

Heart of Illinois Lutheran Parish



Immanuel Lutheran
Compton, IL



First Lutheran
Lee, IL

Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 29, 2018

10:30 a.m.

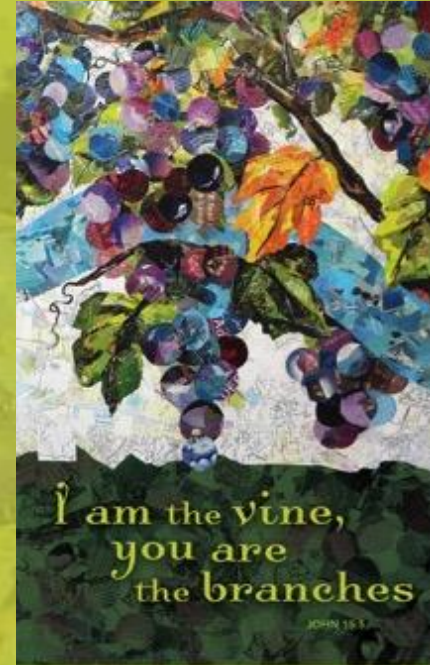
Call to Worship

This is the day that the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Christ is risen!

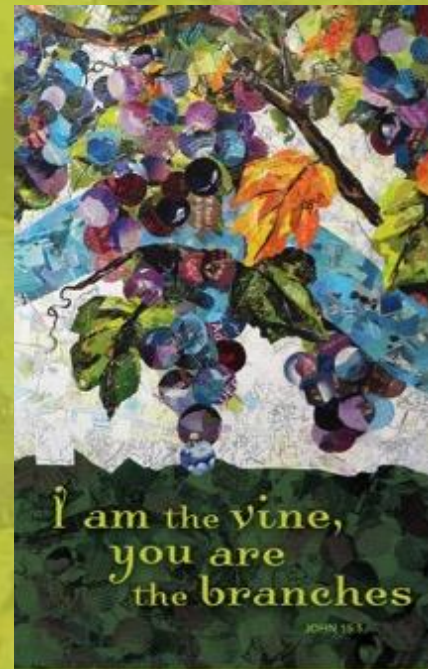
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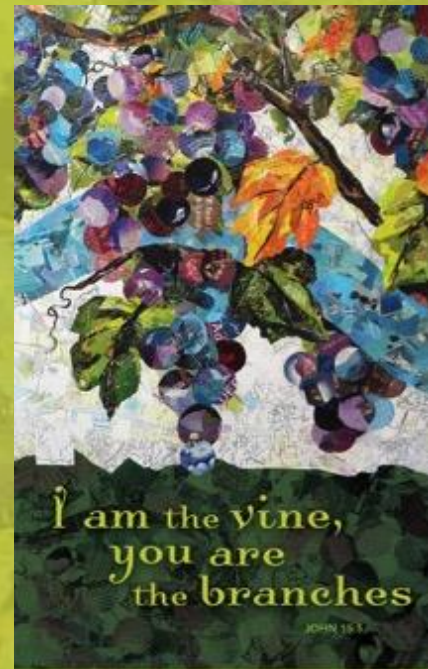
Opening Song – “Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds” *ELW 367*

1 Now all the vault of heav'n resounds
in praise of love that still abounds:
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear!
Repeat their song of glory here:
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!



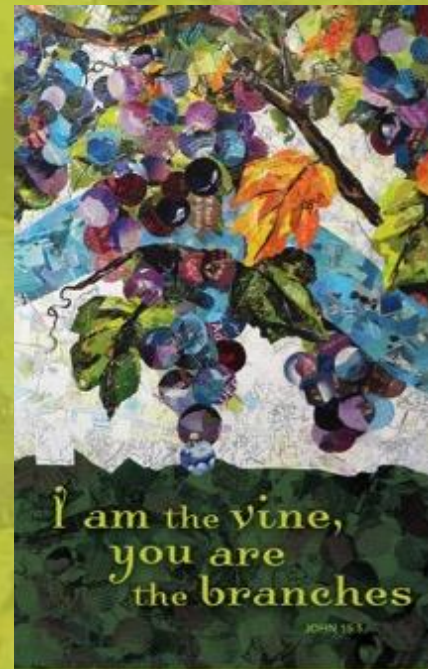
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2 Eternal is the gift he brings,
therefore our heart with rapture sings:
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
Now still he comes to give us life
and by his presence stills all strife.
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!



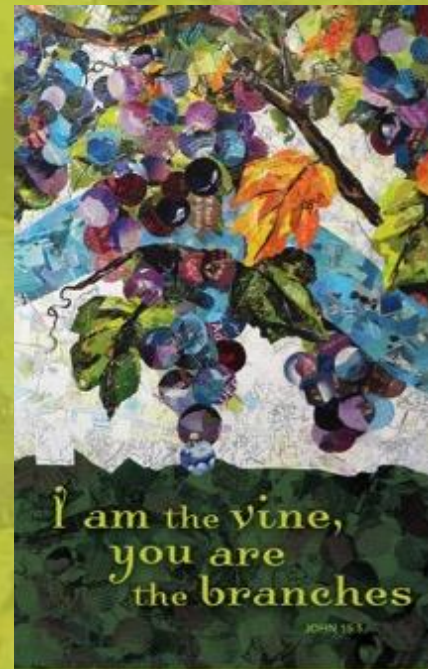
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3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with dauntless love;
set heart and will on things above
that we conquer through your triumph;
grant grace sufficient for life's day
that by our lives we truly say:
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!



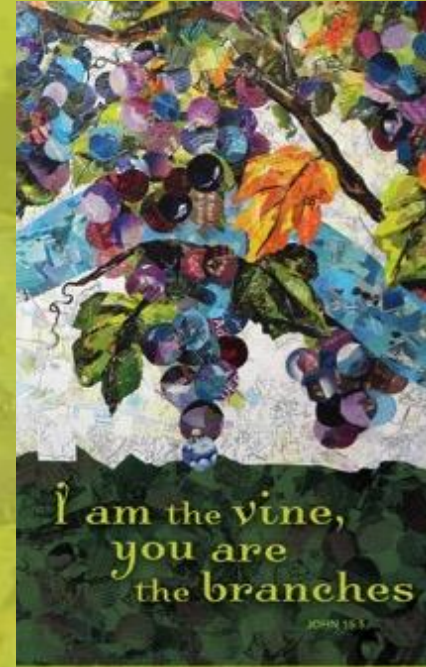
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4 Adoring praises now we bring
and with the heav'nly blessed sing:
"Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!"
Be to the Father, and our Lord,
to Spirit blest, most holy God,
all the glory, never ending!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!



