

Immanuel Ev. Lutheran Church Immanuel Lutheran School & Children of Grace Preschool

20882 Walden Ave. Hutchinson, MN 55350

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST AUGUST 16, 2020

HYMN - 353 "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

INVOCATION

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son # and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son # and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

O God, you reveal your mighty power chiefly in showing mercy and kindness. Grant us the full measure of your grace that we may obtain your promises and become partakers of your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

LESSON – Romans 8:35-39

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? As it is written: "For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered."

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

PSALM 42-43

M: As the deer pants for streams of water,

C: so my soul pants for you, O God.

M: My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.

C: Where can I go and meet with God?

M: Why are you downcast, O my soul?

C: Why so disturbed within me?

M: Put your hope in God,

C: for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God.

M: Send forth your light and your truth, let them guide me;

C: let them bring me to the place where you dwell.

M: Then will I go to the altar of God, my joy and my delight.

C: I will praise you with the harp, O God, my God.

All: 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.

GOSPEL - Matthew 14:13-21

When Jesus heard what had happened, he withdrew by boat privately to a solitary place. Hearing of this, the crowds followed him on foot from the towns. When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick.

As evening approached, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a remote place, and it's already getting late. Send the crowds away, so they can go to the villages and buy themselves some food."

Jesus replied, "They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat." "We have here only five loaves of bread and two fish," they answered.

"Bring them here to me," he said. And he directed the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children.

APOSTLES' CREED

HYMN - 349 "Jesus, Priceless Treasure"

SERMON – Romans 8:35-39

"Nothing Shall Separate Us From Christ"

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER

M: Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart, that being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and ♣ give you peace.

C: Amen.

HYMN - 367 "Christ Be My Leader"

OFFERING - Offerings may be placed in the plate as you leave the sanctuary.

HOLY COMMUNION – We invite those who agree with the teachings of this church and of the WELS to partake of the true body and blood of Jesus Christ.

Those who desire to receive Holy Communion are asked to remain seated while the rest of the congregation is dismissed during hymn 304. Ushers will dismiss from back to front.

Communicants please pause in front of the elder to receive the bread in your hand. Then pause in front of pastor to take an individual cup from the tray.