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Twenty Second Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 AM

November 9, 2025

Please rise, in body or in spirit, at the points indicated by *.

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude Instrumental

Children are invited to attend Sunday School downstairs in the Sunday School/Youth Room.

*Confession and Forgiveness

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,

who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

All: Amen.

Pastor: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Faithful God,

All: you have shown us the ways of your heart,

yet we stray from your paths.

We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression

and do not embrace the freedom

of your faithful promises.

We ignore our neighbors.

We exploit the earth.

We reject your abundance,

trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love.

Repair our relationships, restore what we have broken,

renew our hearts, and bring us to new life. Amen.

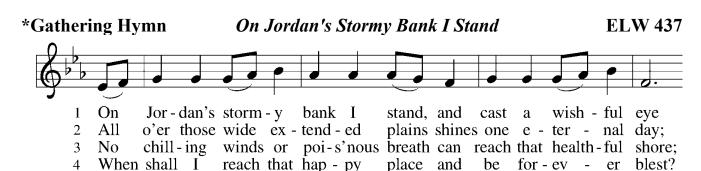
Pastor: Hear the good news:

God the Faithful One loves you,

+ in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven,

and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free.

All: Amen.





to Ca - naan's fair and hap - py land, where my pos - ses - sions lie. there God the Son for - ev - er reigns and scat - ters night a - way. sick - ness and sor - row, pain and death, are felt and feared no more. When shall I see my Sav-ior's face and in God's bos - om rest?



I am bound for the prom-ised land,

I am bound for the prom-ised land;



oh, who will come and go with me? I am bound for the prom-ised land.

Text: Samuel Stennett, 1727-1795

Music: PROMISED LAND, W. Walker, Southern Harmony, 1835; adapt. Rigdon M. McIntosh, 1836-1899

*Greeting

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the

Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you.

*Prayer of the Day

Pastor: O God, our eternal redeemer, by the presence of your Spirit you renew and direct our hearts. Keep always in our mind the end of all things and the day of judgment. Inspire us for a holy life here, and bring us to the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

All: Amen.

First Reading: Job 19:23-27a

O that my words were written down!
O that they were inscribed in a book!

²⁴O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock forever!

²⁵ For I know that my vindicator lives and that in the end he will stand upon the earth;

²⁶ and after my skin has been destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God,

^{27a} whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another."

The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

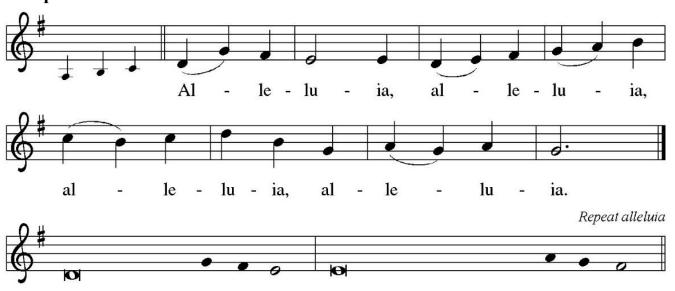
¹ As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, ² not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. ³ Let no one deceive you in any way, for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. ⁴ He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. ⁵ Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

¹³ But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. ¹⁴ For this purpose he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵ So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

¹⁶ Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, ¹⁷ comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

*Gospel Acclamation



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e-ter-nal life.

*Gospel Reading: Luke 6:20-31

Pastor: The holy gospel according to Luke.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁷ Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus ²⁸ and asked him a question: "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. ²⁹ Now there were seven brothers; the first married a woman and died childless; ³⁰ then the second ³¹ and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. ³² Finally the woman also died. ³³ In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her."

