



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH  
WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

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**Fifth Sunday after Trinity**



**Saturday, July 4, 2026 – 5:30 p.m.**

**Sunday, July 5, 2026 – 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 on the table near the doors as you enter the multipurpose room 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 / Greeting

*Please stand*

**Opening Hymn, LSB 856, “O Christ, Who Called the Twelve”**

### 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 ✠

*Please stand*

### Confession and Absolution

Psalm 124:8; 30:3-4

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** **who made heaven and earth.**

**P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**C** **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

**P** 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.

**C** **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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 27:1a, 11-12, 14; antiphon: vv. 7, 9b*

Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud;

be gracious to me and answer me!

O you who have been my help,

forsake me not, O God of my salvation!

**The LORD is my light and my salvation;**

**whom shall I fear?**

Teach me your way, O LORD,

and lead me on a level path because of my enemies.

**Give me not up to the will of my adversaries;**

**for false witnesses have risen against me, and they breathe out violence.**

Wait for the LORD;

be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD!

**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.**

Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud;

be gracious to me and answer me!

O you who have been my help,

forsake me not, O God of my salvation!

**Kyrie**

Mark 10:47



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

**Gloria in Excelsis**

Luke 2:14; John 1:29



☐ 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;  
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;  
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!  
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.  
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—  
 Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,  
 You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.  
 Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—  
 In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

**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.

O God, You have prepared for those who love You good things that surpass all understanding. Pour into our hearts such love toward You that we, loving You above all things, may obtain Your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

*Please be seated*

**First Reading**

*Romans 13:1-7*

<sup>1</sup>Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. <sup>2</sup>Therefore whoever resists the authorities resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment. <sup>3</sup>For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Would you have no fear of the one who is in authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive his approval, <sup>4</sup>for he is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword in vain. For he is the servant of God, an avenger who carries out God's wrath on the wrongdoer. <sup>5</sup>Therefore one must be in subjection, not only to avoid God's wrath but also for the sake of conscience. <sup>6</sup>For the same reason you also pay taxes, for the authorities are ministers of God, attending to this very thing. <sup>7</sup>Pay to all what is owed to them: taxes to whom taxes are owed, revenue to whom revenue is owed, respect to whom respect is owed, honor to whom honor is owed.

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

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Gradual

*Psalm 84:9, 8*

Behold our shield, O God;

look on the face of your anointed!

**O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer;**

**give ear, O God of Jacob!**

## Epistle

*1 Peter 3:8-15*

<sup>8</sup>Finally, all of you, have unity of mind, sympathy, brotherly love, a tender heart, and a humble mind. <sup>9</sup>Do not repay evil for evil or reviling for reviling, but on the contrary, bless, for to this you were called, that you may obtain a blessing. <sup>10</sup>For “Whoever desires to love life and see good days, let him keep his tongue from evil and his lips from speaking deceit; <sup>11</sup>let him turn away from evil and do good; let him seek peace and pursue it. <sup>12</sup>For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and his ears are open to their prayer. But the face of the Lord is against those who do evil.” <sup>13</sup>Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? <sup>14</sup>But even if you should suffer for righteousness’ sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, <sup>15</sup>but in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Please stand*

## Alleluia and Verse



**C** Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



**C** These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

**P** O LORD, in your strength the king rejoices, and in your salvation how greatly he exults!



**C** Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel

*Luke 5:1-11*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 5<sup>th</sup> chapter.

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

<sup>1</sup>On one occasion, while the crowd was pressing in on [Jesus] to hear the word of God, he was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, <sup>2</sup>and he saw two boats by the lake, but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. <sup>3</sup>Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. <sup>4</sup>And when he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." <sup>5</sup>And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets." <sup>6</sup>And when they had done this, they enclosed a large number of fish, and their nets were breaking. <sup>7</sup>They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. <sup>8</sup>But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." <sup>9</sup>For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish that they had taken, <sup>10</sup>and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." <sup>11</sup>And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

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

**C** **Praise to You, 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 of the world to come. Amen.**

*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, Rom. 13:1-7, “The Blessing of Church and State”**

*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.

*After each portion of the prayer:*

**P** Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**Offertory, LSB 582, “God’s Word Is Our Great Heritage”**

Text: Nikolai Fredrik Severin Grundtvig, 1783–1872; tr. Ole G. Belsheim, 1861–1925, alt. Tune: Friedrich O. Reuter, 1863–1924. Text and tune: Public domain

God's Word is our great her - i - tage And shall be ours for -  
ev - er; To spread its light from age to age Shall be our  
chief en - deav - or. Through life it guides our way, In death it  
is our stay. Lord, grant, while worlds en - dure, We keep its  
teach - ings pure Through - out all gen - er - a - tions.

*Please be seated*

**Offering** *(During the Saturday service, please place your offering and attendance card in the plate in the narthex before or after the service.)*

**✠ 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, 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:

**Sanctus**

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;

Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.  
 Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho- san - na to the Lord;  
 Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

**The Lord's Prayer**

Matthew 6:9-13

**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** Amen.

**Agnus Dei**

John 1:29

**C** 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
 2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
 You take the sin of the world a - way;  
 You take the sin of the world a - way;

O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
 Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,  
 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
 And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

*Please be seated*

**Distribution**

LSB 965, “God Bless Our Native Land”

LSB 731, “O God, Forsake Me Not”

LSB 560, “Drawn to the Cross, Which Thou Hast Blessed”

*Please stand*

**Dismissal**


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

**C** Amen.

**Nunc Dimittis**

Luke 2:29-32

**C** 1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -  
 2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All  
 part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the  
 glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the  
 glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:  
 Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;  
 A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -  
 For as in the be - gin - ning, Is -



to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your  
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -  
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.  
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

## Post-Communion Collect

**P**

Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; 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

**P**

Let us bless the Lord.

