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Welcome to Worship! Our Old Testament reading reminds us that there is only one God who is in control of all. Even when we get off track and place our trust in other people and places, Christ brings us back to Himself, powerfully showing by His resurrection that He is truly one in whom we can trust.

A **Nursery** is available below the entrance on Walnut St. and a Comfort Room is in the Atrium. The Nursery is not staffed at this time.

All Sunday School Classes and Bible Classes are suspended at this time. Visit our website at www.immanuelseymour.com for online resources.

Cell Phones: *Please remember to silence cell phones and electronics during worship.*

Holy Communion will be offered at the 11:15 service. If you are not a confirmed member of the Lutheran Church, please contact an Elder or Pastor before Communing. An usher will dismiss your row to move forward to the person serving the bread, which will be dropped into your hand, and then to the person serving the individual cup. You may then dispose of the cup and return by the center aisle.

Hearing devices are available from an usher.

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THE PRELUDE: 9:00 - "Grant Peace We Pray" - F. Mendelssohn

11:15 and 7:00: "Help Me, Lord, to Praise Thee" - J.S. Bach

THE HYMN: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Hymn 809

- 1 Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father; There is no shadow of turning with Thee.
Thou changest not: Thy compassions, they fail not; As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be. Refrain
- ref Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided; Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!
- 2 Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. Refrain
- 3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!
Refrain

THE INVOCATION:

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

THE EXHORTATION:

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

THE CONFESSION OF SINS:

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

THE ABSOLUTION:

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

THE KYRIE: C Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS:

C To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth;
Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name we sing —
Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.
To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry,
Where You in pow'r are seated At God's right hand on high —
For You alone are holy, You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High,
In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.

THE PRAYER FOR THE DAY: (we pray together) O God, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your final judgment, we may be stirred up to holiness of living here and dwell with You in perfect joy hereafter; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE WORD OF THE MONTH: (we speak together)) "Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Matthew 11:28

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Isaiah 44:6-8

Thus says the Lord, the King of Israel and his Redeemer, the Lord of hosts: "I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god. Who is like me? Let him proclaim it. Let him declare and set it before me, since I appointed an ancient people. Let them declare what is to come, and what will happen. Fear not, nor be afraid; have I not told you from of old and declared it? And you are my witnesses! Is there a God besides me? There is no Rock; I know not any."

L: This is the Word of the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God.**

+++**THE ANTHEM: 9:00** "In Holy Conversation" - LSB 772

THE EPISTLE READING: Romans 8:18-27

For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

L: This is the Word of the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God.**

THE ALLELUIA AND VERSE: C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

C These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

THE GOSPEL READING: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43 C: Glory to You, O Lord.

[Jesus] put another parable before them, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field, but while his men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also. And the servants of the master of the house came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then does it have weeds?' He said to them, 'An enemy has done this.' So the servants said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he said, 'No, lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them. Let both grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Gather the weeds first and bind them

in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn." Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples came to him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world, and the good seed is the children of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil. The harvest is the close of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are gathered and burned with fire, so will it be at the close of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all law-breakers, and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear."

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord. C: **Praise to You, O Christ**

THE HYMN: "Christ Sits at God's Right Hand"

Hymn 564

- 1 Christ sits at God's right hand, His saving work complete,
To reign till ev'ry foe will lie Beneath His feet –
All that the Father planned, The Son sought to fulfill,
When first He said, "Lord, here am I To do Your will."
- 2 Christ was that priest God swore, Uniquely First and Last,
Who would in righteousness and love Be unsurpassed:
"A priest forevermore," An oath God would not break,
"A priest within the order of Melchizedek."
- 3 Christ's altar was the tree, Where on the world's behalf
He shed a blood, unlike the blood Of goat or calf,
To seal God's guarantee Of grace that cannot fail;
With blood He entered for our good Behind the veil.
- 4 What costly sacrifice To cover human sin!
Who but Christ Jesus had the right To enter in?
His blood, that sprinkled price, So we might be assured
That our inheritance in light Has been secured.
- 5 Then let us now draw near, Washed in that precious flood
And enter the Most Holy Place By Jesus' blood.
From hearts that are sincere, Let tongues our hope profess,
And trust anew God's faithful grace That we confess.
- 6 All praise to Christ we bring, Our Lord who intercedes,
Our great High Priest enthroned above Who knows our needs;
And to the Father sing Our songs of thankful praise,
Who with the Spirit reigns in love For endless days.

THE SERMON: "Relax! God's Got You"

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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.

