



*14th Sunday after Pentecost*  
*September 15, 2019*

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# Welcome to Emanuel

## **WELCOME GUESTS AND VISITORS!**

*Welcome in the name of Jesus Christ. We are glad that you have come to worship with us. Please help us to know you by introducing yourself to those you encounter and please be sure to sign our guest book (located on the stand in the Narthex).*

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*(Please ask an usher)*

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# 14TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

9:30 AM

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## PRELUDE

*Sonata*

*Josef Rheinberger*

## WELCOME

Pastor Lyn Crase

## OPENING HYMN

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

ELW #834

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,  
the strength of our ancestors,  
the host of this meal,  
the builder of the city that is to come.

### C Amen

P If we have died with Christ, we will also live with Christ.  
Let us confess our sin to the one who is faithful.  
God our helper,

**C we confess the many ways  
we have failed to live as your disciples.  
We have not finished what we began.  
We have feasted with friends but ignored strangers.  
We have been captivated by our possessions.  
Lift our burdens, gracious God.  
Refresh our hearts and forgive our sin.  
Raise us to the new life you have chosen for us  
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

P There is rejoicing in heaven when sinners repent.  
Put your trust in these promises:  
God will never leave you or forsake you.  
You who were lost have been found.  
For the sake of ✝ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.  
Rejoice with the angels at this good news.

C Amen

## GREETING

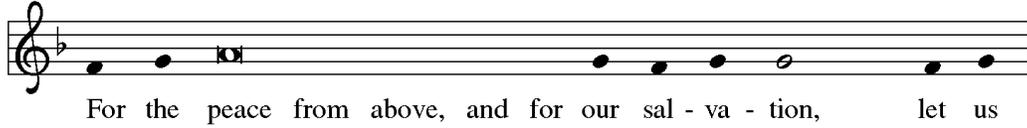
P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C And also with you.**

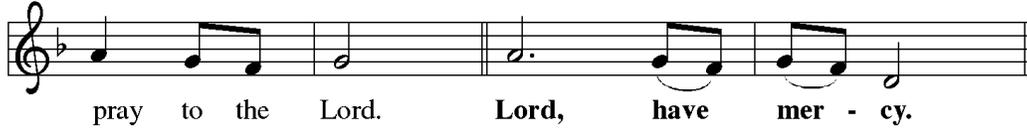
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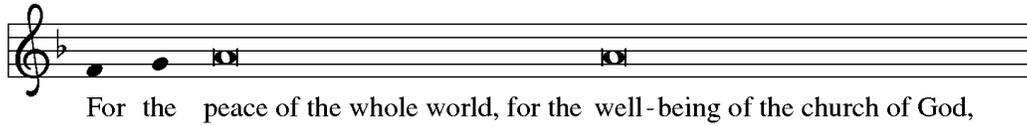
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer-cy.**



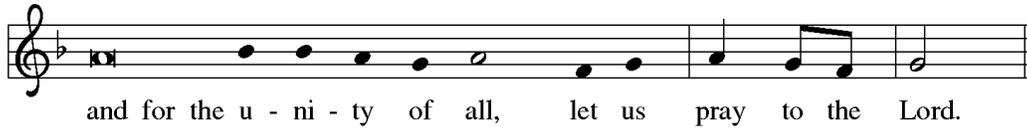
For the peace from above, and for our sal-va-tion, let us



pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer-cy.**



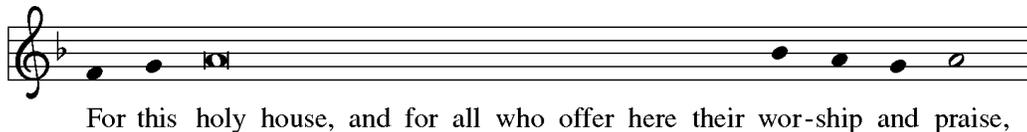
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



