



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH  
WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

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## **Third Sunday after Pentecost**



**Saturday, June 25, 2022 – 5:30 pm**  
**Sunday, June 26, 2022 – 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 Worship!

**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 736*, “Consider How the Birds Above” [Pastor Demske will sing v. 1-2 and the congregation will sing v. 3-6.]

### 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

(Galatians 5:1)

**P** For freedom Christ has set us free;  
**C** **stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.**

*A moment of silence for personal prayers of confession.*

**P** Lord God, our gracious Father,  
**C** **we confess that we have not walked by Your Spirit. Instead of using our freedom to love our neighbors as ourselves, we have served our own selfish interests. We have chosen to live as our sinful flesh desires instead of as Your perfect law requires. Forgive us, heavenly Father, by the mercy You show us in the death and resurrection of Your Son. Fill us with the fruit of Your Spirit so that we who belong to Christ Jesus may walk in the way of love and worship. In His name we pray. Amen.**

**P** The Spirit of God anointed Jesus to walk in perfect obedience to the Father’s commands. His death upon the cross and resurrection from the grave prove that His grace alone gives His presence, provision, and purpose to all who belong to Him by faith. Therefore, in the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

### Introit of the Day

(Psalm 85:8-10, 13; antiphon: v. 7)

**L** Show us Your steadfast love, O LORD, and grant us Your salvation.

**C** **Let me hear what God the LORD will speak,**

**L** for He will speak peace to His people, to His saints; but let them not turn back to folly.

**C** **Surely His salvation is near to those who fear Him, that glory may dwell in our land.**

- L** Steadfast love and faithfulness meet;  
**C** **righteousness and peace kiss each other.**  
**L** Righteousness will go before Him and make His footsteps a way.  
**C** **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.**  
**L** Show us Your steadfast love, O LORD,  
**C** **and grant us Your salvation.**

### **Hymn of Praise, LSB 712, “Seek Ye First”**

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- 1** **Seek ye first the kingdom of God,**  
**And His righteousness.**  
**And all these things shall be added unto you!**  
**Allelu, alleluia!**
- 2** **Ask and it shall be given unto you,**  
**Seek and ye shall find,**  
**Knock and the door shall be opened unto you,**  
**Allelu, alleluia!**
- 3** **Man does not live by bread alone,**  
**But by ev’ry word**  
**That proceeds from the mouth of the Lord,**  
**Allelu, alleluia!**

### **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...  
**C** **Lord of all power and might, author and giver of all good**  
**things, graft into our hearts the love of Your name and**  
**nourish us with all goodness that we may love and serve our**  
**neighbor; 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, 1 Kings 19:9b-21**

Behold, the word of the LORD came to [Elijah], and he said to him, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” <sup>10</sup>He said, “I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your

altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away.” <sup>11</sup>And he said, “Go out and stand on the mount before the LORD.” And behold, the LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. <sup>12</sup>And after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper. <sup>13</sup>And when Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. And behold, there came a voice to him and said, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” <sup>14</sup>He said, “I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away.” <sup>15</sup>And the LORD said to him, “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus. And when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael to be king over Syria. <sup>16</sup>And Jehu the son of Nimshi you shall anoint to be king over Israel, and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah you shall anoint to be prophet in your place. <sup>17</sup>And the one who escapes from the sword of Hazael shall Jehu put to death, and the one who escapes from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha put to death. <sup>18</sup>Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.” <sup>19</sup>So he departed from there and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen in front of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and cast his cloak upon him. <sup>20</sup>And he left the oxen and ran after Elijah and said, “Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you.” And he said to him, “Go back again, for what have I done to you?” <sup>21</sup>And he returned from following him and took the yoke of oxen and sacrificed them and boiled their flesh with the yokes of the oxen and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he arose and went after Elijah and assisted him.

