



13th Sunday after Pentecost

August 22, 2021

Emanuel Lutheran Church

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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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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PRELUDE *Music for a Sunday Morning* Wilbur Held

WELCOME Pastor Lyn Crase

OPENING HYMN *When Morning Gilds the Skies* Page 17

CONFESSION AND FORGIVNESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,
the God of manna,
the God of miracles,
the God of mercy.

Amen

P: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance,
let us confess our sin.

God, our provider,

help us.

It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

**We question your ways when they differ from the ways
of the world in which we live.**

**We turn to our own understanding
rather than trusting in you.**

We take offense at your teachings and your ways.

Turn us again to you.

Where else can we turn?

**Share with us the words of eternal life
and feed us for life in the world.**

Amen

P: Beloved people of God:
in Jesus, the manna from heaven,
you are fed and nourished.
By Jesus, the worker of miracles,
there is always more than enough.
Through Jesus, ✠ the bread of life,
you are shown God's mercy:
you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

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.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray together....

Holy God, your word feeds your people with life that is eternal. Direct our choices and preserve us in your truth, that, renouncing what is false and evil, we may live in you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

FIRST READING: Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18

Kathleen Reuter

In the Near East, covenant means "agreement" or "alliance." It describes relationships and is the primary word used to characterize the relationship between God and Israel. By delivering Israel, God has already begun the relationship. Joshua calls upon the people to respond.

¹Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. ^{2a}And Joshua said to all the people, ¹⁴"Now therefore revere the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. ¹⁵Now if you are unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD."

¹⁶Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods; ¹⁷for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; ¹⁸and the LORD drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God."

P: The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 34:15-22

Kathleen Reuter

¹⁵The eyes of the LORD are up- on the righteous,
and God's ears are open to their cry.

¹⁶The face of the LORD is against those who do evil,
to erase the remembrance of them from the earth.

¹⁷The righteous cry, and the LORD hears them
and delivers them from all their troubles.

¹⁸The LORD is near to the brokenhearted
and saves those whose spirits are crushed.

¹⁹ Many are the troubles of the righteous,
but the LORD delivers them from every one.

²⁰ God will keep safe all their bones;
not one of them shall be broken.

²¹ Evil will bring death to the wicked
and those who hate the righteous will be punished.

²² O LORD, you redeem the life of your servants,
and those who put their trust in you will not be punished.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 6:10-20 (MSG)

Kathleen Reuter

Like a general giving a rousing speech to troops before battle, this letter closes by calling on Christians to be equipped for spiritual warfare against evil. The full armor of God includes truth, righteousness, peace, faith, the gift of salvation, and the word of God inspired by the Spirit.

¹⁰⁻¹² And that about wraps it up. God is strong, and he wants you strong. So take everything the Master has set out for you, well-made weapons of the best materials. And put them to use so you will be able to stand up to everything the Devil throws your way. This is no weekend war that we'll walk away from and forget about in a couple of hours. This is for keeps, a life-or-death fight to the finish against the Devil and all his angels.

¹³⁻¹⁸ Be prepared. You're up against far more than you can handle on your own. Take all the help you can get, every weapon God has issued, so that when it's all over but the shouting you'll still be on your feet. Truth, righteousness, peace, faith, and salvation are more than words. Learn how to apply them. You'll need them throughout your life. God's Word is an *indispensable* weapon. In the same way, prayer is essential in this ongoing warfare. Pray hard and long. Pray for your brothers and sisters. Keep your eyes open. Keep each other's spirits up so that no one falls behind or drops out.

¹⁹⁻²⁰ And don't forget to pray for me. Pray that I'll know what to say and have the courage to say it at the right time, telling the mystery to one and all, the Message that I, jailbird preacher that I am, am responsible for getting out.

