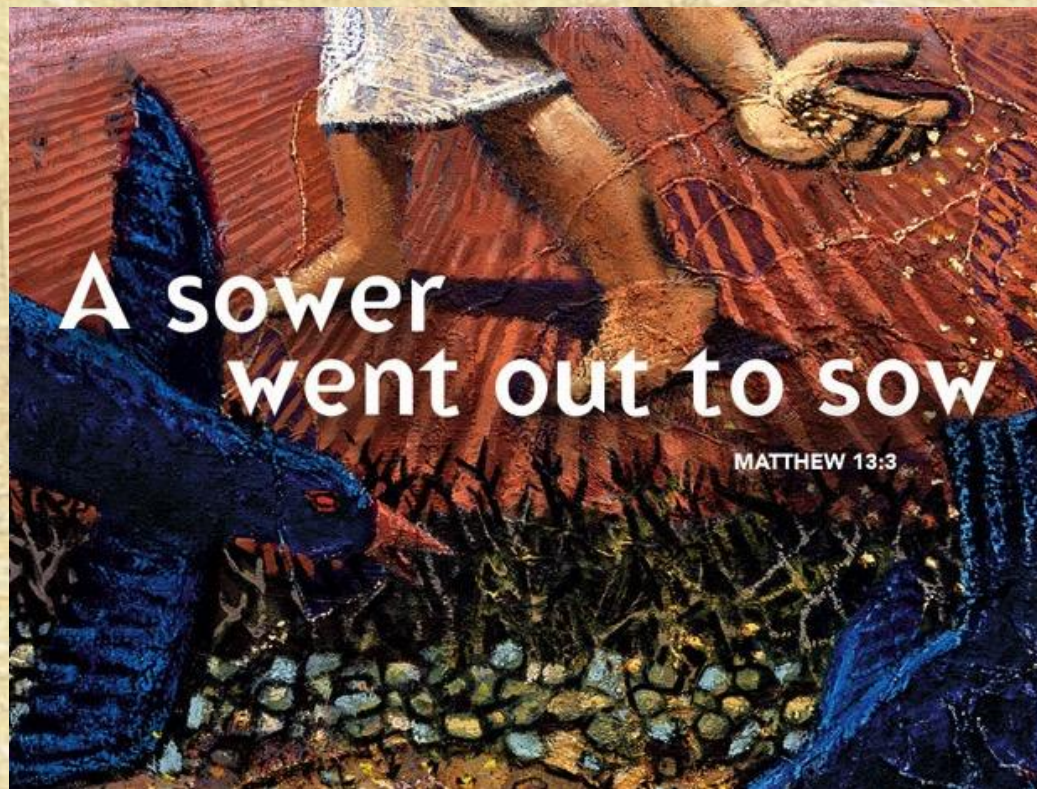


Welcome to Immanuel Lutheran!

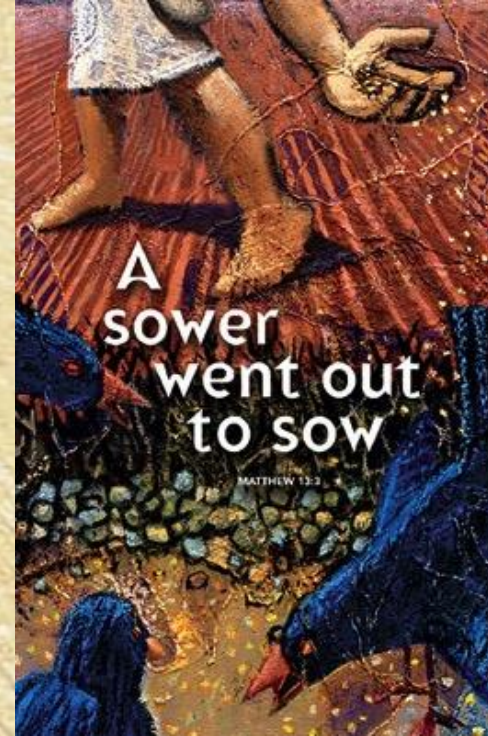


**6th Sunday after Pentecost – July 16, 2017
8:30 a.m.**

Call to Worship

This is the day that the Lord has
made,

**Let us rejoice and be glad in
it!**



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Gathering Song – “Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil” *ELW 512*

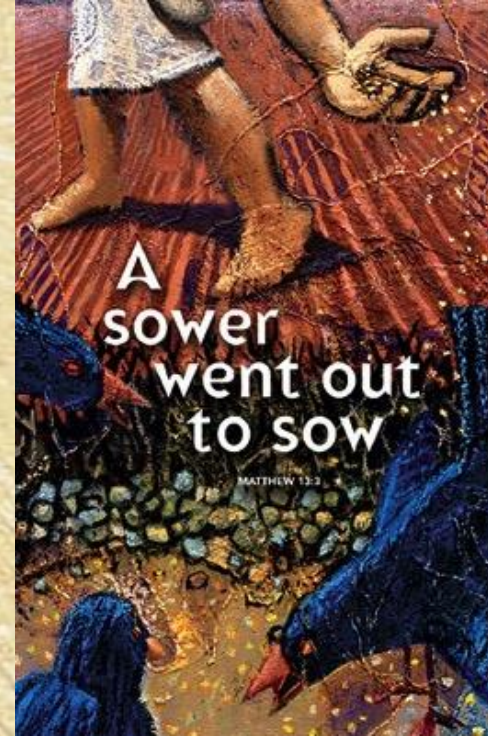
Lord, let my heart be good soil,
open to the seed of your word.
Lord, let my heart be good soil,
where love can grow and peace is understood.
When my heart is hard, break the stone away.
When my heart is cold, warm it with the day.
When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.
Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart,
Lord, let my heart be good soil.



(Repeat)

Welcome

- Please take a moment to sign the ***Friendship Pads***.
- We will be celebrating ***holy communion***. All are welcome.

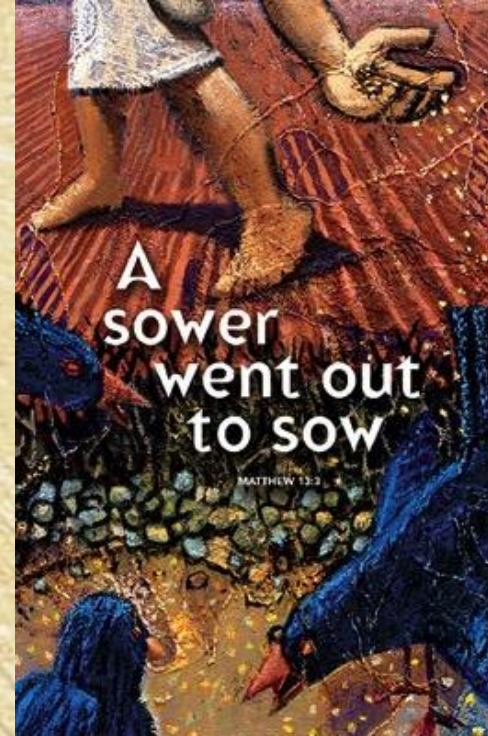


Living in God's Grace as a Neighbor to the World

Confession & Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, + and of the
Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

