



WORSHIP FOLDER

Welcome Home

Saturday, November 15th, 2025

5:00 pm

A Service Of Praise & Thanksgiving To God Our Father

- Installation of Vicar David Meier -

Opening Hymn

"Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"

[LSB #940...vs. 1 thru 4]

1. Holy God, we praise Thy name; Lord of all, we bow before Thee.
All on earth Thy scepter claim, All in heav'n above adore Thee.
Infinite Thy vast domain, Everlasting is Thy reign.
2. Hark! The glad celestial hymn Angel choirs above are raising;
Cherubim and seraphim, In unceasing chorus praising,
Fill the heav'ns with sweet accord: "Holy, holy, holy Lord!"
3. Lo, the apostles' holy train Join Thy sacred name to hallow;
Prophets swell the glad refrain, And the white-robed martyrs follow;
And from morn to set of sun Through the Church the song goes on.
4. Thou art King of Glory, Christ; Son of God, yet born of Mary.
For us sinners sacrificed, As to death a Tributary,
First to break the bars of death, Thou hast opened heav'n to faith.

Invocation

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

C: Amen.

Opening Dialog and Psalm

- from Psalm 98:1-6 [Cong. will join on selected verses]

- L: Oh, sing to the LORD a new song,
for He has done marvelous things!
His right hand and His holy arm
have worked salvation for Him.
- C: **The LORD has made known His salvation;
He has revealed His righteousness in the sight of the nations.
He has remembered His steadfast love and faithfulness
to the house of Israel.**
- L: All the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation of our God.
Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;
break forth into joyous song and sing praises!
Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre,
with the lyre and the sound of melody!
With trumpets and the sound of the horn
make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD!
- C: **Let the sea roar, and all that fills it;
the world and those who dwell in it!
Let the rivers clap their hands;
let the hills sing for joy together**
- ALL: **Glory be to the Father and to the Son ✠ and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen.**

Hymn Response

"Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"

[LSB #940...vs. 5]

**Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit, three we name Thee,
Though in essence only one; Undivided God we claim Thee
And, adoring, bend the knee While we own the mystery.**

Epistle Reading

- Philippians 2:5-18

... Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus,
Who, though He was in the form of God, did not count equality with God

a thing to be grasped, but emptied Himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for His good pleasure.

Do all things without grumbling or disputing, that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, holding fast to the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain or labor in vain. Even if I am to be poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrificial offering of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with you all. Likewise, you also should be glad and rejoice with me.

Gospel

- Luke 21:5-28

... And while some were speaking of the temple, how it was adorned with noble stones and offerings, He said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down." And they asked Him, "Teacher, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when these things are about to take place?" And He said, "See that you are not led astray. For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is at hand!' Do not go after them. And when you hear of wars and tumults, do not be terrified, for these things must first take place, but the end will not be at once."

Then He said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and pestilences. And there will be terrors and great signs from heaven. But before all this they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors for my name's sake.

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This will be your opportunity to bear witness. Settle it therefore in your minds not to meditate beforehand how to answer, for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which none of your adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be delivered up even by parents and brothers and relatives and friends, and some of you they will put to death. You will be hated by all for my name's sake. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your lives.

“But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation has come near. Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, and let those who are inside the city depart, and let not those who are out in the country enter it, for these are days of vengeance, to fulfill all that is written. Alas for women who are pregnant and for those who are nursing infants in those days! For there will be great distress upon the earth and wrath against this people. They will fall by the edge of the sword and be led captive among all nations, and Jerusalem will be trampled underfoot by the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.

“And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

Hymn for the Day

“Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers”

[LSB #515]

1. Rejoice, rejoice, believers, And let your lights appear;
The evening is advancing, And darker night is near.
The Bridegroom is arising
And soon is drawing nigh.
Up, pray and watch and wrestle; At midnight comes the cry.
2. The watchers on the mountain Proclaim the Bridegroom near;
Go forth as He approaches With alleluias clear.
The marriage feast is waiting;
The gates wide open stand.
Arise, O heirs of glory; The Bridegroom is at hand.

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3. The saints, who here in patience Their cross and sufferings bore,
Shall live and reign forever When sorrow is no more.
Around the throne of glory... The Lamb they shall behold;
In triumph cast before Him Their diadems of gold.
4. Our hope and expectation, O Jesus, now appear;
Arise, O Sun so longed for, O'er this benighted sphere.
With hearts and hands uplifted, We plead, O Lord, to see
The day of earth's redemption That sets Your people free!

