



Service starts in:



13:00

Immanuel Lutheran Church

July 19, 2020

Worship Begins at 9:30 a.m.

Gather some food and drink for communion

Prelude: Till All Your People Are One

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If you are here for the first time, the first time back after a long time, or it's only been a week since we were together:
Welcome to all.



Candle Lighting Prayer

A: Light of Christ,
Shine on our path
Chase away all darkness
And lead us to the heart
of God

C: Amen

Confession and Forgiveness



P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

C: Amen.

P: Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.



P: Reconciling God,

C: we confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives.

We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts. We fail to believe that you provide enough for all.



C: We abuse your good creation for our own benefit. We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us. We sin in thought, word, and deed.



**C: By your grace,
forgive us; through
your love, renew us;
and in your Spirit, lead
us; so that we may live
and serve you in
newness of life. Amen.**



P: Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy we have peace with God through Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained grace upon grace.



P: Our sins are forgiven.
Let us live now in hope.
For hope does not
disappoint, because
God's love has been
poured into our hearts
through the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

We Are Called

Come! Open your heart!
Show your mercy to all those in fear!
We are called to be hope for the hopeless
so hatred and blindness will be no more.

We are called to act with justice,
we are called to love tenderly;
we are called to serve one another,
to walk humbly with God.

First Reading: Isaiah 44:6-8

⁶Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel, and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts: I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god. ⁷Who is like me? Let them proclaim it, let them declare and set it forth before me. Who has announced from of old the things to come? Let them tell us what is yet to be.

⁸Do not fear, or be afraid; have I not told you from of old and declared it? You are my witnesses! Is there any god besides me? There is no other rock; I know not one.

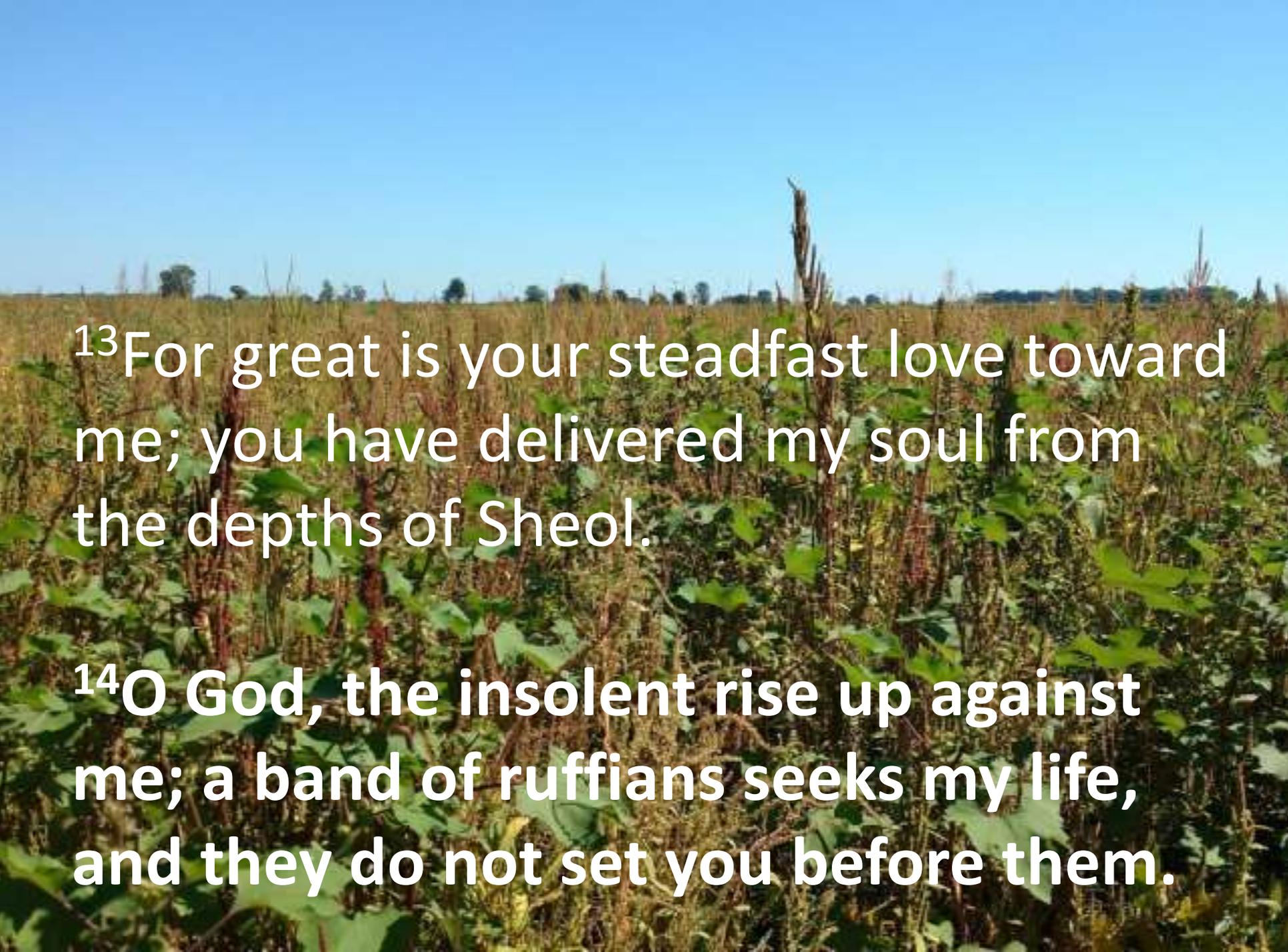
A: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 86:11-17 (read responsively)