*After the reading:*

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## **Epistle, Galatians 5:1, 13-25**

<sup>1</sup>For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. . . . <sup>13</sup>For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. <sup>14</sup>For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” <sup>15</sup>But if you bite and devour one another, watch out that you are not consumed by one another. <sup>16</sup>But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. <sup>17</sup>For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. <sup>18</sup>But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. <sup>19</sup>Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, <sup>20</sup>idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, <sup>21</sup>envy, drunkenness,

orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. <sup>22</sup>But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup>gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. <sup>24</sup>And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. <sup>25</sup>If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.

*After the reading:*

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Please stand*

**Holy Gospel, Luke 9:51-62**

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 9<sup>th</sup> chapter.

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

<sup>51</sup>When the days drew near for [Jesus] to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. <sup>52</sup>And he sent messengers ahead of him, who went and entered a village of the Samaritans, to make preparations for him. <sup>53</sup>But the people did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. <sup>54</sup>And when his disciples James and John saw it, they said, “Lord, do you want us to tell fire to come down from heaven and consume them?” <sup>55</sup>But he turned and rebuked them. <sup>56</sup>And they went on to another village. <sup>57</sup>As they were going along the road, someone said to him, “I will follow you wherever you go.” <sup>58</sup>And Jesus said to him, “Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.” <sup>59</sup>To another he said, “Follow me.” But he said, “Lord, let me first go and bury my father.” <sup>60</sup>And Jesus said to him, “Leave the dead to bury their own dead. But as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.” <sup>61</sup>Yet another said, “I will follow you, Lord, but let me first say farewell to those at my home.” <sup>62</sup>Jesus said to him, “No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.”

*After the reading:*

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

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

*Please be seated*

**Children’s Message** (Parents of young children are welcome to come up with their children.)

**Hymn of the Day, LSB 602, “The Gifts Christ Freely Gives”**

**Sermon, Hebrews 2:14-18, “Finding Rest in Restless Times: What If?”**  
[Summer Sermon Series Week #3]

(10:15 am) **Mission Quilt Blessing**

*Please stand*

**Apostles' Creed**

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

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have created us in Your image and called us into fellowship with Your Son, Jesus Christ, by the power of Your Holy Spirit. Help us to know that You are always with us—guiding our steps, providing for our lives, hearing our prayers, and answering us in ways that are for our good and that bring glory to Your name. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer and receive our thanks for Your presence in our lives.**

**P** You reign over all the universe as King of kings and Lord of lords! In You, Lord Jesus, all things are held together. In You, Lord Jesus, we live and move and have our being. You provide well for all those who belong to You. Grant us hearts to receive Your Word, hands to extend Your love to others, and feet to walk by Your Spirit. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer and receive our thanks for Your provision in our lives.**

**P** Holy Spirit, when we feel lost and alone, remind us of Your never-failing love. Instill in us the readiness to be led by You in the purpose that You give to all who follow Jesus Christ. Send Your Church out into every corner of the world to proclaim the Good News of life and salvation in our Savior's death and resurrection.

Until the day He comes again, grant that we never grow tired of sharing the Gospel with our neighbors. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer and receive our thanks for Your purpose in our lives.**

**P** Merciful Lord, we pray Your blessing upon all who lead and govern us, for all who protect us from harm and danger, and for all who work for the well-being of our communities, our state, and our nation. Grant that Your presence and provision be known in our families and in the lives of our children. Remind those who are homebound, hospitalized, or ailing in any way that they are never alone, for You are always with them. [*Grant Your healing mercies to those we name before You, especially . . .*] Lord, in Your mercy,

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

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

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

**P** Into Your faithful hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all those for whom we pray, ever trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

*Please be seated*

**Offering** (*During our Saturday evening service, please feel free to place your offerings and attendance cards in the plate in the narthex.*)

*Please stand*

**Offertory**, LSB 783 v. 1 & 6, “Take My Life and Let It Be”

**1** **Take my life and let it be  
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;  
Take my moments and my days,  
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.**