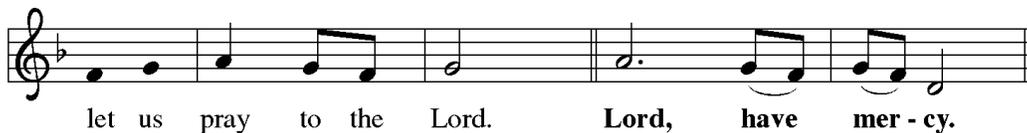
and for the u-ni-ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



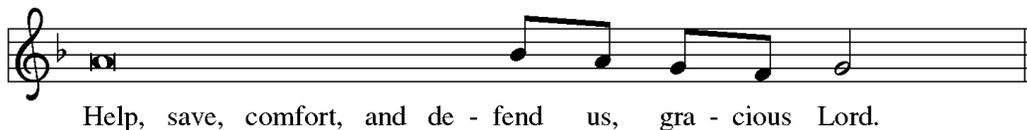
**Lord, have mer-cy.**



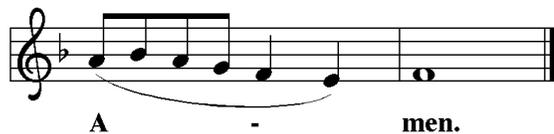
For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer-cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord.



**A-men.**

# GLORIA



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



1 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 God's peo-ple on earth.



2 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.



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



3 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. A - men.



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

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray together....

**C O God, overflowing with mercy and compassion, you lead back to yourself all those who go astray. Preserve your people in your loving care, that we may reject whatever is contrary to you and may follow all things that sustain our life in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

## FIRST READING: EXODUS 32:7-14

*While Moses is on Mount Sinai, the people grow restless and make a golden calf to worship. Today's reading shows Moses as the mediator between an angry God and a sinful people. Moses reminds God that the Israelites are God's own people and boldly asks mercy for them.*

<sup>7</sup>The LORD said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; <sup>8</sup>they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!' " <sup>9</sup>The LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. <sup>10</sup>Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation."

<sup>11</sup>But Moses implored the LORD his God, and said, "O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? <sup>12</sup>Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. <sup>13</sup>Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.' " <sup>14</sup>And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

L The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 51:1-12



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<sup>1</sup>Have mercy on me, O God, according to your | steadfast love;  
in your great compassion blot out | my offenses.

<sup>2</sup>**Wash me through and through | from my wickedness,  
and cleanse me | from my sin.**

<sup>3</sup>For I know | my offenses,  
and my sin is ev- | er before me.

<sup>4</sup>**Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil | in your sight;  
so you are justified when you speak and right | in your judgment.**

<sup>5</sup>Indeed, I was born | steeped in wickedness,  
a sinner from my | mother's womb.

<sup>6</sup>**Indeed, you delight in truth | deep within me,  
and would have me know wisdom | deep within.**

<sup>7</sup>Remove my sins with hyssop, and I | shall be clean;  
wash me, and I shall be pur- | er than snow.

<sup>8</sup>**Let me hear | joy and gladness;  
that the body you have broken | may rejoice.**

<sup>9</sup>Hide your face | from my sins,  
and blot out | all my wickedness.

<sup>10</sup>**Create in me a clean | heart, O God,  
and renew a right spir- | it within me.**

<sup>11</sup>Do not cast me away from your presence,  
and do not take your holy spirit from me.

<sup>12</sup>**Restore to me the joy of your salvation,  
and sustain in me a willing spirit.**

## **SECOND READING: 1 TIMOTHY 1:12-17 (MSG)**

*The letters to Timothy are called the Pastoral Epistles because they contain advice especially intended for leaders in the church. Here the mercy shown to Paul, who once persecuted the church, is cited as evidence that even the most unworthy may become witnesses to the grace of God.*

<sup>12-14</sup> I'm so grateful to Christ Jesus for making me adequate to do this work. He went out on a limb, you know, in trusting me with this ministry. The only credentials I brought to it were invective and witch hunts and arrogance. But I was treated mercifully because I didn't know what I was doing—didn't know Who I was doing it against! Grace mixed with faith and love poured over me and into me. And all because of Jesus.