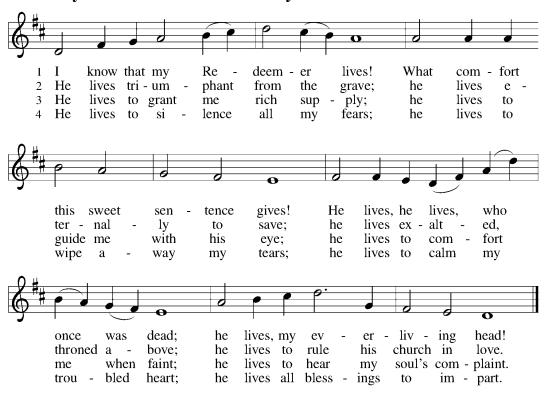
³⁴ Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage, ³⁵ but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. ³⁶ Indeed, they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. ³⁷ And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. ³⁸ Now he is God not of the dead but of the living, for to him all of them are alive."

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Joanna Hertzog Betkoski



- 5 He lives to bless me with his love; he lives to plead for me above; he lives my hungry soul to feed; he lives to help in time of need.
- 6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend; he lives and loves me to the end; he lives, and while he lives, I'll sing; he lives, my prophet, priest, and king!
- 7 He lives and grants me daily breath; he lives, and I shall conquer death; he lives my mansion to prepare; he lives to bring me safely there.
- 8 He lives, all glory to his name! He lives, my Savior, still the same; what joy this blest assurance gives: I know that my Redeemer lives!

Text: Samuel Medley, 1738–1799, alt. Music: Duke Street, attr. John Hatton, d. 1793

*Apostles' Creed

Pastor: With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

All: 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.

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

AM: Gathered with one voice, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all

who are in need.

To the words: "Hear us, O God.," the congregation responds: "Your mercy is great."

AM: We offer these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your grace and

unyielding love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

All: Amen.

*Sharing of the Peace

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you always.

All: And also with you.

Offertory Music

Combined Choirs

Come to Jesus, by Chris Rice, arr. by Mark Hayes

*Offertory Prayer

Pastor: God of healing and hope,

you bless those who are hungry,

promising to fill them with good things.

Fulfill that promise through us and these your gifts.

Nourish us with the abundance of your feast

and unite us into the blessed body of Jesus Christ our Savior,

now and forever.

All: Amen.

*Holy Communion

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

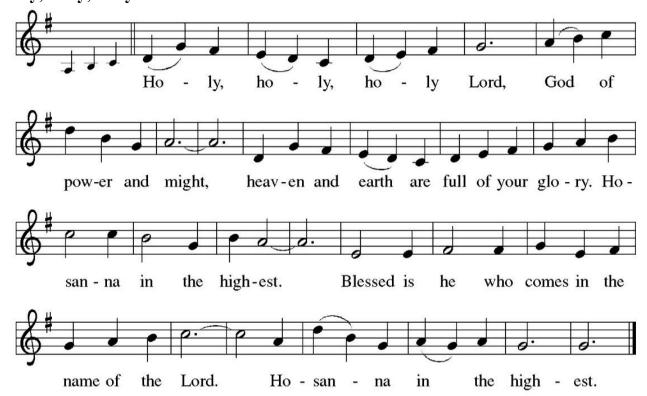
Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join

their unending hymn:

*Holy, Holy, Holy



*The Words of Institution

(not printed)

*The Lord's Prayer

Pastor: Let us pray as Jesus taught us.

All: 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.

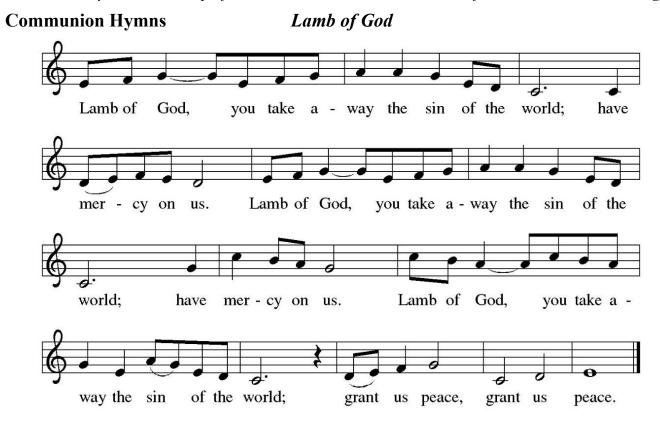
Invitation to Holy Communion

Pastor: There is a place for you at the table of God.

