



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
Summer Sermon Series – Week #2

I AM



The Door
The Bread of Life
The Good Shepherd
The Light of the World
The Vine
The Way, The Truth, and The Life
The Resurrection and The Life

Saturday, July 7, 2018 – 5:30 pm
Sunday, July 8, 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

Opening Hymn, *LSB* 915, “Today Your Mercy Calls Us”

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

P Lift up your eyes to the Lord!

C **For He is filled with mercy.**

P Plead with Him for what you need.

C **For He is filled with power.**

P Be content with His ways.

C **For His grace is sufficient.**

Confession and Absolution

P Beloved in the Lord, each of us has rebelled against God and rejected His will, His ways, and His commands. We were born in sin and weakness. We cannot escape our rebellious condition on our own. Let us then confess our sins to God, our heavenly Father.

Silence for reflection.

P Heavenly Father,

C **we confess that we have rejected Your ways and sought our own. We have rebelled against Your almighty rule, trying to be the masters of our own lives. We have failed to love You with all our heart. We have failed to love our neighbors as ourselves. We have failed to love our enemies as You commanded. Forgive us by Your power, mercy, and grace.**

P In the power, mercy, and grace of almighty God, Jesus Christ died and was raised for you. On account of Christ and His all-sufficient grace, God forgives you. 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.

C **Amen. His grace is sufficient for us. His power is made perfect in weakness.**

+ Service of the Word +

Introit of the Day (Psalm 132:13-16; antiphon: Psalm 34:8)

Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!

Blessèd is the man who takes refuge in him!

For the LORD has chosen Zion;

he has desired it for his dwelling place:

“This is my resting place forever;

here I will dwell, for I have desired it.

I will abundantly bless her provisions;

I will satisfy her poor with bread.

Her priests I will clothe with salvation,

and her saints will shout for joy.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!

Blessèd is the man who takes refuge in him!

Hymn of Praise, LSB 389 v. 1 & 6, “Let All Together Praise Our God”

© 1969 Concordia Publishing House. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License .NET, no. 100010322. Public domain

**1 Let all together praise our God
Before His glorious throne;
Today He opens heav’n again
To give us His own Son,
To give us His own Son.**

**6 He is the key and He the door
To blessed paradise;
The angel bars the way no more.
To God our praises rise,
To God our praises rise.**

Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you. (2 Timothy 4:22)

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

All: O God, Your almighty power is made known chiefly in showing mercy. Grant us the fullness of Your grace that we may be called to repentance and made partakers of Your heavenly treasures; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated

Old Testament Reading, Ezekiel 2:1-5

¹He said to me, “Son of man, stand on your feet, and I will speak with you.”
²And as he spoke to me, the Spirit entered into me and set me on my feet, and I heard him speaking to me. ³And he said to me, “Son of man, I send you to the people of Israel, to nations of rebels, who have rebelled against me. They and their fathers have transgressed against me to this very day. ⁴The descendants also are impudent and stubborn: I send you to them, and you shall say to them, ‘Thus says the Lord GOD.’ ⁵And whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house) they will know that a prophet has been among them.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle, 2 Corinthians 12:1-10

¹I must go on boasting. Though there is nothing to be gained by it, I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. ²I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. ³And I know that this man was caught up into paradise—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows—⁴and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter. ⁵On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. ⁶Though if I should wish to boast, I would not be a fool, for I would be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. ⁷So to keep me from being too elated by the

surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from being too elated. ⁸Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. ⁹But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. ¹⁰For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Gospel Verse [for our Summer Sermon Series]

I AM for - ev - er WHO I AM. A - bove you, be - neath you, A -
round you and with - in you. Be still and know that I am God.

Repeat once.

Holy Gospel, Mark 6:1-13

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 6th chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹[Jesus] went away from there and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. ²And on the Sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished, saying, “Where did this man get these things? What is the wisdom given to him? How are such mighty works done by his hands? ³Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon? And are not his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him. ⁴And Jesus said to them, “A prophet is not without honor, except in his hometown and among his relatives and in his own household.” ⁵And he could do no mighty work there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and healed them. ⁶And he marveled because of their unbelief. And he went about among the villages teaching. ⁷And he called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. ⁸He charged them to take nothing for their journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in their belts—⁹but to wear sandals and not put on two tunics. ¹⁰And he said to them, “Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you depart from there. ¹¹And if any place will not receive you and they will not listen to you, when you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against

them.”¹² So they went out and proclaimed that people should repent. ¹³ And they cast out many demons and anointed with oil many who were sick and healed them.

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, LSB 757, “Lord, It Belongs Not to My Care”

Sermon, John 6:25-40, “I Am the Bread of Life”

²⁵When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, “Rabbi, when did you come here?” ²⁶Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, you are seeking me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷Do not labor for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you. For on him God the Father has set his seal.” ²⁸Then they said to him, “What must we do, to be doing the works of God?” ²⁹Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” ³⁰So they said to him, “Then what sign do you do, that we may see and believe you? What work do you perform? ³¹Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’” ³²Jesus then said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is he who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” ³⁴They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.” ³⁵Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. ³⁶But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. ³⁷All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. ³⁸For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. ³⁹And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. ⁴⁰For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.”

