# IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

"God With Us"



Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021

To God be glory for 143 years of His grace at Immanuel and 71 years of proclaiming Jesus on our radio broadcast!

# Prelude Ringing of Bells Welcome

# Confession and Absolution

Hymn of Invocation #LSB 794

The Lord, My God, Be Praised

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** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **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.
- Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- 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.
- C Amen.

# Service of the Word

Psalm

Psalm 111:1–5, 9; antiphon: v.10

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;

all those who practice it have a good understanding.

Praise the LORD!

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

Great are the works of the LORD,

studied by all who delight in them.

Full of splendor and majesty is His work, and His righteousness endures forever.

He has caused His wondrous works to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and merciful.

# He provides food for those who fear Him;

He remembers His covenant forever.

He sent redemption to His people; He has commanded His covenant forever.

Holy and awesome is His name! Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning,

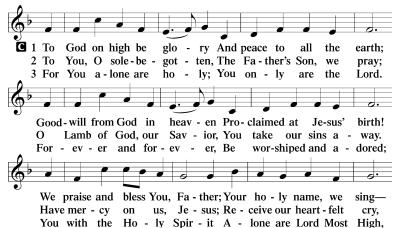
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

## **Kyrie**



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

#### Gloria in Excelsis



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.

## Collect of the Day

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant us to know Your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow His steps in the way that leads to life eternal; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### C Amen.

Sit

## **Old Testament Reading**

Joshua 24:1–2a, 14–18

Ephesians 5:6-21

<sup>1</sup>Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel. And they presented themselves before God. <sup>2</sup>And Joshua said to all the people, . . .

<sup>14</sup> Now therefore fear the LORD and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness. Put away the gods that your fathers served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. <sup>15</sup>And if it is evil in your eyes to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your fathers served in the region beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD."

<sup>16</sup>Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods, <sup>17</sup>for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our fathers up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight and preserved us in all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed. <sup>18</sup>And the LORD drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God."

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

# Epistle

<sup>6</sup>Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. <sup>7</sup>Therefore do not associate with them; <sup>8</sup>for at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light <sup>9</sup>(for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), <sup>10</sup>and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. <sup>11</sup>Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. <sup>12</sup>For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. <sup>13</sup>But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, <sup>14</sup>for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

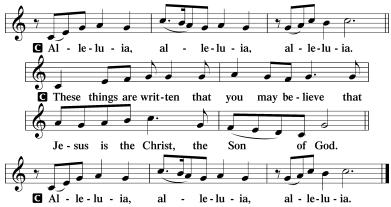
"Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

<sup>15</sup>Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, <sup>16</sup>making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. <sup>17</sup>Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. <sup>18</sup>And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, <sup>19</sup>addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart, <sup>20</sup>giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>21</sup>submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

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

Stand

#### Alleluia and Verse



# **Holy Gospel**

John 6:51–69

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixth chapter.
- Glory be to You, O Lord.

<sup>51</sup>[Jesus said:] "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

<sup>52</sup>The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" <sup>53</sup>So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. <sup>54</sup>Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. <sup>55</sup>For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. <sup>56</sup>Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him. <sup>57</sup>As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the

Father, so whoever feeds on me, he also will live because of me. <sup>58</sup>This is the bread that came down from heaven, not as the fathers ate and died. Whoever feeds on this bread will live forever." <sup>59</sup>Jesus said these things in the synagogue, as he taught at Capernaum.

<sup>60</sup>When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?" <sup>61</sup>But Jesus, knowing in himself that his disciples were grumbling about this, said to them, "Do you take offense at this? <sup>62</sup>Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? <sup>63</sup>It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh is of no avail. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. <sup>64</sup>But there are some of you who do not believe." (For Jesus knew from the beginning who those were who did not believe, and who it was who would betray him.) <sup>65</sup>And he said, "This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by the Father."

