



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost



Saturday, September 2, 2023 – 5:30 p.m.
Sunday, September 3, 2023 – 7:45 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.

“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.

Divine Service, Setting One

(*Lutheran Service Book*, pg. 151)

Preservice Music

Bells

Welcome

Opening Hymn, *LSB* 706, “Love in Christ Is Strong and Living”

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

(1 John 1:8-9)

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **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.

C **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.**

P 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 37:5-7; antiphon: v. 4)

Delight yourself in the LORD,

and he will give you the desires of your heart.

Commit your way to the LORD;

trust in him, and he will act.

He will bring forth your righteousness as the light,

and your justice as the noonday.

Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him;

fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way, over the man who carries out evil devices!

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

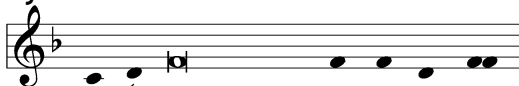
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Delight yourself in the LORD,

and he will give you the desires of your heart.

Kyrie

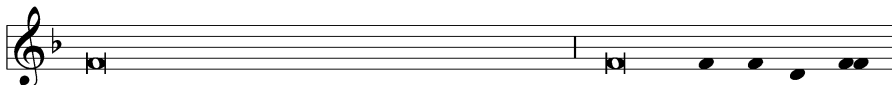
(Mark 10:47)



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



G Lord, have mer - cy.



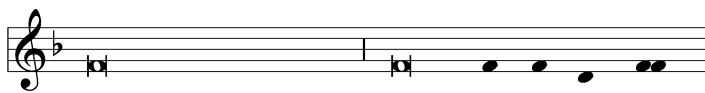
A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



G Lord, have mer - cy.



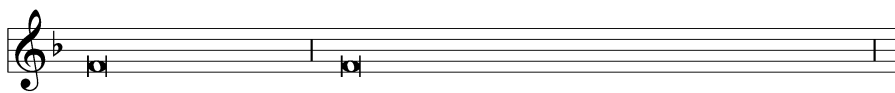
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



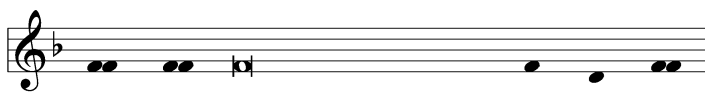
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.

Gloria in Excelsis



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



C Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,



You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

(2 Timothy 4:22)

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

C Almighty God, Your Son willingly endured the agony and shame of the cross for our redemption. Grant us courage to take up our cross daily and follow Him wherever He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated

Old Testament Reading, Jeremiah 15:15-21

¹⁵O LORD, you know; remember me and visit me, and take vengeance for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance take me not away; know that for your sake I bear reproach. ¹⁶Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart, for I am called by your name, O LORD, God of hosts. ¹⁷I did not sit in the company of revelers, nor did I rejoice; I sat alone, because your hand was upon me, for you had filled me with indignation. ¹⁸Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Will you be to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail? ¹⁹Therefore thus says the LORD: "If you return, I will restore you, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall be as my mouth. They shall turn to you, but you shall not turn to them. ²⁰And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, declares the LORD. ²¹I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle, Romans 12:9-21

⁹Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. ¹⁰Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹²Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. ¹³Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality. ¹⁴Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be conceited. ¹⁷Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. ¹⁸If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head." ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Alleluia & Verse

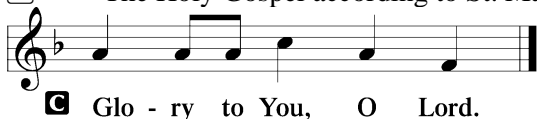
(Joel 2:13)



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel, Matthew 16:21-28

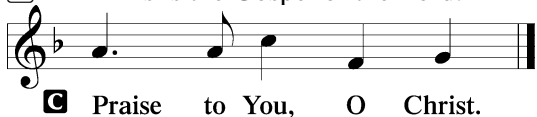
P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 16th chapter.



