



Emmanuel Lutheran Church of North Hollywood

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Bulletin for Worship

October 4, 2026

10:00 am

*Welcoming all people, Emmanuel Lutheran Church and schools
love, teach and serve through Christ.*

Prelude

Please stand

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Confession And Forgiveness

The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
who pours love into our hearts
and healing upon the earth.

Amen.

The presiding minister may lead one of the following or another prayer of preparation.

Confident that God justifies us by grace through faith,
let us confess our sin.

Amen.

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

Compassionate God,

**we confess that we struggle to embody your goodness
in the world and in our own hearts.**

Creation groans from overuse.

Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships.

Indifference keeps us from seeking justice.

**Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love
to others.**

Turn our hearts back to you.

Restore our world and reconcile us to one another.

**Renew us to live as your holy people,
following the way of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Hear this good news:

We have peace with God through ✝ Jesus Christ,
in whom there is no condemnation,
but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life.
Receive freely this healing gift of grace.

Amen.

Gathering Song ~ ELW 638 "Blessed Assurance"



- 1 Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!
- 2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;
- 3 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,



Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, born of his Spir-it, washed in his blood.
an-gels de-scend-ing bring from a-bove ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love.
watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove, filled with his good-ness, lost in his love.

Refrain



This is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long:



this is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long.

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

Let us pray.

Beloved God, from you come all things that are good. Lead us by the
inspiration of your Spirit to know those things that are right, and by your
merciful guidance, help us to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and
Lord.

Amen.

Please be seated

WORD

Children's Message ~ Pastor Chuck Burnell

The children are invited to Sunday School

First Reading

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20

¹ God spoke all these words, ² "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; ³ you shall have no other gods before me. ⁴ "You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above or that is on the earth beneath or that is in the water under the earth. ⁷ "You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. ⁸ "Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy. ⁹ Six days you shall labor and do all your work. ¹² "Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

¹³ "You shall not murder.

¹⁴ "You shall not commit adultery.

¹⁵ "You shall not steal.

¹⁶ "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

¹⁷ "You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, male or female slave, ox, donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor."

¹⁸ When all the people witnessed the thunder and lightning, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking, they were afraid and trembled and stood at a distance ¹⁹ and said to Moses, "You speak to us, and we will listen, but do not let God speak to us, lest we die." ²⁰ Moses said to the people, "Do not be afraid, for God has come only to test you and to put the fear of him upon you so that you do not sin."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: 80:7-15

⁷ Restore us, O God of hosts;

let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.

⁸ **You have brought a vine out of Egypt;**

you cast out the nations and planted it.

⁹You cleared the ground for it;
it took root and filled the land.

¹⁰**The mountains were covered by its shadow
and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.**

¹¹You stretched out its tendrils to the sea
and its branches to the river.

¹²**Why have you broken down its wall,
so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?**

¹³The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it,
and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.

¹⁴**Turn now, O God of hosts,
look down from heaven;**

¹⁵behold and tend this vine;
preserve what your right hand has planted.

Second Reading

Philippians 3:4b-14

[Paul writes:] ^{4b}If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

⁷Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. ⁸More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. ¹⁰I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹²Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal, but I press on to lay hold of that for which Christ has laid hold of me.

¹³Brothers and sisters, I do not consider that I have laid hold of it, but one thing I have laid hold of: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal, toward the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Gospel Acclamation



The holy gospel according to Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel

Matthew 21:33-46

[Jesus said:] ³³ "Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a winepress in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went away. ³⁴ When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. ³⁵ But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. ³⁶ Again he sent other slaves, more than the first, and they treated them in the same way. ³⁷ Then he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' ³⁸ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.' ³⁹ So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. ⁴⁰ Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" ⁴¹ They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time." ⁴² Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures: 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes'?"

⁴³ "Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces its fruits. ⁴⁴ The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces, and it will crush anyone on whom it falls." ⁴⁵ When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. ⁴⁶ They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

Sermon ~ Pastor Chuck Burnell

Please stand

Hymn of the Day ~ ELW 575 "In Christ Called to Baptize"



1 In Christ called to bap - tize, we wit - ness to grace
2 In Christ called to ban - quet, one ta - ble we share,
3 In Christ called to wit - ness, by grace we will preach
4 U - nite us, a - noint us, O Spir - it of love,



and gath - er a peo - ple from each land and race.
a ha - ven of wel - come, a cir - cle of care.
the life - giv - ing gos - pel; God's love we will teach.
for you are with - in us, a - round us, a - bove.