THE PRAYERS

THE FAREWELL AND GODSPEED FOR VICAR RONCHETTO

+++ 11:15 HOLY COMMUNION:

Preface

P The Lord be with you. C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts. C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

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

Sanctus

C **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord's Prayer

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ,... This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always. C **Amen.**

Agnus Dei

C **O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray**

The Distribution

+++11:15: HOLY COMMUNION: Hymns:

During Distribution: "Grant Peace We Pray" - F. Mendelssohn

Hymns: 621, 728, 632, 643

621 Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

- 1 Let all mortal flesh keep silence And with fear and trembling stand;
Ponder nothing earthly-minded, For with blessing in His hand
Christ our God to earth descending Comes our homage to demand.
- 2 King of kings yet born of Mary, As of old on earth He stood,
Lord of lords in human vesture, In the body and the blood,
He will give to all the faithful His own self for heav'nly food.
- 3 Rank on rank the host of heaven Spreads its vanguard on the way
As the Light of Light, descending From the realms of endless day,
Comes the pow'rs of hell to vanquish As the darkness clears away.
- 4 At His feet the six-winged seraph, Cherubim with sleepless eye,
Veil their faces to the presence As with ceaseless voice they cry:
"Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, Lord Most High!"

728 How Firm a Foundation

- 1 How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord, Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!
What more can He say than to you He has said Who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?
- 2 "Fear not! I am with you, O be not dismayed, For I am your God and will still give you aid;
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.
- 3 "The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose I will not, I will not, desert to his foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never, forsake!
- 4 "When through fiery trials your pathway will lie, My grace, all-sufficient, will be your supply.
The flames will not hurt you; I only design Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.
- 5 "Throughout all their lifetime My people will prove My sov'reign, eternal, unchangeable love;
And then, when gray hairs will their temples adorn, Like lambs they will still in My bosom be borne."

632 O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee

- 1 O Jesus, blessed Lord, to Thee My heartfelt thanks forever be,
Who hast so lovingly bestowed On me Thy body and Thy blood.
- 2 Break forth, my soul, for joy and say: What wealth is come to me this day!
My Savior dwells within my heart: How blessed am I! How good Thou art!

643 Sent Forth by God's Blessing

- 1 Sent forth by God's blessing, Our true faith confessing,
The people of God from His dwelling take leave.
The Supper is ended. O now be extended
The fruits of this service in all who believe.
The seed of His teaching, Receptive souls reaching,
Shall blossom in action for God and for all.
His grace did invite us, His love shall unite us
To work for God's kingdom and answer His call.
- 2 With praise and thanksgiving To God ever-living,
The tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face.
Our faith ever sharing, In love ever caring,
Embracing His children of each tribe and race.
With Your feast You feed us, With Your light now lead us;
Unite us as one in this life that we share.
Then may all the living With praise and thanksgiving
Give honor to Christ and His name that we bear.

Nunc Dimittis

- C O Lord, now let Your servant Depart in heav'nly peace,
For I have seen the glory Of Your redeeming grace:
A light to lead the Gentiles Unto Your holy hill, The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.
All glory to the Father, All glory to the Son, All glory to the Spirit, Forever Three in One;
For as in the beginning, Is now, shall ever be, God's triune name resounding Through all eternity.

THE POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

THE BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

P Let us bless the Lord. C **Thanks be to God.**

P The Lord bless you and keep you... C **Amen.**

THE CLOSING HYMN: "God of the Prophets, Bless the Prophets' Sons "

Hymn 682

- 1 God of the prophets, bless the prophets' sons; Elijah's mantle o'er Elisha cast.
Each age its solemn task may claim but once; Make each one nobler, stronger than the last.
- 2 Anoint them prophets, men who are intent To be Your witnesses in word and deed,
Their hearts aflame, their lips made eloquent, Their eyes awake to ev'ry human need.
- 3 Anoint them priests, strong intercessors they, For pardon and for love and hope and peace,
That, through their pleading, guilty sinners may Find Jesus' mercy and from sin release.
- 4 Anoint them kings, yes, kingly kings, O Lord. Anoint them with the Spirit of Your Son.
Theirs not a jeweled crown, a bloodstained sword; Theirs, by sweet love, for Christ a kingdom won.
- 5 Make them apostles, heralds of Your cross; Forth let them go to tell the world of grace.
Inspired by You, may they count all but loss And stand at last with joy before Your face.

THE POSTLUDE: "Prelude in Classic Style" – Gordon Young

Preacher: Vicar Ronchetto **Liturgists:** Pastor Bloch and Pastor Blomenberg

Lector: Pastor Rodriguez **Organist:** Paul Scheiderer **Soloist:** Harold Matthews

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