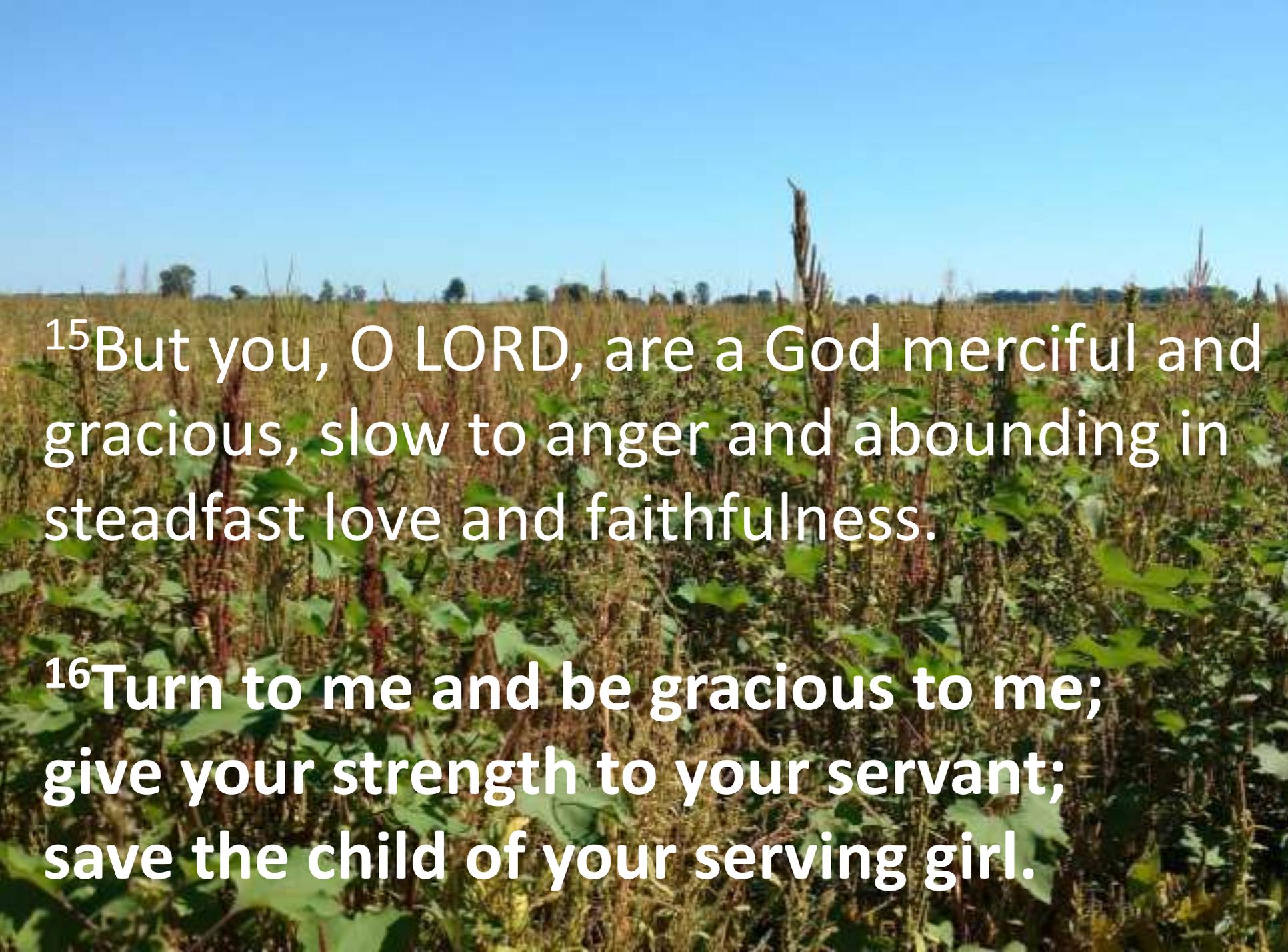
¹¹Teach me your way, O LORD, that I may walk in your truth; give me an undivided heart to revere your name.

