

July 17, 2022
6th Sunday after Pentecost



Come
Follow
Me.

The central image of the flyer is a photograph of a long, straight asphalt road with a dashed white center line, receding into the distance. In the background, there are large, rugged mountains under a blue sky with light clouds. Overlaid on the right side of the road is a dark blue silhouette of a person carrying a cross on their back. The word "Come" is written in a large, white, sans-serif font on the left side of the road. The word "Me." is written in a similar white font on the right side. The word "Follow" is written in a light blue, cursive script that arches over the road.

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✠ Opening Prayer ✠

Hymn: TLH #398

“Renew Me, O Eternal Light”

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

C *♩* Amen.

P Pastor

Confession of Our Sins

C Congregation

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

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C *♩* **Who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

C *♩* **And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

P O Almighty God, our Maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C **O most merciful God, who has given Your only begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Absolution from Our God

“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” (1 John 1:9)

P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given us His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To them that believe on His name He gives the power to become the sons of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

C *♩* Amen.

The Introit

Ps. 119:57ff

A collection of passages that set the tone for the service.

- P** Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.
- C** **The Lord is my portion; I promise to keep your words.**
- P** I entreat your favor with all my heart; be gracious to me according to your promise.
- C** **When I think on my ways, I turn my feet to your testimonies;**
- P** I hasten and do not delay to keep your commandments.
- C** **The earth, O Lord, is full of your steadfast love; teach me your statutes!**
- P** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
- C** **As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

The Gloria Patri

TLH #237:1

Latin for "Glory be to the Father."

- C** ♪ **All glory be to God on high, Who hath our race befriended!
To us no harm shall now come nigh, The strife at last is ended;
God showeth His good will to men, And peace shall reign on
earth again; Oh, thank Him for His goodness!**

Collect Prayer of the Day

A prayer to God that collects together the thoughts and theme of the day.

- P** O Lord, grant us the Spirit to hear Your Word and know the one thing needful that by Your Word and Spirit we may live according to Your will; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** ♪ **Amen.**

1 Kings 19:14-21

He said, "I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away." ¹⁵ And the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus. And when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael to be king over Syria. ¹⁶ And Jehu the son of Nimshi you shall anoint to be king over Israel, and Elisha the son of Shaphat of

Abel-meholah you shall anoint to be prophet in your place. ¹⁷ And the one who escapes from the sword of Hazael shall Jehu put to death, and the one who escapes from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha put to death. ¹⁸ Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him." ¹⁹ So he departed from there and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen in front of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and cast his cloak upon him. ²⁰ And he left the oxen and ran after Elijah and said, "Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." And he said to him, "Go back again, for what have I done to you?" ²¹ And he returned from following him and took the yoke of oxen and sacrificed them and boiled their flesh with the yokes of the oxen and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he arose and went after Elijah and assisted him.

2 Corinthians 11:21-30

Whatever anyone else dares to boast of-- I am speaking as a fool-- I also dare to boast of that. ²² Are they Hebrews? So am I. Are they Israelites? So am I. Are they offspring of Abraham? So am I. ²³ Are they servants of Christ? I am a better one-- I am talking like a madman-- with far greater labors, far more imprisonments, with countless beatings, and often near death. ²⁴ Five times I received at the hands of the Jews the forty lashes less one. ²⁵ Three times I was beaten with rods. Once I was stoned. Three times I was shipwrecked; a night and a day I was adrift at sea; ²⁶ on frequent journeys, in danger from rivers, danger from robbers, danger from my own people, danger from Gentiles, danger in the city, danger in the wilderness, danger at sea, danger from false brothers; ²⁷ in toil and hardship, through many a sleepless night, in hunger and thirst, often without food, in cold and exposure. ²⁸ And, apart from other things, there is the daily pressure on me of my anxiety for all the churches. ²⁹ Who is weak, and I am not weak? Who is made to fall, and I am not indignant? ³⁰ If I must boast, I will boast of the things that show my weakness.

The Apostles' Creed is a summary of Christian faith as taught by the Apostles. We boldly confess what God has taught us to believe.

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 Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the Holy Christian Church, the Communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn: TLH #422

"Savior, I Follow On"

**Luke 9:51-62**

⁵¹When the days were approaching for him to be taken up, Jesus was determined to go to Jerusalem. ⁵²He sent messengers ahead of him. They went and entered a Samaritan village to make preparations for him. ⁵³But the people did not welcome him, because he was determined to go to Jerusalem. ⁵⁴When his disciples James and John saw this, they said, "Lord, do you want us to call down fire from heaven to consume them?" ⁵⁵But he turned and rebuked them. "You don't know what kind of spirit is influencing you. ⁵⁶For the Son of Man did not come to destroy people's souls, but to save them." Then they went to another village. ⁵⁷As they went on the way, a man said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." ⁵⁸Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head." ⁵⁹He said to another man, "Follow me!" But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." ⁶⁰Jesus told him, "Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and proclaim the kingdom of God." ⁶¹Another man also said, "I will follow you, Lord, but first let me

say good-bye to those at my home.” ⁶² Jesus told him, “No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.”