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 whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

For children and infants, that they be raised by faithful parents and guardians, and grow in strength and in knowledge of the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For those in power, especially elected officials, that they would treat those under their power with justice and compassion, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the elderly and homebound, that God would strengthen them through His Word and Sacraments, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the leaders of this congregation, that God would send His guidance and wisdom for the benefit of this congregation and community, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For those who are sick and recovering, (*especially...*), that they rely on the all-sufficient grace of Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

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

C **hear our prayer.**

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your power, mercy, and grace.

C **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.) [7:45 am & 10:15 am – Saxophone (Elden Niemeyer), “Great Is Thy Faithfulness,” arr. by F. Bock]

Please stand

Offertory/Response to Prayer, *LSB 789*, “Praise and Thanksgiving”

© 1987 Oxford University Press. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License .NET, no. 100010322.



1 Praise and thanks - giv - ing, Fa - ther, we of - fer For all things
2 Bless, Lord, the la - bor We bring to serve You That with our
3 Fa - ther, pro - vid - ing Food for Your chil - dren, By Your wise



liv - ing, Cre - at - ed good: Har - vest of sown fields, Fruits of the
neigh - bor We may be fed. Sow - ing or till - ing, We would work
guid - ing Teach us to share One with an - oth - er, So that, re -



or - chard, Hay from the mown fields, Blos - som and wood.
with You, Har - vest - ing, mill - ing For dai - ly bread.
joic - ing With us, all oth - ers May know Your care.

The 10:15 am service continues on page 10.

+ Service of the Sacrament +

In this Supper of our Lord we receive the true body and blood of 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 how we commonly confess the Christian faith, we welcome to the Lord's Table those who are confirmed members of congregations of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod.

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. (John 20:19)

C **Amen.**

Please be seated

Distribution Hymns

LSB 620, “Jesus Comes Today with Healing” (7:45 am – Played by Julie Zeiger on the keyboard.)

LSB 712, “Seek Ye First”

Please stand

Dismissal

P Now may this...Go in peace.

C **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, *LSB* 920, “Forth in the Peace of Christ We Go”

Bells / Postlude

The 10:15 am service continues below.

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, *LSB* 920, “Forth in the Peace of Christ We Go”

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 7, 2018 - 5:30 pm

Preacher/Celebrant - Rev. Merritt Demski
 Server - Rodney Clamors
 Media - Greg Hoeffken

Pianist - Ron Jones
 Acolyte - Jordyn Koch

Sunday, July 8, 2018 - 7:45 am

Preacher/Celebrant - Rev. Merritt Demski
 Server/Lector - Hayden Lukas
 Acolytes - Kyle Rusteberg & Tyler Cooley
 Ushers - Chuck Keller, Craig Mehner, Larry Taake, Dawn & Chase Rubemeyer

Liturgist - Hayden Lukas
 Music Director - Ann Frank
 Media - Kelley Keller

Sunday, July 8, 2018 - 10:15 am

Preacher - Rev. Merritt Demski
 Lector - Warren Frank
 Acolytes - Kyra Drewes & Lauren Patterson
 Ushers - Robert Mesnarich Jr., Pam Nagel, Don & Carol Matzenbacher

Liturgist - Hayden Lukas
 Music Director - Ann Frank
 Media -

Ushers - Sunday, July 15, 2018

7:45 am - Bill Stueve, Charles Lloyd, Kevin Whelan
 10:15 am - Jason & Nick Valerius, Tim Troup, Tyler Cooley

Acolytes - Sunday, July 15, 2018

Saturday 5:30 pm - Ian Schrader
 Sunday 7:45 am - Alex & Autumn Whelan
 Sunday 10:15 am - Wyatt & Masson Fink

Lectors - Sunday, July 15, 2018

Saturday 5:30 pm - n/a
 Sunday 7:45 am - Ollney Mueller, Jr.
 Sunday 10:15 am - Hayden Lukas

Servers - Sunday, July 15, 2018

Saturday 5:30 pm - Greg Wiegand
 Sunday 7:45 am - n/a
 Sunday 10:15 am - Warren Frank

Altar Guild - Sunday, July 15, 2018

Saturday 5:30 pm - Becky Nobbe
 Sunday 7:45 am - n/a
 Sunday 10:15 am - Linda Gutknecht

Media - Sunday, July 15, 2018

Saturday 5:30 pm - Lisa Clamors
 Sunday 7:45 am - Adrianna Whelan (with recording)
 Sunday 10:15 am - Pam Nagel

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL – WATERLOO, ILLINOIS
LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD

<http://immanuelwaterloo.org>

e-mail: immanuelwaterloo@gmail.com

Rev. Dr. Tony Troup, Administrative Pastor	939-6480 or 618-340-8375
Rev. Merritt Demski, Associate Pastor	939-6480 or 847-254-9666
Mr. Hayden Lukas, First Year Field Worker	248-254-2306
Mrs. Lisa Clamors, Secretary	939-6480 or 618-719-4954
Mrs. Ann Frank, Music Director	939-6480 or 618-282-6597
Mrs. Linda Polansky, Preschool Director	939-6480 or 618-980-3475