

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, August 9, 2026



Immanuel Lutheran Church

SEBEWAING, MICHIGAN



The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

*Faithful to God's Word -
We receive, celebrate and share Jesus Christ.*

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Sunday Worship

9:00 am

with

LIVESTREAM –

FB & YOUTUBE

and RADIO – 103.7 FM

Monday Worship

6:30 pm



A Stephen
Ministry Congregation

Pentecost

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WHO SHOULD COMMUNE HERE

...In the Sacrament of the Altar we receive, as Christ says, His true body and His true blood for the forgiveness of our sins. Those who come to the Lord's Supper at this altar, are those who: 1 Repent of their sins, and earnestly seek to live according to God's will. 2 Trust the Word of Christ that His body and blood are truly present and received here for forgiveness. 3 Confess the faith of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, as a member of this congregation or of another LCMS congregation. If you have questions about our communion practice, please speak to the pastor or an elder.

Psalm 103:2

...Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.

STUDENTS ENTERING A COLLEGE CAMPUS THIS FALL

...Connect your high school or returning student attending Michigan universities by using this link and completing the form michigandistrict.org/campusconnect. Pastors or other leaders from these ministries and congregations will connect directly with your students. For more information on campus ministry in the Michigan District, reach out to Rev. Dr. Randy Duncan, Pastor of Campus Mission, Michigan District Campus Ministry Network, at randy@micampusministry.net or 734.968.9339.

OWLS

...This Tuesday, the 11, we will be meeting at church at 1:00 pm to carpool to Bad Axe to visit with our members at Huron Medical Care Facility. This visit is a rescheduled visit from July 7.

SPECIAL MUSIC

...During the service today Doug Forsberg and Ken Engelhardt will sing two duets. During the offering they will sing *Jesus, I Love Thee*. After the first communion hymn, they will sing *Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross*. Thank you, gentlemen, for your songs of praise today.

BENEFIT CONCERT

...on August 16, 2026, at 4:30 PM come listen to pianist Michael Emshwiller at the Pigeon First United Methodist Church. Light refreshments provided. Free will offerings to benefit the Community Food Pantry of Pigeon.

BACK TO SCHOOL SHOPPING

...Make sure to pick up scrip cards for the stores you are visiting! A percentage of every card purchased comes back to CTK and can be designated to your student's tuition account.

IN OUR PRAYERS

+ SPECIAL NEEDS

... Vern Winter, Scott Adam, Lorraine Morey, Kevin Weeks, John Volz, Cassie (Molina) Kerinuk, Loretta Tope, Marlene Faber, Warren Beers, Joan Walz, Joy Sprague, Nancy Pommerenke, Gary Volz, Nelda Gnagey, Chuck Dutcher, LoAnn Rieman, Ernie Sbresney III, Sue McGathy, Jim Simmet, Barb Nitz, Collin Nitz, Frank Gunsell, Ian Faist, Wayne Morris, Karen Swartzendruber, Stephen Sprague, Scott Smith, Brenda Chambers, Rick Chambers, Christine Brown, and Hank & Sandy Brandt.

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

...Sunday, August 2, 2026; 9:00 – 106; Monday, 6:30 – 51

LISTEN TO THE LUTHERAN HOUR

...every Sunday morning on WLEW 1340AM at 11:10, WMIC AM 660 at 10:05 or WSAM AM 1340 at 8:30. Today's Lutheran Hour message is "Extreme Neighborliness" with Luther Hour speaker Rev. Gregory Seltz. Jesus is the ultimate "Good Samaritan," the unlikely Rescuer who binds our wounds, carries us to safety, and pays the price through His cross. (Luke 10:25-37)

SVSU LUTHERAN CAMPUS MINISTRY

..."Rooted" is our LCMS Campus Ministry at SVSU. It meets in the Alumni Lounge on campus every other Thursday from 5-7 pm, starting on Thursday, September 3rd. For more information, follow us on Instagram @rootedsv, or contact Pastor Dennis Matyas (St. Paul, Frankenlust) at dwmatyas@gmail.com.

School News

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

...We are excited to share that Mrs. Jenn Bohn will be the Unionville cook.

...Registration for K-8 will be August 12 from 11am-6pm.

...If you are interested in financially helping a student at CTK, please take a look at our sponsorship flyer. Your continued support is greatly appreciated!

