Preparation for Worship: Psalm 42 & 43 (TLH pg. 133)

*Give Thanks ALWAYS for ALL THINGS!* Eph. 5:20

**Welcome & Invocation:**

We begin this service of Thanksgiving in the name of the Father of lights, from whom comes every good and perfect gift, in the name of the Son, from whom we receive Grace and forgiveness, and in the name of the Holy Spirit, from whom we receive faith and salvation.

Give Thanks for Abundant Blessings!
P: Let us lift up our hearts in thanksgiving and praise for God’s abundant blessings.

**Cong. Sing:** Mel. 39

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is Thy Health and Salvation!
Join the full throng: Wake, harp and psalter and song;
    Sound forth in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
    Who, as on wings of an eagle, uplifteth, sustaineth.
Hast thou not seen How thy desires all have been
    Granted in what He ordaineth?

P: We come together with thankful hearts,
    **C: To praise our God for His Bountiful goodness!**
P: “You crown the year with Your goodness, and Your paths drip with abundance.” (Ps. 65:11)
    **C: You have opened the windows of heaven and poured out Your overflowing blessings upon us!**

**Cong. Sing:** Mel. 39

Praise to the Lord, who hath fearfully, wondrously, made thee;
    Health hath vouchsafed and, when heedlessly falling,
        hath stayed thee.
What need or grief Ever hath failed of relief?--
    Wings of His mercy did shade thee.

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee,
    Who from the heavens the streams of His mercy doth send thee.
Ponder anew What the Almighty can do,
    Who with His love doth befriend thee.

P: We gather together with shouts of praise
    **C: For You, Lord, have blessed us with health and peace.**
P: “Bless the Lord, O my soul;
    **C: And all that is within me, bless His holy name!**
P: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits:
    **C: Who forgives all your iniquities, who heals all your diseases,**
P: Who redeems your life from destruction,
    **C: Who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies.” (Ps. 103:1-3)**
Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him!
Let the Amen Sound from His people again;
Gladly for aye we adore Him.

Confession of sins

P: We must confess with Jacob,
C: “I am not worthy of the least of all the mercies and of all the truth which You have shown Your servant.” (Gen 32:10)
P: We are truly sinful creatures, we were sinners from our mothers womb.
C: As sinners from birth, we have sinned against you in our thoughts, words and actions.
P: Because of our sins we are not worthy of any goodness from You. Instead we deserve your wrath and punishment.
C: We thank and praise You that You have not withheld your goodness from us because of our sins.
P: For You make your sun rise on the evil and on the good, and send rain on the just and on the unjust.
C & P: Lord, we seek Your grace and forgiveness in Christ Jesus, that we may continue in the greater blessings of Your presence and the sure hope of everlasting life. Today we especially seek Your forgiveness for the many times we have been unthankful and taken your blessings for granted. We plead for your mercy in Christ Jesus and pray You to fill our hearts with joyful thanksgiving always.
P: God our heavenly Father has had mercy upon us and has forgiven us all our sins through Jesus who died to pay for our sins. As He promises; he that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this Lord, unto us all, and fill our hearts with thanksgiving and praise.

Cong. Sing: .................................Melody of Hymn 568
We praise You, O God, our Redeemer, Creator,
In grateful devotion our thanks we now bring;
Forgiveness You gave us, Your children You have made us,
We bless Your holy name, Glad praises we sing.

Scripture Reading: ..............Psalm 104:10-24
He sends the springs into the valleys; They flow among the hills. 11 They give drink to every beast of the field; The wild donkeys quench their thirst. 12 By them the birds of the heavens have their home; They sing among the branches. 13 He waters the hills from His upper chambers; the earth is satisfied with the fruit of Your works. 14 He causes the grass to grow for the cattle, and vegetation for the
service of man, that he may bring forth food from the earth, 15 And wine that makes glad the heart of man, oil to make his face shine, and bread which strengthens man's heart. 16 The trees of the Lord are full of sap, the cedars of Lebanon which He planted, 17 where the birds make their nests; The stork has her home in the fir trees. 18 The high hills are for the wild goats; The cliffs are a refuge for the rock badgers. 19 He appointed the moon for seasons; The sun knows its going down. 20 You make darkness, and it is night, in which all the beasts of the forest creep about. 21 The young lions roar after their prey, and seek their food from God. 22 When the sun rises, they gather together and lie down in their dens. 23 Man goes out to his work and to his labor until the evening. 24 O Lord, how manifold are Your works! In wisdom You have made them all. The earth is full of Your possessions.

