

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost



Saturday, October 3, 2020 – 5:30 pm Sunday, October 4, 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* 691, "Fruitful Trees, the Spirit's Sowing" Text: © 1984 Hope Publishing Co. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110001526

- Fruitful trees, the Spirit's sowing,
 May we ripen and increase,
 Fruit to life eternal growing,
 Rich in love and joy and peace.
- 2 Laden branches freely bearing Gifts the Giver loves to bless; Here is fruit that grows by sharing, Patience, kindness, gentleness.
- 3 Rooted deep in Christ our Master, Christ our pattern and our goal, Teach us, as the years fly faster, Goodness, faith, and self-control.
- 4 Fruitful trees, the Spirit's tending,
 May we grow till harvests cease;
 Till we taste, in life unending,
 Heaven's love and joy and peace.

★ Confession and Absolution ★

Please stand

- 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 118:22-24; antiphon: v. 1)

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;

for his steadfast love endures forever!

The stone that the builders rejected

has become the cornerstone.

This is the LORD's doing;

it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day that the LORD has made;

let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

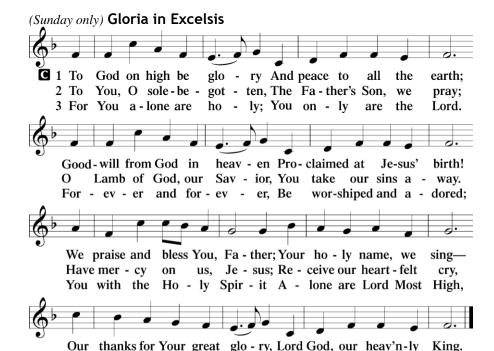
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;

for his steadfast love endures forever!



Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.



Salutation and Collect of the Day

Where You in pow'r are

P The Lord be with you!

(2 Timothy 4:22)

seat-ed At God's right hand on high-

- C And also with you!
- P Let us pray...

In

Gracious God, You gave Your Son into the hands of sinful men who killed Him. Forgive us when we reject Your unfailing love, and grant us the fullness of Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

God the Fa-ther's glo-ry. "A-men!" our glad

Please be seated

Old Testament Reading, Isaiah 5:1-7

¹Let me sing for my beloved my love song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. ²He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; and he looked for it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes. ³And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, judge between

me and my vineyard. ⁴What more was there to do for my vineyard, that I have not done in it? When I looked for it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes? ⁵And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. ⁶I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and briers and thorns shall grow up; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. ⁷For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the men of Judah are his pleasant planting; and he looked for justice, but behold, bloodshed; for righteousness, but behold, an outcry!

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle, Philippians 3:4b-14

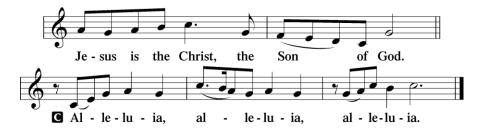
If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more: ⁵circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness, under the law blameless. ⁷But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. 8Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— 10that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead. ¹²Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.





Please stand

Holy Gospel, Matthew 21:33-46

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 21st chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

³³[Jesus said:] "Hear another parable. There was a master of a house who planted a vineyard and put a fence around it and dug a winepress in it and built a tower and leased it to tenants, and went into another country. ³⁴When the season for fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to get his fruit. ³⁵And the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. ³⁶Again he sent other servants, more than the first. And they did the same to them. ³⁷Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' ³⁸But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.' ³⁹And they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. 40When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" ⁴¹They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons." 42Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures: "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes'? ⁴³Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people producing its fruits. 44And the one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him." ⁴⁵When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they perceived that he was speaking about them. ⁴⁶And although they were seeking to arrest him, they feared the crowds, because they held him to be a prophet.

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 544, "O Love, How Deep"

- O love, how deep, how broad, how high, Beyond all thought and fantasy, That God, the Son of God, should take Our mortal form for mortals' sake!
- He sent no angel to our race,
 Of higher or of lower place,
 But wore the robe of human frame,
 And to this world Himself He came.
- 3 For us baptized, for us He bore His holy fast and hungered sore; For us temptation sharp He knew; For us the tempter overthrew.
- 4 For us He prayed; for us He taught; For us His daily works He wrought, By words and signs and actions thus Still seeking not Himself but us.
- For us by wickedness betrayed, For us, in crown of thorns arrayed, He bore the shameful cross and death; For us He gave His dying breath.

- 6 For us He rose from death again; For us He went on high to reign; For us He sent His Spirit here To guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.
- △ 7 All glory to our Lord and God For love so deep, so high, so broad; The Trinity whom we adore Forever and forevermore.

Sermon, Matthew 21:33-46, "What More?"

Please stand

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.
- (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

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.

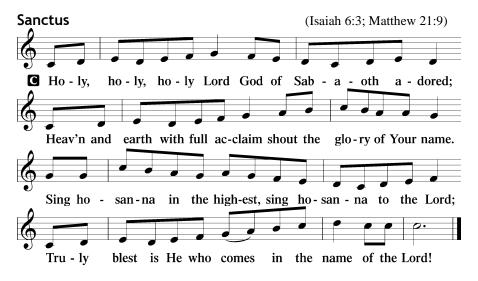
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. (Psalm 136)

It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface

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It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new 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.

