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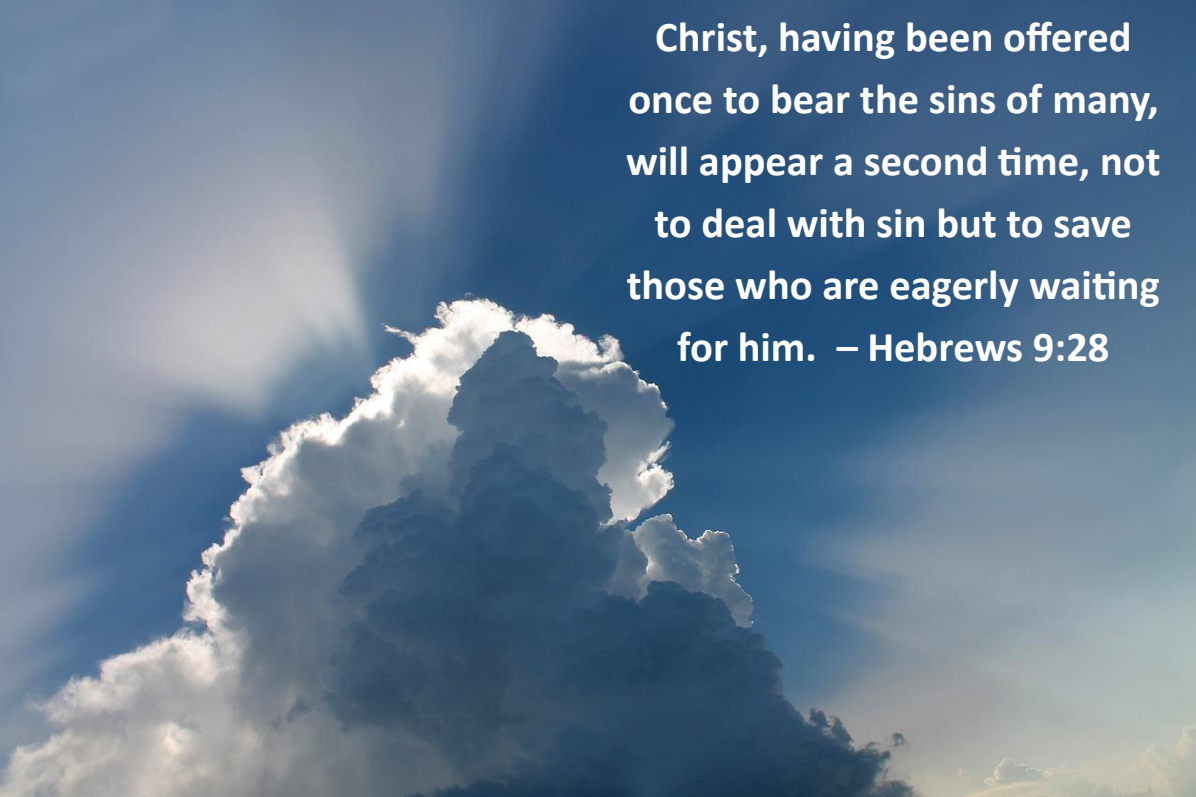
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Pentecost 24 (Last Judgement)



**Christ, having been offered
once to bear the sins of many,
will appear a second time, not
to deal with sin but to save
those who are eagerly waiting
for him. – Hebrews 9:28**

We Welcome Our Visitors who are with us this morning.

We hope that you are uplifted by the Gospel at our worship service.

We invite you to join us every Sunday. Please sign our guestbook in the entry. If you would like more information about our church, please contact the pastor.

✠ Preparation for Worship: Read Psalm 90 (Lutheran Service Book or Pew Bible) ✠

Greeting and prayer: (Pastor)

Opening Hymn: 515 *Rejoice, Rejoice Believers*

LSB 686

SERVICE OF THE WORD

(Worship Supplement, p. 12)

Invocation

We invoke ("call upon") the name of the one true God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

C Amen.

Confession and Absolution

We come before our Holy God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness.

