

The Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 9, 2024

God
PROMISES
TO SEND A
Savior

Immanuel Lutheran Church



***Making known by Word and Action
The Healing Presence of God
And Christ Jesus
With us and with the world***



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When we celebrate Holy Communion we are eating and drinking the true body and blood of our Savior, Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of our sins. Because the Bible says it is possible for someone to eat and drink to their harm if their understanding of the sacrament is lacking, we ask our visitors to speak with our Pastor before communing here for the first time. Ask an usher to help you find our Pastor before the service begins, or call during the week.

WELCOME to all guests and members; we are glad that you are here to worship with us and hope you will return often as *our friends in Christ!*

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

“Praise to You and Adoration”

LSB 692

Please stand...

INVOCATION

P In the Name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P 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.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise 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.

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.

INTROIT

P Blessèd be the LORD!

C **For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.**

P The LORD is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped;

C **my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.**

P The LORD is the strength of his people;

C **he is the saving refuge of his anointed.**

P Oh, save your people and bless your heritage!

C **Be their shepherd and carry them forever.**

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.

KYRIE



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS – “Glory to God in the Highest”



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shipped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. “A - men!” our glad re - ply.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, Your Son Jesus triumphed over the prince of demons and freed us from bondage to sin. Help us to stand firm against every assault of Satan, and enable us always to do Your will; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Please be seated...

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 3:8-15

L The Old Testament Reading for the Third Sunday after Pentecost is from Genesis, chapter three.

They heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. ⁹ But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, *“Where are you?”* ¹⁰ And he said, *“I heard the sound of You in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself.”* ¹¹ He said, *“Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?”* ¹² The man said, *“The woman whom You gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate.”* ¹³ Then the LORD God said to the woman, *“What is this that you have done?”* The woman said, *“The serpent deceived me, and I ate.”* ¹⁴ The LORD God said to the serpent, *“Because you have done this, cursed are you above all livestock and above all beasts of the field; on your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. ¹⁵ I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her Offspring; He shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise His heel.”*

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

2 Corinthians 4:13 – 5:1

L The Epistle is from Second Corinthians, chapters four and five.

Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, *“I believed, and so I spoke,”* we also believe, and so we also speak, ¹⁴ knowing that He who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into His presence. ¹⁵ For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. ¹⁶ So we do not lose heart. Though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷ For this slight momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, ¹⁸ as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal. ^{5:1} For we know that if the tent, which is our earthly home, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand...

ALLELUIA VERSE



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

C These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 3:20 – 35

L The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the third chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

Then Jesus went home, and the crowd gathered again, so that they could not even eat. ²¹ And when His family heard it, they went out to seize Him, for they were saying, “*He is out of his mind.*” ²² And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem were saying, “*He is possessed by Beelzebul,*” and “*by the prince of demons He casts out the demons.*” ²³ And He called them to Him and said to them in parables, “*How can Satan cast out Satan?*” ²⁴ *If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand.* ²⁵ *And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand.* ²⁶ *And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but is coming to an end.* ²⁷ *But no one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man. Then indeed he may plunder his house.* ²⁸ *Truly, I say to you, all sins will be forgiven the children of man, and whatever blasphemies they utter,* ²⁹ *but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin*”— ³⁰ for they had said, “*He has an unclean spirit.*” ³¹ And His mother and His brothers came, and standing outside they sent to Him and called Him. ³² And a crowd was sitting around Him, and they said to Him, “*Your mother and Your brothers are outside, seeking You.*” ³³ And He answered them, “*Who are My mother and My brothers?*” ³⁴ And looking about at those who sat around Him, He said, “*Here are My mother and My brothers!*” ³⁵ *Whoever does the will of God, he is My brother and sister and mother.*”

L This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life ✠ everlasting. Amen.

Please be seated...

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY “*Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ You*” **LSB 668**

SERMON

HYMN

“*Lead Me, Guide Me*”

LSB 721

We ask all 2024 graduates to please stand for a prayer and blessing...

PRAYER FOR GRADUATES

Hannah Christensen – Danville High School

Josey Clem – Black Hawk East College

Owen Crase – Hoopeston High School

Deegan Culotti – Danville High School

Gracie Garrison – Seeger High School

Hunter Garrison – Purdue University

Micah Ramsay – University of Kansas

Aidin Stuhr – Southern University

Ava Stuhr – High School, Dallas, TX

Andrew Van Hoveln – Illinois State University



P Heavenly Father, we thank You for graciously bringing Graduates to this point of formal education. For all the efforts of parents and teachers through these years we praise You. We ask wisdom and guidance for them as they make decisions about their lives that will have implications for years to come. Give them a rich measure of Your Spirit as fields of study and opportunities for employment become available. Help them accurately assess the gifts and abilities You have given and bless the choices that they make. May they ever grow closer to You in faith and with their lives honor the name of Your only Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

All stand...

