

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH



"God With Us"

Introit *Psalm 92:1-4; antiphon: v. 5*

How great are your works, O LORD!

Your thoughts are very deep!

It is good to give thanks to the LORD,

to sing praises to your name, O Most High;

to declare your steadfast love in the morning,

and your faithfulness by night,

to the music of the lute and the harp,

to the melody of the lyre.

For you, O LORD, have made me glad by
your work;

at the works of your hands I sing for joy.

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.

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Old Testament Reading *Ezekiel 33:7-9*

⁷"So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. ⁸If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. ⁹But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, that person shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul."

Gradual *Psalm 34:9, 19, alt.*

Fear the LORD, you his saints,

for those who fear him lack nothing!

Many are the afflictions of the righteous,

but the LORD delivers him out of them

all.

Divine Service One

LSB 151

The Fifteenth Sunday after

Pentecost

September 6, 2026

Hymn *LSB 797*
Praise the Almighty

**Confession &
Absolution** *LSB 151*
Service of the Word
LSB 152-166

Introit
Kyrie *LSB 152*
This is the Feast *LSB 155*
**Salutation and Collect of
the Day** *LSB 156*
Old Testament Reading
Epistle
Alleluia and Verse

LSB 156

Holy Gospel
Hymn of the Day *LSB 707*
*Oh, That the Lord Would
Guide My Ways*

Sermon
Nicene Creed *LSB 158*
Prayer of the Church
Greet *"Peace Be With You"*
Offering

Offertory *LSB 159*
Service of the

Sacrament *LSB 160*
Distribution Hymns
*686 Come, Thou Fount of
Every Blessing*

578 Thy Strong Word
*709 The King of Love My
Shepherd Is*

Thank the Lord *LSB 164*
Post-Communion Collect
LSB 166

Benediction *LSB 166*
Hymn to Depart *LSB 920*
*Forth in the Peace of
Christ We Go*

Those Serving
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Acolyte: Addison Schroeder

Epistle

Romans 13:1–10

¹Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. ²Therefore whoever resists the authorities resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment. ³For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Would you have no fear of the one who is in authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive his approval, ⁴for he is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword in vain. For he is the servant of God, an avenger who carries out God's wrath on the wrongdoer. ⁵Therefore one must be in subjection, not only to avoid God's wrath but also for the sake of conscience. ⁶For the same reason you also pay taxes, for the authorities are ministers of God, attending to this very thing. ⁷Pay to all what is owed to them: taxes to whom taxes are owed, revenue to whom revenue is owed, respect to whom respect is owed, honor to whom honor is owed.

⁸Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁰Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 18:1–20

¹At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" ²And calling to him a child, he put him in the midst of them ³and said, "Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. ⁴Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

⁵"Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, ⁶but whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him to have a great millstone fastened around his neck and to be drowned in the depth of the sea.

⁷"Woe to the world for temptations to sin! For it is necessary that temptations come, but woe to the one by whom the temptation comes! ⁸And if your hand or your foot causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life crippled or lame than with two hands or two feet to be thrown into the eternal fire. ⁹And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into the hell of fire.

¹⁰"See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that in heaven their angels always see the face of my Father who is in heaven. ¹¹For the Son of Man came to save the lost. ¹²What do you think? If a man has a hundred sheep and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray? ¹³And if he finds it, truly, I say to you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray. ¹⁴So it is not the will of my Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish.

¹⁵"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother. ¹⁶But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every charge may be established by the

evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. ¹⁸Truly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them."

In our Prayers

Members of Immanuel: Evelyn Kincaid, Nolan Kirby, Jeanette Koch, Lindsey Shockley.

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, and Mark Tolias.

At-home and Nursing Home Residents:

Norma Gieseke, Roy Hemme, and Walter Howard, Ryan Sims (at home)

Millie Dohrman (The Arbors Memory Care Assisted Living)

Carol Thurman (Life Care Center of Carrollton)

Carol Brandt (Good Shepherd Home)

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.