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 and Forgiveness

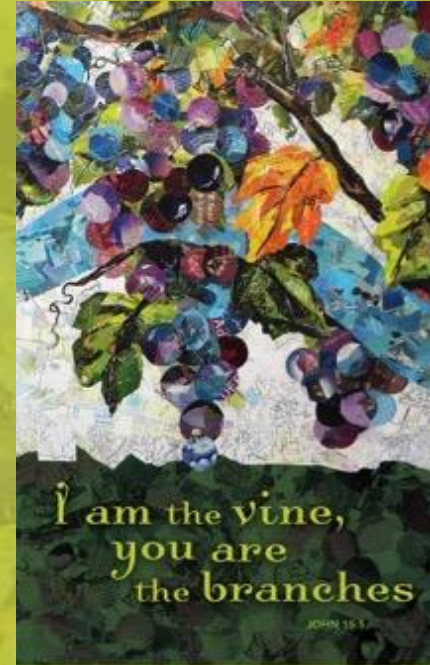
In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known, and from whom 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 Jesus
Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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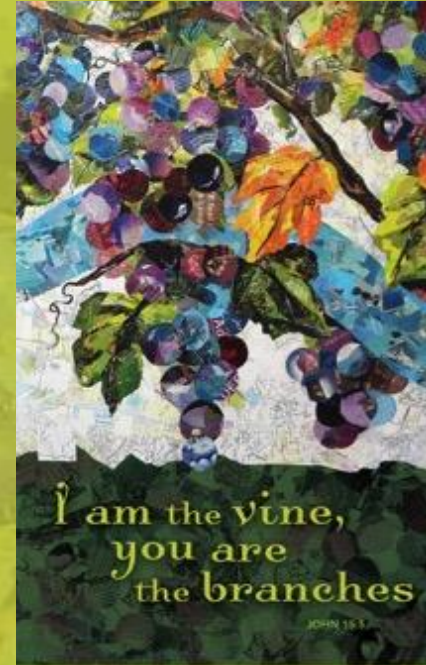
Confession and Forgiveness

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

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.

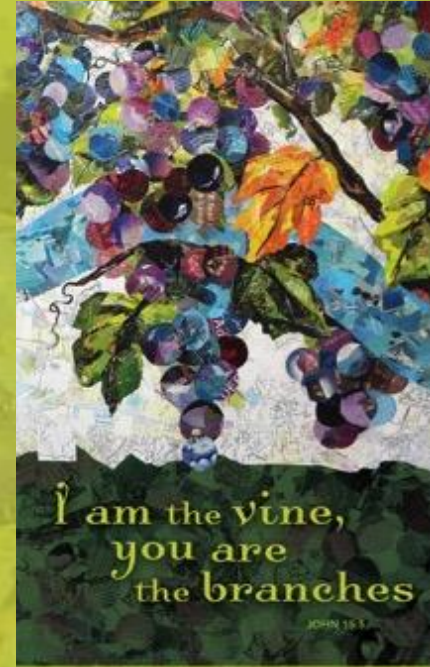
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Confession and Forgiveness

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

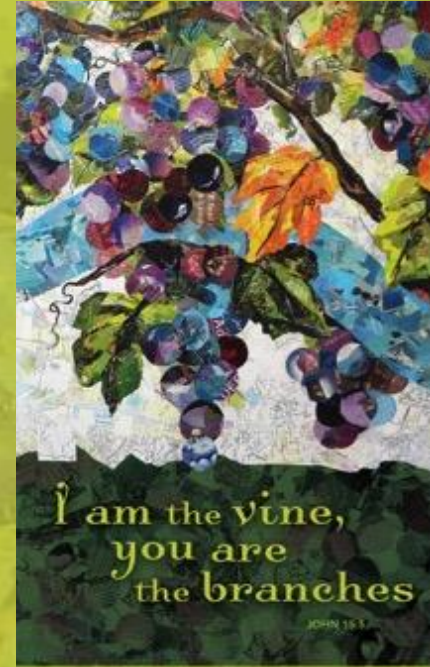


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Confession and Forgiveness

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.



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Proclamation of the Resurrection

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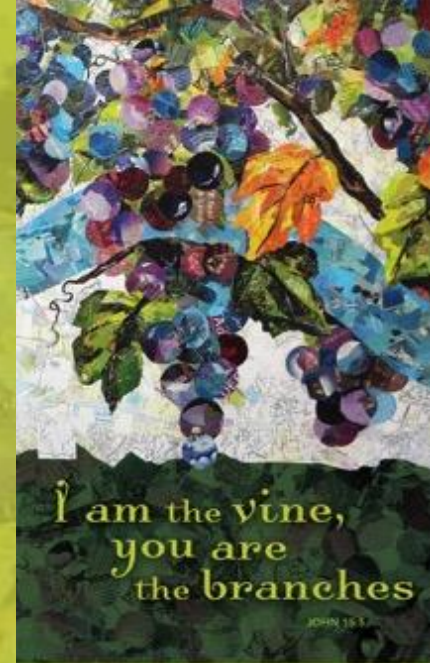
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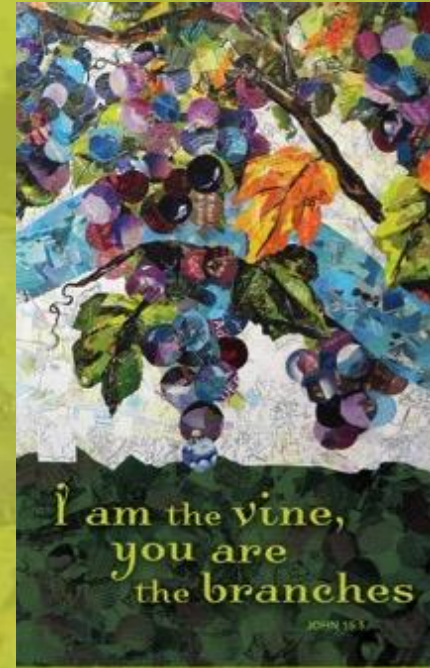


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Canticle of Praise *ELW 380 (v. 1, 5)*

Please join in singing:

