



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH  
WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

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**Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**  
*Fathers' Day*

# Summer Sermon Series: Rain and the Reign of God

*Week 3: The Word Does the Work*

**Saturday, June 19, 2021 – 5:30 pm**  
**Sunday, June 20, 2021 – 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!

*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 / Bells / Welcome**

### **Opening Hymn, LSB 827, “Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling”**

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- 1     Hark, the voice of Jesus calling,  
         “Who will go and work today?  
Fields are white and harvests waiting—  
         Who will bear the sheaves away?”  
Loud and long the Master calleth;  
         Rich reward He offers thee.  
Who will answer, gladly saying,  
         “Here am I, send me, send me”?**
- 2     Some take up His task in morning,  
         To their Lord responding soon;  
Some are called in heat of midday,  
         Others late in afternoon;  
Even as the sun is setting,  
         Some are sent into the fields,  
There to gather in the bounty  
         That God’s Word so richly yields.**
- 3     For as rain and snow from heaven  
         Water seeds in dusty soil,  
Causing them to bud and flower,  
         Giving bread to those who toil;  
So the Lord sends forth His promise,  
         Words of life and joy and peace—  
Never void to Him returning,  
         Bearing fruit with great increase.**

- 4   Hearken to the Lord whose coming  
      Marks the time when grace shall end,  
      When with His angelic reapers  
      He in glory shall descend.  
      Soon the night, the final harvest;  
      Soon the time for work shall cease.  
      Then the souls His grace has garnered  
      Shall enjoy His Sabbath peace.**

*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**

(2 Corinthians 6:2, 4, 12)

- P** Paul writes, “As servants of God we commend ourselves in every way.”  
**C** In our thinking, speaking, and acting, we have not commended ourselves. Worse, in our sinful condition, we are bound to continue to sin; we cannot help ourselves; forgive us.  
**P** Then he writes, “You are not restricted by us, but you are restricted in your own affections.”  
**C** Indeed, we have failed to love You, O Lord, with all that we are and have, and we have failed to love our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us.  
**P** But then Paul writes, “Now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation.”  
**C** Open our hearts, Lord of all creation, to recognize the forgiveness You won for us, the protection You afford each day, and the strength You provide that we may share Your love.  
**P** Our Lord Jesus, whom wind and sea and all creation obey, has taken away the sins of the world. Because of His sacrifice for you within His own creation, today is indeed the day of salvation. Today He tells you also, “Peace! Be still!” 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.  
**C** Amen.

+ Service of the Word +

**Introit of the Day**

(Psalm 107:29-32; antiphon: v. 28)

Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble,

**and he delivered them from their distress.**

He made the storm be still,

**and the waves of the sea were hushed.**

Then they were glad that the waters were quiet,

**and he brought them to their desired haven.**

Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love,

**for his wondrous works to the children of men!**

Let them extol him in the congregation of the people,

**and praise him in the assembly of the elders.**

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.**

Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble,

**and he delivered them from their distress.**

**Hymn of Praise, LSB 588, "Jesus Loves Me"**

**1 Jesus loves me! This I know,**

**For the Bible tells me so.**

**Little ones to Him belong;**

**They are weak, but He is strong. Refrain**

*Refrain: Yes, Jesus loves me!*

*Yes, Jesus loves me!*

*Yes, Jesus loves me!*

*The Bible tells me so.*

**2 Jesus loves me! He who died**

**Heaven's gates to open wide.**

**He has washed away my sin,**

**Lets His little child come in. 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: Lord God, you reign over all things. You send Your Word in power to bring life from death. Grant that we hear Your**

**Word with joy and proclaim it with boldness 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, Job 38:1-11**

<sup>1</sup>Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind and said: <sup>2</sup>“Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? <sup>3</sup>Dress for action like a man; I will question you, and you make it known to me. <sup>4</sup>“Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. <sup>5</sup>Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? <sup>6</sup>On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone, <sup>7</sup>when the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy? <sup>8</sup>“Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb, <sup>9</sup>when I made clouds its garment and thick darkness its swaddling band, <sup>10</sup>and prescribed limits for it and set bars and doors, <sup>11</sup>and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stayed?’”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Epistle, 2 Corinthians 6:1-13**