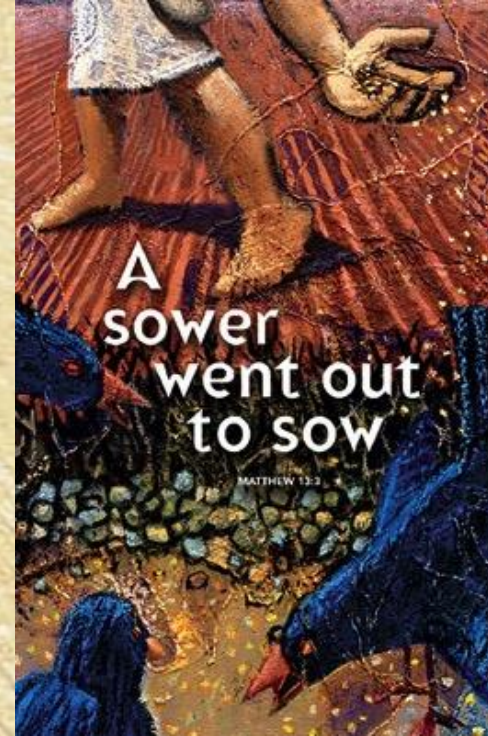


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Confession & Forgiveness

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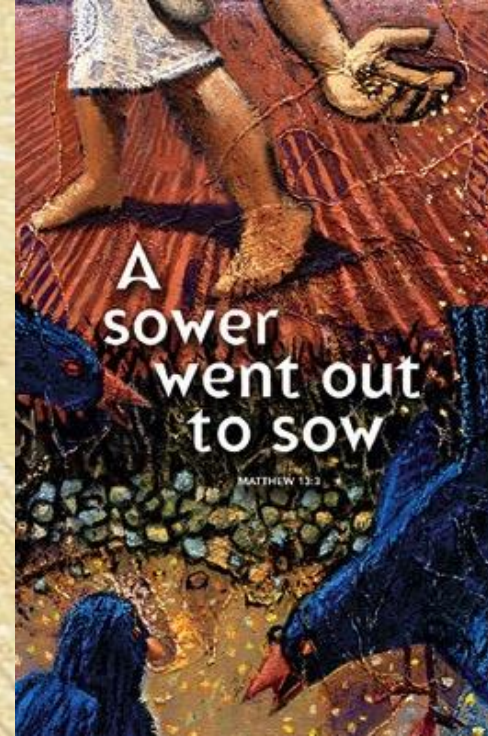
**Lord, Listen to your children
praying, Lord send your spirit in
this place. Lord, listen to your
children praying, send us love,
send us pow'r, send us grace.**



Confession & Forgiveness

Lord, open our hearts and minds to your Spirit this day. As we come to you in worship, make the meditations of our hearts and the words of our mouths pleasing in your sight.

Amen



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Confession & Forgiveness

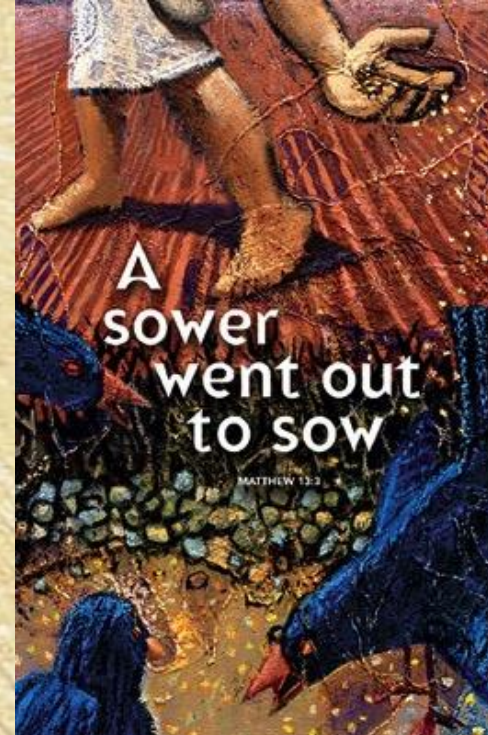
We turn to God in confession...

(period of silence for personal reflection)

O Lord,

**we are sinners. We have sinned
against you in many ways, not
living up the commandment to
love you and love others.**

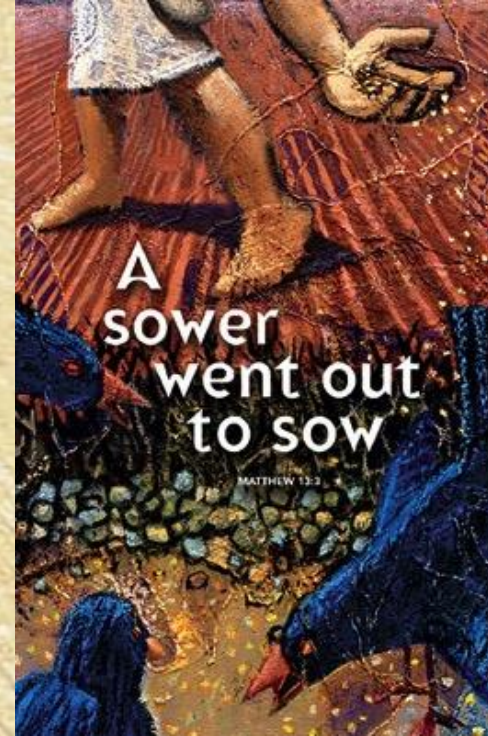
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Confession & Forgiveness

We have sinned in the things we have done and the things we have not done. We have even sinned without knowing it. Forgive our sins, and teach us to forgive, so that we may go forth with your light shining in our lives. Amen.

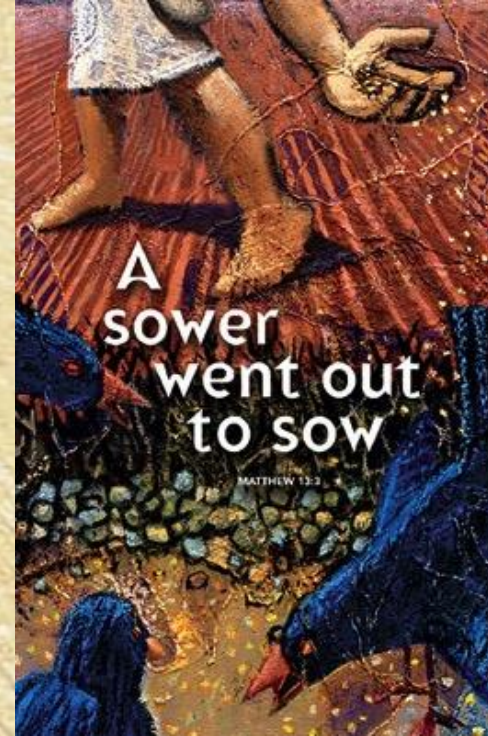


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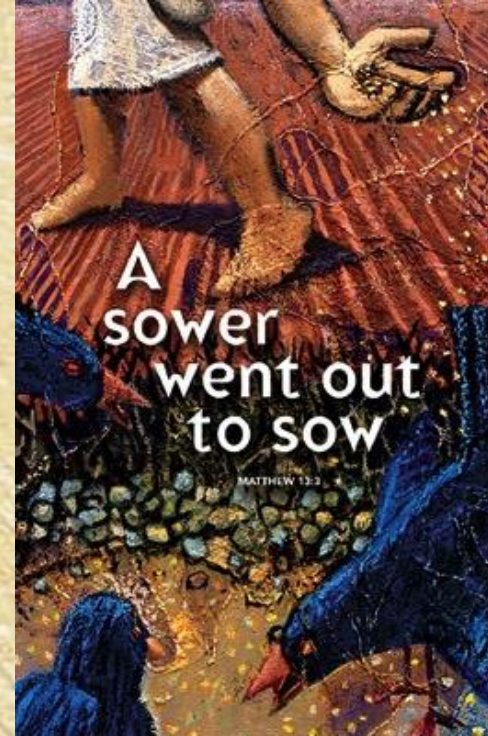
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send us pow'r, send us grace.**