<sup>15-17</sup> Here's a word you can take to heart and depend on: Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. I'm proof—Public Sinner Number One—of someone who could never have made it apart from sheer mercy. And now he shows me off—evidence of his endless patience—to those who are right on the edge of trusting him forever.

Deep honor and bright glory  
to the King of All Time—  
One God, Immortal, Invisible,  
ever and always. Oh, yes!

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

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. *Repeat alleluia*  
Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

P The Gospel according to Luke, Chapter 15.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

### GOSPEL: LUKE 15:1-10

*Jesus tells two stories that suggest a curious connection between the lost being found and sinners repenting. God takes the initiative to find sinners, each of whom is so precious to God that his or her recovery brings joy in heaven.*

<sup>1</sup>Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. <sup>2</sup>And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

<sup>3</sup>So he told them this parable: <sup>4</sup>"Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? <sup>5</sup>When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. <sup>6</sup>And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' <sup>7</sup>Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

<sup>8</sup>"Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? <sup>9</sup>When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' <sup>10</sup>Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

L The gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (REPEATED)

### SERMON

Pastor Lyn Crase

### HYMN OF THE DAY

*Amazing Grace*

ELW # 779

**ALL: v. 1, 3, 5; Women: v. 2; Men: v. 4**

## **APOSTLE'S CREED**

A With the whole church, let us confess our faith using the words of the Apostle's 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**

A Sustained and nurtured by our generous God, we gather as one to pray for the church, the world, and all of God's creation.

**Response:** ... Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

## **SHARING THE PEACE**

*The sharing of peace is an individual and communal act of forgiveness.*

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C And also with you.**

*Please return to your seat at the signal from the organ and remain standing after the Peace.*

## **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

A In recognition of God's forgiveness, mercy and grace, let us continue with the Great Thanksgiving.

P The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

**C We lift them to the Lord**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

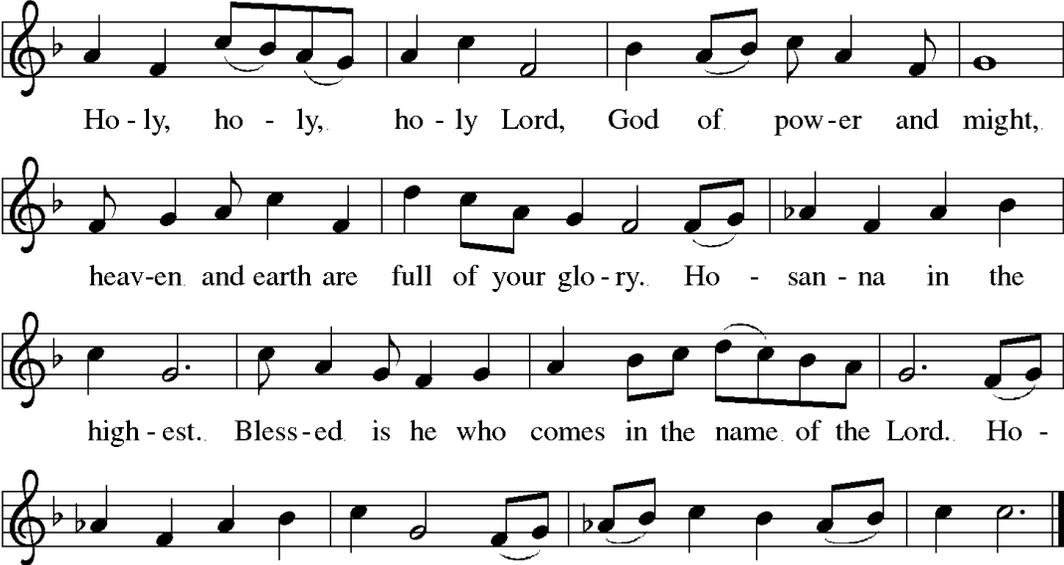
**C It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## PREFACE

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the  
high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim our Lord's death until he comes.

