# IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

"God With Us"



Sixth Sunday after Pentecost July 20th, 2025

To God be glory for 146 years of His grace at Immanuel and 74 years of proclaiming Jesus on our radio broadcast

# Prelude\*\*\*Ringing of the Bell\*\*Welcome

# Confession and Absolution

Hymn of Invocation LSB #850 God of Grace and God of Glory

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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

#### Introit

Psalm 119:57-60, 64; antiphon: v. 105

Your word is a lamp to my feet

and a light to my path.

The LORD is my portion;

I promise to keep your words.

I entreat your favor with all my heart;

be gracious to me according to your promise.

When I think on my ways,

I turn my feet to your testimonies;

I hasten and do not delay

to keep your commandments.

The earth, O LORD, is full of your steadfast love;

teach me your statutes!

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

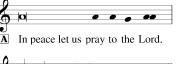
as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

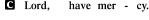
Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

**Kyrie** 

LSB 168







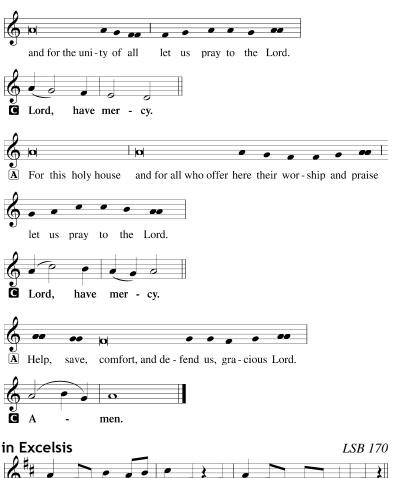


A For the peace from a-bove and for our sal-va-tion let us pray to the Lord.





For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,







## Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- **P** Let us pray.

O Lord, grant us the Spirit to hear Your Word and know the one thing needful that by Your Word and Spirit we may live according to Your will; 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**

Genesis 18:1-14

<sup>1</sup> The LORD appeared to [Abraham] by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the door of his tent in the heat of the day. <sup>2</sup>He lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, three men were standing in front of him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent door to meet them and bowed himself to the earth <sup>3</sup>and said, "O Lord, if I have found favor in your sight, do not pass by your servant. <sup>4</sup>Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree, <sup>5</sup>while I bring a morsel of bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." <sup>6</sup>And Abraham went

quickly into the tent to Sarah and said, "Quick! Three seahs of fine flour! Knead it, and make cakes." <sup>7</sup>And Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to a young man, who prepared it quickly. <sup>8</sup>Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them. And he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

<sup>9</sup>They said to him, "Where is Sarah your wife?" And he said, "She is in the tent." <sup>10</sup>The LORD said, "I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife shall have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent door behind him. <sup>11</sup>Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in years. The way of women had ceased to be with Sarah. <sup>12</sup>So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I am worn out, and my lord is old, shall I have pleasure?" <sup>13</sup>The LORD said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?" <sup>14</sup>Is anything too hard for the LORD? At the appointed time I will return to you about this time next year, and Sarah shall have a son."

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

**Epistle** 

Colossians 1:21–29

<sup>21</sup>You, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, <sup>22</sup>he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him, <sup>23</sup>if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister.

<sup>24</sup>Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church, <sup>25</sup>of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, <sup>26</sup>the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints. <sup>27</sup>To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. <sup>28</sup>Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. <sup>29</sup>For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.

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



## **Holy Gospel**

Luke 10:38-42

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the tenth chapter.



<sup>38</sup>Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. <sup>39</sup>And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. <sup>40</sup>But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she went up to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me." <sup>41</sup>But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, <sup>42</sup>but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



