



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

Twelfth Sunday after Trinity



Saturday, August 22, 2026 – 5:30 p.m.
Sunday, August 23, 2026 – 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 pew holder 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* 841, “O Son of God, in Galilee”

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 70:2b, 4a, 5b; antiphon: vv. 1-2a

Make haste, O God, to deliver me!

O LORD, make haste to help me!

Let them be put to shame and confusion
who seek my life!

Let them be turned back

and brought to dishonor who desire my hurt!

May all who seek you rejoice
and be glad in you!

You are my help and my deliverer;

O LORD, do not delay!

**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.

Make haste, O God, to deliver me!

O LORD, make haste to help me!

Let them be put to shame and confusion
who seek my life!

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.

Almighty and merciful God, by Your gift alone Your faithful people render true and laudable service. Help us steadfastly to live in this life according to Your promises and finally attain Your heavenly glory; 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

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 29:17-24

¹⁷Is it not yet a very little while until Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field, and the fruitful field shall be regarded as a forest? ¹⁸In that day the deaf shall hear the words of a book, and out of their gloom and darkness the eyes of the blind shall see. ¹⁹The meek shall obtain fresh joy in the LORD, and the poor among mankind shall exult in the Holy One of Israel. ²⁰For the ruthless shall come to nothing and the scoffer cease, and all who watch to do evil shall be cut off, ²¹who by a word make a man out to be an offender, and lay a snare for him who reproves in the gate, and with an empty plea turn aside him who is in the right. ²²Therefore thus says the LORD, who redeemed Abraham, concerning the house of Jacob: "Jacob shall no more be ashamed, no more shall his face grow pale. ²³For when he sees his children, the work of my hands, in his midst, they will sanctify my name; they will sanctify the Holy One of Jacob and will stand in awe of the God of Israel. ²⁴And those who go astray in spirit will come to understanding, and those who murmur will accept instruction."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Psalm 34:1-2

I will bless the LORD at all times;

his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast in the LORD;

let the humble hear and be glad.

Epistle

2 Corinthians 3:4-11

⁴Such is the confidence that we have through Christ toward God. ⁵Not that we are sufficient in ourselves to claim anything as coming from us, but our sufficiency is from God, ⁶who has made us competent to be ministers of a new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit. For the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life. ⁷Now if the ministry of death, carved in letters on stone, came with such glory that the Israelites could not gaze at Moses' face because of its glory, which was being brought to an end, ⁸will not the ministry of the Spirit have even more glory? ⁹For if there was glory in the ministry of condemnation, the ministry of righteousness must far exceed it in glory. ¹⁰Indeed, in this case, what once had glory has come to have no glory at all, because of the glory that surpasses it. ¹¹For if what was being brought to an end came with glory, much more will what is permanent have glory.

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 Sing aloud to God our strength; shout for joy to the God of Jacob.



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

Holy Gospel

Mark 7:31-37

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 7th chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

³¹[Jesus] returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. ³²And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment, and they begged him to lay his hand on him. ³³And taking him aside from the crowd privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue. ³⁴And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” ³⁵And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. ³⁶And Jesus charged them to tell no one. But the more he charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. ³⁷And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, “He has done all things well. He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak.”

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* 545, "Word of God, Come Down on Earth"

Sermon

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.

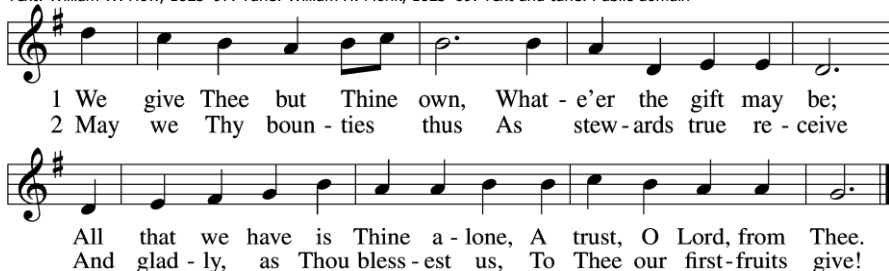
After each portion of the prayer:

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Offertory, *LSB* 781, v. 1-2, "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

Text: William W. How, 1823–97. Tune: William H. Monk, 1823–89. Text and tune: Public domain



1 We give Thee but Thine own, What - e'er the gift may be;
2 May we Thy boun - ties thus As stew - ards true re - ceive

All that we have is Thine a - lone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.
And glad - ly, as Thou bless - est us, To Thee our first-fruits give!

