

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

"God With Us"



Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 13th, 2023

*To God be glory for 145 years of His grace at Immanuel and
73 years of proclaiming Jesus on our radio broadcast!*

Prelude
Ringing of Bell
Welcome

Hymn of Invocation #LSB 834 *O God, O Lord of Heaven and Earth*

Confession and Absolution

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 If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

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

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P 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.

Stand

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 34:4–8; antiphon: v. 1

I will bless the LORD at all times;
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

**I sought the LORD, and he answered me
and delivered me from all my fears.**

Those who look to him are radiant,
and their faces shall never be ashamed.

**This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him
and saved him out of all his troubles.**

The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him,
and delivers them.

Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!

Blessèd is the man who takes refuge in him!

I will bless the LORD at all times;

his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

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.

A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
 whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.
 Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength and
 hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are His.
 This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le -
 lu - ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of
 God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:
 Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and might be to
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.
 This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,
 for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun His reign.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Collect of the Day

P Let us pray.

Almighty and most merciful God, preserve us from all harm and danger that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish what You want done; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

First Reading

Job 38:4–18

⁴[The Lord said to Job:] “Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?

Tell me, if you have understanding.

⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?

⁶On what were its bases sunk,

or who laid its cornerstone,

⁷when the morning stars sang together

and all the sons of God shouted for joy?

⁸“Or who shut in the sea with doors

when it burst out from the womb,

⁹when I made clouds its garment

and thick darkness its swaddling band,

¹⁰and prescribed limits for it

and set bars and doors,

¹¹and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther,

and here shall your proud waves be stayed’?

¹²“Have you commanded the morning since your days began,

and caused the dawn to know its place,

¹³that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth,

and the wicked be shaken out of it?

¹⁴It is changed like clay under the seal,

and its features stand out like a garment.

¹⁵From the wicked their light is withheld,

and their uplifted arm is broken.

¹⁶“Have you entered into the springs of the sea,

or walked in the recesses of the deep?

¹⁷Have the gates of death been revealed to you,

or have you seen the gates of deep darkness?

¹⁸Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth?

Declare, if you know all this.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Romans 10:5–17

⁵Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them.

⁶But the righteousness based on faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ

down) ⁷or “‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead).

⁸But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that

we proclaim); ⁹because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. ¹¹For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.”

¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. ¹³For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

¹⁴But how are they to call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching?

¹⁵And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!”

¹⁶But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?” ¹⁷So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature (C). It contains a melodic line for the Alleluia: a quarter rest, followed by quarter notes G4, A4, B4, and a half note C5. The lyrics "Al - le - lu - ia." are written below. The second staff continues the melody with quarter notes D5, E5, F#5, G5, and a half note A5. The lyrics "Lord, to whom shall we go?" are written below. The third staff continues with quarter notes B5, A5, G5, F#5, and a half note E5. The lyrics "You have the words of e - ter - nal life." are written below. The fourth staff concludes with quarter notes D5, C5, B4, and a half note A4. The lyrics "Al - le - lu - ia." are written below. A common time signature (C) is placed at the beginning of the second staff.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 14:22–33

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²²Immediately [Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. ²³And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. ²⁵And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. ²⁶But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, “It is a ghost!” and they cried out in fear. ²⁷But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, “Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid.”

²⁸And Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” ²⁹He said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. ³⁰But when he saw

the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, “Lord, save me.”³¹ Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, “O you of little faith, why did you doubt?”³² And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased.³³ And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, 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 † everlasting. Amen.

Sit

Hymn #LSB 605 v.1

Father Welcomes

Children's Message

Hymn of the Day #LSB 544 vv.1-4

O Love, How Deep

Sermon

Title: Faith: Beyond Reasonable Doubt

Scripture: Matthew 14:22–33

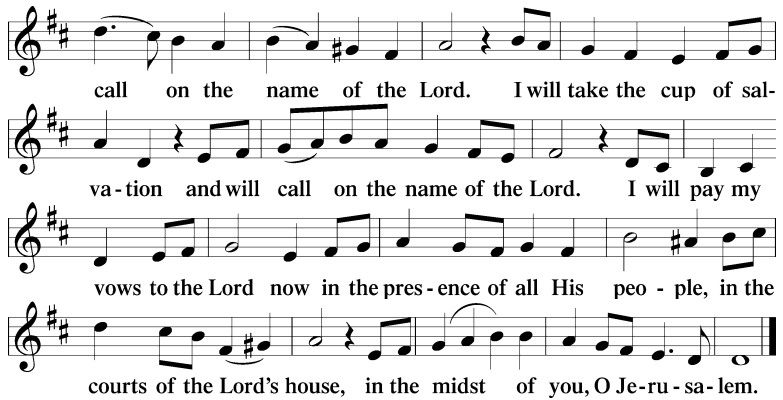
Reflection Hymn #LSB 752

Be Still, My Soul

Offering

Offertory

C What shall I ren - der to the Lord for all His ben - e-fits to
me? I will of - fer the sac - ri - fice of thanks - giv - ing and will



call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-
va-tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je-ru-sa-lem.

