



Messiah
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Second-Last Sunday

Welcome to our visitors! We appreciate your joining our worship family this morning, and we invite you to sign our guest book. If you would like more information about our church, please contact the pastor at 414-427-9337.

Sunday family worship...8:00 and 10:45 A.M.
Intergenerational Sunday school...9:30 A.M.

Today's Worship

"Heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool" (Is. 66:1)

Greeting and prayer:

Invocation:

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

C: Amen.

P: When I look at Your heavens, the work of Your fingers,

C: the moon and the stars, which You have set in place,

P: what is man that You are mindful of him,

C: and the son of man that You care for him?

P: O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth!

C: You have set Your glory above the heavens.



CLC Financial Report - October

CLC Financial Report	Balance	YTD	YTD	Budget	Balance
Operating Funds	7/1/2020	Revenue	Disbursed	4 Months	10/31/2020
General Fund	0	276,254	348,964	365,800	- 72,440
ILC Operations (incl. CLC subsidy)	0	494,992	408,430	344,535	86,562
Auxiliary Funds					
ILC Improvement Fund (IIF)	201,448	1,766	124,500		78,714
ILC Building Projects (AC/Dorm)	14,542	2,000,059	1,058,486		956,115
Mission Development Fund (MDF)	84,054	76,693	64,267		96,480
Kinship	86,093	67,433	35,286		118,240
Church Extension Fund (CEF)	1,914,371	1,367,286	127,732		3,153,925
Student Aid Fund (SAF)	84,280	37,468	41,445		80,303
Reserve Fund	294,092	0	0		294,092
Total	\$2,678,880	\$3,550,705	\$1,451,716		\$4,777,869

General Fund – October offerings of \$72,598 vs disbursements of \$74,960 nearly covered expenses for the month, yet there remains a sizeable CBP General Fund deficit. Looking down the last Balance column above, we can rejoice at the blessing of the very positive balances in all our other funds! But our CBP General Fund is our most critical fund to support because it pays the general operating expenses of our church body. It does bear repeating that **our Boards of Trustees, Regents, Missions, and Ed & Publications receive their major funding through our regular offerings to our CLC General Fund.** It's nearing that time of the year & church year when God's people typically are taking stock of all His blessings, naturally the material part, but especially His spiritual blessings flowing from His Word & Sacrament. These work the marvelous response of thanks-giving from the heart & lips & treasury. Please remember our CLC General Fund.

ILC Operations– ILC October revenue of \$103,203 vs disbursements of \$110,739, a little more than received this month, but still a positive balance.

ILC Building Projects – With the CLC long term indebtedness on the Academic Center & North Hall paid in full, leaving a million dollar balance on hand from a member Charitable Remainder Trust, an ILC Planning Committee has been named to recommend to our next CLC Convention a new gym on campus, and continuing to use the 50-year-old gym for ILC chapels, band/choir practices, plays, musicals, & CLC larger gatherings. All glory to our gracious God from whom these blessings flow!

CEF – October revenue was \$28,283 from congregations' CEF loan payments vs disbursements of \$92,663 in CEF debt service for a new \$69,000 congregational loan and \$20,000 in CEF Promissory Notes repaid to members. The Trustees are aware of possible loans to use the \$3 million balance.

MDF – October offerings of \$8,190 vs disbursements of \$11,910, which includes the 5th of 12 \$10,000 construction loan installments for the Nepal Bible Institute classroom.

IIF – October disbursements included \$65,674 for ILC 24-hr security locks on all campus buildings. *"Bring all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house, and try Me now in this," says the LORD of hosts, "if I will not open for you the windows of heaven and pour out for you such blessing that there will not be room enough to receive it. (Malachi 3:10 NKJ)*