In deep, flow - ing wa - ters, we share in Christ's death,
Al - though we are man - y, we share in one bread.
By grace may our liv - ing give proof to our praise
E - quip us for ser - vice with gifts you be - stow.



then, ris - ing to new life, give thanks with each breath.
One cup of thanks - giv - ing pro - claims Christ, our head.
in cost - ly com - pas - sion re - flect - ing Christ's ways.
In Christ is our call - ing. In Christ may we grow.

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,**

**born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

The presiding minister invites the assembly into prayer with these or similar words.

Seeking the Spirit of God who makes all things new, we pray for the church and the world.

After each petition of the prayers...

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

The presiding minister concludes the prayers with these words

Trusting in your boundless grace, O God, we lift up these spoken prayers and those in our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Peace

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

Please be seated.

MEAL

Offering

For those not worshipping in person, please mail your tithe or offering to the church, give online at our website, or use the link here to give.

<https://www.shelbygiving.com/App/Form/d491ee0f-8efd-4459-97c5-fa8df58e33b1>

Musical Offering ~ "O Be Joyful in the Lord" Chancel Choir

by Doreen Droste

Please stand

Offertory Song ~ WOV Setting 5

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were
sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u-nite them with the prayers we
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,
Lord, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

Offering Prayer

God of creation,
you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly.
All blessings are from you;

make us generous with what we have.
Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts
in service to you and in love to our neighbors,
today and always.

Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The presiding minister continues

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise ...
... we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

Holy, Holy, Holy - ELW Setting 8 - S190

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.
In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,
we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

**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,
forever and ever. Amen.**

Communion

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

Please be seated

The table is set; the meal is ready. All are welcome at the Lord's Table.

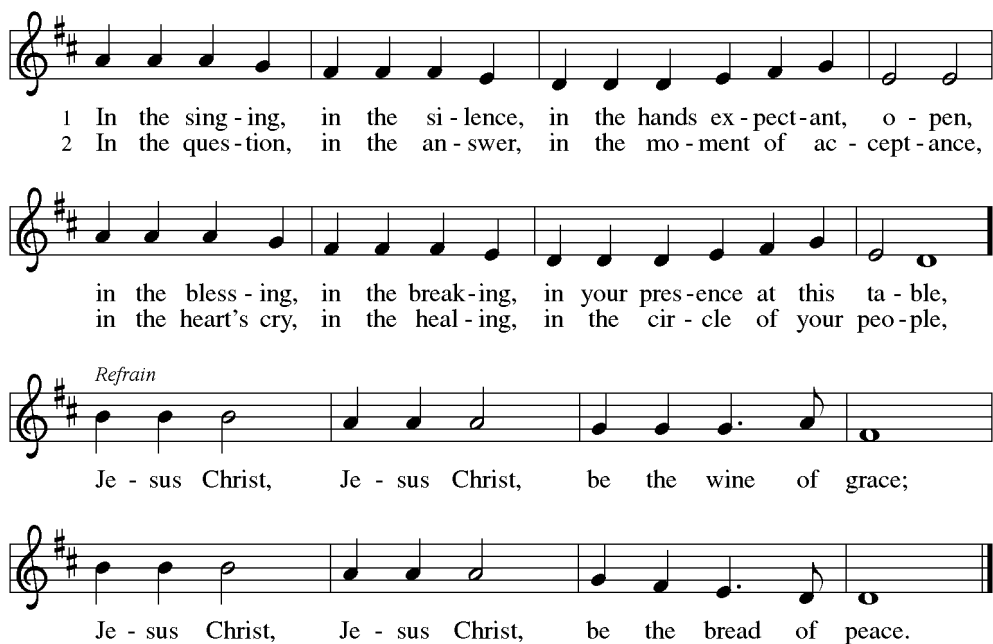
Please come forward at the direction of the ushers. (gluten free and grape juice options available)

Communion Song ~ ELW Setting 1 S112 "Lamb of God"



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion Song ~ ELW 466 "In the Singing"



1 In the sing - ing, in the si - lence, in the hands ex - pect - ant, o - pen,
2 In the ques - tion, in the an - swer, in the mo - ment of ac - cept - ance,
in the bless - ing, in the break - ing, in your pres - ence at this ta - ble,
in the heart's cry, in the heal - ing, in the cir - cle of your peo - ple,
Refrain
Je - sus Christ, Je - sus Christ, be the wine of grace;
Je - sus Christ, Je - sus Christ, be the bread of peace.