Scripture Reading: .............Ephesians 1:3-23
3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ, 4 just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love, 5 having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will, 6 to the praise of the glory of His grace, by which He made us accepted in the Beloved. 7 In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace 8 which He made to abound toward us in all wisdom and prudence, 9 having made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His good pleasure which He purposed in Himself, 10 that in the dispensation of the fullness of the times He might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which are on earth—in Him. 11 In Him also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will, 12 that we who first trusted in Christ should be to the praise of His glory. 13 In Him you also trusted, after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, 14 who is the guarantee of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, to the praise of His glory. 15 Therefore I also, after I heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all the saints, 16 do not cease to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers: 17 that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him, 18 the eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that you may know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, 19 and what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power 20 which
He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places, 21 far above all principality and power and might and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in that which is to come. 22 And He put all things under His feet, and gave Him to be head over all things to the church, 23 which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all.

Confession of Faith: Luther’s Explanation to the 1st Article

ALL: I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
P: I believe that God has made me and all creatures;
C: that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses.
ALL: Thank you Lord for Creating us so wonderfully.
P: And God still preserves us.
C: Giving us clothing and shoes, meat and drink, house and home, wife and children, fields, cattle, and all my goods; that He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life.
ALL: Thank you Lord for giving us such an abundance of good things.
P: God also defends me against all danger, and guards and protects me from all evil;
C: All this purely out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all of which it is my duty to thank and praise, to serve and obey Him. This is most certainly true.
ALL: We thank and praise You Lord, for all Your Loving Kindness.

Hymn: 792 Let All Things Now Living
Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving
To God the Creator triumphantly raise,
Who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,
Who still guides us on to the end of our days.
   God’s banners are o’er us,
   His light goes before us,
A pillar of fire shining forth in the night,
‘Til shadows have vanished and darkness is banished,
as forward we travel from light into light.
Thanksgiving Message: Text  Psalm 100
“Make a joyful shout to the Lord, all you lands! 2 Serve the Lord with gladness; Come before His presence with singing.
3 Know that the Lord, He is God; It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves; We are His people and the sheep of His pasture. 4 Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise. Be thankful to Him, and bless His name. 5 For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting, and His truth endures to all generations.”

A Joyful Thanksgiving!

This Psalm:
1. Calls us to praise God with Joyful Thanksgiving, and
2. Gives the Reasons for such Joyful Thanksgiving.

Hymn: 44 Ye Lands, To the Lord Make a Jubilant Noise
1. Ye lands, to the Lord make a jubilant noise; Glory be to God!
   Oh, serve Him with joy, in His presence now rejoice;
   Sing praise unto God out of Zion!

2. Not we, but the Lord is our Maker, our God; Glory be to God!
   His people we are, and the sheep led by His rod;
   Sing praise unto God out of Zion!

3. Oh, enter His gates with thanksgiving and praise; Glory be to God!
   To bless Him and thank Him our voices we will raise;
   Sing praise unto God out of Zion!

4. For good is the Lord, and His mercy is sure; Glory be to God!
   To all generations His truth shall still endure;
   Sing praise unto God out of Zion!

Offering of Thankful hearts:
Hymn 568 st. 1 & 3 (sung while bringing up the offering)
1. We praise Thee, O God, our Redeemer, Creator,
   In grateful devotion our tribute we bring;
   We lay it before Thee, We kneel and adore Thee,
   We bless Thy holy name, glad praises we sing.

3. With voices united our praises we offer,
   To Thee, great Jehovah, glad anthems we raise.
   Thy strong arm will guide us, Our God is beside us,
   To Thee, our great Redeemer, fore'er be praise.
Giving Thanks for the Goodness of God:
P: Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever.
C: I will praise the Lord with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright and in the congregation.
P: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised, and His greatness is unsearchable.
C: I will extol You, my God, O King; and I will bless Your name forever and ever.
P: The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and great in mercy.
C: Every day I will bless You, and I will praise Your name forever and ever.
P: The Lord is good to all, and His tender mercies are over all His works.
C: I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have my being.
P: The Lord is near to all who call upon Him,
C: To all who call upon Him in truth.
P: He will fulfill the desire of those who fear Him;
C: He also will hear their cry and save them.
P: Praise the Lord! For it is good to sing praises to our God; for it is pleasant and praise is beautiful.
C: My heart rejoices in your salvation, I will sing to the Lord, because He has dealt bountifully with me.
ALL: Amen.