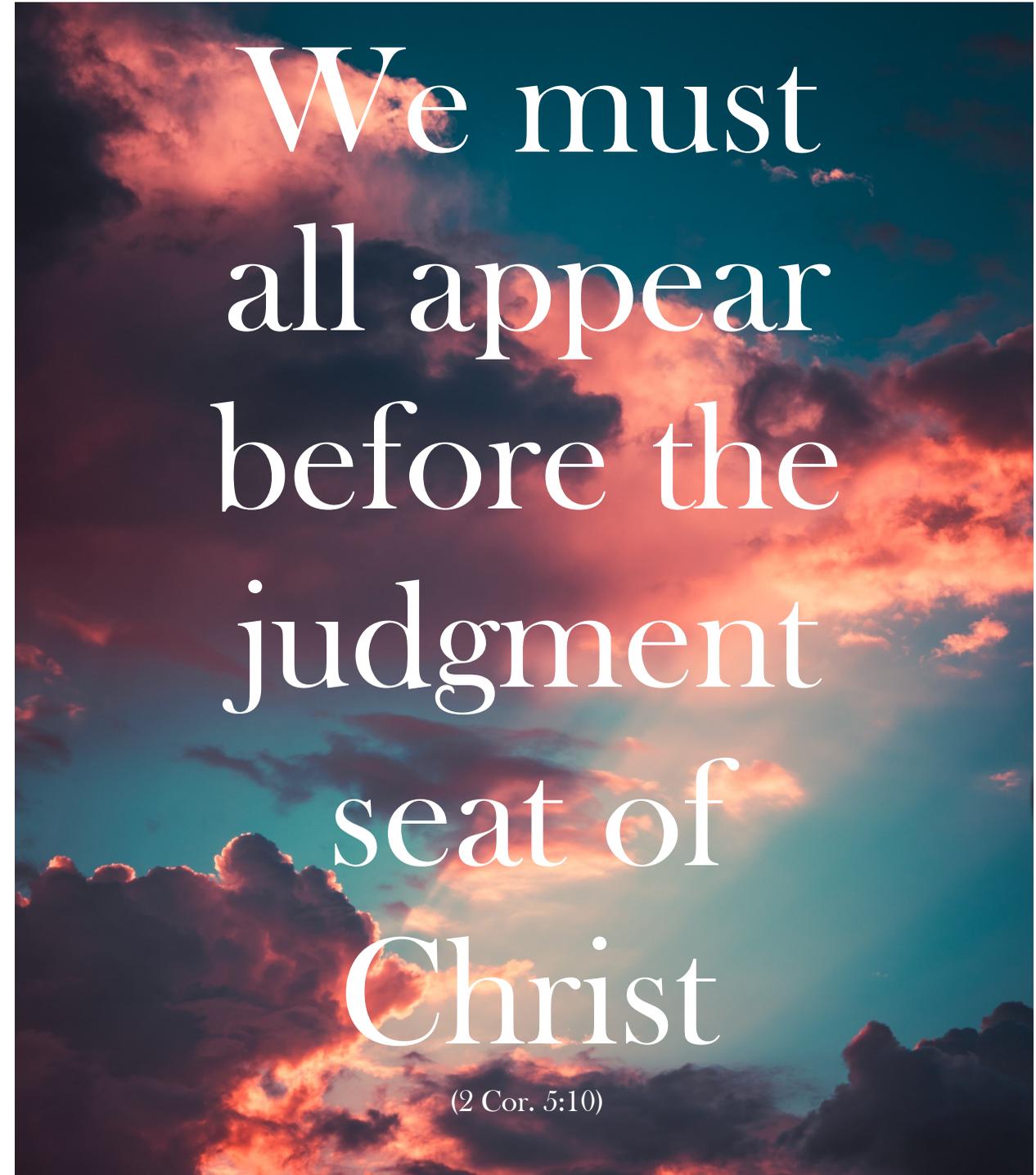
James E. Sandeen, CLC Treasurer

Thomas J. Lentz, Chairman, CLC Board of Trustees

November Ushers	
1st Service:	K. Abrahamson
2nd Service:	T. Fletcher, L. Fletcher
Cleaning Teams 11/21-11/27	
Church:	Goodrie, Griffin
School:	J. Mueller, Beske

Finances:	Last Week	To Date
Budgetary Offerings:	\$3,650.00	\$184,120.00
Budgetary Needs:	\$6,502.00	\$123,538.00
Over(Under) Budget:	(\$2,852.00)	\$60,582.00
Missions:	\$0.00	\$2,390.00
MDF:	\$30.00	\$950.00
Kinship:	\$140.00	\$2,265.00
ILCSAF:	\$100.00	\$775.00
60th Anniversary Fund:	\$50.00	
Attendance Last Sunday: 53,25		

Daily Bible Readings:	
11/15	Ps 137 Ezk 1,2 1 Tim 2
11/16	Ezk 3,4 1 Tim 3
11/17	Ezk 5,6,7 1 Tim 4
11/18	Ezk 8,9,10 1 Tim 5
11/19	Ezk 11,12,13 1 Tim 6
11/20	Ezk 14,15 2 Tim 1
11/21	Ezk 16,17 2 Tim 2



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Giving Opportunities

Below is a list of the various funds and their purposes to which we can contribute and help support the proclamation of the gospel both locally and around the world.

CLC funds

General fund: Offerings to missions support the day-to-day operations of both the CLC mission program and Immanuel Lutheran College. Messiah has made missions contributions a part of our regular budget.

Mission Development Fund (MDF): This fund supports mission projects which are normally limited-term, such as buying Bibles and Catechisms, roofing foreign churches, and purchasing motorcycles and bicycles for pastors.

