

FIRST READING: Isaiah 53:4-12

Surely he has borne our infirmities
and carried our diseases;
yet we accounted him stricken,
struck down by God, and afflicted.
⁵But he was wounded for our transgressions,
crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the punishment that made us whole,
and by his bruises we are healed.
⁶All we like sheep have gone astray;
we have all turned to our own way,
and the LORD has laid on him
the iniquity of us all.

⁷He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,
yet he did not open his mouth;
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter,
and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent,
so he did not open his mouth.

⁸By a perversion of justice he was taken away
Who could have imagined his future?
For he was cut off from the land of the living,
stricken for the transgression of my people.

⁹They made his grave with the wicked
and his tomb with the rich,
although he had done no violence,
and there was no deceit in his mouth.

¹⁰Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with pain.
When you make his life an offering for sin,
he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days;
through him the will of the LORD shall prosper.

¹¹Out of his anguish he shall see light;
he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge.
The righteous one, my servant, shall make many
righteous,
and he shall bear their iniquities.

¹²Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great,
and he shall divide the spoil with the strong;
because he poured out himself to death,
and was numbered with the transgressors;
yet he bore the sin of many,
and made intercession for the transgressors.

Psalms 91:9-16

SECOND READING: Hebrews 5:1-10

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in
charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to

offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. ²He is able to deal gently
with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is
subject to weakness; ³and because of this he must offer
sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people.
⁴And one does not presume to take this honor, but
takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

⁵So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming
a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to
him,

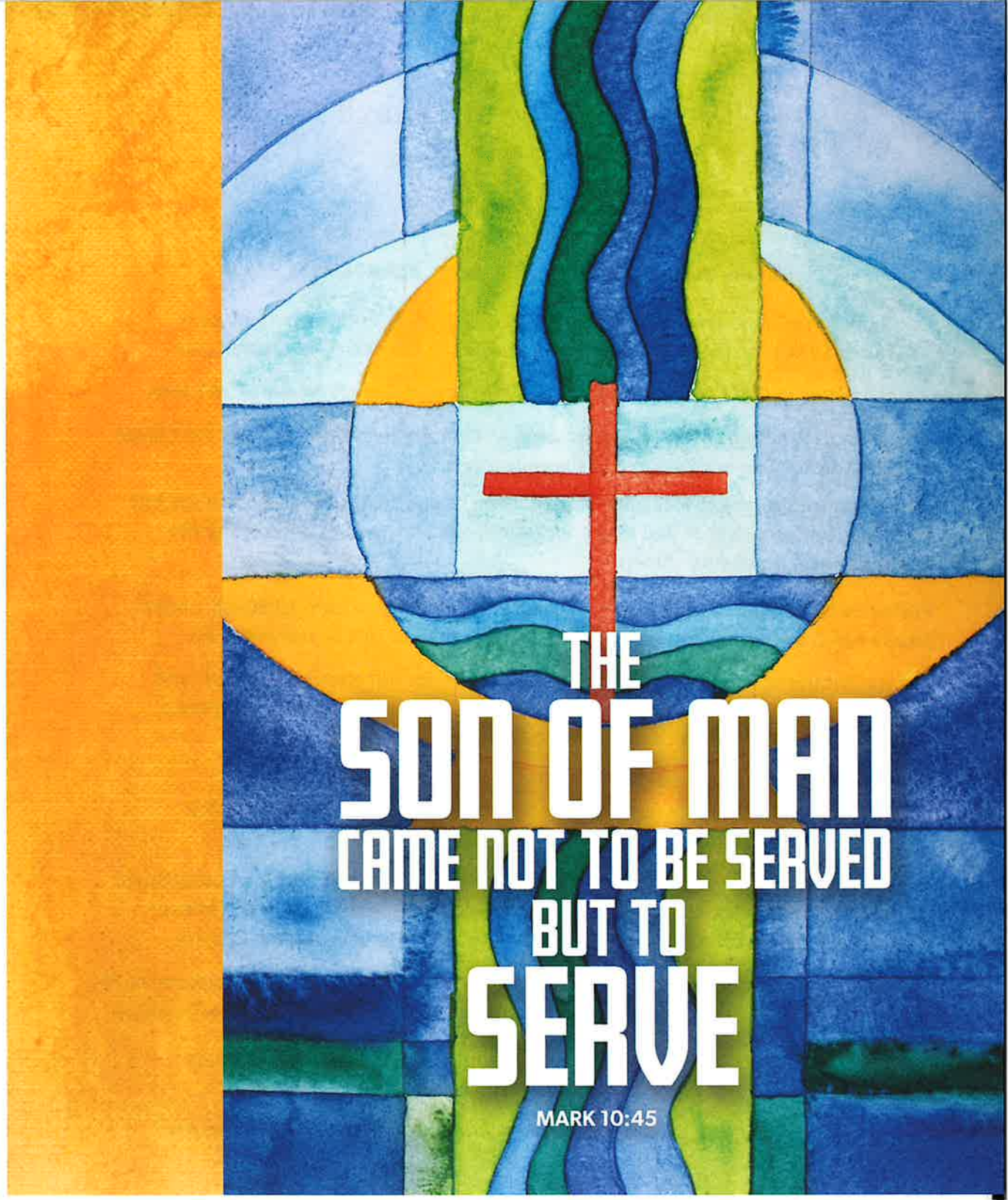
“You are my Son,
today I have begotten you”;
⁶as he says also in another place,
“You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchizedek.”

⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and
supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who
was able to save him from death, and he was heard because
of his reverent submission. ⁸Although he was a
Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered;
⁹and having been made perfect, he became the source
of eternal salvation for all who obey him, ¹⁰having been
designated by God a high priest according to the order
of Melchizedek.

GOSPEL: Mark 10:35-45

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to
[Jesus] and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do
for us whatever we ask of you.” ³⁶And he said to them,
“What is it you want me to do for you?” ³⁷And they said
to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one
at your left, in your glory.” ³⁸But Jesus said to them, “You
do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink
the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism
that I am baptized with?” ³⁹They replied, “We are able.”
Then Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will
drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized,
you will be baptized; ⁴⁰but to sit at my right hand or at
my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom
it has been prepared.”

⁴¹When the ten heard this, they began to be angry
with James and John. ⁴²So Jesus called them and said to
them, “You know that among the Gentiles those whom
they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and
their great ones are tyrants over them. ⁴³But it is not so
among you; but whoever wishes to become great among
you must be your servant, ⁴⁴and whoever wishes to be
first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵For the Son of
Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his
life a ransom for many.”



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MARK 10:45

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Our mission is to invite people to know Jesus Christ so that we may all share God's love.

Welcome to Worship at Immanuel as we worship together in the name of the Father our Creator, the Son our Savior, and the Holy Ghost.

Prayer before Worship: Heavenly Father, listen to our hearts, for the words spoken and those left unsaid, that you may know our needs and have us understand the needs of those around us. Amen.

Pastor Ed is working in the church office on Friday mornings from 10:30-ish – noon. Please call in advance if you would like to reserve time to talk or visit with him.

Prayer Requests: We welcome requests of prayers for our members, friends and families throughout our communities and beyond. Anyone is welcome to leave a note on the desk in the office or contact the pastor.

Offering envelopes are located and available on the table in the entry.

Please designate how you would like to have your offering used if for anything other than general funds.

The Lord's Supper, (offered on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month) the Eucharist, or Holy Communion is a means of God's grace whereby the real presence of Christ is offered. All are welcome to receive Communion at Immanuel Lutheran Church.

We have Children's Bulletins for those who wish to enhance the worship experience for the kids. They can be found each week on the table with the regular Sunday Bulletins.

Newsletter, bulletin, and member information or changes may be sent to ckwilson1983@gmail.com or immanuelcolfax@hotmail.com

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This Week at Immanuel 9:00 am Worship 10:00 am Sunday School

Sunday, October 20, 2024

WORSHIP LEADER: PASTOR ED HUDELSON

Lay Reader: Janell Hoffman

Greeters: Kent & Rebecca Casson

Ushers/Acolytes: Ty Harms, Acer Kratochvil

Communion: Chad & Janelle Hoffman

Organist: Kimberly Petersen

Sunday, October 27, 2024

WORSHIP LEADER: MARCIA BUCHS, SAM

Lay Reader: Erin Ifft

Greeters: Norman & Karen Harms

Ushers/Acolytes: Alec Harper, Zane Hoffman

Communion: Jerry Kukuck, Elton Mau

Organist: Cindy Wilson

Please include the following people in our prayers:

Virginia Winterland, Gary Kessinger, Lucy McKinley, Cheryl Poppe, Robert Ruff, Jeannie Weber, Tim Dawson, Von Becker's Parents - Bob & Judy Logan, Nancy Lasser, Loren Powell, Lori Becker (sister-in-law of Von Becker), and Daviney Steidinger-Reynolds (a student at Ridgeview)

Announcements

Please help us update our lists of Worship Service Volunteers. The current lists of Readers, Greeters, Communion Assistants, and Acolyte/Ushers can be found on the kitchen counter. We are especially in need of more volunteers for Communion Assistants and Acolyte/Ushers. Many of our members have been filling these rolls often and a few more names would be appreciated to lighten the load. If you would be able to help in any of these duties, please add your name to the list. As always, we appreciate everyone who helps make our services run smoothly.