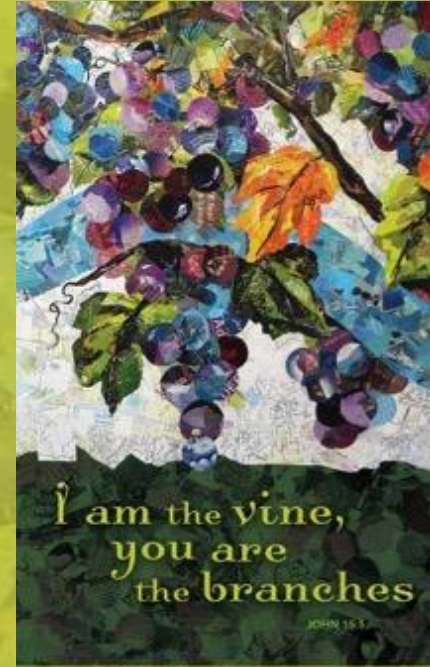
Hallelujah! Jesus lives!
He is now the Living One;
from the gloomy halls of death
Christ, the conqueror, has gone,
bright forerunner to the skies
of his people, yet to rise.



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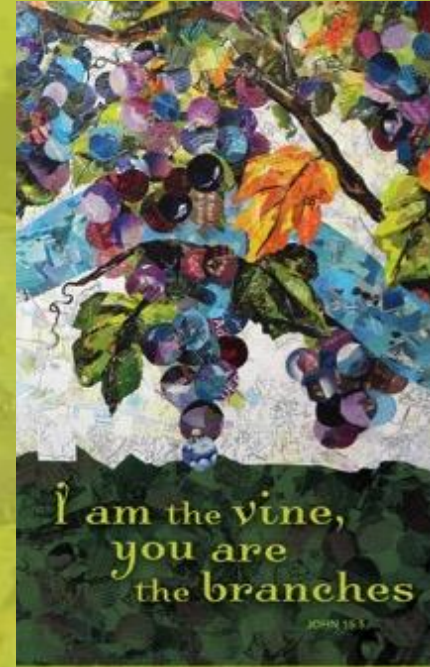
Hallelujah! Angels, sing!
Join with us in hymns of praise.
Let your chorus swell the strain
which our feebler voices raise:
Glory to our God above
and on earth his peace and love!



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.

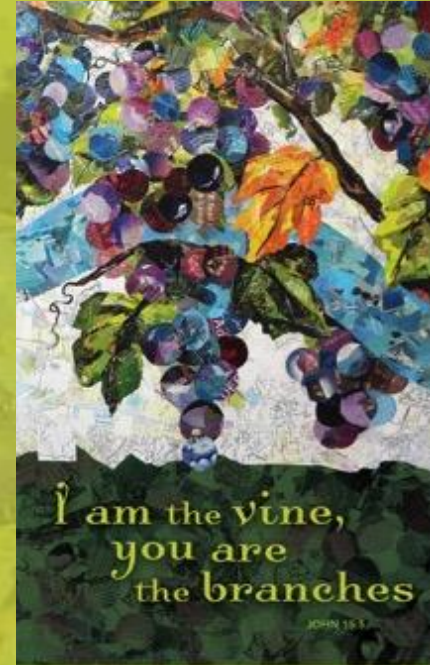


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Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. O God,

you give us your Son as the vine apart from whom we cannot live. Nourish our life in his resurrection, that we may bear the fruit of love and know the fullness of your joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.



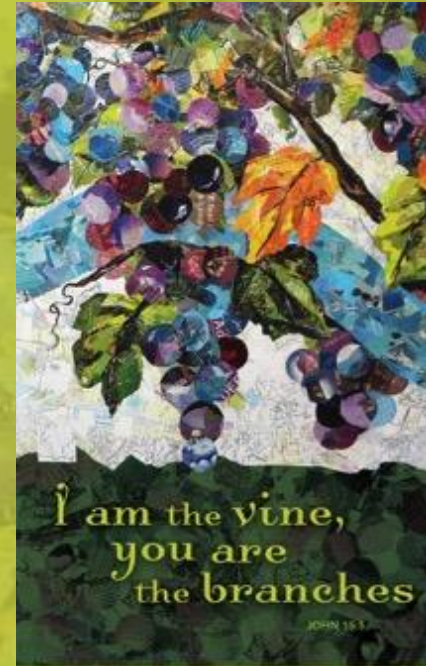
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Lessons

1st Lesson – Acts 8:26-40

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Psalm 22:25-31

²⁵ From you comes my praise in the great assembly; I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear the LORD.

²⁶ **The poor shall eat and be satisfied, Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts live forever!**

²⁷ All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD; all the families of nations shall bow before God.

²⁸ **For dominion belongs to the LORD, who rules over the nations.**

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Psalm 22:25-31

²⁹ Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow down in worship; all who go down to the dust, though they be dead, shall kneel before the LORD.

³⁰ **Their descendants shall serve the LORD, whom they shall proclaim to generations to come.**

³¹ They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying to them, "The LORD has acted!"

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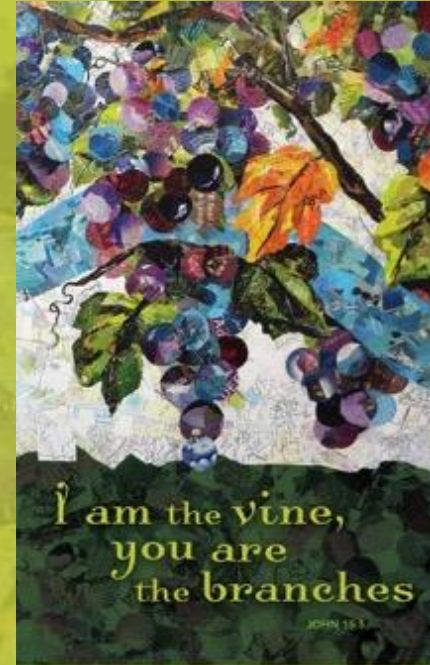
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2nd Lesson – 1 John 4:7-21

Gospel – John 15:1-8

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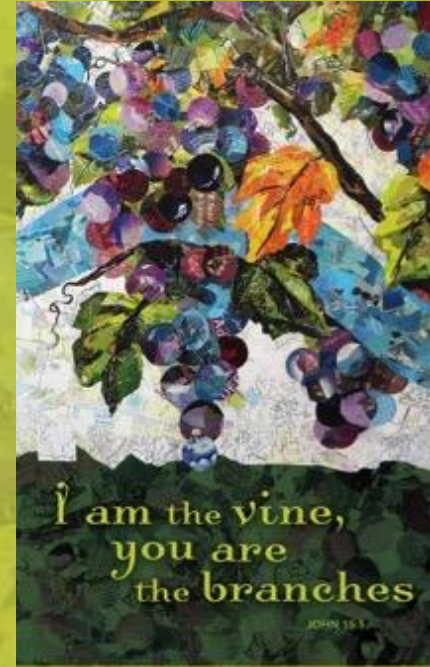