Immanuel Improvement Fund (IIF): Money in this fund is used for major campus maintenance projects, as well as other needs which are not part of the regular operating budget.

ILC Student Aid: This fund provides loans and grants to students in both the high school and college departments. The fund is available to all ILC students synod-wide, not just those from Messiah.

ILC Building Fund: The fund was established for the construction of an academic center. There is a continuing need for contributions to pay the mortgage.

Kinship: This fund supports orphans and seminary students in both Africa and India. It has also provided disaster relief for our overseas brothers and sisters.

Messiah funds

General offerings: Offerings to the general fund support the majority of our programs, as well as maintain our buildings and property. Our CLC missions contributions also come from the general fund.

Messiah Student Aid Fund (MSAF): This fund directly assists families who are members of Messiah by offering tuition aid for children attending Immanuel Lutheran High School or College. Once a year the available funds are applied to the accounts of Messiah members at ILC.

Christian Day School Improvement Fund (CDSIF): Money received into this fund is used to purchase items useful to the school which are not covered by the regular budget.

Benevolence Fund: Funds are used to help with the material needs of others, and are distributed at the discretion of the pastor and elders.

Hymn: O God, Our Help in Ages Past

Confession and Absolution:

P: Let us confess our sins to God, confident of His grace and forgiveness to all who are penitent.

C: I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

P: The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins. 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 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.

P: The peace of the Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.



C: 1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,
3 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord,



Of heav'n - ly joy and peace on earth we sing.
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.
At God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high:



We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,
O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,
Who, with the Spir - it wor - shiped and a - dored,



Lord God, al - might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.
Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.
With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

Prayer:

P: Eternal God, merciful Father, You have appointed Your Son as judge of the living and the dead. Enable us to wait for the day of His return with our eyes fixed on the kingdom prepared for Your own from the foundation of the world; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

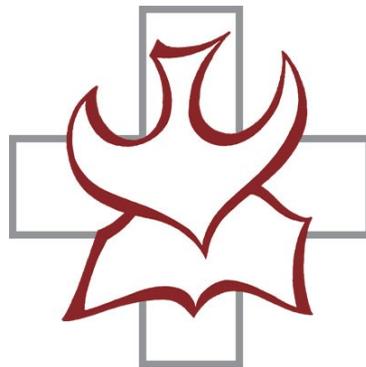
The Lord's Prayer:

Epistle lesson:

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11....While we don't know the date of judgment day, we are not in the dark about what will take place. We live in the light of God's Word of promise.

But concerning the times and the seasons, brethren, you have no need that I should write to you. For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night. For when they say, "Peace and safety!" then sudden destruction comes upon them, as labor pains upon a pregnant woman. And they shall not escape.

But you, brethren, are not in darkness, so that this Day should overtake you as a thief. You are all sons of light and sons of the day. We are not of the night nor of darkness. Therefore let us not sleep, as others do, but let us watch and be sober. For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk are drunk at night. But let us who are of the day be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love, and as a helmet the hope of salvation. For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, that whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with Him. Therefore comfort each other and edify one another, just as you also are doing.



Announcements

Sunday school today

Everyone is welcome to take part in our intergenerational Sunday school. We'll meet in the fellowship hall at 9:30 this morning.

Does evolution explain the world?

Sometimes it seems as though the vast majority of people today believe that our world came about through the process of evolution. Yet one poll reports that only 13% of Americans believe that evolution alone is the source of this world and the life it contains. More importantly, God tells us that He is the creator and preserver of the universe. "For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them" (Ex. 20:11). Our Wednesday online Bible class will look more closely at why evolution cannot explain the world.

Council notes...

Financial Secretary needed: The Financial Secretary is entrusted with keeping a record of contributions. The individual is appointed by the president of the congregation and ratified by the voters for a term of one year. The appointee is to be an adult member of the congregation. Contact Mike Plockelman if you are interested in the position.

Call meeting: In light of Mr. Quade's upcoming retirement, a teacher call meeting has been set for Sunday, Nov. 29, after second service.

Christmas services: In addition to the customary 10:30 a.m. Christmas Day service, a 9:00 a.m. service will be held.

Finances: October offerings were \$12,450 over budgeted needs and the balance of available funds increased by \$6,400 during the month.

Christmas chimes

Those interested in being part of a hand chimes choir for Christmas are asked to contact Mr. Quade. Rehearsals begin soon.

Holy Communion opportunities

We continue to celebrate the Lord's Supper on the first Sunday of the month. You may also contact Pastor and schedule private Communion. If you would like to receive the Sacrament at home in connection with our online services, contact Pastor for the elements of bread and wine.

