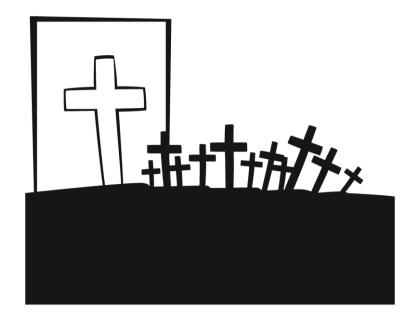


# IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

## **Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost**



Saturday, September 5, 2020 – 5:30 pm Sunday, September 6, 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 Four

(Lutheran Service Book, pg. 203)

#### Preservice Music / Bells / Welcome

Opening Hymn, LSB 902, "Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now"

- 1 Lord Jesus Christ, be present now; Our hearts in true devotion bow. Your Spirit send with light divine, And let Your truth within us shine.
- 2 Unseal our lips to sing Your praise In endless hymns through all our days. Increase our faith and light our minds; And set us free from doubt that blinds.
- 3 Then shall we join the hosts that cry, "O holy, holy Lord Most High!"
  And in the light of that blest place
  We then shall see You face to face.
- △ 4 All glory to the Father, Son,
   And Holy Spirit, Three in One!
   To You, O blessèd Trinity,
   Be praise throughout eternity!

#### ▼ Confession and Absolution ▼

#### Please stand

 $\blacksquare$  In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen. (Matthew 28:19b; [18:20])

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**Who made heaven and earth.** (Psalm 124:8)

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

(Psalm 130:3-4)

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

- Since we are gathered to hear God's word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner. (Luke 18:13)
- Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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 92:1-4; antiphon: v. 5)

How great are your works, O LORD!

Your thoughts are very deep!

It is good to give thanks to the LORD,

to sing praises to your name, O Most High;

to declare your steadfast love in the morning,

and your faithfulness by night,

to the music of the lute and the harp,

to the melody of the lyre.

For you, O LORD, have made me glad by your work;

at the works of your hands I sing for joy.

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.

How great are your works, O LORD!

Your thoughts are very deep!



## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you!

(2 Timothy 4:22)

- C And also with you!
- P Let us pray...
- O God, from whom all good proceeds, grant to us, Your humble servants, Your holy inspiration, that we may set our minds on the things that are right and, by Your merciful guiding, accomplish them; 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

#### Old Testament Reading, Ezekiel 33:7-9

<sup>7</sup>"So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. <sup>8</sup>If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. <sup>9</sup>But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, that person shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul."

After the reading:

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Epistle, Romans 13:1-10

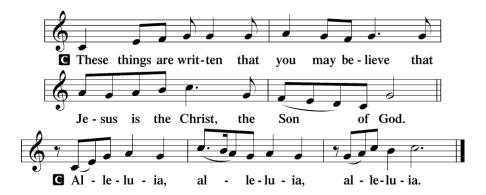
<sup>1</sup>Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. <sup>2</sup>Therefore whoever resists the authorities resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment. <sup>3</sup>For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Would you have no fear of the one who is in authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive his approval, 4for he is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword in vain. For he is the servant of God, an avenger who carries out God's wrath on the wrongdoer. <sup>5</sup>Therefore one must be in subjection, not only to avoid God's wrath but also for the sake of conscience. <sup>6</sup>For the same reason you also pay taxes, for the authorities are ministers of God, attending to this very thing. <sup>7</sup>Pay to all what is owed to them: taxes to whom taxes are owed, revenue to whom revenue is owed, respect to whom respect is owed, honor to whom honor is owed. 8Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. 9The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." 10Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

After the reading:

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.





