

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

"God With Us"



Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 7th, 2025

*To God be glory for 147 years of His grace at Immanuel and
75 years of proclaiming Jesus on our radio broadcast.*

*Prelude**Ringing of the Bell**Welcome*

Confession and Absolution

Hymn of Invocation LSB #864

Shepherd of Tender Youth

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 Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved.

Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit Psalm 119:28-32; antiphon: v.27

Make me understand the way of your precepts,
and I will meditate on your wondrous works.

My soul melts away for sorrow;
strengthen me according to your word!

Put false ways far from me
and graciously teach me your law!

I have chosen the way of faithfulness;

I set your just decrees before me.
I cling to your testimonies, O LORD;

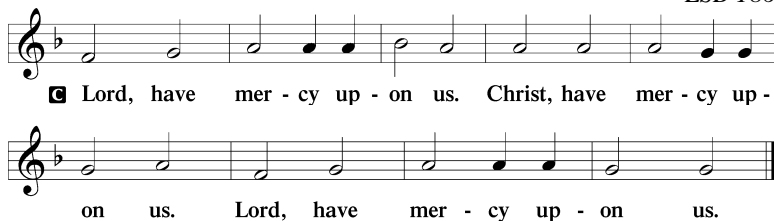
let me not be put to shame!
I will run in the way of your commandments
when you enlarge my heart!

Make me understand the way of your precepts,
and I will meditate on your wondrous works.



Kyrie

LSB 186



Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 187

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 The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

P Let us pray.

O merciful Lord, You did not spare Your only Son but delivered Him up for us all. Grant us courage and strength to take up the cross and follow Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

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

Philemon 1–21

¹Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,
To Philemon our beloved fellow worker ²and Apphia our sister
and Archippus our fellow soldier, and the church in your house:

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴I thank my God always when I remember you in my prayers, ⁵because I hear of your love and of the faith that you have toward the Lord Jesus and all the saints, ⁶and I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective for the full knowledge of every good thing that is in us for the sake of Christ. ⁷For I have derived much joy and comfort from your love, my brother, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you.

⁸Accordingly, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do what is required, ⁹yet for love's sake I prefer to appeal to you—I, Paul, an old man and now a prisoner also for Christ Jesus—¹⁰I appeal to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I became in my imprisonment. ¹¹(Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful to you and to me.) ¹²I am sending him back to you, sending my very heart. ¹³I would have been glad to keep him with me, in order that he might serve me on your behalf during my imprisonment for the gospel, ¹⁴but I preferred to do nothing without your consent in order that your goodness might not be by compulsion but of your own free will. ¹⁵For this perhaps is why he was parted from you for a while, that you might have him back forever, ¹⁶no longer as a slave but more than a slave, as a beloved brother—especially to me, but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

¹⁷So if you consider me your partner, receive him as you would receive me. ¹⁸If he has wronged you at all, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. ¹⁹I, Paul, write this with my own hand: I will repay it—to say nothing of your owing me even your own self. ²⁰Yes, brother, I want some benefit from you in the Lord. Refresh my heart in Christ.

²¹Confident of your obedience, I write to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia

LSB 190



C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 14:25–35

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



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

²⁵Now great crowds accompanied [Jesus], and he turned and said to them, ²⁶“If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. ²⁷Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, ³⁰saying, ‘This man began to build and was not able to finish.’ ³¹Or what king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³²And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace. ³³So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple.

³⁴“Salt is good, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? ³⁵It is of no use either for the soil or for the manure pile. It is thrown away. He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

(found inside the back cover of the hymnal)

Sit

Hymn of the Day LSB #707 Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways

Sermon

Text: Deuteronomy 30:19b

"Now choose life, so that you and your children may live."

Stand

Offertory

LSB 192

C Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

Sit

Offering

Stand

Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

LSB 194

P The Lord be with you.
C And with thy spir - it.
P Lift up your hearts.
C We lift them up un - to 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. 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

LSB 195

G 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.

Lord's Prayer (found inside the back cover of the hymnal)

The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

Pax Domini

LSB 197

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

G A - men.

