

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost Week 6 – Summer Sermon Series





Saturday, July 18, 2020 – 5:30 pm Sunday, July 19, 2020 – 7:45 am & 10:15 am

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.

Divine Service, Setting One

(Lutheran Service Book, pg. 151)

Preservice Music / Bells / Welcome

Opening Hymn, LSB 527, "O Savior, Precious Savior"

- O Savior, precious Savior,
 Whom yet unseen we love;
 O name of might and favor,
 All other names above,
 We worship Thee, we bless Thee,
 To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
 We praise Thee and confess Thee,
 Our holy Lord and King.
- O bringer of salvation,
 Who wondrously hast wrought
 Thyself the revelation
 Of love beyond our thought,
 We worship Thee, we bless Thee,
 To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
 We praise Thee and confess Thee,
 Our gracious Lord and King.
- 3 In Thee all fullness dwelleth,
 All grace and pow'r divine;
 The glory that excelleth,
 O Son of God, is Thine.
 We worship Thee, we bless Thee,
 To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
 We praise Thee and confess Thee,
 Our glorious Lord and King.
- 4 O grant the consummation Of this our song above In endless adoration

And everlasting love;
Then shall we praise and bless Thee
Where perfect praises ring,
And evermore confess Thee,
Our Savior and our King!

Please stand

Invocation

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

(1 John 1:8-9)

- If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. (John 20:19-23)
- C Amen.

+ Service of the Word +

Introit of the Day

(Psalm 86:11-15; antiphon: v. 6)

Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer;

listen to my plea for grace.

Teach me your way, O LORD, that I may walk in your truth;

unite my heart to fear your name.

I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,

and I will glorify your name forever.

For great is your steadfast love toward me;

you have delivered my soul from the depths of Sheol.

O God, insolent men have risen up against me; a band of ruthless men seek my life,

and they do not set you before them.

But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious,

slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

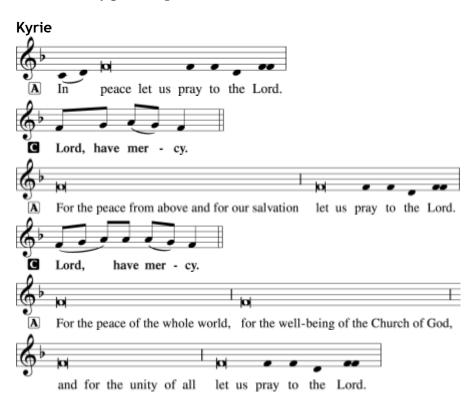
and to the Holy Spirit;

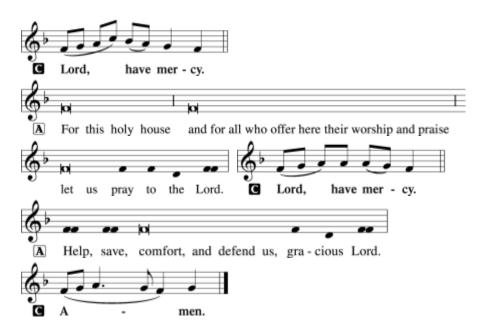
as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer;

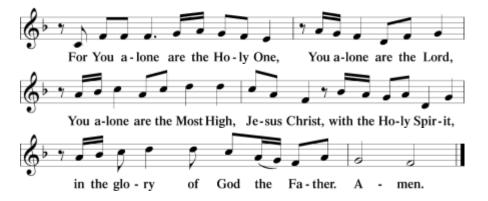
listen to my plea for grace.





