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**ORGAN PRELUDE**

**RINGING OF THE BELL**

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**HYMN– No. 750 If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee**

- 1 If thou but trust in God to guide thee  
And hope in Him through all thy ways,  
He'll give thee strength, whate'er betide thee,  
And bear thee through the evil days.  
Who trusts in God's unchanging love  
Builds on the rock that naught can move.**
- 2 What can these anxious cares avail thee,  
These never-ceasing moans and sighs?  
What can it help if thou bewail thee  
O'er each dark moment as it flies?  
Our cross and trials do but press  
The heavier for our bitterness.**
- 3 Be patient and await His leisure  
In cheerful hope, with heart content  
To take whate'er thy Father's pleasure  
And His discerning love hath sent,  
Nor doubt our inmost wants are known  
To Him who chose us for His own.**

- 4** God knows full well when times of gladness  
Shall be the needful thing for thee.  
When He has tried thy soul with sadness  
And from all guile has found thee free,  
He comes to thee all unaware  
And makes thee own His loving care.
- 5** Nor think amid the fiery trial  
That God hath cast thee off unheard,  
That he whose hopes meet no denial  
Must surely be of God preferred.  
Time passes and much change doth bring  
And sets a bound to ev'rything.
- 6** All are alike before the Highest;  
'Tis easy for our God, we know,  
To raise thee up, though low thou liest,  
To make the rich man poor and low.  
True wonders still by Him are wrought  
Who setteth up and brings to naught.
- 7** Sing, pray, and keep His ways unswerving,  
Perform thy duties faithfully,  
And trust His Word; though undeserving,  
Thou yet shalt find it true for thee.  
God never yet forsook in need  
The soul that trusted Him indeed.

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## **INVOCATION**

- P:** In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the  
Holy Spirit.
- C:** **Amen.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C: who made heaven and earth.**

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

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

P: O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

**INTROIT – Psalm 113:1-2, 4, 7-8; antiphon: Psalm 113:3**

P: From the rising of the sun to its setting,

**C: the name of the LORD is to be praised!**

P: Praise the LORD! Praise, O servants of the LORD,

**C: praise the name of the LORD!**

P: Blessèd be the name of the LORD

**C: from this time forth and forevermore!**

P: The LORD is high above all nations,

**C: and his glory above the heavens!**

P: He raises the poor from the dust

**C: and lifts the needy from the ash heap,**

P: to make them sit with princes,

**C: with the princes of his people.**

P: Glory be to the Father and to the Son

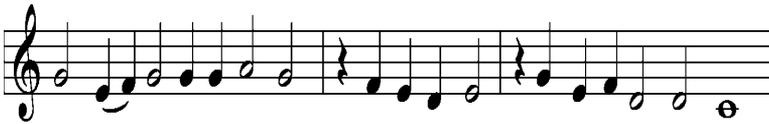
**C: and to the Holy Spirit;**

P: as it was in the beginning,

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

P: From the rising of the sun to its setting,

**C: the name of the LORD is to be praised!**



**G** Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

## KYRIE



**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



**F** Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward  
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,  
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.  
O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.  
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.



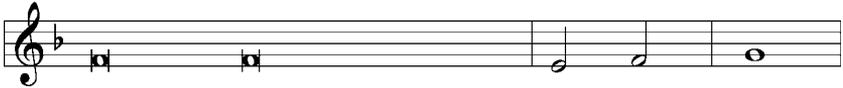
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.



Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-



on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord.



Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,



art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.



☐ And with thy spir - it.

P: Let us pray.

**C: Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal and defend us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**



☐ A - men.

## Old Testament – Jonah 3:1-5, 10

*Then the word of the LORD came to Jonah the second time, saying, “Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it the message that I tell you.” So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, three days’ journey in breadth. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s journey. And he called out, “Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” And the people of Nineveh believed God. They called for a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least of them. . . .*

*When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that he had said he would do to them, and he did not do it.*

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## Epistle – 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

*This is what I mean, brothers: the appointed time has grown very short. From now on, let those who have wives live as though they had none, and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no goods, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.*

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

# ALLELUIA



☐ Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel – Mark 1:14-20

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.