Agnus Dei

LSB 198

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 #637 *Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord*

Distribution Hymn LSB #560

Drawn to the Cross, Which Thou Hast Blessed

Distribution Hymn LSB # 570

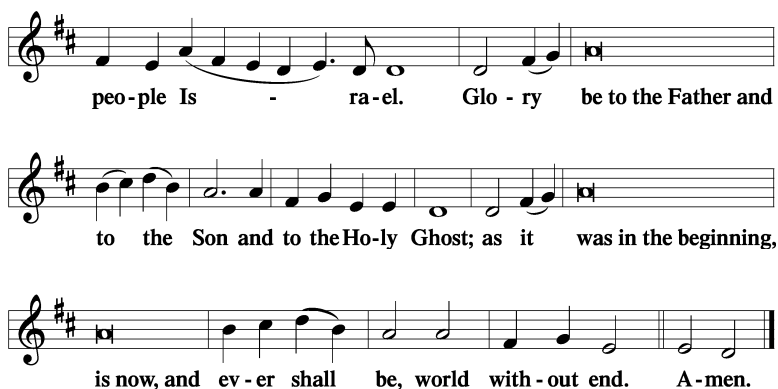
Just as I am without One Plea

Stand

Nunc Dimittis

LSB 199

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 - tles and the glo - ry of Thy

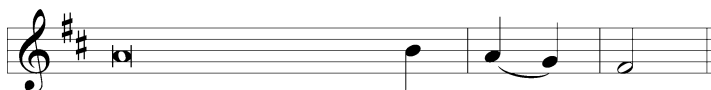


peo-ple Is - ra-el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A-men.

Thanksgiving

LSB 200

A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

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 A - men.

P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

Benedicamus

LSB 202

A Bless we the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

LSB 202

- 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 #527 O Savior, Precious Savior

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The Lord's Week

Sun.	9:00am 10:15am	Holy Communion Service on KMMO AM 1300 BC/SS
Mon.	10:00am	Finance Board
Tues.	6:00pm	Board of Properties
Wed.	10:00am	Women's Bible Study
Sun.	9:00am 10:15am	Divine Service on KMMO AM 1300 Voters/SS

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



Kevin and Brenda Wulff are sponsoring our radio Broadcast this morning in honor of their 46th wedding Anniversary. We join them in celebrating this anniversary and pray that the Lord continues to bless their marriage and family. Thank you for sponsoring this broadcast and all that you do for your church family. \

Save your labels! Board of Ed is still collecting Best Choice labels! You can place them in the box in the narthex.

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

The Care Team will be providing cookies for the farmers at the elevator again this fall. We need your help. If you'd like to donate, we would be ever, so grateful. All kinds are accepted, but please no nuts or peanut butter. Please have your cookies to the church by September 14. They can be put in the freezer anytime. Thank you in advance for your continued support.

Board of Properties is ready to replace the windows in the Sunday School rooms and the Education Building. There is a total of 26 windows at a cost of \$800 each. ***We are asking for individuals who feel compelled, to sponsor a one or more windows.*** Any donation toward this project would be appreciated. There is one window already replaced beside the fire escape in the upstairs classroom. You may want to look at this window to see the improvement and quality of installation. Thank you for your help.

Those Serving

Musicians.....Judy Teufel
Acolyte:.....Olivia Dickinson
Radio and Sound:Steve Vickrey, Ron Meyer, Pete Melies
Video:.....Marsha Tyler, Andrea Renken, Dana Melies, & others
Ushers.....Kevin Wulff, Nelson Guier, Andrew Renken, Bill Renken
Pastor.....Rev. Paul Mehl
Church SecretaryJudy Teufel



Mark your calendar for the **Annual Fall Picnic & Games on Sunday, September 28th**. Sit outside or in the fellowship hall, and enjoy yourself a burger, chips, drink, and ice cream furnished by the Church. For the kids, there are games and treats. We look forward to seeing you there! Come and join your brothers and sister in Christ for fellowship!



ADVENTURES SINGLE ADULTS at Heit's Point Camp September 19-21

This is a weekend getaway/retreat. Starting about 5-5:30pm with a meal scheduled at 5pm on Friday, September 19th. There will be fellowship and getting to know and share with other Singles. Lodging will be at the Gospel Hostel. You WILL need to bring your own bedding and towels. Bible study will be based on District President/Pastor Hagen "Faith Hopefully Bold". There will be 4 more meals. We play games & weather permitting probably canoeing, a camp fire with singing and "Som Mores" on Saturday night. There will be plenty of free time to rest or explore 160 acres of the camp. Lodging is \$100 for bunkhouse; @200 for private cabin. A \$ 25 deposit may be made on online or mailed. See Heit's Point Camp website for details and registration: <https://sites.google.com/view/heitspointlutheran/singles-retreat>.

**Join us as we spend time in God's beautiful nature
and His word!!**

Fall Enrollment is now open at the Concordia Music Conservatory, located on the campus of Saint Paul Lutheran High School in Concordia, MO. We are offering Group Ensembles in Beginning Guitar for grades 9th-12th, Handbell Choir for children grades 3rd-12th as well as adults, Kleinkinderchor (children's choir) for grades kindergarten-3rd, and Kinderchor (children's choir) for grades 4th-8th. We also offer private voice and instrumental lessons. *Classes begin the week of August 18 but enrollment will remain open until September 8.* To get more information or to begin enrollment, go to cmc-music.org. We can't wait to see you this fall!