¹²I give thanks to you, O LORD my God, with my whole heart, and I will glorify your name forever.

A photograph of a field of tall, green and brown stalks, possibly sorghum or a similar crop, under a clear blue sky. The stalks are dense and reach towards the horizon. The sky is a uniform, bright blue. The overall scene is a rural landscape.

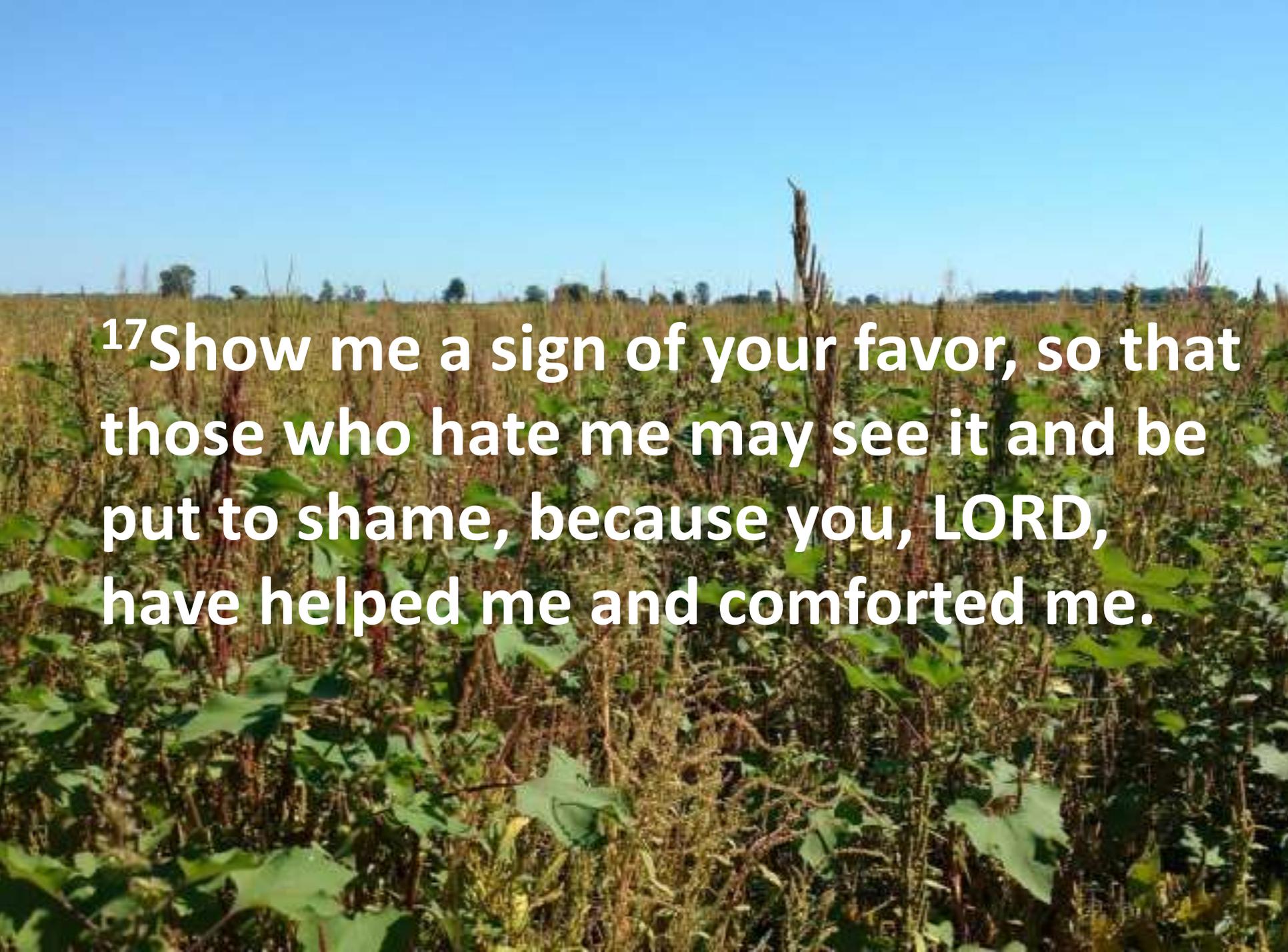
13For great is your steadfast love toward me; you have delivered my soul from the depths of Sheol.

