
20TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST OCTOBER 10, 2021

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC + WELCOME

SONG: "I Will Magnify" (Russel Lowe)

I will magnify Your name,
O Lord. I will exalt You forevermore.
For You are King of kings and Lord of lords
and You reign in majesty;
Omnipotent Father, Creator of all things. (Repeat)

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INVOCATION

CONFESSION OF SIN:

Pastor: I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven
and to you, my brothers and sisters in Christ, that I have sinned in thought, word,
and deed by my fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty
to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

**People: The almighty and merciful Lord grants you pardon, forgiveness of all
your sins, and everlasting peace in Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.**

Pastor: Thanks be to God. Amen.

**People: I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to
you, my brothers and sisters in Christ, that I have sinned in thought, word,
and deed by my fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I too pray
God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to
everlasting life. Amen.**

Pastor: The almighty and merciful Lord grants you pardon, forgiveness of all your sins,
and everlasting peace in Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

People: Thanks be to our gracious and merciful God! Amen.

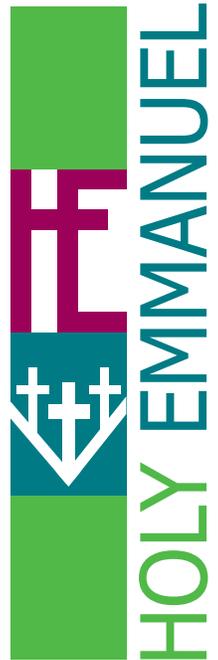
VERSES: (Responses sung, LSB p. 219ff)

Pastor: O Lord, open my lips

People: And my mouth will declare Your praise.

Pastor: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.

**People: Make haste to help me, O Lord. Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever.
Amen. Praise to You, O Christ. Alleluia!**



THE VENITE: (Sung, LSB p. 220)

1 O come, let us sing to the Lord,
2 For the Lord is a great God
3 The sea is His, for He made it,

5 Glory be to the Father and to the Son

1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.
2 and a great king a - bove all gods.
3 and His hand formed the dry land.

5 and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;

1 Let us come into His presence with thanks - giv - ing,
2 The deep places of the earth are in His hand;
3 O come, let us worship and bow down,
4 For He is our God,
5 as it was in the be - gin - ning,

1 let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise.
2 the strength of the hills is His al - so.
3 let us kneel before the Lord, our mak - er.
4 and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.
5 is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

PRAYER:

Pastor: Teach me your way, O Lord,

People: That I may walk in Your truth.

Pastor: Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

People: **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Genesis 2:18-25

¹⁸ The LORD God said, “It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him.” ¹⁹ Now the LORD God had formed out of the ground all the beasts of the field and all the birds of the air. He brought them to the man to see what he would name them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. ²⁰ So the man gave names to all the livestock, the birds of the air and all the beasts of the field. But for Adam no suitable helper was found. ²¹ So the LORD God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep; and while he was sleeping, he took one of the man’s ribs and closed up the place with flesh. ²² Then the LORD God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of the man, and he brought her to the man. ²³ The man said, “This is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called ‘woman,’ for she was taken out of man.” ²⁴ For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and they will become one flesh. ²⁵ The man and his wife were both naked, and they felt no shame.

EPISTLE READING: Hebrews 2:9-18

⁹ But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because he suffered death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. ¹⁰ In bringing many sons to glory, it was fitting that God, for whom and through whom everything exists, should make the author of their salvation perfect through suffering. ¹¹ Both the one who makes men holy and those who are made holy are of the same family. So Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers. ¹² He says, “I will declare your name to my brothers; in the presence of the congregation I will sing your praises.” ¹³ And again, “I will put my trust in him.” And again he says, “Here am I, and the children God has given me.” ¹⁴ Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might destroy him who holds the power of death—that is, the devil— ¹⁵ and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death. ¹⁶ For surely it is not angels he helps, but Abraham’s descendants. ¹⁷ For this reason he had to be made like his brothers in every way, in order that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in service to God, and that he might make atonement for the sins of the people. ¹⁸ Because he himself suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

CHILDREN’S LESSON

GOSPEL READING: Mark 10:2-16

² Some Pharisees came and tested him by asking, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?” ³ “What did Moses command you?” he replied. ⁴ They said, “Moses permitted a man to write a certificate of divorce and send her away.” ⁵ “It was because your hearts were hard that Moses wrote you this law,” Jesus replied. ⁶ “But at the beginning of creation God ‘made them male and female.’ ⁷ ‘For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, ⁸ and the two will become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two, but one. ⁹ Therefore what God has joined together, let man not separate.” ¹⁰ When they were in the house again, the disciples asked Jesus about

this. ¹¹ He answered, “Anyone who divorces his wife and marries another woman commits adultery against her. ¹² And if she divorces her husband and marries another man, she commits adultery.” ¹³ People were bringing little children to Jesus to have him touch them, but the disciples rebuked them. ¹⁴ When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, “Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. ¹⁵ I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.” ¹⁶ And he took the children in his arms, put his hands on them and blessed them.

SONG: “Thy Word” (Amy Grant, Michael W. Smith)

**Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.**

**When I feel afraid,
Think I’ve lost my way,
Still You’re there right beside me.
And nothing will I fear,
as long as You are near.
Please be near me to the end.**

**Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.**

**I will not forget,
Your love for me and yet,
my heart forever is wandering.
Jesus be my guide,
hold me to Your side,
and I will love you
to the end, to the end.**

**Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.**

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SERMON: Mark 10:2-12 “Marriage Matters”

THE OFFERING

HYMN: “We Praise You and Acknowledge You...” (LSB #941)

**We praise You and acknowledge You, O God, to be the Lord,
The Father Everlasting, by all the earth adored.
To You all angel powers cry aloud, the heavens sing,
The cherubim and seraphim their praises to You bring:
“O holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;
Your majesty and glory fill the heavens and the earth!”**

**The band of the apostles in glory sing Your praise;
The fellowship of prophets their deathless voices raise.
The martyrs of Your kingdom, a great and noble throng,
Sing with the holy Church throughout all the world this song:
“O all majestic Father, Your true and only Son,
And Holy Spirit, Comforter forever Three in One!”**

**You, Christ, are King of glory, the everlasting Son,
Yet you, with boundless love, sought to rescue ev’ryone:
You laid aside Your glory, were born of virgin’s womb,
Were crucified for us and were placed into a tomb;
Then by Your resurrection You won for us reprieve
You opened heavn’s kingdom to all who would believe.**

**You sit in splendid glory, enthroned at God’s right hand,
Upholding earth and heaven by forces You command.
We know that You will come as our Judge that final day,
so help Your servants You have redeemed by blood, we pray;
May we with saints be numbered where praises never end,
In glory everlasting. Amen, O Lord, amen!**
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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.

BLESSING

SONG: “Thou Art Worthy” (Karen Eagan)

Thou art worthy, Great Jehovah.

Thou art worthy, Mighty God.

Thou art worthy, Abba Father.

Thou art worthy, Lamb of God. (Repeat)

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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

8. How long does marriage last?

9. How does Jesus help us when our spouse dies?

10. Why did Moses talk about giving a certificate of divorce?

11. What two situations does God allow divorce?

12. How are marriage vows broken besides divorce?

13. How are Jesus' words about marriage meant to help us?

14. What does Jesus' death and resurrection tell us about marital sin?