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The Chorale Service **Written by Lowell Sorenson**

VISITORS – WE WELCOME YOU to this house of prayer this morning. May you feel at home among friends as we worship together. We invite you to sign your name in the guest book in the back of the church and hope you will return again soon.

This morning we celebrate the Sacrament of the Altar, a feast of forgiveness in which we partake of the true body and blood of Christ along with the visible elements of bread and wine. The Bible gives specific instructions about the Lord's Supper. As it can be received to one's blessing or to one's harm (1 Corinthians 11:27-29), the Lord's Table must be approached with a sincere faith and a Biblical understanding. That's why all who are new to the Lutheran faith are instructed about this sacred meal before attending the Lord's Supper. Moreover, this Sacrament is also a testimony of our oneness in what we believe (1 Corinthians 10:17). Therefore, we welcome to the Holy Supper all members of Immanuel who have been confirmed and those confirmed members of sister congregations with whom we are in fellowship through unity in teaching (LCMS and TAALC). All guests who wish to receive the Sacrament are asked to speak with Pastor Sorenson before the service. The faith that we believe and confess is a beautiful gift of God. If you are new to Immanuel, we warmly welcome and encourage you to learn about this faith.

Prelude - Ringing of the Bell - Welcome

Invocation

P: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Introit of the Day, spoken responsivelyworship insert Kyrie (to the tune: Gethsemane) Lord, have mercy, hear our plea, Father of all Majesty: Christ, have mercy, God's own Son, Who for us redemption won! Lord, have mercy. Spirit blest, Source of truth and life and rest. Gloria (To the tune of Ode to Joy) 1) Glory be to God, almighty, Glory be to God on high. Angels in the sky shine brightly; Peace to all the world, they cry! God's good will for ev'ry nation In the Christ, God's holy Child. Ceaseless praise and jubilation For the world is reconciled! Glory be to God almighty, Glory be to God on high! All creation joins the anthem Of the angels in the sky! Shepherds heard this proclamation: Christ the Lord is born for you! Angels sing in adoration And we join their song anew! 3) Glory, honor, and dominion, Be to Christ, God's only Son! Glory be to His true Father And the Spirit, Three in One! Blessed Trinity, we praise Thee For Christ's blood has set us free. Praise to God in highest glory Now and through eternity!

Collect of the Day (spoken by Pastor)

Old Testament Reading: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gradual, chanted by Pastorworship insert

Epistle: Ephesians 6:10-20

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Common Alleluia Verse (to the tune: Easter Hymn)
Word made flesh, Thy Words proclaim; Alleluia!
Words of Life that bear Thy name; Alleluia!
Thou hast bled and died for all; Alleluia!
Let us hear Thy Gospel call; Alleluia!

Holy Gospel: Mark 7:14-23

Responses

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 7th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

(The Gospel is read.)

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

The Nicene Creedback cover of the hymnal

Hymn of the Day: "His Eye Is On the Sparrow" (by special request) Martin/Gabriel (Public Domain)

1)

Why should I feel discouraged? Why should the shadows come? Why should my heart be lonely And long for Heav'n and home? When Jesus is my portion? My constant Friend is He: His eye is on the sparrow, And I know He watches me; His eye is on the sparrow, And I know He watches me.

Refrain

I sing because I'm happy, I sing because I'm free, For His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me.

2)

"Let not your heart be troubled," His tender Word I hear, And resting on His goodness, I lose my doubts and fears; Though by the path He leadeth, But one step I may see; His eye is on the sparrow, And I know He watches me; His eye is on the sparrow, And I know He watches me. 3)

Whenever I am tempted, Whenever clouds arise, When songs give place to sighing, When hope my God supplies, I draw now closer to Him, From care He sets me free; His eye is on the sparrow, And I know He watches me; His eye is on the sparrow, And I know He watches me.

Sermon: "Our Green Savior"

Offering

Confession and Announcement of Grace

- 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.

(Silence for self-examination and personal confession of sin.)

- P: O almighty God, merciful Father,
- C: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- 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 on His Name He gives the power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, O Lord, unto us all.

C: Amen.

Prayer of the Church P: Let us pray to the Lord. C: Lord, have mercy. Admonition to the Communicants Lord's Prayerback cover of the hymnal Words of Institution Distribution Sanctus (to the tune: Nicaea) 1) Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! Heaven opens wide today as we receive from Thee. We cry out "Hosanna!" For our Savior's coming. God in the highest, Hail the glorious King! Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! Grant, O Lord, that in true faith we feast today on Thee. Saints and all the angels, Heav'nly anthems singing. Fall down and worship, Hail the glorious King! Agnus Dei (to the tune: Wem In Leidenstagen) 1) Lamb of God, Most Holy: Lord, to Thee, we cry: Grant Thy grace and pardon, Strength to us supply. Lamb of God, most holy, Who, for sinners, slain. Paid for our transgression; Suffered for our gain. 3) Christ, our blest Redeemer, Died upon the tree. For the world of sinners; Thus, He died for me. Look in faith to Jesus; He is God's own Son!

Hymns: #609. "Jesus Sinners Doth Receive" #625, "Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread" Post-Communion Prayer Benediction Closing Hymn: Nunc Dimittis (to the tune: St. Thomas) Let us depart in peace According to Thy Word. We have beheld salvation's Light, By faith and not by sight. 2) Salvation I behold, Prepared for all the earth. The One whom prophets had foretold The Christ of priceless worth! The Nations' One True Light, Who shines that all would be: Reflecting Christ's own glory bright Through all eternity. Elect by God's pure grace, Yet Christ for all was sent; He calls us to His dear embrace By Word and Sacrament. Rejoice, O Israel: Christ is thy glory true. Unite with all His saints to tell The praises He is due. All glory be to God Through all eternity! The Father, Son, and Spirit laud The Blessed Trinity! Amen!

Chimes/Silent Prayer Announcements Postlude

Mercy, peace, and blessing For us Christ has won.

Through Thy precious Supper Faith and love increase.

Lamb of God, most holy, Grant to us Thy peace.

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