



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
“Crown of Silver” Recognition



Saturday, September 8, 2018 – 5:30 pm
Sunday, September 9, 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* 941, “We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God”

(10:15 am) **Reception of New Member** [David Otten]

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 146:1-2)

P Praise the LORD!

C **Praise the LORD, O my soul!**

P I will praise the LORD as long as I live;

C **I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.**

Confession and Absolution

(Psalm 28:2, 6)

P Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy,

C **when I cry to You for help, when I lift up my hands toward Your most holy sanctuary.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people, let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C **Blessed be the LORD! For He has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy. Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

+ Service of the Word +

Introit of the Day

(Psalm 26:1-2, 6-7; antiphon: v. 8)

The LORD is the strength of His people;

He is the saving refuge of His anointed.

To You, O LORD, I call; my rock, be not deaf to me,

lest, if You be silent to me, I become like those who go down to the pit.

Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy, when I cry to You for help,

when I lift up my hands toward Your most holy sanctuary.

Blessed be the LORD!

For He has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.

The LORD is my strength and my shield; in Him my heart trusts, and I am helped;

my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to Him.

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.

The LORD is the strength of His people;

He is the saving refuge of His anointed.

Hymn of Praise, LSB 793 v. 1-2, "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

- 1 Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
To His feet your tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Evermore His praises sing:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise the everlasting King.**

**2 Praise Him for His grace and favor
To His people in distress;
Praise Him still the same as ever,
Slow to chide and swift to bless:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Glorious in His faithfulness.**

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 Lord, let Your merciful ears be open to the prayers of Your humble servants, and grant that what they ask may be in accord with Your gracious will; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated

(7:45 am & 10:15 am) **Vocal Trio**, “Borning Cry” (J. Vajda) [Jen, Addie & Ben Janssen]

Old Testament Reading, Isaiah 35:4-7a

⁴Say to those who have an anxious heart, “Be strong; fear not! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will come and save you.” ⁵Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; ⁶then shall the lame man leap like a deer, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy. For waters break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; ⁷the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle, James 2:1-10, 14-18

¹My brothers, show no partiality as you hold the faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory. ²For if a man wearing a gold ring and fine clothing comes into your assembly, and a poor man in shabby clothing also comes in, ³and if you pay attention to the one who wears the fine clothing and say, “You sit here in a good place,” while you say to the poor man, “You stand over there,” or, “Sit down at my feet,” ⁴have you not then made distinctions among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts? ⁵Listen, my beloved brothers, has not God chosen those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom, which he has promised to those who love him? ⁶But you have dishonored the

poor man. Are not the rich the ones who oppress you, and the ones who drag you into court? ⁷Are they not the ones who blaspheme the honorable name by which you were called? ⁸If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself,” you are doing well. ⁹But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. ¹⁰For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. ¹⁴What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? ¹⁵If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, ¹⁶and one of you says to them, “Go in peace, be warmed and filled,” without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? ¹⁷So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead. ¹⁸But someone will say, “You have faith and I have works.” Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Holy Gospel, Mark 7:31-37

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 7th chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

³¹Then he returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. ³²And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment, and they begged him to lay his hand on him. ³³And taking him aside from the crowd privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue. ³⁴And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” ³⁵And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. ³⁶And Jesus charged them to tell no one. But the more he charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. ³⁷And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, “He has done all things well. He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak.”

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* 570, “Just As I Am without One Plea”

Sermon, Mark 7:31-37, “Just As I Am”

(10:15 am) **“Crown of Silver” Recognition** [5:30 pm – Georgia Wynn;
7:45 am – June Gaitsch & John Stueve; 10:15 am – Louise Nobbe]

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

(Psalm 28:1a)

P We come before our Lord in prayer, saying along with the psalmist, “To You, O Lord, I call; my rock, be not deaf to me.” O Lord, like those of whom the prophet Isaiah wrote, we too often have anxious hearts. Give us Your Holy Spirit that we might be strong and fear not. Let us take You up on Your gracious invitation to cast all our anxieties on You because You care for us. To You, O Lord, I call;

C **my rock, be not deaf to me.**

P O Lord, through Your servant James, You admonish us to show no partiality. Give us the desire to show love to and welcome all people into our midst, regardless of outward appearances. To You, O Lord, I call;

C **my rock, be not deaf to me.**

P O Lord, Your Son, Jesus Christ, cast out demons and gave hearing to the deaf. Grant that we trust in Your will today for healing and restoration. We ask that, according to Your will, You would lay Your hand upon those who are need of healing, (*especially...*). To You, O Lord, I call;

C **my rock, be not deaf to me.**

P O Lord, You have done all things well. You pronounced all things as good at the creation of the world. Give us wisdom and

resources to care for Your creation as faithful stewards of Your gifts to us. To You, O Lord, I call;

C **my rock, be not deaf to me.**

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 mercy.

