IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

"God With Us"



Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 20th, 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 783 sts. 1, 3, 5–6 Take My Life and Let It Be



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

 → 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.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- **P** Upon your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto

all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Psalm 27:1-4, 6-9

¹The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

When evildoers assail me to eat up my flesh,
my adversaries and foes,
it is they who stumble and fall.

³Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear;

though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.

⁴One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after:

that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his temple.

⁷Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud; be gracious to me and answer me! ⁸You have said, "Seek my face."

You have said, Seek my i

My heart says to you,

"Your face, LORD, do I seek."

⁹Hide not your face from me.

Turn not your servant away in anger,

O you who have been my help.

Cast me not off; forsake me not, O God of my salvation!







Collect of the Day

P Let us pray.

Lord God, heavenly Father, since we cannot stand before You relying on anything we have done, help us trust in Your abiding grace and live according to Your Word; 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

Isaiah 55:6-9

6"Seek the LORD while he may be found; call upon him while he is near;

⁷let the wicked forsake his way,

and the unrighteous man his thoughts;

let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

⁸For my thoughts are not your thoughts,

neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD.

⁹For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts."

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Philippians 1:12-14, 19-30

¹²I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel, ¹³so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to all the rest that my imprisonment is for Christ. ¹⁴And most of the brothers, having become confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, are much more bold to speak the word without fear. . . .

¹⁹for I know that through your prayers and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ this will turn out for my deliverance, ²⁰as it is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be at all ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death. ²¹For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. ²²If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. ²³I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. ²⁴But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account. ²⁵Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, ²⁶so that in me

you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again.

²⁷Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸and not frightened in anything by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God. ²⁹For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake, ³⁰engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia



Holy Gospel

Matthew 20:1-16

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



¹[Jesus said:] "The kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, ⁴and to them he said, 'You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.' 5So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. ⁶And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' ⁷They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You go into the vineyard too.' 8And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.' 9And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. ¹⁰Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. ¹¹And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, ¹²saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and

the scorching heat.' ¹³But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? ¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. ¹⁵Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?' ¹⁶So the last will be first, and the first last."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Apostles' Creed

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

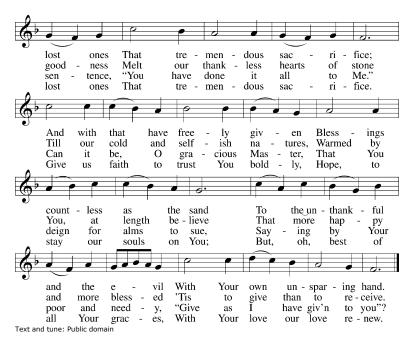
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell.

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





Sermon

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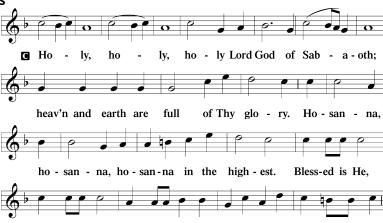
Prayers of the Church

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And with thy spirit.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them up unto the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.
- C It is meet and right so to do.
- It is truly good, 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, for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. 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



bless-ed is He, bless-ed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

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.

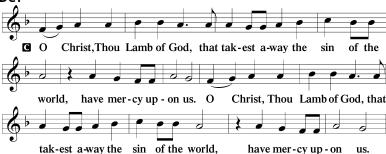
For Thine is the kingdom, the power,

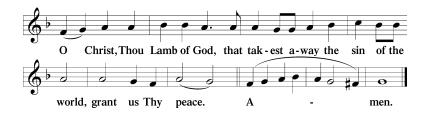
And the glory forever and ever.

Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

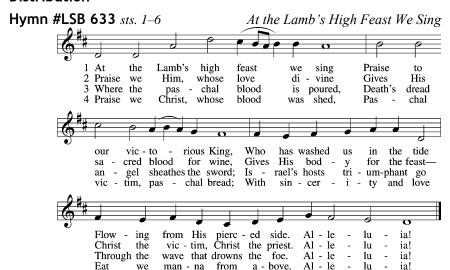






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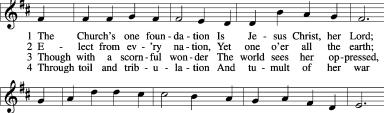
Mighty Victim from the sky, Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie; You have conquered in the fight, You have brought us life and light.

