

19th Sunday after Pentecost

October 8, 2023

Emanuel Lutheran Church

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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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OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday - 8 am to 3 pm

Friday - 8 am to 2 pm

19TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 8, 2023

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Pastor Lyn Crase

STEWARDSHIP TEMPLE TALK

Pat Smith

OPENING SONG

Dearest Jesus, at Your Word

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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be God,
the one who forms us,
✝ Jesus who bears the cross,
the Spirit who makes our joy complete.

Amen

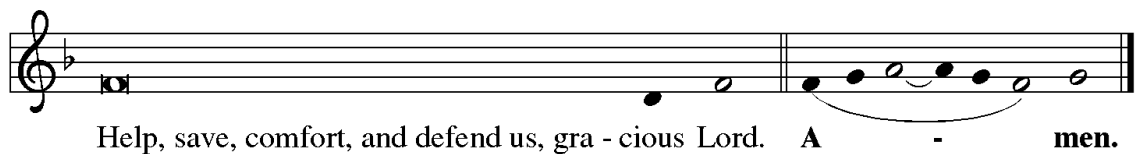
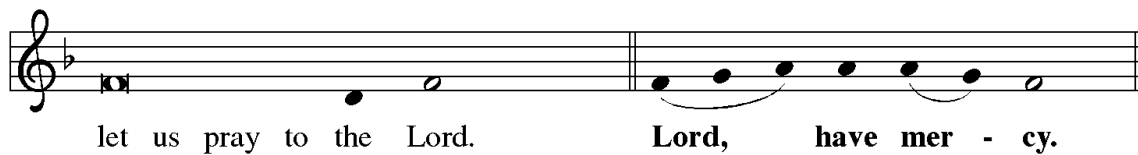
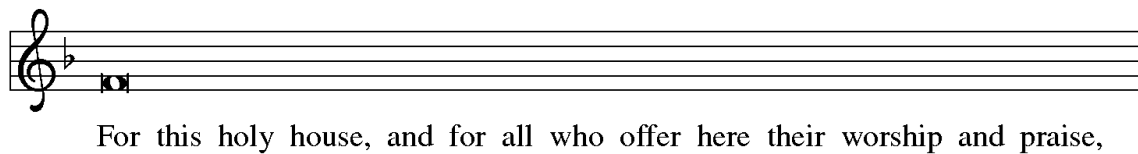
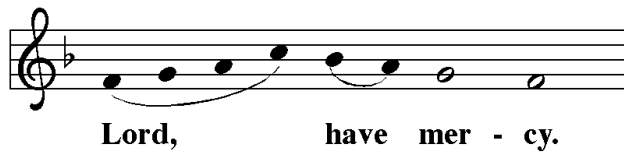
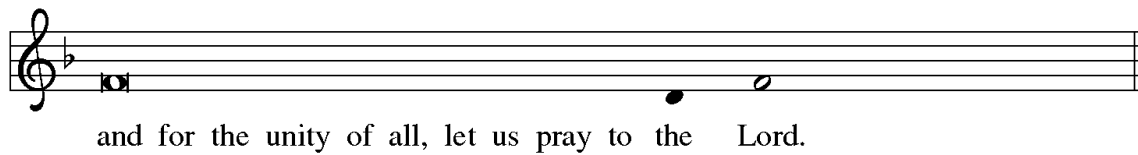
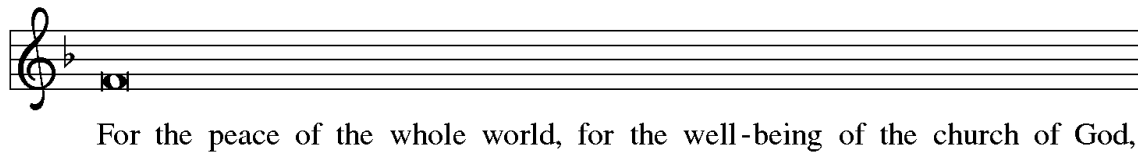
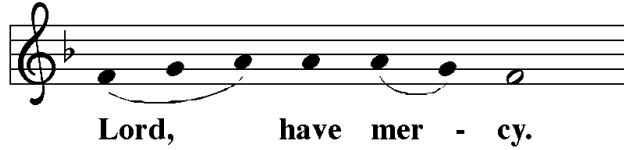
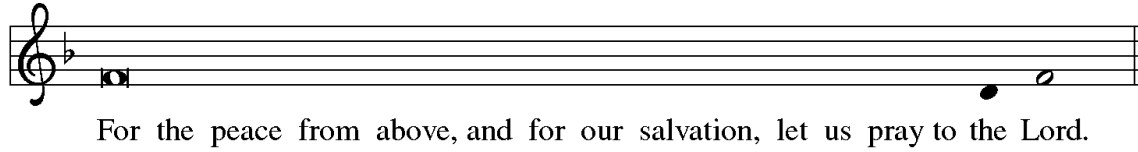
P: Let us bow before God in humility, confessing our sin.