Please stand

Holy Gospel, Matthew 18:1-20

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 18th chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" <sup>2</sup>And calling to him a child, he put him in the midst of them <sup>3</sup> and said, "Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. <sup>4</sup>Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. 5"Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, <sup>6</sup>but whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him to have a great millstone fastened around his neck and to be drowned in the depth of the sea. 7"Woe to the world for temptations to sin! For it is necessary that temptations come, but woe to the one by whom the temptation comes! 8And if your hand or your foot causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life crippled or lame than with two hands or two feet to be thrown into the eternal fire. 9And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into the hell of fire. <sup>10</sup>"See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that in heaven their angels always see the face of my Father who is in heaven. <sup>11</sup>For the Son of Man came to save the lost. <sup>12</sup>What do you think? If a man has a hundred sheep and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray? <sup>13</sup>And if he finds it, truly, I say to you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray. 14So it is not the will of my Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish. <sup>15</sup>"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother. <sup>16</sup>But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every charge may be established by the evidence of two or three witnesses. <sup>17</sup>If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. <sup>18</sup>Truly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. <sup>19</sup>Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. <sup>20</sup>For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them."

After the reading:

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

## **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.

Please be seated

## Children's Message

**Hymn of the Day,** LSB 843, "Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive" Text: © Oxford University Press. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110001526

- 1 "Forgive our sins as we forgive,"
  You taught us, Lord, to pray;
  But You alone can grant us grace
  To live the words we say.
- 2 How can Your pardon reach and bless The unforgiving heart That broods on wrongs and will not let Old bitterness depart?
- 3 In blazing light Your cross reveals
  The truth we dimly knew:
  What trivial debts are owed to us,
  How great our debt to You!

4 Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls
And bid resentment cease;
Then, bound to all in bonds of love,
Our lives will spread Your peace.

Sermon, Romans 13:1-10, "Identity Crisis"

Please stand

#### 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.

#### **Preface**

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.

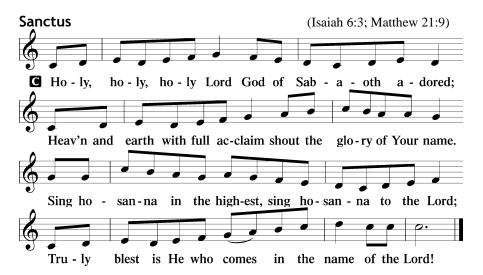
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. (Psalm 136)

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)

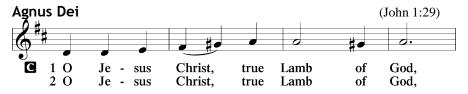
All: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

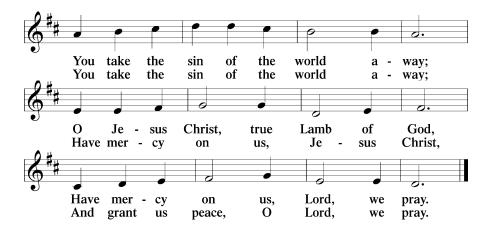
**Words of Our Lord** (Matt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Cor 11:23-25)

#### 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 820, "My Soul, Now Praise Your Maker"

- 1 My soul, now praise your Maker!
  Let all within me bless His name
  Who makes you full partaker
  Of mercies more than you dare claim.
  Forget Him not whose meekness
  Still bears with all your sin,
  Who heals your ev'ry weakness,
  Renews your life within;
  Whose grace and care are endless
  And saved you through the past;
  Who leaves no suff'rer friendless
  But rights the wronged at last.
- 2 He offers all His treasure
  Of justice, truth, and righteousness,
  His love beyond all measure,
  His yearning pity o'er distress;
  Nor treats us as we merit
  But sets His anger by.
  The poor and contrite spirit
  Finds His compassion nigh;
  And high as heav'n above us,
  As dawn from close of day,

So far, since He has loved us, He puts our sins away.

3 For as a tender father
Has pity on his children here,
God in His arms will gather
All who are His in childlike fear.
He knows how frail our powers,
Who but from dust are made.
We flourish like the flowers,
And even so we fade;
The wind but through them passes,
And all their bloom is o'er.
We wither like the grasses;
Our place knows us no more.

4 His grace remains forever,
 And children's children yet shall prove
That God forsakes them never
 Who in true fear shall seek His love.
In heav'n is fixed His dwelling,
 His rule is over all;
O hosts with might excelling,
 With praise before Him fall.
Praise Him forever reigning,
 All you who hear His Word—
Our life and all sustaining.
 My soul, O praise the Lord!

LSB 618, "I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table"
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I come, O Savior, to Thy table,
 For weak and weary is my soul;
 Thou, Bread of Life, alone art able
 To satisfy and make me whole: Refrain

Refrain: Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood Be for my soul the highest good!