**C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

- P Remembering, therefore, his salutary command,  
his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension,  
and the promise of his coming again,  
we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty,  
not as we ought but as we are able;  
we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving  
and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants,  
and these your own gifts of bread and wine,  
so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ  
may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace,  
and, receiving the forgiveness of sin,  
may be formed to live as your holy people  
and be given our inheritance with all your saints.
- P To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

**C Amen**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

- P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.  
*(You are invited to join hands if so moved)*

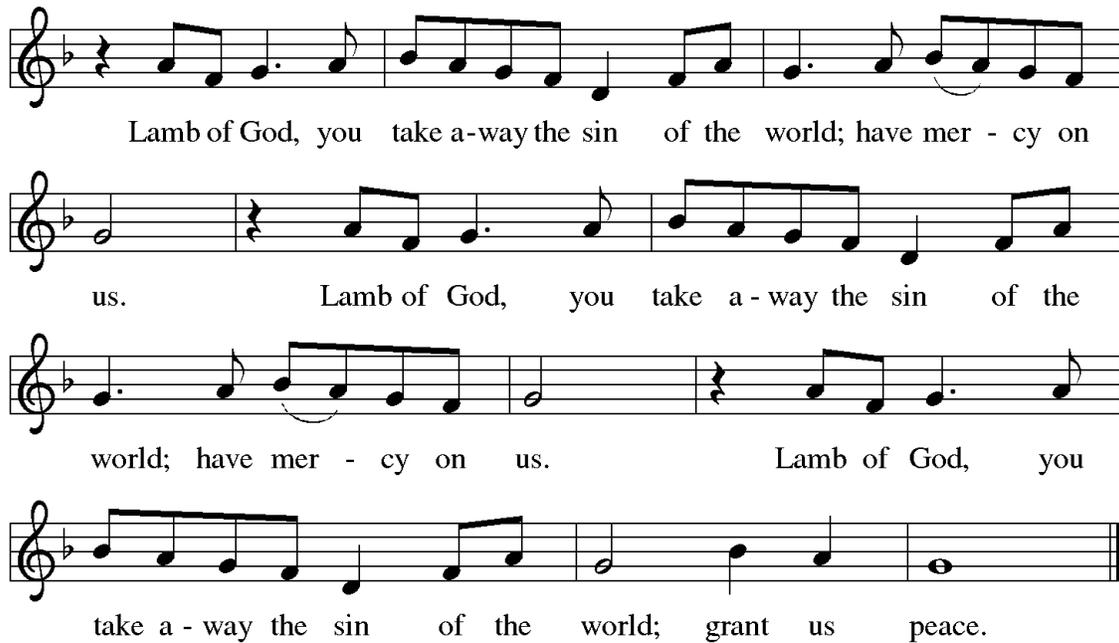
**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen**

## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

- P Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them.  
Come, take your place at the feast.

*We practice continuous communion at the altar rail. **All are welcome.** White grape juice is available in the second cup for those who prefer that instead of wine. Gluten free wafers available.*

## 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.

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN** *Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling*

ELW #608

### COMMUNION BLESSING

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A God of blessing,  
at this table we have seen you face to face,  
and in the gift of Christ's body and blood,  
our hearts have been refreshed.  
Send us now to shine with your goodness  
and bear witness to the one we have received:  
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen

### SILENT PRAYER AND MEDITATION (please be seated)

**OUR RESPONSE:** *We respond to God's gifts with gratitude. Collection of financial commitments and praise cards.*

● **OFFERTORY**

*Amazing Grace*

Gerald Near

## Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise

Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry - one what God has  
done. Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.  
Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and lead us forth in  
joy with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

The musical score is written on four staves in a single system. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry - one what God has done. Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name. Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and lead us forth in joy with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia." The piece concludes with a double bar line.

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### SENDING

P Gracious God,  
assist those who go out to share this meal with those  
who are sick, injured, homebound, saddened or imprisoned.  
Let the sacrament prepared at this table and  
blessed by your word strengthen those who receive the Bread & Wine.  
Encourage them by your presence & heal them by your grace.