Gloria in Excelsis





Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you. (2 Timothy 4:22)

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

All: Heavenly Father, though we are consumed with thoughts of fairness to us, fairness to You is not what moves You to action. Rather, out of Your love for sinners, You gave Your Son to bear our sin, guilt and punishment. Fill our hearts with that amazing love of Jesus that we may ever rejoice in Your goodness and mercy. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Please be seated

Old Testament Reading, Isaiah 44:6-8

⁶Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts: "I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god. ⁷Who is like me? Let him proclaim it. Let him declare and set it before me, since I appointed an ancient people. Let them declare what is to come, and what will happen. ⁸Fear not, nor be afraid; have I not told you from of old and declared it? And you are my witnesses! Is there a God besides me? There is no Rock; I know not any."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading, Romans 8:18-27

¹⁸For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. ¹⁹For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. ²⁰For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope ²¹that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²²For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. ²³And not only the

creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. ²⁶Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. ²⁷And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Holy Gospel, Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

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

Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁴[Jesus] put another parable before them, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field, ²⁵but while his men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and went away. ²⁶So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also. ²⁷And the servants of the master of the house came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then does it have weeds?' ²⁸He said to them, 'An enemy has done this.' So the servants said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' ²⁹But he said, 'No, lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them. ³⁰Let both grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn." . . . ³⁶Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples came to him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." ³⁷He answered. "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man. 38The field is the world, and the good seed is the children of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one, ³⁹ and the enemy who sowed them is the devil. The harvest is the close of the age, and the reapers are angels. 40 Just as the weeds are gathered and burned with fire, so will it be at the close of the age. ⁴¹The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all lawbreakers, ⁴²and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Please be seated

Children's Message

Hymn of the Day, LSB 550, "Lamb of God"

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Your only Son, no sin to hide,
 But You have sent Him from Your side
 To walk upon this guilty sod,
 And to become the Lamb of God. Refrain

Refrain: O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the holy Lamb of God! O wash me in His precious blood, My Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.

- 2 Your Gift of love they crucified, They laughed and scorned Him as He died: The humble King they named a fraud, And sacrificed the Lamb of God. *Refrain*
- 3 I was so lost, I should have died, But You have brought me to Your side To be led by Your staff and rod, And to be called a lamb of God. *Refrain*

Sermon, John 19:28-30, "It's Not Fair!? Fairness to God"

(10:15 am) Installation of Newly Elected Officers

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)

- Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- (Special petitions...) Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- 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.)

+ 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.

Please stand

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)

It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface

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 on this day 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:



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.

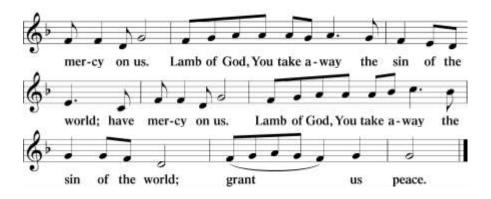
Words of Our Lord (Matt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Cor 11:23-25)

Pax Domini (John 20:19)

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.







Please be seated

Distribution Hymns

LSB 549, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

- 1 All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name!
 Let angels prostrate fall;
 Bring forth the royal diadem
 And crown Him Lord of all.
 Bring forth the royal diadem
 And crown Him Lord of all.
- 2 Crown Him, ye martyrs of our God,
 Who from His altar call;
 Extol the stem of Jesse's rod
 And crown Him Lord of all.
 Extol the stem of Jesse's rod
 And crown Him Lord of all.
- 3 Ye seed of Israel's chosen race, Ye ransomed from the fall, Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all. Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.
- Hail Him, ye heirs of David's line,
 Whom David Lord did call,
 The God incarnate, man divine,
 And crown Him Lord of all.

The God incarnate, man divine, And crown Him Lord of all.

- 5 Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget
 The wormwood and the gall,
 Go, spread your trophies at His feet
 And crown Him Lord of all.
 Go, spread your trophies at His feet
 And crown Him Lord of all.
- 6 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe,
 On this terrestrial ball
 To Him all majesty ascribe
 And crown Him Lord of all.
 To Him all majesty ascribe
 And crown Him Lord of all.
- 7 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng
 We at His feet may fall!
 We'll join the everlasting song
 And crown Him Lord of all.
 We'll join the everlasting song
 And crown Him Lord of all.