Children's Time

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

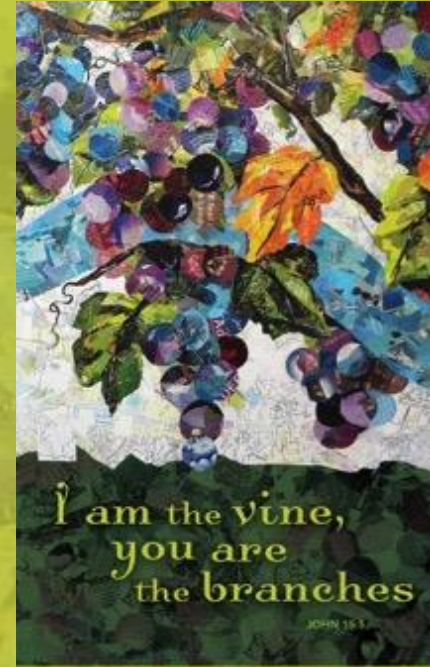
Sermon

*“Prairie Chickens, Prairie Dogs,
Buffalo, and abiding in Christ”*



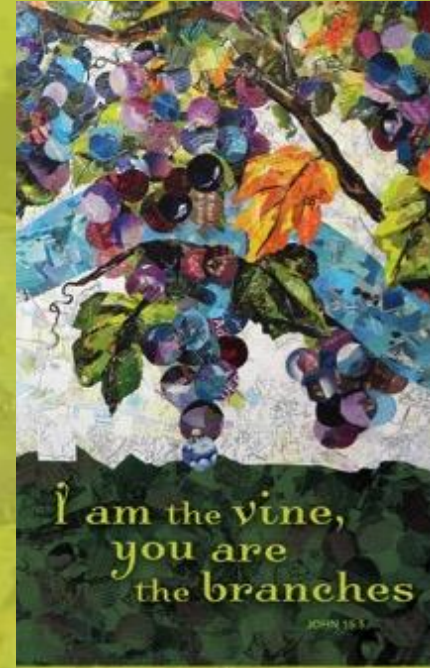
Song of the Day – “We Know That Christ Is Raised” *ELW 449*

1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more. Embraced by death, he broke its fearful hold, and our despair he turned to blazing joy.
Hallelujah!



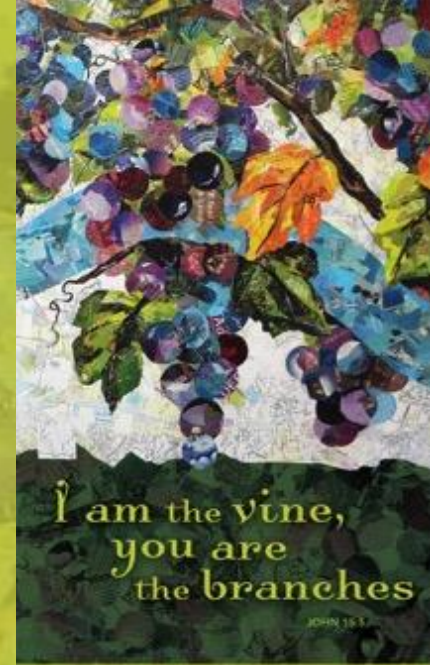
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2 We share by water in his saving death.
Reborn, we share with him an Easter
life, as living members of our Savior
Christ.
Hallelujah!



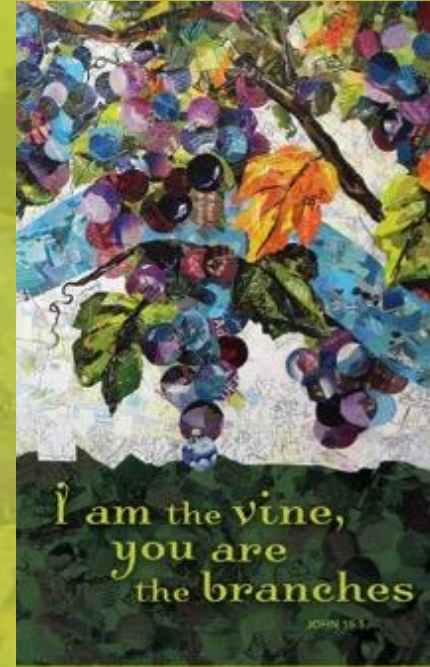
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3 The Father's splendor clothes the Son with life. The Spirit's fission shakes the church of God. Baptized, we live with God the Three in One.
Hallelujah!



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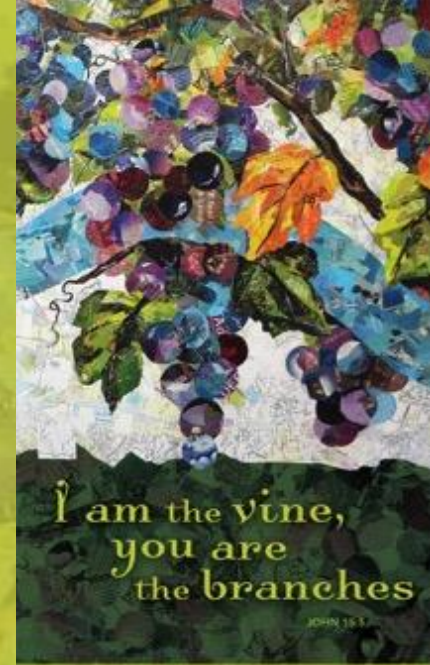
4 A new creation comes to life and grows as Christ's new body takes on flesh and blood. The universe restored and whole will sing:
Hallelujah!