The Lord's Week of September 6th

Sun.	9:00 am	Holy Communion Service on KMMO AM 1300
	10:15 am	BC/SS
	11:20 am	Junior Confirmation Fellowship Hall Reserved Hemme Anniversary
Mon.		Labor Day
Tues.	6:00pm	Board of Properties
Wed.	10:00 am	<i>Women's Bible Study "Leaning on Jesus"</i>
	7:00pm	Adult Bible Study-Luther's Small Catechism
Sun.	9:00 am	Divine Service on KMMO AM 1300
	10:15 am	No BC/SS
		Church Picnic

Voters Meeting on September 20th following the church service.

Junior Confirmation will begin on September 6th at 11:20. This is for 5th through 8th grade students. If you child is younger and you feel they are ready for Confirmation please talk to Pastor.

Bible Study for adults will begin on September 9th at 7:00pm. This will be a study of the Explanation of Luther's Small Catechism.



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!

PROUD

MEMBERS



Announcements

Our Church Family

The Care Team needs your help - we are once again providing cookies to our farmers at the elevator during harvest. We have appreciated your generous donations of cookies over the last few years and that time is once again approaching quickly. We are accepting cookies anytime until Sunday, September 13. You can put them in the freezer in the basement. We ask for no peanut butter or nuts. Thank you in advance for your support for this annual project.

The Annual Church Picnic & Games will be on Sunday, September 13th. 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 sisters in Christ for fellowship!

There will be a board to include names of loved ones who have passed, and their memorials given to Immanuel. I have a list of names that have already been submitted, and I don't want to leave anyone out. So, if you have a loved one whose memorials were given to the church please let me know or call Judy in the office. I want to have the names so the memorial plaque may be completed at the same time. Thank you! Kevin Wulff

Friends of our Church Family

Rev. Daniel Wing has been called to serve as sole pastor at [Immanuel Lutheran Church](#) in Higginsville, Mo. The Missouri District invites you to attend his installation service at 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13 at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 1501 Lipper Ave., Higginsville, MO. Please join us in praying for Pastor Wing as he begins his ministry at Immanuel Lutheran Church.

We pray that as school begins and fall arrives, that you will take time to make it to Heit's Point with your church or family! Schedule your own retreat or join us for the **Singles Retreat September 11-13 or the Confirmation Retreat November 6-8.** We'd also love to host an OUTDOOR EDUCATION opportunity for your students. Please call 660-668-2363 for more information or go to HeitsPointLutheran.org (See the attached fliers) **THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH!!** God's Blessings ,Janine Mallardi <> Heit's Point Lutheran Executive Director 620-795-2008

College students and second-career men and women

considering service as a pastor, deaconess, missionary or chaplain are invited to *Vocatio: Retreat* Oct. 4-7, 2026, at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis. This distinctively Lutheran retreat offers an introduction to life as a seminarian, as participants spend time in God's Word and join in sessions with the Seminary's renowned faculty. Register by Sept. 13 at csleu.edu/vocatio-retreat, by scanning the QR code or by Googling "*Vocatio: Retreat* Concordia Seminary."



"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 \$60, 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 660-747-7603 to arrange a date. God bless you and please keep us in your prayers!"

Saint Paul Lutheran High School is having its **40th Annual Auction September 27th-October 2nd**. We are still in need of donations for the auction! If you are interested in donating, or would be willing to help collect donated items, please contact Sarah Sullivan at ssullivan@splhs.org or call (660) 463-2238 ext. 232. Money raised from the auction will be used to put in a paved patio area around the new football press box. Thank you for your support!

Join us for a Trivia Night on Saturday, October 3 in the Annex at Saint Paul Lutheran High School in Concordia, MO. Gather your smartest friends, pick a theme for your table, and join us for a fun night of trivia and fellowship while supporting the students traveling to Taiwan in May 2027. Register your team at <https://tinyurl.com/TriviaNightTaiwanTrip>. The cost is \$10 per person and tables will accommodate teams of 8 people.

Be a Partner in Prayer for St. Paul's Lutheran School: You are invited to join parents, grandparents, and friends of St. Paul's Lutheran School each Monday when school is in session from 8:15–8:30 am in the school library. Each week, in addition to praying for the general needs of the school, we pray for students by name—one class each week—as well as any special prayer requests. Pastor Michael Pottschmidt and Pastor Andrew Lehenbauer lead this weekly time for prayer. A guide is provided. Come any Monday you are able. Participants are not required to pray aloud. *Join us Monday mornings beginning September 14.*