Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 20, 2021





Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church

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"WELCOME TO IMMANUEL" INSIDE, OUTSIDE, AND ONLINE WORSHIP

Note that our guidelines will evolve over time as restrictions increase or decrease. Thank you for your faithful flexibility as we worship our beloved Lord and Savior!

INSIDE

- Please practice social-distancing. Save important conversations and visiting for outside where it is safer.
- Masks are required inside and advisable outside.
 Pick up your bulletin on the table inside and put your offering (or pledge) in the offering plate.
- Let the usher know if you have a preference where you would like to sit. They will try to seat you based on your group size and your preference.
- Talk as little as possible and only in a soft voice.
- Only the worship leaders sing and speak out. Hum the songs if you feel so led.
- Communion cups/wafers are already set up in the pews. Put the used cups back in the wooden holder when you are finished.
- The usher will dismiss you.
- Inside worship is inevitably different than before the pandemic. For the best experience, you may want to view it as a more reflective time enjoyed in a beautiful, sacred space where you can listen, share in communion, and attend to God.

OUTSIDE

- Safer than inside worship, outside worship doesn't require masks in your vehicle—although masks are advisable when interacting with others like the usher who brings you:
 - ♦ Your bulletin.
 - ♦ Your combined communion cup & wafer.
 - ♦ An offering box to put your offering (or pledge card).

Please turn your car radio to this radio station:

FM 90.9

- Feel free to sing and join in as loudly as you want during worship.
 Take home the used communion cups and dispose of them.
- Outside worship reminds us of the fun and comradery of the summer parking-lot worship. It is a way of worshipping more closely with others while staying safe in our vehicle. Like the inside worship, communion is offered.

ONLINE

- The safest and most convenient worship experience, online worship involves just a few steps:
 - If you wish to celebrate communion, prepare ahead of time bread or cracker, as well as juice or wine.
 - ♦ Go to <u>www.immanlutheran.org</u> on your computer, smartphone, tablet, etc.
 - View or print out the bulletin before watching the service. You may also request to have a paper bulletin mailed to you each week.
 - ♦ Click on the video link and worship!
- Online worship is the safest and most convenient worship experience. It is recommended for the most vulnerable. Although missing the social element of worshiping together inside or outside, the online worship can in some ways feel the most "normal."

Welcome to Worship! We are a "Church Together"

God calls us to be a church together as we find ourselves physically separated, but spiritually united as one community of God. Whether you are a visitor or longtime member, you are welcome to join us in worshiping Jesus Christ.

Offerings may be mailed to the office:

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Contact the Office and Pastor:

Office phones (970-352-3003) will be monitored during office hours and messages responded to in a reasonable manner. For the safety of everyone during this pandemic, we have been advised to not have in-person meetings or visits. If you have a pastoral concern, either call the office and leave a message to set up a time to converse with Pastor Daren, or if urgent, text or call Pastor Daren at 760-814-5171.

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PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

(Silence is kept for reflection.)

God, our provider, help us.

It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live.

We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you.

We take offense at your teachings and your ways.

Turn us again to you.

Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world.

Beloved people of God:

in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished.

By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough.

Through Jesus, + the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

Amen.

Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God of creation, eternal majesty, you preside over land and sea, sunshine and storm. By your strength pilot us, by your power preserve us, by your wisdom instruct us, and by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING: Job 38:1-11

¹The LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind: ²"Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? ³Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

⁴"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. ⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? ⁶On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone ⁷when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

8"Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb?—9when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band.

¹⁰and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors, ¹¹and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stopped'?"

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32

- ¹Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good, for God's mercy endures forever.
- ²Let the redeemed of the LORD proclaim that God redeemed them from the hand of the foe,
- ³gathering them in from the lands; from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.
- ²³Some went down to the sea in ships, plying their trade in deep waters.
- ²⁴They beheld the works of the LORD, God's wonderful works in the deep.
- ²⁵Then God spoke, and a stormy wind arose, which tossed high the waves of the sea.
- ²⁶They mounted up to the heavens and descended to the depths; their souls melted away in their peril.
- ²⁷They staggered and reeled like drunkards, and all their skill was of no avail.
- ²⁸Then in their trouble they cried to the LORD, and you delivered them from their distress.
- ²⁹You stilled the storm to a whisper and silenced the waves of the sea.
- ³⁰Then were they glad when it grew calm, when you guided them to the harbor they desired.
- ³¹Let them give thanks to you, LORD, for your steadfast love and your wonderful works for all people.
- ³²Let them exalt you in the assembly of the people; in the council of the elders, let them sing hallelujah!

