



## 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Immanuel Lutheran Church  
Forest City, Iowa

Pastors: Rod Hopp & Zech Anderson  
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October 23, 2022 9:15am in person / online / on the radio

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*Building community in the name and likeness of Jesus Christ.*

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*Genuine repentance and pretentious piety stand in stark contrast in the gospel and all around us. All creation stands in need of God's forgiveness. Keep the faith. God's people shall be accounted righteous for Jesus' sake. Our God is merciful to sinners. For this we worship and glorify God forever.*

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

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PRELUDE: "Ubi Caritas" by Ola Gjelo

Schola Cantorum

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

L: Lord our God,

**C: you yourself remind us through your holy people that all our religious practices are not worth anything if we use them to bend you our way, God, help us to come to you in humility. Forgive our haughtiness, our arrogance, our smug attitudes, and please God, unstop our ears that we may hear you in truth and grace. Help us to encounter you in love and bend us toward you and your will. Accept us once again as your sons and daughters, together with Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord forever. Amen.**

L: Siblings in Christ Jesus, God, the Father of mercies, through the death and resurrection of his Son Jesus has reconciled the world to himself and sent the Holy Spirit among us for the forgiveness of sins. By the grace your sins are forgiven. My you hear God's voice in mine, and find assurance and renewal to fight the good fight of faith in God's pardon and peace, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

GATHERING SONG: "**Come Now is the Time for Worship**" by Brian Doerksen

Chorus:           Come now is the time to worship  
                      Come now is the time to give your heart  
                      Come just as you are to worship  
                      Come just as you are before your God  
                      Come

Verse 1           One day every tongue  
                      Will confess You are God  
                      One day every knee will bow  
                      Still the greatest treasure remains  
                      For those who gladly choose You now

Verse 2           Willingly we choose to surrender our lives  
                      Willingly our knees will bow  
                      With all our heart soul mind and strength  
                      We gladly choose You now

Ending           Come come just as you are come come

## GREETING

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

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy God, our righteous judge, daily your mercy surprises us with everlasting forgiveness. Strengthen our hope in you, and grant that all the peoples of the earth may find their glory in you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22 *Jerusalem will be defeated*

SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 *The good fight of faith*

CHOIR ANTHEMS: "I Will Extol You, O God" by Nancy Farndale Waldorf University Choir  
"O Day Full of Grace" by F. Melius Christiansen

GOSPEL: Luke 18:9-14 *A Pharisee and tax collector pray together*

*Announcement: **Glory to you, O Lord.** Conclusion: **Praise to you, O Christ.***

CHILDREN'S SERMON / NOISY OFFERING for ELCA World Hunger

SERMON

Pastor Rod

HYMN OF THE DAY: "**Humble Thyself in the Sight of the Lord**"

Humble thyself in the sight of the Lord, Humble thyself in the sight of the Lord;  
And He shall lift you up higher and higher, and He shall lift you up.

APOSTLES' CREED

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PRAYERS: *L: Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.*

Ruby Sue Albertsen

Hayden Despenas

Ashley Rayhons

Gisle 'Doc' Bartleson

Pastor Michelle Gawienowski

Jennie Spencer

Liam Bartleson

Jill (Lewison) Nedved

Missionary Karen Anderson

Kaleb Betwos

Lisa Overlie

Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Magallane

SHARING OF THE PEACE: *L: The peace of Christ be with you always. C: And also with you.*

OFFERING: "Alleluia" by Elaine Hagenberg

Waldorf University Choir

OFFERTORY: "**Create in Me a Clean Heart**"

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OFFERING PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

SENDING HYMNS: "**Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service**"

#712 (vs. 1,2,4) ELW

"Beautiful Savior" by F. Melius Christiansen

Waldorf University Choir

## BLESSING

DISMISSAL: Go in peace, with Christ beside you. **Thanks be to God.**

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### **Worship Participants:**

Assisting Minister: Patti Strukel, Kathy McEnelly

Greeter: Shirley Rollefson

Ushers: Jim Lund, Gary McCarthy

Coffee Fellowship: Kitchen Service Group

Band: Audrey Olmstead-piano, Geno Lopes-bass, Antonio Lopes-percussion, Ben Bejblik-guitar, Dave Melby-guitar & vocals, Elizabeth May, Steve Olmstead-vocals

Altar Care: Jean Yeager

Sound/Video Techs: Brody Hopp/Ken Ferjak

Scripture Reader: Mark Johnson

Waldorf Choir Director: Dr. Emilie Bertram

**Today's worship is broadcast** at 11:00am over K10W 107.3 FM. Broadcast is given by Harvey & Connie Nyhus in memory of Dr. Morten & Bertha Nilssen. Dr. Nilssen was the ninth president of Waldorf University and Connie's father.