



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
Rally Day!



Praise
be to
God,
who
has
not rejected
my prayer
or withheld
his love
from me

Psalm 66:20

Saturday, August 24, 2019 – 5:30 pm
Sunday, August 25, 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

Opening Hymn, *LSB* 537, “Beautiful Savior”

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])

Confession and Absolution

P Great is the steadfast love of the Lord toward us,

C **and His faithfulness endures forever. Splendor and majesty are before Him, from this time forth and even forevermore.**

P Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and perform your vows to the Most High,

C **call upon Me in the day of trouble, says the Lord, and I will deliver you, and you shall glorify Me.**

A time for silent reflection

P Holy and gracious God,

C **I confess that I have sinned against You this day. Some of my sin I know—the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed—but some sins are known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ, I ask forgiveness. Deliver and restore me that my heart may know peace.**

P By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in Him we are forgiven. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, 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 117; antiphon: Psalm 96:6a, 115:18)

Splendor and majesty are before him;

we will bless the LORD from this time forth and forevermore.

Praise the LORD!

Praise the LORD, all nations!

Extol him, all peoples!

For great is his steadfast love toward us,

and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever. Praise the LORD!

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.

Splendor and majesty are before him;

we will bless the LORD from this time forth and forevermore.

Praise the LORD!

Hymn of Praise, LSB 588, “Jesus Loves Me”

- 1 Jesus loves me! This I know,
For the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to Him belong;
They are weak, but He is strong. *Refrain***

*Refrain: Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
The Bible tells me so.*

- 2 Jesus loves me! He who died
Heaven’s gates to open wide.
He has washed away my sin,
Lets His little child come in. *Refrain***

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, You have called us to enter Your kingdom through the narrow door. Guide us by Your Word and Spirit, and lead us now and always into the feast of Your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated

Old Testament Reading, Isaiah 66:18-23

¹⁸“For I know their works and their thoughts, and the time is coming to gather all nations and tongues. And they shall come and shall see my glory, ¹⁹and I will set a sign among them. And from them I will send survivors to the nations, to Tarshish, Pul, and Lud, who draw the bow, to Tubal and Javan, to the coastlands afar off, that have not heard my fame or seen my glory. And they shall declare my glory among the nations. ²⁰And they shall bring all your brothers from all the nations as an offering to the LORD, on horses and in chariots and in litters and on mules and on dromedaries, to my holy mountain Jerusalem, says the LORD, just as the Israelites bring their grain offering in a clean vessel to the house of the LORD. ²¹And some of them also I will take for priests and for Levites, says the LORD. ²²“For as the new heavens and the new earth that I make shall remain before me, says the LORD, so shall your offspring and your name remain. ²³From new moon to new moon, and from Sabbath to Sabbath, all flesh shall come to worship before me, declares the LORD.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle, Hebrews 12:4-24

⁴In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. ⁵And have you forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as sons? “My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor be weary when reproved by him. ⁶For the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives.” ⁷It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons. For what son is there whom his father does not discipline? ⁸If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons. ⁹Besides this, we have had earthly fathers who disciplined us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live? ¹⁰For they disciplined us for a short time as it seemed best to them, but he disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness. ¹¹For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it. ¹²Therefore lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, ¹³and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be put out of joint but rather be healed. ¹⁴Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord. ¹⁵See to it that no one fails to obtain the

grace of God; that no “root of bitterness” springs up and causes trouble, and by it many become defiled; ¹⁶that no one is sexually immoral or unholy like Esau, who sold his birthright for a single meal. ¹⁷For you know that afterward, when he desired to inherit the blessing, he was rejected, for he found no chance to repent, though he sought it with tears. ¹⁸For you have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest ¹⁹and the sound of a trumpet and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that no further messages be spoken to them. ²⁰For they could not endure the order that was given, “If even a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned.” ²¹Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, “I tremble with fear.” ²²But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Holy Gospel, Luke 13:22-30

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 13th chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²²[Jesus] went on his way through towns and villages, teaching and journeying toward Jerusalem. ²³And someone said to him, “Lord, will those who are saved be few?” And he said to them, ²⁴“Strive to enter through the narrow door. For many, I tell you, will seek to enter and will not be able. ²⁵When once the master of the house has risen and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and to knock at the door, saying, ‘Lord, open to us,’ then he will answer you, ‘I do not know where you come from.’ ²⁶Then you will begin to say, ‘We ate and drank in your presence, and you taught in our streets.’ ²⁷But he will say, ‘I tell you, I do not know where you come from. Depart from me, all you workers of evil!’ ²⁸In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God but you yourselves cast out. ²⁹And people will come from east and west, and from north and south, and recline at table in the kingdom of God. ³⁰And behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Please be seated

(10:15 am) **Sunday School Anthems**, “Miraculous Mission” and “Power in Your Word” [Preschool – 8th grade]

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

Hymn of the Day, LSB 702, “My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

Sermon, Psalm 66:16-20, “Cherishing the Right Things”

¹⁶Come and hear, all you who fear God, and I will tell what he has done for my soul. ¹⁷I cried to him with my mouth, and high praise was on my tongue. ¹⁸If I had cherished iniquity in my heart, the Lord would not have listened. ¹⁹But truly God has listened; he has attended to the voice of my prayer. ²⁰Blessèd be God, because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me!