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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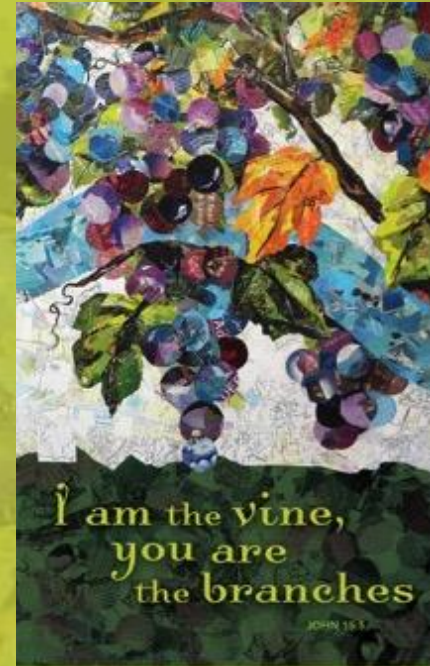
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I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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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.**



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Immanuel Lutheran Prayer Concerns



- Members – Prayers of joy for **Karin Noelle Ganz** (*new daughter of Ben & Alex Ganz, born April 13*); **Family of Don Schultz, Jessica Albert, Donna Albers, Fountain Neal, Gene Williams**
- Friends & Family – **Family of Clara DeLong** (*Lucy Nicholson's daughter*); **Brandi Bailey** (*Jean Albert's granddaughter*); **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; Heart of Illinois Lutheran Parish Pastor Jeff Schlesinger*

Are there additional prayer requests?

Prayers of Intercession

Rejoicing in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we pray for the witness of the church, the wholeness of creation, and all who are in need.

Each petition concludes:

...let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

We entrust all our prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them by the power of the Holy Spirit and the love of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

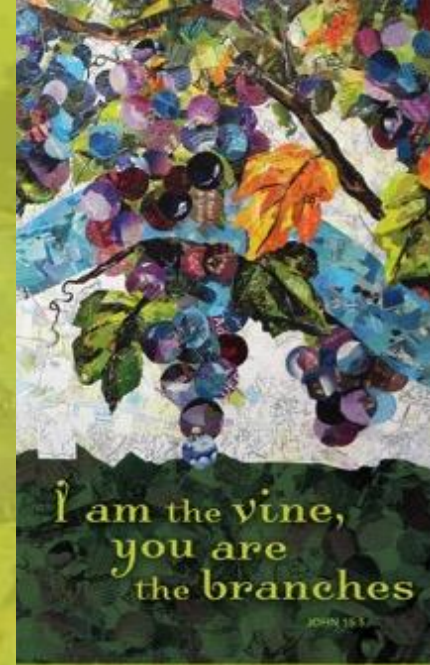
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Sharing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you
always.

And also with you.

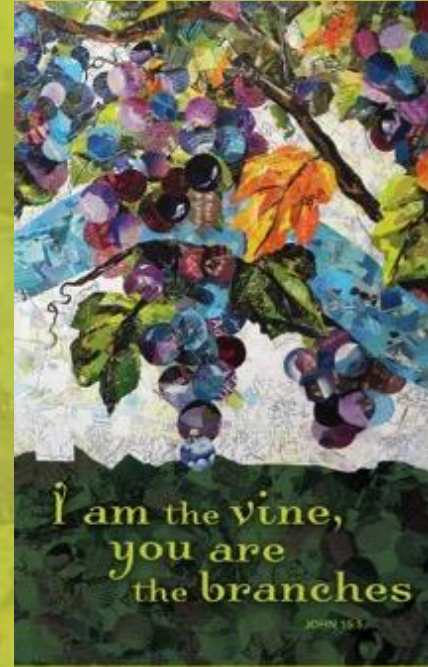
*Please turn to those around you and
share a sign of God's peace.*



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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.*

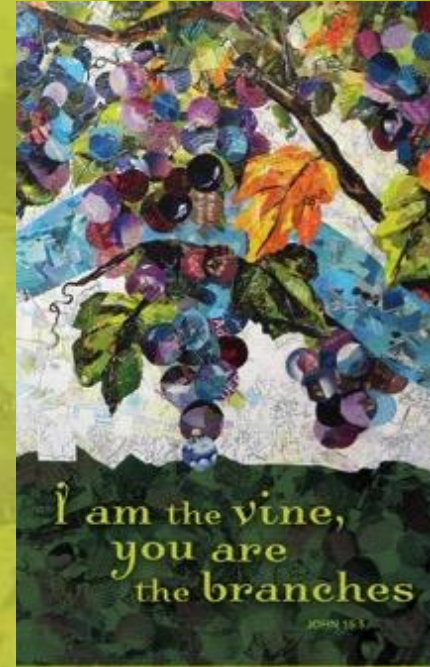


Offering Song – “Give Thanks”

please join in singing...

Give thanks with a grateful heart,
give thanks to the Holy One, give
thanks because he's given Jesus
Christ, his Son.

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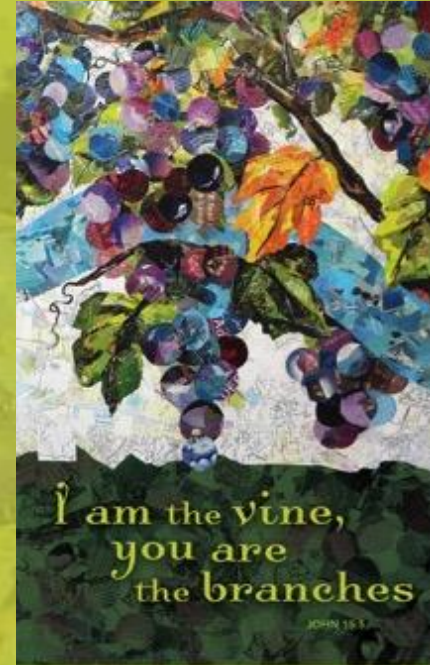
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And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am rich," because of what the Lord has done for us.

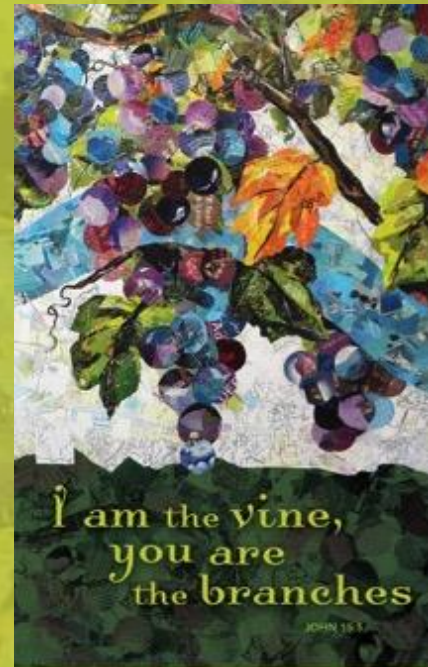
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Give thanks!



