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**21ST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST    OCTOBER 17, 2021**  
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**WELCOME**

**HYMN: “O God of God, O Light of Light” (LSB #810)**

**\O God of God, O Light of Light,  
O Prince of Peace and King of kings:  
To You in heaven’s glory bright  
The song of praise forever rings.  
To Him who sits upon the throne,  
The Lamb once slain but raised again,  
Be all the glory He has won,  
All thanks and praise! Amen. Amen.**

**That life of truth, those deeds of love,  
That death so steeped in hate and scorn,  
These all are past, and now above  
He reigns our King once crowned with thorn.  
Lift up your heads, O mighty gates!  
So sang that host beyond our ken.  
Lift up your heads, Your King awaits.  
We lift them up. Amen. Amen.**

**Then raise to Christ a mighty song,  
And shout His name, His mercies tell!  
Sing, heav’nly host, your praise prolong,  
And all on earth, your anthem swell!  
All hail, O Lamb for sinners slain!  
Forever let the song ascend!  
Worthy the Lamb, enthroned to reign,  
All glory, pow’r! Amen. Amen.  
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**INVOCATION**

**REFLECTION ON GOD’S WORD: *(From Ps 124 & 130)***

**Pastor:** Our help is in the name of the Lord.

**People:** Who made heaven and earth.

**Pastor:** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**People:** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

## **CONFESSION OF SIN: *(Spoken together)***

**Lord, Your Spirit has drawn us again to hear Your Word and call upon You in prayer and praise. Yet we are not worthy of Your blessings. We have sinned against You and against one another in our thoughts, our words, and our deeds, and cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. So for the sake of Your Son Jesus, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

## **ABSOLUTION**

### **HYMN OF PRAISE: *(Sung together, LSB p. 204)***

**To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth;  
Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!  
We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name, we sing  
Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.**

**To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray;  
O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away.  
Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry,  
Where You in pow'r are seated At God's right hand on high.**

**For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord.  
Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored;  
You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High  
In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply!**

### **OLD TESTAMENT READING: Amos 5:6-15**

<sup>6</sup> Seek the LORD and live, or he will sweep through the house of Joseph like a fire; it will devour, and Bethel will have no one to quench it. <sup>7</sup> You who turn justice into bitterness and cast righteousness to the ground <sup>8</sup> (he who made the Pleiades and Orion, who turns blackness into dawn and darkens day into night, who calls for the waters of the sea and pours them out over the face of the land— the LORD is his name— <sup>9</sup> he flashes destruction on the stronghold and brings the fortified city to ruin), <sup>10</sup> you hate the one who reproves in court and despise him who tells the truth. <sup>11</sup> You trample on the poor and force him to give you grain. Therefore, though you have built stone mansions, you will not live in them; though you have planted lush vineyards, you will not drink their wine. <sup>12</sup> For I know how many are your offenses and how great your sins. You oppress the righteous and take bribes and you deprive the poor of justice in the courts. <sup>13</sup> Therefore the prudent man keeps quiet in such times, for the times are evil. <sup>14</sup> Seek good, not evil, that you may live. Then the LORD God Almighty will be with you, just as you say he is. <sup>15</sup> Hate evil, love good; maintain justice in the courts. Perhaps the LORD God Almighty will have mercy on the remnant of Joseph.

**EPISTLE READING: Hebrews 3:1-6**

Therefore, holy brothers, who share in the heavenly calling, fix your thoughts on Jesus, the apostle and high priest whom we confess. <sup>2</sup> He was faithful to the one who appointed him, just as Moses was faithful in all God's house. <sup>3</sup> Jesus has been found worthy of greater honor than Moses, just as the builder of a house has greater honor than the house itself. <sup>4</sup> For every house is built by someone, but God is the builder of everything. <sup>5</sup> Moses was faithful as a servant in all God's house, testifying to what would be said in the future. <sup>6</sup> But Christ is faithful as a son over God's house. And we are his house, if we hold on to our courage and the hope of which we boast.

**RESPONSE: (Sung together, LSB p. 205)**

**Alleluia, alleluia alleluia! These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**GOSPEL READING: Mark 10:17-30**

<sup>17</sup> As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees before him. "Good teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" <sup>18</sup> "Why do you call me good?" Jesus answered. "No one is good—except God alone. <sup>19</sup> You know the commandments: 'Do not murder, do not commit adultery, do not steal, do not give false testimony, do not defraud, honor your father and mother.'" <sup>20</sup> "Teacher," he declared, "all these I have kept since I was a boy." <sup>21</sup> Jesus looked at him and loved him. "One thing you lack," he said. "Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me." <sup>22</sup> At this the man's face fell. He went away sad, because he had great wealth. <sup>23</sup> Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it is for the rich to enter the kingdom of God!" <sup>24</sup> The disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup> It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." <sup>26</sup> The disciples were even more amazed, and said to each other, "Who then can be saved?" <sup>27</sup> Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but not with God; all things are possible with God." <sup>28</sup> Peter said to him, "We have left everything to follow you!" <sup>29</sup> "I tell you the truth," Jesus replied, "no one who has left home or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields for me and the gospel <sup>30</sup> will fail to receive a hundred times as much in this present age (homes, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and fields—and with them, persecutions) and in the age to come, eternal life.