Alleluia!
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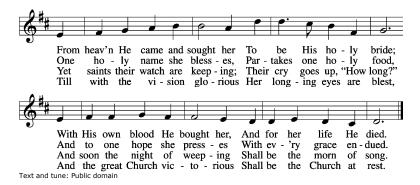
6 Now no more can death appall, Now no more the grave enthrall; You have opened paradise, And Your saints in You shall rise. Alleluia!

Hymn #LSB 644 sts. 1-4

The Church's One Foundation

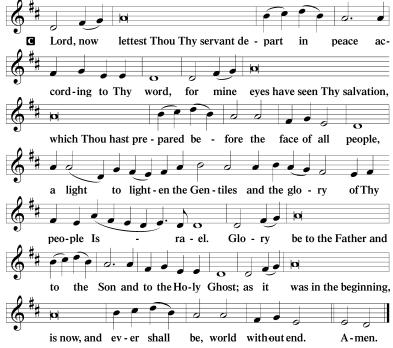


His new cre - a - tion By and the Word. is wa - ter One Lord, one faith, one birth. Her char-ter of sal - va - tion: By her - e - sies dis-tressed, By schisms rent a - sun - der, She waits the con-sum-ma - tion Of peace for - ev - er - more



Stand

Nunc Dimittis



Thanksgiving

- A Let us give thanks to the Lord, for He is good,
- and His mercy endures forever.
- A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; 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

- **A** Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Benediction

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.





- faith ful God, my God. when dark my 1 In trust 2 My sins fill me with care. Yet Ι will not de spair. 3 If death my por - tion be, It brings great gain to me;
- 4 O Je - sus Christ, my Lord, So meek in deed and word, 5 "So it," With all heart each be then, say my day.



Great woes may o - ver-take me, Yet He will not for - sake me.

I build on Christ, who loves me; From this rock noth - ing moves me.

It speeds my life's en - deav - or To live with Christ for - ev - er.

You suf-fered death to save us Be - cause Your love would have us Dear Lord, we all a - dore You, We sing for joy be - fore You.



Guide us while here we wan - der Un - til we praise You yon - der. Tune and text: Public domain

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The Lord's Week

Holy Communion Service on KMMO AM 1300 Sun. 9:00am

> 10:15am Adult Bible Class

Nominating Committee Tues. 7:00pm

Thurs. 7:00pm Bible Study

9:00am Divine Service on KMMO AM 1300 Sun.

> 10:15am Adult/Bible Class

ATTENDANCE & GIVING AUGUST 2020

Sunday Church Service Attendance				Church Giving (weeks 31-35)			
Date			Total	2020 WK	Amount	2019 WK	Amount
Aug 2	86		86	31	\$ 3,936.00	31	\$ 3,756.00
Aug 9	84		84	32	\$ 2,772.00	32	\$ 2,108.00
Aug 16	115		115	33	\$ 3,993.00	33	\$ 2,813.00
Aug 23	70		70	34	\$ 2,548.00	34	\$ 2,354.00
Aug 30	90		90	35	\$ 2,751.00	35	\$ 3,671.00
Total Giving for the Weeks of 31-35					\$ 16,000.00		\$ 14,702.00
Total On-Line Giving for the Weeks of 31-35					\$ 1,214.98		\$ 930.24
Total Giving for the Weeks of 31-35					\$ 17,214.98		\$ 15,632.24
Total Giving (offering & tithes) YTD					\$119,719.90		\$101,400.50
Adult Bible Class							
Date	Membe	Gues	Total		Church Budget 2020-\$172,955 Needed tithes and offerings for August 2020 \$16,630 Actual amount of tithes and offerings August 2020 \$17,215 August 2020 received \$585 over budget		
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Aug 2	16	3	19	•			
Aug 9	19	6	25				
Aug 16	15	4	19	•			
Aug 23	14	5	19				
Aug 30	16	0	19				