Offering Prayer

Let us pray. Blessed are you, O God,
ruler of heaven and earth. Day by
day you shower us with blessings.
As you have raised us to new life in
Christ, give us glad and generous
hearts, ready to praise you and to
respond to those in need, through
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.



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Communion

The Lord be with you.

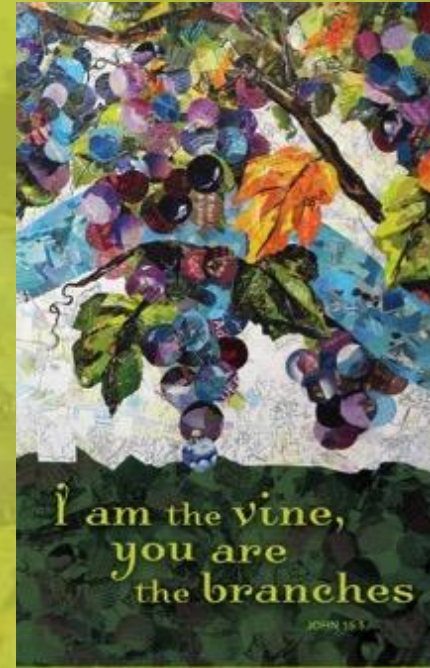
And also with you.

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.**

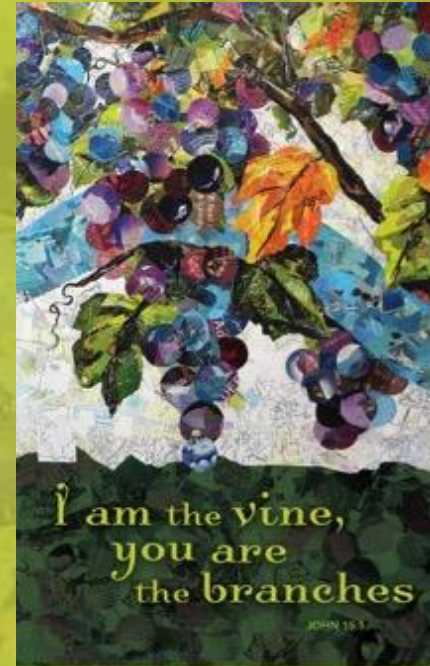


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Communion

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.

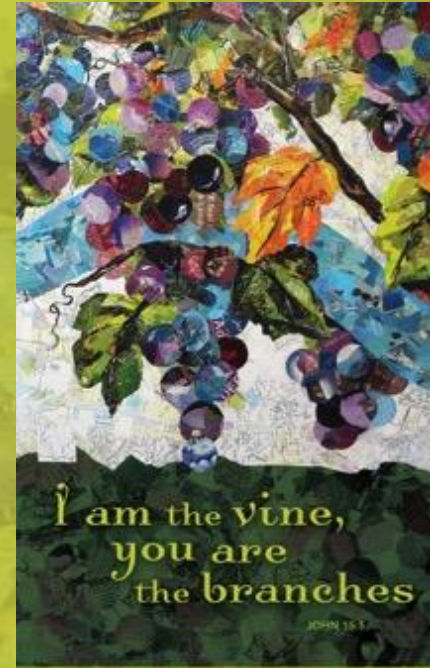


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Communion

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.

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please join in singing:

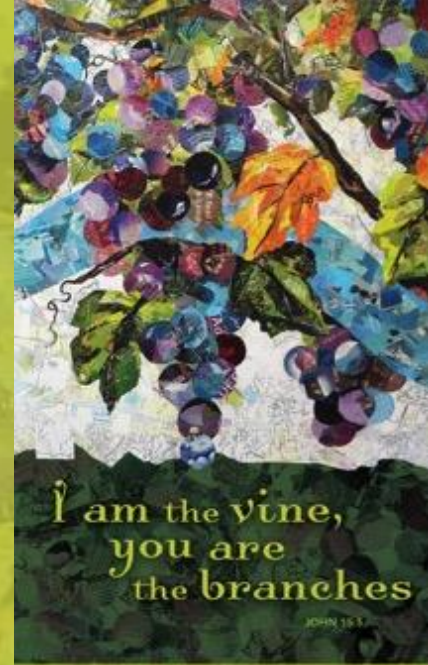
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

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

Communion

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



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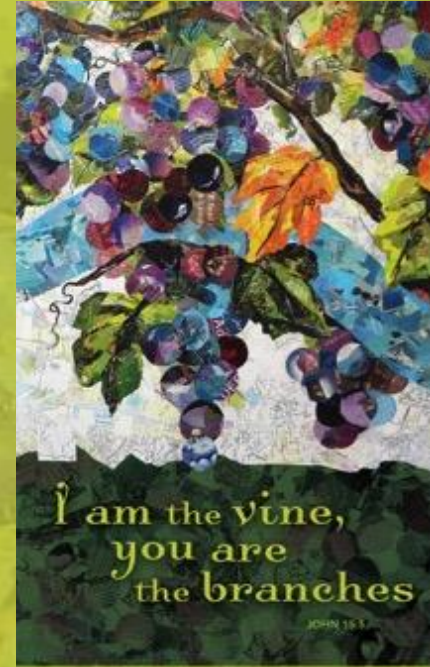
Communion: Lamb of God *ELW p. 146*

please join in singing:

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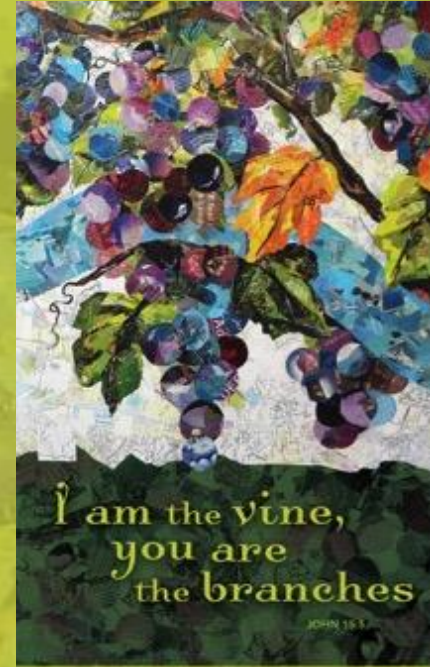
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.