Confession & Forgiveness

Brothers and sisters, Jesus died for you and forgives your sins. It is my privilege to tell you that all of your sins are forgiven. In the name of the Father, + and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

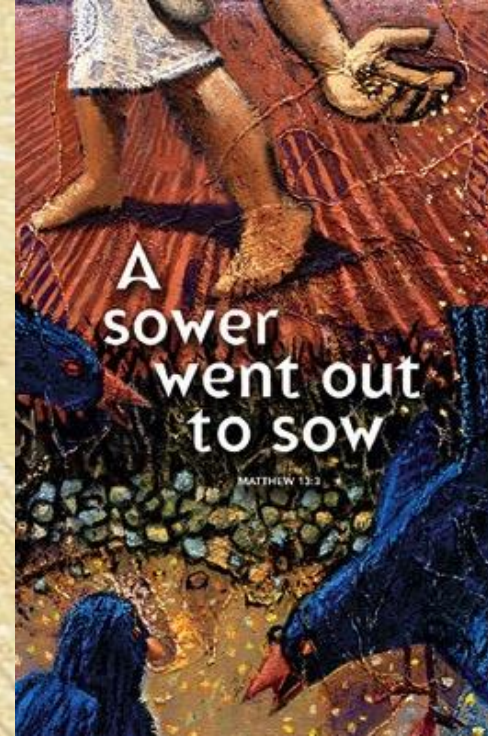


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Apostolic Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

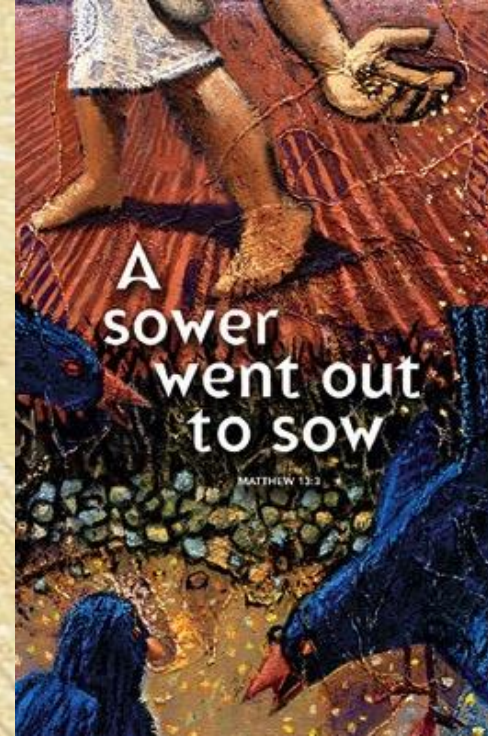
And also with you.



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Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. Almighty God,
**we thank you for planting in us the
seed of your word. By your Holy
Spirit help us to receive it with joy,
live according to it, and grow in
faith and hope and love, through
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.**

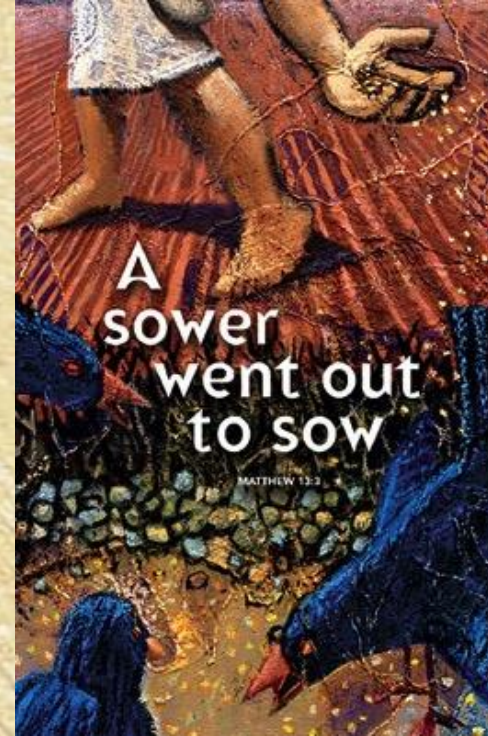


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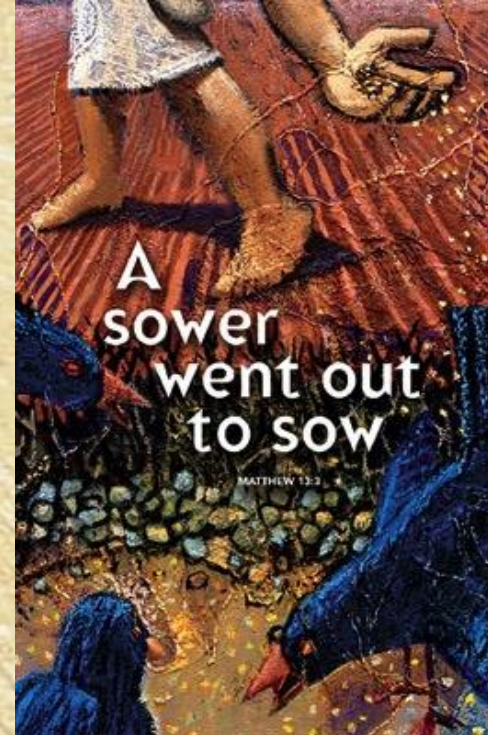


Lessons

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You are encouraged to practice the art of listening as the lessons are read - the way in which the gospel was originally passed on.

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Psalm 65:9-13

⁹ You visit the earth and water it abundantly; you make it very plenteous; the river of God is full of water. You prepare the grain, for so you provide for the earth.

¹⁰ **You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.**

Worship leader reads regular print, *congregation responds with* **bold print.**

Psalm 65:9-13

¹¹ You crown the year with your goodness, and your paths overflow with plenty.

¹² **May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing, and the hills be clothed with joy.**

¹³ May the meadows cover themselves with flocks, and the valleys cloak themselves with grain; let them shout for joy and sing.