- 2 Thy heart is filled with fervent yearning That sinners may salvation see Who, Lord, to Thee in faith are turning; So I, a sinner, come to Thee. *Refrain*
- 3 Unworthy though I am, O Savior,
  Because I have a sinful heart,
  Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt banish never,
  For Thou my faithful shepherd art: Refrain
- 4 Weary am I and heavy laden;
  With sin my soul is sore oppressed;
  Receive me graciously and gladden
  My heart, for I am now Thy guest. Refrain
- 5 What higher gift can we inherit?
  It is faith's bond and solid base;
  It is the strength of heart and spirit,
  The covenant of hope and grace. Refrain

#### Please stand

#### Dismissal

**P** Now...Go in peace.

C Amen.

#### **Post-Communion Collect**

- 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.

#### Benedicamus and Benediction

P Let us bless the Lord. (Psalm 103:1)

**C** Thanks be to God.

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, LSB 686, "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

- Come, Thou Fount of ev'ry blessing,
   Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
   Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
   Call for songs of loudest praise.
   While the hope of endless glory
   Fills my heart with joy and love,
   Teach me ever to adore Thee;
   May I still Thy goodness prove.
- 2 Here I raise my Ebenezer,
  Hither by Thy help I've come;
  And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,
  Safely to arrive at home.
  Jesus sought me when a stranger,
  Wand'ring from the fold of God;
  He, to rescue me from danger,
  Interposed His precious blood.
- Oh, to grace how great a debtor
  Daily I'm constrained to be;
  Let that grace now like a fetter
  Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee:
  Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it;
  Prone to leave the God I love.
  Here's my heart, O take and seal it,
  Seal it for Thy courts above.
- 4 Oh, that day when freed from sinning,
  I shall see Thy lovely face;
  Clothed then in the blood-washed linen,
  How I'll sing Thy wondrous grace!
  Come, my Lord, no longer tarry;
  Take my ransom'd soul away;
  Send Thine angels soon to carry
  Me to realms of endless day.

Bells / Postlude

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## **Worship Helpers**

Saturday, September 5, 2020 - 5:30 pm

Preacher - Rev. Merritt Demski Server - Chuck Keller

Sunday, September 6, 2020 - 7:45 am

Preacher - Rev. Merritt Demski Music Director - Ann Frank

Media - Kellev Keller

Acolyte - Madalyn Prather Ushers - Roy Unterseh, Jim Stueve, Ed Arras, Lilly Prather

Sunday, September 6, 2020 - 10:15 am

Preacher - Rev. Merritt Demski Music Director - Ann Frank

Acolytes - Trinity Drewes & Tucker Wilson

Ushers - Lee Eggemeyer

Ushers - Sunday, September 13, 2020

7:45 am - Chuck Keller, Craig Mehner, Larry Taake, Dawn Rubemeyer 10:15 am - Robert Mesnarich Jr., Pam Nagel, Don & Carol Matzenbacher

Acolytes - Sunday, September 13, 2020

Saturday 5:30 pm - Ava Hemmer

Sunday 7:45 am - Collin & Davin Dethrow

Sunday 10:15 am - Ali Kloeppel & Blake Nichols Servers - Sunday, September 13, 2020

Saturday 5:30 pm - Rodney Clamors Sunday 7:45 am - Wayne Collmeyer Sunday 10:15 am - Dean Harbison

Media - Sunday, September 13, 2020 Saturday 5:30 pm - Cathy Whelan

Sunday 7:45 am - Laurie Sparwasser

Sunday 10:15 am - Tim Scheibe

Pianist - Ron Jones Acolyte - Sarah Alu

Celebrant - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup

Lector - Don Birrittier

Media - Pam Nagel

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Server/Lector - Warren Frank Media - Greg Hoeffken

Facebook Live - Lisa Clamors

Lectors - Sunday, September 13, 2020

Saturday 5:30 pm - n/a Sunday 7:45 am - Sean Arians Sunday 10:15 am - Pastor

Altar Guild - Sunday, September 13, 2020

Saturday 5:30 pm - Dinah Pflasterer Sunday 7:45 am - Barbara Altes Sunday 10:15 am - Susan Hargrave

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