

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, July 12, 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

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John 14:16

...Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

TODAY'S RADIO BROADCAST

...is underwritten by Ken and Janet Rink.

A NEW LCMS CHURCH

...Hope Lutheran Church of Marlette will be welcomed to the LCMS as a new Michigan District Congregation TODAY in a ceremony at 3:00pm. All are welcome to attend to show support at 2510 Juhl Rd, Marlette 48453.

YEARBOOK

...It's the time of year again that we start working on the yearbook. To all committees, please turn in your end of year report to the church office ASAP. To all members of Immanuel, if you have had any changes to your address, phone number, email address, marital status, etc., please let the church office know by July 22.

HOLY LAND SHEPHERDS HERE TODAY!

...The carving of olive wood has been inherited since the time of our Lord, Jesus Christ. It has been passed down from father to son for many generations, including our family. More than 80% of the Christian community's income comes from tourism and the olive wood trade. Due to the ongoing difficult circumstances and the tremendous decrease in tourism, the Christian community has suffered many hardships that have led many Christian families to leave their homes in search of work and safety. Our mission is to support and strengthen the presence of Christianity in the Holy Land by selling these beautiful olive wood artifacts here in the USA.

We encourage you to look over these beautiful hand-carved items and value your support. We will be accepting cash, cards, and checks. May God bless you and keep you safe.

IN OUR PRAYERS

+ SPECIAL NEEDS

... Scott Adam, Lorraine Morey, Kevin Weeks, John Volz, Cassie (Molina) Kerinuk, Loretta Tope, Marlene Faber, Warren Beers, Joan Walz, Gil & 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, July 5, 2026; 9:00 – 9:30; Monday, 6:30 – 7:00

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 "Knight, Death, and the Devil" with Lutheran Hour speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Jesus has triumphed over all the powers of death and hell and He has pledged Himself to be your protector and the armor that you wear. (Ephesians 6:12)

BECAUSE YOU ASKED...

...The two candles behind the pulpit represent the two natures of Christ; divine and human. It is from the pulpit that we should hear who Jesus is and what He has done for us. He is true God, of the same substance as the Father, and true man, born from the substance of His mother in this age. This Jesus went to the cross and laid down that perfect life for sinners. He was the perfect sacrifice before God the Father and, because He is human, was able to suffer and die. Jesus says, "I am the light of the world (John 8.12)." He is our light and in the Divine Service we receive Him that we would not walk in darkness but have the light of life.

CPR/AED CLASS

...A compression-only CPR class for adult, child and infant, along with AED training will be held at Son's Life Missionary Church in Sebawaing on July 21 from 5:30-8pm. Cost is \$35 a person. To register please call 989-883-9999 or go to www.sonslife.org/connect?ei=PZGF62E.

OWLS

...This Tuesday, July 14, we will leave church at 1:00 pm. to visit with members at Huron Medical Care Facility in Bad Axe.

School News

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

...Christ the King Lutheran School is looking for a fun, energetic, first grade teacher for the upcoming 26-27 school year at our Unionville campus! Please email resume to Jen Yoder at principal@ctkl.org by July 15, 2026.

...Thank you to our custodians as they are working hard to get our schools cleaned and polished for the upcoming school year. A thank you to the grounds' crews as they continue to keep the school yards looking great. We truly are grateful for all of the time spent keeping everything looking nice! It is greatly appreciated!

Our Lord's Business this Week

July 12 – July 19

SUNDAY: 7:15 AM Elders Meeting
 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 and Stewardship
 7:45 PM Church Council

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 (JULY 19)

Acolytes: 9:00-Norah & Eleanor Matthews

Greeters: 9:00-Virginia Nitz & Barb Gunsell

Scrip: 9:00-Loid Bohn

Ushers: 9:00-GROUP 5: Jim Engelhardt, Mike Wildner, Dave Wildner,
Drew Rievert, Chase Rievert, Warren Volz, Evan Volz, Roger
Bloomfield, Tim Smith, John Markiewicz

Online giving with Vanco



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Divine Service 4

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Hymn – *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

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Invocation, Confession and Absolution

Introit

The Lord is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

As for man, his days are like grass;
he flourishes like a flower of the field;
for the wind passes over it, and it is gone,
and its place knows it no more.

But the steadfast love of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him,
and his righteousness to children's children,
to those who keep his covenant
and remember to do his commandments.