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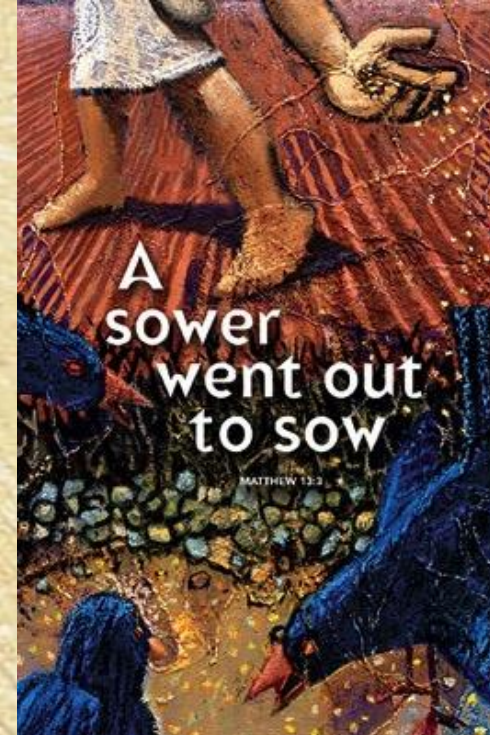
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2nd Lesson – Romans 8:1-11

Gospel – Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

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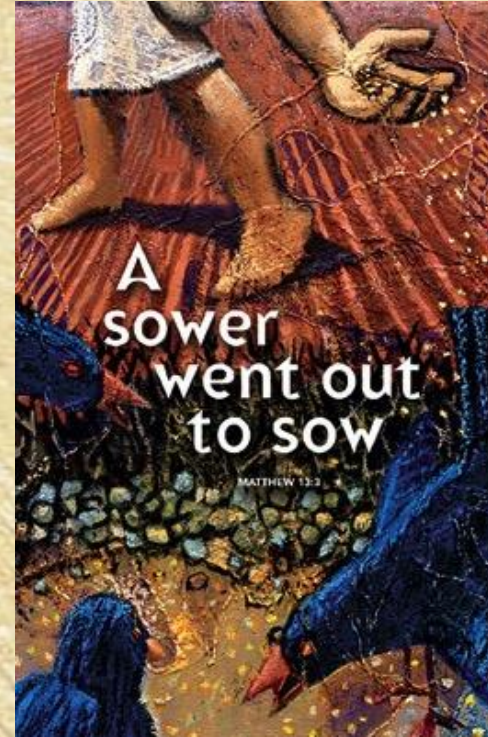


Children's Time

All those young (and young at heart) are welcome to come forward for a special time with the Pastor

Sermon

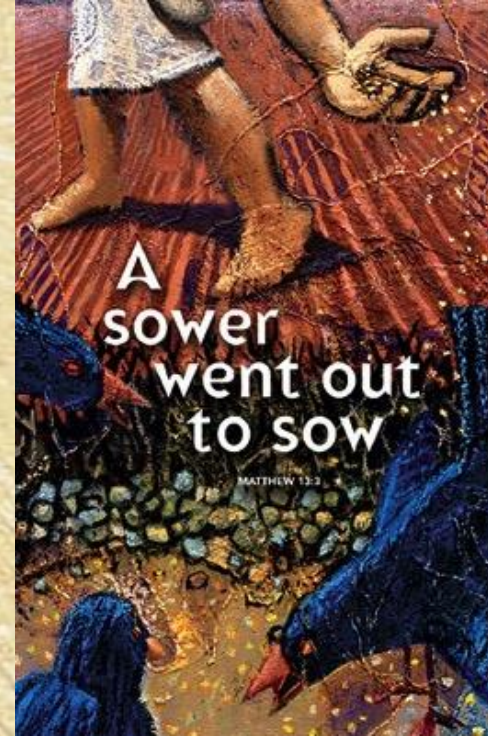
Today we welcome ***Rev. Carol Soderholm*** as Pastor Jeff is on vacation.



Song of the Day – “For the Fruit of All Creation”

ELW 679

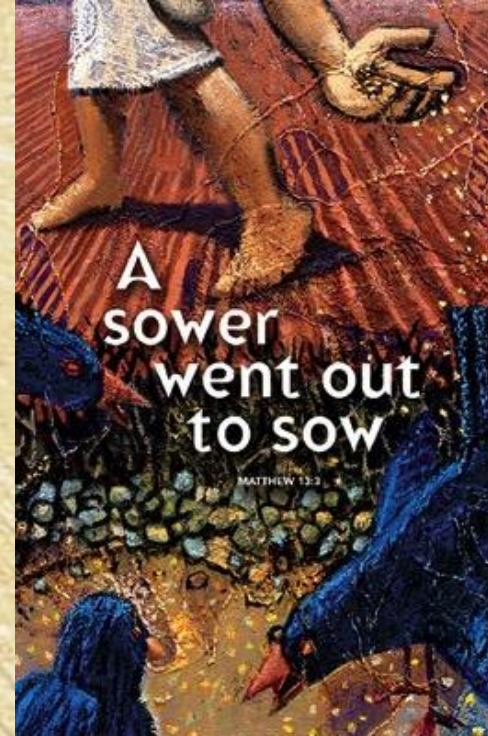
- 1 For the fruit of all creation,
thanks be to God.
For these gifts to ev'ry nation,
thanks be to God.
For the plowing, sowing, reaping,
silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safekeeping,
thanks be to God.



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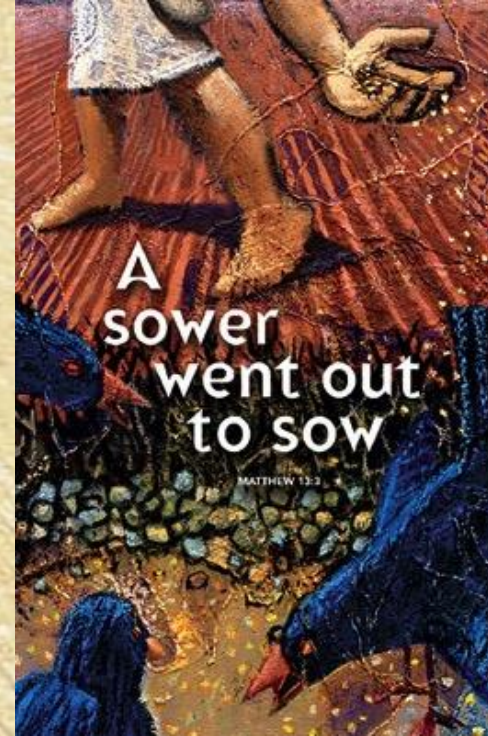
- 2 In the just reward of labor,
God's will is done.
In the help we give our neighbor,
God's will is done.
In our worldwide task of caring
for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing,
God's will is done.



Song of the Day – “For the Fruit of All Creation”

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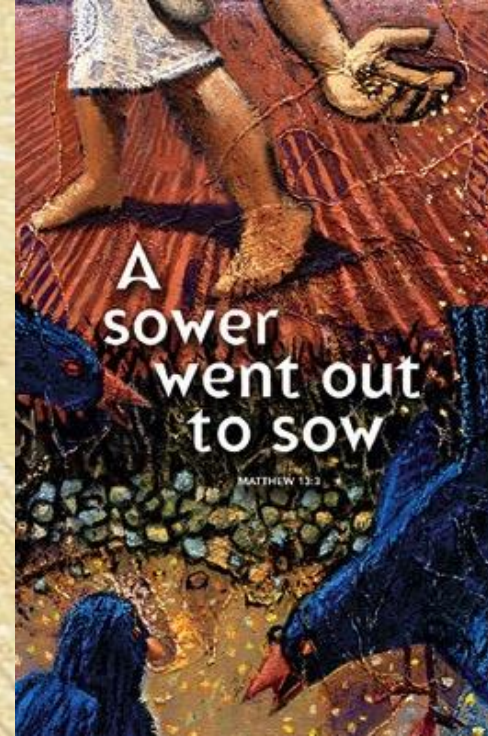
- 3 For the harvests of the Spirit,
thanks be to God.
For the good we all inherit,
thanks be to God.
For the wonders that astound us,
for the truths that still confound us,
most of all, that love has found us,
thanks be to God.