Steadfast and faithful God,
**you have revealed the ways of justice,
yet we fail to follow you.
We are overwhelmed
by the world's violence and suffering.
We are afraid to risk what we have
for the sake of others.
For the harm we have caused,
known and unknown, forgive us.
For the unjust demands we place on others
and your creation, forgive us.
For the ways we turn away
from you and our neighbor, forgive us.
Lead us back to you
and set us on the right path;
in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen**

P: Beloved in Christ,
God's justice stretches beyond all understanding.
God's compassion is beyond compare.
In Jesus, God is always making a new way for us.
In ✝ Christ, you are already and always forgiven.

Amen

KYRIE—everyone sings



THIS IS THE FEAST

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb

who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich-es, wis - dom, and

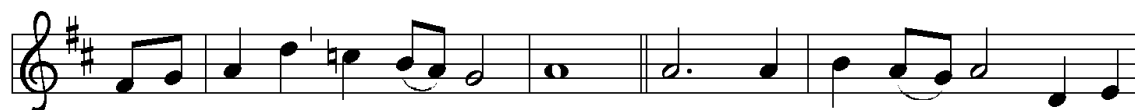
strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

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THIS IS THE FEAST (continued)



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of



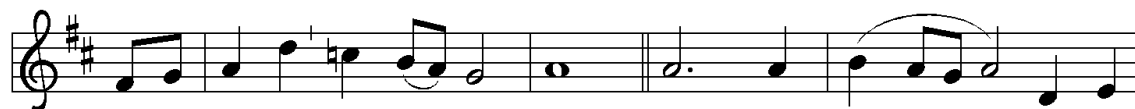
God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon-or,



glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was



slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



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

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....

Beloved God, from you come all things that are good. Lead us by the inspiration of your Spirit to know those things that are right, and by your merciful guidance, help us to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

In today's gospel reading, Jesus tells a vineyard parable, which serves as an image of Israel, the prophets' mission, and Christ's death. For Christians, the vineyard also speaks of God's love poured out in the blood of Christ, given to us for the forgiveness of sin. Grafted onto Christ the vine at baptism, we are nourished with wine and bread so that we may share Christ's sufferings and know the power of his resurrection.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 5:1-7

The prophet sings a sad, parable-like love song about the relationship between God and Israel. In this song Israel is compared to a promising vineyard. Despite God's loving care, the vineyard that is Israel has brought forth "wild grapes" of injustice and distress, when fine grapes of justice and righteousness were expected.

PSALM: : Psalm 80:7-15 (Read responsively)

⁷Restore us, O God of hosts;
let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.

⁸**You have brought a vine out of Egypt;
you cast out the nations and planted it.**

⁹You cleared the ground for it;
it took root and filled the land.

¹⁰**The mountains were covered by its shadow
and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.**

¹¹You stretched out its tendrils to the sea
and its branches to the river.

¹²**Why have you broken down its wall,
so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?**

¹³The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it,
and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.

¹⁴**Turn now, O God of hosts,
look down from heaven;**

¹⁵ behold and tend this vine;
preserve what your right hand has planted.

SECOND READING Philippians 3:4b-14

Paul reviews some of his supposed credentials, which no longer have any bearing in comparison to the right relationship he has been given through the death of Christ. The power of Christ's resurrection motivates him to press on toward the ultimate goal, eternal life with Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



P: The Gospel according to Matthew, Chapter 21.

Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: Matthew 21:33-46

Jesus tells a parable to the religious leaders who are plotting his death, revealing that their plans will, ironically, bring about the fulfillment of scripture.

P: The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (REPEATED) *Please be seated.*

SERMON

Pr. Lyn

HYMN OF THE DAY

Thine be the Amen

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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.....congregation responds with “hear our prayer.”

A: Please sit or kneel as comfortable.

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.

OFFERTORY

The offering is our response to God’s grace and mercy.