Psalm 103:1

**C**

Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

**P**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

Numbers 6:24-26

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.

**C**

Amen.

## Closing Hymn, *LSB* 966, “Before You, Lord, We Bow”

## 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).*

## Worship Helpers

### **Saturday, July 4, 2026 - 5:30 p.m.**

Pastor - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup

Server - Ranley Killian

Media - Don Birrittier

Music Director - Ann Frank

Altar Guild - Susan Starbuck

### **Sunday, July 5, 2026 - 7:45 a.m.**

Pastor - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup

Servers - Rodney Clamors & Warren Frank

Acolyte - Lucas Garner

Ushers - Kevin Whelan, Alex Whelan

Music Director - Ann Frank

Lector - Warren Frank

Altar Guild - Barbara Altes

Media - Olivia Rusteberg

### **Sunday, July 5, 2026 - 10:15 a.m.**

Pastor - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup

Server/Lector - Seth Weinberg

Acolytes - Olivia Simms & Everly Dethrow

Ushers - Rodney Clamors, Jenna & Nicholas Hoeffken

Music Director - Ann Frank

Server - Dusty Dethrow

Altar Guild - Ellen Heise

Media/Facebook Live - Lisa Clamors

### **Ushers - Sunday, July 12, 2026**

7:45 a.m. - Roy Unterseh, Jim Stueve, Ed Arras, Maddy Prather, Nolan Prather

10:15 a.m. - Elden Niemeyer, Warren Frank, Daniel Niemeyer

### **Acolytes - Sunday, July 12, 2026**

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - NEED SOMEONE

Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Eddie Arras & Nolan Prather

Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Carolina Bradley & Kennedy Filipiak

### **Servers - Sunday, July 12, 2026**

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Rodney Clamors

Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Don Birrittier & Seth Weinberg

Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Dusty Dethrow & Seth Weinberg

### **Media - Sunday, July 12, 2026**

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Liam Garner

Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Gwen/Melissa Wiegand

Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Nash Bradley

### **Lectors - Sunday, July 12, 2026**

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Rodney Clamors

Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Don Birrittier

Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Daniel Niemeyer

### **Altar Guild - Sunday, July 12, 2026**

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Cally Killian

Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Amy Kolweier

Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Jill Eggemeyer

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## RUMMAGE SALE DROP OFF DAYS

July 26: 12-3p  
July 27-30: 9a-12p & 4-7p  
July 31: 9a-12p  
August 1: 9a-3p  
August 2: 12-3p  
August 3-5: 9a-12p & 4-7p

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**ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED INCLUDE TVS, COMPUTERS, LAPTOPS, MATTRESSES, ENCYCLOPEDIAS, OVERSIZE FURNITURE, CAR SEATS, AND ANY DIRTY OR BROKEN ITEMS.**

Drop off all donations in the multipurpose room **only when volunteers are present.**

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Would you like to volunteer on the drop off days, the sale days, or the clean-up days. Contact the office at 618.939.6480 or use the QR code. Many volunteers are needed!



# DAILY PRAYER

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

In the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

O Lord, open my lips,  
**and my mouth will declare your praise.**

Make haste, O God to deliver me;  
**make haste to help me, O Lord.**

**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.**

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

*The Hymn of the Season, or another appropriate hymn or psalm, may be sung or spoken.*

*The appointed reading from The Family at Prayer is read and discussed using the accompanying questions.*

*A portion of the Small or Large Catechism from The Congregation at Prayer is read and/or recited.*

O Lord,  
**have mercy upon us.**

O Christ,  
**have mercy upon us.**

O Lord,  
**have mercy upon us.**

*Lord's Prayer*

*Prayers for others and ourselves*

*Concluding prayer:*

O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Week 4: July 5-11

### Catechism: The Large Catechism – The Fourth Commandment

Therefore, let everyone who allows himself to be advised remember that God is not joking. Know that it is God who speaks with you and demands obedience. If you obey Him, you are His dear child [John 14:23]. But if you despise obedience, then take shame, misery, and grief for your reward.

The same should also be said about obedience to civil government. This (as we have said) is all included in the place of fatherhood and extends farthest of all relations. Here "father" is not one person from a single family, but it means the many people the father has as tenants, citizens, or subjects. Through them, as through our parents, God gives to us food, house and home, protection, and security. They bear such a name and title with all honor as their highest dignity that it is our duty to honor them and to value them greatly as the dearest treasure and the most precious jewel upon the earth (LC I 149-150).

### Readings for the Week

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| <input type="checkbox"/> July 6: Monday           | Romans 13:5-7 – Submit to Authorities              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> July 7: Tuesday          | 1 Timothy 2:1-3 – Pray for Authorities             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>July 8: Wednesday</b> | <b>1 Samuel 24:1-12, 16-17 – David Spares Saul</b> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> July 9: Thursday         | Titus 3:1-8 – Be Submissive                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> July 10: Friday          | 1 Peter 2:10-17 – Authorities Sent by God          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> July 11: Saturday        | Matthew 22:17-22 – Give to Caesar                  |

### Questions to Discuss in the Home

**Mon - Sat:** What does the day's passage have to say about the duties of the citizens? How does the day's passage relate to the meaning of the 4<sup>th</sup> Commandment? Was the passage written at a time when the civil authorities were Christian, or not? How does this shape our understanding of God's demand to respect our authorities, even if our authorities are in error? Is there a way to express opposition while continuing to honor and respect the office of those who have authority (think Acts 5:29)?

### Verse of the Week: Titus 3:1

Remind people to be subject to rulers and authorities, to be obedient, to be ready to do whatever is good.

**Hymn of the Season (Trinity):** *Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord (LSB 497)*