Apostles' Creed

We are made God's people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

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



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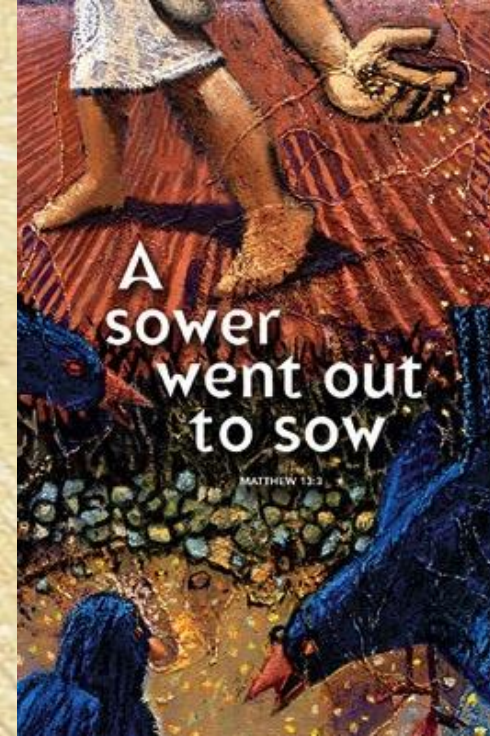
Apostles' Creed

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.

Worship leader reads regular print, *congregation responds with* bold print.

Apostles' Creed

**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.**



Worship leader reads regular print, *congregation responds with* **bold print.**

Prayers of Intercession

Called together in the Spirit's embrace, let us pray for the mending of God's world.

Each petition concludes:

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

All these things, and whatever else you see that we need, we entrust to your care through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

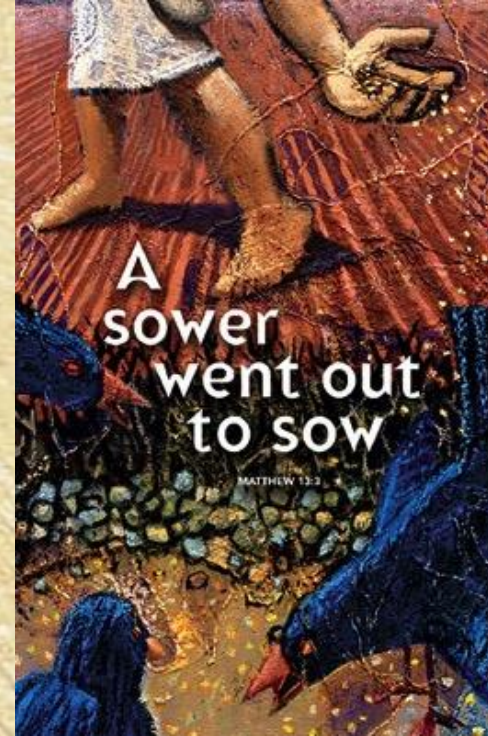
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Sharing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you
always.

And also with you.

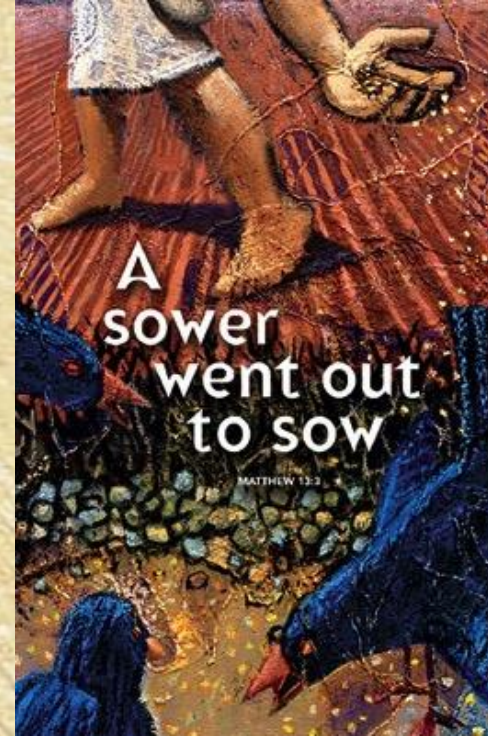
*Please turn to those around you and
share a sign of God's peace.*



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Offering

*We respond to God's grace by offering what God has first given us so that the good news of Jesus may continue to be proclaimed through the ministries of Immanuel Lutheran Church. **Thank you** for your generous response.*



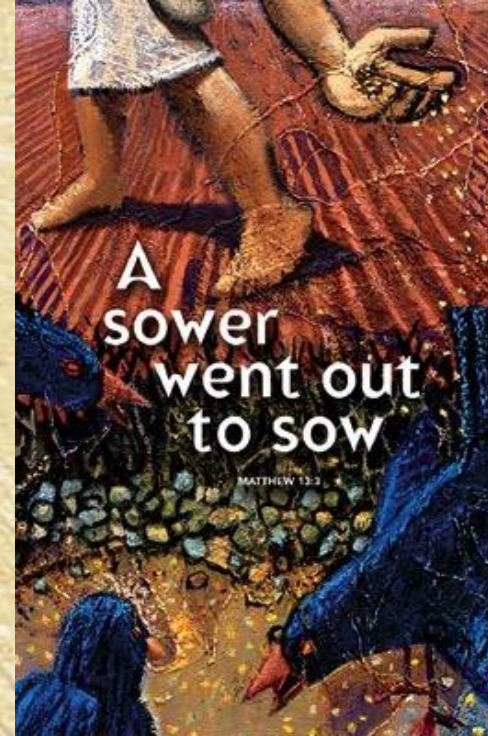
Offering Song – *We Are an Offering* (ELW 692)

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.

Lord, use our voices, Lord use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering.

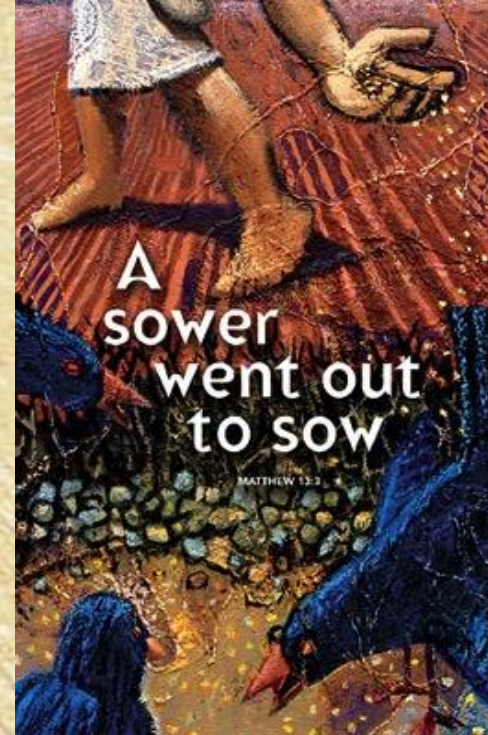
All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.



