



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH  
WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

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**Eighth Sunday after Pentecost**



**Saturday, July 13, 2024 – 5:30 p.m.**  
**Sunday, July 14, 2024 – 7:45 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.**

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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.*

## Divine Service, Setting Three

(Lutheran Service Book, pg. 184)

### Preservice Music

#### Bells

### Welcome / Greeting

*Please stand*

**Opening Hymn, LSB 793, “Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”**

### Invocation

**P** In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. (Matthew 28:19b; [18-20])

**C** **Amen.**

**P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. (Heb. 10:22)

### Confession and Absolution

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**C** **who made heaven and earth.** (Psalm 124:8)

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,  
**C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.** (Psalm 32:5)

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

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,  
**C** **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I 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.**

## Introit of the Day

(Psalm 143:1-2, 8a; antiphon: v. 11)

For your name's sake, O LORD, preserve my life!

**In your righteousness bring my soul out of trouble!**

Hear my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my pleas for mercy!

**In your faithfulness answer me, in your righteousness!**

Enter not into judgment with your servant,

**for no one living is righteous before you.**

Let me hear in the morning of your steadfast love,

**for in you I trust.**

**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.**

For your name's sake, O LORD, preserve my life!

**In your righteousness bring my soul out of trouble!**

## Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

(2 Timothy 4:22)

**C** And with thy Spirit.

**P** Let us pray.

**C** O Lord, You granted Your prophets strength to resist the temptations of the devil and courage to proclaim repentance. Give us pure hearts and minds to follow Your Son faithfully even into suffering and death; 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, Amos 7:7-15

<sup>7</sup>This is what [the Lord God] showed me: behold, the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. <sup>8</sup>And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "Behold, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass by them; <sup>9</sup>the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword." <sup>10</sup>Then Amaziah the priest of Bethel sent to Jeroboam king of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the midst of the house of Israel. The land is not able to bear all his words. <sup>11</sup>For thus Amos has said, "'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'" <sup>12</sup>And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, and eat bread there, and prophesy there, <sup>13</sup>but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom." <sup>14</sup>Then

Amos answered and said to Amaziah, “I was no prophet, nor a prophet’s son, but I was a herdsman and a dresser of sycamore figs. <sup>15</sup>But the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, ‘Go, prophesy to my people Israel.’”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

### **Epistle, Ephesians 1:3-14**

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, <sup>4</sup>even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love <sup>5</sup>he predestined us for adoption as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, <sup>6</sup>to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. <sup>7</sup>In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, <sup>8</sup>which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight <sup>9</sup>making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ <sup>10</sup>as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. <sup>11</sup>In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, <sup>12</sup>so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. <sup>13</sup>In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, <sup>14</sup>who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Please stand*

### **Holy Gospel, Mark 6:14-29**

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 6<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C** Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>14</sup>King Herod heard of it, for Jesus’ name had become known. Some said, “John the Baptist has been raised from the dead. That is why these miraculous powers are at work in him.” <sup>15</sup>But others said, “He is Elijah.” And others said, “He is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old.” <sup>16</sup>But when Herod heard of it, he said, “John, whom I beheaded, has been raised.” <sup>17</sup>For it was Herod who had sent and seized John and bound him in prison for the sake of Herodias, his brother Philip’s wife, because he had married her. <sup>18</sup>For John had been saying to Herod, “It is not lawful for you to have your brother’s wife.” <sup>19</sup>And Herodias had a grudge against him and wanted to put him to death. But she could not, <sup>20</sup>for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he kept

him safe. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed, and yet he heard him gladly. <sup>21</sup>But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his nobles and military commanders and the leading men of Galilee. <sup>22</sup>For when Herodias's daughter came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests. And the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it to you." <sup>23</sup>And he vowed to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, up to half of my kingdom." <sup>24</sup>And she went out and said to her mother, "For what should I ask?" And she said, "The head of John the Baptist." <sup>25</sup>And she came in immediately with haste to the king and asked, saying, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." <sup>26</sup>And the king was exceedingly sorry, but because of his oaths and his guests he did not want to break his word to her. <sup>27</sup>And immediately the king sent an executioner with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison <sup>28</sup>and brought his head on a platter and gave it to the girl, and the girl gave it to her mother. <sup>29</sup>When his disciples heard of it, they came and took his body and laid it in a tomb.

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

**C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

## 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  $\text{✝}$  of the world to come. Amen.

*Please be seated*

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

## Hymn of the Day, LSB 583, "God Has Spoken by His Prophets"

**Sermon**, "From Plumb-line to the Cross" based on Amos 7:7-9 and Mark 6:14-29

## Offering

*Please stand*

### Offertory

(Psalm 51:10-12)

**C** Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

## 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.

## + Service of the Sacrament +

### Preface

**P** The Lord be with you. (2 Timothy 4:22)

**C** And with thy spirit.

**P** Lift up your hearts. (Colossians 3:1)

**C** We lift them up unto the Lord.

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

**C** It is meet and right so to do.

**P** It is truly meet, 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, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. 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 Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,



bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



## Prayer of Thanksgiving

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross. We thank You that You call us by name, and we pray we continually heed Your voice of invitation. Even as You call us now to this Table to receive our Savior's body and blood, let Your servants hear Your word of forgiveness and grace to strengthen and sustain us. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## 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** O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that

tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

*Please be seated*

### Distribution Hymns

*LSB 628, "Your Table I Approach"*

*LSB 637, "Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord"*

*LSB 805, "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"*

*Please stand*

### Dismissal

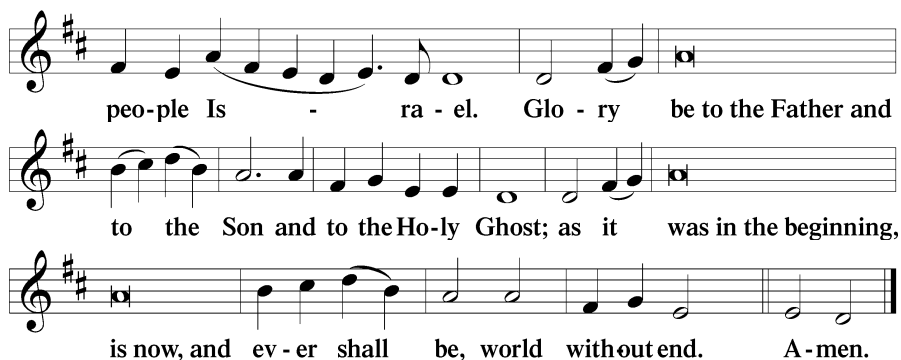
**P** The body and blood...Depart + in peace.

**C** Amen.

### Nunc Dimittis

(Luke 2:29-32)

**C** Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de-part in peace accord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast pre-pared be-fore the face of all people, a light to light-en the Gen-tiles and the glo-ry of Thy



### Thanksgiving

(Psalm 107:1)

- P** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,  
**C** **and His mercy endureth forever.**  
**P** 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 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.**

### Salutation and Benedicamus

- P** The Lord be with you. (2 Timothy 4:22)  
**C** **And with thy spirit.**  
**P** Bless we the Lord. (Psalm 103:1)  
**C** **Thanks be to God.**

### Benediction

(Numbers 6:24-26)

- P** 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.  
**C** **Amen, amen, 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](http://immanuelwaterloo.org).*

## Worship Helpers

### **Saturday, July 13, 2024 - 5:30 p.m.**

Pastor - Rev. Brian Downs  
Server/Lector - Rodney Clamors  
Altar Guild - Susan Starbuck

Organist - Joan Ruwald  
Acolyte - Logan Kettler  
Media - Gwen Wiegand

### **Sunday, July 14, 2024 - 7:45 a.m.**

Pastor - Rev. Brian Downs  
Server - Dusty Dethrow  
Acolytes - Olivia Rusteberg & Mason Wilhelm  
Ushers - Elden Niemeyer, Wayne Hargrave, Warren Frank, Daniel Niemeyer  
Media - Don Birrittier

Music Director - Ann Frank  
Lector - Daniel Niemeyer  
Altar Guild - Barbara Altes

### **Sunday, July 14, 2024 - 10:15 a.m.**

Pastor - Rev. Brian Downs  
Servers - Doug Simms & Jason Valerius  
Acolytes - Myla & Henry Eggemeyer  
Ushers - Lee Eggemeyer, Adam Eggemeyer, Chase Richey, Jakson Gregory  
Media/Facebook Live - Ayda Eggemeyer

Music Director - Ann Frank  
Lector - Don Birrittier  
Altar Guild - Joyce McDaniel

### **Ushers - Sunday, July 21, 2024**

7:45 a.m. - Roy Unterseh, Jim Stueve, Ed Arras, Maddy Prather  
10:15 a.m. - Rodney Clamors, Jenna & Nicholas Hoeffken, Masson Fink

### **Acolytes - Sunday, July 21, 2024**

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Liam Garner  
Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Nolan Prather & Chase Richey  
Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Jakson Gregory & Michael Evers

### **Lectors - Sunday, July 21, 2024**

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - n/a  
Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Don Birrittier  
Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Warren Frank

### **Servers - Sunday, July 21, 2024**

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Bob Polansky  
Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Alex Voges  
Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Warren Frank & Paul Broske, Sr.

### **Altar Guild - Sunday, July 21, 2024**

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Diana Heins  
Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Pam Nagel  
Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Carol Kassel

### **Media - Sunday, July 21, 2024**

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Keaton Roberts  
Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Don Birrittier  
Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Will Hanks

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