

# IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

*"God With Us"*



*Seventh Sunday after Pentecost*

July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2026

*To God be glory for 148 years of His grace at Immanuel and  
76 years of proclaiming Jesus on our radio broadcast.*

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

# Confession and Absolution

Hymn of Invocation LSB #586

*Preach You the Word*

*Please stand if you are able.*

*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.

## Service of the Word

Introit

*Psalm 103:15–19; antiphon: v. 8*

The LORD is merciful and gracious,

**slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

As for man, his days are like grass;

**he flourishes like a flower of the field;**

for the wind passes over it, and it is gone,

**and its place knows it no more.**

But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him,

**and his righteousness to children's children,**

to those who keep his covenant

**and remember to do his commandments.**

The LORD has established his throne in the heavens,

**and his kingdom rules over all**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son**

**and to the Holy Spirit;**

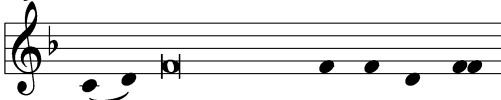
**as it was in the beginning,**

**is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

The LORD is merciful and gracious,

**slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

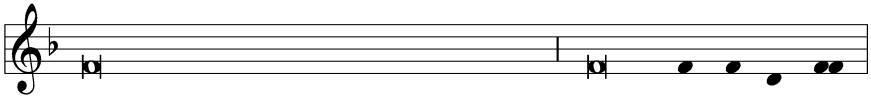
### Kyrie



**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



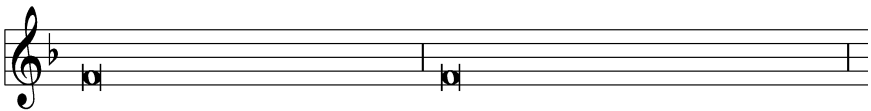
**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



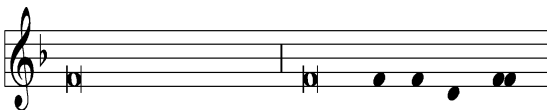
**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



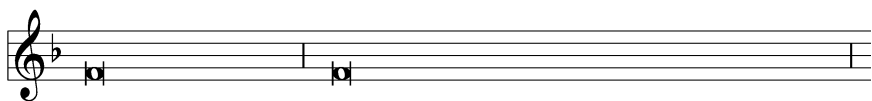
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



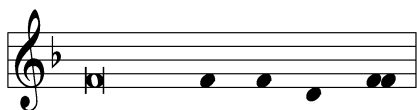
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



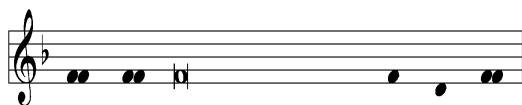
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



**C** A - men.

### Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 154



**A** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



**C** Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,

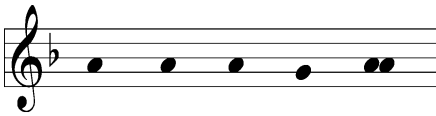


You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

**Salutation and Collect of the Day**



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; 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.

*Please be seated.*

**Hymn LSB #605 v. 1**

*Father Welcomes*

**Children's Lesson**

*given by Courtney Gieselman*

**Old Testament Reading**

*Isaiah 55:10-13*

<sup>10</sup>“For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return there but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout,

giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,  
<sup>11</sup>so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;  
 it shall not return to me empty,  
 but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,  
 and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.  
<sup>12</sup>“For you shall go out in joy  
 and be led forth in peace;  
 the mountains and the hills before you  
 shall break forth into singing,  
 and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.  
<sup>13</sup>Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;  
 instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle;  
 and it shall make a name for the LORD,  
 an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Gradual**

*Romans 11:33, 36*

**Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!**

**How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!**

**For from him and through him and to him are all things.**

**To him be glory forever. Amen.**

**Epistle**

*Romans 8:12–17*

<sup>12</sup>So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. <sup>13</sup>For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. <sup>14</sup>For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. <sup>15</sup>For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” <sup>16</sup>The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup>and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Please stand if you are able.*

**Alleluia and Verse**

*LSB 156*



**C** Al-le-lu-ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**Holy Gospel**

*Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23*

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



**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. <sup>2</sup>And great crowds gathered about him, so that he got into a boat and sat down. And the whole crowd stood on the beach. <sup>3</sup>And he told them many things in parables, saying: “A sower went out to sow. <sup>4</sup>And as he sowed, some seeds fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured them. <sup>5</sup>Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and immediately they sprang up, since they had no depth of soil, <sup>6</sup>but when the sun rose they were scorched. And since they had no root, they withered away. <sup>7</sup>Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. <sup>8</sup>Other seeds fell on good soil and produced grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. <sup>9</sup>He who has ears, let him hear. . . .

<sup>18</sup>“Hear then the parable of the sower: <sup>19</sup>When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what has been sown in his heart. This is what was sown along the path. <sup>20</sup>As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, <sup>21</sup>yet he has no root in himself, but endures for a while, and when tribulation or persecution arises on account of the word, immediately he falls away. <sup>22</sup>As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and it proves unfruitful. <sup>23</sup>As for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it. He indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.”

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



**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

*Please be seated.*

Sermon

Please stand if you are able.