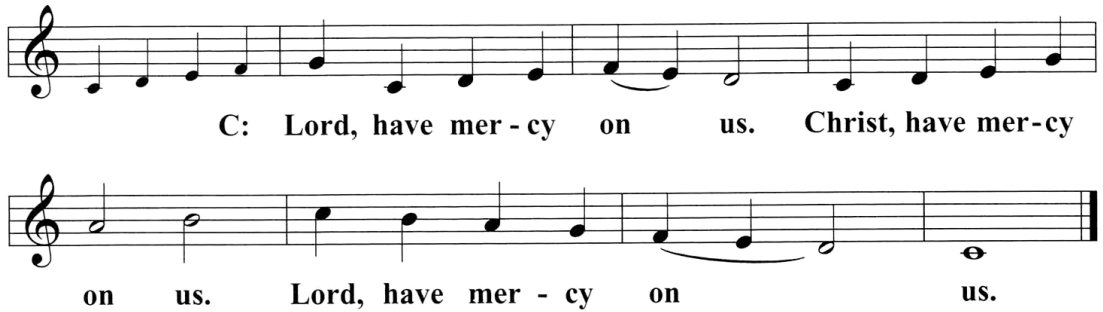
P We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve Him as His dear children. But we have disobeyed Him and deserve only His wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Him and plead for His mercy.

C **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against You and do not deserve to be called Your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy upon me according to Your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

P God our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. Through faith in Him, which was created in you by the Holy Spirit, you are His own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to His will.

C Amen.

Kyrie *Latin for "O Lord." We approach our Lord with a cry for help in all the needs of our earthly life.* W.S. p. 13



C: Lord, have mer - cy on us. Christ, have mer - cy
on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

Gloria in Excelsis *Latin for "Glory to God in the highest."* W.S. p. 13



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 of the Day

P We pray:

Lord Jesus Christ, so govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit so that we are always mindful of Your glorious return. Keep us watchful while we wait and by Your Spirit cause us to persevere in both faith and godly living. We pray this in Your name, dear Jesus, for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

First Reading

Hebrews 9:24-28 (ESV)

²⁴ For Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. ²⁵ Nor was it to offer himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters the holy places every year with blood not his own, ²⁶ for then he would have had to suffer repeatedly since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself. ²⁷ And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment, ²⁸ so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

Psalm of the Day

JUSTIFICATION • PSALM 85:1-3; 10-13

LORD, YOU HAVE BEEN FAVORABLE

Antiphon



Psalm Tone



LORD, You have been favorable to Your land;*
You have brought back the captivity of Jacob.

You have forgiven the iniquity of Your people;*
You have covered all their sin.

You have taken away all Your wrath;*
You have turned from the fierceness of Your anger.

Antiphon

Mercy and truth have met together;*
Righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

Truth shall spring out of the earth,*
And righteousness shall look down from heaven.

Yes, the LORD will give what is good;*
And our land will yield its increase.

Righteousness will go before Him,*
And shall make His footsteps our pathway.

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.

Antiphon

Second Reading

John 5:19-24 (ESV)

P The second reading is from John 5:19-24

G **Sanctify us by Your truth, O LORD. Your Word is truth!**

¹⁹ So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of his own accord, but only what he sees the Father doing. For whatever the Father does, that the Son does likewise. ²⁰ For the Father loves the Son and shows him all that he himself is doing. And greater works than these will he show him, so that you may marvel. ²¹ For as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, so also the Son gives life to whom he will. ²² For the Father judges no one, but has given all judgment to the Son, ²³ that all may honor the Son, just as they honor the Father. Whoever does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent him. ²⁴ Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.

P Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it!

Alleluia and Verse

When God speaks to us in His Word it is natural for us to respond. We sing "Alleluia!"—meaning, "Praise the Lord!"



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

**☩ 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 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 of the Day: 529 *Since Our Great High Priest, Christ Jesus*

LSB 529

Sermon Text: Mark 12:28-34 (ESV)

²⁸ And one of the scribes came up and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, asked him, "Which commandment is the most important of all?" ²⁹ Jesus answered, "The most important is, 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one.' ³⁰ And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' ³¹ The second is this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these." ³² And the scribe said to him, "You are right, Teacher. You have truly said that he is one, and there is no other besides him. ³³ And to love him with all the heart and with all the understanding and with all the strength, and to love one's neighbor as oneself, is much more than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices." ³⁴ And when Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." And after that no one dared to ask him any more questions.

Sermon Theme: So Close...

† Why was the question of **“Which commandment is the most important of all?” (v. 28)** such an important question to the scribes and Pharisees—the “experts” in the Law?

† Why did Jesus tell the scribe, **“You are not far from the kingdom of God” (v. 34)?**

Application: Don't just come “close” to the kingdom of God; enter it through Jesus! Not by the Law; not by looking to yourself and your own perceived “goodness”—that is not good enough in God's eyes—cling in faith to the free gift of salvation in Jesus! That is the Gospel. That is God's “Good News.”

Offertory

W.S. p. 16



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.