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 6:1-13

¹As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. ²For he says, "At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you."

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! ³We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, ⁷truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

¹¹We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. ¹²There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. ¹³In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Mark 4:35-41

The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

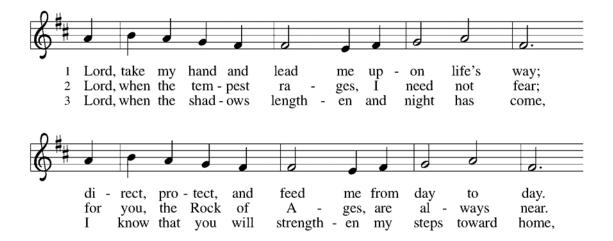
³⁵When evening had come, [Jesus said to the disciples,] "Let us go across to the other side." ³⁶And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. ³⁷A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. ³⁸But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" ³⁹He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. ⁴⁰He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" ⁴¹And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

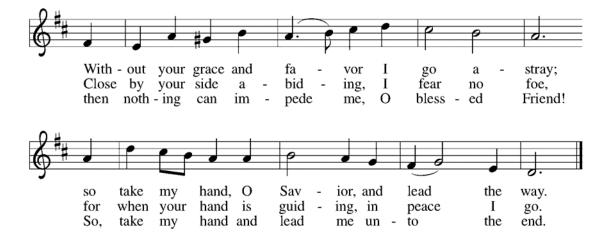
The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Homily

Hymn of the Day: Lord Take My Hand and Lead Me (ELW 767) Verses 1 & 2





APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us come before the triune God in prayer.

Holy God, you gather your people from east and west, north and south. We pray for the mission of the church throughout the world, that your steadfast love may be made known to all peoples. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You dwell with us in this faith community. We pray for our leaders and elders. Grant them knowledge, patience, and kindness, that through their leadership you may be exalted in this assembly. Lord, in your

mercy,

hear our prayer.

Your love endures in all situations. On this Father's Day, we pray for those who are fathers or wish to be fathers, for those with broken or strained relationships, for those who are missing their fathers, and for fathers who have lost children. Bless and strengthen them. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace. **Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Meal

Offering

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.

Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

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

Communion

After all have communed:

The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

Prayer after Communion:

Let us pray.

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

Amen.

Sending

Purpose and Mission Statements:

Immanuel is called to proclaim the life, death and resurrection of Christ; to provide places and opportunities for worship and fellowship; and to be the spirit of Christ in the world.

Lutheran-Episcopal Campus Ministry gathers in Christ's name to share God's love, to ask questions, to grow in faith, to respect and nurture our differences, and to serve others.

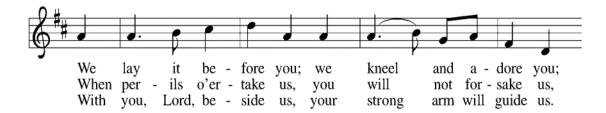
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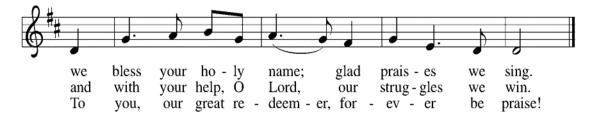
Sending Hymn: We Praise You, O God (ELW 870) Verses 1 & 2



- 1 We praise you, O God, our re deem er, cre a tor;
- 2 We wor ship you, God of our fa thers and mo thers;
- 3 With voic es u nit ed our prais es we of fer







DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord;

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Worship Leaders

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Darin Erisman

Organist: Stan Elmquist

Church Office Hours

Monday - Friday: 8:30 A.M. to 11:30 A.M.

Pastor Daren Erisman

Office: 352-3003, Cell: 760-814-5171, email: reverisman@gmail.com

In this time of COVID19, please feel free to make appointments with Pastor Daren by calling or emailing him at the above phone numbers or email address.

