

IMMANUEL ANGLICAN CHURCH

God With Us for the Sake of Others

Ante-Communion

10:00 a.m.

August 9, 2020

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Processional Hymn

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!

1. Alleluia! sing to Jesus!
his the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph,
his the victory alone;
Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion
thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation
hath redeemed us by his blood.
2. Alleluia! not as orphans
are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! he is near us,
faith believes, nor questions how:
though the cloud from sight received him,
when the forty days were o'er,
shall our hearts forget his promise,
"I am with you ever more"?
3. Alleluia! Bread of Heaven,
thou on earth our food, our stay!
Alleluia! here the sinful
flee to thee from day to day:
Intercessor, friend of sinners,
earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
where the songs of all the sinless
sweep across the crystal sea.
4. Alleluia! King eternal,
thee the Lord of lords we own:
Alleluia! born of Mary,
earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:
thou within the veil hast entered,
robed in flesh, our great High Priest:
thou on earth both Priest and Victim
in the Eucharistic feast.

5. Alleluia! sing to Jesus!
his the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph,
his the victory alone;
Hark! the songs of holy Zion
thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation
hath redeemed us by his blood.

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

People *And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*

Collect for Purity

The Celebrant and People pray

***Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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 Christ our Lord. Amen.***

Summary of the Law

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets. Matthew 22:37-40

The Kyrie

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

The Gloria in Excelsis

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;**

**you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People ***And with your spirit.***
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your grace that your faithful people offer you true and laudable service: Grant that we may run without stumbling to obtain your heavenly promises; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Reading

Nehemiah 9:16-21

¹⁶“But they and our fathers acted presumptuously and stiffened their neck and did not obey your commandments. ¹⁷They refused to obey and were not mindful of the wonders that you performed among them, but they stiffened their neck and appointed a leader to return to their slavery in Egypt. But you are a God ready to forgive, gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, and did not forsake them. ¹⁸Even when they had made for themselves a golden calf and said, ‘This is your God who brought you up out of Egypt,’ and had committed great blasphemies, ¹⁹you in your great mercies did not forsake them in the wilderness. The pillar of cloud to lead them in the way did not depart from them by day, nor the pillar of fire by night to light for them the way by which they should go. ²⁰You gave your good Spirit to instruct them and did not withhold your manna from their mouth and gave them water for their thirst. ²¹Forty years you sustained them in the wilderness, and they lacked nothing. Their clothes did not wear out and their feet did not swell.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People ***Thanks be to God.***

The Second Reading

Romans 8:35-39

³⁵Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? ³⁶As it is written, “For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.” ³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People ***Thanks be to God.***

The Gospel

Matthew 14:13-21

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

¹³Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick. ¹⁵Now when it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves." ¹⁶But Jesus said, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." ¹⁷They said to him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." ¹⁸And he said, "Bring them here to me." ¹⁹Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. ²¹And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

The Sermon

Deacon Sallie Rathbone

Song

More than Conquerors

Verse 1:

These present sufferings, they are nothing
compared to all that is to come.
So we are waiting and celebrating
our hope is in a Sovereign God.

CHORUS:

We are more than conquerors through Him who loved us.
Nothing can keep us from His love.
We are more than conquerors through Him who saved us.
All things will work together for good
Cause He is good.

Verse 2:

What can condemn us or separate us?
Jesus has bought us with his blood.
Through tribulation and persecution
Our freedom song is growing louder and louder.

CHORUS:

We are more than conquerors through Him who loved us.
Nothing can keep us from His love.

We are more than conquerors through Him who saved us.
All things will work together for good
Cause He is good.

Bridge:

Not death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, the present,
the future, nor any powers,
no height, no depth, nor all of creation
can keep us from Your love.
Not death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers,
the present, the future, nor any powers,
no height, no depth, nor all creation
can keep us from Your love.

CHORUS:

We are more than conquerors through Him who loved us.
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The Nicene Creed

All stand to recite the Nicene Creed, the Deacon first saying

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

Celebrant and People

***We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, visible and invisible.***

***We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.***

*For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

The Prayers of the People

Reader

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "Hear our prayer."

