Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
Summer Sermon Series – Week #5

Saturday, July 28, 2018 – 5:30 pm
Sunday, July 29, 2018 – 7:45 am & 10:15 am

“Making more and stronger disciples of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit.”
Welcome to Immanuel!

**Guest/Member Cards** can be found in the card holder of the pew in front of you. We invite you to fill out the card and place it in the offering plate when we receive the offering. When you fill out these cards each week you make it possible for our pastors to more easily follow up with and provide pastoral care for our guests and members from week to week. If you have any questions, please let us know.

**Holy Communion** is distributed every Saturday evening, and at either the 7:45 am or 10:15 am service on Sunday mornings. In this Supper of our Lord we receive the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the earthly forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. Since this Holy Communion is also a sign of our common confession of the Christian faith, we welcome to the Lord's Table those who are confirmed members of our Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask the pastor before or after the service.

If for health or personal reasons you cannot drink wine, the lighter colored glasses in the center of the tray of individual cups contain water with a drop of wine. These special glasses allow communicants to celebrate the Lord's Supper according to Christ's institution, while only consuming a very small amount of alcohol. You are also welcome to practice intinction (dipping the edge of the host [bread] into the common cup as it passes by).

**Immanuel’s Saturday evening service** is a bit less formal than our Sunday services. Therefore, you will notice there are no ushers, the offering plate is left in the narthex (entrance) of the church rather than being passed during service, and we have only two individuals distributing Holy Communion. On Saturday night we only use the chalice (common cup) during Holy Communion. If for health or personal reasons you cannot drink wine, you’re welcome to practice intinction. Intinction involves dipping the edge of the host (bread) into the wine. In this way, the communicant receives both elements. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask the pastor before or after the service.

**Worship at Immanuel is...**

**Multigenerational.** We believe that it is a great blessing for family members to worship together. Taking seriously Jesus' words, "Let the little children come to me and so not forbid them" (Mark 10:14), we encourage children to worship with their parents and grandparents and provide resources such as children's bulletins and children's sermons.

**Eclectic.** Eclectic means, "selecting what seems best of various sources." We believe that we should strive to use the best hymns and practices that the church has to offer. Our worship may include hymns written 500 years ago as well as pieces written 5 months ago.

**Trinitarian.** We believe that the object of worship is the only true God—The Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**Christ Centered.** We believe that at the heart of worship is the Good News that God has rescued us from our sins through Jesus' death on the cross and rising to life again.
In preparation for worship we ask that you silence your cell phones and/or paging devices. Thank you.

The time before service begins can be a good time to pray and prepare your heart and mind for worship. You will find helpful prayers on the inside cover of the hymnal located in the pew in front of you.

Preservice Music / Bells

Welcome (10:15 am - Welcome New Members, Abby Eschmann & Alycia Jones)

Opening Hymn, Guest’s or Member’s Choice

Please stand.

Invocation

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

(Matthew 28:19b; [18:20])

Opening Sentences  
(Psalm 124:8; 130:3-4)

P  Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.
C  But with You there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.

Confession and Absolution  
(Psalm 136:26; Ephesians 3:17b–19)

P  Let us then confess our sins to our gracious God. Heavenly Father,
C  we confess that we often fail to recognize Your power over all things in creation. When life seems out of control, instead of trusting that You can bring good out of bad circumstances, we sometimes become fearful and doubt Your power at work for our good. Forgive us.

P  Lord Jesus Christ,
C  we confess that we have failed to rely on Your power to heal, strengthen, and protect. Forgive us.

P  Holy Spirit, giver of all good gifts,
C  we confess that we do not always expect You to guide and direct us in trying times. We sometimes expect others to do the caring, consoling, and comforting rather than seek Your renewal and strengthening. Forgive us.
Triune God,

we are sinners from birth and sin daily in our thinking, speaking, and acting. Without Your power and love, we cannot be people who reflect Your loving care. Forgive us, and direct our feet into paths on which we serve You in joy.

Give thanks to the God of heaven,

for His steadfast love endures forever.

God’s almighty power is shown chiefly in triumphing over sin, death, and the grave. Christ’s sacrifice has turned away God’s righteous anger, atoning for all our sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

+ Service of the Word +

**Introit of the Day**  
(Psalm 145:1-3, 6-7; antiphon: v.5)

On the glorious splendor of your majesty,  
as on your wondrous works, I will meditate.