C Amen

### BLESSING

P Guard the good treasure entrusted to you,  
with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.  
Almighty God ✠ bless you with grace, mercy, and peace,  
now and forever.

C Amen

## BIRTHDAY BLESSING

P Let us pray:

C God of all creation, we offer you grateful praise for the Gift of Life, and especially the gift of the lives of our sisters and brothers who stand before us this day and who recall this month the day of their birth. They rejoice in your gifts of life and love, family and friends.

Bless them with your presence and surround them with your love that they may enjoy many happy years, all of them pleasing to you. We ask this grace and blessing for each one of them through Christ our Lord. Amen

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SENDING HYMN

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

ELW #807

### DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Live in love as Christ loves us.

C Thanks be to God.

### POSTLUDE

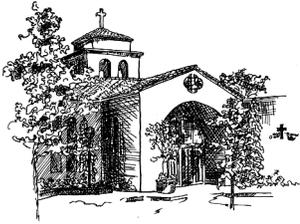
*Postlude in A*

George J. Webb

## WHO SERVED US TODAY

**Presiding Minister** ..... Pastor Lyn Crase  
**Assisting Minister** ..... David Holtz  
**Acolyte**..... Addison Hoover  
**Ministers of the Word** ..... Kathleen Reuter, Suzanne Wilke  
**Cantor** ..... David Holtz  
**Communion Assistant**..... Suzanne Wilke  
**Usher/Greeter** ..... Clarke/Rowland  
**Altar Care**..... Knoll/Nelson

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### **Our Mission**

*To share Christ's unconditional love with everyone.*

### **Our Vision**

*Emanuel's vision is to be loving, supportive, and welcoming, as we reach out in service and in witness to our neighborhood and the city beyond.*

*We share a passion to nurture people in all stages and circumstances of life.*

*We, as disciples of Christ, minister to our changing community in challenging cultural times.*

*God is calling us to joyfully follow the Holy Spirit in ministry to others.*



Notes for September 15, 2019

- 1) Moses exhibited bold behavior before God. Moses actually pushed back calling on God to remember God's promise to Abraham & Isaac. Has there ever been a time in your life when you have pushed back or have otherwise acted boldly before God? \_\_\_\_\_
  
- 2) When did you first realize and fully understand that God does change God's mind? Is this a comfort to you or does this piece of knowledge about God cause discomfort? \_\_\_\_\_
  
- 3) Psalm 51 is a Psalm of David. It is a prayer for help after David acknowledges his sin against Uriah. David had Uriah killed to make way for his affair with Bathsheba. He was later confronted by the prophet Nathan about his behavior. David recognized his sinful behavior & writes this plea for cleansing & pardon. Forgiveness brings great joy. When has forgiving or being forgiven brought you joy? \_\_\_\_\_
  
- 4) In the reading from I Timothy Paul presents clear & striking contrasts. The arrogance of unbelief vs the revelation of true faith. Define what the term "sheer mercy" means to you. \_\_\_\_\_
  
- 5) The Gospel stories appear to be about repentance but they are really all about joy. The key to the entire 15<sup>th</sup> chapter of Luke is found in the phrase "rejoice with me" (vs 6 & 9) Ponder the following statement: "Repentance is more an experience of being found by a concerned seeker than the product of human effort. And its public sign is joy at the gift of new life rather than doleful remorse." (Tannehill p. 238 Commentary on Luke) Repentance may be defined as our acceptance of being found.  
Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

OTHER THOUGHTS INSPIRED BY TODAY'S WORSHIP EXPERIENCE:

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Sustained and nurtured by our generous God, we gather as one to pray for the church, the world, and all of God's creation.