☐ Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

*After John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.”*

*Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men.” And immediately they left their nets and followed him. And going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets. And immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him.*

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



☐ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

## NICENE CREED

**C: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.**

## HYMN – No. 685 Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus

**1 Let us ever walk with Jesus,  
Follow His example pure,  
Through a world that would deceive us  
And to sin our spirits lure.  
Onward in His footsteps treading,  
Pilgrims here, our home above,  
Full of faith and hope and love,**

- Let us do the Father's bidding.  
Faithful Lord, with me abide;  
I shall follow where You guide.
- 2 Let us suffer here with Jesus  
And with patience bear our cross.  
Joy will follow all our sadness;  
Where He is, there is no loss.  
Though today we sow no laughter,  
We shall reap celestial joy;  
All discomforts that annoy  
Shall give way to mirth hereafter.  
Jesus, here I share Your woe;  
Help me there Your joy to know.
- 3 Let us gladly die with Jesus.  
Since by death He conquered death,  
He will free us from destruction,  
Give to us immortal breath.  
Let us mortify all passion  
That would lead us into sin;  
And the grave that shuts us in  
Shall but prove the gate to heaven.  
Jesus, here with You I die,  
There to live with You on high.
- 4 Let us also live with Jesus.  
He has risen from the dead  
That to life we may awaken.  
Jesus, You are now our head.  
We are Your own living members;  
Where You live, there we shall be  
In Your presence constantly,  
Living there with You forever.  
Jesus, let me faithful be,  
Life eternal grant to me.

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## **SERMON**

**Text: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31**

**Theme: A Matter Of Priorities**

## OFFERTORY



**C** Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

## 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.**

# PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

P: Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



**C** It is meet and right so to do.

P: It is truly meet, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying:

# SANCTUS



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

## LORD'S PRAYER

P: 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



glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was  
betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks,  
He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said:  
“Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you.  
This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

## PAX DOMINI

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



☐ A - men.

## AGNUS DEI



☐ O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

## **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

### **Hymn No. 730 What Is the World to Me**

- 1**    **What is the world to me**  
**With all its vaunted pleasure**  
**When You, and You alone,**  
**Lord Jesus, are my treasure!**  
**You only, dearest Lord,**  
**My soul's delight shall be;**  
**You are my peace, my rest.**  
**What is the world to me!**
  
- 2**    **The world seeks to be praised**  
**And honored by the mighty**  
**Yet never once reflects**  
**That they are frail and flighty.**  
**But what I truly prize**  
**Above all things is He,**  
**My Jesus, He alone.**  
**What is the world to me!**
  
- 3**    **The world seeks after wealth**  
**And all that mammon offers**  
**Yet never is content**  
**Though gold should fill its coffers.**  
**I have a higher good,**  
**Content with it I'll be:**  
**My Jesus is my wealth.**  
**What is the world to me!**
  
- 4**    **What is the world to me!**  
**My Jesus is my treasure,**  
**My life, my health, my wealth,**  
**My friend, my love, my pleasure,**  
**My joy, my crown, my all,**  
**My bliss eternally.**  
**Once more, then, I declare:**  
**What is the world to me!**

## Hymn No. 725 Children of the Heavenly Father

- 1 Children of the heav'nly Father  
Safely in His bosom gather;  
Nestling bird nor star in heaven  
Such a refuge e'er was given.
- 2 God His own doth tend and nourish;  
In His holy courts they flourish.  
From all evil things He spares them;  
In His mighty arms He bears them.
- 3 Neither life nor death shall ever  
From the Lord His children sever;  
Unto them His grace He showeth,  
And their sorrows all He knoweth.
- 4 Though He giveth or He taketh,  
God His children ne'er forsaketh;  
His the loving purpose solely  
To preserve them pure and holy.

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## Hymn No. 748 I'm But a Stranger Here

- 1 I'm but a stranger here,  
Heav'n is my home;  
Earth is a desert drear,  
Heav'n is my home.  
Danger and sorrow stand  
Round me on ev'ry hand;  
Heav'n is my fatherland,  
Heav'n is my home.
- 2 What though the tempest rage,  
Heav'n is my home;  
Short is my pilgrimage,  
Heav'n is my home;  
And time's wild wintry blast  
Soon shall be overpast;  
I shall reach home at last,  
Heav'n is my home.

- 3** Therefore I murmur not,  
Heav'n is my home;  
Whate'er my earthly lot,  
Heav'n is my home;  
And I shall surely stand  
There at my Lord's right hand;  
Heav'n is my fatherland,  
Heav'n is my home.