P: The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya,
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

a - le - lu - ya! a - le - lu - ya!
al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

P: The Gospel according to John, Chapter 6. (*Stand as able.*)

Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: John 6:56-69

The “hard saying” that offends Jesus’ disciples is his claim that his followers must eat his flesh and drink his blood. The followers who return to their old lives know something about how odd this sounds. Simon Peter, on the other hand, knows something about the scarcity of living, gracious words. He asks the most important question: “To whom shall we go?”

Jesus said, ⁵⁶“Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. ⁵⁸This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.” ⁵⁹He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

⁶⁰When many of his disciples heard it, they said, “This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?” ⁶¹But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, “Does this offend you? ⁶²Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? ⁶³It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. ⁶⁴But among you there are some who do not believe.” For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. ⁶⁵And he said, “For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.”

⁶⁶Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him.

⁶⁷So Jesus asked the twelve, “Do you also wish to go away?” ⁶⁸Simon Peter answered him,

“Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. ⁶⁹We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (REPEATED) *Please be seated.*

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup

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APOSTLE’S CREED

P: 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 (Please sit or kneel as able.)

- 1) Made children and heirs of God’s promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.
- 2) God of courage, bless all leaders of your church. Make them ready to proclaim the gospel of peace and strengthen them to preach your loving word. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**
- 3) God of creation, bless fields and orchards. Protect the land from drought and bring life-giving rain to support growth. Instruct your people in wise treatment of the world you have provided for all your creatures. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**
- 4) God of community, bless all who seek justice between nations and peoples. Give guidance to bridge-builders, heal divisions, and inspire cooperation in times of crisis, disaster, and war. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**
- 5) God of compassion, bless all who are in any need. Strengthen all who are sick, injured, dealing with disease and associated treatments, or suffering emotional and mental

trauma; especially Officer Michael Rokaitis and all others listed in our bulletin. Accompany them on the road to healing and wholeness. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

- 6) God of change, bless our transitions. Guide all who are embarking on new stages in life such as a new job, new school, or new community. Sustain enduring friendships and kindle new relationships and interests. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**
- 7) God of comfort, bless all who mourn the deaths of their beloved ones. We give you thanks for the saints who have gone before us. Renew our confidence in your promise of resurrection and life in the world to come. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**
- 8) Silent prayer.
- 9) Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

SHARING THE PEACE

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

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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

P: The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. 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



San - to, san - to, san - to, es el Se - ñor,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord . . . God,
Dios del u - ni - ver - so; san - to, es el Se - ñor.
God of might and pow - er; ho - ly is the Lord.
San - to, san - to, san - to, san - to, es el Se - ñor,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord . . . God,
Dios del u - ni - ver - so; san - to, es el Se - ñor.
God of might and pow - er; ho - ly is the Lord.
Ho - san - na en el cie - lo, ho - san - na en la
Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na here on
tie - rra. Ben - di - to el que vie - ne en el
earth. . . . Blest is he who comes in the
nom - bre del Se - ñor. Ho - san - na en el
name . . . of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
cie - lo, ho - san - na en la tie - rra. Ben -
high - est, ho - san - na here on earth. . . .
di - to el que vie - ne en el nom - bre del Se - ñor.
Blest is he who comes in the name . . . of the Lord.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P: You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

P: To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

Amen

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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: Christ has set the table with more than enough for all.
Come!

We practice continuous communion. All are welcome. White grape juice is available for those who prefer that instead of wine. Gluten free wafers available.

LAMB OF GOD



Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que qui-tas el pe-ca-do del mun-do;
O Lamb of . . God, you . . take a-way the sin of the world; . .

ten pie-dad de no - so-tros, ten pie-dad de no - so-tros.
have . . mer-cy up - on us, have . . mer-cy up - on us.

Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que qui-tas el pe-ca-do del mun-do;
O Lamb of . . God, you . . take a-way the sin of the world; . .

ten pie-dad de no - so-tros, ten pie-dad de no - so-tros.
have . . mer-cy up - on us, have . . mer-cy up - on us.

Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que qui-tas el pe-ca-do del mun-do;
O Lamb of . . God, you . . take a-way the sin of the world; . .

da - nos tu paz, da - nos tu paz.
grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

You Are the Way

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COMMUNION BLESSING

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

Amen

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Jesus, Bread of life,

we have received from your table
more than we could ever ask.

As you have nourished us in this meal,

now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.

In your name we pray.

Amen

BLESSING

P: The blessing of God,
who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,
✠ be upon you now and forever.

Amen

BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING

SENDING HYMN

Lead On, O King Eternal!

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DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing

Paul Manz



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FORWARD ANEW



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.



Announcements: Week of August 22, 2021

SAVE THE DATE: September 12th is God's Work Our Hands Day in the ELCA and HOMECOMING DAY at Emanuel! Come for outdoor worship at 9:30, followed by projects that will benefit the community, a congregational picnic and outdoor games. There will be quilts to tie that will go to local children's charities/organizations. It's easy and there is something to do for everyone!

Bring your own lawn chair for worship and the picnic. Drinks, hotdogs, commercially prepared salads, ice cream & cookies for dessert will be provided. The Outreach team will be serving you!

Adult Bible Study will begin on Wednesday, September 15th at 1:00 pm. **NOTE: New day and time.**

Sign-Ups are needed for Sunday fellowship. Please see the sign-up board near the fellowship table.

Leah Circle meets on the third Monday of the month at 1:00 pm.

Coin Jar -- Your spare change makes a difference! Drop it in the jar on Sundays.

Quilting Bee September 13th, 10:00 am. All are welcome & all skill levels as well. If you can use scissors and/or tie a knot, there will be a job for you!

The Shower Shuttle is actively taking care of our homeless communities, and the needs remain the same: Some of these requests are for the Laundry Shuttle, which has now been in use for about 6 months. Many of these items are available at the Dollar Stores. Thank you all for your contributions to this Ministry, Marilyn and Chuck Rowland

- Toiletries in travel size and standard size
- Single use razors
- Underwear in small and medium sizes, new or lightly used, including bras
- Plain white vinegar and bleach
- Washing powder, especially extra strength types
- Bath towels, any size and color

TEXT STUDY: Every Tuesday, year-round, in Luther Hall at noon. We discuss the lessons for the next Sunday. Come anytime you are available, leave early if you need to, bring your lunch. Generally, this lasts about an hour and 15 minutes....give or take.

Emanuel Outreach Ministry's
"Migrant Children Giving Tree" is up....

Look to your right coming into
Emanuel Sunday morning...

Look to your left going out of
Emanuel Sunday morning...

Bend to look at the list of needs for local
migrant children...



Mark your calendar now for
God's Work Our Hands Day
coming **September 12, 2021**.
There will be a CHURCH WIDE
PICNIC following worship. Our
project will be to help a local
ministry. More information will
be forthcoming.

"God's work. Our hands." Sunday

Sept. 12
2021

The graphic consists of three main sections. The top section is a yellow banner with the text "God's work. Our hands." Sunday. Below this is a pattern of colorful hands (red, blue, green, yellow) holding hearts. The bottom section is divided into three parts: a box with a gift, a collection of tools (wrench, hammer, saw, drill, screwdriver), and the date "Sept. 12 2021".

Do you ever wonder what to do with the plastic bags you get from the newspaper, the grocery store, the cleaners and many other places? Do you sometimes feel guilty about just tossing the plastic envelopes you get from online orders? Would you like to know how you can support a local organization just by changing where you discard your unwanted plastic? Well, I have just discovered how the Modesto Lions Club is collecting plastic bags to help to keep our planet clean and to repurpose them to make other useful items.

Lions Club members Carol Shipley from Saron Lutheran and Marlisa Ferriera who is a member of Emanuel, are people many of you already know. So, a great way we can lend a hand to this project (and also help a little bit to save our planet), is to kindly bring your plastic bags to church and place them in the bin marked **Plastic Recycling**. I will then be sure to get them over to Carol.