Offering *We offer our gifts to the Lord, remembering that He has first given to us that we might have to give to Him.*

Sermon Hymn: 565 Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ

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Prayer of the Church *We bring our prayers to God.*

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.

Benediction *The blessing given by God for the blessing of His people (Numbers 6:24-26).*

- ☩** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



☩ A-men, a-men, a - men.

Closing Hymn: 672 Jerusalem the Golden *(please stand for last verse)*

LSB 672

Announcements



Welcome! We welcome all our visitors this morning.
Please sign our guest book and come worship with us again soon.

Today:
11/10/24

Choir Practice – 8am
Worship – 9am
Sunday School & Bible Class – 10:15am

This Week: Monday – *Veterans Day*
Thursday – **Elders Meeting – 6pm**
Friday – **Immanuel Lutheran College Visitor’s Day – Eau Claire, WI**
Immanuel Fall Theater – *Mary Poppins* (Fri. & Sat.)

Next Sunday: **Choir – 8am**
11/17/24 **Worship – 9am**
Sunday School & Bible Class – 10:15am

Pastoral “Get to Know Each Other” Visits / Pastor Luke’s Contact Info – I would like to have a “face to face” visit, which would include a short devotion, with each family and/or individual in the congregation over the next few months. Wherever is most convenient and comfortable for you will work just fine for me (my office, your home, a coffee shop, etc.). Feel free to contact me via email, text, or phone call if you know of a day and time that will work for you. If I don’t hear from you, rest assured, I will be contacting you! I look forward to meeting you all and getting to know each other better soon! In Christ, Pastor Luke

Pastor’s Contact Info

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Ladies' Group is starting a new study book called *Pew Sisters* (available on Amazon) and will be discussing the first chapter at church on **November 19 at 6:30 PM**. Contact Lisa Lisak with questions or see the flyer on the bulletin board.

Immanuel Lutheran College Visitors Day – Friday, November 15th – Eau Claire, WI -

From Professor Paul Naumann:

Immanuel Lutheran College in Eau Claire will hold its Visitors' Day this year on Friday, November 15. It's an opportunity to encourage high school juniors and seniors in your congregation to visit our campus, become more familiar with their church's college, and hear about our college programs. This may be especially pertinent to the high school *juniors*, since seniors often have their minds made up about college by this point. Other members of yours who may be interested in enrolling in our college department are, of course, also welcome.

Activities will begin with chapel at 10:05 A.M. in the Field House, followed by presentations and classroom visits until 2:50 p.m. Come and learn more about your church's college, and consider continuing your education in a solidly Christian setting! Visitors will be our guests for lunch and supper in the cafeteria, and in the evening are invited to join us for ILC's fall theatrical production, *Mary Poppins*. **Please speak with your pastor if you're interested in attending.**

For questions, contact Academic Dean Paul Naumann. **Office: 715-836-6636, cell: 253-228-8736, e-mail: paul.naumann@ilc.edu**

CLC Call News - Pastor Frank Gantt of Zion Ev. Lutheran Church, Loganville, GA has **returned** the call to Faith Lutheran Church, Manchester, MO. <> Pastor Caleb Schaller of Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI has **received** the call to St. Stephen Lutheran Church and School, Mountain View, CA. <> Teacher Collette Krause of Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, Watertown, SD has announced her **retirement** effective the end of the current school year.

2025 CLC Mission Helper Trip - Applications are now being accepted for the 2025 Mission Helper Trip to Nepal. Space is limited for this trip, so please apply early. Find more information at: <https://mht.lutheranmissions.org/>

Bible Readings:

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| 11/10 | Lamentations 3-5; Hebrews 8 |
| 11/11 | Ezekiel 1-3; Hebrews 9 |
| 11/12 | Ezekiel 4-6; Hebrews 10:1-23 |
| 11/13 | Ezekiel 7-9; Hebrews 10:24-39 |
| 11/14 | Ezekiel 10-12; Hebrews 11:1-19 |
| 11/15 | Ezekiel 13-15; Hebrews 11:20-40 |
| 11/16 | Ezekiel 16; Hebrews 12 |



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November Slideshow

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D. Griffen
J. Schaser

| Fruits of Faith | Last Week: | To Date: |
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| Budgetary Offerings: | \$5,230.77 | \$132,100.63 |
| Budgetary Needs: | \$8,571.29 | \$154,283.22 |
| Over (Under) Budget: | (\$3,340.52) | (\$22,182.59) |
| Missions: | \$400.00 | \$1,030.00 |
| Kinship: | \$300.00 | \$1,711.96 |

Attendance Last Sunday: 127

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