

kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

***HYMN OF THE DAY**
“All My Hope On God Is Founded” ELW Hymn 757

***PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**
...God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

...Grateful for your abundant provision and trusting in your goodness, we cast all our cares upon you, through the abundant grace of Christ Jesus.
Amen.

***PEACE**
The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

OFFERTORY - "Prelude No. 4 in F Major," by Johann Georg Albrechtsberger (1736-1809)

***OFFERING SONG**
“Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful” ELW Hymn 181

***OFFERING PRAYER**
Loving God,
we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts.
Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love,
so that all creation can taste your abundance.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.
Amen.

MEAL

***GREAT THANKSGIVING** ELW page 152
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 our thanks and praise.

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
heaven and earth are full of your glory...

...to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

***LORD’S PRAYER**
God, remember us in your love and teach us to pray:
Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

***INVITATION TO COMMUNION**
At the direction of the usher, please come forward by the center aisle and return by the side aisles. We will commune the pulpit side first, followed by the organ side. Gluten-free bread is available upon request, and you may choose wine (glass) or alcohol-free juice (stainless steel). Empty glasses can be left in the trays provided. To receive communion at your seat, simply notify an usher. All who seek to receive Christ in bread and cup are welcomed at this table.

COMMUNION HYMN
“Lamb of God” ELW Page 154
“Jesus, Priceless Treasure” ELW Hymn 775

***TABLE BLESSING**
May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God’s grace. **Amen.**

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**
Compassionate God,
through the gifts of bread and wine
our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love.
Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal,
may share your love freely, as you have shared with us.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.
Amen.

SENDING

***BLESSING**
Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer,
✠ one God,
bless, heal, and hold you
today and always.
Amen.

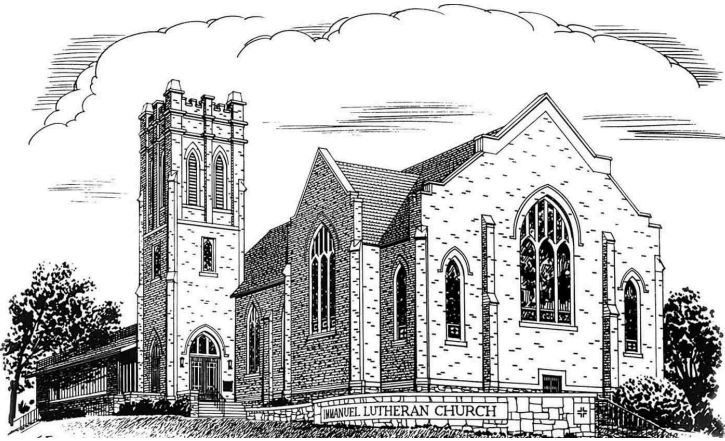
***SENDING HYMN**
“In Thee Is Gladness” ELW Hymn 867

***DISMISSAL**
Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!
Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE - "In dir ist Freude," BWV 615, by J. S. Bach (1685-1750)
Based on ELW 867

Welcome to Worship

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost



Immanuel Lutheran Church

July 26, 2026
10:00 AM



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Bold=All

*Please stand as you are able

GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
whose compassion endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God,

we confess to you all our sins.

Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.

In your mercy, call us back to you.

Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.

Restore us to dwell in your peace.

In Christ’s name we pray,

Amen.

Jesus says, “Come to me,

all you who are weary

and are carrying heavy burdens,

and I will give you rest.”

In the name of God,

Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit,

your sins are forgiven.

Rest in God’s love.

Amen.

*GATHERING HYMN

“Gather Us In”

ELW Hymn 532

*GREETING

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the

communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Beloved and sovereign God, through the death and resurrection of your

Son you bring us into your kingdom of justice and mercy. By your Spirit,

give us your wisdom, that we may treasure the life that comes from Jesus

Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

WORD

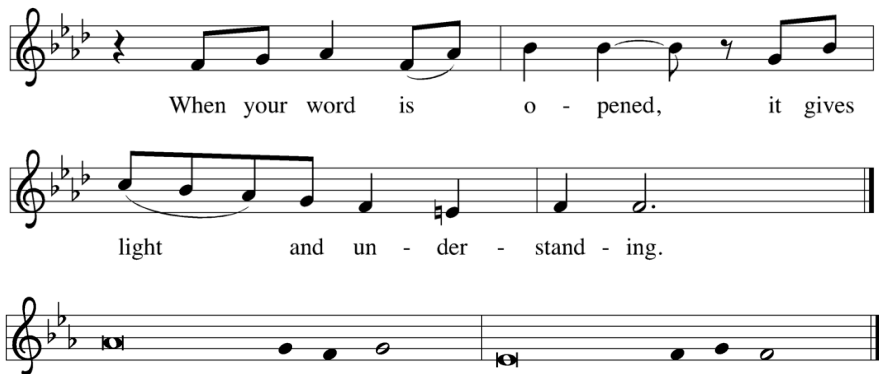
FIRST READING: 1 Kings 3:5-12

5 At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night, and God said, “Ask what I should give you.” 6 And Solomon said, “You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you, and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. 7 And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. 8 And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. 9 Give your servant, therefore, an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil, for who can govern this great people of yours?”

10 It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. 11 God said to him, “Because you have asked this and have not asked for yourself long life or riches or for the life of your enemies but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, 12 I now do according to your word. Indeed, I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you, and no one like you shall arise after you.”

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALMODY: Psalm 119:129-136



129 Your de- | crees are wonderful;

therefore I obey them with | all my heart.

130 When your word is opened | it gives light;

it gives understanding | to the simple.

131 I open my | mouth and pant

because I long for | your commandments.

132 Turn to me and be gra- | cious to me,

as you always do to those who | love your name. R

133 Order my footsteps | in your word;

let no iniquity have dominion | over me.

134 Rescue me from those | who oppress me,

and I will keep | your commandments.

135 Let your face shine up- | on your servant

and teach | me your statutes.

136 My eyes shed | streams of tears,

because people do not | keep your teaching. R

SECOND READING: Romans 8:26-39

26 The Spirit helps us in our weakness, for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with groanings too deep for words. 27 And God, who searches hearts, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

28 We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. 29 For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. 30 And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

31 What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? 32 He who did not withhold his own Son but gave him up for all of us, how will he not with him also give us everything else? 33 Who will bring any charge against God’s elect? It is God who justifies. 34 Who is to condemn? It is Christ who died, or rather, who was raised, who is also at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us. 35 Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will affliction or distress or persecution or famine or nakedness or peril or sword? 36 As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all day long;

we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.”

37 No, in all these things we are more than victorious through him who loved us. 38 For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, 39 nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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*GOSPEL: Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

31 [Jesus] put before [the crowds] another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field;32 it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.”

33 He told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.”

44 “The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and reburied; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

45 “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; 46 on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

47 “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; 48 when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. 49 So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous 50 and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

51 “Have you understood all this?” They answered, “Yes.” 52 And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has become a disciple in the