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**Hymn No. 763 When Peace, like a River**

- 1** When peace, like a river, attendeth my way;  
When sorrows, like sea billows, roll;  
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,  
It is well, it is well with my soul.  
**Refrain**  
It is well (It is well)  
with my soul, (with my soul),  
It is well, it is well with my soul.
- 2** Though Satan should buffet, though trials should  
come,  
Let this blest assurance control,  
That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate  
And hath shed His own blood for my soul.  
**Refrain**  
It is well (It is well)  
with my soul, (with my soul),  
It is well, it is well with my soul.
- 3** He lives—oh, the bliss of this glorious thought;  
My sin, not in part, but the whole,  
Is nailed to His cross, and I bear it no more.  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!  
**Refrain**  
It is well (It is well)  
with my soul, (with my soul),  
It is well, it is well with my soul.

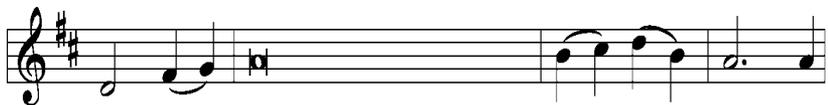
4 And, Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight,  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,  
The trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend;  
Even so it is well with my soul.

**Refrain**

It is well (It is well)  
with my soul, (with my soul),  
It is well, it is well with my soul.

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**NUNC DIMITTIS**



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-



cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy



peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and



to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,



is now, and ev-er shall be, world without end. A-men.

## THANKSGIVING

P: O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

P: Let us pray... We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



A - men.

## SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS

P: The Lord be with you.



And with thy spir - it.

P: Bless we the Lord.



**C** Thanks be to God.

## BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.



**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

## HYMN No. 921 On What Has Now Been Sown

- 1 On what has now been sown  
Thy blessing, Lord, bestow;  
The pow'r is Thine alone  
To make it sprout and grow.  
Do Thou in grace the harvest raise,  
And Thou alone shalt have the praise!
- 2 To Thee our wants are known,  
From Thee are all our pow'rs;  
Accept what is Thine own  
And pardon what is ours.  
Our praises, Lord, and prayers receive,  
And to Thy Word a blessing give.
- 3 O grant that each of us,  
Now met before Thee here,  
May meet together thus  
When Thou and Thine appear  
And follow Thee to heav'n, our home.  
E'en so, amen, Lord Jesus, come!

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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.

**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.

**COMMUNION** - If you are not a member of Immanuel and have not previously taken Communion here, or if you are unable to come to the Communion rail, please speak with Pastor Kuhlman before the service. Grape juice is available in the center of each wine tray.

**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 and at his home. **Please note that the church will be locked at all times unless two people are present.**

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

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

**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.

**FLOWERS** - The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God by John and Ruth Seidel in honor of their 51<sup>st</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

**MEETINGS AND EVENTS:** none

**2020 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS** are in your mailboxes.

**FEBRUARY NEWLETTERS** are in your mailboxes. Save a stamp and pick yours up today.

**BRIDGE BUILDERS** has been postponed. Watch for more information to come.

**THANK YOU** so much for your generosity to the Wildfire mission for the First Lutheran Church congregation in California. This donation will help them with many basic needs.

**Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,**

Thank you very much for the kind and generous Christmas gift as well as your appreciation. While 2020 has been a challenging year, you have shown yourselves to be faithful, thoughtful, and kind servants of Christ in countless ways. We thank God for you and pray for the Lord's richest blessings for you in 2021.

The Kuhlmanns

**2021 FLOWER CHART** has been placed in the north entrance and ready for signups! The cost is \$30 for the 2 vases. There are many needed dates for signup including February 21, March 14, May 9, June 20, 27 and many more through the year. If in memory of someone or in honor of a special occasion, please make a note of that on the chart. Make checks payable to Immanuel Chancel Society and place it in their drawer in the east entrance.

**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, Nash Devoe, Mark Leiter, Rex Householder, Tiffany Lawson, Matt Coney, young relative of a church member who is suffering mentally and parents who need wisdom and comfort. The family of Gale McKinley.

**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 February Newsletters; Visitors Packet; January – March 2021 Portals of Prayer; Lutheran Witness; Cross Connection; Thrivent Dollars information; Lutherans for Life.

**LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS:**

Worship Attendance – Sunday – 53 + 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

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY** – The Lord is the light of your life.