<sup>66</sup>After this many of his disciples turned back and no longer walked with him. <sup>67</sup>So Jesus said to the Twelve, "Do you want to go away as well?" <sup>68</sup>Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, <sup>69</sup>and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

# 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.

# Hymn of the Day #LSB 798 sts. 1–4 The God of Abraham Praise Sermon

Title: "To Whom Shall We Go?" Scripture: John 6 and Joshua 24

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Prayers of the Church

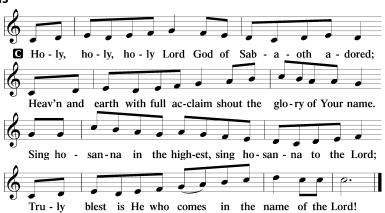
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# Service of the Sacrament

#### **Preface**

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new 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



## Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

## Lord's Prayer

#### The Words of Our Lord

#### Pax Domini

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.





#### Distribution

Distribution Hymn #LSB 825 Distribution Hymn #LSB 528 Distribution Hymn #LSB 743

Rise, Shine, You People
Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing
Jesus, Priceless Treasure

Stand

#### **Nunc Dimittis**



### **Post-Communion Collect**

**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**

- 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.

Hymn to Depart #LSB 761

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY
Beginning Sept. 1st
At 10:00am
In Fellowship Hall
Come and join the fellowship
and group study.

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# The Lord's Week

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

10:15am BC/Sunday School

Sun 9:00am Divine Service on KMMO AM 1300

10:15am BC/Sunday School 11:15am Church Council Meeting



SAVE THIS DATE: Friday, Sept.17th and Saturday, Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> will be picture days for our new directory. This is scheduled with United Church Directory(a new company). *That means everyone will need to retake* 

*pictures* for the directory. If your personal contact information has changed, please let the office know. You may text or call Judy at 660-202-2993. Thank you for your help and patience during this process.

#### Two ways to Schedule Photography Sessions

- 1. Schedule on Sunday's at church or call the church office at 660-335-4141.
- **2. On-Line:** Simply go to **www.ucdir.com**, click on photography appointment scheduling login on the right side, enter **mo140** in the Church Code field and enter **photos** in the Church Password field. Follow the prompts to schedule your family's appointment time. If you have 6 or more in your family please use 2 consecutive time slots. The online scheduling option is available Monday through Friday.

Appointments fill up quickly, so schedule as soon as possible to secure your preferred date and time.



Bd of Ed BINGO NIGHT: Saturday, November 6th, from 5-8 for a night of fun. Enjoy food, prizes & pies!

Care Team meeting on August 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10:00a Board of Ed Meeting on August 29<sup>th</sup> at 11:15am.

MISSOURI DISTRICT NEWS: We're starting the final countdown for Fomorrow's Teachers & Preachers" offering happening August 29. Congregations across the District are preparing for this special offering which is dedicated to give financial assistance for students entering church work vocations. Will you prayerfully consider joining us in supporting students on the path to ministry on August 29? Thank you!

## **Those Serving**

MusicianJudy	Teufe!
AcolyteAndrea R	Renken
Radio and SoundSteve Vickrey, Ron Meyer, Pete	Melies
UshersMark Luetjen, Robert Claborn, Jason Schowengerdt, Jim	Teufel
Church SecretaryJudy	Teufel
Church CustodianJon Da	allman
PastorPastor Alan M	Iueller

# PRAYER

#### Members of Immanuel

Allen Boehmer, Brittany & Hadley(infant daughter) Boland, Lester Harms, and Carol Thurman

#### **Family and Friends of Immanuel**

Tiffany Scott Baker, Cindy Bernard, Shirley Colson, Cade Hamil, Gail Foster Horman, Melissa Eckhoff, Corey Finkeldei, Alcwin Fischer, Linda McFadden, Neil Meador, and John Richmond.

## **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

Owen Dobbins, 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.

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May the Peace of Christ dwell in you!

