, name of school they are graduating from (if graduating from college you can include their major), and also please list future plans. **Email:** office.immanuelfindlay@gmail.com or 419-422-8209

New Bible Class: How does God step in to rescue us? Our Thursday Zoom class will see how God rescued his people in the past, with a study of Great Gospel Events in the ministries of Elijah and Elisha. A Zoom link will be sent out next week along with the student guide; you can pick up a copy on the entryway.

LSGOO – Lutheran Student Granting Organization of Ohio. Just a follow up to all the donors to the LSGOO during this tax season. As of the end of April, the LSGOO balance is \$28,876. Thank you very much! This will allow the Immanuel Scholarship committee to fund many scholarships as they are submitted. To date, we have two scholarships requested for the next school year 2026-2027. Obviously as we get closer to the beginning of the next school year, we anticipate more applications that Immanuel will be able to fund due to your donor kindness.

Committee members: Howard Wilch, Don Baker, and Don Lucas

All Sports Camp is being held July 13-15. If you would like to assist with the camp there is a sign-up sheet in the narthex. You can choose to help every day, or just one or two days if that is all your schedule allows. There is also a sign up for the snack and drinks.

BIBLE STUDY	<i>Sunday</i>	Adult Bible Study	Fruit of the Spirit	9:20 AM
	<i>Wednesday</i>	Adult Bible Class	Ephesians	10:00 AM
	<i>Thursday</i>	Zoom Bible Study	Gospel Events	7:00 PM

Calendar	Sunday	Worship, 8 & 10:30 AM Adult Sunday School, 9:20 AM Voters' Meeting, 11:45 AM
	Wednesday	Bible Class, 10:00 AM
	Thursday	Zoom Bible Class, 7:00 PM
	Sunday	Worship & Holy Communion, 8 & 10:30 AM Adult Sunday School, 9:20 AM

June Greeters		East	North
6/7	8:00	Volunteer	Volunteer
	10:30	Deana H.	Kay M.
6/14	8:00	Bob H.	Volunteer
	10:30	Jim & Jamie T.	Helen R.
6/21	8:00	Volunteer	Volunteer
	10:30	Becky F.	Marjorie H.
6/28	8:00	Howard & Nancy W.	Volunteer
	10:30	Pam W.	Jan S.
June Ushers	8:00 AM	Mike W., Eldon B.	10:30 AM Sam P., Michael B.

Welcome! We join together here to thank God for a new week of promise and possibilities. Let us greet one another joyfully and lovingly! If you are searching for a church home, feel free to talk to the pastor after the service.

Large print bulletins are available at the back of the fellowship hall.

There are visitor welcome packets available in the narthex.

There are children's books, coloring pages, pencils, and crayons available at the back of the fellowship hall. Please return the books, clipboards, pencils and crayons.

Silence is golden. Please silence cell phones before worship.

Bulletin Board: If you would like items displayed, please contact the office.

Free One Day Vacation Bible School

Saturday, June 13

9:30 AM - Noon

Register online at:

ImmanuelFindlay.org

Kids ages: 4-12

