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ORGAN PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELL

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HYMN – No. 549 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

- 1 All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem
And crown Him Lord of all.
Bring forth the royal diadem
And crown Him Lord of all.**

- 2 Crown Him, ye martyrs of our God,
Who from His altar call;
Extol the stem of Jesse's rod
And crown Him Lord of all.
Extol the stem of Jesse's rod
And crown Him Lord of all.**

- 3 Ye seed of Israel's chosen race,
Ye ransomed from the fall,
Hail Him who saves you by His grace
And crown Him Lord of all.
Hail Him who saves you by His grace
And crown Him Lord of all.**

- 4 Hail Him, ye heirs of David's line,
Whom David Lord did call,
The God incarnate, man divine,
And crown Him Lord of all.
The God incarnate, man divine,
And crown Him Lord of all.**
- 5 Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget
The wormwood and the gall,
Go, spread your trophies at His feet
And crown Him Lord of all.
Go, spread your trophies at His feet
And crown Him Lord of all.**
- 6 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe,
On this terrestrial ball
To Him all majesty ascribe
And crown Him Lord of all.
To Him all majesty ascribe
And crown Him Lord of all.**
- 7 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng
We at His feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown Him Lord of all.
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown Him Lord of all.**

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

INTROIT – Psalm 121:1-4, 7-8; antiphon: Psalm 121:5

P: The LORD is your keeper;

C: the LORD is your shade on your right hand.

P: I lift up my eyes to the hills.

C: From where does my help come?

P: My help comes from the LORD,

C: who made heaven and earth.

P: He will not let your foot be moved;

C: he who keeps you will not slumber.

P: Behold, he who keeps Israel

C: will neither slumber nor sleep.

P: The LORD will keep you from all evil;

C: he will keep your life.

P: The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in

C: from this time forth and forevermore.

P: Glory be to the Father and to the Son

C: and to the Holy Spirit;

P: as it was in the beginning,

C: is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P: The LORD is your keeper;

C: the LORD is your shade on your right hand.

KYRIE

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

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



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P: 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 mer - cy.

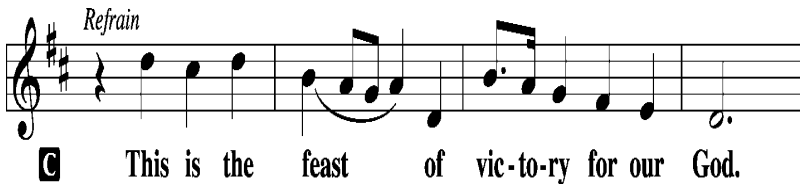
P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



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



HYMN OF PRAISE - This Is the Feast





1 — Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
5 For the Lamb _____ who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*
gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*



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



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

COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P: Let us pray.

C: O God, the protector of all who trust in You, have mercy on us that with You as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Old Testament Reading – Isaiah 45:1-7

*Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus,
whose right hand I have grasped,
to subdue nations before him
and to loose the belts of kings,
to open doors before him
that gates may not be closed:
“I will go before you
and level the exalted places,
I will break in pieces the doors of bronze
and cut through the bars of iron,
I will give you the treasures of darkness
and the hoards in secret places,*

*that you may know that it is I, the LORD,
the God of Israel, who call you by your name.
For the sake of my servant Jacob,
and Israel my chosen,
I call you by your name,
I name you, though you do not know me.
I am the LORD, and there is no other,
besides me there is no God;
I equip you, though you do not know me,
that people may know, from the rising of the sun
and from the west, that there is none besides me;
I am the LORD, and there is no other.
I form light and create darkness,
I make well-being and create calamity,
I am the LORD, who does all these things.”*

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle – 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

*To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and
the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.*

*We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly
mentioning you in our prayers, remembering before our God and
Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of
hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers loved by
God, that he has chosen you, because our gospel came to you not
only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with
full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be
among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of
the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the
joy of the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the
believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For not only has the word
of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia,
but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need
not say anything. For they themselves report concerning us the
kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God
from idols to serve the living and true God, and to wait for his*

Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA

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

Holy Gospel – Matthew 22:15-22

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.

