IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

"God With Us"



Sixth Sunday in Epiphany Feb. 12th, 2023

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 686 *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 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

¹Blessèd are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the LORD!

²Blessèd are those who keep his testimonies, who seek him with their whole heart,

³who also do no wrong, but walk in his ways! ⁴You have commanded your precepts to be kept diligently.

⁵Oh that my ways may be steadfast in keeping your statutes!

⁶Then I shall not be put to shame, having my eyes fixed on all your commandments.

⁷I will praise you with an upright heart, when I learn your just and righteous decrees.

⁸I will keep your statutes; do not utterly forsake me!

O Lord God, heav'n-ly

the only

O Lord God, Lamb of God,

O

O Lord,

Kyrie

¹Blessèd are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the LORD!



King,

begotten Son,

Son

God the Fa-ther

Je - sus

of

the

Al - mighty.

Father,

O

Christ;



Collect of the Day

P Let us pray.

O Lord, graciously hear the prayers of Your people that we who justly suffer the consequence of our sin may be mercifully delivered by Your goodness to the glory of Your name; 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 30:15-20

¹⁵"See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you today, by loving the LORD your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his rules, then you shall live and multiply, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away, and you will not hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare to you today, that you shall surely perish. You shall not live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, ²⁰loving the LORD your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them."

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

Epistle

1 Corinthians 3:1–9

¹But I, brothers, could not address you as spiritual people, but as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. ²I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for it. And even now you are not yet ready, ³for you are still of the flesh. For while there is jealousy and strife among you, are you not of the flesh and behaving only in a human way? ⁴For when one says, "I follow Paul," and another, "I follow Apollos," are you not being merely human?

⁵What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you believed, as the Lord assigned to each. ⁶I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. ⁷So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. ⁸He who plants and he who waters are one, and each will receive his wages according to his labor. ⁹For we are God's fellow workers. You are God's field, God's building.

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

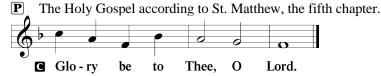
Stand

Alleluia



Holy Gospel

Matthew 5:21-37



²¹[Jesus said:] "You have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgment.' ²²But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, 'You fool!' will be liable to the hell of fire. ²³So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, ²⁴leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. ²⁵Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are going with him to court, lest your accuser hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you be put in prison. ²⁶Truly, I say to you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

²⁷"You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' ²⁸But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart. ²⁹If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than that your whole body be thrown into hell. ³⁰And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than that your whole body go into hell.

³¹"It was also said, 'Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.' ³²But I say to you that everyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of sexual immorality, makes her commit adultery. And whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

³³"Again you have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not swear falsely, but shall perform to the Lord what you have sworn.' ³⁴But I say to you, Do not take an oath at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, ³⁵or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. ³⁶And do not take an oath by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. ³⁷Let what you say be simply 'Yes' or 'No'; anything more than this comes from evil."



Apostles' Creed

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

and the life + everlasting. Amen.

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,

Children's Message

Hymn of the Day #LSB 732 vv.1-3 All Depends on Our Possessing Sermon

Title: Life and Good

Scripture: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Offering Offertory



Stand

Prayers of the Church

Service of the Sacrament

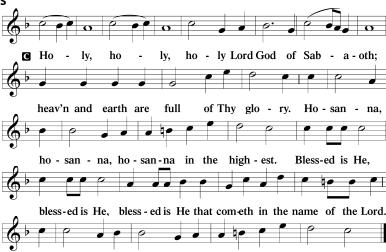
Preface

- **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 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, 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



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

Lord's Prayer

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini

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

Agnus Dei



Distribution (Continuous Flow)

We ask those who are not members of the Lutheran confession and who do not believe that they receive the true body and blood of Jesus in the Lord's Supper to please refrain from receiving the sacrament this morning. You are invited, rather, to come up and receive a blessing. Please indicate this by crossing your arms across your chest.

Continuous flow: We will commune one side of the sanctuary at a time -communing the entire side before communing the next side.

Distribution Hymn #LSB 645 Distribution Hymn #LSB 527 Distribution Hymn #LSB 528 Stand Built on the Rock O Savior, Precious Savior Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Nunc Dimittis



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.