OFFERING PRAYER

**A: God of power, God of plenty,
all things belong to you.
We bring your gifts to the table,
that all might be fed.
Form us into the body of your Beloved,
Jesus Christ, our Savior.**

Amen

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.

And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord

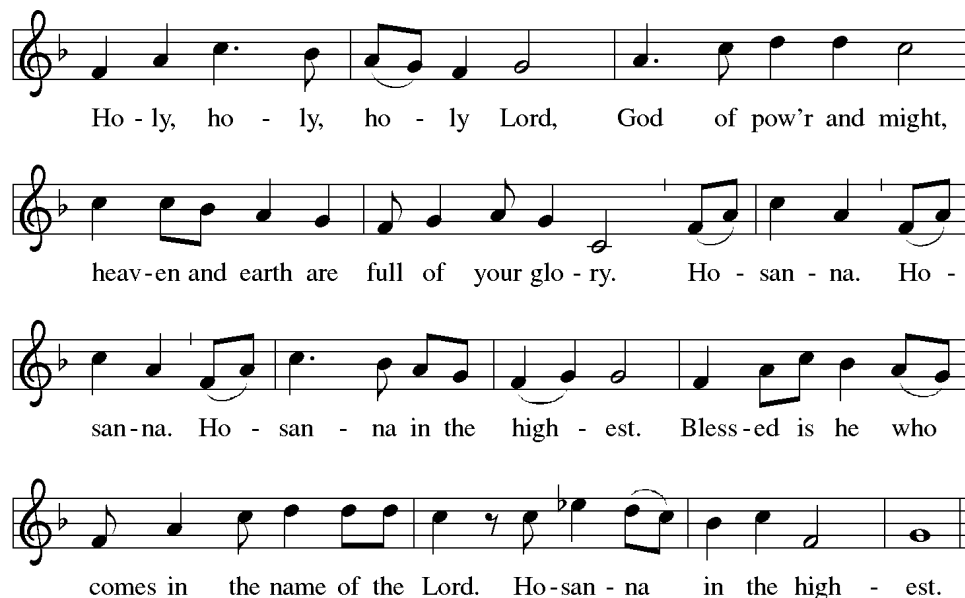
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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; 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



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

Let us 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

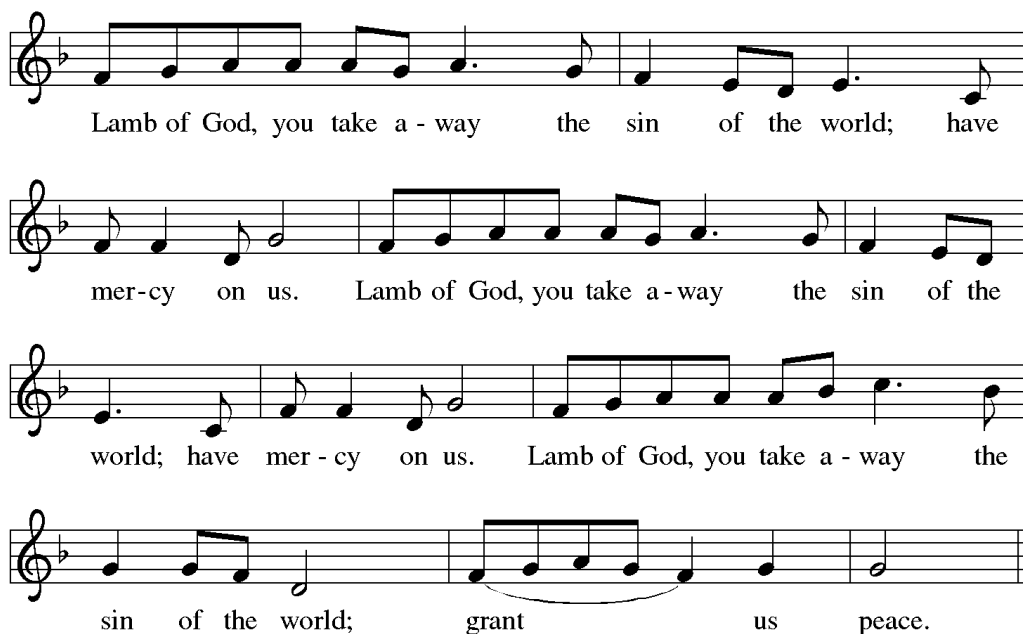
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Jesus invites you to this table.

Come, eat and live.

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



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.

COMMUNION HYMN

Jesus Loves Me!