Communion Distribution

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

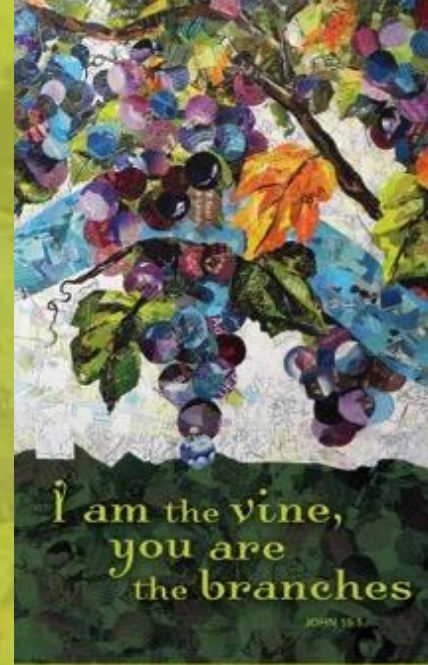
*Come and hold your hands out and receive God's goodness with the holy word of thanks:
"Amen!"*



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.

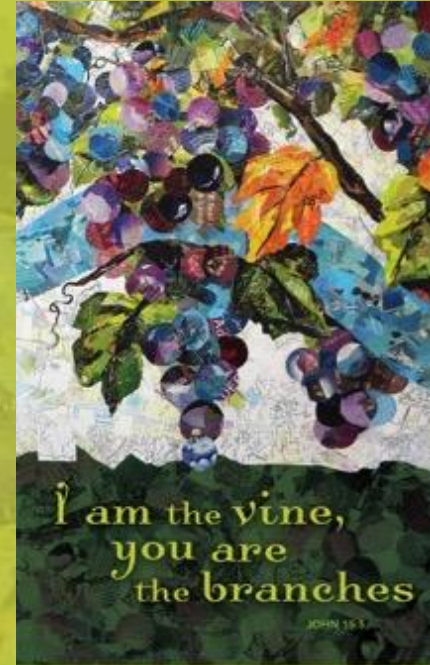
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Prayer after Communion

Let us pray. Life-giving God,
in the mystery of Christ's resurrection
you send light to conquer darkness,
water to give new life, and the bread of
life to nourish your people. Send us
forth as witnesses to your Son's
resurrection, that we may show your
glory to all the world, through Jesus
Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

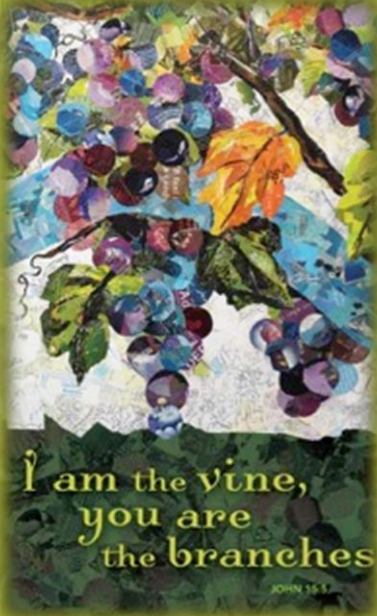


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Announcements - *Upcoming Activities*

- **Sunday 4/29/18** – HOILP Luncheon, 11:39 a.m.
- **Friday 5/4/18** – Bible Study @ Immanuel, 9:00 a.m.
- **Saturday 5/5/18** – 1st Lutheran NICE Volunteer, 8:00 a.m.
- **Sunday 5/6/18**
 - 8:30 a.m. – Worship @ Immanuel
 - 9:45 a.m. – Sunday School @ Immanuel
 - 10:30 a.m. – Worship @ First
 - 1:00 p.m. – NICE Walk @ Indian Creek High School
 - 4:00 p.m. – Paw Paw HS Baccalaureate @ Immanuel
 - 6:30 p.m. – Confirmation @ Immanuel

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Joint Worship

April 29th • 10:30 a.m.

@ Immanuel

Followed by luncheon with:



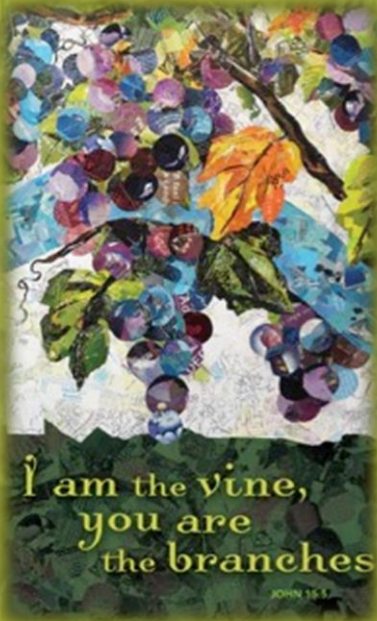
Taco Bar



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Sunday Sundae Bar

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Take a nice walk for N.I.C.E.



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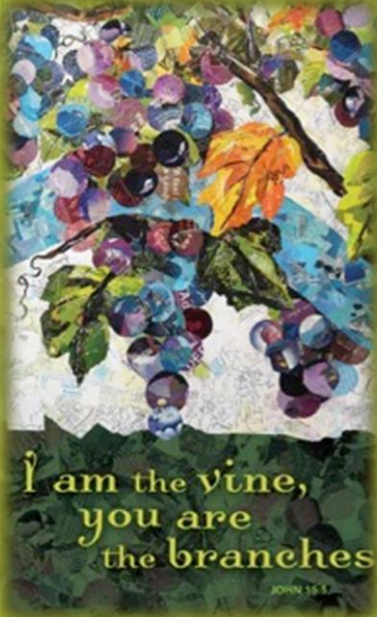
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Indian Creek High School

When?