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

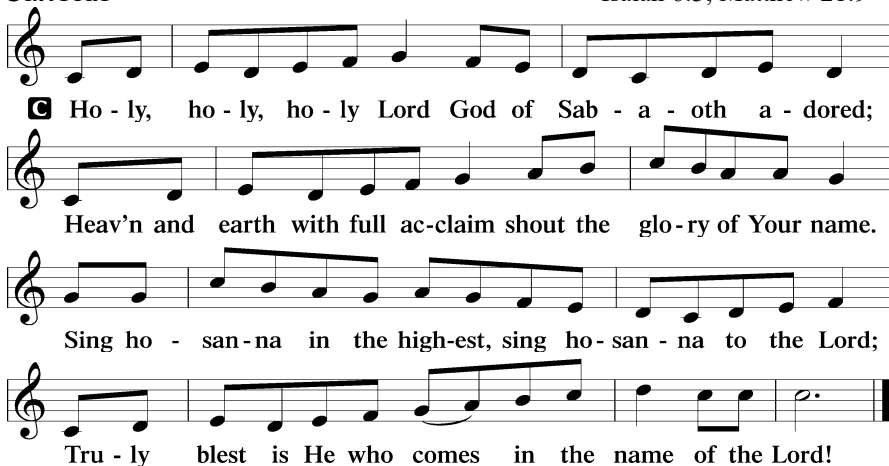
- P** The Lord be with you. 2 Timothy 4:22
C And also with you.
P Lift up your hearts. Colossians 3:1
C We lift them to the Lord.
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Psalm 136
C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

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 349, "Hark the Glad Sound"

LSB 846, "Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old"

LSB 686, "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

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 be - 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 524, “How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds”

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.

Worship Helpers

Saturday, August 22, 2026 - 5:30 p.m.

Pastor - Rev. Benjamin Hayter

Server - Rodney Clamors

Altar Guild - Marilyn Collette

Sunday, August 23, 2026 - 7:45 a.m.

Pastor - Rev. Benjamin Hayter

Servers - Adam Eggemeyer & Warren Frank

Acolytes - Mason Wilhelm & Rosie Fink

Ushers - Elden Niemeyer, Warren Frank, Daniel Niemeyer

Media - Olivia Rusteberg

Sunday, August 23, 2026 - 10:15 a.m.

Pastor - Rev. Benjamin Hayter

Servers - Doug Simms & Seth Weinberg

Acolytes - Carolina Bradley & AJ Helms

Ushers - Dusty Dethrow, Davin Dethrow, Collin Dethrow, Jacob Dethrow

Media - Everly Dethrow

Ushers - Sunday, August 30, 2026

7:45 a.m. - Allen Jacobs, Don Birrittier, Mason Wilhelm

10:15 a.m. - Alan Stumpf, Paul Broske Sr., Tom McDaniel

Acolytes - Sunday, August 30, 2026

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Kenzie Wiegand

Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Olivia Rusteberg & Jase Gregory

Sunday 10:15 a.m. - TJ Joellenbeck & Brady Drewes

Servers - Sunday, August 30, 2026

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Greg Wiegand

Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Rodney Clamors & Warren Frank

Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Jason Valerius & Seth Weinberg

Media - Sunday, August 30, 2026

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Gwen/Melissa Wiegand

Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Don Birrittier

Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Lisa Clamors & AJ Helms

Organist - Sarah Koester

Acolyte - Amelia Deptula

Media - Clark Deptula

Music Director - Ann Frank

Lector - Daniel Niemeyer

Altar Guild - Amy Kolweier

Music Director - Ann Frank

Lector - Seth Weinberg

Altar Guild - Angie Broske

Lectors - Sunday, Aug. 30, 2026

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - n/a

Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Rodney Clamors

Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Seth Weinberg

Altar Guild - Sunday, Aug. 30, 2026

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Cally Killian

Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Barbara Altes

Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Ceely Sueess

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Shut-in & Homebound Members

The Board of Community Care is asking for the congregation's help by sending "thinking of you" cards to our shut-in & homebound members periodically. See the list below. Thank You!

