



Sunday, June 28, 2020
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
Emmanuel Lutheran Church

June 28, 2020 • 9:00 A.M. Service

WELCOME TO EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

INTRODUCTION

The welcome of baptism is for all God's children. This baptismal gift sets us free from the power of sin and death. In today's gospel, Christ promises that the disciple who gives a cup of cold water to the little ones serves Christ himself. From worship we are sent on our baptismal mission: to serve the little ones of this world and to be a sign of God's merciful welcome.

PRELUDE

Jeanne Card, Guest Organist

MEDITATIVE MOMENT

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRINITARIAN CHIMES

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

CALL TO WORSHIP

GATHERING SONG:

All Are Welcome (Verses 1-3)

ELW 641

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God from which nothing can separate us,
and the life-giving Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 28:5–9

(Please turn to page 812 in the Old Testament of your pew Bible).

Through a symbolic action, Jeremiah insisted that Judah and all the surrounding nations should submit to the king of Babylon (Jer. 27). Hananiah contradicted Jeremiah, who in reply insisted that Hananiah's rosy prediction should not be believed until it came true. God confirmed the word of Jeremiah and sentenced the false prophet Hananiah to death (vv. 16-17).

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: Romans 6:12–23

(Please turn to page 163 in the New Testament of your pew Bible).

Sin is an enslaving power that motivates us to live self-serving, disobedient lives. Sin's final payoff is death. We, however, have been set free from sin's slavery to live obediently under God's grace, whose end is the free gift of eternal life.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

GOSPEL: Matthew 10:40–42

(Please turn to page 11 in the New Testament of your pew Bible).

The holy gospel according to Matthew, the tenth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

When Jesus sends his disciples out as missionaries, he warns them of persecution and hardships they will face. He also promises to reward any who aid his followers and support their ministry.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Resident Pastor Karole Langset

HYMN OF THE DAY:

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

ELW 779

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Called into unity with one another and the whole creation, let us pray for our shared world. *Hear us, O God, Your mercy is great.*

Congregational refrain: “Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”

The musical score is written for two staves, Treble and Bass clef, in the key of D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. The melody is in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place; Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace." The score includes a repeat sign at the end of the second line.

We bring to you, Christ, members and friends of Emmanuel who need your healing touch

(Names from our congregation...)

*Into your loving hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abundant mercy, through Jesus Christ our risen Savior. **Amen.***

Congregational response: “Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”

PEACE

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

OFFERING

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.

OFFERTORY

The Alive Band

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.
God of goodness and growth,
all creation is yours,
and your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.
Water and word, wine and bread:
these are signs of your abundant grace.
Nourish us through these gifts,
that we might proclaim your steadfast love
in our communities and in the world,
through Jesus Christ, our strength and our song.
Amen.

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.**

CLOSING PRAYER

Let us pray.
Life-giving God,
you have fed us with your word,
and our hearts burn within us.
Empower us to go forth sustained by your gifts
so that we may share your neighborly love with all,
through Jesus Christ, the giver of abundant life.
Amen.

BLESSING

Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers,
nor things present, nor things to come,
nor powers, nor height, nor depth,
nor anything else in all creation,
will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.
God, the creator, † Jesus, the Christ,
and the Holy Spirit, the comforter,
bless you and keep you in eternal love.
Amen.

SENDING SONG

Give to Our God Immortal Praise!

ELW 848

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is with you.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Jeanne Card