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Lord Jesus, Think on Me

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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

A: Blessed be your name, O God,
for we have feasted on your Word,
Christ Jesus, the joy and delight of our hearts.
Strengthened by this food,

send us to gather the world to your banquet,
where none are left out and all are satisfied.
In Jesus' name we pray.

Amen

BLESSING

P: The God of glory,
✠ Jesus Christ, name above all names,
and the Spirit who lives in you,
bless you now and forever.

Amen

SENDING HYMN

Go, My Children, with My Blessing

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DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. God is at work in you.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Bible Readings for October 15— 20th Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Isaiah 25:1-9

Psalm: Psalm 80:7-15

Second Reading: Philippians 4:1-9

Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

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Announcements: Week of October 8, 2023

≧ **Save the Date** ≦

Emanuel Lutheran Day Care Fundraiser Events

Less than 1 week away!

*Paint Night—Friday, October 13th, 6:30 pm
See flyer insert for details*



Mark your Calendars!

**Emanuel's Outreach Fund Raiser
Saturday, October 14th**

Coming up this Saturday!

Emanuel's Outreach Fund Raiser will be held at Dave & Kristine Kraft's, 350 Roscoe Rd., Modesto. Anyone who wants to pick walnuts for themselves or for Emanuel's Outreach can join us. They will also be helping Dave & Kristine, by hopefully removing many organic walnuts. Please come around 9:00 am and stay for lunch (Taco Soup). Let's raise money for Emanuel's Outreach.

Ongoing Announcements

Food for Faith Sunday — 1st Sunday of each month. Items can be placed in the basket in the Narthex. Your generous donations benefit The Food Initiative of Greater Stanislaus.

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.

The Men's Bible Study Group meets at 7 am on Wednesday mornings at The Secret Garden Restaurant, 2401 Orangeburg Ave.

Wednesday Adult Bible Study — 1:30 pm in Luther Hall. Join anytime.

Hosts are needed for Coffee Hour. Please see the sign-up sheet in Luther Hall.

We are asking for donations to help support the Coffee Hour. A donation container will be available on a table in Luther Hall.

Coin Jar -- Your spare change makes a difference! Proceeds go to Outreach.

Quilting Bee -- meets the 2nd Monday of each month at 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!

Lydia Circle — usually meets the 2nd Monday of each month, at the home of Marsha Waggoner - 916 Kenilworth Ct. at 1:00 pm. Please be sure to check the weekly calendar in the bulletin for any updates! We use the GATHER magazine as our Bible Study. All women of Emanuel are invited to join us.

Leah Circle meets on the third Monday of the month at 1:00 pm at The Park Independent Senior Living Community in Modesto.

Rebecca Circle meets every 3rd Thursday at 1:30 pm in member's homes. All are welcome!

Miriam Circle meets every 4th Monday at member's homes. See Melissa Molina for more information.

The Shower Shuttle and Laundry Shuttle are actively taking care of our homeless communities, and the needs remain the same: personal hygiene items, etc. *Thank you all for your contributions to this Ministry, Marilyn and Chuck Rowland*

Lutheran Disaster Response and Lutheran World Relief directed donations go directly to the people most in need.

Adult Senior Day Care Position Opening

Emanuel Lutheran Church is starting an exciting new ministry called Adult Senior Day Care. We are looking for a program coordinator. This program strives to provide a safe and loving environment for our senior guests. We will supply games, activities, and fellowship. This is initially an unpaid position. The hours will be approximately 6 to 8 hours a week with the possibility of additional hours pending the expansion of the program to an additional day each week. If you are interested please contact Kathy Obermeyer, 209-556-8092. Thank you!

Applications may be picked up in the office.



Save the Date

Holy Closure: Our Redeemer Lutheran Church
1505 E Street
Livingston, CA 95334
Sunday, October 15th at 2 pm
All are invited!

Mt. Cross Ministries' 75th Anniversary Celebration

October 28, 2023

Fun — Games — Food

ONE MONTH AWAY: Mt. Cross Ministries in Ben Lomond, CA is celebrating 75 years of ministry!!! All are welcome to celebrate this milestone achievement at Mt. Cross on October 28, 2023 from 1-6pm.

Please join us for an afternoon of fellowship and fun, and consider participating in camp activities for all ages. Dinner will be provided. Prepare to share photos, memories, and stories from the first 75 years of Mt. Cross and learn what's in store for the next 75! We hope to see you all soon.

