

30 Days Together
“Immanuel - God With Us”
#30daystogether

Day #11 – Dec. 6th

Text: Psalm 105:1-6

Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name;
 make known among the nations what he has done.
Sing to him, sing praise to him;
 tell of all his wonderful acts.
Glory in his holy name;
 let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.
Look to the Lord and his strength;
 seek his face always.
Remember the wonders he has done,
 his miracles, and the judgments he pronounced,
you his servants, the descendants of Abraham,
 his chosen ones, the children of Jacob.

Devotion: Terry Jannereth

If ever there has been a time when we need to recall the deeds of our God, that time is now. We are God’s chosen ones, drawn apart from this temporary world to be lights for His eternal glory for a time like this. The psalmist is reminding us in this reading, that we are to give thanks to God no matter what the circumstances in our life. When we pause, especially in the middle of our worst days, we can always recall how God has carried us through every aspect of our lives. His promise, to never leave or forsake us, is always kept faithfully by our Savior, Jesus Christ! It’s that Holy Spirit power together with God’s promise that carries us when we can’t muster the strength to carry on.

I love to sing, especially to sing God’s praises and of His faithfulness! When I read this psalm it immediately brought to mind an offertory response from our Lutheran Service Book: (Divine Service: Setting Two)

“Thank the Lord and sing His praise. Tell everyone what He has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name. He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy, with shouts of Thanksgiving! Alleluia Alleluia!”

I love singing both of the very different musical accompaniments to this hymn!

Let’s all rejoice and proudly bear God’s name to ourselves, to our families and especially to the friends and neighbors who so desperately are searching for hope and certainty in this world! We are God’s chosen, to declare the Savior to the world outside of the walls of our church building! I pray that we are all emboldened by the Holy Spirit to shine for Jesus every day of our lives!

Closing Prayer: Holy Spirit, touch our lives with Your power and strength as we navigate these difficult days! Strengthen our Faith and give us the boldness to declare the salvation of Jesus to a world crying out for truth! Sanctify us by the truth, Lord, Your Word is Truth! We pray in Jesus’ Holy name! Amen!