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

Sustaining God,

with this bread and cup,

you nourish us with mercy and abundant life.

By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world.

Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love,

following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray.

Amen.

SENDING

Announcements

Please stand

Blessing

The minister blesses the congregation.

The God of love

draw you into full accord and one mind,

in the body of Christ Jesus.

Amen.

The God of hope

grant you strength and joy in all circumstances

through the interceding of the Spirit.

Amen.

The God of grace

✠ bless you now and forever.

Amen.

Sending Song ~ ELW 650 "In Christ There Is No East or West"



- 1 In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north,
- 2 In Christ shall true hearts ev-'ry-where their high com-mu-nion find;
- 3 Join hands, dis-ci-ples of the faith, what-e'er your race may be.
- 4 In Christ now meet both east and west, in him meet south and north;



but one com-mu-ni-ty of love through-out the whole wide earth.
his ser-vice is the gold-en cord close bind-ing hu-man-kind.
All chil-dren of the liv-ing God are sure-ly kin to me.
all Christ-ly souls are one in him through-out the whole wide earth.

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

***Father God, give me eyes to see and ears to hear and so I ask: Lord,
How is it that you would have me help the neighbor today?***

Worship Team

Message	Pastor Chuck Burnell
Greeter	Jeanine Wilson
CA Bread	George Watson
CA Wine #1 (tray)	Diana Howison
CA Wine #2 (tray)	Liz Rickertsen
CA Empty #3 (recp.)	Gail Bohannon
CA Empty #4 (recp.)	Debby Semel
Lector	Callie Source
Usher #1	Tom Reilly
Usher #2	Morgan Loy
Gaffer	Marshall Bowen
Sound	Bob Akin
Live Stream	Jessie Toby

ANNOUNCEMENTS



The Bible — Gospels on September 29-October 18

The Adult Bible Study has begun learning about “**The Bible.**” We will spend four weeks reading highlights of **The Gospels.** Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend our fun-filled discussion-based study on *The Bible*.

Join us Sunday, morning at 9:00 a.m. in the church conference room.

The general set up will be to learn about how the Bible is laid out in sections and then zero in on a nugget in Scripture in that section. Each week we will learn more about workings of the Bible, as well, then break in to the book to read more about it.

Hope to see you on Sunday at 9:00 a.m. sharp.

Liz, Bible Study facilitator



Our Directory is Now Available!!!



Dear Congregation Members, the new Pictorial Directory is now available! It will be good for everyone who wonders who those people are that you have been sitting next to all these months (years?).

Please contact church Office Manager **Ansel Sitton** and she would be happy to send you the PDF. She can be reached at: ASitton@elcnoho.org

Or you can call the church at (818) 761-6124. Happy viewing!



CONFIRMATION 2026-2027

A Year of Exploring the Bible, Faith, and Life Together

Youth throughout the **Twin Valleys Conference** are invited to join us for a new year of Confirmation. Together, we will explore the Bible, Lutheran faith, and what it means to live as God's people.

Classes: Once a month, Sundays, **1:30-4:00 p.m.**

First Class:

Sunday, September 13
Emmanuel Lutheran Church
6020 Radford Ave., North Hollywood

Parents/guardians are asked to stay for the **first 15 minutes** to review the schedule, ask questions, and connect with other families.

New students are welcome! Middle-school and high-school youth are encouraged to participate.

Questions or registration:

Pastor Megan Fryling
610-680-7220
pastor@bethlehemlutheran.net

TUESDAY NIGHT GAME NIGHT!!

- WHO:** EVERYONE!!!
WHAT: MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES
WHEN: TUESDAY NIGHTS 6-9:30pm
WHERE: RECEPTION ROOM @ ELC
WHY: FELLOWSHIP & LAUGHTER



**** We meet at 6:00pm in the reception room for a quick bite to eat (BYOF (food)) and then we start playing. (If you choose, you can eat at home before coming and arrive before 6:30).**

***COME JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF FUN &
LAUGHTER!!
HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!!***



WELCA Autumn Renewal 2026

The Southwest California Synodical Women's Organization (WELCA) invites women from across the synod to Autumn Renewal 2026, a weekend of learning, healing, fellowship, relaxation, fun, and making new connections.