NAME	ADDRESS	CITY, STATE, ZIP
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Hitzemann, Judy	709 Mahala Drive	Waterloo, IL 62298
Horn, Leroy	623 Hamacher St., #411	Waterloo, IL 62298
Horn, Wanda	623 Hamacher St., #224	Waterloo, IL 62298
Jarvis, Beverly	623 Hamacher St, #201	Waterloo, IL 62298
Jones, Pat	246A Hamacher	Waterloo, IL 62298
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Prigge, Jackie	623 Hamacher St, #804	Waterloo, IL 62298
Wolf, Mary Ann	3 Arrowhead Court	Waterloo, IL 62298
Wynn, Georgia	735 Columbia Ave Apt 29	Waterloo, IL 62298

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 ☩ 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 2: August 23-29

Catechetical Theme: The Giving of the Law

This fall, our catechetical material will all focus on the teaching of the Ten Commandments, the 1st Chief Part in Luther's Small Catechism. We will end up studying each of the Ten Commandments, one by one, so that we are sure to understand the will of the LORD for us—His people. But before we study the commandments, we do well to remember the purpose for which the LORD gave the Ten Commandments, and the entire Law. Beginning with the giving of the Law at Mt. Sinai, we will explore the purpose and function of the Law of God, and how it benefits us today. God bless your time in His Word!

Catechism: From the Formula of Concord – Article V

1. We believe, teach, and confess that the distinction between law and gospel is to be preserved with great diligence in the church as an especially glorious light, through which the Word of God, in accord with Paul's admonition, is properly divided.
2. We believe, teach, and confess that the law is, strictly speaking, a divine teaching which gives instruction regarding what is right and God-pleasing and condemns everything that is sin and contrary to God's will.
3. Therefore, everything that condemns sin is and belongs to the proclamation of the law.

Readings for the Week

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| ☐ August 24: Monday | Deuteronomy 5:1-21 – The Ten Commandments |
| ☐ August 25: Tuesday | Matthew 5:17-48 – Jesus Teaches the Law |
| ☐ August 26: Wednesday | Exodus 20:1-17 – The Ten Commandments |
| ☐ August 27: Thursday | Galatians 5:13-15 – The Law is Fulfilled in One Word |
| ☐ August 28: Friday | Romans 3:9-20 – With the Law Comes Knowledge of Sin |
| ☐ August 29: Saturday | Galatians 3:10-14 – Redeemed from the Curse of the Law |

Questions to Discuss in the Home

Mon: When were the Ten Commandments given? What had the LORD already done for His people? Can you number the commandments based on the text? How are verses 4-6 rightly considered an explanation of the 1st Commandment? What relationship do verses 3-11 speak of? What about verses 12-17?

Tues: Does Jesus minimize the Law of God? According to Jesus, who is able to keep the Law? From where do our sinful actions flow?

Wed: How is today's reading similar to Monday's? Is it different at all? Can you number the commandments based on the text? Discuss verses 8-10 in relationship to the 2nd Commandment. Why would these words be repeated?

Thur: What is the fulfillment of the Law? Is the command to love a word of Law, or Gospel?

Fri: How are we blind to our sin without the Law of God? Why does God give us the Law? How is this a blessing to us? What is the purpose of the Law?

Sat: Can anyone be saved anyone be saved by keeping the Law (Ten Comm.)? How are we saved and granted eternal life?

Verse of the Week: Romans 3:20 For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sins.

Hymn of the Season:

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word (LSB 655)