#### 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.

Sit

## Hymn of the Day LSB #536 One Thing's Needful

#### Sermon

Text: Luke 10:42

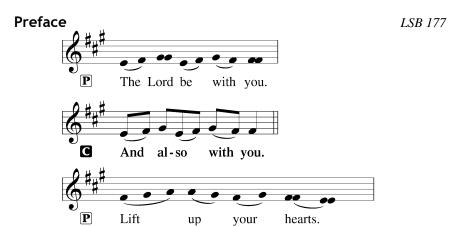
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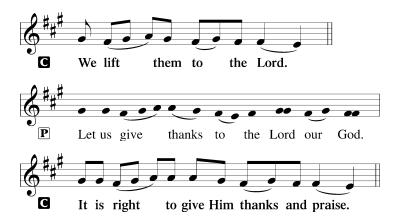
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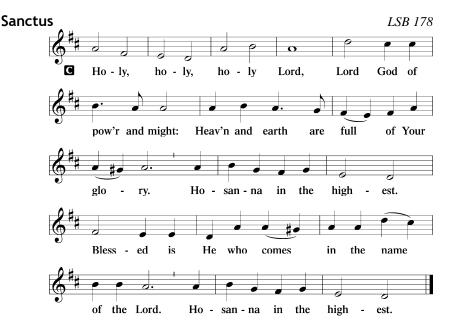
Prayer of the Church

# Service of the Sacrament





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, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



#### The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

#### **Proclamation of Christ**

- P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- **C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- Decorated Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

## 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
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.



The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.





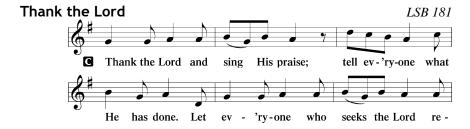
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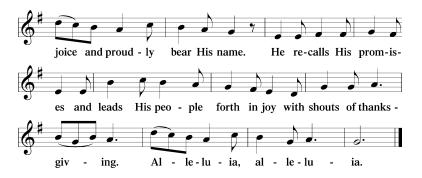
#### Distribution

Distribution Hymn LSB# 622 Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared
Distribution Hymn LSB #651

I Love Your Kingdom Lord

Stand





#### 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.





The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.



## Hymn to Depart LSB #730 What is the World to Me

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# The Lord's Week

Sun.	9:00am	Holy Communion Service on KMMO AM 1300 10:15am BC/ SS
11:15am-3:30pm 5-7:30pm		Fellowship Hall-Ruth Roscher-Family Reunion EPIC Australian Adventure VBS
Mon.	5-7:30pm	EPIC Australian Adventure VBS
Tues.	5-7:30pm 7:00pm	EPIC Australian Adventure VBS Board of Elders
Wed.	5-7:30pm	EPIC Australian Adventure VBS
Thurs.	5-7:30pm	EPIC Australian Adventure VBS
Fri.	7-9pm	VBS Splash Party at Sweet Springs City Pool All Welcome
Sun.	9:00am 10:15am	Divine Service on KMMO AM 1300 BC/SS

Thank you, Pastor Paul Mehl for leading our service today!

Save the date: Bingo Night will be Nov. 8th, 2025.



Please join us for an EPIC Australian Adventure! VBS at Immanuel Lutheran Church will be July 20th-July 24th 5p.m.-7:30pm. Meal will begin at 5p.m. with a Bible Story, crafts, music and so much more fun to follow. Forms are in the back of church or online at <a href="sweetspringsimmanuel.com">sweetspringsimmanuel.com</a> ENROLL NOW!



Please join us on Friday, July 25th to end VBS with a SPLASH! We will have a swim party from 7p.m.-9p.m. All children are invited even if you were not able to attend VBS. Adults are welcome too!

## **Scholarship Applications:**

Available for children entering Preschool through 12th grade who are attending a school sponsored by a Lutheran Church. Applications are in the back and have been emailed to you. Please turn into the church office or Courtney Gieselman by July 20th.

## **Those Serving**

<i>Musician</i> sRor	ı Baker
Acolyte:	eselman
Radio and Sound:Steve Vickrey, Ron Meyer, Pete	Melies
Video:Marsha Tyler, Andrea Renken, Dana Melies, &	others
UshersCurtis Kirchhoff, Dave Gieselman, Allan Koch, Chris P	etersen
PastorRev. Par	al Mehl
Church SecretaryJudy	Teufel

# PRAYER

**Members of Immanuel:** Mary Anderson, Carol Brandt, Randy Brandt, Phyllis Bredehoeft, Stanley Bredehoeft, Dale Dierker, Lois Gieseke, Nolan Kirby, Carolyn Luebbert, Mary Opfer...