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

²¹From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. ²²And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you." ²³But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man." ²⁴Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ²⁵For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. ²⁶For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his life? Or what shall a man give in return for his life? ²⁷For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done. ²⁸Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Please be seated

Children's Message (Parents of young children may also come forward with their children.)

Hymn of the Day, *LSB* 688, "Come, Follow Me," the Savior Spake"

Sermon

Please stand

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life \dagger of the world to come. Amen.

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.

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

C **hear our prayer.**

P 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.**

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

(Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19)



C What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

✠ 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

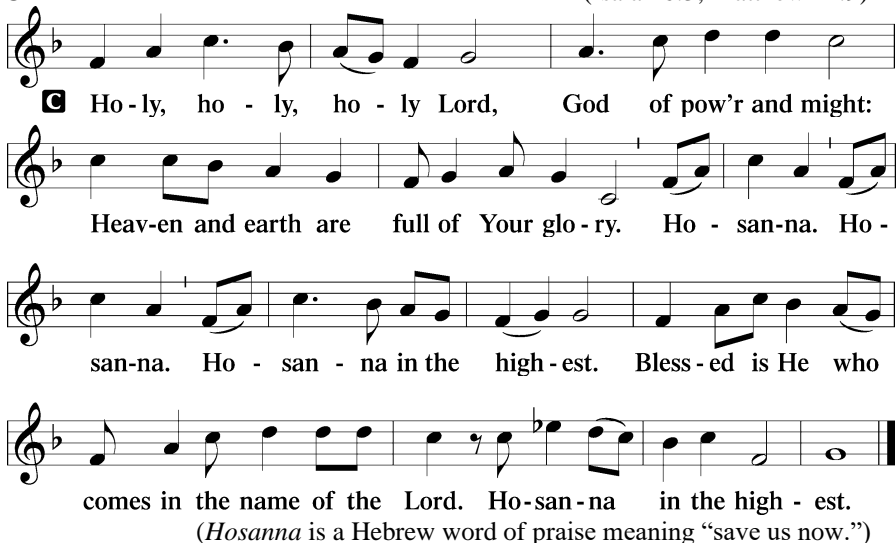
- P** The Lord be with you. (2 Timothy 4:22)
C And also with you.
P Lift up your hearts. (Colossians 3:1)
C We lift them to the Lord.
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. (Psalm 136)
C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

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 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:

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)

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
C 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 A - men.

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

LSB 680, “Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise”

LSB 843, “Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive”

Please stand

Dismissal

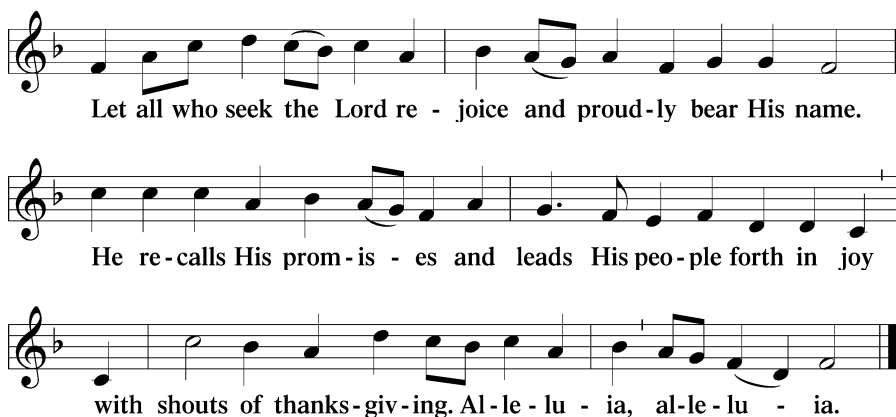
P The body and blood... Go in peace.

C Amen.

Post-Communion Cantic (Psalm 105:1-2, 42-43; 1 Chronicles 16:8-10)



C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'-ry-one what He has done.



Post-Communion Collect



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.



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 917, “Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise”

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, September 2, 2023 - 5:30 p.m.

