



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Summer Sermon Series:
Rain and the Reign of God

Week 4: A Farmer Waiting for Rain Kind of Patience

Saturday, June 26, 2021 – 5:30 pm
Sunday, June 27, 2021 – 7:45 am & 10:15 am

“Making more and stronger disciples of Jesus Christ
through the power of the Holy Spirit.”

Welcome to Immanuel!

Please turn off your cell phones and/or paging devices. Thank you!

If you are a guest, please fill out a guests' card located in the cardholder on the back of each pew and then place it in the offering plate. We look forward to meeting you!

Members, please help us love and care for one another by filling out an attendance card. Remember to include all the members of your family who are present in worship today. If you are communing, please check in the appropriate place. Thank you for filling out an Attendance-Communion card every time you attend Church.

We celebrate Holy Communion today! 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. This Holy Communion is also a sign of our shared confession of the Christian faith. If you have not communed with us before, please speak with one of our pastors before doing so.

During the communion service: If you're not able to 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, but have a very small amount of alcohol.

Worship at Immanuel is...

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.

Trinitarian. We believe that the object of worship is the only true God—The Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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.

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 [10:15 am – Flute Selection (Karen Hodapp), “Alleluia” (Mozart)]

Bells / Welcome

Opening Hymn, LSB 905, “Come, Thou Almighty King”

- 1 Come, Thou almighty King,
 Help us Thy name to sing;
 Help us to praise;
 Father all-glorious,
 O’er all victorious,
 Come and reign over us,
 Ancient of Days.**

- 2 Come, Thou incarnate Word,
 Gird on Thy mighty sword;
 Our prayer attend.
 Come and Thy people bless,
 And give Thy Word success,
 And let Thy righteousness
 On us descend.**

- 3 Come, holy Comforter,
 Thy sacred witness bear
 In this glad hour!
 Thou, who almighty art,
 Now rule in ev’ry heart,
 And ne’er from us depart,
 Spirit of pow’r.**

- △ 4 To Thee, great One in Three,
 Eternal praises be
 Hence evermore!
 Thy sov’ reign majesty
 May we in glory see,
 And to eternity
 Love and adore.**

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 Confident that God's favor is for a lifetime and that joy comes with the morning, let us confess our sins to our heavenly Father.

C **Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, I admit and confess my sinfulness. I have turned away from others in my thinking, speaking, and doing. I have done the evil You forbid and have not done the good You demand. I do repent and am truly sorry for these, my sins. Have mercy on me because of the obedience of Your Son. Forgive all my sins, and by the Holy Spirit, move me to serve You faithfully; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

P In today's Gospel, Jesus answered the prayers of a synagogue leader, Jairus, and a sick woman because they trusted in Him. Our Lord left His heavenly riches and became poor so that He could not only cure illness and physical death, but by His death and resurrection offer us the riches of heaven. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Thanks be to God! Amen!**

+ Service of the Word +

Introit of the Day

(Psalm 30:1-5; antiphon: v. 1)

I will extol You, O LORD, for You have drawn me up

and have not let my foes rejoice over me.

O LORD my God, I cried to You for help,

and You have healed me.

O LORD, You have brought up my soul from Sheol;

You restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.

Sing praises to the LORD, O you His saints,

and give thanks to His holy name.

For His anger is but for a moment,

and His favor is for a lifetime.

Weeping may tarry for the night,

but joy comes with the morning.

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.

I will extol You, O LORD, for You have drawn me up
and have not let my foes rejoice over me.

Hymn of Praise, LSB 809 v. 1-2, “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

- 1 Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with Thee.
Thou changest not: Thy compassions, they fail not;
As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be. Refrain**

*Refrain: Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

- 2 Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. 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: Heavenly Father, we praise You that You graciously give us salvation through Jesus’ work and merit. We inherited peace and eternal life with You the moment Your Holy Spirit created faith in Jesus within us. Grant us, we pray, patience as we await Jesus’ return in glory when all creation will experience perfect renewal by His hands. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

Please be seated

(10:15 am) **Summer Sermon Series Choir, “The Earth Is the Lord’s”**
(C. Gillette)

*The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof.
Creation reminds us, O God, of your love.
By grace we are learning, as year leads to year,
We're called to be stewards, your caretakers here.*

*Your rainforests nurture the world that we share.
Your wetlands give animals shelter and care.
Your coral reefs cradle the life of the sea.
You've shown us, in love, what your good world can be.*

*Too often O God, we abuse your good earth.
We fail to remember its beauty and worth.
We take from creation much more than we need,
We threaten your world through indifference and greed.*

*May we be good stewards of all that you give,
Protecting creation wherever we live.
May we be a church that renews and restores
And lovingly cares for this earth that is yours.*

Old Testament Reading, Lamentations 3:22-33

²²The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; ²³they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. ²⁴“The LORD is my portion,” says my soul, “therefore I will hope in him.” ²⁵The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him. ²⁶It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD. ²⁷It is good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth. ²⁸Let him sit alone in silence when it is laid on him; ²⁹let him put his mouth in the dust—there may yet be hope; ³⁰let him give his cheek to the one who strikes, and let him be filled with insults. ³¹For the Lord will not cast off forever, ³²but, though he cause grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; ³³for he does not willingly afflict or grieve the children of men.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle, 2 Corinthians 8:1-9, 13-15