7795 HWY-9, Ben Lomond, CA 95005

Entrance

Dearest Jesus, at Your Word



1 Dear - est Je - sus, at your word we have come a -
2 All our knowl - edge, sense, and sight lie in deep - est
3 Ra - diance of God's glo - ry bright, Light of Light from
4 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, praise to you and



gain to hear you; let our thoughts and hearts be stirred
dark - ness shroud - ed till your Spir - it breaks the night,
God pro - ceed - ing, Je - sus, send your bless - ed light;
ad - o - ra - tion! Grant us what we need the most:



and in glow - ing faith be near you as the prom - is -
fill - ing us with light un - cloud - ed. All good thoughts and
help our hear - ing, speak - ing, heed - ing, that our prayers and
all your gos - pel's con - so - la - tion while we here on



es here giv - en draw us whol - ly up to heav - en.
all good liv - ing come but by your gra - cious giv - ing.
songs may please you, as with grate - ful hearts we praise you.
earth a - wait you, till in heav'n with praise we greet you.

Text: Tobias Clausnitzer, 1619–1684, sts. 1–3; *Gesangbuch*, Berlin, 1707, st. 4; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, adapt.
Music: LIEBSE JESU, WIR SIND HIER, Johann R. Ahle, 1625–1673

Hymn of the Day

Thine the Amen



1 Thine the a - men thine the praise al - le - lu - ias an - gels raise
 2 Thine the life e - ter - nal - ly thine the prom - ise let there be
 3 Thine the tru - ly thine the yes thine the ta - ble we the guest
 4 Thine the king - dom thine the prize thine the won - der full sur - prise
 5 Thine the glo - ry in the night no more dy - ing on - ly light



thine the ev - er - last - ing head thine the break - ing of the bread
 thine the vi - sion thine the tree all the earth on bend - ed knee
 thine the mer - cy all from thee thine the glo - ry yet to be
 thine the ban - quet then the praise then the jus - tice of thy ways
 thine the riv - er thine the tree then the Lamb e - ter - nal - ly



thine the glo - ry thine the sto - ry thine the har - vest then the cup
 gone the nail - ing gone the rail - ing gone the plead - ing gone the cry
 then the ring - ing and the sing - ing then the end of all the war
 thine the glo - ry thine the sto - ry then the wel - come to the least
 then the ho - ly ho - ly ho - ly cel - e - bra - tion ju - bi - lee



thine the vine - yard then the cup is lift - ed up lift - ed up.
 gone the sigh - ing gone the dy - ing what was loss lift - ed high.
 thine the liv - ing thine the lov - ing ev - er - more ev - er - more.
 then the won - der all in - creas - ing at thy feast at thy feast.
 thine the splen - dor thine the bright - ness on - ly thee on - ly thee.

Text: Herbert F. Brokering, b. 1926

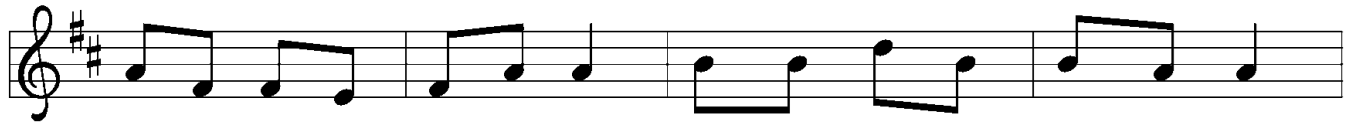
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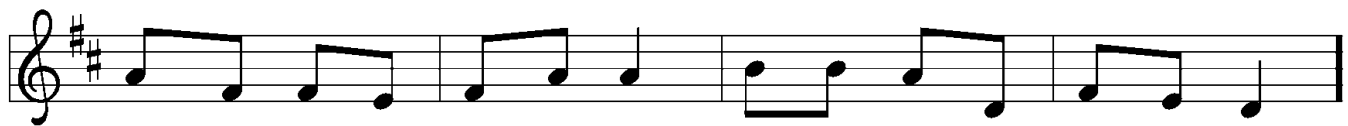
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Communion Hymn

Jesus Loves Me!