Pastor - Rev. Merritt Demski
 Server/Lector - Rodney Clamors
 Altar Guild - Susan Starbuck

Pianist - Ron Jones
 Acolyte - Chase Richey
 Media - n/a

Sunday, September 3, 2023 - 7:45 a.m.

Pastor - Rev. Merritt Demski
 Server - Paul Broske Sr.
 Acolytes - Ayda & Myla Eggemeyer
 Ushers - Jason Valerius, Jeriah Fink, Trinity Drewes, Evan Williams
 Media - Liam Garner

Music Director - Ann Frank
 Lector - Don Birrittier
 Altar Guild - Sandy Thompson

Sunday, September 3, 2023 - 10:15 a.m.

Pastor - Rev. Merritt Demski
 Server - Paul Broske Sr.
 Acolytes - Jacob Dethrow & Nash Bradley
 Ushers - Alan Stumpf, Paul Broske Sr., Tom McDaniel, Collin Dethrow

Music Director - Ann Frank
 Altar Guild - Carol Kassel
 Media/Facebook Live - Lisa Clamors

Ushers - Sunday, September 10, 2023

7:45 a.m. - Allen Jacobs, Don & Gina Birrittier
 10:15 a.m. - Cal Neeman, Dean Harbison, Jeriah Fink, Jacob Dethrow

Acolytes - Sunday, September 10, 2023

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Gwen Wiegand
 Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Avery & Jensyn Collmeyer
 Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Tyler Major & Carson Filipiak

Lectors - Sunday, Sept 10, 2023

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - n/a
 Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Rodney Clamors
 Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Bob Polansky
Altar Guild - Sunday, Sept 10, 2023
 Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Marilyn Collette
 Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Barbara Altes
 Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Susan Hargrave

Servers - Sunday, September 10, 2023

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Greg Wiegand
 Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Rodney Clamors
 Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Bob Polansky

Media - Sunday, September 10, 2023

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Melissa Wiegand
 Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Keaton Roberts
 Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Clark Deptula

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WURSTMARKT & COUNTRY STORE
VOLUNTEER FORM
October 1, 2023

- ___ I will help set up the dining room on Saturday 9:00 a.m.
- ___ I will help in the dining room on Sunday 11:15 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
- ___ I will help in the dining room on Sunday 1:00 p.m. - clean up.
- ___ I will help in the kitchen on Sunday 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
- ___ I will help in the kitchen on Sunday 11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
- ___ I will help in the kitchen on Sunday 1:00 p.m. - clean up.
- ___ I will help with carry-outs on Sunday 10:30 a.m.
- ___ I will help fry sausage on Sunday 8:00 a.m. - 12 noon.
- ___ I will help fry sausage on Sunday 12 noon - cleanup.
- ___ I will bring two pies (*no cream or custard pies please*).
- ___ I will bring items for Country Store/Bake Sale.
- ___ I will help wrap meat on Friday 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.
- ___ I will help with meat sales on Saturday 10:00 a.m - 1:00 p.m.
- ___ I will help with meat sales on Sunday 10:00 a.m - 1:00 p.m.

Name _____

Phone # _____

Please return by September 24, 2023.
(Please place this form in the box in the narthex, in the offering
plate, or in the office.)

Wurstmarkt & Country Store

Sunday, October 1, 2023

11:30 am—2:00 pm

**Immanuel Lutheran Church
522 S. Church St.
Waterloo, IL**

Prices:
\$15.00 for adults
\$8.00 for children ages 6-12
Free for children 5 & under



**Dine in or carry out.
Held in our multipurpose room.**

**Come and enjoy pork sausage,
sauerkraut, mashed potatoes &
gravy, green beans, applesauce,
bread, and pie.**

Meat Sales!

***Fresh meat from Lehr's Meat Market in New
Athens will be available to purchase on
Saturday, Sept. 30, and Sunday, Oct. 1, from
10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. each day.***

For pre-orders, call 618-939-6480.

**All proceeds from this dinner will be used to support Immanuel's
Preschool and Stronghold Cambodia.**