¹We want you to know, brothers, about the grace of God that has been given among the churches of Macedonia, ²for in a severe test of affliction, their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. ³For they gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own free will, ⁴begging us earnestly for the favor of taking part in the relief of the saints—⁵and this, not as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then by the will of God to us. ⁶Accordingly, we urged Titus that as he had started, so he should complete among you this act of grace. ⁷But as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all earnestness, and in our love for you—see that you excel in this act of grace also. ⁸I say this not as a command, but to prove by the earnestness of others that your love also is genuine. ⁹For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich. ... ¹³I do not mean that

others should be eased and you burdened, but that as a matter of fairness ¹⁴your abundance at the present time should supply their need, so that their abundance may supply your need, that there may be fairness. ¹⁵As it is written, “Whoever gathered much had nothing left over, and whoever gathered little had no lack.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Holy Gospel, Mark 5:21-43

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 5th chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²¹When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered about him, and he was beside the sea. ²²Then came one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name, and seeing him, he fell at his feet ²³and implored him earnestly, saying, “My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well and live.” ²⁴And he went with him. And a great crowd followed him and thronged about him. ²⁵And there was a woman who had had a discharge of blood for twelve years, ²⁶and who had suffered much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was no better but rather grew worse. ²⁷She had heard the reports about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his garment. ²⁸For she said, “If I touch even his garments, I will be made well.” ²⁹And immediately the flow of blood dried up, and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. ³⁰And Jesus, perceiving in himself that power had gone out from him, immediately turned about in the crowd and said, “Who touched my garments?” ³¹And his disciples said to him, “You see the crowd pressing around you, and yet you say, ‘Who touched me?’” ³²And he looked around to see who had done it. ³³But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling and fell down before him and told him the whole truth. ³⁴And he said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.” ³⁵While he was still speaking, there came from the ruler’s house some who said, “Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the Teacher any further?” ³⁶But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the ruler of the synagogue, “Do not fear, only believe.” ³⁷And he allowed no one to follow him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. ³⁸They came to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and Jesus saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. ³⁹And when he had entered, he said to them, “Why are you making a commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but sleeping.” ⁴⁰And they laughed at him. But he put them all outside and took the child’s father and mother and those who were with him and went in where the child was. ⁴¹Taking her by the hand he said to her, “Talitha cumi,” which means, “Little girl, I say to you, arise.” ⁴²And immediately the girl got up and began walking (for she was twelve years of age), and they were immediately overcome with amazement. ⁴³And he strictly charged them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Please be seated

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

Hymn of the Day, *LSB* 832, "Jesus Shall Reign"

- 1 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Does its successive journeys run;
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.
- 2 To Him shall endless prayer be made,
And endless praises crown His head;
His name like sweet perfume shall rise
With ev'ry morning sacrifice.
- 3 People and realms of ev'ry tongue
Dwell on His love with sweetest song;
And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on His name.
- 4 Blessings abound where'er He reigns:
The pris'ners leap, unloose their chains,
The weary find eternal rest,
And all who suffer want are blest.
- 5 Let ev'ry creature rise and bring
Honors peculiar to our King;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the loud amen.

Sermon, James 5:7-9, "A Farmer Waiting for Rain Kind of Patience"

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 Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

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

C **hear our prayer.**

P Into Your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

Offering (*You can place your offering in the plate in the narthex or mail it to the church anytime.*)

Preparatory Music, LSB 767, "Jesus, Remember Me"

+ 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, having

created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. 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 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
 Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
 san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

(*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)

Pax Domini

(John 20:19)

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C** Amen.

Agnus Dei

(John 1:29)

C Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Please be seated

Distribution Hymns

LSB 819, "Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good"

- 1 Sing praise to God, the highest good,
The author of creation,
The God of love who understood
Our need for His salvation.
With healing balm our souls He fills
And ev'ry faithless murmur stills:
To God all praise and glory!**
- 2 What God's almighty pow'r has made,
In mercy He is keeping.
By morning glow or evening shade
His eye is never sleeping.
Within the kingdom of His might
All things are just and good and right:
To God all praise and glory!**
- 3 We sought the Lord in our distress;
O God, in mercy hear us.
Our Savior saw our helplessness
And came with peace to cheer us.
For this we thank and praise the Lord,**

**Who is by one and all adored:
To God all praise and glory!**

- 4 He never shall forsake His flock,
His chosen generation;
He is their refuge and their rock,
Their peace and their salvation.
As with a mother's tender hand,
He leads His own, His chosen band:
To God all praise and glory!**
- 5 All who confess Christ's holy name,
Give God the praise and glory.
Let all who know His pow'r proclaim
Aloud the wondrous story.
Cast ev'ry idol from its throne,
For God is God, and He alone:
To God all praise and glory!**

LSB 620, "Jesus Comes Today with Healing"