<sup>1</sup>Working together with him, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. <sup>2</sup>For he says, “In a favorable time I listened to you, and in a day of salvation I have helped you.” Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. <sup>3</sup>We put no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, <sup>4</sup>but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: by great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, <sup>5</sup>beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; <sup>6</sup>by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love; <sup>7</sup>by truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; <sup>8</sup>through honor and dishonor, through slander and praise. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; <sup>9</sup>as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as punished, and yet not killed; <sup>10</sup>as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, yet possessing everything. <sup>11</sup>We have spoken freely to you, Corinthians; our heart is wide open. <sup>12</sup>You are not restricted by us, but you are restricted in your own affections. <sup>13</sup>In return (I speak as to children) widen your hearts also.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Please stand*

**Holy Gospel, Mark 4:35-41**

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 4<sup>th</sup> chapter.

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

<sup>35</sup>On that day, when evening had come, [Jesus] said to them, “Let us go across to the other side.” <sup>36</sup>And leaving the crowd, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. And other boats were with him. <sup>37</sup>And a great windstorm arose, and the waves were breaking into the boat, so that the boat was already filling. <sup>38</sup>But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion. And they woke him and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” <sup>39</sup>And he awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, “Peace! Be still!” And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm. <sup>40</sup>He said to them, “Why are you so afraid? Have you still no faith?” <sup>41</sup>And they were filled with great fear and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even wind and sea obey him?”

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

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

*Please be seated*

(10:15 am) **VBS Songs**, “He’s Done Marvelous Things” and “Let’s Have a Party”

**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**, Isaiah 55:10-11, “The Word Does the Work”

*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**

**P**    Let us go to God in prayer for ourselves, for God's people around the world, and for all people in their various circumstances.

For all people who are trying to commend themselves this day despite various afflictions, hardships, or calamities, that God would strengthen and guide first responders, medical personnel, and support agencies until health, prosperity, and calm are restored, let us pray.

**C**    **Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.**

**P**    For all people who are enduring beatings, imprisonments, or riots, that God would give wisdom to political officials, protection to those serving in the military [*especially...*], and guidance to authorities to work for peace, protection, and justice, let us pray.

**C**    **Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.**

**P**    For all who feel trapped by harsh labor, sleepless nights, or hunger, that God would surround them with caring people to provide the social, emotional, and physical relief they so



desperately need, and for those near and dear to us, [especially ...], that God would give them health, joy, and peace, let us pray.

**C** **Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.**

**P** That the Church around the world would use the purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, and genuine love God provides to spread the news of forgiveness and salvation today and always, let us pray.

**C** **Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.**

**P** That we would realize both the power and the love of God seen in the person of Christ, our Lord, and that now, in this day of salvation, He would help us widen our hearts to be part of His answer to these petitions, let us pray.

**C** **Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.**

**P** That God would bless and guide all fathers as they seek to provide love and support for their families, let us pray.

**C** **Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.**

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

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

**P** All these things we would ask of You, O Lord, trusting in Your mercy to grant us only what is best for us. Give us faith, trusting in Your mercy, that we may abide in Your presence in peace, in the name of our Savior 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 761, “Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”*

- 1 **Rock of Ages, cleft for me,  
Let me hide myself in Thee;  
Let the water and the blood,  
From Thy riven side which flowed,  
Be of sin the double cure:  
Cleanse me from its guilt and pow’r.**
- 2 **Not the labors of my hands  
Can fulfill Thy Law’s demands;  
Could my zeal no respite know,  
Could my tears forever flow,  
All for sin could not atone;  
Thou must save, and Thou alone.**

- 3    Nothing in my hand I bring;  
      Simply to Thy cross I cling.  
      Naked, come to Thee for dress;  
      Helpless, look to Thee for grace;  
      Foul, I to the fountain fly;  
      Wash me, Savior, or I die.**
- 4    While I draw this fleeting breath,  
      When mine eyelids close in death,  
      When I soar to worlds unknown,  
      See Thee on Thy judgment throne,  
      Rock of Ages, cleft for me,  
      Let me hide myself in Thee.**