Come, receive the food that does not perish, a taste of life eternal.

All: Amen.

All are welcome to receive communion—if this is your first time receiving or your 500th time receiving. In this meal, Jesus meets us in and through the bread and wine. Communion will be offered in a continuous style in front of the altar as well as at the altar rail. We'll commune the right side first, moving to the left side, starting with the front pews and moving towards the back. If you would like to receive communion at the altar rail, do so by using the center steps. You are welcome to stand or kneel at the altar rail. Please wait until the group is blessed and dismissed before going back to your seat by using the side steps that lead to the side aisles. If you are receiving in front of the altar, when you come forward, you will receive a wafer. We have a gluten free option available. There will be a tray of cups of red wine and of white grape juice. After you drink the wine/juice, please dispose of your cup in the receptacles on the sides of the sanctuary. If you are unable to come forward, we are happy to bring communion to you. Those who prefer not to commune are invited to come forward to receive a blessing.



O Bread of Life from Heaven

ELW 480



Text: Latin hymn, c. 1661; tr. Hugh T. Henry, 1862–1946, sts. 1, 3; tr. Philip Schaff, 1819–1893, st. 2 Music: O WELT, ICH MUSS DICH LASSEN, Heinrich Isaac, 1450–1517



Text: Suzanne Toolan, RSM, b. 1927, based on John 6
Music: I AM THE BREAD, Suzanne Toolan, RSM
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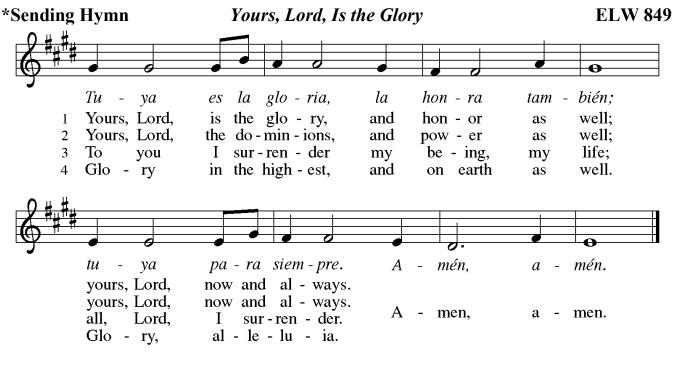
*Post Communion Prayer

AM: God of field and flower, wheat and grape, you have nourished us with the bread of heaven that gives life to the world.

Strengthened by the body and blood of your Son, send us out to gather your good gifts for all who hunger and thirst,

and embolden us to love and serve in Christ's name.

All: Amen.



- 2 Tuyos los dominios, los tronos también; tuyos para siempre. Amén, amén.
- 3 A ti yo me rindo, te_adoro también, amo absoluto. Amén, amén.
- 4 Gloria en las alturas y en la tierra también; gloria aleluya. Amén, amén.

Text: Traditional; tr. Gerhard M. Cartford, b. 1923 Music: TUYA ES LA GLORIA, traditional English text © 1998 Augsburg Fortress.

*Blessing

Pastor: The love of God the Sovereign strengthen you,

God the Son save you,

and God the Holy Spirit anoint you for the work ahead.

The holy Trinity bless you +

and grant you a faithful and courageous heart

now and forever.

All: Amen.

*Dismissal

AM: Go in peace. Share the harvest.

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude Soon and Very Soon

New Day Singers

Please join us for our Celebratory Stewardship Coffee Hour and Emergency Food Bag packing event downstairs in Luther Hall following worship. All are welcome!

The Church Office will be CLOSED Monday, 11/10 - Friday, 11/14.