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.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

Benediction

P 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 739

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

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The Lord's Week

Sun.	9:00am 10:15am	Divine Service on KMMO AM 1300 SS/BC
Mon.	8:30am 1:00pm	Royal Oak Bible Study Board of Finance
Tues.	8:30am	Braille Workers
Wed.	10:00am	Women's Bible Study First Day of School St. Paul Lutheran
Thurs.	1:00pm	Orphan Grain Train
Sun.	9:00am 10:15am 11:15am	Holy Communion Service on KMMO AM 1300 SS/BC Board of Ed



Thank you. We have someone to help with Mailey in the mornings. It couldn't be better as Connie Bonar is stepping up to help!

---Cole & Allyson Nowland

TODAY!! Tenderloin Dinner at Concordia Senior Center (710 Main St.)

Dine-in or drive through in the alley behind the Center coming in from the south off 8th St. The meal includes breaded tenderloin, mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans, roll and dessert. Cost \$12. All proceed support older adults in our community.



From Lutheran Bible Translators. Thank you for supporting Lutheran Bible Translators with you gift of \$750.00 to the "Every Language Fund". More people around the world will experience the hope, life, and transformation that Scripture brings. It is more than words.

From Pettis County Birthright: Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, Birthright appreciates your recent donation of \$250./00. What a blessing to the moms and babies we serve! Thank you for sharing Christ's love with them.

Those Serving

Musician.....	Ron Baker
Acolyte:	Hadley Eichholz
Radio and Sound.....	Steve Vickrey, Ron Meyer, Pete Melies
Video.....	Andrea Renken, Dana Melies, Debbie Vickrey & others
Ushers.....	Ken Hughson, Gary Anderson, Ron Meyer, Carl Colson
Church Secretary.....	Judy Teufel
Pastor.....	Pastor Alan Mueller

The UCM Lutheran Student Center humbly asks you to consider sponsoring or serving a meal this year! If you'd like to sponsor a meal for \$40, checks may be made to Lutheran Student Center and mailed to 215 S Holden St, Warrensburg, MO 64093. If you'd like to come serve a meal, please contact pastor Schweigert at 660-647-7603 to arrange a date. God bless you and please keep us in your prayers!

The **Concordia Music Conservatory** is now accepting enrollment applications for fall semester private music lessons in keyboard, winds, brass, and voice. Private lessons are available for all levels and age groups. New fall course offerings are several ensembles: beginning guitar (grades 5-12th/9 weeks); handbell exploration (grades 3-8th/9 weeks); Concordia Community Kinderchor (grades 4-8th/15 weeks); Concordia Community Kleinkinderchor (K-3rd/15 weeks). All ensembles and lessons are held on the campus of Saint Paul Lutheran High School in Concordia and are led by highly qualified music instructors. For more information or to get enrollment forms you may email info@cmc-music.org, or call 660-624-7950. You can also visit the Concordia Music Conservatory Facebook page and share this information as well.

Ready, set, let's go! The annual Concordia Fall Festival 5K returns on September 9, 2023. With each step in this race, you empower Lutheran Bible Translators to take major strides in its mission. How? All proceeds go to fuel Bible printing and distribution. 3,552 language communities still don't have access to the complete Bible. It's time to change that. Register today for \$25 at <https://lbt.org/5k>. Sign up before August 21 to guarantee a race-day shirt!

MISSOURI DISTRICT NEWS: The Missouri District kicks off Tomorrow's Teachers and Preachers this month! The campaign raises awareness of church work vocations and bolsters the scholarship endowment for the next generation of pastors, DCEs, teachers, and more. Congregations are invited to participate by remembering this effort in prayer and collecting a special offering on August 27 that will be added to the fund. By God's grace, and with His guidance, it is our prayer that workers within the harvest field will be plentiful well into the future.

PRAYER

Members of Immanuel: Randy Brandt, Cora Lee Fuchs, Louise Harms, and Kenny Krause.

Family and Friends of Immanuel: Cindy Bernard, Michelle Boland, Gloria Burrow, Alcuin Fischer, Linder Hoffman, Jacob Neel, Gary Rapp, Tracy Schultz, Dana Sleeper, Vernon Sylvester, and Debbie Wulser.

Shut-ins and Nursing Home Residents: Dolores Fischer, 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: Jeffrey Abel, Owen Dobbins, and MaKenna Eckhoff

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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!

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