Offering Prayer

Let us pray. God of all creation,
**all you have made is good, and
your love endures forever. You
bring forth bread from the earth
and fruit from the vine. Nourish us
with these gifts, that we might be
for the world signs of your
gracious presence in Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

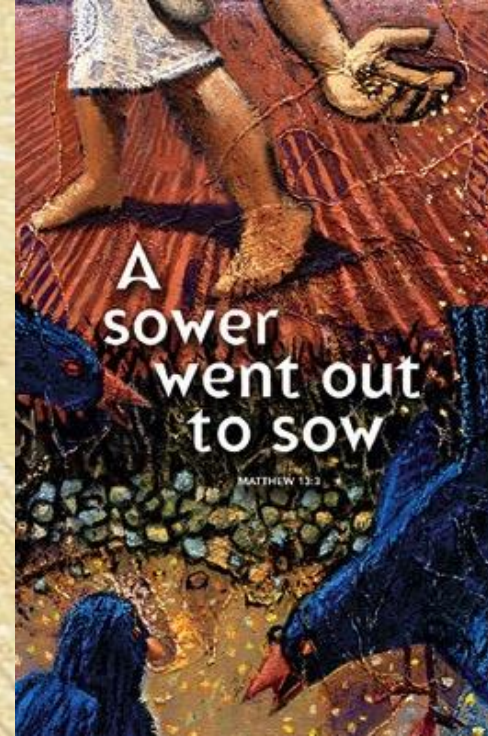


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Communion

Please join in singing...(ELW 471)

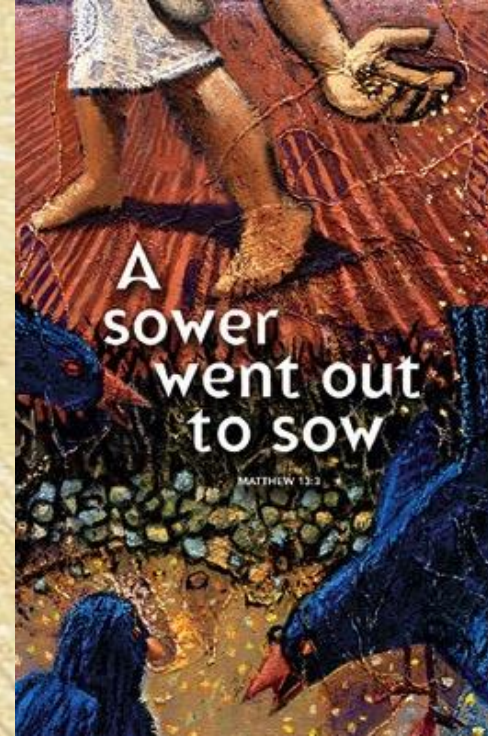
Let us break bread together on our knees; let us break bread together on our knees. When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.



Communion

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.

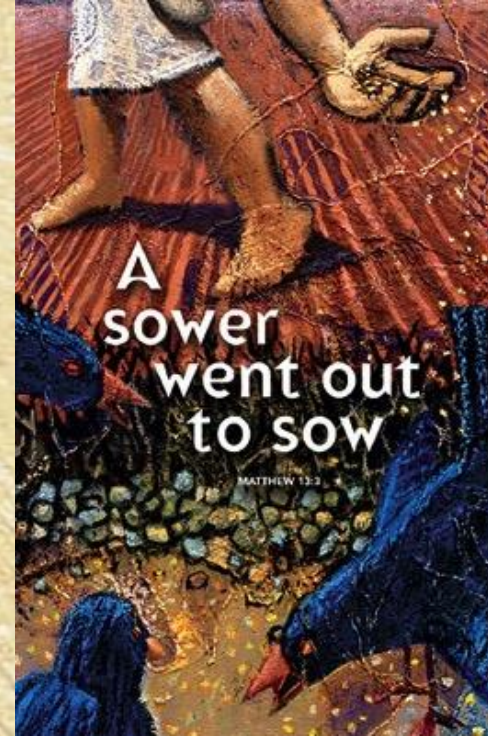


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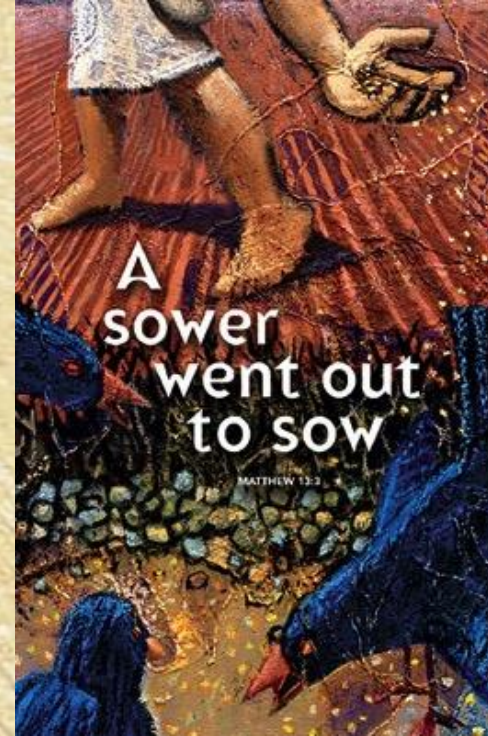
Let us drink wine together on our knees; let us drink wine together on our knees. When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.



Communion

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.

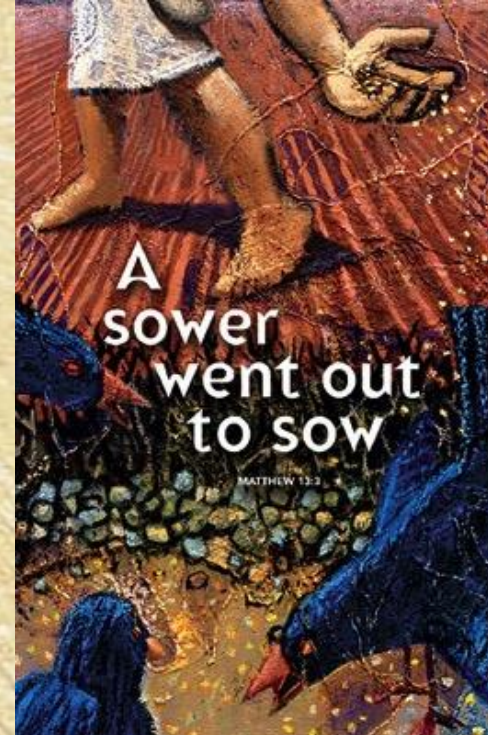


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Communion

Please join in singing...(ELW 471)

Let us praise God together on our knees; let us praise God together on our knees. When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.



Communion

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

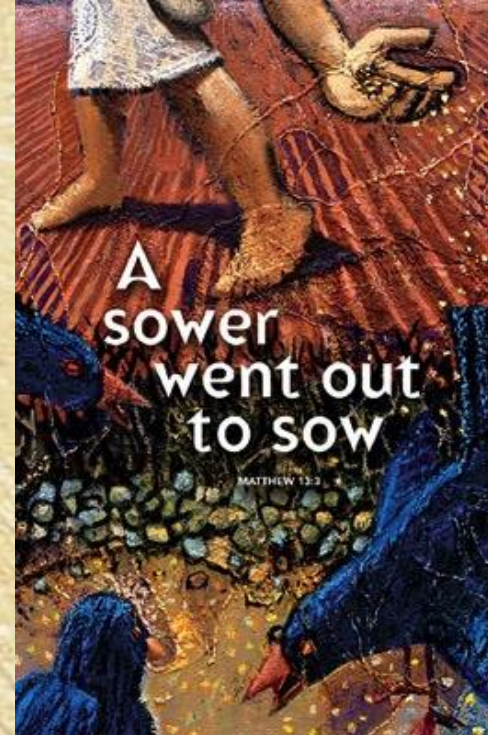
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

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Communion

The table is set. The gifts are ready. Come and receive God's grace.