LWR Dedication – Today we will be dedicating the quilts and kits that were gathered through this year for Lutheran World Relief. We are so very grateful for all of the contributions of items, time, and monetary donations from everyone. After all of this generous work, we kindly ask for one more favor – a small donation to help cover the cost of shipping would be greatly appreciated. A basket for donations can be found at the rear of the church. We are so blessed.

Immanuel volunteers will be assisting clients at the Fairbury Food Pantry on Monday, October 21 beginning at 4:30 (until 7:00 at the latest). They need 2-3 people. If you are interested in assisting, please talk to Angie Kratochvil.

Free items – there are a few things found as we were cleaning out the store room that we no longer need. Please help yourself to anything you find useful.

22nd Sunday after Pentecost

October 20, 2024

Today's gospel starts with disciples obsessing over who will be closest to Jesus, leading to Jesus teaching his followers about God's take on importance and power. Here Jesus makes it explicit that the reversal of values in God's community is a direct challenge to the values of the dominant culture, where wielding power over others is what makes you great. When we pray "your kingdom come" we are praying for an end to tyranny and oppression. We pray this gathered around the cross, a sign of great shame transformed to be the sign of great honor and service.

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross in remembrance of baptism as the worship leader begins -
Please stand as you are able*

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.
Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P: God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more.
By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven.

C: Amen. *Congregation may be seated.*

HYMN

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

ELW 789

*GREETING *Please stand as you are able*

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

*KYRIE

ELW page 138

L: In peace, let us pray to the Lord. *(sung)* **C: Lord, have mercy.**

L: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,

and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

ELW page 140

All: *Refrain ~ This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

Women: **Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.** *Refrain*

Men: **Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his.** *Refrain*

All: **Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:**

Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

Refrain

All: **For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.**

Refrain

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. Sovereign God, you turn your greatness into goodness for all the peoples on earth. Shape us into willing servants of your kingdom, and make us desire always and only your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

Congregation may be seated

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

READING

Isaiah 53:4-12

back of bulletin

This reading is from the last of four passages in Isaiah that are often called "servant songs." Christians are probably most familiar with this servant song. In light of Christian faith, the servant's healing ministry and redemptive suffering are understood to be fulfilled in the life and death of Christ.

After the reading . . . L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalms 91:9-16

Because you have made the Lord your refuge, and the Most High your habitation,

No evil will befall you, nor shall affliction come near your dwelling.

For God will give the angels charge over you, to guard you in all your ways.

Upon their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.

You will tread upon the lion cub and viper; you will trample down the lion and the serpent.

I will deliver those who cling to me; I will uphold them, because they know my name.

They will call me, and I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble;

I will rescue and honor them.

With long life will I satisfy them, and who them my salvation.

READING

Hebrews 5:1-10

back of bulletin

Using imagery from scripture and from Jewish worship practices, Jesus is presented as the great high priest who was obedient to God's saving plan. Through his suffering and death he has become the source of eternal salvation.

After the reading . . . L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *(sung)*

ELW, page 142

Alleluia. Lord to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

*GOSPEL READING Mark 10:35-45 back of bulletin

The Gospel is announced:

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark ... **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

On the way to Jerusalem the disciples ask Jesus to grant them seats of honor. Jesus responds by announcing that he and his followers will "rule" through self-giving service.

P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON Pastor Ed Hudelson

HYMN OF DAY ***The Church of Christ, in Every Age*** ELW 729

*CREED *Please stand as you are able* ELW page 104

P: We confess our faith in the words of the Apostle's Creed,

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and was born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

BLESSING FOR LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF KITS AND WORKERS

L: O Lord our God, maker of all things, you have blessed us with many gifts—the ability to sew, organize, communicate, and collaborate for the benefit of Lutheran World Relief and everyone it serves. Now we offer the fruits of our labors, the quilts and kits we have made, to you.