Registration
(Sebewaing)
&
Open House
(Both Campuses)
August 12 from 11-6pm

- *Fill out forms
- *Make payments
- *Drop off student supplies
- *Check out classrooms
- *Teachers available 1-4

First Day for K-8
August 18
First Day for Latchkey
August 19
First Day for Preschool
August 31

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MORE INFO:
WWW.CTKLSCHOOL.ORG
989-883-3730



Our Lord's Business this Week

August 9 – August 16

SUNDAY: 8:30 AM Music and Fellowship in the Great Room
 9:00 AM **WORSHIP/Communion**
 10:15 AM Bible Study
 7:30 PM Youth Board

MONDAY: 5:00 PM Finance
 6:30 PM WORSHIP/Communion
 6:30 PM Trustees
 7:45 PM Church Council

WEDNESDAY: 11AM-6PM CTK Registration
 4:30 PM Evangelism

THURSDAY: 12:00 PM Bulletin Deadline

NEXT SUNDAY: 8:30 AM Music and Fellowship in the Great Room
 9:00 AM **WORSHIP/Communion**
 10:15 AM Bible Study

SERVING NEXT WEEK (AUGUST 16)

Acolytes: 9:00-Myah O'Berski & JayDee Dyer
Greeters: 9:00-Lorene Zagata & Judy Bollstetter
Scrip: 9:00-Lori Kemp
Ushers: 9:00-GROUP 9: Peter Boyer, Neil Gaeth, Bruce Bach, Nicolas Lutz, Chuck McGathy, Tim Matthews, Dalton Anderson, Bentley Bumhoffer, Dustin Kuhl, Ben Bowman

Online giving with Vanco



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Divine Service 4

Announcements

Hymn – *Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness*

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Divine Service 4

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Invocation, Confession and Absolution

Introit

I will bless the Lord at all times;
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
I sought the Lord, and he answered me
and delivered me from all my fears.
Those who look to him are radiant,
and their faces shall never be ashamed.
This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him
and saved him out of all his troubles.
The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him,
and delivers them.
Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good!
Blessèd is the man who takes refuge in him!

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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his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

Kyrie

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Gloria In Excelsis

Salutation and Collect

Almighty and most merciful God, preserve us from all harm and danger that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish what You want done; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The First Reading – ***Job 38:4-18***

The Gradual

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.

The Epistle – ***Romans 10:5-17***

Children's Sermon

Alleluia & Verse

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The Gospel – ***Matthew 14:22-33***

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Hymn – ***Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me***

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Sermon

Prayer of the Church

Offering

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Preface

Sanctus

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

The Words of Our Lord

Agnus Dei



Distribution Hymns

Chief of Sinners Though I Be

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Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia

LSB 463

Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness

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Nunc Dimittis

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Post-Communion Collect

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Benediction

Closing Hymn – ***Earth and All Stars***

LSB 817

Job 38:4-18

[The Lord said to Job:] “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 sons of God shouted for joy?

⁸“Or who shut in the sea with doors
when it burst out from the womb,

⁹when I made clouds its garment
and thick darkness its swaddling band,

¹⁰and prescribed limits for it
and set bars and doors,

¹¹and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther,

and here shall your proud waves be stayed’?

¹²“Have you commanded the morning since your days began,

and caused the dawn to know its place,

¹³that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth,

and the wicked be shaken out of it?

¹⁴It is changed like clay under the seal,
and its features stand out like a garment.

¹⁵From the wicked their light is withheld,
and their uplifted arm is broken.

¹⁶“Have you entered into the springs of the sea,

or walked in the recesses of the deep?

¹⁷Have the gates of death been revealed to you,

or have you seen the gates of deep darkness?

¹⁸Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth?

Declare, if you know all this.”

Romans 10:5-17

Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. ⁶But the righteousness based on faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷or “‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. ¹¹For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. ¹³For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

¹⁴But how are they to call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? ¹⁵And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!” ¹⁶But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?” ¹⁷So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

Matthew 14:22-33

Immediately [Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. ²³And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. ²⁵And

in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. ²⁶But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, "It is a ghost!" and they cried out in fear. ²⁷But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid."

²⁸And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water."

²⁹He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus.

³⁰But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me."

³¹Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" ³²And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

PREACHER: Rev Michael Boyer
ELDERS: Jeff Williamson & John Kemp
ORGANIST: Barbara Bleck
ACOLYTES: Truman & Claire Modert
GREETERS: Pat Holland
SCRIP: Anne Bell
USHERS: GROUP 8: Brian Rievert, Gary Wissner

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Our Congregation at Prayer
Daily Scripture and Prayer
To be Used in the Home
Getting Ready for Proper 15 A
Immanuel Lutheran Church

Theme for Sunday: Jesus is sent for all for all are sinful and need the salvation He brings.

The following short order may be used for devotions at home during the week or Daily Prayer for individuals and families may be used in the hymnal (LSB page 294 and following).

Invocation

In the Name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Introit

Psalm 28.1-2, 6-7; ant Psalm 28.8

The LORD is the strength of his people;

He is the saving refuge of his anointed.

To you, O LORD, I call; my rock, be not deaf to me,

Lest, if you be silent to me, I become like those who go down to the pit.

Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy, when I cry to you for help,

When I lift up my hands toward your most holy sanctuary.

Blessed be the LORD!

