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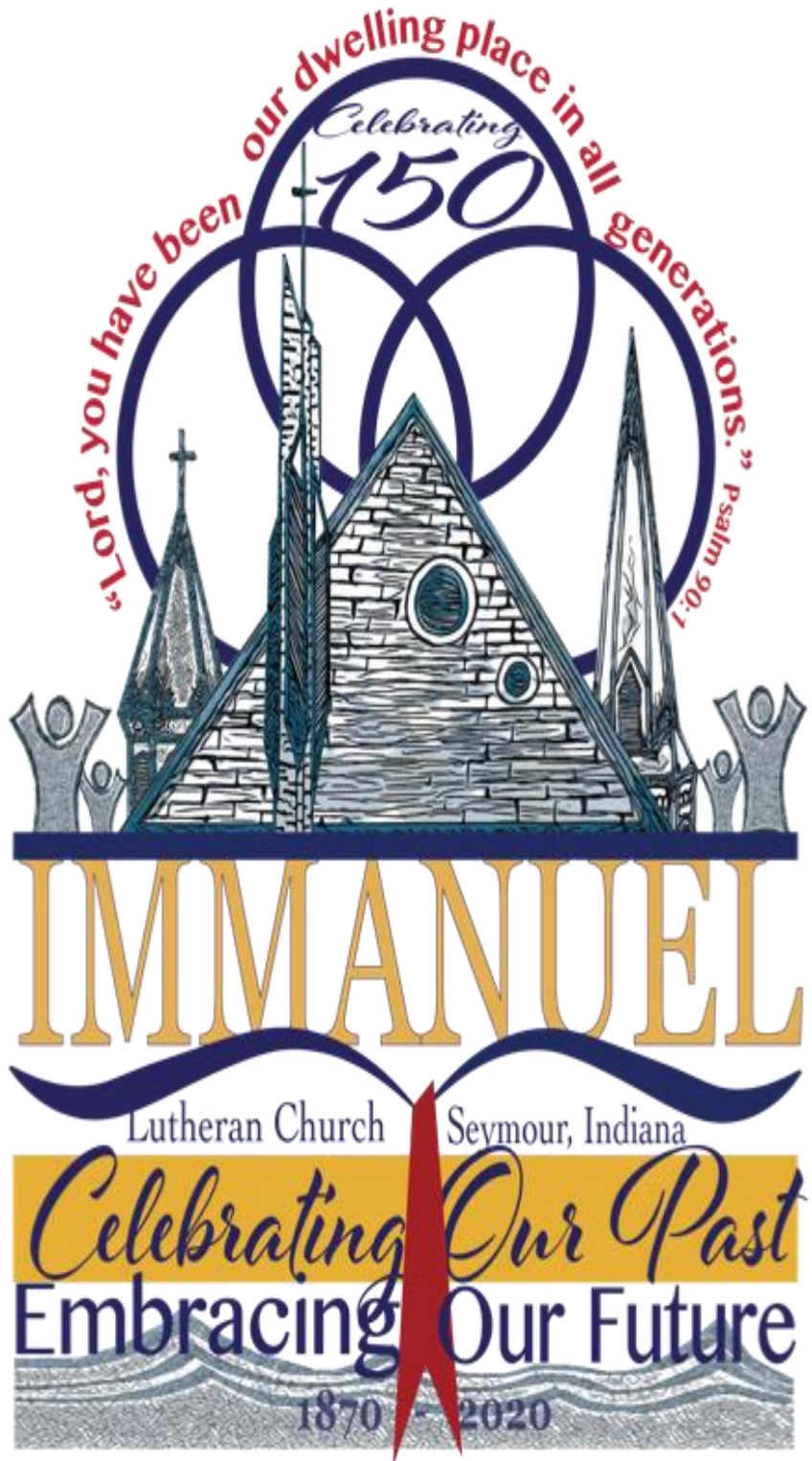
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THE 3rd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 13 & 14, 2021

Welcome to Worship! Today we remember the many vicars who have served our congregation for a short time – those men who acted as substitutes for that year. More importantly we remember Jesus, who acted as our substitute 2,000 years ago, and the result of His actions have provided for us who believe in Him an eternity of blessings.

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.