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

For Foley, our Archbishop, and John, our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people of our Diocese especially *Church of the Apostles Anglican* and *Church of the Apostles in the City*.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others, especially our missionary partner Yvonne and our partner churches in Bolivia.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service, especially our President, Donald and our Governor, Ralph.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:
People Hear our prayer.

Lord, through your death on the cross, you have brought us into your family, the church. Unite Immanuel as one family—one in heart, one in mind, and one in purpose. May the world know we love you by the love we show to one another.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:
People Hear our prayer.

Gracious God, you have blessed us with a piece of property and the means with which to purchase it. We give thanks for this generous gift. As we seek your will for this property we pray for the Vestry and Move Team to be given wisdom and direction from you, Lord. We desire to build a building that brings You honor and glory.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:
People Hear our prayer.

We pray for those serving in the Armed Forces or in harm's way, especially, Thomas Ankers, Steve Ayres, Nick Boxey, Austin Dixon, Beau Dixon, Gene Douglas, John Ellerbe IV, Brian Gille, Bryce Harpster, Gavin Harpster, Marcus Jackson, Kristy Lange, Tim Lange, John Mabus, Evan Marr, Dylan McElroy, Zachary Miller, Gary Motsek, Andrew Pollack, Gerardo Reyes, Andrew Rucker and Josh Sholander.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:
People Hear our prayer.

Grant your heavenly grace to all people, especially these gathered here, that with meek and reverent hearts, we may hear and trust your holy Word, devoting our lives to your righteous service. We lift before you all whose lives are closely linked with ours: Irwin, Carolyn, Lydia and Arthur Culbreth; James and Townsend Curran; Patricia Fleming; Janice Flynn; Richard and Karen Garon; Paul and Cathleen Giannini; John, Angela, Isaac, Ethan and Nathan Morlu and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:
People Hear our prayer.

Lord, we ask you to protect your people against every assault of the enemy. In agreement with your word, "We will not fear them, for it is the Lord our God who fights for us." We bring before you those who are facing battles of body, mind, and spirit, especially June Thomas, Lou Anaya, Robert Stegon, George Wright, Dick Ayers, D'Arlene Hoy, Randy Murch, Alan Clark, Tom Watson, Ellen Bingemer, Marion Zimmer, Joe and Alice Howe and Ingrid Farrell. Protect, defend, and restore them according to your great power.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:
People Hear our prayer.

Lord Jesus Christ, you are the Great Physician, who healed the sick, cured the blind and deaf and raised the dead, and who throughout all history holds dominion over disease and death: Arrest, cure, and eradicate the Coronavirus COVID-19, heal those who have been afflicted, and comfort those who have suffered due to this scourge; that they and all the watching world may know your sovereign authority, prevailing power, mercy, and grace, and that all may come to know and worship you.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:
People Hear our prayer.

For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, in thanksgiving let us pray.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:
People Hear our prayer.

For those requests which are known to you alone.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:
People Hear our prayer.

Celebrant

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Confession and Absolution of Sin

Deacon Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept

The Celebrant and People together pray

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Celebrant says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Comfortable Words

The Celebrant says

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Matthew 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. 1 Timothy 1:15

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

1 John 2:1-2

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Announcements

Birthday Prayer

The Celebrant and People together pray

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up when they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

The Celebrant then says

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray

Celebrant and People together 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Blessing

The Celebrant says

Now you who are loved of God, step forward into this new week appointed by him, that you might journey through its hours in the peace and the grace and the love of your Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Concluding Hymn

One Thing Remains

1. Higher than the mountains that I face
Stronger than the power of the grave
Constant through the trial and the change
One thing remains,
One thing remains

Chorus:

Your love never fails, it never gives up
It never runs out on me (3x)
Your love

2. Because,
On and on and on and on it goes
And it overwhelms and satisfies my soul
And I'll never, ever, have to be afraid
One thing remains
One thing remains

Chorus:

Your love never fails, it never gives up
It never runs out on me (3x)
Your love

Bridge:

In death, in life, I'm confident and
Covered by the power of Your great love
My debt is paid, there's nothing that can
Separate my heart from Your great love

Chorus:

Your love never fails, it never gives up
It never runs out on me (3x)
Your love

The Dismissal

Deacon Alleluia! Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People *Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!*