Hymn to Depart #LSB 575

My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

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The Lord's Week

Sun.	9:00am 10:15am 7:15pm	Holy Communion Service on KMMO AM 1300 BC/ SS 7 th /8 th Grade Confirmation
Mon.	8:30am 1:00pm	Royal Oak Bible Study Finance Board
Tues.	8:00am 4:30pm	Braille 5th & 6th Grade Confirmation
Wed.	10:00am 6:30pm	Women's Bible Study Combined Choir Practice at Holy Cross
Thurs.	1:00-2:30pm 6:00pm	Orphan Grain Train in Concordia Church Council
Sun.	9:00am 10:15am 7:15pm	Holy Communion on KMMO AM 1300 BC/ SS 7 th /8 th Grade Confirmation

Announcements

St. Paul Pitch Party February 19th at the Parish Office in Concordia. Light lunch at 6:00pm. Cards at 7:00pm.

Our Immanuel Board of Education is selling trash bags at \$13/roll. There is an order form and envelope the Narthex or you may contact Courtney Gieselman for more information. 660-815-4080. The proceeds support the tuition program for our students enrolled in Christian Education schools.

The Board of Education and Sunday School Teachers invite you to the Concordia Bowling Alley. When: February 26, 2023

Time: 1p.m.- 3p.m. **Who:** Preschool-8th grade and parents The cost of bowling and shoes is covered for children and parents.

We ask that parents please stay with their children!

Heit's Point at Cole Camp is hosting a **Singles Retreat** for March 3rd-5th. Come join other Christian singles on a outdoors retreat weekend in the Ozarks! All you need to do is register, pack a bag, and invite a wingman! Heit's Point is a LCMS Ministry camp located near Lincoln, Missouri. Cost is \$85 for 2 nights and all meals or \$65 for one night and 3 meals. Register online at www.heispoint.com or call 660-668-2363.

Sweet Springs High School Project Prom 2023 is *accepting donations* for this event made payable to "Sweet Springs R-VII After Prom". Sent c/o Jenny Trautman, 18723 130th Rd., Sweet Springs, MO 65351. (A complete letter from the After Prom Committee is on the fellowship hall bulletin.

St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Ernestville, Missouri is sponsoring a **Chili-Soup Dinner in the Church Basement, Sunday, February 19, 2023**, from 11:00am to 1:00-m. The proceeds will be used for the St. Paul's Elementary School Tuition Program.

Trivia night at Saint Paul Lutheran High School, Concordia, MO Test your knowledge as the SPLHS Classes of 2023 and 2026 put on this year's trivia night. The event will be held on Saturday, February 18th in the Gym Annex at SPLHS. Doors open at 6:00pm, trivia begins at 6:30pm. Cost is \$80 per table with a maximum of 8 people per table. Cash prizes for 1st and 2nd place, plus team prizes for best costumes/table decorations (choose your own theme). Teams can bring their own snacks and drinks will be available for purchase. To register a team, send name and contact person to CGifford@splhs.org or call 660-463-2238 ext. 266 by Wednesday, February 15th.

Those Serving

Musicians:	Ron Baker
	Sophie Koch
Radio and Sound	Steve Vickrey, Ron Meyer, Pete Melies
	Andrea Renken, Dana Melies, Debbie Vickrey & others
Ushers:	Kevin Wulff, Jared Eichholz, Ryan Sims, Jason Staples
Church Secretary	Judy Teufel
Church Custodian	Laura Flippen
	Pastor Alan Mueller

PRAYER

Members of Immanuel:

Family and Friends of Immanuel: Cindy Bernard, Larry and Eileen Winfrey.

Shut-ins and Nursing Home Residents: Dolores Fischer, Lester & Louise Harms, & Martha Jane Vogelsmeier (LGSNH) Dorothy Krause (The Villa); Thelma Nienhueser (The Essex of Concordia)

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, and MaKenna Eckhoff



The Board of Property needs your assistance!

The Board of Properties will be placing a plaque either in the Narthex or at the back of the Sanctuary **recognizing memorial gifts** given to the church. **If you would like a loved one's memorial gift to be recognized on the plaque,** please let Dave Gieselman (660-815-7470) or any member of the Board of Properties.

Please help the Board by providing knowledge of gifts lovingly given that you are the memory caretaker of the gift.

Thank you so much for your help so that we can continue to honor our forefathers' gifts.

Board of Properties

Dave Gieselman Susan Guier Kevin Wulff Allen Bredehoeft Garret Sims Marc Johnson

You are invited! Plan to attend the St. Paul's Lutheran School annual *Gifts of Grace Benefit Dinner and Auction* on Saturday, March 11, 2023. Tickets are \$35 per person and available for purchase at the SCHOOL office. Reserved seating and additional perks available by upgrading to the Table of 8 Package Deal or the Platinum Experience!

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:

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May the Peace of Christ dwell in you!

