



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH  
WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

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**Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
*“Crown of Silver” Recognition*



“The Tie that Binds”

**Saturday, September 7, 2019 – 5:30 pm**  
**Sunday, September 8, 2019 – 7:45 am & 10:15 am**

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“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, “I Am the Church”** [All God’s People Sing #252, CCLI License #1102560.]

***Refrain: I am the church! You are the church!  
We are the church together!  
All who follow Jesus, all around the world,  
yes, we're the church together!***

**The church is not a building,  
the church is not a steeple,  
the church is not a resting place;  
the church is a people! *Refrain***

**We're many kinds of people,  
with many kinds of faces,  
all colors and all ages, too,  
from all times and places. *Refrain***

**And when the people gather,  
there's singing and there's praying;  
there's laughing and there's crying  
sometimes, all of it saying, *Refrain***

**At Pentecost some people  
received the Holy Spirit  
and told the good news through the world  
to all who would hear it. *Refrain***

*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** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** **who made heaven and earth.**

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

*(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)*

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C** **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

**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 119:28-32; antiphon: v. 27)

Make me understand the way of Your precepts,

**and I will meditate on Your wondrous works.**

My soul melts away for sorrow; strengthen me according to Your word!

**Put false ways far from me and graciously teach me Your law!**

I have chosen the way of faithfulness;

**I set Your just decrees before me.**

I cling to Your testimonies, O LORD; let me not be put to shame!

**I will run in the way of Your commandments when You enlarge my heart!**

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.**

Make me understand the way of Your precepts,

**and I will meditate on Your wondrous works.**

**Hymn of Praise, “Nothing But the Blood”** [CCLI Song # 21332. Robert Lowry. ©

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**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**

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

### **Collect of the Day**

**P**       The Lord be with you.

(2 Timothy 4:22)

**C**       **And also with you.**

**P**       Let us pray.

**All:    Merciful Father, You gave up Your Son to the sacrifice of  
          the cross in order to restore those who have run away from  
          Your presence. Grant us to faithfully follow Him who  
          offered His life for us all. We pray in the name of 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, Deuteronomy 30:15-20**

<sup>15</sup>“See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil. <sup>16</sup>If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you today, by loving the LORD your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his rules, then you shall live and multiply, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it. <sup>17</sup>But if your heart turns away, and you will not hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them, <sup>18</sup>I declare to you today, that you shall surely perish. You shall not live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to enter and possess. <sup>19</sup>I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, <sup>20</sup>loving the LORD your God, obeying his voice

and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.”

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

### **Epistle, Philemon 1-21**

<sup>1</sup>Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our beloved fellow worker <sup>2</sup>and Apphia our sister and Archippus our fellow soldier, and the church in your house: <sup>3</sup>Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>I thank my God always when I remember you in my prayers, <sup>5</sup>because I hear of your love and of the faith that you have toward the Lord Jesus and all the saints, <sup>6</sup>and I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective for the full knowledge of every good thing that is in us for the sake of Christ. <sup>7</sup>For I have derived much joy and comfort from your love, my brother, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you. <sup>8</sup>Accordingly, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do what is required, <sup>9</sup>yet for love’s sake I prefer to appeal to you—I, Paul, an old man and now a prisoner also for Christ Jesus—<sup>10</sup>I appeal to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I became in my imprisonment. <sup>11</sup>(Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful to you and to me.) <sup>12</sup>I am sending him back to you, sending my very heart. <sup>13</sup>I would have been glad to keep him with me, in order that he might serve me on your behalf during my imprisonment for the gospel, <sup>14</sup>but I preferred to do nothing without your consent in order that your goodness might not be by compulsion but of your own free will. <sup>15</sup>For this perhaps is why he was parted from you for a while, that you might have him back forever, <sup>16</sup>no longer as a slave but more than a slave, as a beloved brother—especially to me, but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. <sup>17</sup>So if you consider me your partner, receive him as you would receive me. <sup>18</sup>If he has wronged you at all, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. <sup>19</sup>I, Paul, write this with my own hand: I will repay it—to say nothing of your owing me even your own self. <sup>20</sup>Yes, brother, I want some benefit from you in the Lord. Refresh my heart in Christ. <sup>21</sup>Confident of your obedience, I write to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand*

**Holy Gospel**, Luke 14:25-35

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 14<sup>th</sup> chapter.