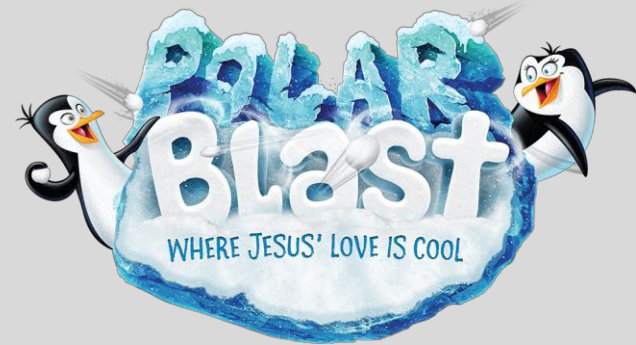
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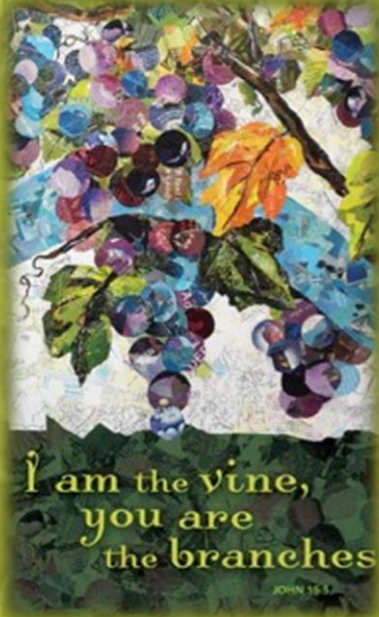
2018 Vacation Bible Camp

June 10-13

Registration begins May 1st

**Check bulletin and newsletter
for details**

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May is 1st Lutheran's

NICE Center Volunteer Month

Please come join us to help one or more of the Saturdays during the month. This is a very important ministry of the area congregations to reach out to those with food instability.

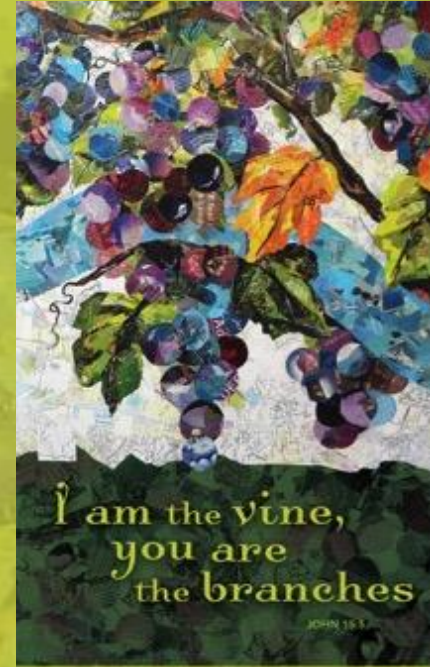
Benediction

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

May God who has brought us from death to life fill you with great joy. Almighty God, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

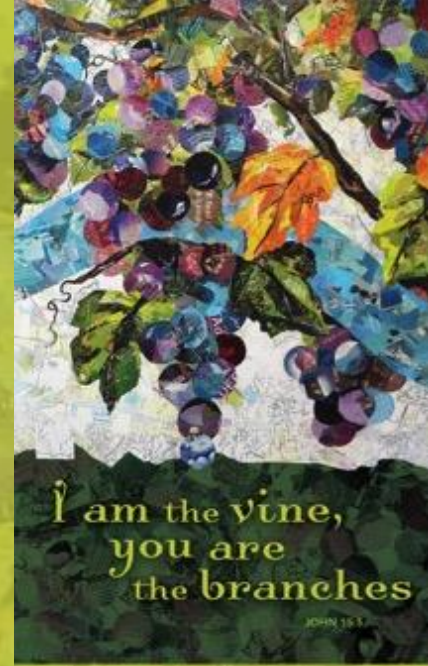
Amen.



Closing Song – “Let All Things Now Living”

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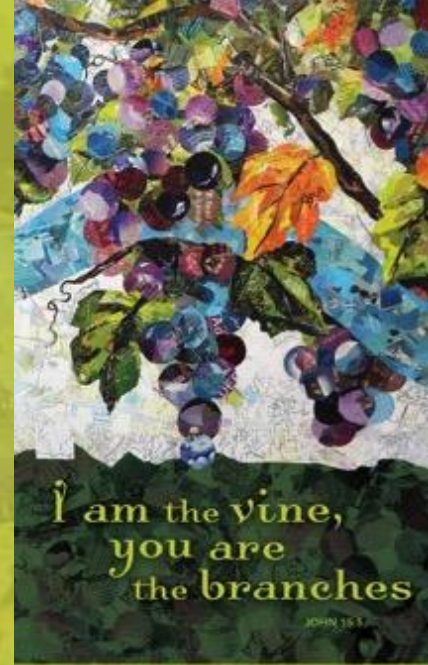
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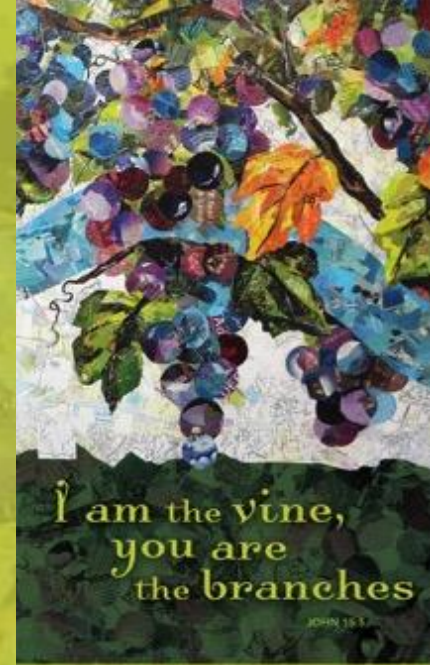
1 Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving to God the creator triumphantly raise, who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us, who still guides us on to the end of our days. God's banners are o'er us, God's light goes before us, a pillar of fire shining forth in the night, till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished, as forward we travel from light into light.



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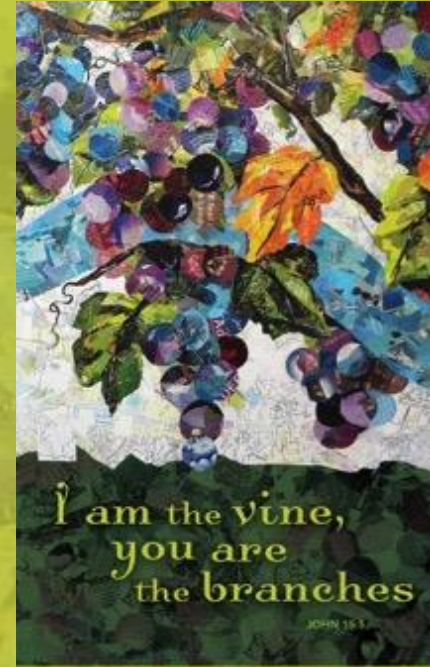
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2 God rules all the forces: the stars in their courses and sun in its orbit obediently shine; the hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains, the deeps of the ocean proclaim God divine. We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing; with glad adoration a song let us raise till all things now living unite in thanksgiving: "To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!"



Dismissal

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



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