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS Assisting Minister: Ben Hogue

Ushers: Richard Marsh, Pat Nelson, Ann-Linda Bray, Marianne Wilcox

Communion Assistants: Ann-Linda Bray, Bea Luciano

Lector: Kathy Rusch

<u>Sunday School Teacher</u>: Danielle Berneski <u>Sunday School Volunteer</u>: Ray Purtell

Altar Guild: Lisa Little, Pat Nelson, Marianne Wilcox

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Seasonal Sharing

The "little white church" is out in the Narthex this morning and will be every Sunday morning from now through the end of November to collect monetary donations to benefit Emanuel's Seasonal Sharing program. Funds collected will be used to help offset the cost of providing gift cards for MACC and Head Start families for Thanksgiving as well as purchasing gift cards for them at Christmas to purchase food and Christmas gifts for their families.

Calendar of Events

Sunday, November 9, 2025

Assisting Minister - Ben Hogue

10:00am -10:45am Sunday School - Youth Room

10:00am –11:00am Worship Service in the Sanctuary

11:15am –12:30pm Finance Committee meeting - Library

11:30am -12:30pm Stewardship Celebratory Coffee Hour - LH

1:30pm –4:00pm Christ Church Worship Service - Sanctuary

1:30pm –2:30pm Worship Service at Evergreen Crossings

in S. Windsor

4:00pm -6:00pm FME Chamber Music Concert Series -

The Sebastians

Monday, November 10, 2025 CHURCH OFFICE - CLOSED

10:00am –12:30pm Music From the Heart Band rehearsal - MR 7:00pm –8:30pm Property Committee Meeting – LH

Tuesday, November 11, 2025 VETERANS DAY CHURCH OFFICE - CLOSED

7:00pm –8:00pm Executive Committee Meeting via Zoom

Wednesday, November 12, 2025 CHURCH OFFICE - CLOSED

Thursday, November 13, 2025 CHURCH OFFICE - CLOSED

10:00am -11:00am Bible Study - Library

5:45pm –6:45pm New Day Singers Rehearsal - Sanctuary 7:00pm –8:30pm Anthem Choir Rehearsal - Music Room

7:00pm –8:30pm Calumet Ministries Committee meeting via Zoom

Friday, November 14, 2025 CHURCH OFFICE - CLOSED

8:30am -1:00pm Health Collective - LH/MR

Saturday, November 15, 2025 *Visitor* newsletter deadline

9:00am -10:45am Grow With Me Music - Community Room

Sunday, November 16, 2025

Assisting Minister - Beverly Niemann

10:00am –10:45am Sunday School - Youth Room

10:00am -11:00am Worship Service in the Sanctuary

11:00am -12:00pm Congregation Event: Cookies & Care Packages - LH

1:30pm –4:00pm Christ Church Worship Service in the Sanctuary

4:30pm –6:30pm Chaimovitch Piano Recital - Sanctuary

Hearing Assistance devices are available in the lobby. Many people who have difficulty hearing, and even people attending worship who happen to sit in an audio "dead spot" in the sanctuary could benefit from using a Hearing Assistance device during the service. If you would like to give one a try, please ask an usher for assistance.

If you are visiting with us this morning, we would love for you to fill out a Welcome Card!

Cards are located on the table next to the guest book in the narthex. If you need assistance, an usher can direct you. You can share your name, phone number and email with us as well as let us know if you have a prayer request that you would like printed on our prayer list, or if you would like to be added to our email communications list to receive our monthly newsletter and Friday Weekly Update emails. Cards can be left in the basket located next to the cards, given to an usher, or placed in the offering plate.

Special Offering Envelopes

<u>The Special Offering envelope for November is Seasonal Sharing.</u> If you would like to give to any of the special offerings in 2025, you can drop your check in the offering plate (or mail your check to the church office), made out the Emanuel Lutheran Church with the specific special offering listed on the memo line.