I will extol you, my God and King,  
as bless your name forever and ever.

Every day I will bless you  
as praise your name forever and ever.

Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,  
as his greatness is unsearchable.

They shall speak of the might of your awesome deeds,  
as I will declare your greatness.

They shall pour forth the fame of your abundant goodness  
as shall sing aloud of your righteousness.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
as to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

On the glorious splendor of your majesty,  
as on your wondrous works, I will meditate.
Hymn of Praise, LSB 882 v. 1 & 7, “O Christ Who Art the Light and Day” [Tune: LSB 883]

1 O Christ, who art the light and day,
Thou drivest night and gloom away;
O Light of Light, whose Word doth show
The light of heav’n to us below.

△ 7 All praise to God the Father be,
All praise, eternal Son, to Thee,
Whom with the Spirit we adore
Forever and forevermore. Amen.

Collect of the Day
P The Lord be with you. (2 Timothy 4:22)
C And also with you.
P Let us pray.
All: Heavenly Father, Your Son Jesus is the Light of the World. You sent Him into our world to give us life and illumine our darkness. Grant that we may always bask in Jesus’ light and reflect that light to others through our words and lives of love. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

Please be seated
Old Testament Reading, Genesis 9:8-17

8 Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, 9“Behold, I establish my covenant with you and your offspring after you, 10and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the livestock, and every beast of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark; it is for every beast of the earth. 11I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of the flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” 12And God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: 13I have set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth.

14When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, 15I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh. And the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. 16When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” 17God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.
Epistle, Ephesians 3:14-21

14 For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, 15 from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, 16 that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, 17 so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, 18 may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, 19 and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. 20 Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, 21 to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

L This is the Word of the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Gospel Verse [for our Summer Sermon Series]

Holy Gospel, John 8:12-18

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 8th chapter.
C Glory to You, O Lord.

12 Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.” 13 So the Pharisees said to him, “You are bearing witness about yourself; your testimony is not true.” 14 Jesus answered, “Even if I do bear witness about myself, my testimony is true, for I know where I came from and where I am going, but you do not know where I come from or where I am going. 15 You judge according to the flesh; I judge no one. 16 Yet even if I do judge, my judgment is true, for it is not I alone who judge, but I and the Father who sent me. 17 In your Law it is written that the testimony of two men is true. 18 I am the one who bears witness about myself, and the Father who sent me bears witness about me.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C Praise to You, O Christ.
Please be seated

Children’s Message (Parents of very young children may also come forward with their children.)

Hymn of the Day, Guest’s or Member’s Choice

Sermon, John 8:12, “A Light That No Darkness Can Overcome”

Please stand

Apostles’ Creed

All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the Church around the world, all people in their various circumstances, and ourselves as we respond to God’s Word.

For the Church, wherever the faithful are enduring persecution, official or personal, let us pray to the Lord.

C Heavenly Father, strengthen them with the power of Your Spirit.

P For God’s people as they find opportunities to spread the Gospel, let us pray to the Lord.

C Christ, our Lord, dwell in their hearts through faith that they have strength to comprehend Your love and be filled with all the fullness of God.

P For people in every land when faced with harm and danger from natural disasters, let us pray to the Lord.

C Creator God, see the bow in the clouds and remember Your covenant with all living creatures. Use Your almighty power to protect us and all the descendants of Noah from flood—
and from fire and wind, quake and drought—that we give You praise for this good earth.

P For ourselves and those near and dear to us, (especially...), let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord Jesus, open the eyes of all who are dealing with a sudden crisis or chronic ills. Open the eyes of all who call out to You that they recognize You in their midst. Cause caregivers to bring the sick into Your loving power; grant comfort and health as fits Your gracious plans for them.

P For nations and governments, armed forces (especially...) and local police and first responders, let us pray to the Lord.

C Heavenly Father, You are able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think. Order the powers that be in all the nations of this world that all people are granted peace and dignity, justice and freedom. Guide all in authority, and protect all who work for peace, that here and everywhere praise and thanks come before Your gracious throne.

