

Immanuel Lutheran Church
Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 30, 2026
10:00 a.m.

THE VISION STATEMENT FOR IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

As the body of Christ, renewed by the Holy Spirit as a living community of believers, we are committed to sharing the love of Christ and the good news of salvation.

*We build relationships with others in the **Community Around Us**, while nurturing the **Community Among Us**, so all may know of and grow in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior.*

GOD'S MISSION FOR IMMANUEL

Immanuel Lutheran Church is a community of God's people rooted, nourished, and educated in the Word of God, to include all people in its fellowship for the sake of Christ, and for their eternal salvation.

WELCOME VISITORS!

The Immanuel Lutheran congregation is pleased that you have joined us today. If you have no church home, we invite you to make your home among us.

COMMUNION AT IMMANUEL

We celebrate the Lord's Supper today! According to God's Word, you may commune with us if you:

- Have been baptized in the name of the Triune God,
 - Have faith in Jesus Christ as God the Son, and your personal Savior from sin, death, and the devil,
 - Have examined yourselves and recognize that you have sin that needs forgiveness, hurt that needs healing, faith that needs strengthening,
 - Believe that in, with, and under the bread and wine you receive the true Body and Blood of the risen Christ, (1 Corinthians 10:16)
 - Believe that the body and blood of the Lord will grant you forgiveness of your sins and new life.
 - Desire to amend your sinfulness and live a life pleasing to God and in fellowship with His Church,
 - Understand that to partake of the sacrament without examining yourself and recognizing the real presence of Christ's Body and Blood is to do so to your harm (1 Corinthians 11:27).
- If you do not agree with the above, or have questions, please see Pastor before communing at Immanuel

Opening Hymn #621 – “Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence”



1 Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence And with fear and
2 King of kings yet born of Mar - y, As of old on
3 Rank on rank the host of heav - en Spreads its van - guard
4 At His feet the six - winged ser - aph, Cher - u - bim with



trem - bling stand; Pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed,
earth He stood, Lord of lords in hu - man ves - ture,
on the way As the Light of Light, de - scend - ing
sleep - less eye, Veil their fac - es to the pres - ence



For with bless - ing in His hand Christ our God to earth de -
In the bod - y and the blood, He will give to all the
From the realms of end - less day, Comes the pow'rs of hell to
As with cease-less voice they cry: “Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -



scend - ing Comes our hom - age to de - mand.
faith - ful His own self for heav'n - ly food.
van - quish As the dark-ness clears a - way.
lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!”

Text: Liturgy of St. James, 5th cent.; tr. Gerard Moultrie, 1829–85, alt.

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Divine Service, Setting Four

Confession and Absolution

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

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

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.

G Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

P Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

G Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 37:5-7; antiphon: v. 4



(Chanted by all)

Delight yourself | in the LORD,
and he will give you the desires | of your heart.
Commit your way | to the LORD,*
trust in him, and | he will act.
He will bring forth your righteousness | as the light,*
and your justice as the | noonday.
Be still before the LORD and wait patiently | for him;*
fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way, over the man who carries out evil de- |
vices!*

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

Delight yourself | in the LORD,
and he will give you the desires | of your heart.*

Kyrie



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

Gloria in Excelsis



- 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-shipped 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

A The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

A Let us pray.

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

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 15:15-21

¹⁵O LORD, you know;
remember me and visit me,
and take vengeance for me on my persecutors.
In your forbearance take me not away;

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

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Psalm 34:9, 19, alt.



Fear the LORD, | you his saints,
 for those who fear him lack | nothing!
 Many are the afflictions of the | righteous,*
 but the LORD delivers him out | of them all.*

⁹Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. ¹⁰Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹²Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. ¹³Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.

¹⁴Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be conceited. ¹⁷Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. ¹⁸If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head." ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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.



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

Holy Gospel

Matthew 16:21-28

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²¹From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. ²²And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you." ²³But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."

