



Seventh Sunday of Easter

Immanuel Lutheran Church, Forest City, Iowa

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June 1, 2025 9:15am

Building community in the name and likeness of Jesus Christ.

It is possible to hear in Jesus' high priestly prayer, a prayer he offered shortly before his death, the petitions of the ascended Christ for his own throughout history—to our day—and beyond. Jesus prays for us. In holy baptism we become believers in God, have our robes washed in the flood of Christ's forgiveness, and receive the gift of life forever with all the saints.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

pg. 94-96 ELW

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

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: “Son of God, Eternal Savior”

#655

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

O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: Acts 16:16-24 *While in prison, Paul speaks to the jailer, who is then baptized*

PSALM: Psalm 97 [read responsively]

- ¹The Lord reigns; let the earth rejoice; let the multitude of the isles be glad.
- ²**Clouds and darkness surround the Lord,
righteousness and justice are the foundations of God’s throne.**
- ³Fire goes before the Lord, burning up enemies on every side.
- ⁴**Lightnings light up the world; the earth sees and trembles.**
- ⁵The mountains melt like wax before the Lord of all the earth.
- ⁶**The heavens declare your righteousness, O Lord, and all the peoples see your glory.**
- ⁷Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods!
Bow down before the Lord, all you gods.
- ⁸**Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice,
because of your judgments, O Lord.**
- ⁹For you are the Lord, most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods.
- ¹⁰**You who love the Lord, hate evil!
God guards the lives of the saints and rescues them from the hand of the wicked.**
- ¹¹Light dawns for the righteous, and joy for the honest of heart.
- ¹²**Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, and give thanks to God’s holy name.**

SECOND READING: Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21 *Blessed are those who wash their robes*
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION pg. 142

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: John 17:20-26 *Jesus prays that the disciples will be one and abide in his love*
Announcement: **Glory to you, O Lord.** Conclusion: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN’S SERMON / SERMON Pastor Rod Hopp

HYMN OF THE DAY: **“I Come with Joy”** #482

APOSTLES’ CREED pg. 105

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

Liam Bartleson	Hayden Despenas	Jill (Lewison) Nedved
Taylor Bartleson	Mary Farland	Tim Schmidt
Joan Beebe	Matt Grieff	Joan Swanson
Jan Buffington	Doris Johnson	Lucky Truong
Ivy Mae Callow	Diane Lovick	Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Magallanes

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

OFFERTORY: **“We Give Thee but Thine Own”**

#686 vs. 1,2,4

OFFERING PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION / THE LORD’S PRAYER

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

“At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing”

#362 vs 1,2,4,5,7,8

“Blessed Assurance”

#638

“Just a Closer Walk with Thee”

#697

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING / PRAYER

SENDING HYMN: **“In Christ There Is No East or West”**

#650

BLESSING: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, ✠ Savior,
and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

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Today’s worship service is broadcast at 11:00am over KLOW 107.3 FM. Broadcast today is given in memory of Ralph (June 6 b’day) and Lois Holst from children Bryan, Mike, Janet, and Nancy.

Worship Participants:

Altar Care: Jean Yeager

Assisting Minister: Patti Strukel

Scripture Reader: Ken Hansen

Communion Set Up: Cindy Korth

Greeter: Shirley Rollefson

Sound/Video Tech: Brody Hopp/Ken Ferjak

Piano/Organ: Karen Post

Song Leaders: Scott Bertelsen, Jaci Thorson

Ushers: Gary McCarthy, Jim Lund, Tina Berg

Communion Servers: Joan Beebe, Vera Hynes