Bible Classes will not meet today. Everyone is invited to the cookout immediately following the 9:00 a.m. service today at the School playgrounds.

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

Holy Communion will be offered at 9:00 & 7:00. The Common Cup is offered to those who desire it and will be cleansed and rotated between persons. If you prefer an individual cup, please take one from the tray. Wine with alcohol removed is in the tray center. If you are not a confirmed member of the Lutheran Church, please contact an elder or pastor before communing.

Hearing devices are available from an usher.

+ DIVINE SERVICE IV, Page 203 +

THE PRELUDE: “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” -Culli

“Surely the Presence” -Wolfe

THE HYMN: “Built on the Rock”

Hymn 645

- 1 Built on the Rock the Church shall stand Even when steeples are falling.
Crumbled have spires in ev'ry land; Bells still are chiming and calling,
Calling the young and old to rest, But above all the souls distressed,
Longing for rest everlasting.
- 2 Surely in temples made with hands God, the Most High, is not dwelling;
High above earth His temple stands, All earthly temples excelling.
Yet He who dwells in heav'n above Chooses to live with us in love,
Making our bodies His temple.
- 3 We are God's house of living stones, Built for His own habitation.
He through baptismal grace us owns Heirs of His wondrous salvation.
Were we but two His name to tell, Yet He would deign with us to dwell
With all His grace and His favor.
- 4 Here stands the font before our eyes, Telling how God has received us.
The altar recalls Christ's sacrifice And what His Supper here gives us.
Here sound the Scriptures that proclaim Christ yesterday, today, the same,
And evermore, our Redeemer.
- 5 Grant, then, O God, Your will be done, That, when the church bells are ringing,
Many in saving faith may come Where Christ His message is bringing:
“I know My own; My own know Me. You, not the world, My face shall see.
My peace I leave with you. Amen.”

THE INVOCATION, page 203

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, page 204 C Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS:, page 204

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 Lord, You have been our dwelling place in all generations. In love Your Son came to be Immanuel, God with us, to make us Your holy people. We praise You for blessing the efforts of those who founded Immanuel in His name. We thank you for raising up in each generation faithful pastors and teachers, servants and leaders, to build on the foundation of Your Word of truth. Help us to share Christ and the mission of His church with our children and this generation, that they may show Your glory to future generations and abide in Your eternal home; in Jesus's name. Amen.

THE WORD OF THE MONTH: (we speak together) For whoever does the will of God, he is my brother and sister and mother. Mark 3:35

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Ezekiel 17:22-24

Thus says the Lord GOD: "I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of the cedar and will set it out. I will break off from the topmost of its young twigs a tender one, and I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. On the mountain height of Israel will I plant it, that it may bear branches and produce fruit and become a noble cedar. And under it will dwell every kind of bird; in the shade of its branches birds of every sort will nest. And all the trees of the field shall know that I am the LORD; I bring low the high tree, and make high the low tree, dry up the green tree, and make the dry tree flourish. I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it."

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

+++ 11:15 THE ANTHEM: "For Love Shall Be Our Song" -Wagner

THE SECOND READING: Acts 4:1-12

And as they were speaking to the people, the priests and the captain of the temple and the Sadducees came upon them, greatly annoyed because they were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead. And they arrested them and put them in custody until the next day, for it was already evening. But many of those who had heard the word believed, and the number of the men came to about five thousand. On the next day their rulers and elders and scribes gathered together in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest and Caiaphas and John and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. And when they had set them in the midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a crippled man, by what means this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead – by him this man is standing before you well. This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

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

THE ALLELUIA AND VERSE, C: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

THE GOSPEL READING: Mark 4:26-34 C: Glory to You, O Lord.

[Jesus] said, "The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground. He sleeps and rises night and day, and the seed sprouts and grows; he knows not how. The earth produces by itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come." And he said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what

parable shall we use for it? It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when sown on the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth, yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes larger than all the garden plants and puts out large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade." With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it. He did not speak to them without a parable, but privately to his own disciples he explained everything.