Family and Friends of Immanuel: Brooklyn Anderson, Alan & Cindy Bernard, Mike & Eva Cordes family, Brandy Clevenger, Jeff Fuehring, Marian Harris, Diane Heermann, Gail Foster Horman, Retta Hamilton, Kelly Krause, Mark Krause, Terri Krause, David Maas, Inez Navarro, Rhonda Neupert, Jessica Nicolson, Mary Lou Ramos, Brooke Rieckhoff, Kimberly Scott, Elliot Smith, Jim & Jolene Studor..

### **Shut-ins and Nursing Home Residents:**

Millie Dohrman (Westport Assisted Living)
Dolores Fischer & Dorothy Krause (The Living Center)

Mission Workers: Rev. Peter & Kristie Kolb (Thailand),

Jim & Claudia Dahlke (Mission of Christ Network), those serving POBLO.

David & Valerie Federwitz (LBT West Africa Regional Director))

Military: MaKenna Eckhoff, Drake Batye

<u>Special Voters Meeting</u> on August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025 following the service. The purpose of the meeting will be to vote on the top 5 pastors the Call Committee has selected.

#### ATTENDANCE & GIVING JUNER 2025

Ch	urch & Sunda	lithes and offerings for		
Date	Sunday Service	Adult Bible Class	Sunday School	June 2025 Budget Amount Needed for
June 1	104	15	24	June 2025: \$16,811.  Amount received for June 2025: \$17.200.  Receipts were Above budget by+-\$389.
June 8	101	18	21	
June 15	92	18	16	
June 22	95	21	25	
June 29	72	18	15	

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!



1 July 2025

#### Christ Lutheran School

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#### Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Grace and peace to you from our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. I am writing to you on behalf of **Christ Lutheran School**, a relatively young institution that has been serving our community since 2020. As a school committed to nurturing the hearts and minds of children in the Lutheran faith, we have faced both joys and challenges, but we remain steadfast in our mission to offer a quality education grounded in Christ's teachings.

When we opened our doors in 2020, we started with just three students. Since then, by God's grace, our enrollment has grown to include Kindergarten through 5th grade, serving students from the surrounding area. Despite our growth, we have faced significant financial challenges. As you can imagine, the road to establishing a school has not been without its struggles. In order to meet our financial goals, it has often been the individual members of our congregation who have stepped forward, offering their personal resources and sacrifices to help sustain our school.

An important funding source for us has been the Georgia Student Scholarship Organization (GASSO), which helps support private schools like ours. However, we are deeply concerned because GASSO funding has significantly decreased—almost by 50%—since our school began just five years ago. This decline has made it increasingly difficult for us to provide tuition assistance to families and maintain the school in a sustainable way.

As we look to the future, we remain hopeful. Our long-term vision is to build a dedicated connecting school facility that will expand the reach of our ministry and better serve the growing number of students. Currently, our school operates with two classrooms, and although we were able to accommodate nine students last year, we have the capacity to serve up to 10 students per classroom. The need for growth is real, and with your help, we believe that we can take the necessary steps toward a more sustainable and impactful future.

We are reaching out to our brothers and sisters in Christ across the country to ask for your support. Our goal is to raise funds to provide tuition assistance, maintain our school, and build the foundation for future growth. Specifically, we are asking churches to consider:

- 1. Humbly request for your prayers for our students, teachers, and school as a whole.
- Petitioning your church for a one-time or recurring grant to our school and/or take up a special dedicated offering for our school. Any amount will help.
- Posting this letter to invite your congregants to donate any amount—whether as little as \$1—
  via the QR code provided below. Every contribution, no matter how small, will help us fulfill
  our mission of providing a Christ-centered education to our students.

Together, we can make a difference in the lives of young children who are being raised in the Christian faith.

We deeply appreciate any support you can offer. May God bless you for your generosity and commitment to His kingdom.

In Christ's Service,

#### RICHARD HENNIG

Board Member (770) 584-7335 schooltreasurer1580@gmail.com