Lord’s Prayer for Thanksgiving
P: OUR FATHER, WHO ART IN HEAVEN,
C: from Whom comes every good and perfect gift, and in Whom we trust,
P: HALLOWED BE THY NAME,
C: blessed be Your name; may we treasure Your name in our hearts, and keep it holy in our lives.
P: THY KINGDOM COME;
C: we treasure Your Word and Gospel above all else for through it your Kingdom comes to us and others.
P: THY WILL BE DONE ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN,
C: for Your will is always good. We praise You for Your good and gracious will in our lives.
P: GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD
C: as You have always provided for us. Teach us to come to You each day for our needs and receive them with Thanksgiving.
P: AND FORGIVE US OUR TRESPASSES,
C: in our sins we only pervert Your blessings, but with Your grace all things are made new.
P: AS WE FORGIVE THOSE WHO TRESPASS AGAINST US;
   C: so let us thank You by giving forgiveness and kindness to our
      neighbors;
P: AND LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION,
   C: that we may not abuse Your good gifts,
P: BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL,
   C: that we may enjoy the better blessings of eternity with You,
P: FOR THINE IS THE KINGDOM
   C: where You give life and salvation
P: AND THE POWER,
   C: for all things are in Your hand,
P: AND THE GLORY,
   C: for the eyes of all wait upon You. Thanks be to You, O God,
P: FOREVER AND EVER.
   C: Never shall we look to another.
P: AMEN.
   C: Giving thanks to You for the past, we trust in You for the future
      and give You thanks in advance.

Benediction:
The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make His face shine upon you
and be gracious unto you, the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and
give you peace.

Closing Hymn: 36 Now Thank We All Our God
1 Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,
   Who wondrous things has done, in whom his world rejoices;
   Who from our mothers' arms has blessed us on our way
   With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.
2 O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us,
And keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills in this world in the next.

3 All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,
The Son and Him Who reigns, with them in highest heaven
The one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore;
For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

Have a Thankful and Blessed Thanksgiving!

Praying for our Family:
We pray for Waldemar Goll, who appears to be in the end stages of his life on earth. We pray that the Lord will grant him a peaceful death and receive him into his eternal home.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today - There is no Sunday School or Bible Class today.
Tuesday - Shut-in Visit with George – 1:30
Wednesday - Zoom Bible Study in Sweden at 9:30.
  Bible Study with Karrie at 3:00
Thursday - Catechism Class at 4:30
Friday - Shut-in visits with Rosemarie and Felix 1:00
Next Sunday - Worship Service at 10:00.
  Sunday School and Bible Class at 11:20
We will finish up the discussion of how to respond to the Transgender Agenda.

Coming Up!
Reformation Festival – Sunday October 29th.
4th Quarter Voter’s Meeting – Sunday November 5th.

CLC Call News
Pastor Neal Radichel of Immanuel Lutheran in Mankato, MN is considering the call from Messiah in Eau Claire, WI.
Pastor Terrel Kesterson of Ascension Lutheran in Batavia, IL is considering the joint call from Calvary Lutheran of Marquette, MI and St. Peter’s Lutheran of Iron River, MI.

2024 CLC Mission Helper Trip
Applications are being accepted for the 2024 Mission Helper Trip to Africa. Find more information and apply online: www.mht.lutheranmissions.org

Immanuel Lutheran College Visitors' Day is coming up on Friday, November 10th on the ILC campus in Eau Claire, Wisconsin. Activities will begin with chapel at 10:05 A.M. in the Field House, followed by presentations and classroom visits until 2:50 p.m. Come and learn more about your church’s college, and consider continuing your education in a solidly Christian setting! Visitors will be our guests for lunch and supper in the cafeteria, and in the evening are invited to join us for ILC's fall theatrical production, “Beauty and the Beast.” Speak with your pastor if you're interested in attending. For questions, contact Academic Dean Paul Naumann. Office: 715-836-6636, cell: 253-228-8736, e-mail: paul.naumann@ilc.edu

SHOUT for joy to the LORD, all the earth.
PSALM 100:1, NIV