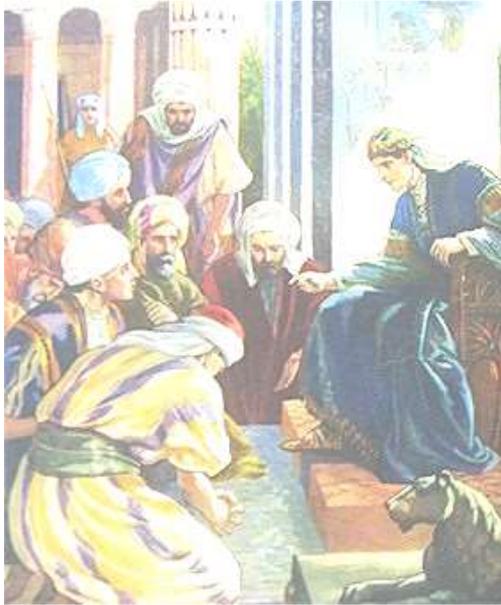




IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany



“Bringing Good Out of Bad Situations”

Saturday, February 23, 2019 – 5:30 pm
Sunday, February 24, 2019 – 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

(5:30 pm) **Opening Hymn**, *LSB* 593, “See This Wonder in the Making”

(7:45 am & 10:15 am) **Opening Hymn**, *LSB* 712, “Seek Ye First”

(5:30 pm) **Baptism**, Kaiden John Soma [*LSB* pg. 268]

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 37:4; 103:13)

P Delight yourself in the LORD, and He will give you the desires of your heart.

C **As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear Him.**

Confession and Absolution

P As the patriarch Joseph received his brothers in spite of their sin because of God’s gracious providence, so we are called this day to be renewed by the forgiveness of our sins. Let us then confess our sins to God, our gracious Father.

C **Almighty God, we confess that we have sinned against You and against one another by our thoughts, words, and deeds, by what we have done and by what we have failed to do. We have not loved You with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. By Your grace revealed to us in Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, grant us Your deliverance and forgiveness. Renew a right heart within us by Your love and mercy. Amen.**

P Upon this your confession, I, as a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, 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 37:1-5; antiphon: v. 7a, b)

Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him;

fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way.

Fret not yourself because of evildoers;

be not envious of wrongdoers!

For they will soon fade like the grass

and wither like the green herb.

Trust in the LORD, and do good;

dwelt in the land and befriend faithfulness.

Delight yourself in the LORD,

and he will give you the desires of your heart.

Commit your way to the LORD;

trust in him, and he will act.

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.

Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him;

fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way.

Hymn of Praise, LSB 660 v. 1 & 4, "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"

1 Stand up, stand up for Jesus,

Ye soldiers of the cross.

Lift high His royal banner;

It must not suffer loss.

From vict'ry unto vict'ry

His army He shall lead

Till ev'ry foe is vanquished,

And Christ is Lord indeed.

4 Stand up, stand up for Jesus;

The strife will not be long;

This day the din of battle,

The next the victor's song.

The soldiers, overcoming,

Their crown of life shall see

And with the King of Glory

Shall reign eternally.

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, the strength of all who put their trust in You, mercifully grant that by Your power we may be defended against all adversity; 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

(10:15 am) **Sunday School Anthem**, “Come to the Mountain” (K. D. Tunseth) [3rd-8th grades]

Old Testament Reading, Genesis 45:3-15

³Joseph said to his brothers, “I am Joseph! Is my father still alive?” But his brothers could not answer him, for they were dismayed at his presence. ⁴So Joseph said to his brothers, “Come near to me, please.” And they came near. And he said, “I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. ⁵And now do not be distressed or angry with yourselves because you sold me here, for God sent me before you to preserve life. ⁶For the famine has been in the land these two years, and there are yet five years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. ⁷And God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. ⁸So it was not you who sent me here, but God. He has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. ⁹Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, ‘Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt. Come down to me; do not tarry. ¹⁰You shall dwell in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children’s children, and your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. ¹¹There I will provide for you, for there are yet five years of famine to come, so that you and your household, and all that you have, do not come to poverty.’ ¹²And now your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see, that it is my mouth that speaks to you. ¹³You must tell my father of all my honor in Egypt, and of all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here.” ¹⁴Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin’s neck and wept, and Benjamin wept upon his neck. ¹⁵And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them. After that his brothers talked with him.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle, 1 Corinthians 15:21-26, 30-42

²¹For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.

²²For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. ²³But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ.