Glo-ry to You, O Lord.

Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle [Jesus] in his talk. And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone’s opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?” But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius. And Jesus said to them, “Whose likeness and inscription is this?” They said, “Caesar’s.” Then he said to them, “Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s, and to God the things that are God’s.” When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN – No. 525 Crown Him with Many Crowns

- 1 Crown Him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon His throne;
Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns
All music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing
Of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless king
Through all eternity.
- 2 Crown Him the virgin's Son,
The God incarnate born,
Whose arm those crimson trophies won
Which now His brow adorn:
Fruit of the mystic rose,
Yet of that rose the stem,
The root whence mercy ever flows,
The babe of Bethlehem.
- 3 Crown Him the Lord of love.
Behold His hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above,
In beauty glorified.
No angels in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bend their wond'ring eyes
At mysteries so bright.
- 4 Crown Him the Lord of life,
Who triumphed o'er the grave
And rose victorious in the strife
For those He came to save.
His glories now we sing,

**Who died and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring
And lives that death may die.**

- 5 Crown Him the Lord of heav'n,
Enthroned in worlds above,
Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n
The wondrous name of Love.
Crown Him with many crowns
As thrones before Him fall;
Crown Him, ye kings, with many crowns,
For He is king of all.**

SERMON

Text: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Theme: Simple Words – Powerful Words

APOSTLES' CREED

C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

(there is a time for silent prayer)

After each petition

P: Lord, in Your mercy

C: hear our prayer

At the conclusion of the prayer:

P: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR THE WORD

P: Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scripture to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.



HYMN –No. 973 Thy Word Is a Lamp

Refrain:

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path.

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path.

- 1 When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way,
Still You're there right beside me.
And nothing will I fear as long as You are near.
Please be near me to the end.

Refrain:

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path.

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path.

- 2 I will not forget Your love for me, and yet
My heart forever is wandering.
Jesus, be my guide and hold me to Your side;
And I will love You to the end.

Refrain:

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path.

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path.

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WELCOME - We welcome all worshippers to our services at Immanuel this week. As God comes to us in Word and in Sacrament may we experience His love and His power in the singing of praise and the living of our lives to His glory.

VISITORS - Welcome all visitors this week. Be sure to pick up a visitor packet from an usher or from our Information Rack in the east entrance.

SERVICE ENLARGEMENTS, LARGE PRINT HYMNS & ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICES - are now available for the service each week. It will include the service, hymns, and the insert of readings. They will be available at both entrances next to the bulletins. Please return them after the service.

RECORD OF FELLOWSHIP - ALL members and visitors are asked to record their attendance at church and communion. Please return the record to the center aisle.

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY TOTES - are available at both entrances for children age kindergarten and younger. Please return them after the service.

NURSERY - Exit the southeast door, the nursery is the third door at the bottom of the stairs. The first door is the lounge where you may listen to the service on the speaker.

CATECHISM AND ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL is at 8:30AM in the Sanctuary.

CHILDREN SUNDAY SCHOOL is at 8:30AM in the Fellowship Hall.

CHURCH OFFICE - If you need to meet, speak, or make an appointment with the Church Secretary the office is open on Monday and Wednesday. If you need to meet or speak to Pastor Kuhlman you can always reach him on his cell 812 361-7403 and at his home 260 338-1997. **Please note that the church will be locked at all times unless two people are present.**

FLOWERS - The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God by Randy and Shelia Hovarter in honor of their 43rd Wedding Anniversary.

MEETINGS AND EVENTS: Monday –Bridge Builders 6:30PM,

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER is in your mailbox! Save a stamp and pick yours up today!