Bless pastors, deacons, and all church leaders in their ministries, so that your gospel is shared through their faithful leadership and living. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Protect and preserve habitats and biospheres, especially in places damaged by natural disaster or human alteration. Restore balance to deserts, oceans, polar regions, and temperate areas. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Instruct all the world's people, nations, and governments in ways of justice, mercy, and peace. Lead us away from the idols of power, war, self-centeredness, and fear. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Show mercy to the lost, welcome to the outsiders, and comfort to the suffering and dying. We pray for all who need your healing and constant presence. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Strengthen those who work with people in crisis: firefighters, police officers, hospital staff, chaplains, nurses, doctors, emergency responders, staff and counselors in rehab centers and women's shelters. Give them wisdom and compassion, so that those in need are well-supported and cared for. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

God of goodness, we pray for you to wrap your loving arms around all we name before you, aloud or in silence. (pause) Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

We give thanks for the beloved sheep of your fold who have died and who now find life in your eternal glory. Embrace us as we hope and rejoice in your unfailing redemption. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Assured by your promise to hear us, we lay our prayers before your throne of grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

## Entrance Hymn #834

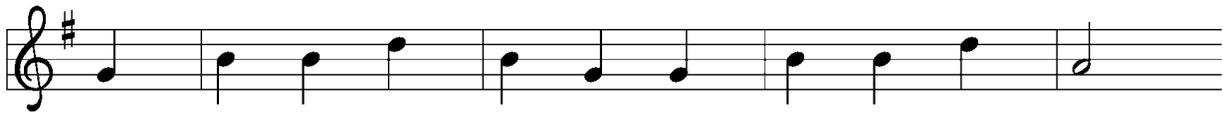
### Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise



1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,  
2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,  
3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small;  
4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light;



in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,  
nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;  
in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;  
thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;



most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,  
thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove  
we blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,  
all laud we would ren - der; oh, help us to see



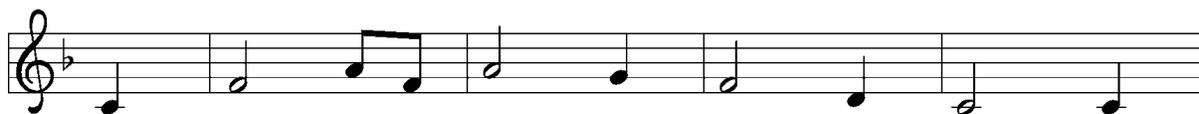
al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise!  
thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.  
and with - er and per - ish, but naught chang - eth thee.  
'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

Text: Walter Chalmers Smith, 1824–1908, alt.  
Music: ST. DENIO, Welsh traditional

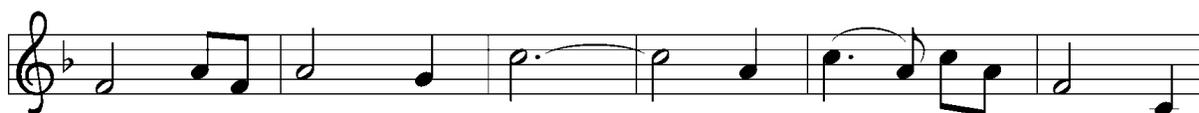
# Sermon Hymn #779

ALL: 1, 3, 5; Women: v. 2; Men: v. 4

## Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound



1 A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that  
2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and  
3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I  
4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his  
5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but  
grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that  
have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me  
word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and  
shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to



now am found; was blind, but now I see.  
grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!  
safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.  
por - tion be as long as life en - dures.  
sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, alt., sts. 1–4; anonymous, st. 5  
Music: NEW BRITAIN, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835

## Sending Hymn #807

### Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing



1 Come, thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless-ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
2 Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer: "Hith-er by thy help I've come";  
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con-strained to be;



streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.  
and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.  
let that grace now like a fet - ter bind my wan-d'ring heart to thee.



While the hope of end-less glo - ry fills my heart with joy and love,  
Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan-d'ring from the fold of God;  
Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.



teach me ev - er to a - dore thee; may I still thy good-ness prove.  
he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.  
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Text: Robert Robinson, 1735–1790, alt.

Music: NETTLETON, J. Wyeth, *Repository of Sacred Music*, Part II, 1813