

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

"God With Us"



Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 16th, 2021

*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 537

Beautiful Savior

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,
- C** **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

Introit

Psalm 27:1a, 4-5, 10, 14; antiphon: v. 7

Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud;

be gracious to me and answer me!

The LORD is my light and my salvation;

whom shall I fear?

One 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.

For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble;

he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock.

For my father and my mother have forsaken me,

but the LORD will take me in.

Wait for the LORD;

be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD!

☐ Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;
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 Let us pray.

O King of glory, Lord of hosts, Who's uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

First Reading

Acts 1:12–26

¹²Then [the apostles] returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away.

¹³And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of

Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. ¹⁴All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, ¹⁶“Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. ¹⁷For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.” ¹⁸(Now this man bought a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. ¹⁹And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) ²⁰“For it is written in the Book of Psalms,

“May his camp become desolate,
and let there be no one to dwell in it’;

and

“Let another take his office.’

²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection.”

²³And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴And they prayed and said, “You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.” ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

1 John 5:9–15

⁹If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater, for this is the testimony of God that he has borne concerning his Son. ¹⁰Whoever believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself. Whoever does not believe God has made him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has borne concerning his Son. ¹¹And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹²Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

¹³I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God that you may know that you have eternal life. ¹⁴And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. ¹⁵And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him.

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

John 17:11b-19

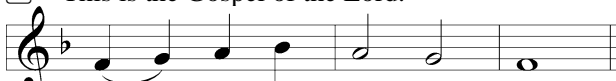
P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventeenth chapter.



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] “Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. ¹²While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded them, and not one of them has been lost except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. ¹⁴I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁵I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. ¹⁶They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁷Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

☩ 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.


Hymn of the Day 973

Thy Word Is a Lamp


Refrain




Thy Word is a lamp un-to my feet And a light un-to my path.




1 When I feel a - fraid, think I've lost my way,
2 I will not for - get Your love for me, and yet My



Still You're there right be - side me. And
heart for - ev - er is wan - der - ing.



noth - ing will I fear as long as You are near.
Je - sus, be my guide and hold me to Your side; And



Please be near me to the end. _____
I will love You to the end. _____ *Refrain*

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Sermon

Title: Blessed Assurance

Scripture: John 17:11-19

Prayers of the Church

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.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

P The Lord be with you.

C **And with thy spirit.**

P Lift up your hearts.

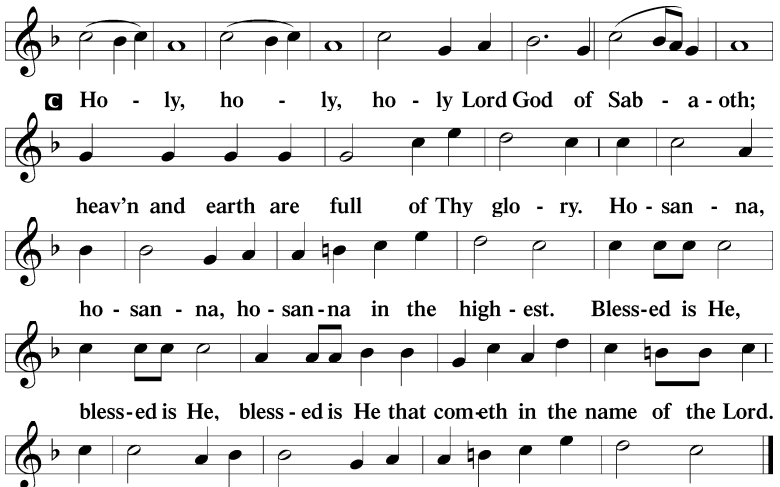
C **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

C **It is meet and right so to do.**

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 after His resurrection appeared openly to all His disciples and in their sight was taken up into heaven that He might make us partakers of His divine 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



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,
ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,
bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **Amen.**

Agnus Dei

□ O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - - men.

Sit

Distribution

Distribution Hymn #LSB 828

We Are Called to Stand Together

Distribution Hymn #LSB 534

Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor

Stand

Nunc Dimittis

□ Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

Thanksgiving

- A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
C **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.



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

Hymn to Depart #LSB 842

Son of God, Eternal Savior



- **Mark these dates: Saturday, June 5th.** Clean up day for the church building. 8:30-noonish. Meal provided.
- **Saturday, June 12th.** That is the date for the Ladies of the Congregation Bake Sale. More details to come.

Acknowledgments

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The Lord's Week

Sun.	9:00am	Holy Communion Service on KMMO AM 1300
	10:10am	Brief Meeting for Ladies of the Congregation
	10:15am	Voters Meeting/ Sunday School
Tues.	7:00pm	Questioning of Confirmand
Sun	9:00am	Divine Service on KMMO AM 1300
		Confirmation / Pentecost Sunday
	10:15am	BC/SS
	11:15am	Board of Ed

Immanuel Care Team is requesting a *card shower* honoring **100 years of** God's Blessings shown to **Martha Jane Vogelsmeier**. She will celebrate her *birthday on May 27th*. Please, send your greetings to:

Martha Jane Vogelsmeier, Room # 12; c/o Good Shepherd Care Facility
204 S. West Street, Concordia, Mo. 64020

Holy Cross after-school program: If you will be needing after-school care for the 2021-2022 school year, Holy Cross in Emma has 7 openings. For inquiries, call Holy Cross office.