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- 1 Jesus comes today with healing,
Knocking at my door, appealing,
Off'ring pardon, grace, and peace.
He Himself makes preparation,
And I hear His invitation:
"Come and taste the blessed feast."**
- 2 Christ Himself, the priest presiding,
Yet in bread and wine abiding
In this holy sacrament,
Gives the bread of life, once broken,
And the cup, the precious token
Of His sacred covenant.**
- 3 Under bread and wine, though lowly,
I receive the Savior holy,
Blood and body, giv'n for me,
Very Lamb of God from heaven,
Who to bitter death was given,
Hung upon the cursèd tree.**

- 4 God descends with heav'nly power,
 Gives Himself to me this hour
 In this ordinary sign.
 On my tongue His pledge receiving,
 I accept His grace, believing
 That I taste His love divine.
- 5 Let me praise God's boundless favor,
 Whose own feast of love I savor,
 Bidden by His gracious call.
 Wedding garments He provides me,
 With a robe of white He hides me,
 Fits me for the royal hall.
- 6 Now have I found consolation,
 Comfort in my tribulation,
 Balm to heal the troubled soul.
 God, my shield from ev'ry terror,
 Cleanses me from sin and error,
 Makes my wounded spirit whole.

Please stand

Dismissal

P Now may this... Go in peace.

C Amen.

Post-Communion Canticle



C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'-ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray. O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; 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

(Numbers 6:24-26)

P The LORD bless you and keep you.
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, “As the Deer” [Words and Music by Martin Nystrom, 1984 and this arr. Copyright 1986 MARANATHA! Music. All rights reserved. Used by Permission, CCLI #1102860.]

**As the deer panteth for the water,
so my soul longeth after Thee
You alone are my heart’s desire,
And I long to worship Thee. Refrain**

*You alone are my strength, my shield;
To You alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart’s desire,
and I long to worship Thee.*

**You’re my friend and You are my brother
Even though You are a King.
I love You more than any other,
So much more than anything. Refrain**

**I want You more than gold or silver,
Only You can satisfy.
You alone are the real joy giver
And the apple of my eye. Refrain**

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, June 26, 2021 - 5:30 pm

Preacher - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup
Server - Greg Wiegand
Media - Cathy Whelan

Pianist - Ron Jones
Acolyte - Blake Nichols

Sunday, June 27, 2021 - 7:45 am

Preacher - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup
Server - Rodney Clamors
Acolytes - Davin & Jacob Dethrow
Ushers - Elden Niemeyer, Sharon Osterhage, Wayne Hargrave, Warren Frank
Media - Kelley Keller

Celebrant - Rev. Merritt Demski
Lector - Warren Frank
Music Director - Ann Frank

Sunday, June 27, 2021 - 10:15 am

Preacher - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup
Music Director - Ann Frank
Acolytes - Ayda Eggemeyer & Nicholas Hoeffken
Ushers - Lee Eggemeyer, Adam Eggemeyer

Celebrant - Rev. Merritt Demski
Server - Dean Harbison
Media/Facebook Live - Greg Hoeffken

Ushers - Sunday, July 4, 2021

7:45 am - Roy Unterseh, Jim Stueve, Ed Arras, Lilly Prather
10:15 am - Rodney Clamors, Jenna Hoeffken, Evan & Wyatt Fink

Acolytes - Sunday, July 4, 2021

Saturday 5:30 pm - Ryan Williams
Sunday 7:45 am - Madalyn Prather
Sunday 10:15 am - Jeriah & Masson Fink

Lectors - Sunday, July 4, 2021

Saturday 5:30 pm - n/a
Sunday 7:45 am - n/a
Sunday 10:15 am - Rodney Clamors

Servers - Sunday, July 4, 2021

Saturday 5:30 pm - Cal Neeman
Sunday 7:45 am - Warren Frank
Sunday 10:15 am - Bob Polansky

Altar Guild - Sunday, July 4, 2021

Saturday 5:30 pm - Marilyn Collette
Sunday 7:45 am - Barbara Altes
Sunday 10:15 am - Carol Kassel

Media - Sunday, July 4, 2021

Saturday 5:30 pm - Pam Nagel
Sunday 7:45 am - Kelley Keller
Sunday 10:15 am - Lisa Clamors (Facebook Live)

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SERMON OUTLINE
JAMES 5:7-9
“A FARMER WAITING FOR RAIN KIND OF PATIENCE”

1. How many here would say that patience is a _____?
2. As much as we'd love to see Jesus come again in glory with all his _____, as much as we'd love to have our bodies and all creation _____, we have to wait.
3. Full salvation is the complete _____ of our bodies and all creation at Jesus' return in glory.
4. St. Paul put it so well when he wrote in 2 Cor. 1:20, "For all of the promises of God find their ' _____ ' in Christ Jesus."
5. We also wait patiently because God hasn't yet brought in the full _____ of believers into his kingdom. As long as this present world exists, we live in a time of _____. A time when the gospel of Jesus Christ is shared and people are brought to faith in Jesus.
6. Yes, your _____ and _____ have weaknesses. But so do you. You and I and all believers are sinners redeemed by the blood of Christ. We're all _____ in need of the Bread of Life.