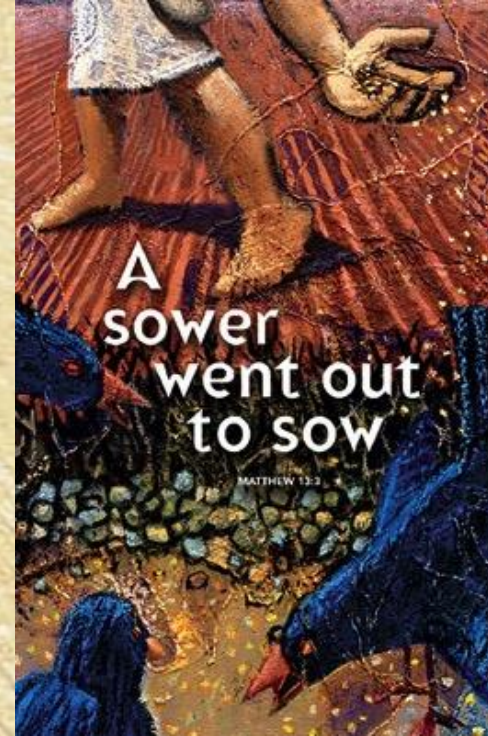


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Communion Distribution

*As we receive the bread and cup today,
we receive grace upon grace from
Jesus: forgiveness, new life and
salvation.*

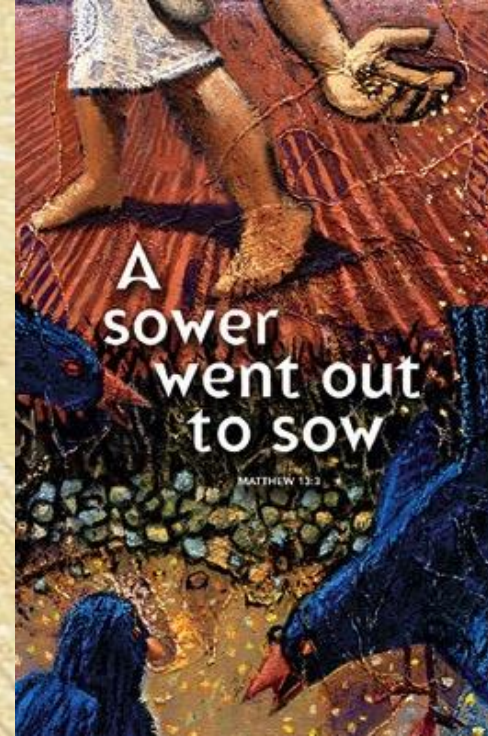
*Come and hold your hands out and
receive God's goodness with the holy
word of thanks: "**Amen!**"*



Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which you have now received, strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

Amen.

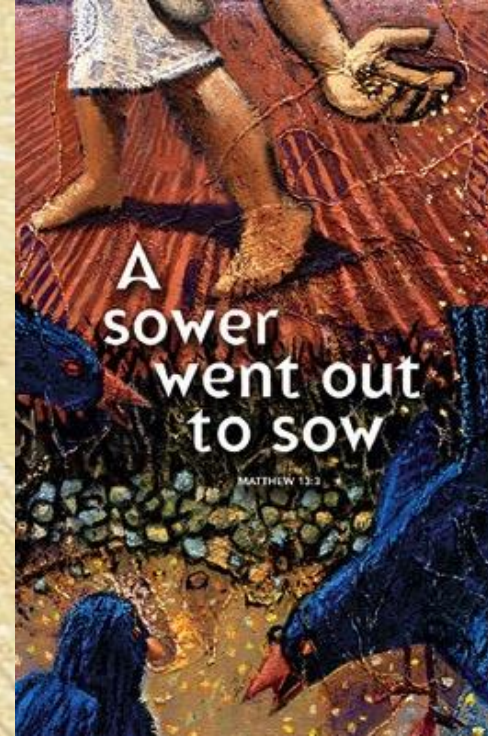


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Prayer after Communion

Let us pray. We give you thanks,
almighty God,

**that you have refreshed us through
the healing power of this gift of life.
In your mercy, strengthen us
through this gift, in faith toward you
and in fervent love toward one
another; for the sake of Jesus Christ
our Lord. Amen.**



Worship leader reads regular print, *congregation responds with* **bold print.**

Announcements - *Upcoming Activities*

- **Sunday 7/16/17**
 - 8:30 a.m. – Worship @ Immanuel
 - 9:37 a.m. – LYO Pancake Breakfast
 - 10:30 a.m. – Worship @ First
- **Monday 7/17/17 – NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**
- **Friday 7/21/17** - Bible Study @ Immanuel, 9:00 a.m.
- **Sunday 7/23/17**
 - 8:30 a.m. – Worship @ Immanuel
 - 10:30 a.m. – Worship @ First
 - 6:00 p.m. – 4th Sunday Readers @ Bob & LuAnn Kromm's

Announcements – July 30th

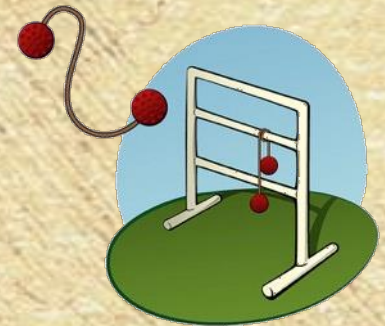
9:30 a.m. – Heart of Illinois Parish Worship @ Immanuel

10:37 a.m. – Heart of Illinois Parish Meeting

- Vote to extend Pastor Jeff's call

10:54 a.m. – Parish Cookout

- Burgers, Dogs & Drinks provided
- Bring Cold dish to pass and lawn chairs
- Outdoor games (feel free to bring bocce ball, croquet and the like)
- Help Pack ***Christmas boxes for Romania***



Immanuel Lutheran Prayer Concerns



- Members – **Jessica & David Craig** (married last week); **Cindy Schlesinger, Bonnie Childs, Elaine Zimmerman, Hal Schlesinger, Fountain Neal**
- Friends & Family - **Byron Walter; Jenn Adams** (*Kim Ganz's cousin*); **Will Ruppert** (*Connie Schlesinger's Dad*); **Ron Yenerich** (*Connie Williams' brother*); **Hannah York** (*LuAnn Kromm's niece*) **Robert Hornung** (*LuAnn Kromm's brother*)
- Our Leaders - *ELCA Bishop Elizabeth Eaton; NIS Bishop Jeffrey Clements; Immanuel/First Pastor Jeff Schlesinger*

Are there additional prayer requests?

Benediction

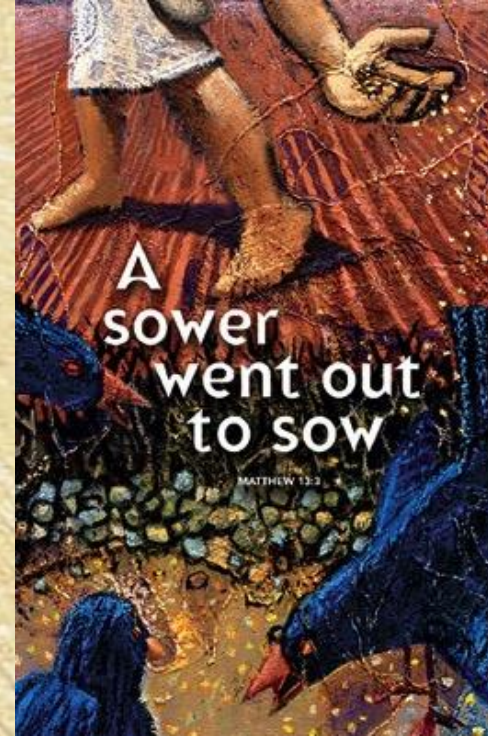
The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with
grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and
give you peace.