LSB 637, "Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord"

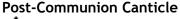
- 1 Draw near and take the body of the Lord, And drink the holy blood for you outpoured; Offered was He for greatest and for least, Himself the victim and Himself the priest.
- 2 He who His saints in this world rules and shields, To all believers life eternal yields; With heav'nly bread He makes the hungry whole, Gives living waters to the thirsting soul.
- Come forward then with faithful hearts sincere,
 And take the pledges of salvation here.
 O Lord, our hearts with grateful thanks endow
 As in this feast of love You bless us now.

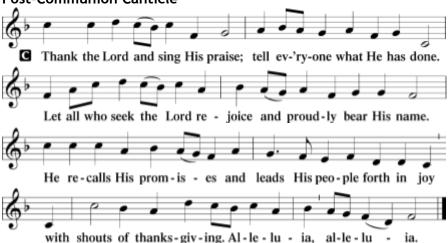
Please stand

Dismissal

P Now may this... Go in peace.

 \mathbf{C} Amen.





Post-Communion Collect

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed P 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 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.



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.



Closing Hymn, LSB 803, "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

- Joyful, joyful we adore Thee,
 God of glory, Lord of love!
 Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee,
 Praising Thee, their sun above.
 Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
 Drive the gloom of doubt away.
 Giver of immortal gladness,
 Fill us with the light of day.
- 2 All Thy works with joy surround Thee,
 Earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays,
 Stars and angels sing around Thee,
 Center of unbroken praise.
 Field and forest, vale and mountain,
 Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,
 Chanting bird, and flowing fountain
 Call us to rejoice in Thee.
- △ 3 Thou art giving and forgiving,
 Ever blessing, ever blest,
 Wellspring of the joy of living,
 Ocean-depth of happy rest!
 Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
 Fountainhead of love divine:
 Joyful, we Thy heav'n inherit!
 Joyful, we by grace are Thine!

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, July 18, 2020 - 5:30 pm

Preacher - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup

Server - Chuck Keller Media - Kelley Keller

Sunday, July 19, 2020 - 7:45 am

Preacher - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup Server/Lector - Rodney Clamors

Acolyte - Tucker Wilson

Ushers - Allen Jacobs, Don & Gina Birrittier

Sunday, July 19, 2020 - 10:15 am

Preacher - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup Music Director - Ann Frank

Acolytes - Addie & Ben Janssen

Ushers - Larry Goessling, Jim Smothers, Cal Neeman, Dean Harbison Media - Tim Scheibe

Ushers - Sunday, July 26, 2020 7:45 am - Lee Eggemeyer

Acolytes - Sunday, July 26, 2020

Saturday 5:30 pm - Charli Major

Sunday 7:45 am - Ava Hemmer & Ali Kloeppel

Sunday 10:15 am - Collin & Davin Dethrow

Servers - Sunday, July 26, 2020

Saturday 5:30 pm - Cal Neeman Sunday 7:45 am - Dean Harbison

Sunday 10:15 am - Rodney Clamors Media - Sunday, July 26, 2020

Saturday 5:30 pm - Cathy Whelan

Sunday 7:45 am - Pam Nagel Sunday 10:15 am - Greg Hoeffken Pianist - Ron Jones Acolyte - Sarah Alu

Celebrant - Rev. Merritt Demski Music Director - Ann Frank

Media - Laurie Sparwasser

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Server - Howard Shive Lector - Jen Janssen

Facebook Live - Lisa Clamors

10:15 am - Elden Niemeyer, Sharon Osterhage, Wayne Hargrave, Warren Frank Lectors - Sunday, July 26, 2020

Saturday 5:30 pm - n/a

Sunday 7:45 am - Ollney Mueller, Jr.

Sunday 10:15 am - Warren Frank Altar Guild - Sunday, July 26, 2020

Saturday 5:30 pm - Susan Starbuck Sunday 7:45 am - Sandy & Wendy Sunday 10:15 am - Linda Gutknecht

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