C: We celebrate being the working hands of God.

L: We give thanks for the fellowship of all who work together and apart to make the quilts, donate materials and supplies, assemble, pack, deliver or contribute in any way. We also want to give thanks for Naddene Pilgrim and her students in the Family and Consumer Science class at Prairie Central High School and the Weedman United Methodist Church in Farmer City for their generous donations of labor and fabric.

C: We celebrate generosity and community.

L: We send these quilts and kits as a sign of your love and blessing for each person who receives them, trusting they will be a source of comfort and hope amid disaster and fear. We especially ask you to care for and comfort all the victims of Hurricane Helene and Milton. May the quilts and personal care kits each recipient receives remind them they are a beloved child of God and make them feel cared for and loved.

C: We celebrate hope during life's trials.

L: We pray today that:

- the 69 Quilts give warmth from the cold or shelter from the sun;
- the 17 School Kits give children encouragement for learning;
- the 7 Fabric Kits give opportunity to those who sew to earn a living; and
- the 25 Personal Care Kits provide cleanliness and health to those who receive them.

L: Lord, we know that all we possess comes from your loving hand. Give us grace to honor you with all our being. Draw our hearts to you, guide our minds, fill our imaginations, control our wills, so that we may be wholly yours. Use us as you will, always to your glory and the welfare of your people.

C: Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P: Challenged by God's Word in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and the whole creation.

After each petition: P: God of grace, **C: hear our prayer.**

P: Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the saving grace you freely give, both now and forever.

C: Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The Peace of the Lord be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

P: Let us share that peace with one another.

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

WE GATHER OUR OFFERINGS

*OFFERING SONG *Please stand as you are able* ELW 182

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.

Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now.

Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Let us pray...

C: Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: God of our weary years, God of our silent tears, you have brought us this far along the way. In times of bitterness you did not abandon us, but guided us into the path of love and light. In every age you sent prophets to make known your loving will for all humanity. The cry of the poor has become your own cry; our hunger and thirst for justice is your own desire.

In the fullness of time, you sent your chosen servant to preach good news to the afflicted, to break bread with the outcast and despised, and to ransom those in bondage to prejudice and sin.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me. For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we await the day when Jesus shall return to free all the earth from the bonds of slavery and death. Come, Lord Jesus! And let the church say, Amen.

Amen.

Send your Holy Spirit, our advocate, to fill the hearts of all who share this bread and cup with courage and wisdom to pursue love and justice in all the world. Come, Spirit of freedom! And let the church say, Amen.

Amen.

Join our prayers and praise with your prophets and martyrs of every age, that, rejoicing in the hope of the resurrection, we might live in the freedom and hope of your Son. Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.
Amen.

*LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray. . .

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.

*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Jesus welcomes you to this table. Come, here is your God.
Congregation may be seated.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

All are invited to receive Holy Communion at the Lord's table. The inner circle of cups contain grape juice, the rest are wine. Please follow the directions of the ushers. When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say "The body of Christ, given for you." "The blood of Christ, shed for you." and each person may respond : Amen.

COMMUNION HYMNS

Lamb of God

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Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN

O Master, Let Me Walk with You

ELW 818

Amazing Grace, How Seet the Sound

ELW 779

After all have returned to their places, please stand as you are able.

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

* PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Let us pray... Holy God,

C: you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

*BLESSING

P: God all mighty, God most merciful ✠ bless you, keep you, and give you peace.

C: Amen.

*HYMN

The Spirit Sends Us Forth To Serve

ELW 551

*DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Follow Jesus. **C: Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

A Message from Tim Krick, Senior Advisor for Congregational Engagement with Lutheran World Relief:

The devastation that our LWR team saw this week was heartbreaking. It is going to take months — if not years — for our neighbors to rebuild in North Carolina and throughout the Southeast.

Our LWR team spent the day yesterday at a local hotel hosting 168 homeless veterans. Prior to Hurricane Helene, these men were living in transitional housing and rebuilding their lives. **When Hurricane Helene ripped through Asheville, these veterans lost nearly all their possessions and the stability they were working so hard to rebuild.** Earlier this week, a local hotel was secured to become their new home for the next 6+ months. **Thanks to the love of Lutherans, each of the men received an LWR Quilt and Personal Care Kit.** To say these men were grateful would be an understatement. In fact, one man returned after putting the new quilt on his bed and said, "Ma'am, I put that new quilt on my bed and the room just shone with those beautiful colors. Thank you for all the love in that quilt."