



20th Sunday after Pentecost

Immanuel Lutheran Church, Forest City, Iowa

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Building community in the name and likeness of Jesus Christ.

The gospel today is the story of the beginning of Jesus' Galilean Ministry. He has a homecoming of sorts, beginning his Galilean ministry in his hometown, however, this inauguration doesn't end like we might expect. At first the hometown crowd is in awe of Jesus, until they discover he loves, values, and favors the outside world as much as the hometown crowd. Experiences beyond the boundaries of home change us for better or worse – and that can create friction in this world. But here's the thing, the work of Jesus on the cross has opened for all people a way home to God, and that was a mission Jesus was willing to die for.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE: *If Ye Love Me* by Thomas Tallis
Children of the Heavenly Father arr. Paul Christiansen

Schola Cantorum
Waldorf Choir

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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

Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,

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.

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. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN: “**All Are Welcome**”

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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

Sovereign God, you have created us to live in loving community with one another. Form us for life that is faithful and steadfast, and teach us to trust like little children, that we may reflect the image of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

WALDORF CHOIR: *Keep your Lamps!* by Andre Thomas
Non nobis, Domine by Rosephanye Powell

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 29:10-14

PSALM: Psalm 96 [read responsively]

L: O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.

C: Sing to the Lord, bless God’s name; tell of God’s salvation from day to day.

L: Declare his glory among the nations, the marvelous works among all the peoples.

C: For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; God is to be revered above all gods. For all the gods of the peoples are idols, but the Lord made the heavens.

L: Honor and majesty are before our God; strength and beauty are in God's sanctuary.

C: Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

L: Ascribe to the Lord the glory due God's name; bring an offering, and come into God's courts.

C: Worship the Lord in holy splendor; tremble before the Lord, all the earth.

L: Say among the nations, 'The Lord is king! The world is firmly established; it shall never be moved. God will judge the peoples with equity.'

C: Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it; Let the field exult, and everything in it.

L: Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy before the Lord; for God is coming to judge the earth.

C: God will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with God's truth.

GOSPEL: Luke 4:14-30

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON / SERMON

Pastor Zech Anderson

HYMN OF THE DAY: "**Be My Home**"

Be my Savior; be my heart's delight. Be my vision; be my guiding light.

Storms may press against me, threaten to prevail.

Be my refuge; be my shelter from the storm.

Be my love that keeps me warm; be my Savior, be my light; be my home.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH: *L: God of grace, C: hear our prayer.*

Liam Bartleson

Karen Kofron

Melvin Peterson

Hayden Despenas

Donna Kvale

Tim Schmidt

Michaela Farus

Jim Lund

Jennie Spencer

Doris Johnson

Mary Lund

Lucky Truong

Joyce Kasper

Jill (Lewison) Nedved

Missionary Karen Anderson

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: *I Carry Your Heart with Me* by Toby Young

Schola Cantorum

OFFERING PRAYER

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION / LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION: *My Companion* by Elaine Hagenberg

Waldorf Choir

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

SENDING: *What a Friend!* arr. Mark Hayes

Waldorf Choir

Beautiful Savior arr. F.M. Christiansen

Waldorf Choir + Alumni

BLESSING

DISMISSAL: Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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Worship Participants:

Greeter: Shirley Rollefson

Ushers: Gary McCarthy, Jim Lund, Tina Berg, Christa Frank

Piano/Organ: Amy Thorson

Assisting Minister: David Readinger

Scripture Reader: Ray Beebe

Communion Set Up: Tasha Banta

Audio/Video: Karl Wooldridge/Jacob Beenken

Communion Servers: Bink Keller, Kelli Welp

Song Leaders: Steve Olmstead, Scott Bertelsen, Cindi Lehmann

Altar Care: Kathy Leuwerke

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