**6** **Take my love, my Lord, I pour  
At Thy feet its treasure store;  
Take myself, and I will be  
Ever, only, all for Thee.**

**+ 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)  
**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 on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. By His Holy Spirit, we who belong to Christ Jesus are called to lives of purpose as You provide us with Your presence and never-failing mercy. 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**

- C** **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might: heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the Highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the Highest.** (Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9)

## **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 642, "O Living Bread from Heaven"  
LSB 666, "O Little Flock, Fear Not the Foe"

*Please stand*

## Dismissal

- P** Now...Go in peace.  
**C** Amen.

## Post-Communion Collect

- P** Let us pray. 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.

## Benediction

- P** The LORD bless you and keep you. (Numbers 6:24-26)  
The Lord make his face shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee and give thee peace.  
**C** Amen.

**Closing Hymn, LSB 733, "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"**

## 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 25, 2022 - 5:30 pm**

Preacher - Rev. Merritt Demski

Server - Bob Polansky

Media - Melissa Wiegand

Pianist - Ron Jones

Acolyte - Evan Williams

### **Sunday, June 26, 2022 - 7:45 am**

Preacher/Liturgist/Celebrant - Rev. Merritt Demski

Lector - Daniel Niemeyer

Acolytes - Ashlyn Whelan & Ayda Eggemeyer

Ushers - Charles Lloyd, Kevin & Alex Whelan

Music Director - Ann Frank

Media - Cathy Whelan

### **Sunday, June 26, 2022 - 10:15 am**

Preacher/Liturgist/Celebrant - Rev. Merritt Demski

Server - Bob Polansky

Acolytes - Nicholas Hoeffken & Kadin LaRue

Ushers - Alan Stumpf, Ian Schrader, Paul Broske Sr., Tom McDaniel

Music Director - Ann Frank

Lector - Jen Janssen

Media/Facebook Live - Greg Hoeffken

### **Ushers - Sunday, July 3, 2022**

7:45 am - Allen Jacobs, Don & Gina Birrittier

10:15 am - Elden Niemeyer, Wayne Hargrave, Warren Frank, Daniel Niemeyer

### **Acolytes - Sunday, July 3, 2022**

Saturday 5:30 pm - Kaden & Keaton Roberts

Sunday 7:45 am - Charli & Tyler Major

Sunday 10:15 am - Brielle & Jeriah Fink

### **Lectors - Sunday, July 3, 2022**

Saturday 5:30 pm - n/a

Sunday 7:45 am - Don Birrittier

Sunday 10:15 am - Warren Frank

### **Servers - Sunday, July 3, 2022**

Saturday 5:30 pm - Chuck Keller

Sunday 7:45 am - n/a

Sunday 10:15 am - Bob Polansky

### **Altar Guild - Sunday, July 3, 2022**

Saturday 5:30 pm - Susan Starbuck

Sunday 7:45 am - Debbie Conover

Sunday 10:15 am - Linda Gutknecht

### **Media - Sunday, July 3, 2022**

Saturday 5:30 pm - Kelley Keller

Sunday 7:45 am - Don Birrittier

Sunday 10:15 am - Lisa Clamors

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# YOUTH SPOTLIGHT!

*It's a great way to get to know our youth heading to the National Youth Gathering (NYG) later this year!*

**This weekend (June 25-26) we are spotlighting...**

## ***Nicholas Hoeffken***

Nicholas was confirmed in April and will be a freshman at WHS this fall.

**Fun Fact:** He has been involved in every VBS since he was 10 months old.

**Extracurricular Activities:** Boy Scouts, chorus

**Favorite Movie:** Star Wars: Return of the Jedi

**Guilty Pleasures:** Video games



**Favorite Snack:**  
Nutty Bars (aka  
Peanut Butter  
Bars)

**What is Nicholas looking forward to with the 2022 Youth Gathering:**  
Going to a new place like Texas