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.)

Please stand

Offertory/Response to Prayer, LSB 908, “Lord, Open Now My

Heart to Hear” [Text (st. 2): © 1993 Mark A. Jeske. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110001526. Text (sts. 1, 3) and tune: Public domain]

1 Lord, o - pen now my heart to hear, And through Your
2 Your Word in - spires my heart with - in; Your Word grants
△ 3 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, And God the

Word to me draw near; Let me Your Word e'er pure re -
heal - ing from my sin; Your Word has pow'r to guide and
Spir - it, Three in One, Shall glo - ry, praise, and hon - or

tain; Let me Your child and heir re - main.
bless; Your Word brings peace and hap - pi - ness.
be Now and through - out e - ter - ni - ty.

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The 10:15 am service continues on page 10.

+ 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, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. 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 528, “Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing” (*Played by Julie Zeiger on the keyboard during the 7:45 am service.*)

LSB 752, “Be Still, My Soul”

LSB 623, “Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray”

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, “Nothing But the Blood” [CCLI Song # 21332. Robert Lowry. © Words: Public Domain. Music: Public Domain. For use solely with the SongSelect. All rights reserved.]

1 **What can wash away my sin**
Nothing but the blood of Jesus
What can make me whole again
Nothing but the blood of Jesus. Refrain.

Refrain: *O precious is the flow*
That makes me white as snow
No other fount I know
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

- 2 **For my pardon this I see**
Nothing but the blood of Jesus
For my cleansing this my plea
Nothing but the blood of Jesus. *Refrain.*
- 3 **Nothing can for sin atone**
Nothing but the blood of Jesus
Naught of good that I have done
Nothing but the blood of Jesus. *Refrain.*
- 4 **This is all my hope and peace**
Nothing but the blood of Jesus
This is all my righteousness
Nothing but the blood of Jesus. *Refrain.*

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, "Nothing But the Blood" [See the words on pg. 9-10.]

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, September 8, 2018 - 5:30 pm

Preacher - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup

Server - Cal Neeman

Media - Greg Hoeffken

Organist - Joan Ruwald

Acolyte - Sarah Alu

Altar Guild/Lector - Ny Bartels

Sunday, September 9, 2018 - 7:45 am

Preacher - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup

Server/Lector - Warren Frank

Acolytes - Kyle Rusteberg & Tyler Cooley

Ushers - Lee Eggemeyer, Ken Schanz, Roger Schanz, Curt Wittbracht

Celebrant - Rev. Merritt Demski

Music Director - Ann Frank

Media - Kelley Keller

Sunday, September 9, 2018 - 10:15 am

Preacher - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup

Lector - Ollney Mueller, Jr.

Acolytes - Kyra Drewes & Lauren Patterson

Ushers - Elden Niemeyer, Sharon Osterhage, Wayne Hargrave, Wyatt Drewes

Liturgist - Rev. Merritt Demski

Music Director - Ann Frank

Media - Lisa Clamors (with recording)

Ushers - Sunday, September 16, 2018

7:45 am - Roy Unterseh, Jim Stueve, Dennis & Raymond Brandt, Ed Arras

10:15 am - Rodney & Lisa Clamors, Paul Hoeffken, Evan Fink

Acolytes - Sunday, September 16, 2018

Saturday 5:30 pm - Jack Metzger

Sunday 7:45 am - Lilly Prather & Ian Schrader

Sunday 10:15 am - Wyatt & Masson Fink

Lectors - Sunday, Sept. 16, 2018

Saturday 5:30 pm - n/a

Sunday 7:45 am - Wayne Collmeyer

Sunday 10:15 am - Pastor

Servers - Sunday, September 16, 2018

Saturday 5:30 pm - Howard Shive

Sunday 7:45 am - n/a

Sunday 10:15 am - Chuck Keller

Altar Guild - Sunday, Sept. 16, 2018

Saturday 5:30 pm - Joyce & Diana

Sunday 7:45 am - n/a

Sunday 10:15 am - Shirley & Susan H

Media - Sunday, September 16, 2018

Saturday 5:30 pm - Pam Nagel

Sunday 7:45 am - Kelley Keller

Sunday 10:15 am - Mitchell/Tim Scheibe (with recording)

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