P (Special petitions...) Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P These and any other things You would have us ask of You, heavenly Father, grant to us for the sake of Christ Jesus, our Lord.

C To You be glory in the Church throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

(Saturday – Please remain standing; Sunday – Please be seated)

Offering (5:30 pm – Please place your offerings in the plate in the narthex before or after the service.)

Please stand

Offertory/Response to Prayer, “We Will Glorify” (Twila Paris. CCLI License 1102860.)

We will glorify the King of kings
We will glorify the Lamb
We will glorify the Lord of lords
Who is the great I am

Lord Jehovah reigns in majesty
We will bow before His throne
We will worship Him in righteousness
We will worship Him alone
+ Service of the Sacrament +

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Preface

P The Lord be with you. (2 Timothy 4:22)
C And also with you.
P Lift up your hearts. (Colossians 3:1)
C We lift them to the Lord.
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. (Psalm 136)
C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who [on this day] overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus (Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9)
C Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might: heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the Highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the Highest.

(Hosanna is a Hebrew word of praise meaning “save us now.”)

The Lord’s Prayer (Matthew 6:9-13)

All: 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.

**Words of Our Lord** (Matt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Cor 11:23-25)

**The Peace of the Lord**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
C Amen.  

*(John 20:19)*

**Please be seated**

**Distribution Hymns**

*LSB* 730, “What Is the World to Me”  
*LSB* 631, “Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face”

**Please stand**

**Dismissal**

P Now may this...Go in peace.  
C Amen.

**Benediction**

P The LORD bless you and keep you.  
The LORD make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The LORD look upon you with favor and give you peace.  
C Amen.

**Closing Hymn**, Guest’s or Member’s Choice

**Bells / Postlude**
The Lord’s Prayer  
(Matthew 6:9-13)  
All: 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.

Benediction  
(P) The LORD bless you and keep you.  
(Numbers 6:24-26)  
The LORD make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The LORD look upon you with favor and give you peace.  
(C) Amen.

Closing Hymn, Guest’s or Member’s Choice

Bells / Postlude

We invite you to take the service folder and announcements home with you as you leave today so you can see what's happening this week as well as meditate on the Scriptures, prayers, and hymns from today's service as you go through the week.

You can also find helpful information on our church website: immanuelwaterloo.org.
Worship Helpers

Saturday, July 28, 2018 - 5:30 pm
Preacher - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup
Server - Chuck Keller
Greeter - Jim Pfasterer
Pianist - Ron Jones
Acolyte - Jack Metzger
Media - Kelley Keller

Sunday, July 29, 2018 - 7:45 am
Preacher - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup
Lector - Hayden Lukas
Acolytes - Ian Schrader & Hunter Kettler
Ushers - Elden Niemeyer, Sharon Osterhage, Wayne Hargrave, Wyatt Drewes
Liturgist - Rev. Merritt Demski
Music Director - Ann Frank
Media - Pam Nagel (with recording)

Sunday, July 29, 2018 - 10:15 am
Preacher - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup
Music Director - Ann Frank
Server/Lector - Rodney Clamors
Acolytes - Jay Grant & Jordyn Koch
Ushers - Larry Goessling, Jim Smothers, Dave Wiese, Cal Neeman, Dean Harbison
Celebrant - Rev. Merritt Demski
Greeters - Wayne & Cathie Collmeyer
Media - Greg Hoeffken

Ushers - Sunday, August 5, 2018
7:45 am - Roy Unterseh, Jim Stueve, Dennis & Raymond Brandt, Ed Arras
10:15 am - Lee Eggemeyer, Ken Schanz, Roger Schanz, Curt Wittbracht

Acolytes - Sunday, August 5, 2018
Saturday 5:30 pm - Nathan Hemmer
Sunday 7:45 am - Lilly Prather & Kyra Drewes
Sunday 10:15 am - Ali & Blake Kloeppe

Servers - Sunday, August 5, 2018
Saturday 5:30 pm - Rodney Clamors
Sunday 7:45 am - n/a
Sunday 10:15 am - Hayden Lukas

Media - Sunday, August 5, 2018
Saturday 5:30 pm - Adriaanna Whelan
Sunday 7:45 am - Tyler Cooley (with recording)
Sunday 10:15 am - Mitchell/Tim Scheibe