Emanuel LUTHERAN CHURCH Staff Church Office: 860-643-1193

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Anne Heinrich, Office Administrator Katie Kurlak, Director of Family Ministries

Donna Connolly, Parish Nurse Kathy Hatch, Property Supervisor Barton Sattler, Treasurer Jodi Eskin, Financial Secretary

Berk Little, Worship Support Specialist Kathy Rusch, Worship Support Specialist

Coffee Hours

You can sign-up to host coffee hour in one of three ways:

- ♦ On the paper sign-up sheet in the narthex
- ♦ Through the online sign-up sheet:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1uFDDtVaSqbAxWhfcOeNICaNBfsM6oeYYcdt7IMOD_ZE/edit?usp=sharing

◆ Call or email Anne in the Church Office: 860-643-1193 or aheinrich@emanuelmanchester.org

Twenty Third Sunday after Pentecost Scripture Readings—Sunday, November 16, 2025:

Malachi 4:1-2a

A day of blistering heat for the arrogant; a day of healing sun for the righteous **Psalm 98**

In righteousness will the LORD judge the world. (Ps. 98:9)

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

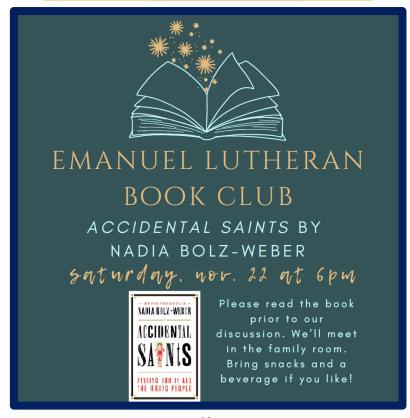
Do not be idle, but do what is right for the sake of Christ

Luke 21:5-19

Jesus speaks of wars, endurance, betrayal, and suffering for his sake

COOKIES & CARE PACKAGES: NOV. 16TH

Join us in Luther Hall after worship on Sunday, 11/16 for cookie decorating and assembling care packages for Emanuel's homebound members. And we'll need help with delivery, too! If you're willing to bake or make something for the care packages, please contact Katie Kurlak: familyministry@emanuelmanchester.org



Camp Calumet Camper Registration for Summer 2026

If your child is between the ages of 8-15, it is time to sign them up for a camp experience that will make this the best summer ever! Calumet offers one-week and two-week sessions at its overnight camp on the shores of Lake Ossipee in Freedom, NH.

Sign up during the **Early Bird Registration** and receive your **2026 Resident Camp T-Shirt for no additional cost!** *Registrations must be completed by November 14th to be eligible.*

Please note that Calumet uses a tiered pricing system, plus a \$50 application fee.

Visit: <u>calumet.org</u> for registration information.

To register, visit: https://calumet.org/summercamp/residentcamp

Camper Referral discount: Recommend Calumet's Resident Camp to friends and family and receive \$100 off your fee for each first-time camper (non-sibling) who registers for camp based on your recommendation. Not only will you save money, but you will share the wonders of Calumet's overnight camp with others.

Once again, Emanuel will offer camperships for children attending Calumet Resident or Day Camp!

To secure a Calumet Campership from Emanuel, please email Anne in the Church Office (aheinrich@emanuelmanchester.org) along with your child(ren)'s name(s) and the following information.

In your email, please specify the rate that best applies to your family situation.

Rate 1: \$1105/week (This rate reflects the true cost of camp.)

Rate 2: \$980/week (Rate for families for whom the full cost of camp is out of reach. Rate is subsidized by generous donors.)

Rate 3: \$855/week (This rate covers a portion of the true cost and is subsidized by generous donations by individuals and congregations.)

Then indicate the amount of campership that will meet your needs. Emanuel will apply the campership to the rate selected above.

__100% ___75% 50% 25%

Each camper's registration fee, \$50, will be covered by Emanuel and added to each campership award. Don't delay! Let us know your plans now so that we can help send kids to camp. Please let us know your plans ASAP but not later than December 31, 2025.