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

<sup>25</sup>Now great crowds accompanied [Jesus], and he turned and said to them, <sup>26</sup>“If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. <sup>27</sup>Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. <sup>28</sup>For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it? <sup>29</sup>Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, <sup>30</sup>saying, ‘This man began to build and was not able to finish.’ <sup>31</sup>Or what king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? <sup>32</sup>And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace. <sup>33</sup>So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple. <sup>34</sup>“Salt is good, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? <sup>35</sup>It is of no use either for the soil or for the manure pile. It is thrown away. He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”

**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* 649, “Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

**Sermon**, Philemon 1-21, “The Tie That Binds”

**“Crown of Silver” Recognition**

**P** Brothers and Sisters in Christ, today we recognize and praise God for three Immanuel members who have reached the age of 85. We thank God for the many ways they have served Christ and God’s people. We would also like to present these gifts to our honorees as a token of our love and appreciation. Our honorees are: Kenny Barton, Bernice Fuller, and Jerry Huck.

**P** Let us pray.

Gracious Heavenly Father, You sustain us day by day. Even in the golden years You richly bless your people. For this we thank and glorify Your most precious name. Lord, we also thank You

for blessing our congregation with our Crown of Silver honorees. Guided by Your Holy Spirit, they have built Your church and helped others in their walk with You. You have granted them the wisdom of years and we ask Your continued blessing on them. Keep them in Your tender care, guide their prayers, and direct all that they say and do until we gather together before the Lamb in His kingdom to enjoy the marriage feast of all the faithful. In Jesus' name we pray.

**C** Amen.

*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**

(Philemon 4-6)

**P** Paul writes, "I thank my God always when I remember you in my prayers, because I hear of your love and of the faith that you have toward the Lord Jesus and all the saints." United in love and faith, let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

For the Gospel of Jesus Christ to reach into every corner of our broken world, that all who are running away from our heavenly Father turn from the path that leads to destruction, and by the Holy Spirit turn to Jesus for redemption and restoration, let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Father, strengthen us to turn to You in repentance and faith.**

**P** For all those within the Church of Jesus, both clergy and laity, that we join as one to share the restoring word of Jesus with those we are sent to serve, embodying the spirit of Paul's words to Philemon that "the sharing of [our] faith may become

effective for the full knowledge of every good thing that is in us,” let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Father, grant that we know all the good things that come to us as we share Your Word.**

**P** For all those who seek restoration with others, that the message of forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation not only be received in humble faith, but also shared within the relationships we have, knowing that every one of us is dependent upon Christ’s mercy and love, let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Father, help us to extend to others the mercy we receive from You.**

**P** For all who labor in positions of service and leadership in our country, state, and local community, including the members of the armed forces (*especially...*), that they know the constant protection of our gracious God and joyfully serve others in the vocations they have been given, let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Father, thank You for serving us through the lives of others.**

**P** For all who are broken in heart, body, mind, and relationship, including those who are shut-in, hospitalized, in care centers, awaiting surgery, and recovering from medical procedures, (*especially...*), that the Lord would refresh the hearts of His saints and work mightily for their good, let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Father, grant healing and refreshment to all for whom we pray.**

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

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**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.*)



the restoring work of Jesus Christ. 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 629, “What Is This Bread”*

*LSB 547, “The Lamb”*

*LSB 611, “Chief of Sinners Though I Be”*

*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* 644, “The Church’s One Foundation”

## Bells / Postlude

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*The 10:15 am service continues below.*

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*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](http://immanuelwaterloo.org).*

## Worship Helpers

### Saturday, September 7, 2019 - 5:30 pm

Preacher - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup

Server - Chuck Keller

Media - Kelley Keller

Organist - Joan Ruwald

Acolyte - Nathan/Ava Hemmer

### Sunday, September 8, 2019 - 7:45 am

Preacher - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup

Server/Lector - Warren Frank

Acolytes - Addie & Ben Janssen

Ushers - Elden Niemeyer, Sharon Osterhage, Wayne Hargrave

Celebrant - Rev. Merritt Demski

Music Director - Ann Frank

Media - Greg Hoeffken

### Sunday, September 8, 2019 - 10:15 am

Preacher - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup

Music Director - Ann Frank

Acolytes - Wyatt & Masson Fink

Ushers - Larry Goessling, Jim Smothers, Cal Neeman, Dean Harbison

Liturgist - Rev. Merritt Demski

Lector - Rodney Clamors

Media - Lisa Clamors (with recording)