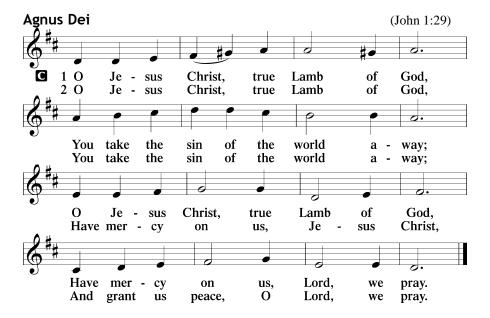
Words of Our Lord (Matt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Cor 11:23-25)

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 621, "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"

- 1 Let all mortal flesh keep silence
 And with fear and trembling stand;
 Ponder nothing earthly-minded,
 For with blessing in His hand
 Christ our God to earth descending
 Comes our homage to demand.
- King of kings yet born of Mary,
 As of old on earth He stood,
 Lord of lords in human vesture,
 In the body and the blood,
 He will give to all the faithful
 His own self for heav'nly food.

- 3 Rank on rank the host of heaven
 Spreads its vanguard on the way
 As the Light of Light, descending
 From the realms of endless day,
 Comes the pow'rs of hell to vanquish
 As the darkness clears away.
- 4 At His feet the six-winged seraph,
 Cherubim with sleepless eye,
 Veil their faces to the presence
 As with ceaseless voice they cry:
 "Alleluia, alleluia!
 Alleluia, Lord Most High!"

LSB~540, "Christ, the Word of God Incarnate" Text: © 2001 Steven P. Mueller. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110001526

- 1 Christ, the Word of God incarnate,
 Lord and Son of Abraham;
 Christ, the radiance of the Father,
 Perfect God, the great I AM;
 Christ, the light, You shine unvanquished,
 Light and life You bring to all;
 Light our path with Your own presence,
 Grant us grace to heed Your call.
- 2 Christ, the living bread from heaven, Food for body, food for soul; Christ, the manna daily given, Nourish, strengthen, make us whole. Feed us with the food of heaven, Foretaste of the feast to be; Quench our thirst with living water Springing up eternally.
- 3 Christ, the shoot that springs triumphant
 From the stump of Jesse's tree;
 Christ, true vine, You nurture branches
 To bear fruit abundantly.
 Graft us into You, O Savior;
 Prune our hearts so we remain
 Fruitful branches in Your vineyard
 Till eternal life we gain.

- 4 Christ, our good and faithful shepherd,
 Watching all Your lambs and sheep;
 Christ, the gate that guards the sheepfold,
 Never-failing vigil keep.
 When we stray, Good Shepherd, seek us,
 Find us, lift us, bear us home;
 Lamb of God, our shepherd, keep us;
 Let us hear Your voice alone.
- To the Father's home on high,
 Christ, the truth that frees the captive,
 Christ, the life that cannot die.
 Mediator to the Father,
 Sacrifice and great High Priest:
 Lead us to Your heav'nly mansions,
 There to share Your wedding feast.
- △ 6 Christ, the Alpha and Omega,
 Christ, the firstborn from the dead,
 Christ, the life and resurrection,
 Christ, the Church's glorious head:
 Praise and thanks and adoration
 And unending worship be
 To the Father and the Spirit
 And to You eternally.

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)

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, "In Christ Alone"

- 1. In Christ alone my hope is found
 He is my light, my strength, my song
 This Cornerstone, this solid ground
 Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
 What heights of love, what depths of peace
 When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
 My Comforter, my All in All
 Here in the love of Christ I stand
- 2. In Christ alone, who took on flesh
 Fullness of God in helpless Babe
 This gift of love and righteousness
 Scorned by the ones He came to save
 Till on that cross as Jesus died
 The wrath of God was satisfied
 For every sin on Him was laid
 Here in the death of Christ I live
- 3. There in the ground His body lay
 Light of the world by darkness slain
 Then bursting forth in glorious Day
 Up from the grave He rose again
 And as He stands in victory
 Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
 For I am His and He is mine
 Bought with the precious blood of Christ

4. No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Til He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I stand

Bells / Postlude

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Worship Helpers

Saturday, October 3, 2020 - 5:30 pm

Preacher/Celebrant - Rev. Merritt Demski

Server - Cal Neeman Media - Lisa Clamors

Sunday, October 4, 2020 - 7:45 am

Preacher - Rev. Merritt Demski

Server - Chuck Keller

Acolytes - Trinity Drewes & Ashlyn Whelan

Ushers - Allen Jacobs, Don & Gina Birrittier Sunday, October 4, 2020 - 10:15 am

Preacher - Rev. Merritt Demski Music Director - Ann Frank

Acolytes - Ava Hemmer & Ayda Eggemeyer

Ushers - Lee Eggemeyer

Ushers - Sunday, October 11, 2020

7:45 am - Elden Niemeyer, Sharon Osterhage, Wayne Hargrave, Warren Frank

10:15 am - Larry Goessling, Cal Neeman, Dean Harbison

Acolytes - Sunday, October 11, 2020

Saturday 5:30 pm - Sydney Kuergeleis

Sunday 7:45 am - Carson Filipiak & Charli Major Sunday 10:15 am - Ben Janssen & Jacob Dethrow

Servers - Sunday, October 11, 2020

Saturday 5:30 pm - Wayne Collmeyer

Sunday 7:45 am - Hayden Brown

Sunday 10:15 am - Rodney Clamors

Media - Sunday, October 11, 2020

Saturday 5:30 pm - Cathy Whelan

Sunday 7:45 am - Pam Nagel

Sunday 10:15 am - Greg Hoeffken (Facebook Live)

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Celebrant - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup Lector - Wavne Collmever Music Director - Ann Frank

Media - Kelley Keller

Celebrant - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup Server/Lector - Warren Frank

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Lectors - Sunday, October 11, 2020

Saturday 5:30 pm - n/a

Sunday 7:45 am - Don Birrittier Sunday 10:15 am - Jen Janssen

Altar Guild - Sunday, October 11, 2020

Saturday 5:30 pm - Dinah Pflasterer Sunday 7:45 am - Barbara & Deb Sunday 10:15 am - Janet Goessling

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