²⁴Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. ²⁵For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death.... ³⁰Why am I in danger every hour? ³¹I protest, brothers, by my pride in you, which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die every day! ³²What do I gain if, humanly speaking, I fought with beasts at Ephesus? If the dead are not raised, "Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die." ³³Do not be deceived: "Bad company ruins good morals." ³⁴Wake up from your drunken stupor, as is right, and do not go on sinning. For some have no knowledge of God. I say this to your shame. ³⁵But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" ³⁶You foolish person! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. ³⁷And what you sow is not the body that is to be, but a bare kernel, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. ³⁸But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body. ³⁹For not all flesh is the same, but there is one kind for humans, another for animals, another for birds, and another for fish. ⁴⁰There are heavenly bodies and earthly bodies, but the glory of the heavenly is of one kind, and the glory of the earthly is of another. ⁴¹There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for star differs from star in glory. ⁴²So is it with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable; what is raised is imperishable.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Holy Gospel, Luke 6:27-38

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

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²⁷[Jesus said:] "But I say to you who hear, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹To one who strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from one who takes away your cloak do not withhold your tunic either. ³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you, and from one who takes away your goods do not demand them back. ³¹And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them. ³²"If you love those who love you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. ³³And if you do good to those who do good to you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. ³⁴And if you lend to those from whom you expect to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to get back the same amount. ³⁵But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return, and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he is kind to the ungrateful and the evil. ³⁶Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful. ³⁷"Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven; ³⁸give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you."

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* 760, "What God Ordains Is Always Good"

Sermon, Gen. 45:3-15, "Bringing Good Out of Bad Situations"

Please stand

(7:45 am & 10:15 am) **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 In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the Holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For reasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, for our military (*especially...*), and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For the sick (*especially...*) and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** (*Special petitions...*) Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. 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 806, “Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart” [Text: © 1978 Integrity’s Hosanna! Music. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110001526.]

**Give thanks with a grateful heart,
Give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because He’s given
Jesus Christ His Son. (Repeat once)**

**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. (Repeat once)**

Give thanks, give thanks.

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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; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. 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 730, “What Is the World to Me”

LSB 641, “You Satisfy the Hungry Heart”

Please stand

Dismissal

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

Post-Communion Thanksgiving

P Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
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, “To God Be the Glory” [*The Other Song Book* #241. Public domain.]

**1 To God be the glory, great things He hath done,
So loved He the world that He gave us his Son.
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,
And opened the life-gate that all may go in.**

Refrain:

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,

Let the earth hear His voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,

Let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father, thro' Jesus the Son,

And give him the glory, great things he hath done!

- 2 O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood.
To ev'ry believer the promise of God;
The vilest offender who truly believes,
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives. *Refrain*
- 3 Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,
And great our rejoicing thro' Jesus the Son;
But purer, and higher and greater will be
Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. *Refrain*

Bells / Postlude

The 10:15 am service continues here.

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 lift up His countenance on you and + give you peace.
- C** Amen.

Closing Hymn, "To God Be the Glory" (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, February 23, 2019 - 5:30 pm

Preacher - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup

Server - Greg Wiegand

Media - Greg Hoeffken

Pianist - Ron Jones

Acolyte - Sarah Alu

Sunday, February 24, 2019 - 7:45 am

Preacher - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup

Server - Warren Frank

Acolytes - Lilly & Madalyn Prather

Ushers - Roy Unterseh, Jim Stueve, Ed Arras

Celebrant - Rev. Merritt Demski

Lector - Sean Arians

Organist - Ann Frank

Media - Kelley Keller

Sunday, February 24, 2019 - 10:15 am

Preacher - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup

Organist - Ann Frank

Acolytes - Nathan & Ava Hemmer

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

Liturgist - Rev. Merritt Demski

Lector - Travis Henry

Media - Mitchell/Tim Scheibe (with recording)

Ushers - Sunday, March 3, 2019

7:45 am - Chuck Keller, Craig Mehner, Larry Taake, Dawn & Chase Rubemeyer

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

Acolytes - Sunday, March 3, 2019

Saturday 5:30 pm - Brayden Richey

Sunday 7:45 am - Jenna & Nicholas Hoeffken

Sunday 10:15 am - Blake Nichols & Davin Dethrow

Lectors - Sunday, March 3, 2019

Saturday 5:30 pm - n/a

Sunday 7:45 am - Warren Frank

Sunday 10:15 am - Karen Hodapp

Servers - Sunday, March 3, 2019

Saturday 5:30 pm - Cal Neeman

Sunday 7:45 am - n/a

Sunday 10:15 am - Travis Henry

Altar Guild - Sunday, March 3, 2019

Saturday 5:30 pm - Dinah Pflasterer

Sunday 7:45 am - n/a

Sunday 10:15 am - Shirley & Susan

Media - Sunday, March 3, 2019

Saturday 5:30 pm - Pam Nagel

Sunday 7:45 am - Kelley Keller (with recording)

Sunday 10:15 am - Laurie Sparwasser

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