Special Offering Plate in the Narthex to collect gifts to St. Paul Lutheran High School on September 21st & 28th. SPLH has lost significant funding after parting ways with the organization that placed many international students with the school (a differing in Christian beliefs/social ideologies). This is a voluntary gift to help the school offset this financial loss. Please consider giving to this mission that benefits many now and for years to come.
---Board of Elders

SWEET SPRINGS FOOD PANTRY can always use some helping hands distributing assistance to our neighbors. Tomorrow (Monday Sept 8) from 5-7 pm and Friday (Sept 12) from 10am - 2pm at the Pantry building down the street at 213 Main. What a great way to show our Christian spirit of care from Immanuel. Come as you are and we hope to see you there!

LETTER FROM CONCORDIA SEMINARY:

Dear Immanuel Lutheran Church:

Thank you for your commitment to serve as an Adopt-A-Student sponsor during Concordia Seminary's 2025-2026 academic year. Your support is a wonderful blessing. Your seminarian this year is Mr. Tyler Linneman. (Tyler was our seminarian last academic school year.) You are invited to be in touch with Tyler, who will love hearing from you!

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Thank you again for your support of our students and for your partnership in Concordia Seminary's mission.---

God's riches blessings! Vicki J. Biggs, Chief Communications Officer



EVENT SCHEDULE

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SEPT, 2025

5:00 - 8:00 PM: **FRIENDS OF THE FFA CHICKEN BBQ**

5:00 PM: **FESTIVAL GARDENS OPEN**

7:00 PM: **QUEEN CONTEST**

8:00 PM: **BINGO IN FESTIVAL GARDENS**

Sponsored by Community Bank of Marshall at Sweet Springs

MIDNIGHT: **FESTIVAL GARDENS CLOSE**

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SEPT, 2025

11:00 AM - 2:00 PM: **LUNCH AT TURNER'S KITCHEN**

5:00 PM: **DINNER AT TURNER'S KITCHEN**

5:00 PM: **FESTIVAL GARDENS OPEN**

7:00 PM: **SWEET SPRINGS HIGH FOOTBALL GAME LIVE STREAM**

8:00 - 11:00 PM: **LIVE MUSIC - KEEGAN HONEYCUT & JAKE RENO**

Sponsored by Red Letter Apparel

MIDNIGHT: **FESTIVAL GARDENS CLOSE**

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SEPT, 2025

7:00 - 10:00 AM: **BOY SCOUT TROOP 44 PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

9:00 AM: **KIDS PEDAL PULL**

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM: **VENDOR MARKET**

Sponsored by Global Earthworks & Underground, LLC

9:45 AM - 2:00 PM: **KIDS WRISTBAND ACTIVITIES**

9:45 AM - 2:00 PM: **BOUNCE HOUSES & OBSTACLE COURSES**

10:00 AM - NOON: **PETTING ZOO**

11:00 AM - 2:00 PM: **LASER TAG**

Sponsored by Evergreen Wealth Strategies - Andrew Kueker, MBA, CEPA

11:00 AM - 2:00 PM: **LUNCH AT TURNER'S KITCHEN**

5:00 - 9:00 PM: **DINNER AT TURNER'S KITCHEN**

5:00 PM: **FESTIVAL GARDENS OPEN**

6:00 PM: **DOWNTOWN PARADE**

7:00 PM: **NOT-SO-NEWLYWED GAME**

8:00 - 11:00 PM: **LIVE MUSIC - CATIE SLAUGHTER**

Sponsored by Missouri Forest Products Association

MIDNIGHT: **FESTIVAL GARDENS CLOSE**

PRAYER

Members of Immanuel: Carol Brandt, Randy Brandt, Phyllis Bredehoeft, Stanley Bredehoeft, Dale Dierker, Lois Gieseke, Evelyn Kincaid, Nolan Kirby, Janet Luetjen, Mary Opfer, Carol Thurman.

Family and Friends of Immanuel: Alan & Cindy Bernard, Brandy Clevenger, Avery England, Jeff Fuehring, Rev. Dr. R. Lee Hagan, Marian Harris, Diane Heermann, Gail Foster Horman, Retta Hamilton, Kelly Krause, Mark Krause, Terri Krause, David Maas, Danny Merrick, 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

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Youth outing for 2nd grade and up

September 27th from 2pm-?

Going to

Power Up in Sedalia

We will meet at the church at 1:45 and ride together.

Parents are encouraged to attend!

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!

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OF