The Message

"SIMPLY SHINE... !!"

- Guest Preacher: Dr. Dr. Peter Meier (*David's father*)

Gathering of the Offering / Hymn Response

"All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

[LSB #791...vs. 1 thru 3]

1. All people that on earth do dwell, Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
Him serve with mirth, His praise forthtell; Come ye before Him and rejoice.
2. Know that the Lord is God indeed; Without our aid He did us make.
We are His folk, He doth us feed, And for His sheep He doth us take.
3. Oh, enter then His gates with praise; Approach with joy His courts unto;
Praise, laud, and bless His name always, For it is seemly so to do.

- Installation of Vicar Dave Meier

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

C **Amen.**

P Brothers and sisters in Christ, according to the usual custom of the Church, David Meier has been assigned to Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church as a Vicar. As a student assigned to our congregation, he will continue his education in preparation for service to the Church as a called pastor....

*Hear what the Word of God says about those
who serve in the Church...*

after the Installation... Prayers of the Church

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.**

**And 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.**

Confession & Absolution

- *Pastor leads us in confession*

Lord's Prayer

**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..**

Words of Institution / Holy Communion / Hymns for Communion

"Your Table I Approach" [LSB #628]

1. Your table I approach, Dear Savior, hear my prayer;
Let not an unrepentant heart Prove hurtful to me there!
2. Lord, I confess my sins And mourn their wretched bands;
A contrite heart is sure to find Forgiveness at Your hands.

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3. Your body and Your blood, Once slain and shed for me,
Are taken at Your table, Lord, In blest reality.
4. Search not how this takes place, This wondrous mystery;
God can accomplish vastly more Than what we think should be.
5. O grant, most blessed Lord, That earth and hell combined
May not about this Sacrament Raise doubt within my mind.
6. Oh, may I never fail To thank You day and night
For Your true body and true blood, O God, my Peace and Light!

"Beautiful Savior"

[LSB #537]

1. Beautiful Savior, King of creation,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Truly I'd love Thee, Truly I'd serve Thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
2. Fair are the meadows, Fair are the woodlands,
Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, He makes our sorr'wing spirit sing.
3. Fair is the sunshine, Fair is the moonlight,
Bright the sparkling stars on high;
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer.. Than all the angels in the sky.
4. Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, Praise, adoration... Now and forevermore be Thine!

"Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray"

[LSB #663]

1. Rise, my soul, to watch and pray; From your sleep awaken!
Be not by the evil day Unawares o'ertaken;
For the foe, Well we know,
Is a harvest reaping While the saints are sleeping.
2. Watch against the devil's snares Lest asleep he find you;
For indeed no pains he spares To deceive and blind you.
Satan's prey Oft are they
Who secure are sleeping And no watch are keeping.
3. Watch! Let not the wicked world With its lies defeat you
Lest with bold deceptions hurled It betray and cheat you.
Watch and see Lest there be
Faithless friends to charm you, Who but seek to harm you.

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4. Watch against yourself, my soul, Lest with grace you trifle;
Let not self your thoughts control Nor God's mercy stifle.
Pride and sin Lurk within,
All your hopes to shatter; Heed not when they flatter.
5. But while watching, also pray To the Lord unceasing.
God protects you day by day, Strength and faith increasing,
So that still Mind and will
Shall unite to serve Him And forever love Him.

Closing Prayer / Benediction / Closing Hymn

"Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus" [LSB #660] - please remain standing

1. Stand up, stand up for Jesus Ye soldiers of the cross.
Lift high His royal banner; It must not suffer loss.
From vict'ry unto vict'ry His army He shall lead
Til ev'ry foe is vanquished And Christ is Lord indeed.
2. Stand up, stand up for Jesus; The trumpet call obey;
Stand forth in mighty conflict In this His glorious day.
Let all His faithful serve Him Against unnumbered foes;
Let courage rise with danger And strength to strength oppose.
3. Stand up, stand up for Jesus; Stand in His strength alone;
The arm of flesh will fail you, Ye dare not trust your own.
Put on the Gospel armor; Each piece put on with prayer.
Where duty calls or danger, Be never wanting there.
4. Stand up, stand up for Jesus; The strife will not be long;
This day the din of battle, The next the victor's song.
The soldiers, overcoming, Their crown of life shall see
And with the King of glory Shall reign eternally.

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