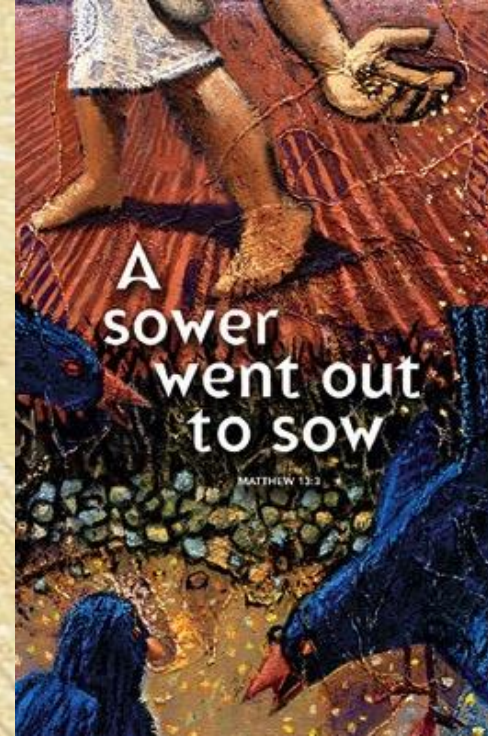
In the name of the Father, and ✠ of the
Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.



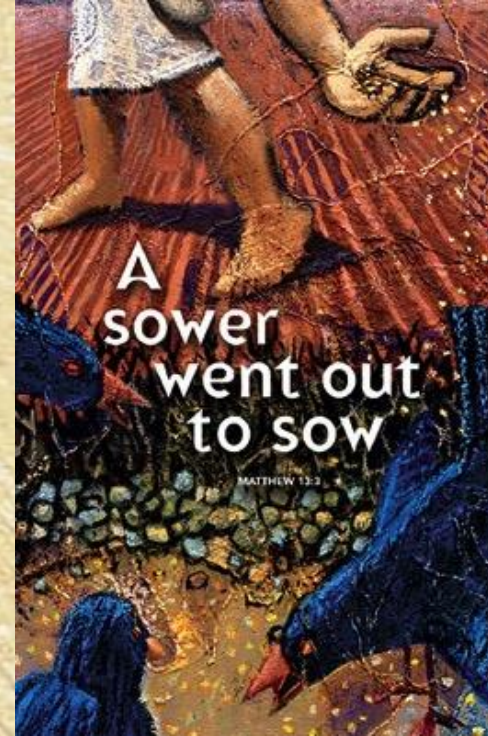
Sending Song – “The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve” *ELW 551*

- 1 The Spirit sends us forth to serve;
we go in Jesus' name
to bring glad tidings to the poor,
God's favor to proclaim.



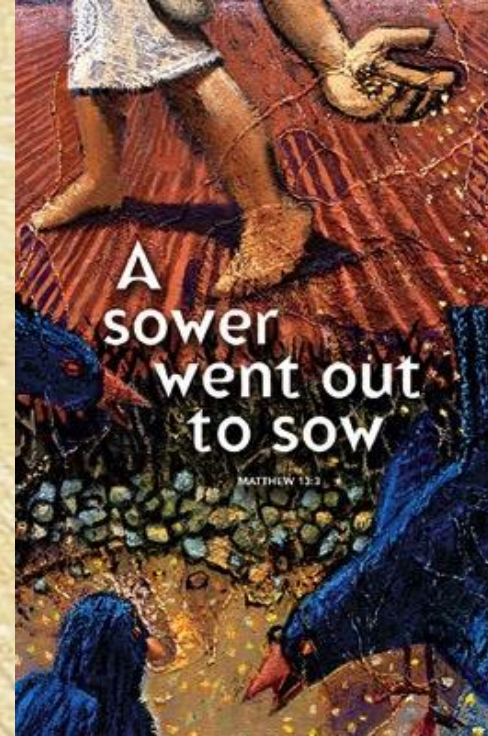
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- 2 We go to comfort those who mourn and set the burdened free; where hope is dim, to share a dream and help the blind to see.



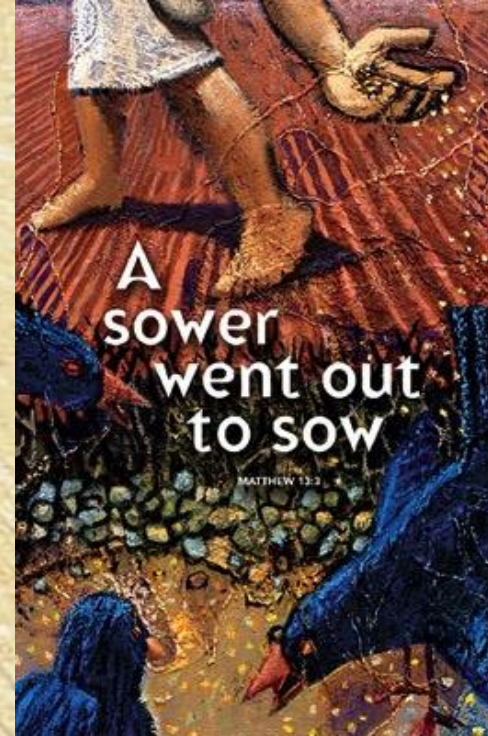
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- 3 We go to be the hands of Christ,
to scatter joy like seed
and, all our days, to cherish life,
to do the loving deed.



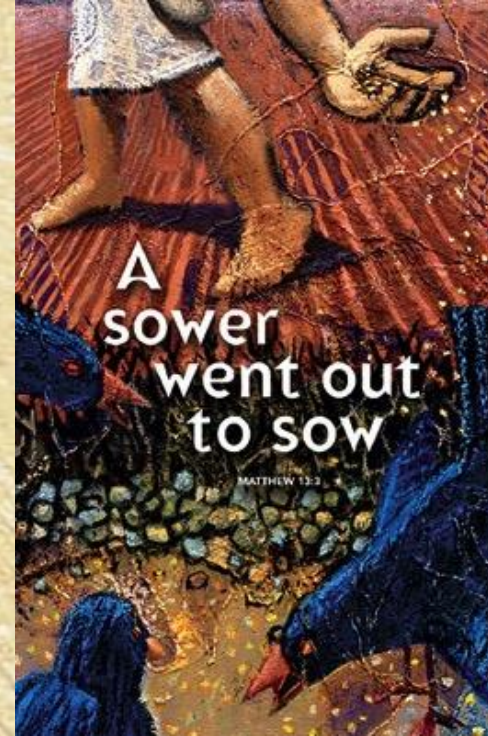
Sending Song – “The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve” *ELW 551*

- 4 Then let us go to serve in peace,
the gospel to proclaim.
God's Spirit has empowered us;
we go in Jesus' name.



Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord!
Thanks be to God!



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