*LSB 634, "The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord"*

- 1    The death of Jesus Christ, our Lord,  
      We celebrate with one accord;  
      It is our comfort in distress,  
      Our heart's sweet joy and happiness.**
- 2    He blotted out with His own blood  
      The judgment that against us stood;  
      For us He full atonement made,  
      And all our debt He fully paid.**
- 3    That this forever true shall be  
      He gives a solemn guarantee:  
      In this His holy Supper here  
      We taste His love so sweet, so near.**
- 4    His Word proclaims and we believe  
      That in this Supper we receive  
      His very body, as He said,  
      His very blood for sinners shed.**
- 5    We dare not ask how this can be,  
      But simply hold the mystery  
      And trust this word where life begins:  
      "Given and shed for all your sins."**

6    **They who this word do not believe  
This food unworthily receive,  
Salvation here will never find—  
May we this warning keep in mind!**

7    **But blest is each believing guest  
Who in these promises finds rest;  
For Jesus shall in love remain  
With all who here His grace obtain.**

8    **Help us sincerely to believe  
That we may worthily receive  
Your Supper and in You find rest.  
Amen! They who believe are blest.**

*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 - joice 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.



**Amen.**

### **Benediction**

(Numbers 6:24-26)



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.



**Amen.**

### **Closing Hymn, LSB 921, “On What Has Now Been Sown”**

- 1    On what has now been sown  
      Thy blessing, Lord, bestow;  
      The pow’r is Thine alone  
      To make it sprout and grow.  
      Do Thou in grace the harvest raise,  
      And Thou alone shalt have the praise!**
- 2    To Thee our wants are known,  
      From Thee are all our pow’rs;  
      Accept what is Thine own  
      And pardon what is ours.  
      Our praises, Lord, and prayers receive,  
      And to Thy Word a blessing give.**
- 3    O grant that each of us,  
      Now met before Thee here,  
      May meet together thus  
      When Thou and Thine appear  
      And follow Thee to heav’n, our home.  
      E’en so, amen, Lord Jesus, come!**

### **Bells / Postlude**

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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).*

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## Worship Helpers

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### **Saturday, June 19, 2021 - 5:30 pm**

Preacher - Rev. Merritt Demski  
 Server/Lector - Rodney Clamors  
 Media - Dave Powell

Pianist - Ron Jones  
 Acolyte - Sydney Kuergeleis

### **Sunday, June 20, 2021 - 7:45 am**

Preacher - Rev. Merritt Demski  
 Server - Bob Polansky  
 Acolytes - Kyle Rusteberg & Leah Worley  
 Ushers - Allen Jacobs, Don & Gina Birrittier

Celebrant - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup  
 Lector - Ollney Mueller, Jr.  
 Music Director - Ann Frank  
 Media - Greg Hoeffken

### **Sunday, June 20, 2021 - 10:15 am**

Preacher - Rev. Merritt Demski  
 Music Director - Ann Frank  
 Acolytes - Reagan Wilhelm & Kadin LaRue  
 Ushers - Larry Goessling, Cal Neeman, Dean Harbison

Celebrant - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup  
 Media/Facebook Live - Lisa Clamors

### **Ushers - Sunday, June 27, 2021**

7:45 am - Elden Niemeyer, Sharon Osterhage, Wayne Hargrave, Warren Frank  
 10:15 am - Lee Eggemeyer, Adam Eggemeyer

### **Acolytes - Sunday, June 27, 2021**

Saturday 5:30 pm - Blake Nichols  
 Sunday 7:45 am - Davin & Jacob Dethrow  
 Sunday 10:15 am - Ayda Eggemeyer & N. Hoeffken

### **Servers - Sunday, June 27, 2021**

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

### **Media - Sunday, June 27, 2021**

Saturday 5:30 pm - Cathy Whelan  
 Sunday 7:45 am - Kelley Keller  
 Sunday 10:15 am - Greg Hoeffken (Facebook Live)

### **Lectors - Sunday, June 27, 2021**

Saturday 5:30 pm - n/a  
 Sunday 7:45 am - Warren Frank  
 Sunday 10:15 am - n/a

### **Altar Guild - Sunday, June 27, 2021**

Saturday 5:30 pm - Susan Starbuck  
 Sunday 7:45 am - Sandy & Faith  
 Sunday 10:15 am - Janet Goessling

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