**HYMN: "Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us" (LSB #851)**

**Lord of glory, You have bought us,  
With Your lifeblood as the price,  
ever grudging for the lost ones,  
That tremendous sacrifice;  
And with that have freely given,**

**Blessings countless as the sand.  
To the unthankful and the evil,  
With Your own unsparing hand.**

**Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give You,  
Gladly freely of Your own.  
With the sunshine of Your goodness,  
Melt our thankless hearts of stone.  
Till our cold and selfish natures,  
Warmed by You, at length believe.  
That more happy and more blessed,  
“Tis to give than to receive.**

**Lord of glory, You have bought us,  
With Your lifeblood as the price,  
Never grudging for the lost ones,  
That tremendous sacrifice;  
Give us faith to trust You boldly,  
Hope, to stay our souls on You;  
But, oh, best of all Your graces,  
With Your love our love renew.**

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## **SERMON**

### **CONFESSION OF FAITH: *(Spoken together)***

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## THE OFFERING

## PRAYERS

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**People: 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.**

### **HYMN OF ADORATION: *(Sung together, LSB p. 208)***

**Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;  
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.  
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;  
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### **HYMN OF ASSURANCE: *(Sung together, LSB p. 210)***

**O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;  
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.**

**O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;  
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.**

*IN THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION WE BELIEVE our Lord Jesus Christ comes to us with His body and blood given and shed for the forgiveness of sins (Matt 26:26-28). In it we are united with him and with the whole Church. Baptized and confirmed Christians who believe, by the guidance of the Holy Spirit, that Christ's body and blood are present in the bread and wine of the Sacrament, who acknowledge their sin, set aside any refusal to forgive (Matt 6:15), are sorry, repent (Mark 1:15) and look to Christ alone for forgiveness and strength to live the new life, are welcome to eat and drink at the Lord's table in remembrance of Him. (1 Cor 11:25-25) You may register for Communion as the Friendship Folder is passed to you in the pew. If you have any questions, please speak to the Pastor or a Lay Minister before communing.*

## DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*(Instrumental music)*

**HYMN OF THANKS: (*Sung together, LSB p. 211*)**

**O Lord, now let Your servant Depart in heav'nly peace,  
For I have seen the glory Of Your redeeming grace;  
A light to lead the Gentiles Unto Your holy hill,  
The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.**

**All glory to the Father, All glory to the Son,  
All glory to the Spirit, Forever Three in One;  
For as in the beginning, Is now shall ever be,  
God's triune name resounding Through all eternity.**

**BENEDICTION**

**HYMN: "Thine Forever, God of Love" (*LSB #687*)**

**Thine forever, God of love!  
Hear us from  
Thy throne above;  
Thine forever may we be  
Here and in eternity!**

**Thine forever! Oh, how blest  
They who find in Thee their rest!  
Savior, guardian, heav'nly friend, O defend us to the end!**

**Thine forever, Lord of Life!  
Shield us through our earthly strife.  
Thou, the life, the truth, the way,  
Guide us to the realms of day.**

**Thine forever! Shepherd, keep  
These Thy frail and trembling sheep;  
Safe alone beneath Thy care,  
Let us all Thy goodness share.**

**Thine forever! Thou our guide,  
All our wants by Thee supplied,  
All our sins by Thee forgiv'n;  
Lead us, Lord, from earth to heav'n.  
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### ***BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES***

This year things will be different than before. Instead of separating children from their parents in a Sunday School, parents and children will stay together, and I will be there with them as the pastor. We'll be calling this our "Family Faith Fellowship."

Each Sunday, from 10:45 am - 11:30 am, we will begin by looking at Bible passages, Bible stories, or discussing various topics in light of God's word. Families will then take part in an activity that ties into the lesson, and we'll end with a time of sharing with one another what we've learned or done that day. So, as pastor and people, we will be using the gifts the Holy Spirit has blessed each of us with, and working together to help one another grow in our Christian faith and life.

Whether you are a family that's currently a member at Holy Emmanuel, or a family that attends our Open Arms Early Childhood Center, you are all invited and welcome to come and be part of the fun!

Your brother and servant in Christ,  
Pastor Paul Krentz