MASKS - Masks are strongly encouraged and at this time we request that our congregation wear a mask anytime you are inside the church to help protect all of our members.

2021 CHANCEL SIGN UP SHEET is up in the chancel room inside the cupboard door. 2020 price is \$30.00 and 2021 price is yet to be determined. Sign up today!

2021 FLOWER CHART is up in the back of the church next to the balcony stairway. Sign up today!!

REFORMATION SUNDAY is next Sunday. **All Saints' Sunday** is Sunday, November 1st.

CONGREGATIONAL ASSEMBLY VOTER MEETING will be Sunday November 8th after morning service. Voting will take place on the proposed 2021 church budget and election of officers.

THANK YOU to everyone that contributed to the LWML Mites. We collected \$563.59. We appreciate your generosity in helping our mission. *LWML*

SERVING YOUR CHURCH AND YOUR LORD

If you are asked to serve in the various offices in the congregation please give it prayerful consideration. We, at Immanuel, always need to be a part of the offices and services in growing to be a family oriented congregation. Again, please give prayerful consideration to volunteer, serve and help grow with our Lord's guidance!

OCTOBER – DECEMBER PORTALS OF PRAYER – The October—December Portals of Prayer are found in the information rack in the east entrance and on the table in the back of the church. The July - September Portals of Prayer can be found on the ledge of the mailboxes in the east entrance.

APPLICATIONS FOR AVILLA CHRISTMAS CHARITIES are on the table in the east entrance. They need to be submitted to the Avilla Town Hall or mailed to the Avilla Chamber of Commerce by November 1st.

PIES NEEDED FOR ST. JAMES DINNER. Immanuel is asked to donate 23 pies and the sign up sheet is on the table in the east entrance! Please deliver your pie or pies to the St. James Restaurant on Saturday, October 31st anytime or Sunday morning first thing and let them know they are for the Turkey Dinner. Thank you!!

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BENEFIT TURKEY DINNER FUNDRAISER AT ST. JAMES RESTAURANT

Remember to mark your calendars for the St. James Restaurant's Annual Fundraising Dinner, Sunday, November 1st at the St. James Restaurant, **this year it will be carryout only from 11:00AM until 2:00PM.** Local churches and St. James Restaurants donate and serve a fantastic, full thanksgiving meal, all for a minimum donation of \$5.00 per plate. This is by far the biggest, single fundraiser for the Avilla Christmas Charities and an awesome time for the communities to come together in fellowship. **Thank you to all!!**

BRIDGE BUILDERS - Kids' Club at Immanuel Lutheran Church
The fall session of Bridge Builders started Monday, September 14th and will continue every Monday evening from 6:30 - 8:00 PM. Learn to build bridges by loving God and loving others. Bring a friend! Want to help? Questions? Call Vi at 260-760-6856.

AVILLA FOOD PANTRY - Please don't forget the needy people in our community. You may place your food donations in the box in the east entrance.

BULLETIN BOARD - Cross Connection; Worship for Shut-Ins;

PRAYER LIST- Prayer for the sick & recovering: Judy McKinley, Dan Phares, Ron Smith, Betty Daniels, Carole Bishop, Roger Reichhart, Paul Jones, young relative of a church member who is suffering mentally and parents who need wisdom and comfort, Angela Graves, and Judy Bender.

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS are now on our website. The announcements in the bulletin each week can be seen on our website [under Blog and then correct month](#).

INFORMATION RACK- last week's bulletin; extra November Newsletters; Visitors Packet; October - December 2020 Portals of Prayer; Lutheran Witness; Cross Connection; Thrivent Dollars information; Lutherans for Life.

LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS:

Worship Attendance – Sunday 62 + Jesus

God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9:7

WORSHIP SERVICE NEXT WEEK: Sunday: Children and Adult Sunday School 8:30AM, Morning Worship 9:30AM/HC Reformation

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY – The early Christians set the gold standard for Christian fellowship.