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

We pray for the hospitalized this week: none known.

We pray for strength and healing for: Jo Van Hoveln, Leslie Van Camp Stone, Del Krueger, Margie Souza, Randy Wilkinson, Dan Rull, Darlene Collins, Paul Teegarden, Earl Lackey, Dan Burmeister, Richard Wahlfeldt, Heather Christensen, Martha Elliott, Angie Lucas, Charlotte Schendel, Walter Harbison, Mike Borgwald, Jim Souza, Joyce Owens, Linda Grinestaff, Jason Toms, Gabby Reynolds, Bob and Ev Komm, Rodger Burgin, Toby Ceader, Sarah Koester, Tom Reese, Dottie Kliner, Mary Seifrig, Bernice Timmermann, Bruce Garrison, Carol Schafer, Jocelyn, Myra Greazer, Gene Bahls, Tamara Fisher, Marilina Hutchison, Sarah and Patty Calderon, Heather Bladel and family, Keri Blankenbeckler, Jason Dawson, Judy Berg, Linda Borgwald, Eric Wittmann, Cindy DeMoss, Kathy Howey, and Frank Hutnicke.

Please be seated...

OFFERING

Please stand...

OFFERTORY

“Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart”

LSB 806

THE LORD’S PRAYER

C 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.
or Thine is the kingdom and the power
and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

✠ FAREWELL AND GODSPEED ✠

The congregation may be seated as we ask Rachel to come forward...

- P** Beloved in the Lord, Rachel McCloskey has completed her Deaconess internship. At this time of farewell and Godspeed, let us hear the Word of the Lord.

Philippians 1:3–8

I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus.

1 Corinthians 15:58

Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

- P** Commit your way to the LORD;
C trust in him, and he will act.
P I lift up my eyes to the hills.
C From where does my help come?
P My help comes from the LORD,
C who made heaven and earth.
P Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.
C Before the mountains were brought forth,
P or ever you had formed the earth and the world,
C from everlasting to everlasting you are God.
P Blessèd shall you be in the city,
C and blessèd shall you be in the field.
P Blessèd shall you be when you come in,
C and blessèd shall you be when you go out.
P Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love,
C that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.
P Let your work be shown to your servants,
C and your glorious power to their children.
P Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us,
C and establish the work of our hands upon us;
P yes, establish the work of our hands!
C 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.

Please stand...

P Lord God, merciful and gracious Father, we give thanks for all the blessings You have bestowed on our congregation, its members, and the Church through Your servant, Rachel McCloskey. By Your Word and Spirit preserve her in the one true faith. Grant her faithfulness in her field of service and a readiness to grow in wisdom, knowledge, and skill for those she serves to the glory of Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

P Go in peace and joy. The almighty and most merciful God, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you, and bless and strengthen you for faithful service in His name.

C Amen.

BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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 + give you peace.

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

“Brothers and Sisters in Christ”

AGPS 78

1 Sing alleluia! Amen! Let your prayers and praises ascend.
Lift up your voices and sing To our Lord God, our Savior and King
Here brought together by grace We are gathered as friends in this place.

Refrain

And assembled as one, In the name of the Son,
Lifting hearts, lifting hands, Celebrating as friends,
And proclaiming the Lord, All our praises afford.
We are brothers and sisters in Christ.

2 Man walked alone and in need Without faith, hope or promise or creed;
Wandering, aimlessly lost, Unaware of the staggering cost:
That God in his mercy would save All his people from death and the grave.

Refrain

3 Lord, teach us how to proclaim
All your goodness, your love and your name!
Lord, teach us how to forgive And in love, teach us, Lord, how to live.
Raising our voices in song, Help us tell all the world we belong.

Refrain

POSTLUDE

Please join us for a Potluck!

Today is Rachel's last day with us. We invite one and all to please join us in the gym for a potluck. Even if you were unable to bring a dish to share, you are most welcome to come! Rachel, thank you for your service to Immanuel and congratulations on completing your internship! You have brightened every day here with your love for Jesus. We pray God's blessings upon you and Ethan in all of your future endeavors.





*Whoever does the
will of God is my
brother and sister
and mother.*

Mark 3:35, NRSV

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