



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

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Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity



Saturday, September 19, 2026 – 5:30 p.m.
Sunday, September 20, 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* 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.

C Amen.

Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]

✠ Confession and Absolution ✠

Confession and Absolution

Psalms 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 86:1, 7, 12-13; antiphon: vv. 3, 5

Be gracious to me, O Lord,
for to you do I cry all the day.

For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving,
abounding in steadfast love to all who call upon you.

**Incline your ear, O LORD, and answer me,
for I am poor and needy.**

In the day of my trouble I call upon you,
for you answer me.

**I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,
and I will glorify your name forever.**

For great is your steadfast love toward me;
you have delivered my soul from the depths of Sheol.

✠ **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.**

Be gracious to me, O Lord,
for to you do I cry all the day.

For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving,
abounding in steadfast love to all who call upon you.

Kyrie

Mark 10:47



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

Gloria in Excelsis

Luke 2:14; John 1:29



C 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 Lord, we pray that Your grace may always go before and follow after us, that we may continually be given to all good works; 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

1 Kings 17:17-24

¹⁷After this the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, became ill. And his illness was so severe that there was no breath left in him. ¹⁸And she said to Elijah, "What have you against me, O man of God? You have come to me to bring my sin to remembrance and to cause the death of my son!" ¹⁹And he said to her, "Give me your son." And he took him from her arms and carried him up into the upper chamber where he lodged, and laid him on his own bed. ²⁰And he cried to the LORD, "O LORD my God, have you brought calamity even upon the widow with whom I sojourn, by killing her son?" ²¹Then he stretched himself upon the child three times and cried to the LORD, "O LORD my God, let this child's life come into him again." ²²And the LORD listened to the voice of Elijah. And the life of the child came into him again, and he revived. ²³And Elijah took the child and brought him down from the upper chamber into the house and delivered him to his mother. And Elijah said, "See, your son lives." ²⁴And the woman said to Elijah, "Now I know that you are a man of God, and that the word of the LORD in your mouth is truth."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Psalm 102:15-16

Nations will fear the name of the LORD,
and all the kings of the earth will fear your glory.

**For the LORD builds up Zion;
he appears in his glory.**

Epistle

Ephesians 3:13-21

¹³So I ask you not to lose heart over what I am suffering for you, which is your glory. ¹⁴For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, ¹⁶that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. ²⁰Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

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 You who fear the LORD, trust in the LORD! He is their help and their shield. Alleluia.



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

Holy Gospel

Luke 7:11-17

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹¹Soon afterward [Jesus] went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a great crowd went with him. ¹²As he drew near to the gate of the town, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow, and a considerable crowd from the town was with her. ¹³And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her and said to her, “Do not weep.” ¹⁴Then he came up and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, “Young man, I say to you, arise.” ¹⁵And the dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. ¹⁶Fear seized them all, and they glorified God, saying, “A great prophet has arisen among us!” and “God has visited his people!” ¹⁷And this report about him spread through the whole of Judea and all the surrounding country.

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* 754, "Entrust Your Days and Burdens" [Tune: *LSB* 644]

Sermon, Luke 7, "Hospice"

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.

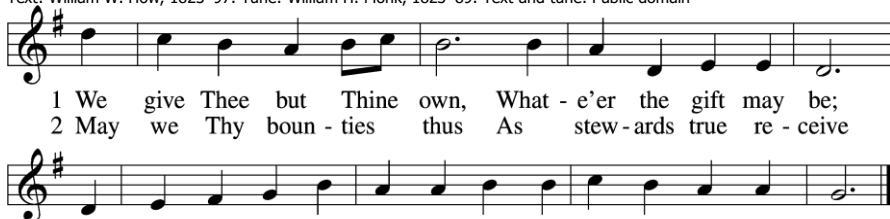
After each portion of the prayer:

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 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

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 570, "Just As I Am, without One Plea"

LSB 756, "Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me"

LSB 713, "From God Can Nothing Move Me"

Please stand

Dismissal

P The body and blood... Depart ✠ 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 to 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 697, “Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death”

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, September 19, 2026 - 5:30 p.m.

Pastor - Rev. Bruce Keseman

Server - Ranley Killian

Altar Guild - Cally Killian

Organist - Sarah Koester

Acolyte - Quinn Menke

Media - Lorelei Griffin

Sunday, September 20, 2026 - 7:45 a.m.