SAVE THE DATE: VBS—Wednesday, June 16th, 5:30-7:00

- VBS will take place this summer for *one night only* on June 16th. (*Rain date-June 17th*)
- VBS is outside, and will begin with a meal for the children.
- The food will be served as a sack lunch. Kids, bring your picnic blankets!
- Thrivent cards are welcome to help cover the cost.
- There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex for volunteers/donations.

Please turn into the office names of your graduates (6th or 8th grade; high school, college.) If a college student please include name of school & degree. If other graduate is not from Sweet Springs R-7 please include name of the school. Deadline; May 24th. Will run in May 30th bulletin.

SUNDAY SCHOOL RETURNS TO MEETING WEEKLY

- Sunday school is now meeting weekly.
- Students and teachers will be dismissed for Sunday school immediately following the end of the service. (prior to the rest of the congregation)
- Masks are optional. ➤ Snacks will be provided. ➤ Classes go till 11:15.

Immanuel Lutheran School in Higginsville is currently accepting applications for an **elementary classroom teacher** position for the 2021-2022 school year. Please contact Immanuel Lutheran School at ilswildcats.office@gmail.com or (660) 584-2854 for information.

Those Serving

Musician.....	Megan Dennis
Acolyte.....	Ty Higgins
Radio and Sound.....	Steve Vickrey, Ron Meyer, Pete Melies
Ushers.....	Gary Anderson, Brian Vogelsmeier, Jared Eichholz
Church Secretary.....	Judy Teufel
Church Custodian.....	Jon Dallman
Pastor.....	Rev. Alan Mueller

*Thank
You*

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your organization's recent gift of \$600 to Lutheran World Relief! When you love your neighbors with your generous gifts to LWR, you change lives in amazing ways.

For Walaa Ali al Ali, a Syrian refugee living in Lebanon, your love arrived in the form of a beehive. As the primary breadwinner for her family---including her mother, her developmentally disabled brother, a niece and a nephew---she struggled to find work amid Lebanon's economic crisis. Her family was safe from the war in Syria, but they didn't have access to adequate food or basic medical care. Through LWR, Walaa enrolled in a livelihoods program for refugees and received all the training and supplies she needed to start a business as a beekeeper. With the money she earned, she also planted a vegetable garden to help feed her family. Now she's earning enough to keep her family afloat, and she's even training other women how to produce and sell honey.

Thank you for saving and transforming lives by loving your neighbors like Walaa!...

Warm Regards, Ambassador Daniel V. Speckhard (ret.) President and CEO
for Lutheran World Relief



A Letter from our Seminarian

Dear Immanuel Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your continued support of my preparation for the pastoral office as I attend Concordia Seminary. Your continued support is greatly appreciated by me and my family, and especially in times like this! I am grateful to be attending such a faithful seminary that cares so much about pastoral formation for future pastors and workers in the Church.

This spring semester has gone by so fast, and especially now that we are past Call Day! I am very excited to report that I received a vicarage assignment to Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church in Olathe, Kansas at the Assignment Service on Wednesday, April 28.

My family and I are eager to head out to Olathe sometime in early July. I am looking forward to a year full of learning and formation while being completely immersed in a parish setting. I am able to embark on this experience because of your generosity! My classes are going very well and things are slowly going back to normal. We're still wearing masks and socially distancing, but we have been able to have a few more events on campus and we have started intramural sports and I have been playing softball on Saturdays which has great for my emotional and physical health! I am taking Reading and Preaching, Church & World, Pastoral Care and the Word, and the Reformation, along with language labs. I have enjoyed the classes, my classmates, and my professors immensely. The care that goes into their work in forming students has not gone unnoticed, especially in such a challenging year.

The weather is starting to warm up and I'm so ready for summer and to get outside! I pray that you are all well and that you have a blessed summer full of sunshine and fellowship. I thank God for you all and your generosity and support. God's richest blessings to you all!

In Christ,
Zachary Roll

PRAYER

Members of Immanuel

Carol Thurman, and Ronnie Vogelsmeier

Family and Friends of Immanuel

Nancy Abbuhl, Tiffany Scott Baker, Cindy Bernard, Shirley Colson,
Melissa Eckhoff, Corey Finkeldei, Tabby Green, Linda McFadden,
Neil Meador, Harlan Reid, John Richmond, Terry and Judy Thomsen

Shut-ins and Nursing Home Residents

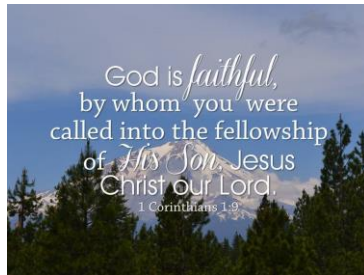
Millie Heins, LoWanda Pinkepank, and Martha Jane Vogelsmeier (LGSNH)
Dolores Fischer (GSNH Apartments)
Dorothy Krause (The Villa)

Mission Workers

Josh, Coco, John, and Sophia Lange (China),
Rev. Peter & Kristie Kolb (Thailand),
Jim & Claudia Dahlke (Mission of Christ Network), those serving POBLO

Military

MaKenna Eckhoff, and Chad Ziegelbein



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

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May the Peace of Christ dwell in you!