Week of June 20, 2021

9:30 am Holy Communion—Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

VBS Set-up Following worship service

Monday, June 21 Common Sense Cleaning, Church Building

Monday, June 21- 5:30 pm VBS Dinner

Thursday, June 24 6-8 pm VBS

Friday, June 25 5:30-8 pm VBS Party

Sunday, June 27 9:30 am Holy Communion—Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Outdoor worship VBS Presentation

VOLUNTEERS

Sunday, June 20

Linda Sample, Janet Johnson

Tim Adams & Shirley Marine

Ron & Cindy Thompson

Greeter: Janet Willis
Assisting Minister: Julie Elmquist
Communion Setup: Cindy Thompson

Tellers:

Ushers: Indoor-

Outdoor -

<u>0</u> Sunday, June 27

Vera Sylvester Janet Willis Cindy Thompson

Clarence Carlson & Janet Crespin

Katy Sickles & Vera Sylvester

Matt & Molly Ward

Dick Hay Susan Truchses Jim Thomason

Family and Friends dealing with COVID

Ann Richardson went to be with Our Lord and Savior on Thursday, June 10th. Service will be Friday, July 2nd at 2:00 pm at Immanuel.

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Covid restrictions are changing daily. Council has determined that these changes will take place for worship at Immanuel.

- Masks are optional. Please be considerate of others when making your decision.
- More seating spaces will be available but we still need to maintain social distancing.
- Talking and singing in soft voices only. The worship leaders will be the only ones to speak out.
- Steps will be taken to provide ventilation, even in the summer heat. So you may need to find seating accordingly.

The Unexpected ACTS 6

Pastor's engaged. He's moving (again). What a surprise! We wish him well as Pastor Daren begins this new chapter in his life. Although it may not seem like it, Council is already working at getting our ducks in a row, getting questions answered, and determining our next steps. We will keep you informed.

Next Sunday, June 27, we will be worshiping as a congregation outside! Feel free to bring your own chair. We will also be recapping VBS, Knights of the North, during worship.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

There are no birthdays this week:

Anniversaries this week:

June 21 – Jerry & Brenda Turnwall



IT'S TIME TO ARMOR UP with Vacation Bible School at Immanuel Lutheran Church!

Knights of North Castle June 21 – 25, 2021 Dinner at 5:30pm & VBS from 6-8pm

Plan to Attend & Invite a Friend! To register, volunteer or inquire about VBS, please contact Amy Herold at 970.978.0870.



Knights of North Castle Vacation Bible School Set-up Sunday, June 20, 2021 -







Faith Day Sunday, August 8th vs the Miami Marlins

Game Time: 1:10 PM

Group Ticket Price: \$25.00 (approximately)

We may be able to reserve Kenny's Steakhouse Bus to ride together for the event, leaving the Immanuel parking lot after the worship service.

(This will be an additional \$10-\$20 per person.)

If interested, contact John Johnson either in person, by email at uncmizzou@aol.com or by cell at 970.397.7108.



Immanuel Organ Fund Still Seeking Donations

Wow! What a generous donation given to Immanuel that will enable us to purchase a new organ. The organ fund, however, will still be receiving your donations. These gifts will help implement the changes needed as we answer these and many more questions regarding Immanuel's future.

- What will worship at Immanuel look like in the next 5 to 10 years?
- What type of instrument will be needed to accommodate that vision?
- How can this investment reach out to the community?

Council has begun to look into these questions and has started searching for options that are available. We will be looking for the congregation's help and opinions as we answer these questions. Thank you for your support of this project.



Spring Benevolence Campaign



Members of Immanuel Lutheran Church— we will be working with two local organizations to support their efforts during the Mother's Day through Father's Day benevolence campaigns. These organizations walk individuals and families through services that heal, strengthen, and provide hope! Both organizations have a local presence in Greeley and in Northern Colorado so we will be helping members of our larger community beyond our church walls.

Funds will be split evenly between Lutheran Family Services of Rocky Mountains and the Resource Center. Collectively, these organizations provide critical resources for issues ranging from adoption, foster care, and family support and education.

Simply designate your special offering during this period by noting either "L.F.S." or "Resource Center" in the memo line on checks or special offering envelopes.

Thanks for your generosity and prayerful consideration.

If you have information that needs to be added to the weekly update, please contact Denise in the church office at 352-3003 or email to: office@immanlutheran.org