Apostles' Creed

(found inside the back cover of the hymnal)

Prayer of the Church

Following the prayers, the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22-24; Eph. 4:1-3).

Please be seated.

Offering

Please stand if you are able.

Offertory

LSB 159



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.

## Lord's Prayer

(found inside the back cover of the hymnal)

### Concluding Collect

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty...the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

### Benediction



**C** A - men.

**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  $\text{✠}$  give you peace.  
*Please be seated.*

## Hymn to Depart LSB #582

*God's Word Is Our Great Heritage*

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## The Lord's Week of July 5th

<b>Sun.</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Divine Service on KMMO AM 1300</b>
	10:15 am	BC/SS
	11:15am	Board of Education
<b>Mon.</b>	10:00am	Finance Board
<b>Wed.</b>	10:00 am	<i>Women's Bible Study "Leaning on Jesus"</i>
<b>Thurs.</b>	1:00pm	Orphan Grain Train
<b>Sat.</b>		Fellowship Hall reserved by Stevi Nowland
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Holy Communion Service on KMMO AM 1300</b>
	10:15 am	BC/SS

We would love your help at VBS!

*Sign up sheet is in the narthex!*

**Pastor Engwall and his family will be on vacation the week for July 19<sup>th</sup>-July 25<sup>th</sup>.** He will return to the pulpit on July 26<sup>th</sup>. If you need pastoral care during this time, please contact one of the elders.



**Come and join us for VBS this summer!**

It is here at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Sweet Springs, MO. We are enrolling your children ages 3 years old to those entering 7<sup>th</sup> grade. **VBS runs from Sunday July 26<sup>th</sup> to Thursday July 30<sup>th</sup> from 5-7:30pm.** A pool party will occur on Friday July 31<sup>st</sup> from 7-9pm. A light supper is provided each evening. **Sign your children up for VBS: pick up enrollment form in Narthex or on line at [www.immanuelssweetsprings.com](http://www.immanuelssweetsprings.com).**

**New Picture Directory for our Church. Pictures will be taken on July 31 and August 1 .** To schedule your photography *appointment online*, simply go to [www.ucdir.com](http://www.ucdir.com), click on Photography Session Sign-Up, enter MO481 in the Church Code field and enter ilc in the Church Password field. Follow the prompts to schedule your family's appointment time. If you have 5 or more in your family, please use 2 consecutive time slots. For assistance in setting up your appointment please call 816-501-8652. You may also sign-up for your photography session in *the Narthex before or after the service* beginning on July 5<sup>th</sup>. ***Please take time to sign up so that our directory will be complete and all of us are included!!!***

*If you are interested in helping at the sign-up table during the picture days please contact Judy in the office or use the sign up sheet in the Narthex. Thanks!!*

You're invited to join us for a **Ladies' Summer Retreat at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 1501 Lipper Ave., Higginsville, MO on Saturday, July 18 at 9 A.M.** in the church basement. Please join us in fellowship, a light breakfast, and the study of God's word.

*Faith can move mountains.... Matthew 17:20*

**The Board of Properties is asking for monetary pledges towards the handicapped parking project.** Over \$31,000 has been pledged thus far for this project. Approximate estimate is \$35,000. For details or to make a pledge please talk to Dave Gieselman at 660-815-7470 or any member of the Property Board. Thank you for your support.

*The Board of Elders is seeking persons interested in becoming the next church secretary. If interested in this position, please contact one of the Elders, Pastor or Judy.*

# PRAYER

**Members of Immanuel:** Carol Brandt, Evelyn Kincaid, Nolan Kirby, Lindsey Shockley & Ryan Sims.

**Family and Friends of Immanuel:** Margie Finkeldei, Debbie Greer, Rev. Dr. R. Lee Hagan, Gail Foster Horman, Randy and Laurie Johnson, Kelly Krause, David Maas, Danny Merrick, Jeffrey Meyer, Inez Navarro, Mary Lou Ramos, Elliot Smith.

**At-home and Nursing Home Residents:**

- Norma Gieseke, Roy Hemme, and Walter Howard (at home)
- Millie Dohrman (The Arbors Memory Care Assisted Living)
- Dorothy Krause (The Living Center)
- Carol Thurman (Life Care Center of Carrollton)
- Phyllis Bredehoeft (Primrose Retirement Community, Sedalia)

**Mission Workers:** Rev. Peter & Kristie Kolb (Thailand); Rev. David & Valerie Federwitz (LBT West Africa Regional Director)

**Military & First Responders:** Makenna Eckhoff, Drake Batye, Ethan Sims

**For favorable weather** for farming and safety in the fields.

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## Those Serving Us in Worship Today

*Musician*.....Judy Teufel  
*Acolyte*.....Braelyn Johnson  
*Radio and Sound*...Steve Vickrey, Ron Meyer, Pete Melies, Chad Ohrenberg  
*Video*.....Marsha Tyler, Andrea Renken, Dana Melies, & others  
*Ushers*.....Ken Hughson, Allan Koch, Ron Meyer, Jim Teufel  
*Pastor*.....Pastor John Engwall  
*Church Secretary* .....Judy Teufel

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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.*

If you get a chance check us out online at:

[www.immanuelsweetsprings.com](http://www.immanuelsweetsprings.com).

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