CLC news

Pastoral calls: *Pastor Nathanael Mayew*, Sleepy Eye, MN has returned the call to Living Savior, Eden Prairie, MN.

College visitors day: Sadly, COVID constraints are affecting Immanuel's annual college visitors day on Friday, November 20. Immanuel is unable to issue an open invitation to off-campus visitors, as we normally do. However, if you are a young person or parent who wants to find out more about Immanuel Lutheran College, you may view the Visitors' Day presentations streamed live starting at 10:30 a.m., link available on the home page at ILC.edu. If you still wish to attend in person on Nov. 20, or would like an individualized tour of campus at another time, please contact Academic Dean Paul Naumann to discuss possible arrangements (715-836-6636, or paul.naumann@ilc.edu).

Looking Ahead...

♣Tuesday:

7:00 A.M.: School staff.

7:00 P.M.: Adult information.

♣Wednesday:

7:00 P.M.: Online Bible class.

♣November 24th:

6:30 P.M.: Bd. of Education.

♣November 26th:

8:00 and 9:30 A.M.:

Thanksgiving Day services.

♣November 29th:

12:00 P.M.: Teacher call

meeting.



Prayer of the Church

Hymn (verses 5-7): *The Day is Surely Drawing Near*

Closing prayer:

P: Dear Father in heaven, thank You for enlightening our hearts and uplifting our spirits with Your Word today. Help us going forward to put our full trust in You for forgiveness, salvation, and daily direction for our lives. In Jesus' name.

C: Amen.

Benediction

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

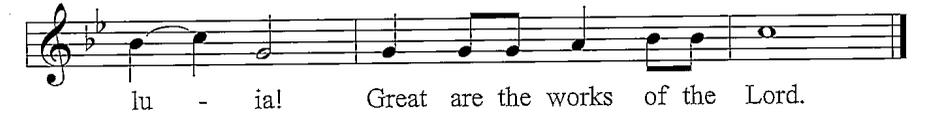
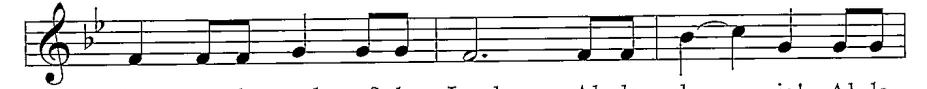
C: Amen.

Closing hymn: *O'er the Distant Mountains Breaking*



WHY DO THE NATIONS RAGE

Antiphon



Psalm Tone



Why do the nátions rage*
And the people plot a váin thing?
The kings of the earth set themselves,
And the rulers take counsel togeth^{er},*
Against the LORD and against His Anointed, sáying,
"Let us break Their bonds in piéces*
And cast away Their córds from us."
He who sits in the heavens sháll laugh;*
The LORD shall hold them in derision.

Antiphon

"I will declare the decree: the LORD has sáid to Me,*
"You are My Son, today I have begóttén You.
Ask of Me, and I will give You
The nátions for Your inherítance,*
And the ends of the earth for Your posséssion."
Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy Spírit,
as it was in the begínníng,*
is now, and will be forever. Ámen.

Antiphon

Gospel lesson:

Matthew 25:31-46....Jesus points to the works of believers as judicial evidence of saving faith in the heart.

“When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats. And He will set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left.

“Then the King will say to those on His right hand, ‘Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me.’

“Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed You, or thirsty and give You drink? When did we see You a stranger and take You in, or naked and clothe You? Or when did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?’

“And the King will answer and say to them, ‘Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.’

“Then He will also say to those on the left hand, ‘Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels: for I was hungry and you gave Me no food; I was thirsty and you gave Me no drink; I was a stranger and you did not take Me in, naked and you did not clothe Me, sick and in prison and you did not visit Me.’

“Then they also will answer Him, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see You hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to You?’

“Then He will answer them, saying, ‘Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me.’

“And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

The Apostles’ Creed:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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.

Hymn (verses 1-4): *The Day is Surely Drawing Near*

Sermon: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

“I watched till thrones were put in place, and the Ancient of Days was seated; His garment was white as snow, and the hair of His head was like pure wool. His throne was a fiery flame, its wheels a burning fire; a fiery stream issued and came forth from before Him. A thousand thousands ministered to Him; ten thousand times ten thousand stood before Him. The court was seated, and the books were opened....

“I was watching in the night visions, and behold, One like the Son of Man, coming with the clouds of heaven! He came to the Ancient of Days, and they brought Him near before Him. Then to Him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve Him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and His kingdom the one which shall not be destroyed.”

OUR DAY IN COURT IS COMING

I. We will stand before the Judge in all His glory.

II. The books will be opened.



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 Your pres - ence. Take not Your Ho - ly
Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of
Your sal - va - tion. Up - hold with Your Spir - it free.