Thank you,
Marsha Waggoner

RECYCLE BEYOND THE BAG

Recycle your household bags & wrap into Trex's Earth-friendly composite decking and railing!

FROM THE STORE

- ✓ Produce bags
- ✓ Store bags
- ✓ Ice bags

FROM YOUR PANTRY

- ✓ Ziploc® & other reclosable bags
- ✓ Cereal box liners
- ✓ Case overwrap
- ✓ Bread bags

FROM YOUR FRONT DOOR

- ✓ Newspaper sleeves
- ✓ Dry cleaning bags
- ✓ Bubble wrap
- ✓ Plastic e-commerce mailers

Plastics must be clean, dry and free of food and organic residue

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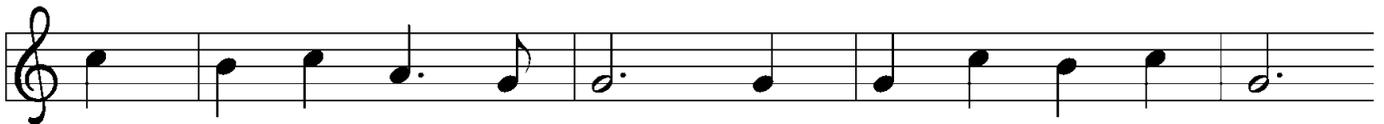
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Entrance Hymn

When Morning Gilds the Skies



1 When morn - ing gilds the skies, my heart a - wak - ing cries:
2 When mirth for mu - sic longs, this is my song of songs:
3 No love - lier an - ti - phon in all high heav'n is known
4 Let all of hu - man - kind in this their con - cord find:
5 Sing, sun and stars of space, sing, all who see his face,



may Je - sus Christ be praised! When eve - ning shad - ows fall,
may Je - sus Christ be praised! God's ho - ly house of prayer
than "Je - sus Christ be praised!" There to the e - ter - nal Word
may Je - sus Christ be praised! Let all the earth a - round
sing, "Je - sus Christ be praised!" God's whole cre - a - tion o'er,

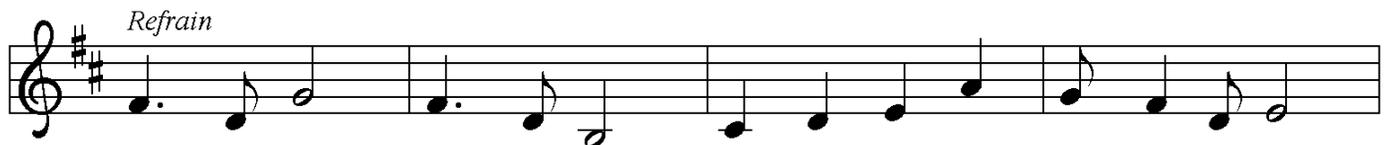


this rings my cur - few call: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
has none that can com - pare with "Je - sus Christ be praised!"
the e - ter - nal psalm is heard: oh, Je - sus Christ be praised!
ring joy - ous with the sound: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
to - day and ev - er - more shall Je - sus Christ be praised!

Text: German hymn, 19th cent.; tr. Robert Bridges, 1844–1930, alt.
Music: LAUDES DOMINI, Joseph Barnby, 1838–1896

Sermon Hymn

Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup



Eat this bread, drink this cup. Taste and see the good-ness of God.



Bread of life, cup of love, we re-joice in your pres-ence.



- 1 I will bless the Lord at all times, praise with heart and voice;
- 2 Look up - on the Lord, be ra - diant, nev - er turn a - way.
- 3 An - gels fold their wings a - round us, guard through good and ill.
- 4 Saints of God, bow down and wor - ship, bless the ho - ly name.



in my God I glo - ry for - ev - er: lis - ten and re - joice!
God will save in ev - 'ry af - flic - tion, hear us when we pray.
Those who seek the Lord will lack noth - ing; taste, and have your fill.
Rise to tell God's great - ness for - ev - er, won - drous deeds pro - claim!