The Lord has established his throne in the heavens,
and his kingdom rules over all.

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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Kyrie

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Gloria In Excelsis

Salutation and Collect

Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; 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 – ***Isaiah 55:10-13***

The Gradual

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!

How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

For from him and through him and to him are all things.

To him be glory forever. Amen.

The Epistle – ***Romans 8:12-17***

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Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

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Benediction

Closing Hymn – ***May God Bestow on Us His Grace***

LSB 824

Isaiah 55:10-13

“For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven

and do not return there but water the earth,

making it bring forth and sprout,

giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,

¹¹so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;

it shall not return to me empty,

but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,

and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

¹²“For you shall go out in joy

and be led forth in peace;

the mountains and the hills before you

shall break forth into singing,

and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

¹³Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;

instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle;

and it shall make a name for the Lord,

an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.”

Romans 8:12-17

So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. ¹³For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” ¹⁶The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. ²And great crowds gathered about him, so that he got into a boat and sat down. And the whole crowd stood on the beach. ³And he told them many things in parables, saying: “A sower went out to sow. ⁴And as he sowed, some seeds fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured them. ⁵Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and immediately they sprang up, since they had no depth of soil, ⁶but when the sun rose they were scorched. And since they had no root, they withered away. ⁷Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. ⁸Other seeds fell on good soil and produced grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹He who has ears, let him hear. . . .

¹⁸“Hear then the parable of the sower: ¹⁹When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what has been sown in his heart. This is what was sown along the path. ²⁰As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, ²¹yet he has no root in himself, but endures for a while, and when tribulation or persecution arises on account of the word, immediately he falls away. ²²As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and it proves unfruitful. ²³As for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it. He indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.”

PREACHER: Rev Michael Boyer
ELDERS: Jeff Williamson & John Kemp
ORGANIST: Sheree Goebel
ACOLYTES: Jaxon & Ramzee Kuhl
GREETERS: Betty Guenther & Joanne Harder
SCRIP: Kari Stecker
USHERS: GROUP 4: Mike Walz, Brent Vogel, Adam Vogel, Craig Rieman, Loren Kunisch, Jeff Williamson, Pat Stecker, John Kemp, Jim Bratton, Greg Eremia

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Our Congregation at Prayer
Daily Scripture and Prayer
To be Used in the Home
Getting Ready for Proper 11 A
Immanuel Lutheran Church

Theme for Sunday: There is much suffering in this world, yet we know the end. We shall be brought to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ.

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 86.11-15, ant Psalm 86.6

Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer;

Listen to my plea for grace.

Teach me your way, O LORD, that I may walk in your truth;

Unite my heart to fear your name.

I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,

And I will glorify your name forever.

For great is your steadfast love toward me;

You have delivered my soul from the depths of Sheol.

O God, insolent men have risen up against me; a band of ruthless men seek my life,

And they do not set you before them.

But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious,

Slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.

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.

Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer;

Listen to my plea for grace.



Collect

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. Amen.

Gradual

Romans 11.33, 36

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!

How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

For from him and through him and to him are all things.
To him be glory forever. Amen.

The Psalm for Proper 11 A may be read (Psalm 119.57-64) 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	Judges 16.4-30 (17.1-21.25)	Galatians 4.12-31
Monday	1 Samuel 1.1-20	Galatians 5.1-26
Tuesday	1 Samuel 1.21-2.17	Galatians 6.1-18
Wednesday	1 Samuel 2.18-36	Acts 15.22-41
Thursday	1 Samuel 3.1-21	Acts 16.1-22
Friday	1 Samuel 4.1-22	Acts 16.23-40 (17.1-34)
Saturday	1 Samuel 5.1-6.3, 10-16	Acts 18.1-11, 23-28

Talk About Next Sunday's Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 44.6-8

What does God mean by saying He is the first and last?
What has God told His people from of old?
Why should the people of God not fear?

Talk About Next Sunday's Second Reading: Romans 8.18-27

How should we put our suffering in perspective?
How will creation be set free from its bondage?
How does the Spirit intercede for us?

Talk About Next Sunday's Gospel Reading: Matthew 13.24-30, 36-43

What does this parable mean?
Although we suffer what should we cling to?
Will it be easy for the 'good seed' in a world of weeds?

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

The Apostles' Creed Continued

The Third Article

Sanctification

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.

What does this mean?

I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith.

In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

In this Christian Church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers.

On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ.

This is most certainly true.