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

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

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

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

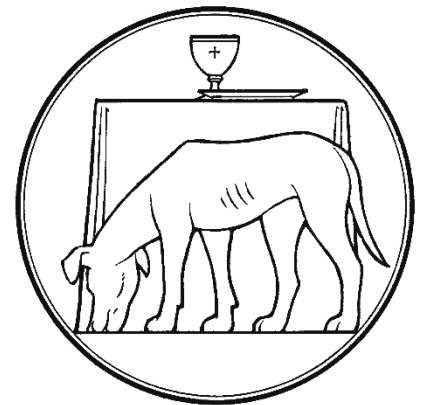
And to the Holy Spirit;

As it was in the beginning,

Is now, and will be forever. Amen.

The LORD is the strength of his people;

He is the saving refuge of his anointed.



Collect

Almighty and everlasting Father, You give Your children many blessings even though we are undeserving. In every trial and temptation grant us steadfast confidence in Your loving-kindness and mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Gradual

Psalm 34.9, 19

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.

The Psalm for Proper 15 A may be read (Psalm 67) or those printed below.

Daily Psalms	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning	67	51	54	65	143	86	122
Evening	46; 93	85; 47	28; 99	125; 91	81; 116	6; 19	141; 90

Readings for next Sunday (see below) or these daily readings may be used

Sunday	1 Samuel 31.1-13	1 Corinthians 7.1-24
Monday	2 Samuel 1.1-27	1 Corinthians 7.25-40
Tuesday	2 Samuel 5.1-25	1 Corinthians 8.1-13
Wednesday	2 Samuel 6.1-19	1 Corinthians 9.1-23
Thursday	2 Samuel 7.1-17	1 Corinthians 9.24-10.22
Friday	2 Samuel 7.18-29	1 Corinthians 10.23-11.16
Saturday	2 Samuel 11.1-27	1 Corinthians 11.17-34

Talk About Next Sunday's Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 56.1, 6-8

How are the people of God to keep justice and do righteousness?

What is this holy mountain?

Who are these others to be gathered?

Talk About Next Sunday's Second Reading: Romans 11.1-2a, 13-15, 28-32

Why would Paul ask if God rejected His people?

Who does Paul want to save?

How could God have mercy on all?

Talk About Next Sunday's Gospel Reading: Matthew 15.21-28

Why would Jesus not answer this woman?

What is remarkable about this woman?

What does Jesus eventually do for her?

Catechism Selection (this may be read, recited, or spoken responsively)

The Sixth Petition

And lead us not into temptation.

What does this mean?

God tempts no one. We pray in this petition that God would guard and keep us so that the devil, the world, and our sinful nature may not deceive us or mislead us into false belief, despair, and other great shame and vice. Although we are attacked by these things, we pray that we may finally overcome them and win the victory.

The Seventh Petition

But deliver us from evil.

What does this mean?

We pray in this petition, in summary, that our Father in heaven would rescue us from every evil of body and soul, possessions and reputation, and finally, when our last hour comes, give us a blessed end, and graciously take us from this valley of sorrow to Himself in heaven.

The Conclusion

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

What does this mean?

This means that I should be certain that these petitions are pleasing to our Father in heaven, and are heard by Him; for He Himself has commanded us to pray in this way and has promised to hear us. Amen, amen means "yes, yes, it shall be so."

SUNDAY SCHOOL SURVEY

'Jesus said, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these' " ~Matthew 19:14

Since COVID our Sunday School program has seen a significant decline in attendance. We would love to get your feedback as to why your child comes, or does not come, to Sunday School and what we can do better.

We appreciate your honest feedback and appreciate your time to complete and return this survey. Please return survey to:

- Church Office
- Box in Narthex

Age group of your child at end of 2025-2026 school year? (If more than one child, please check all that apply)

- _____ 3 year old - Grade 1
- _____ Grade 2 - Grade 5
- _____ Grade 6 - Grade 8

Does your child attend Sunday School?

- If no, please let us know why: _____

- If yes:

- What does your child like about Sunday School? _____

- What would your child like to see differently? _____

What do you think we need to do to attract/keep children coming to Sunday School?

What can we do to make Sunday School a better experience for children? _____

Additional Comments: _____



Ways to Sponsor a CTK Student



With students at the public school receiving free schooling and free lunches, it is becoming more attractive to families who have a hard time financially.



We have several ways for you to sponsor a student, either with tuition assistance or lunch assistance.

**Non-Member
Tuition
First Child- \$3,350**

**Sponsor
the Salad Bar
for a day or
for the week**

**Member
Tuition
First Child- \$1,800**



**Hot Lunch
Full Year- \$578.50**



**Preschool Tuition
Full Time- \$490/month**

**If interested, please contact Jen or Katie.
at (989) 883-3730.**



**Partial sponsorships
are appreciated also!**