14O God, the insolent rise up against me; a band of ruffians seeks my life, and they do not set you before them.

A photograph of a field of tall, thin stalks, possibly sorghum or a similar crop, with green leaves and brown, dried tops. The field extends to a flat horizon under a clear, bright blue sky. The text is overlaid on the image in white, bold font.

1⁵ But you, O LORD, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.

1⁶ Turn to me and be gracious to me;
give your strength to your servant;
save the child of your serving girl.

A photograph of a field of tall, thin stalks, possibly sorghum or a similar crop, under a clear blue sky. The stalks are a mix of green and brown, indicating they are in various stages of growth or maturity. The field extends to the horizon, with a few trees visible in the distance. The text is overlaid on the left side of the image.

17 Show me a sign of your favor, so that those who hate me may see it and be put to shame, because you, LORD, have helped me and comforted me.

Second Reading: Romans 8:12-25

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!”

¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

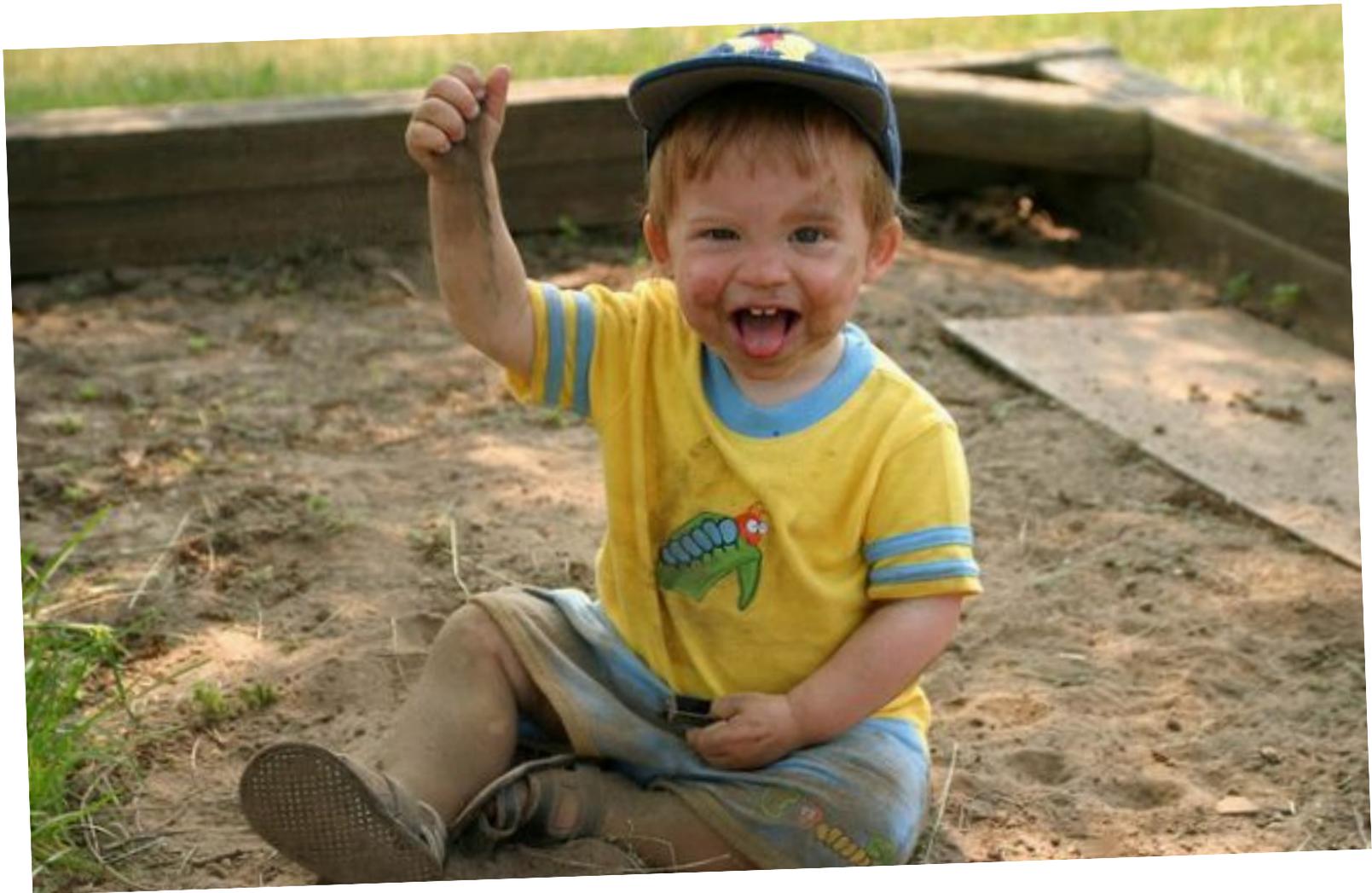
¹⁸I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us.