Those serving

Judy Teufel Musician: Ty Higgins Acolyte:

Radio and Sound: Steve Vickrey, Ron Meyer, Pete Melies

Ushers: Lee Nienhueser, Gregory Moulton & Ethan Sims

Church Secretary: Judy Teufel Jim Teufel Church Custodian:

Rev. Alan Mueller

Pastor:

PRAYER

Members of Immanuel

Janet Eichholz, Lois Gieseke, Louise Harms, Charlene Hinck, Walter Howard, Charles Swopes, and Carol Thurman.

Family and Friends of Immanuel

Nancy Abbuhl, Cindy Bernard, Shirley Colson, Danika Doyle & Baby, Melissa Eckhoff, Tabby Green, Kevin Howard, Linda McFadden, Neil Meador, John Richmond, and Debbie Walgren.

Shut-ins and Nursing Home Residents

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

Victoria Abel, MaKenna Eckhoff, Chris Koch and Chad Ziegelbein

We pray God's protection upon **Good Shepherd Nursing Home residents and staff**. May God look after each of them with His sovereign grace and care. May He give to them His richest blessings and pour out His love upon them.

May God look after **Charlene Hinck** as she prepares for knee replacement surgery this week. We pray that God would use this surgery to bring her comfort and peace.

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.

If you get a chance check us out online at:

www.immanuelsweetsprings.com

Church office: 110 Main, Sweet Springs, MO 65351

May the Peace of Christ dwell in you!



The Care Team could use a little help!

We are in need of a few more members. If you are interested, contact any Care Team member or call the church office. Secondly, we will again be offering home baked cookies for our local farmers at harvest. If you like to bake and could do a dozen or two, please leave them in the freezer in the basement. No nuts or peanut butter please.

Thank you in advance from the bottom of our hearts!

SUPPORT OUR TRASH BAG SALE

Immanuel Lutheran church Board of Education is once again selling trash bags as one of our fund raisers. All the profits form this sale will go toward tuition expenses.

We are taking orders from Sept 5th-Sept. 27th. Money is due when the order is placed. Checks can be made payable to Immanuel Lutheran Board of Education. Bags should be available for pick-up in early October. There are three different sizes of bags available, but they all cast the same...only \$10.00 per roll.

These are quality bags suitable in strength for our trash needs and yard work. **Yellow** -39 gallon/25 bags per roll **White**-15 gallon (tall kitchen)/65 bags per roll **Blue**-55 gallon (super-size)-16 bags per roll

To order you may talk to any member of the Board of Ed or there is an order form on the table in the Narthex.

If you have any questions, please contact Courtney Gieselman at 660-815-4080or email at courtneygieselman@yahoo.com.

Please back us in the effort to make this project a success.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and continued support.

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Saint Paul Servants of the Saints

RUMMAGE SALE MASKS ARE REQUIRED

Preview Sale Fee \$5.00 on Wed., Sept. 30 from 6:00-8:00pm Sale

Thurs. Oct. 1 from 6:00am-7:00pm-----Fri. Oct. 2 from 8:00am-7:00pm Sat. Oct. 3 Bag Sale \$5.00 from 8:00am-12:00pm (noon)

Something for Everyone- Come see- Also check us out on Facebook.

Weis Gym Annex on SPLHS CAMPUS, Concordia

Please park behind the gym and use the north door.

Thank you for your District Support

Members and Pastor Mueller, thank you for supporting Missouri District Mission Advancement. Your offerings are a blessing to many throughout the state. Great having you all as partners in ministry!

God's blessings,

Leah S. Sieveking, Assistant to the President for Mission Advancement

A big thank you to everyone for all the donations for the Warrensburg University Campus Center under Pastor Schweigert. We collected \$282 for them. Mission's appreciated this very much and I know they will too.-----Brenda Wulff, Board of Missions