Join us **October 9–11** at the Holiday Inn Oxnard for a meaningful time of renewal, encouragement, and community.

Register by July 31 to receive Early Bird pricing. Registration includes two attendance options: a full retreat package with hotel accommodations or a commuter option for those not staying overnight. **Registration closes September 16.**

For questions, contact Julie Jensen (Registrar) at jujujnsn21@gmail.com or (805) 218-8416. **Registration Form**

Emmanuel Lutheran Foundation (ELF) 2026-2027 GRANT PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT



ELF is currently accepting Grant Proposals

Grants are awarded to proposals that directly support the mission and programs of Emmanuel Lutheran Church (ELC), Laurel Hall School (LHS), or Laurel Hall Preschool. Funded projects must represent new initiatives or improvements that fall outside of the organization's annual operating budgets.

Examples of previously funded projects include guest author visits, a preschool garden supporting science learning, Assembly Room curtains, and upgrades to the church sound system.

Each year, the Emmanuel Lutheran Foundation (ELF) Board determines the total amount available for grants based on investment returns of the five previous years. Please note that not all submitted proposals may be funded. In some cases, a grant may be awarded in an amount less than requested.

A proposal that is not funded should not be viewed as lacking merit. It may fall under another area of the operating budget or simply have been among many highly competitive applications.

ELF is proud to support a variety of meaningful projects that reflect the shared values of ELC, LHS, and LHP.

TIMELINE

COMPLETE APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY OCTOBER 16, 2026

NOTIFICATION OF GRANT AWARDS & AMOUNTS IS NOVEMBER 10, 2026

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING PURCHASE ORDERS IS APRIL 5, 2027

A SHORT DESCRIPTION OF OUTCOMES w/ PHOTOS IS DUE MAY 14, 2027

Application Submission

- 1) Email the completed application to ELFGrants@elcnoho.org OR
- 2) Deliver a hard copy to the ELF Mailbox in the Administration Building of Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 6020 Radford St., North Hollywood, CA 91606

Emmanuel Lutheran Foundation Grant Application Form 2026-27

COMPLETE APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY October 16, 2026
NOTIFICATION OF GRANT AWARDS & AMOUNTS IS November 10, 2026
DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING PURCHASE ORDERS IS April 5, 2027
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1. APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name _____

Email _____

Street Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

Phone (_____) _____

2. SUPERVISOR SIGN-OFF (LHS Principal Marti McCloud, LHP Director Lesley Diaz, or ELC Pastor Rick Hall)

Print Name _____

Email _____

Signature indicates knowledge of the application _____

3. PROJECT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

A. Project/Program Name _____

B. Amount Requested \$ _____

C. Project Proposal: Please attach a one-page written proposal that addresses the four areas that follow. Confine your request to a single program or project. Questions regarding the application form and proposal may be directed to Kimberly Laux at ELFGrants@elcnoho.org.

- A clear and concise summary of the project or program. What are the purposes or benefits, and who will it serve? What activities are planned?
- The amount being requested, and how the funds would be used. Providing cost estimates from vendors/suppliers will strengthen the proposal. If additional sources of funding will be used, please include that source and estimated amount.
- A timeline. Please include a clear outline of project/program dates, ending with the date for sending a short description of outcomes with photos, in order to show the impact(s) of the grant.
- Payment process. ELF requires that purchase orders be submitted by April 5, 2027. Full instructions for purchase orders will be included with a grant award notification, scheduled for November 10, 2026. Recipients are requested to note Emmanuel Lutheran Foundation as the funding source in all project publicity.

Submit the completed application form & proposal by October 16, 2026!

- 1) Email to ELFGrants@elcnoho.org
or
- 2) Deliver of a hard copy to the ELF mailbox in the Emmanuel Lutheran Church Administrative Building, 6020 Radford Ave, North Hollywood, CA 91606

The Emmanuel Lutheran Foundation grows through generous gifts that are prudently invested and prayerfully dispersed to support the ministries of Emmanuel Lutheran Church, including Laurel Hall School and Preschool.

A gift to the Foundation is truly *"A GIFT THAT KEEPS GIVING!"*

For ELF Use Only

Date application received

Date notified

Date funds dispersed