²⁴Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ²⁵For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. ²⁶For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his life? Or what shall a man give in return for his life? ²⁷For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done. ²⁸Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

G Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

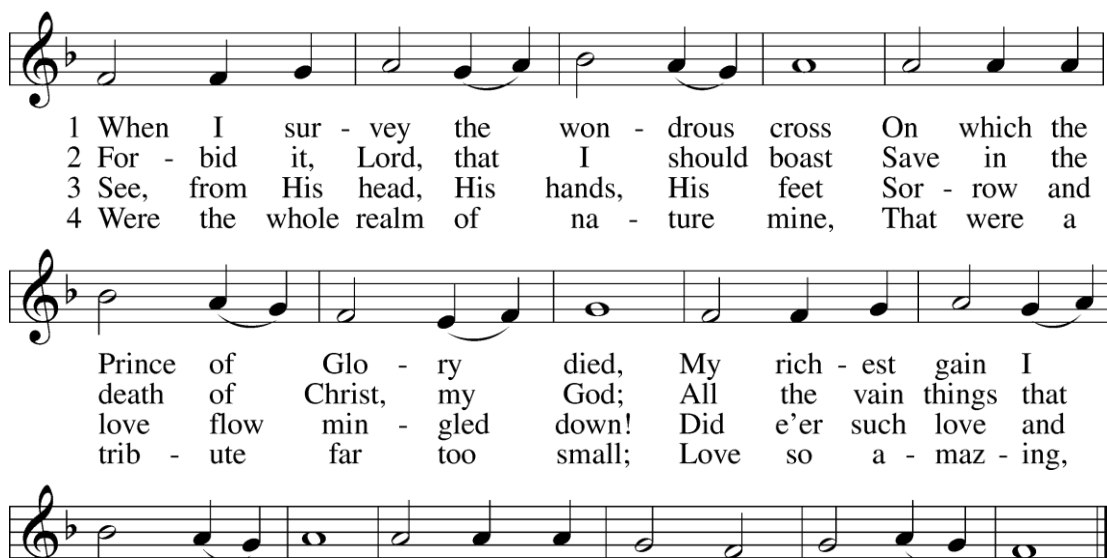
G I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life ✠ everlasting. Amen.**

Sit

Hymn of the Day #425 – “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”



1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross On which the
 2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast Save in the
 3 See, from His head, His hands, His feet Sor - row and
 4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, That were a

Prince of Glo - ry died, My rich - est gain I
 death of Christ, my God; All the vain things that
 love flow min - gled down! Did e'er such love and
 trib - ute far too small; Love so a - maz - ing,

count but loss And pour con - tempt on all my pride.
 charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to His blood.
 sor - row meet Or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
 so di - vine, De - mands my soul, my life, my all!

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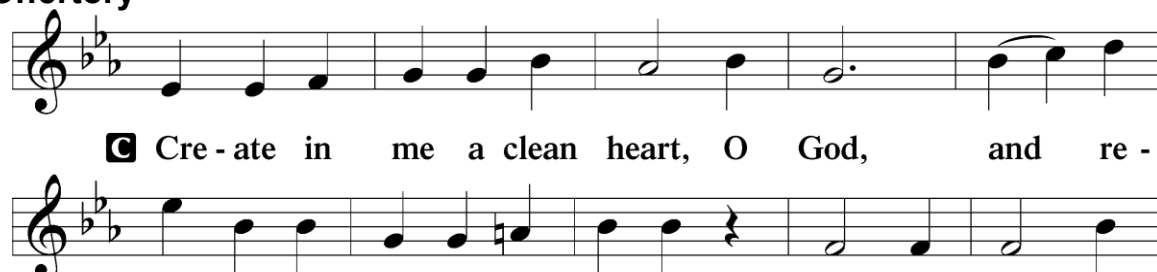
Sermon

Offering

(We join with Christians all over the world in worshipping God through the giving of our financial resources. If you are a first-time visitor, you are our guest and we do not expect you to give an offering. For members and friends, the ministry of this congregation is completely dependent upon your generous giving. Our offering is a significant act of worship.)

Stand

Offertory



C Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -

new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -



Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Brief silence

Almighty God, ever righteous and faithful, all vengeance belongs to You. As our enemies rise against us, we place all things in Your hands, knowing justice will be done and that You, O Lord, will redeem us from the grasp of the ruthless. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious Lord, look with favor on the households of this congregation, and grant that all may live in love that issues from a pure heart, a good conscience and a sincere faith. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty Father, have mercy on all who are sick or suffering in any way, especially [_____ and] all who have requested our prayers. Grant that they may have relief from pain, and give them the courage to endure their crosses and tribulations. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Rise up, O Lord, and avenge those who are persecuted for the name of Your Son, Jesus. In communion with all Your saints, grant us endurance to bear our crosses as Christ bore His for us. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

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.

Announcements

Benedicamus and Benedictions

P Let us bless the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

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.

