

# IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

*"God With Us"*



*Eighth Sunday after Pentecost*

July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020

*To God be glory for 141 years of His grace at Immanuel and  
60 years of proclaiming Jesus on our radio broadcast!*

Prelude  
Ringing of Bells  
Welcome

# Confession and Absolution

Hymn of Invocation #LSB 743 *sts. 1-2, 4, 6 Jesus, Priceless Treasure*



1 Je - sus, price-less trea - sure, Fount of pur - est plea - sure,  
2 In Thine arms I rest me; Foes who would mo - lest me  
4 Hence, all earth - ly trea - sure! Je - sus is my plea - sure,  
6 Hence, all fear and sad - ness! For the Lord of glad - ness,



Tru - est friend to me, Ah, how long in an - guish  
Can - not reach me here. Though the earth be shak - ing,  
Je - sus is my choice. Hence, all emp - ty glo - ry!  
Je - sus, en - ters in. Those who love the Fa - ther,



Shall my spir - it lan - guish, Yearn - ing, Lord, for Thee?  
Ev - 'ry heart be quak - ing, Je - sus calms my fear.  
Naught to me thy sto - ry Told with tempt - ing voice.  
Though the storms may gath - er, Still have peace with - in.



Thou art mine, O Lamb di - vine! I will suf - fer  
Light - nings flash And thun - ders crash; Yet, though sin and  
Pain or loss, Or shame or cross, Shall not from my  
Yea, what - e'er I here must bear, Thou art still my



naught to hide Thee; Naught I ask be - side Thee.  
hell as - sail me, Je - sus will not fail me.  
Sav - ior move me Since He deigns to love me.  
pur - est plea - sure, Je - sus, price - less trea - sure!

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*Stand*

*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  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

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



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

## Kyrie

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## Gloria in Excelsis

Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward  
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,  
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.  
O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.  
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.  
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -

on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.  
 Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,  
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love, that, receiving what You have promised, we may love what You have commanded; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Deuteronomy 7:6–9*

<sup>6</sup>“You are a people holy to the LORD your God. The LORD your God has chosen you to be a people for his treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth. <sup>7</sup>It was not because you were more in number than any other people that the LORD set his love on you and chose you, for you were the fewest of all peoples, <sup>8</sup>but it is because the LORD loves you and is keeping the oath that he swore to your fathers, that the LORD has brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. <sup>9</sup>Know therefore that the LORD your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations.”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Epistle

Romans 8:28–39

<sup>28</sup>We know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. <sup>29</sup>For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. <sup>30</sup>And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

<sup>31</sup>What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? <sup>32</sup>He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? <sup>33</sup>Who shall bring any charge against God’s elect? It is God who justifies. <sup>34</sup>Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. <sup>35</sup>Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? <sup>36</sup>As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all the day long;  
we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.”

<sup>37</sup>No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. <sup>38</sup>For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, <sup>39</sup>nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

Stand

## Alleluia




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

## Holy Gospel

Matthew 13:44–52

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



**C** Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>44</sup>[Jesus said:] “The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

<sup>45</sup>“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, <sup>46</sup>who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it.

<sup>47</sup>“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and gathered fish of every kind. <sup>48</sup>When it was full, men drew it ashore and sat down and sorted the good into containers but threw away the bad. <sup>49</sup>So it will be at the close of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous <sup>50</sup>and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

<sup>51</sup>“Have you understood all these things?” They said to him, “Yes.” <sup>52</sup>And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house, who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

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



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

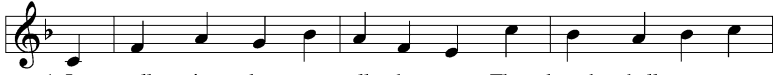
## Apostles' Creed

**C** 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  $\dagger$  everlasting. Amen.

**Hymn of the Day #LSB 716** sts. 1-2, 5-6 *I Walk in Danger All the Way*



1 I walk in dan - ger all the way. The thought shall nev - er  
 2 I pass through tri - als all the way, With sin and ills con -  
 5 I walk with Je - sus all the way, His guid - ance nev - er  
 6 My walk is heav'nward all the way; A - wait, my soul, the



leave me That Sa - tan, who has marked his prey, Is  
 tend - ing; In pa - tience I must bear each day The  
 fails me; With - in His wounds I find a stay When  
 mor - row, When God's good heal - ing shall al - lay All



plot - ting to de - ceive me. This foe with hid - den snares  
 cross of God's own send - ing. When in ad - ver - si - ty  
 Sa - tan's pow'r as - sails me; And by His foot - steps led,  
 suf - f'ring, sin, and sor - row. Then, world - ly pomp, be - gone!



May seize me un - a - wares If I should fail to  
 I know not where to flee, When storms of woe my  
 My path I safe - ly tread. No e - vil leads my  
 To heav'n I now press on. For all the world I



watch and pray. I walk in dan - ger all the way.  
 soul dis - may, I pass through tri - als all the way.  
 soul a - stray; I walk with Je - sus all the way.  
 would not stay; My walk is heav'n - ward all the way.

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**Sermon**

*Title: The Christian Assurance*

*Scripture: Romans 8:28-39*

**Hymn for Reflection #LSB 724** sts. 1-2, 4-5 *If God Himself Be for Me*



1 If God Him - self be for me, I may a host de - fy;  
 2 I build on this foun - da - tion, That Je - sus and His blood  
 4 He can - celed my of - fens - es, De - liv - ered me from death;  
 5 For no one can con - demn me Or set my hope a - side;



For when I pray, be - fore me My foes, con - found - ed, fly.  
 A - lone are my sal - va - tion, My true, e - ter - nal good.  
 He is the Lord who cleans - es My soul from sin through faith.  
 Now hell no more can claim me: Its fu - ry I de - ride.