1 Je - sus loves me! this I know, for the Bi - ble tells me so;
2 Je - sus loves me! he who died heav - en's gates to o - pen wide;
3 Je - sus loves me! he will stay close be - side me all the way;

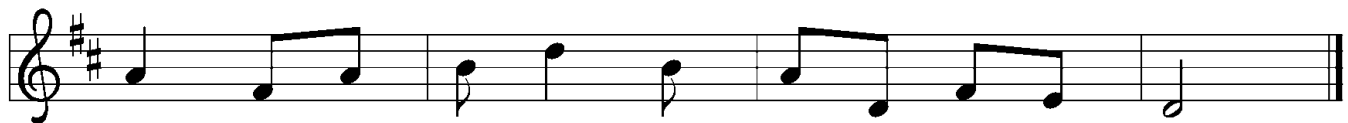


lit - tle ones to him be - long, they are weak, but he is strong.
he will wash a - way my sin, let his lit - tle child come in.
when at last I come to die, he will take me home on high.

Refrain



Yes, Je - sus loves me, yes, Je - sus loves me,



yes, Je - sus loves me, the Bi - ble tells me so.

Text: Anna B. Warner, 1820–1915, alt.

Music: JESUS LOVES ME, William B. Bradbury, 1816–1868

Communion Hymn

Lord Jesus, Think on Me



1 Lord Je - sus, think on me, and purge a - way my sin;
2 Lord Je - sus, think on me, by anx - ious thoughts op - pressed;
3 Lord Je - sus, think on me, nor let me go a - stray;
4 Lord Je - sus, think on me, that, when the flood is past,



from self - ish pas - sions set me free and make me pure with - in.
let me your lov - ing ser - vant be and taste your prom - ised rest.
through dark - ness and per - plex - i - ty point out your cho - sen way.
I may the e - ter - nal bright - ness see and share your joy at last.

Text: Synesius of Cyrene, 375–430; tr. Allen W. Chatfield, 1808–1896, alt.
Music: SOUTHWELL, W. Daman, *The Psalms of David*, 1579, alt.

Sending Hymn

Go, My Children, with My Blessing



1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.
2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com - fort stilled you.



Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."
Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."
Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free."

Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda, b. 1919, alt.

Music: AR HYD Y NOS, Welsh traditional

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Prayer Requests: October 8, 2023

✝ Prayers for comfort and peace for the family of Barbara Bauman as they mourn her recent passing. A memorial service will be held at a later date

On-going Prayers:

1. Barbara Bauman—peace & comfort
2. Ray Simon—strength & healing
3. Cara Lee—recovery & healing (Crawford)
4. Linda Lee—strength, well-being & health issues
5. Tom & Barbara Norquist—well-being
6. Rose Epting—healing
7. Pat Smith—healing, peace & a sense of God's presence
8. Sue Allen—healing & well-being
9. Darcy Moreno—healing & well-being (Ashlock)
10. Stephanie Detmer—healing/cancer treatments (Kraft)
11. Stephanie—healing/cancer treatments (Obermeyer)
12. Vicki—health issues (Wilke)
13. Randy Powell—strength, well-being & health issues (Troedson)
14. Dee Corrin—health (Nelson)
15. Brendon—health, well-being & friendship (Mckenzie/Schmidt)
16. Sally Sales—medical issues & testing (Troedson)
17. Jeff Smit—healing (Troedson)
18. Clarice Soares—healing & health (Tchmola)
19. Debbie Johnson—healing & health (Tchmola)
20. Debora Bauer—healing & health (Tchmola)
21. Diane McCoy—healing & health (Tchmola)

CALENDAR | OCTOBER 9 - 15

Monday, October 9

10:00 am Piecemakers Quilting Bee
1 pm Lydia Circle: Meets off-site
6:00 pm Sergio cleans the Sanctuary

Tuesday, October 10

10 am Organ Practice: Sanctuary
12 pm Text Study: Luther Hall
6:30 pm Radiant Bible Study: Luther Hall

Wednesday, October 11

7 am ELC Men's Bible Study group meets at The Secret Garden
 Restaurant, 2401 E. Orangeburg Ave. in Modesto
1:30 pm Bible Study: Luther Hall

Thursday, October 12

10 am Organ Practice: Sanctuary
6 pm Task Force Meeting: Church Office

Friday, October 13

6 pm Emanuel Lutheran Day Care Paint Night Fundraiser: Luther Hall

Saturday, October 14

9 am-2 pm Walnut Picking at the Kraft's
 350 Roscoe Rd. in Modesto

Sunday, October 15

 BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS SUNDAY
9:30 am ELC Worship Service
10:45 am ELC Sunday School
2 pm Holy Closure—Our Redeemer Lutheran Church
 1505 E St., Livingston, CA 95334. All are welcome!
3 pm Radiant Leadership Meeting
5 pm Radiant Worship Service



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.

