

July 19, 2020



THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, JULY 19, 2020 A Warm Welcome to our Guests and Members.

- We pray that God will richly bless you as we worship together. During the offering, please pass the *Record of Fellowship* down the pew and back, signing your name and address. If you are receiving Holy Communion please check the box beside your name (*one line* for each communion registrant). Please introduce yourself to Pastor as you leave.
- ★ <u>Children in Worship</u>. We love to have children with us in worship at Immanuel; what a joy that they can be a part of the intergenerational family of faith. We encourage them to participate in as much of the service as possible based on their age and ability. Children can stand, kneel and sit with the congregation, speak the parts of the liturgy and prayers that repeat each week, especially the creed and the Lord's Prayer. There is the children's message and children's offering. There are children's bulletins and "quiet" bags available at both entrances to help the younger ones get through the service. After the Children's Message, the children are welcome to go downstairs to the nursery where they can play under supervision by nursery workers until after the prayers of the church.

If your child becomes fussy and disruptive to others, please take advantage of the "Cry Room" at the back of the sanctuary until they are ready to return to the pew. There is a changing table, restroom, rocking chair, quiet toys and books in the "Cry Room". There is an audio speaker in the room so the parents can continue to listen to the service.

- ★ <u>The Lord's Supper</u> is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until he comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak to the pastor. To schedule an appointment call 893-6792 or email pastor.jud@immanuelhamilton.com</u>. If you are not receiving the sacrament, but would like to come forward for a blessing please cross your hands over your chest while kneeling at the rail. In the center of the individual cup rack, there are several cups of highly diluted wine for those who prefer. For further study, see Matthew 5:23f; 10:32f; 18:15-35; 26:26-29;1 Cor. 11:17-34.
- ★ At Immanuel our worship services are based on traditional church liturgies in which God speaks to us in His Word and we respond to Him. You may find that you don't understand everything that is going on the first week you visit us. That's okay. There is a depth to Lutheran Worship that can take time to appreciate. We are not traditional in style because we are lost in the past, but because this is the worship that has been delivered to us by Christians who have gone before for close to 2,000 years. Worship services at Immanuel normally last one hour fifteen minutes.

 Δ When you see this symbol next to the last verse of a hymn, please rise in honor and respect to the Trinity.

Pre-Service

Ringing of the Bells

P This is the day that the Lord has made.

G Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Welcome

Confession and Absolution

Stand if able

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

- \mathbf{P} In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **C** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- Image P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Kneel/Sit

- C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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 if able

Sharing of the Peace

Following the absolution, the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord. Everyone turns to face the people on the other side of the church. The following is then spoken:

Lectern Side: The Peace of the Lord be with you always **Pulpit Side:** The Peace of the Lord be with you always **All: Amen**

Service of the Word

Procession

Turn and face the processional cross as it enters the nave and follow it forward during the procession, bowing as it passes if you choose.





C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

O God, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your final judgment, we may be stirred up to holiness of living here and dwell with You in perfect joy hereafter; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts:
"I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god.
Who is like me? Let him proclaim it. Let him declare and set it before me, since I appointed an ancient people. Let them declare what is to come, and what will happen.
Fear not, nor be afraid; have I not told you from of old and declared it? And you are my witnesses!
Is there a God besides me? There is no Rock; I know not any."

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

Gradual (Spoken Responsively)

- P Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!*
- **G** How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!
- **P** For from him and through him and to him are all things.*
- **C** To him be glory forever. Amen.

Epistle

For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

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

Stand if able

Romans 11:33, 36

Romans 8:18–27



Holy Gospel

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

- **P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the thirteenth chapter.
- **C** Glory to You, O Lord.

[Jesus] put another parable before them, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field, but while his men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also. And the servants of the master of the house came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then does it have weeds?' He said to them, 'An enemy has done this.' So the servants said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he said, 'No, lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them. Let both grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'"...

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples came to him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world, and the good seed is the children of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil. The harvest is the close of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are gathered and burned with fire, so will it be at the close of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all law-breakers, and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- **C** Praise to You, O Christ.

Children's Message



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Sermon

Stand if able

С

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.

Prayer of the Church

- **P** ...Lord in your mercy.
- **C** Hear our prayer.

at the conclusion of the prayer

- **P** ... through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- **C** Amen

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

2 Timothy 4:22; Colossians 3:1; Psalm 136

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

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 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."

Pax Domini

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **C** Amen.





John 1:29

Sit

Distribution for Social Distancing

Distribution will be done today in the continuous style. If you are only receiving a blessing please cross your hands over your chest after you come forward as directed by the ushers.

Communion at Immanuel

Holy Communion at Immanuel is an important part of our worship and one of the three means by which God pours out His grace upon us. In, with and under the bread and wine we receive the true body and blood of Christ Jesus for the forgiveness of sins, believing Jesus' words, "this is my body, this is my blood" Before coming to communion one should examine him/herself: Am I sorry for my sins? Do I believe in my Savior Jesus Christ and in His words in the Sacrament? Do I plan, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to change my sinful life? Communion is a family meal for those in fellowship with Immanuel Lutheran Church or a sister congregation. It is for baptized Christians who have been instructed in the meaning and power of the sacrament and who accept the teachings of the Lutheran Church -- Missouri Synod. If you have not communed at Immanuel previously, please make an appointment to speak to the pastor during the coming week. Those who are not communing and children and youth who have not yet made their first communion but wish to come to the rail for a blessing, are asked to cross their hands over their chest while at the rail.

Communion Prayers

Before Communing Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Thanksgiving after receiving the Sacrament Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.



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Stand if able



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.

C Amen.

Benedicamus

- **A** Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Psalm 103:1

Benediction

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.

819 Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good

1 Sing praise to God, the high - est good, The au-thor of cre -2 What God's al - might - y pow'r has made, In mer - cy He is 3 We sought the Lord in dis - tress; 0 God, in our mer cy 4 He shall for - sake His flock. His nev - er cho-sen gen er -5 All who con - fess Christ's ho - ly name, Give God the praise and love The God tion. of who un der - stood а keep ing. By morn - ing glow or eve ning shade hear us. Our Sav - ior saw our help - less - ness tion; He is their ref uge and their rock, а glo Let all who know His pow'r pro-claim ry. Our need for His tion. With heal-ing balm our sal - va -His eye is nev er sleep ing. With - in the king - dom came with cheer For this thank and And peace to us. we Their peace and tion. As with moth - er's their sal - va а i - dol A loud the won - drous sto ry. Cast ev - 'ry souls He fills And ev - 'ry faith less mur mur stills: of His might All things are just and good and right: praise the Lord, Who one and all a - dored: is by leads ten der hand, He His own, His cho sen band: from its throne, For God God, and He a - lone: is То God all ry! praise and glo То God all praise and glo ry! То God all praise and glo ry! То God all praise and glo ry! To God all praise and glo ry! Text and tune: Public domain

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End of Service

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Announcements

P Go in Peace, Serve the Lord

C Thanks be to God

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