Text: Jeremy Young, b. 1948, refrain; *With One Voice*, stanzas, based on Ps. 34

Music: STONERIDGE, Jeremy Young
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Communion Hymn

You Are the Way



- 1 You are the way; to you a - lone from sin and death we flee;
- 2 You are the truth; your word a - lone true wis - dom can im - part;
- 3 You are the life; the rend - ing tomb pro - claims your con - qu'ring arm;
- 4 You are the way, the truth, the life; grant us that way to know,



all those who search for God, you find and by your grace set free.
you on - ly can in - form the mind and pu - ri - fy the heart.
and those who put their trust in you not death nor hell shall harm.
that truth to keep, that life to win, whose joys e - ter - nal flow.

Text: George W. Doane, 1799–1859, alt.
Music: DUNDEE, *Psalter*, Edinburgh, 1615

Sending Hymn

Lead On, O King Eternal!



1 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal! The day of march has come;
2 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,
3 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal: we fol - low, not with fears,



hence-forth in fields of con - quest your tents will be our home.
and ho - li - ness shall whis - per the sweet a - men of peace;
for glad-ness breaks like morn - ing wher - e'er your face ap - pears.



Through days of prep - a - ra - tion your grace has made us strong;
for not with swords loud clash - ing, nor roll of stir-ring drums,
Your cross is lift - ed o'er us; we jour - ney in its light;



and now, O King e - ter - nal, we lift our bat - tle song.
but deeds of love and mer - cy the heav'n - ly king - dom comes.
the crown a - waits the con - quest; lead on, O God of might!

Text: Ernest W. Shurtleff, 1862–1917

Music: LANCASHIRE, Henry T. Smart, 1813–1879

Prayer Requests – August 22, 2021

- ✝ Prayers for healing & a good recovery for Officer Mike Rokaitis; prayers for strength and courage for his wife and parents, and prayers for the doctors & nurses treating him and for MPD as they support and encourage this family.

A fund has been established to help the Rokaitis family, through PORAC. This is the only fund sanctioned by the Modesto Police Department and the family.

Go to: <https://porac.org/fundraiser/officer-michael-rokaitis-fund/>

- ✝ An update about Tatum from Marsha Waggoner: “Pray for continued strength in her fight against leukemia.”

On-going Prayers: Jean Salazar—health (Schmidt); Arie Kroeze—continued healing; Pete Van Diepen—continued healing & well-being following surgery; Jim & Parry Beyer—strength as they are managing Jim’s cancer treatments (Rowland); Glenna—health, recovery & treatment of stage-4 kidney cancer (Silva); Jeri Johnson and family—comfort and strength; Susan McCready—continued healing and recovery; Donna—healing (Watkins); Barbara Crawford—continued health & well-being; Delaney—healing and strength (Epting); Joel—recovery & healing (Watkins); Yvonne Troedson—healing, health & well-being; Ian McKenzie—acceptance of mental illness (Schmidt); Keith Johnson—healing & well-being (Johnson); Pat Smith—healing, health & well-being; Jesus Ojeda—healing & well-being (Ojeda); Paula Kroeze—healing & well-being; Dennis Strand—health & well-being; Lois Silva and family—comfort and peace; William Teaney—healing; Bill Reinheimer—comfort, strength, and peace; Sue Allen—healing & well-being; Laurie Spinuzzi—healing

Pray for the church, the world and all those in need:

Doctors, nurses, technicians and all hospital personnel who care for patients & their needs.

For scientists, researchers, medical equipment manufacturers, corporations & employees who have stepped up to help during this crisis.

For those who are awaiting diagnostic tests results; for those already diagnosed with COVID-19 that healing will be complete.

For those who are dying and for those who grieve that they may be comforted with a sure and certain knowledge of Resurrection hope.

For all others who suffer from physical, emotional, mental or spiritual distress during this time we pray they may be sustained in love and grace.

For all this, and for whatever else you see that we need – we pray to you, O Lord. In Jesus’ name, Amen



Hebrews 10:23