PRAYER, LORD'S PRAYER, and BENEDICTION

- 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.

HYMN: TLH #50:1-2 "Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing"

- 1. Lord, dismiss us with Thy blessing, Fill our hearts with joy and peace. Let us each, Thy love possessing, Triumph in redeeming grace. Oh, refresh us, Oh, refresh us, Traveling through this wilderness!
- 2. Thanks we give and adoration For Thy Gospel's joyful sound. May the fruits of Thy salvation In our hearts and lives abound; Ever faithful, Ever faithful, To the Truth may we be found!

☆ Announcements **☆**

Thank you! To Neil for leading the service this morning. Pastor will be back for church next Sunday.

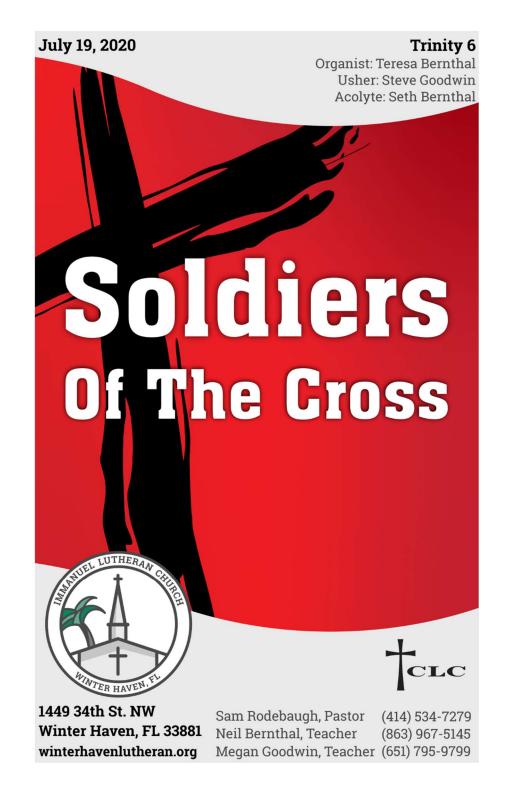
School begins in a few weeks here at Immanuel School. Please remember to keep the teachers

Looking Ahead...

- ♣ Aug. 2: WH Masks-On 9 am Communion Sunday
- 🕆 Aug. 9: Orlando Service 8 am

and students in your prayers, that the Lord would grant health to all of us and continue to enable us to share the Word daily in our classrooms.

Shut-in/Encouragement List Emily Kuehne suffers from total blindness and severe knee pain. Patti Meno continues to receive regular dialysis and is awaiting a kidney transplant. Bill Issitt III remains mostly housebound due to poor health. Johanna Jaehnigen remains mostly housebound. Crystal Shaw recently had a heart operation recently and is recovering. Bill Hartmann's health is deteriorating quickly. Bob Doriot recently underwent hip replacement and is awaiting another hip surgery. Paulette Galstad is suffering through bad back pain. Mark Moorehead is recovering from surgery and has begun therapy. Mr. Beymer is still quarantined at Southern Gardens. Belinda King is struggling through a prolonged respiratory illness that has greatly affected her ability to continue working as a nurse. Loye Issitt is continuing to receive regular dialysis.



⁵ The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot. ⁶ The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance. ⁷ I bless the LORD who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me. ⁸ I have set the LORD always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken. ⁹ Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure. ¹⁰ For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let your holy one see corruption. ¹¹ You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

OPENING PRAYER

P Pastor

C Congregation

HYMN: TLH #293:1, 3 "Oh Holy Spirit, Grant Us Peace"

- 1. O Holy Spirit, grant us grace That we our Lord and Savior In faith and fervent love embrace And truly serve Him ever, So that when death is drawing nigh, We to His open wounds may fly And find in them salvation.
- 3. And when our earthly race is run, Death's bitter hour impending, Then may Thy work in us begun Continue till life's ending, Until we gladly may commend Our souls into our Savior's hand To rest in peace eternal.
- **P** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

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. Our help is in the name of the Lord.
- **©** ✓ Who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.
- And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.
- P 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.

SERMON – Galatians 5:16-23 But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷ For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. ¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. ¹⁹ Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, ²⁰ idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, ²¹ envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. ²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.

This Means War!

