

Questions:

- 1) What does immanent imply?
- 2) What does transcendent imply?
- 3) Personal versus private faith?
- 4) Lord's Prayer

Today Food Pantry Sunday

Monday Bible study 7 p.m.

Wednesday meal/Small
Catechism study 6/6:30 p.m.

Friday Kathy out of office

Worship servants:

Pastor Cindy Cone
Charlie Skoglund assisting
Susie Lutz, organist
Duane & Shirley Theil, greeters
Mike & Nell Finkral, ushers
Richard Hillrichs, lector
Michelle & Katelyn Anderson,
communion
Rich & Kay Jaeger, coffee
Doug & Pat Witte, offerings

Bible school for all ages:

Saturday July 8 from 9 to 4
(lunch provided) and Sunday
July 9 from 9 to 2 (potluck and,
weather permitting, BBQ)

God's blessings to Eric Mouchka
and Abygayl Holloway who were
married here yesterday. Eric is
the son of Rick and the late
Diane Mouchka and grandson of
Jean and the late Don Pohlman.

In Our Prayers

Ongoing prayer support

Nevin and Tara Peters
Health and healing
Dennis Reich, 8243 S. 85th St.
Lincoln 68526
Michelle Anderson
Gary Benson
Will Fenton
Mia Nowak
Dwight Oberle
Charlie Skoglund
Richard and Sandy Thorin
Greg Witte
Skilled care
Cherlyn Hillrichs, room 111
St. Joseph's Care Center
Mona Jean Roberts, room 109
Heritage of Bel Air
Roger Young, room 407
Heritage of Bel Air

Office hours changing:

Beginning August 7 the office will
be open Monday thru Thursday
from 8 to 5 and closed Fridays.

Check your mailbox and in-box
for the July newsletter and
volunteer schedule.

Christ the Servant Lutheran Church

June 25, 2023 — Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come to enjoy the mighty works of God.
Be still, and know that God is God.

**God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.**

In the midst of turmoil, confusion and change,
God is with us to support and uphold.

**We rejoice in God, who answers prayer,
who is with us in our suffering and grief.**

We have been reconciled to God through Christ.
Rejoice this day in the love of God.

**We marvel that God knows us and cares for us.
We come in awe that God calls us together.**

HYMN: "Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer" LBW 343

INVOCATION

From the trembling foundations of the earth, we come to
worship. From the changing scenes of nations and peoples, we
assemble to ponder your word and remember your works. From
the fears that overwhelm us, we flee to your presence, asking
you to speak once more, Mighty God. Come within us to bring
strength, overcoming our weakness. Come among us to build
community, turning our differences into creative energy.
Receive us now as your seeking children. Amen

CALL TO CONFESSION

Who among us has realized the fullness of life God intends for
us? Have we not settled for immediate gratification rather than
long-term good? Were there not times when we compromised
our values for personal gain? Like Esau and Jacob, we have lived
as rivals, not as brothers and sisters. Dare now to seek a better
way.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of all people, we confess to you our rivalries and deceit. We have not lived by the best that we know. We have identified as enemies persons who are different from us, while you call us to be family. We have closed our eyes to needs around us, afraid of what we might lose if we respond. We have received in abundance and made skimpy return. You have given us life, and we have hoarded it as our own. O God, move us out of our tiny orbits of self-interest that we may dare to enlist as laborers in your harvest. Amen

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

The God of hosts has shown love for all people, even when we have acted as enemies of one another and of our Creator. While we still were sinners, Christ died for us. While we were rebelling, Christ was reconciling. While we were focusing on fragments, Christ was making whole. Rejoice in all the gifts we receive from God's hand, for we are a forgiven and forgiving people. Amen

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of the harvest, whose all-seeing eye and all-inclusive love embraces many we choose not to see, equip us for our labors. Grant us eyes and ears attuned to your compassion and to your children's needs. May we discern in the harassed and helpless an opportunity for discipleship. Keep us alert to the commission you are giving us today. Amen

LESSONS

Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Isaiah 42:8-13 (responsive)

Matthew 28:16-19

MESSAGE

Pastor Cindy Cone

HYMN: "Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said" LBW 398

APOSTLES' CREED

THE PRAYERS/THE PEACE

OFFERING/OFFERTORY PRAYER

As we bring our offerings, we pray, O God, that you will send laborers among all your children to preach good news, to bring healing, to feed the hungry. We would support them with our gifts. And if there are tasks for us to do, help us to respond with our lives, not with our leftovers. Amen

HOLY COMMUNION

COMMISSION AND BLESSING

God, who has been present here, goes with us.
God will continue to work within and among us.

**The Good Shepherd has met us here;
we are no longer harassed and helpless.**

God, whose strength we celebrate, empowers us.
God sends us as laborers into the harvest.

**God has claimed our energies once more;
we have been equipped for service.**

Go forth in the love of God, reconciled and blessed;
as you have been healed, bring healing to others.

**The Spirit empowers our ministry and mission.
We claim the values that transcend our differences.**

Amen

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HYMN: "This Is My Father's World" LBW 554

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL