



IMMANUEL  
LUTHERAN  
CHURCH



**Third Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Sunday, June 29, 2025**  
**9:30 am**

Pastor Matthew Groenke  
Assisting Minister – Charla Dubes  
Altar Guild – Sherry Wukasch & Peggy Parker  
AV Console Operator – Zane Kuempel & Kevin Kluge  
Children's Message – Rex Kuempel  
Greeter – Luanne Gytri  
Praise Band – Sotaria

# All Are Welcome!

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## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

To thank, praise, honor and serve our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ as we **GATHER** and worship, **GROW** in the Word, and **SERVE** God by serving people.

### WORSHIP PROTOCOL

- ◇ Please stay home if you are sick.
- ◇ Large print bulletins are available at the entry table.
- ◇ Ushers will direct you to your seat.
- ◇ After the benediction, please follow the instructions for dismissal.
- ◇ A nursery with a changing table is available for use next to the Gather Room.

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## HOLY COMMUNION

The sacrament of communion is celebrated at all worship services every Sunday. All are welcome, believing that our Lord is present offering grace and forgiveness. ✚

*Gluten free wafers and/or white grape juice are available at all services.*

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## GATHERING SONG

### **Gather, Grow and Serve**

We are called as God's people  
In the water and the Word.  
Called by grace, with one mission  
As we gather, grow and serve.  
To thank, praise, honor and serve  
our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ  
As we gather and worship, grow in the Word  
and serve God by serving people.

All are welcome in this fam'ly,  
Sisters, brothers, all are we.  
In this vision, God is with us,  
One in God's diversity.  
To thank, praise, honor and serve  
our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ  
As we gather and worship, grow in the Word  
and serve God by serving people.

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## WELCOME

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father,  
and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Merciful God,  
you free us to love others,  
but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.  
You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,  
but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.  
You surround us with patience, kindness,  
and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right.  
In your mercy, forgive us.  
Do not give up on us.  
Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life.  
**Amen.**

You belong to Christ Jesus  
and you are God's children through faith.

### PASTOR

In the cross of ✠ Christ,  
and through the power of the Holy Spirit,  
your sins are forgiven.  
Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.  
**Amen.**

## OPENING SONG

### Two Or More

When two or more are gathered in His name  
He is in our midst, we feel His reign  
Lord we come to worship you in Spirit and in truth  
Two or more have gathered in this place  
Prayed, confessed, communed and sung His praise  
Lord we ask for your blessings on Pflugerville ILC

Martin Luther's, posted theses, formed our version of Christianity  
We are saved by scripture, faith and grace, that is how, we believe, we're set free

When two or more are gathered in His name  
He is in our midst, we feel His reign  
Lord we come to worship you in Spirit and in truth  
Two or more have gathered in this place  
Prayed, confessed, communed and sung His praise  
Lord we ask for your blessings on Pflugerville ILC

Though we're many, we're a family, all part of one body in the Lord  
Let us hearten, comfort, lift, support, so each week strength in faith is restored

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Prayed, confessed, communed and sung His praise  
Lord we ask for your blessings on Pflugerville ILC

We know church is not a building, it's a gathering of His children  
We have congregated here for 150 years

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He is in our midst, we feel His reign  
Lord we come to worship you in Spirit and in truth  
Two or more have gathered in this place  
Prayed, confessed, communed and sung His praise  
Lord we ask for your blessings on Pflugerville ILC

Our Pflugerville ILC  
We love our ILC

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**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**PASTOR**

Sovereign God, ruler of all hearts, you call us to obey you, and you favor us with true freedom. Keep us faithful to the ways of your Son, that, leaving behind all that hinders us, we may steadfastly follow your paths, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
**Amen.**

**FIRST READING**

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**1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21**

<sup>15</sup> Then the LORD said to [Elijah,] “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. <sup>16</sup> Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place.” <sup>19</sup> So he set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was plowing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. <sup>20</sup> He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, “Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you.” Then Elijah said to him, “Go back again; for what have I done to you?” <sup>21</sup> He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSIVE READING**

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**Psalm 16**

<sup>1</sup> Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; I have said to the LORD, “You are my Lord, my good above all other.”

<sup>2</sup> **All my delight is in the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble among the people.**

<sup>3</sup> But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied.

<sup>4</sup> **I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods, never take their names upon my lips.**

<sup>5</sup> O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.

<sup>6</sup> **My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a rich inheritance.**

<sup>7</sup> I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me night after night.

<sup>8</sup> **I have set the LORD always before me; because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**

<sup>9</sup> My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.

<sup>10</sup> **For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the pit.**

<sup>11</sup> You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

## **SECOND READING**

## **ASSISTING MINISTER**

### **Galatians 5:1, 13-25**

<sup>1</sup> For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. <sup>13</sup> For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. <sup>14</sup> For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” <sup>15</sup> If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. <sup>16</sup> Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. <sup>17</sup> For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. <sup>18</sup> But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. <sup>19</sup> Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, <sup>20</sup> idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, <sup>21</sup> envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. <sup>22</sup> By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup> gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. <sup>24</sup> And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. <sup>25</sup> If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

## **GOSPEL**

## **PASTOR**

### **Luke 9:51-62**

<sup>51</sup> When the days drew near for [Jesus] to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. <sup>52</sup> And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; <sup>53</sup> but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. <sup>54</sup> When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, “Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?” <sup>55</sup> But he turned and rebuked them. <sup>56</sup> Then they went on to another village. <sup>57</sup> As they were going along the road, someone said to him, “I will follow you wherever you go.” <sup>58</sup> And Jesus said to him, “Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.” <sup>59</sup> To another he said, “Follow me.” But he said, “Lord, first let me go and bury my father.” <sup>60</sup> But Jesus said to him, “Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.” <sup>61</sup> Another said, “I will

follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.” <sup>62</sup> Jesus said to him, “No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.”

The gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **SERMON**

## **SONG OF THE DAY**

### **Here I Am, Lord**

"I, the Lord of sea and sky,  
I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin  
my hand will save.  
I, who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them?  
Whom shall I send?"

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.  
I will hold your people in my heart.

"I, the Lord of snow and rain,  
I have borne my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them.  
They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone,  
give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my word to them.  
Whom shall I send?"

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.  
I will hold your people in my heart.

"I, the Lord of wind and flame,  
I will tend the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them.  
My hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide

till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give my life to them.  
Whom shall I send?"

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.  
I will hold your people in my heart.

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## **APOSTLES' CREED**

**PASTOR**

**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**

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God of grace,  
hear our prayer.

## **OFFERING**

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## **SHARING OF THE PEACE OF THE LORD**

## **OFFERTORY SONG**

### **He Won't Ask for Anything that We Cannot Give**

God gives all believers, through His mighty grace  
Gifts and capabilities that must not go to waste  
Give and use them freely, you may be surprised  
He'll replenish what we share, our Lord, He will provide

If we stop to listen and look around, we'll see  
What the Lord has given us, what the Lord has planned for you and me



Some are given many, others have a few  
With each gift there comes attached an expectation too  
Invest them in His kingdom, sow His heavenly seed  
Waste not gifts that can be used for serving those in need

If we stop to listen and look around, we'll see  
What the Lord has given us, what the Lord has planned for you and me

The Lord has given us more, than we need to live  
He won't ask for anything, that we cannot give

In our daily lives there are opportunities  
To do His work by living, in generosity  
God may need our money, talents and our time  
He can ask for anything, He's given all that's mine  
If we stop to listen and look around, we'll see  
What the Lord has given us, what the Lord has planned for you and me

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What the Lord has given us, what the Lord has planned for you and me

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## **OFFERING PRAYER**

**PASTOR**

Creator God,  
in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good  
and the harvest is plentiful.  
Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth  
and our labor, that we may work for the good of all;  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior.  
**Amen.**

## **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you  
**And also with you**  
Lift up your hearts  
**We lift them to the Lord**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise**

## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**PASTOR**

## **THE 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.**

**COMMUNION**

**PASTOR**

**COMMUNION SONGS**

**Will You Come and Follow Me**

"Will you come and follow me  
if I but call your name?  
Will you go where you don't know  
and never be the same?  
Will you let my love be shown,  
will you let my name be known,  
will you let my life be grown  
in you and you in me?

"Will you leave yourself behind  
if I but call your name?  
Will you care for cruel and kind  
and never be the same?  
Will you risk the hostile stare,  
should your life attract or scare?  
Will you let me answer pray'r  
in you and you in me?

"Will you let the blinded see  
if I but call your name?  
Will you set the pris'ners free  
and never be the same?  
Will you kiss the leper clean,  
and do such as this unseen,  
and admit to what I mean  
in you and you in me?

"Will you love the you you hide  
if I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside  
and never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you've found  
to reshape the world around,

through my sight and touch and sound  
in you and you in me?"

Lord, your summons echoes true  
when you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you  
and never be the same.  
In your company I'll go  
where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow  
in you and you in me.

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## **Spirit, Open My Heart**

Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living.  
As you love may I love, in receiving and in giving.  
Spirit, open my heart.

God, replace my stony heart  
with a heart that's kind and tender.  
All my coldness and fear  
to your grace I now surrender.

Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living.  
As you love may I love, in receiving and in giving.  
Spirit, open my heart.

Write your love upon my heart  
as my law, my goal, my story.  
In each thought, word, and deed,  
may my living bring you glory.

Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living.  
As you love may I love, in receiving and in giving.  
Spirit, open my heart.

May I weep with those who weep;  
share the joy of friend and neighbor.  
As I live from day to day,  
love will be my finest labor.

Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living.  
As you love may I love, in receiving and in giving.  
Spirit, open my heart.

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## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**PASTOR**

Mothering God,  
you gathered us to your table  
and we drank deeply of your grace.  
Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors  
as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.  
**Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

**PASTOR**

The love of God abound in you;  
the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts;  
and the life of the Spirit ✠ bless you and give you peace.  
**Amen.**

## **CLOSING SONG**

### **Our Christian Lives Are Intertwined**

Our Christian lives are intertwined, we're all a part of God's mankind  
In pursuit of kingdom divine, our Christian lives are intertwined

Pastors preach, they spread the word, all to gather, grow and serve  
Ushers greet, our visitors, some of whom, become members  
Children's sermons, teach the kids, and adults, what Jesus did  
In Day Care, and Sunday School, teachers teach, what Christians do

Our Christian lives are intertwined, we're all a part of God's mankind  
In pursuit of kingdom divine, our Christian lives are intertwined

Communion hosts, serve bread and wine, to wash our sins, both yours and mine  
Holy Smokers, praise with food, when they serve us barbecue  
With the organ, choirs sing, in the balcony bells ring  
Sotaria, plays its songs, keyboard, bass, guitar and drums

Our Christian lives are intertwined, we're all a part of God's mankind  
In pursuit of kingdom divine, our Christian lives are intertwined

Actors reach, community, with a live, nativity  
Backpack kits, and food pantry, provide for those, who are in need  
To the altar, gifts we bring, through our members offerings  
Council leads, our strategies, buried loved ones lie in peace

Christian lives, that serve the Lord  
Guided by, His holy word  
We are all, his family  
Yes we're the body of Christ

Our Christian lives are intertwined, we're all a part of God's mankind  
In pursuit of kingdom divine, our Christian lives are intertwined  
Yes Christian lives, they're intertwined

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Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.  
**Thanks be to God.**