(10:15 am) **Installation of the 2019-2020 Sunday School Teachers & Helpers and Bible Study Leaders**

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

(1 Timothy 2:1-4)

P With You nothing is impossible and the wonder of Your sufficient grace calls us to offer You the prayer and petitions of our hearts, O Lord, to whom we pray.

That the Lord call His elect from all nations and all peoples until the number is complete and Jesus gathers us all into His eternal presence around His throne of grace, to behold His glory and sing His praise forevermore, let us pray the Lord.

C **Hear the prayers of Your people.**

P For our Sunday School teachers and students that God would plant the seed of His Word in their hearts and cause growth, blessing them and those around them with His wisdom and understanding, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Hear the prayers of Your people.**

P That we hear His call to labor in His vineyard, supplying missionaries and church workers to speak His Word here and everywhere and that we well supply them with the tools and resources to accomplish this work, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Hear the prayers of Your people.**

P That we be good citizens and good neighbors and that those who lead us serve ably and well, for the benefit of all, but especially for the protection of the weak, for equal justice before the law, and for the promotion of virtue, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Hear the prayers of Your people.**

P That we extend God's care to those in any need, including those seeking employment, those struggling with disability, and the poor, and that we supply those in need with the abundant resources God has entrusted into our care, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Hear the prayers of Your people.**

P That the hurting find relief, the sick healing, the dying hope, the grieving comfort, and the mentally ill peace, especially those who have requested our prayers, (*including...*), that all those who cry to the Lord receive grace sufficient to their need, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Hear the prayers of Your people.**

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

C **hear our prayer.**

P Through Him, with Him, in Him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is Yours, almighty Father, both now and forever.

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 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.

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 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 625, “Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread”

LSB 694, “Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower”

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* 861, “Christ Be My Leader”

Bells / Postlude

The 10:15 am service continues below.

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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, August 24, 2019 - 5:30 pm

Preacher - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup

Media - Kelley Keller

Pianist - Ron Jones

Acolyte - Kyle Rusteberg

Sunday, August 25, 2019 - 7:45 am

Preacher - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup

Server/Lector - Warren Frank

Acolyte - Autumn Whelan

Celebrant - Rev. Merritt Demski

Music Director - Ann Frank

Media - Laurie Sparwasser

Ushers - Chuck Keller, Craig Mehner, Larry Taake, Dawn & Chase Rubemeyer

Sunday, August 25, 2019 - 10:15 am

Preacher - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup

Music Director - Ann Frank

Liturgist - Rev. Merritt Demski

Lector - Wayne Collmeyer

Acolytes - Kaden Roberts & Lauren Patterson

Media - Adrianna Whelan (with recording)

Ushers - Jason & Nick Valerius, Tim Troup, Tyler Cooley

Ushers - Sunday, September 1, 2019

7:45 am - Jim Crawford, Allen Jacobs, Don & Gina Birrittier

10:15 am - Alan Stumpf, Ian Schrader, Paul Broske Sr.

Acolytes - Sunday, September 1, 2019

Saturday 5:30 pm - Sarah Alu

Sunday 7:45 am - Brayden Richey & Blake Nichols

Sunday 10:15 am - Kyle Rusteberg

Lectors - Sunday, Sept 1, 2019

Saturday 5:30 pm - n/a

Sunday 7:45 am - Ollney Mueller, Jr.

Sunday 10:15 am - Karen Hodapp

Servers - Sunday, September 1, 2019

Saturday 5:30 pm - Rodney Clamors

Sunday 7:45 am - n/a

Sunday 10:15 am - Warren Frank

Altar Guild - Sunday, Sept 1, 2019

Saturday 5:30 pm - Susan Starbuck

Sunday 7:45 am - n/a

Sunday 10:15 am - Linda Gutknecht

Media - Sunday, September 1, 2019

Saturday 5:30 pm - Lisa Clamors

Sunday 7:45 am - Pam Nagel (with recording)

Sunday 10:15 am - Mitchell/Tim Scheibe

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