¹⁹For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; ²⁰for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope ²¹that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²²We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now;

²³and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

A: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.



Children's Message

Gospel: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

²⁴[Jesus] put before [the crowds] another parable:
“The kingdom of heaven may be compared to
someone who sowed good seed in his field;²⁵but
while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and
sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went
away. ²⁶So when the plants came up and bore grain,
then the weeds appeared as well.

²⁷And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?'

²⁸He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' ²⁹But he replied, 'No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them.'

³⁰Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’ ”

³⁶Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.”

³⁷He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; ³⁸the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, ³⁹and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels.

⁴⁰Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age.

⁴¹The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, ⁴²and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Welcome Pastor Anna Gordy

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,
show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.

Neighbors are wealthy and poor,
varied in color and race,
neighbors are near us and far away.

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,
show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.

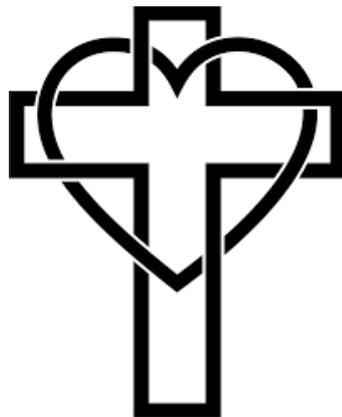
These are the ones we will serve,
these are the ones we will love;
all these are neighbors to us and you.

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,
show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.

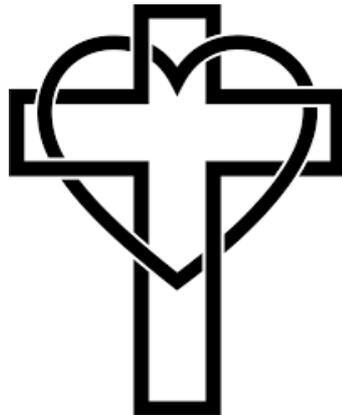
APOSTLE'S CREED

**C: 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.



Prayers of the People

Confident of your care and helped by the Holy Spirit, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

God of the harvest, you sow the good seed of the gospel of Jesus Christ into your field. Help your church throughout the world to be both diligent and patient, full of resolve and gentleness, that our witness may be faithful to your intentions.

A: Lord, in your mercy.

C: Hear our prayers.

God of the nations, teach us your ways, that we may walk in your truth. Mend the fabric of the human family, now torn apart by our fearful and warring ways. Guide us by your mercy, grace, and steadfast love.

A: Lord, in your mercy.

C: Hear our prayers.

God of hope, you accompany those who suffer and are near to the brokenhearted. Open our hearts to your children who are lonely and abandoned, who feel trapped by despair, and all who suffer in any way *especially...*

Marie Davis
Elois Sakewitz
Virginia Weiss
Judy Tawater
Meryl Singer

Sandra Noton
Billie Becker
Megan Freudenberg
Robin Rankin
Gloria Allmon

Donna Cearley
Fred Scott
Mary Jo Beene
Joe Dunnigan

A: Lord, in your mercy.

C: Hear our prayers.

P: In the certain hope that nothing can separate us from your love, we offer these prayers to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

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Immanuel Lutheran Church

500 Immanuel Road

Pflugerville, TX 78660



Offering Prayer

P: God of goodness and growth,

**C: 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.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 our thanks and praise.

Preface and Words of Institution



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The Lord's Prayer

**C: 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.



COMMUNION

You are invited to commune:

This is the body of Christ, given for you.

This is the blood of Christ, shed for you.

Our Christian Lives Are Intertwined

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Communion Blessing

P: God of the welcome table,

C: in this meal we have feasted on your goodness and have been united by your presence among us. Empower us to go forth sustained by these gifts so that we may share your neighborly love with all, through Jesus Christ, the giver of abundant life. Amen.



Dismissal

A: Go in peace.
Christ is with you.

C: Thanks be to God.