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

THE HYMN: "Through Many Years, O Triune God"

1. Through many years O Triune God Great blessings You have given
We praise you for the means of grace Which make us fit for heaven!
2. This font is where the streams of life Have washed our souls from sin
You clothed us in Christ's righteousness; Your Spirit dwells within!
3. This altar brings to us each week Christ's sacrifice of grace,
Christ gives His body and His blood To sinners in this place.
4. Here teachers faithfully have taught Your Word to tender youth;
Here young and old confirm their faith, Their trust in Christ, the Truth.
5. Though storms and wars and pestilence Can change our goals and plans,
Your Church endures, Your Word goes forth, Your saving purpose stands.
6. O Father, Son, and Spirit, One, We celebrate Your grace
Now grant us courage, faith, and joy, Your future to embrace!

THE SERMON: "Accept No Substitutes"

+++ 9:00 & 7:00 NICENE CREED, page 206

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.

+++ 11:15 APOSTLES' CREED, page 207

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.

+++ 9:00 THE RECOGNITION OF FORMER VICARS

THE RECOGNITION OF CONFIRMATION ANNIVERSARIES

THE PRAYERS

+++ 9:00 & 7:00 HOLY COMMUNION, page 208

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

9:00 Anthem: "For Love Shall Be Our Song" -Wagner

Hymns: 615, 728, 682, 722, 729

615 When in the Hour of Deepest Need

1 When in the hour of deepest need We know not where to look for aid;
When days and nights of anxious thought No help or counsel yet have brought,

2 Then is our comfort this alone That we may meet before Your throne;
To You, O faithful God, we cry For rescue in our misery.

3 For You have promised, Lord, to heed Your children's cries in time of need
Through Him whose name alone is great, Our Savior and our advocate.

4 And so we come, O God, today And all our woes before You lay;
For sorely tried, cast down, we stand, Perplexed by fears on ev'ry hand.

5 O from our sins, Lord, turn Your face; Absolve us through Your boundless grace.
Be with us in our anguish still; Free us at last from ev'ry ill.

6 So we with all our hearts each day To You our glad thanksgiving pay,
Then walk obedient to Your Word, And now and ever praise You, Lord.

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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."

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682 God of the Prophets, Bless the Prophets' Sons

- 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.

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722 Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me

- 1 Lord, take my hand and lead me Upon life's way;
Direct, protect, and feed me From day to day.
Without Your grace and favor I go astray;
So take my hand, O Savior, And lead the way.
- 2 Lord, when the tempest rages, I need not fear,
For You, the Rock of Ages, Are always near.
Close by Your side abiding, I fear no foe,
For when Your hand is guiding, In peace I go.
- 3 Lord, when the shadows lengthen And night has come,
I know that You will strengthen My steps toward home.
Then nothing can impede me, O blessèd Friend;
So take my hand and lead me Unto the end.

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729 I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus

- 1 I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus, Trusting only Thee;
Trusting Thee for full salvation, Great and free.
- 2 I am trusting Thee for pardon; At Thy feet I bow,
For Thy grace and tender mercy Trusting now.
- 3 I am trusting Thee for cleansing In the crimson flood;
Trusting Thee to make me holy By Thy blood.

- 4 I am trusting Thee to guide me; Thou alone shalt lead,
Ev'ry day and hour supplying All my need.
- 5 I am trusting Thee for power; Thine can never fail.
Words which Thou Thyself shalt give me Must prevail.
- 6 I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus; Never let me fall.
I am trusting Thee forever And for all.

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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: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Hymn 790

- 1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is your health and salvation!
Let all who hear Now to His temple draw near, Joining in glad adoration!
- 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning
And, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.
Have you not seen All that is needful has been Sent by His gracious ordaining?
- 3 Praise to the Lord, who has fearfully, wondrously, made you,
Health has bestowed and, when heedlessly falling, has stayed you.
What need or grief Ever has failed of relief? Wings of His mercy did shade you.
- 4 Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;
Surely His goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.
Ponder anew What the Almighty can do As with His love He befriends you.
- 5 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him!
Let the Amen Sound from His people again; Gladly forever adore Him!

THE POSTLUDE: "Send Forth by God's Blessing" -Behnke

Preacher: Pastor Rodriguez **Liturgists:** Pastor Blomenberg & Pastor Bloch

Lector: Vicar Fredstrom **Organist:** Mrs. Debbie Lambert **Soloist:** Blake Hackman

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