### Ushers - Sunday, September 15, 2019

7:45 am - Roy Unterseh, Jim Stueve, Ed Arras

10:15 am - Lee Eggemeyer, Ken Schanz

### Acolytes - Sunday, September 15, 2019

Saturday 5:30 pm - Davin Dethrow

Sunday 7:45 am - Lilly & Madalyn Prather

Sunday 10:15 am - Jenna & Nicholas Hoeffken

### Servers - Sunday, September 15, 2019

Saturday 5:30 pm - Greg Wiegand

Sunday 7:45 am - n/a

Sunday 10:15 am - Rodney Clamors

### Media - Sunday, September 15, 2019

Saturday 5:30 pm - Pam Nagel

Sunday 7:45 am - Cathy Whelan (with recording)

Sunday 10:15 am - Laurie Sparwasser

### Lectors - Sunday, September 15, 2019

Saturday 5:30 pm - n/a

Sunday 7:45 am - Sean Arians

Sunday 10:15 am - Warren Frank

### Altar Guild - Sunday, Sept 15, 2019

Saturday 5:30 pm - Joyce & Diana

Sunday 7:45 am - n/a

Sunday 10:15 am - Janet & Louise

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**SERMON OUTLINE**  
**PHILEMON 1-21**  
**“THE TIE THAT BINDS”**

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1. Paul’s letter to Philemon is unique among the epistles of Paul. For one thing, it’s very short. Only \_\_\_\_\_ verses.
  
2. More than that, it appears Onesimus \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ from his master. Paul alludes to this in verse 18 where he says, “If Onesimus has wronged you, or owes you anything, charge that to my account.”
  
3. Paul was a Roman citizen, and one of the rights of a citizen was that he could appeal his case to the \_\_\_\_\_ and have the \_\_\_\_\_ decide whether he was guilty or innocent of a crime.
  
4. When you introduce someone you love to another loved one, and they come to love \_\_\_\_\_, it’s a fantastic feeling, isn’t it?
  
5. We also learn from today’s text that, even though we’re tied to Christ, the relationship between Christians sometimes is strained. There’s a need for \_\_\_\_\_.
  
6. During weddings I often use Eccl. 4:12 as the text for my sermon. “A cord of \_\_\_\_\_ strands is not quickly torn apart.”

**Camp Wartburg Dedication**  
**Sunday, September 15, 2019**  
**2:00 pm**

Please join us at “Penny’s Place” for the dedication of our New Indoor Recreation Building in loving memory of Pauline Singleton

Refreshments will be served following the dedication. Please email or call Theresa Thorburg to confirm your attendance.

[Theresa\\_thorburg@lcfs.org](mailto:Theresa_thorburg@lcfs.org)  
618-939-7715 x 11

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**Fall Lay Bible Institute – Concordia Seminary**  
*Saturday, Oct. 5, 2019*  
*10 am to 3 pm*

How does Christianity differ from Islam? How can we lovingly and effectively share the Gospel with our Muslim neighbors?

Find out at the Fall Lay Bible Institute: Jesus in Islam, led by Dr. Abjar Bahkou, associate professor of Practical Theology. By exploring the similarities and differences between Islam and Christianity, this workshop will better equip you to witness to your Muslim neighbor "who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you" (1 Peter 3:15 ESV). Registration fee is \$20. *If you would like to register for this, please contact Lisa in the church office by September 20.*

**WURSTMARKT VOLUNTEER FORM**  
**October 6, 2019**

- \_\_\_ I will help set up dining room on Saturday 9:00 am.
- \_\_\_ I will help in dining room on Sunday 11:15 am - 1:30 pm.
- \_\_\_ I will help in dining room on Sunday 1:00 pm - clean up.
- \_\_\_ I will help in kitchen on Sunday 9:00 am - 11:00 am.
- \_\_\_ I will help in kitchen on Sunday 11:00 am - 1:30 pm.
- \_\_\_ I will help in kitchen on Sunday 1:00 pm - clean up.
- \_\_\_ I will help with carry-outs on Sunday 10:30 am.
- \_\_\_ I will help fry sausage on Sunday 8:00 am - 12 noon.
- \_\_\_ I will help fry sausage on Sunday 12 noon - cleanup.
- \_\_\_ I will bring two pies (*no cream or custard pies please*).
- \_\_\_ I will bring items for Country Store/Bake Sale.
- \_\_\_ I will help wrap meat on Friday 4:00 - 7:00 pm.
- \_\_\_ I will help with meat sales on Saturday 10:00 am - 1:00 pm.
- \_\_\_ I will help with meat sales on Sunday 10:00 am - 1:00 pm.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return by September 29, 2018.**  
**(Please place these forms in the box provided in the narthex.)**