Pastor - Rev. Bruce Keseman

Liturgist - Rev. Benjamin Hayter

Server/Lector - Don Birrittier

Organist - Sarah Koester

Altar Guild - Debbie Olsson

Media - Olivia Rusteberg

Acolytes - Mason Wilhelm & AJ Helms

Ushers - Larry Taake, Dawn Rubemeyer, Glen Muench

Sunday, September 20, 2026 - 10:15 a.m.

Pastor - Rev. Bruce Keseman

Liturgist - Rev. Benjamin Hayter

Server - Seth Weinberg

Organist - Sarah Koester

Lector - Daniel Niemeyer

Altar Guild - Jill Eggemeyer

Acolytes - Myla & Henry Eggemeyer

Media/Facebook Live - Everly Dethrow

Ushers - Jason Valerius, Trinity Drewes, Jeriah Fink, Brielle Fink, Brady Drewes

Ushers - Sunday, September 27, 2026

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

10:15 a.m. - Kevin Whelan, Alex Whelan

Acolytes - Sunday, September 27, 2026

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Kenzie Wiegand

Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Olivia Rusteberg & TJ Joellenbeck

Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Rosie Fink & Carolina Bradley

Servers - Sunday, September 27, 2026

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Aaron Thompson

Sunday 7:45 a.m. - R. Clamors & Adam Eggemeyer

Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Doug Simms & Seth Weinberg

Media - Sunday, September 27, 2026

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

Sunday 7:45 a.m. - AJ Helms

Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Ashlyn/Cathy Whelan

Lectors - Sunday, Sept. 27, 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, Sept. 27, 2026

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Susan Starbuck

Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Barbara Altes

Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Angie Broske

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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 6: September 20-26

Catechetical Theme: The 4th Commandment

So often, we think of the Ten Commandments in terms of rules and behaviors. We think about those things which God has commanded us not to do, and those things we are commanded to do. But the Ten Commandments are much more than rules to govern behavior. In fact, each commandment is given by God in order to protect something that He has given and established. And so the commandments are given so that the life God has given would be had by all. What is given and protected in the Fourth Commandment? The very foundation of society—the family! Here, what God has given in creation, man and woman together raising children, He protects with a Word, and life will go well for those who keep it—for families will be guarded and protected. God bless!

Catechism: The Fourth Commandment

What is the Fourth Commandment? Honor your father and your mother.

Pre+

What does this mean?

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We should fear and love God so that we do not despise or anger our parents and other authorities,

but honor them, serve and obey them, love and cherish them.

Readings for the Week

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| ☐ | September 21: Monday | Proverbs 23:22 – The Wisdom of the 4 th Commandment |
| ☐ | September 22: Tuesday | Ephesians 6:1-4 – Children and Parents |
| ☐ | September 23: Wednesday | Genesis 22:1-19 – Abraham & Isaac |
| ☐ | September 24: Thursday | Romans 13:1-7 – Civil Authorities |
| ☐ | September 25: Friday | Hebrews 13:7-10, 17 – Spiritual Authorities |
| ☐ | September 26: Saturday | Luke 15:11-24 (25-32) – The Prodigal Son |

Questions to Discuss in the Home

Mon: What word of God stands behind this reading? Why should children listen to their fathers? How does this remind us even of our heavenly Father? What about our mothers? Why does the passage speak about mothers specifically when they are old?

Tues: Which offices (roles) are mentioned in this passage? What are the duties given to each office? How are these offices, and their duties, essential to a family's well-being?

Wed: How does Isaac keep the 4th Commandment? Did Isaac know how things would turn out? How does this demonstrate deep faith?

Thur: Who has appointed governmental authorities? How does the 4th Commandment apply to us as citizens? And to them as government officials? How does this serve the well-being of a country?

Fri: Who does the passage teach us to honor? What sort of leaders? Do the leaders also have a duty? How might we "let them do this with joy"?

Sat: How did the prodigal son break the 4th Commandment? How did that turn out for him? What should we do if we break the 4th Commandment? What can parents learn from this parable?

Verse of the Week: Ephesians 6:2-3

"Honor your father and your mother" (this is the first commandment with a promise), "that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land."

Hymn of the Season:

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



Pumpkin SALE

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Mission Trip Fundraiser**

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