I. The battle lines are drawn
II. In some, the flesh advances
III. In Christians, the Spirit gains control

- Sermon written by ILC Professor Paul Naumann

OFFERTORY

In this prayer we OFFER God our hearts, asking Him for that best of all gifts, the Holy Spirit.

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.

HYMN: TLH #444:1, 4 "Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ You"

- 1. Rise! To arms! With prayer employ you, O Christians, lest the Foe destroy you, For Satan has designed your fall. Wield God's Word, a weapon glorious! Against each foe you'll be victorious; Our God will set you o'er them all. Is Satan strong and fell? Here is Immanuel. Sing hosanna! The strong ones yield, With Christ our Shield, And we as conqueror's hold the field.
- 4. Jesus, all Thy children cherish And keep them that they never perish Whom Thou hast purchased with Thy blood. Let new life to us be given That we may look to Thee in heaven Whenever fearful is our mood. Thy spirit on us pour That we may love Thee more—Hearts o'erflowing; And then will we Be true to Thee In death and life eternally.

follow you wherever you go." ⁵⁸ And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." ⁵⁹ To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, let me first go and bury my father." ⁶⁰ And Jesus said to him, "Leave the dead to bury their own dead. But as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." ⁶¹ Yet another said, "I will follow you, Lord, but let me first say farewell to those at my home." ⁶² Jesus said to him, "No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

The Apostles' Creed is a summary of Christian faith as taught by the Apostles.

- I believe in God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
- I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.
- I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN: TLH #446:1,2,5,6 "Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray"

- 1. Rise, my soul, to watch and pray, From thy sleep awaken; Be not by the evil day Unawares o'ertaken. For the Foe, Well we know, Oft his harvest reapeth While the Christian sleepeth.
- 2. Watch against the devil's snares Lest asleep he find thee; For indeed no pains he spares To deceive and blind thee. Satan's prey Oft are they Who secure are sleeping And no watch are keeping.
- But while watching, also pray To the Lord unceasing. He will free thee, be thy stay, Strength and faith increasing. O Lord, bless In distress And let nothing swerve me From the will to serve Thee.
- 6. Therefore let us watch and pray, Knowing He will hear us As we see from day to day Dangers ever near us, And the end Doth impend-- Our redemption neareth When the Lord appeareth.

- O most merciful God, who hast given Thine only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee and of Thy will and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end that by Thy grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
- P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in His name He gives power to become the sons of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

INTROIT Ps. 85

- **P** Show us Your steadfast love, O LORD, and grant us Your salvation.
- Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for He will speak peace to His people, to His saints; but let them not turn back to folly.
- P Surely His salvation is near to those who fear Him, that glory may dwell in our land.
- Steadfast love and faithfulness meet; righteousness and peace kiss each other.
- P Righteousness will go before Him and make His footsteps a way.
- **©** Show us Your steadfast love, O LORD, and grant us Your salvation.

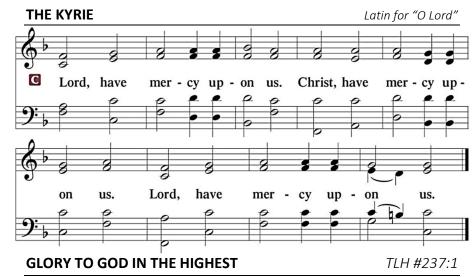


Latin for "Glory be to the Father"



VERSE OF THE DAY *Ps. 31:1*

P Alleluia. In you, O LORD, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame; in Your righteousness deliver me! Alleluia.



- 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; O thank Him for His goodness!
- Let us pray. Lord of all power and might, author and giver of all good things, graft into our hearts the love of Your name and nourish us with all goodness that we may love and serve our neighbor; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

OLD TESTAMENT READING – 1 Kings 19:9b-21 And behold, the word of the LORD came to him, and he said to him, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" ¹⁰ 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." ¹¹ And he said, "Go out and stand on the mount before the LORD." And behold, the LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the LORD, but the

LORD was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. ¹² And after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper. ¹³ And when Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. And behold, there came a voice to him and said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" ¹⁴ 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 voke 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.

GOSPEL READING – Luke 9:51-62 When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵² And he sent messengers ahead of him, who went and entered a village of the Samaritans, to make preparations for him. ⁵³ But the people did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. ⁵⁴ And when his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to tell fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" ⁵⁵ But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶ And they went on to another village. ⁵⁷ As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will