If Christ, my head and mas - ter, Be - friend me from a - bove,  
 With - out Him all that pleas - es Is val - ue - less on earth;  
 In Him I can be cheer - ful, Cou - ra - geous on my way;  
 No sen - tence now re - proves me, No guilt de - stroys my peace;



What foe or what dis - as - ter Can drive me from His love?  
 The gifts I have from Je - sus A - lone have price - less worth.  
 In Him I am not fear - ful Of God's great Judg - ment Day.  
 For Christ, my Sav - ior, loves me And shields me with His grace.

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## Prayers of the Church

### 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.



**C** For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the



glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

### Benediction

- 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 upon you and be gracious unto you.  
 The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

# Hymn to Depart #LSB 719

## *I Leave All Things to God's Direction*



1 I leave all things to God's di - rec - tion; He loves me  
2 God knows what must be done to save me; His love for  
3 My God de - sires the soul's sal - va - tion; My soul He,  
4 My God has all things in His keep - ing; He is the



both in joy and woe. His will is good, sure His af -  
me will nev - er cease. Up - on His hands He did en -  
too, de - sires to save. There - fore with Chris - tian res - ig -  
ev - er faith - ful friend. He gives me laugh - ter af - ter



fec - tion; His ten - der love is true, I know. My for - tress  
grave me With pur - est gold of lov - ing grace. His will su -  
na - tion All earth - ly trou - bles I will brave. His will be  
weep - ing, And all His ways in bless - ings end. His love en -



and my rock is He: What pleas - es God, that pleas - es me.  
preme must ev - er be: What pleas - es God, that pleas - es me.  
done e - ter - nal - ly: What pleas - es God, that pleas - es me.  
dures e - ter - nal - ly: What pleas - es God, that pleas - es me.

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# The Lord's Week

<b>Sun.</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>Divine Service on KMMO AM 1300</b>
	10:15am	Adult Bible Study (no Sunday School for <b>kids</b> )
<b>Tues.</b>	7:00pm	Elders
<b>Thurs.</b>	7:00pm	Bible Study
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>Holy Communion Service on KMMO AM 1300</b>
	10:15am	Adult Bible Study (no Sunday School for kids)



*Our radio broadcast this morning is dedicated to Pastor Alan Mueller by his parents, Gerald & Joan. They do so in celebration of his 1<sup>st</sup> anniversary as Pastor to Immanuel Lutheran Church in Sweet Springs, MO. We praise God and give Him thanks for the blessing Pastor Alan has been to our church family as well as for his family and their love and prayers.*



**Mid-week Bible study** If you want to study God's word together and grow in Christ and in community, join us for Bible study **Thursdays at 7:00pm** in the fellowship hall. Hope to see you there!



**Immanuel Lutheran Church will not be having a traditional VBS** this summer. In place of this, the Board of Education is inviting the children who would have participated in VBS to join a **scavenger hunt for crosses from July 30<sup>th</sup>-August 1<sup>st</sup>**. A letter and paper cross will be mailed out to families in mid-July with the information about how to participate. The crosses will be displayed on the front of houses throughout Sweet Springs (*in-town only. Those out of the city limits may display their crosses on a friend or relative's house in town*). **On August 1<sup>st</sup>, from 5 to 6:00pm**, all of those who have participated will come to Immanuel to report the number of crosses they have found. All participants will receive a small prize. They will be also be included in a drawing, and there will be an additional prize for the person whose name is drawn. If you have any questions, please call Ellie Baker a 660-422-1290.



## **OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT AT HOLY CROSS, EMMA**

Our second outdoor movie night at Holy Cross, Emma is **Friday, July 31**. The **NEW starting time is 7:45pm**. We will be playing The Lego Movie. There will be free snacks and drinks available, and don't forget your blankets and chairs. In case of rain, we will watch in the gym.

**Journey to the Cross at Holy Cross on August 2, from 1-3pm**. Come and experience Easter like never before! Join us in a sensory learning event and walk in Jesus' footsteps during Holy Week. Listen to Bible witnesses and experience Christ's Passion in a whole new way through sight, taste, touch and smell. Please make your travel reservations online at [holycrossemma.org](http://holycrossemma.org) or call the church office, 660-463-7869.

## **Those serving**

Musician:	Ron Baker
Radio and Sound	Steve Vickrey, Ron Meyer, Pete Melies
Ushers	Alan Koch, Jon Dallman, James Nowland
Church Secretary:	Judy Teufel
Church Custodian:	Jim Teufel
Pastor:	Rev. Alan Mueller

# PRAY

## Members of Immanuel

Gary Anderson, Janet Eichholz, Lois Gieseke, Louise Harms, Walter Howard,  
and Carol Thurman.

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Nancy Abbuhl, Cindy Bernard, Shirley Colson, Melissa Eckhoff, Tabby Green,  
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Betty Brandt, Millie Heins, Sylvia Henley, LoWanda Pinkepank,  
Dolores Fischer, and Martha Jane Vogelsmeier (LGSNH),  
Sam Ed Yokley (Lakeview Health & Rehab-Boonville)  
Dorothy Krause (The Villa)

## Mission Workers

Josh, Coco, John, and Sophia Lange (China),  
Rev. Peter & Kristie Kolb (Thailand), those serving POBLO

## Military

Chad Ziegelbein

We celebrate along with **Miranda Tyler and Robert Redford** as their wedding is this next weekend. We rejoice that God has brought these two together, and we pray that they will continue to grow together and in faith for many years to come.

Whether you are a lifelong member or visiting for the first time we are honored to have you here this morning. Please feel free to contact the office regarding questions of membership or of a spiritual or personal matter. *You may contact the office at: 660-335-4141.*

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***May the Peace of Christ dwell in you!***