Recessional Hymn #685 – “Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus”

1 Let us ev - er walk with Je - sus, Fol - low His ex -
 2 Let us suf - fer here with Je - sus And with pa - tience
 3 Let us glad - ly die with Je - sus. Since by death He
 4 Let us al - so live with Je - sus. He has ris - en

am - ple pure, Through a world that would de - ceive us And to
 bear our cross. Joy will fol - low all our sad - ness; Where He
 con - quered death, He will free us from de - struc - tion, Give to
 from the dead That to life we may a - wak - en. Je - sus,

sin our spir - its lure. On - ward in His foot - steps tread - ing,
 is, there is no loss. Though to - day we sow no laugh - ter,
 us im - mor - tal breath. Let us mor - ti - fy all pas - sion
 You are now our head. We are Your own liv - ing mem - bers;

Pil - grims here, our home a - bove, Full of faith and
 We shall reap ce - les - tial joy; All dis - com - forts
 That would lead us in - to sin; And the grave that
 Where You live, there we shall be In Your pres - ence

hope and love, Let us do the Fa - ther's bid - ding. Faith - ful
 that an - noy Shall give way to mirth here - af - ter. Je - sus,
 shuts us in Shall but prove the gate to heav - en. Je - sus,
 con - stant - ly, Liv - ing there with You for - ev - er. Je - sus,

Lord, with me a - bide; I shall fol - low where You guide.
 here I share Your woe; Help me there Your joy to know.
 here with You I die; There to live with You on high.
 let me faith - ful be, Life e - ter - nal grant to me.

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Those Serving Today:

Pastor

Liturgist

Lay Reader

Director of Music

Pianist

Altar Guild

Rev. Charles Minetree

Gary Stratemeyer

Carolyn Henn

Muriel Hopkins

Eugene Anderson

Mary Ruble/Carolyn Henn

Birthdays This Week:

30 Sandra Hasselbarth
1 Sarah Lietzau
2 Elizabeth Flaherty
Jeannine Nash

This Week at Immanuel:

Sunday	August 30	8:00 am	Cemetery service
		9:00 am	Sunday school, ages 3-12
		10:00 am	Worship
Sunday	September 6	9:00 am	Sunday school, ages 3-12
		10:00 am	Worship & Holy Communion
		11:00 am	Adult Bible study

Ministry Notes

Feasting or Fasting?

Are you on a fast or are you feasting? You are invited to an eternal feast in heaven and to a feast on earth.

Below are some verses that describe the feast on earth.

Psalm 34:8 Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!

Matthew 4:4 But Jesus answered, "It is written, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."

Psalm 119:103 How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth!

John 1:1 (ESV) ¹ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

John 6:35 (ESV)

³⁵ Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst.

Too often, disciples are on a spiritual fast. Instead of feasting on the word, Jesus who is the bread of life, we fast and starve ourselves. We are well fed here every Sunday in the Divine Service. You received the Word: spoken, proclaimed, sung, and served in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Yet, we may go all week without another morsel of divine food when God has provided a rich bounty. As we enter September, you will have opportunities to feast on the Word. We increase our Sunday Feast with Adult Bible Study immediately after the Divine Service. We will have Bible Study Feasts of the Word every 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at noon (plus we bring our lunch as food for the body). We will have Divine Manna served every 1st and 3rd Thursdays ZOOM Class at 7:00 PM. See September's Herald for the menu!

Saturday, September 19, 12 to 4 pm, *Lovin' Loch Raven*

Saturday, September 26, 9 to 1 pm, Flea market

PRAYER REQUESTS

-Claire Ruble who had surgery on Friday, August 28th for the injuries to her leg she sustained in a fall.

-Ray Ward, who had a fall and is recovering at home

-Joan Goeller, who had a fall

-Joe Simsky who is suffering from cancer

-John Stratemeyer who is recovering from a broken back

- Jerry Ruble who is recovering from eye surgery
- Anthony Summers grandmother, Irma, who had a stroke, and Anthony's mother, Millie, who is caring for her.
- Gary Stratemeyer, who is recovering from heart surgery
- Lee Gordon, nephew-in-law of Carolyn Henn, who has been diagnosed with cancer
- Evelyn Dequoy, who had successful surgery last week
- Naomi Kruelle, sister-in-law of Rick, who is having chronic health problems
- Sarah Lietzau, who is undergoing medical tests
- Pamela Hasskamp, who has been diagnosed with cancer
- Muriel Hopkins, who fractured her arm
- Rosemarie Wilson, the daughter of Filleseta James, who has had a diagnosis of MS.
- For peace in Ukraine, Israel, Gaza, and Russia, Iran, and the Middle East.
- Bonnie and Joe Castrilli as she cares for her husband who has dementia
- Joseph Woah-tee missing, and whereabouts unknown