Have It Your Way?

- I. Our way only leaves us useless for God's Kingdom
- II. Jesus' way is to use God's Kingdom for us

The Offertory

In this prayer we offer our hearts, asking God for the best gift, the Holy Spirit.

- C** ♪ **Create in me a clean heart, O God, And renew a right spirit within me Cast me not away from Thy presence; And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; And uphold me with thy free spirit. Amen.**

✠ **The Offering of Thankful Hearts** ✠

Hymn: TLH #421

“Come Follow Me, the Savior Spake”

✠ **The General Prayer & The Lord's Prayer** ✠

- P** Holy Communion is called the Lord's Supper, the Lord's Table, and the Sacrament of the Altar. What is the Sacrament of the Altar?

The Order of Holy Communion



- C** **It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, given to us Christians under the bread and wine to eat and to drink, as it was instituted by Christ Himself.**

Response: WS #755:1

“What Is This Bread?”

- C** ♪ **What is this bread? Christ's body risen from the dead: This bread we break, This life we take, Was crushed to pay for our release. Oh, taste and see- the Lord is peace.**

✠ **The Institution of the Lord's Supper** ✠

- P** But where is this written?

- C** **The holy evangelists Matthew, Mark, Luke, and the apostle Paul write this way:**

- P** “Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread; and, when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples saying, ‘Take, eat. This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me.’”

C In the same way He took the cup, after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying,

P 'Drink of it, all of you. This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.'

Response: WS #755:2

"What Is This Bread?"

C ♪ What is this wine? The blood of Jesus shed for mine; The cup of grace, Brings His embrace, Of life and love, And so I sing: Oh taste and see- The Lord is King.

P What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?

C The words, "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins," show us that God gives forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation through the Sacrament.

P For where there is forgiveness of sins,

C There is also life and salvation!

Response: WS #755:3

"What Is This Bread?"

C ♪ So who am I, That I should live and He should die, Under the rod. My God, my God, Why have You not forsaken me? Oh taste and see- the Lord is free.

P How can eating and drinking do such wonderful things?

C Eating and drinking actually do nothing. It is the words, "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins" which do this.

P These words, together with the bodily eating and drinking, are the main part of the Sacrament.

C Whoever believes these words has exactly what they say: forgiveness of sins.

Response: WS #755:4

"What Is This Bread?"

C ♪ Yet is God here? Oh, yes! By Word and promise clear. In mouth and soul, He makes us whole- Christ, truly present in this meal. Oh, taste and see- the Lord is real.

P When is one properly prepared to receive this Sacrament?

C Customs in connection with eating and clothing are indeed a fine preparation.

P However, a person is truly worthy and well-prepared who has faith in these words, "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins."

C Whoever does not believe these words or doubts them is unworthy and unprepared. The words, “for you,” require nothing but believing hearts.

Response: WS #755:5

“What Is This Bread?”

C ♪ Is this for me? I am forgiven and set free! I do believe, That I receive, His very body and His blood. Oh, taste and see- the Lord is good.

✠ The Distribution of the Lord’s Supper ✠

After the distribution, we will continue with the hymn verse below.

Response: WS #755:6

“What Is This Bread?”

C ♪ What can I say, To ever thank Him for His grace? I’ll take my place, Among His saints, And join my tongue in word and song. Oh, taste and see, Praise God with me!

The Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

The blessing given by God for His people.

P The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you; The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you His peace.

C ♪ Amen, amen, a – men.

Hymn: WS #784

“Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me”

Quarterly Voters’ Meeting after church next Sunday.

The CLC Mission Helper Trip Blog may be accessed at <https://2022clcmhtzambia.blogspot.com>. Please continue to pray for the Ohlmanns and the rest of the Mission Helpers!

CLC Call News Pastor Samuel Naumann of Resurrection Lutheran Church, Corpus Christi, TX, ***is still considering*** the call to Immanuel Lutheran Church, Winter Haven, FL.

July 10th Offerings:

Weekly Offerings needed for budget	\$ 2,345.50
General Fund Balance	\$ 1,607.69
Faith-Blue Springs Balance	\$19,096.57
Mission Helper Fund	\$25,375.39
	\$ 230.00

Total Cash All Funds

\$60,605.17