

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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☞ In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

☞ Amen.

☞ Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

☞ Amen.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

☞ Most merciful God,

☞ **We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

☞ Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

☞ Amen.

*HYMN, “How Firm a Foundation”

LBW Hymn 507

1. How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!
What more can he say than to you he has said
Who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?

2. Fear not! I am with you, oh, be not dismayed,
For I am your God and will still give you aid;
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,
Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

3. When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie,
My grace all-sufficient, shall be your supply.
The flames shall not hurt you; I only design
Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.

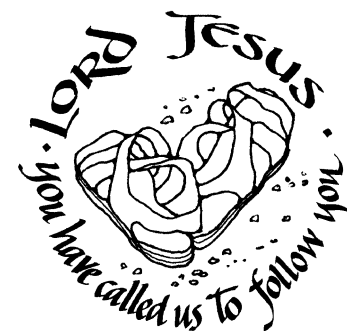
4. Throughout all their lifetime my people shall prove
My sov'reign, eternal, unchangeable love;
And then, when gray hairs shall their temples adorn,
Like lambs they shall still on my bosom be borne.

*GREETING

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☞ The grace of our risen Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

☞ And also with you.



***KYRIE**

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- P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C** **Amen.**

***HYMN OF PRAISE, “Glory to God”**

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- P** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
- C** **Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father: We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**
- Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.**
- For you alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

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- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**
- P** Let us pray together . . .
- C** **O God, you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SONG, “Jesus Loves the Little Children”

- Jesus loves the little children,
All the children of the world.
Red and yellow, black and white,
They are precious in his sight.
Jesus loves the little children of the world.
- Jesus cares for all the children,
All the children of the world.
Ev’ry child in ev’ry land,
Jesus holds them in his hand.
Jesus cares for all the children of the world.

FIRST READING, 1 Kings 19:15-21

The LORD said to Elijah, “Go back the way you came, and go to the Desert of Damascus. When you get there, anoint Hazael king over Aram. Also, anoint Jehu son of Nimshi king over Israel, and anoint Elisha son of Shaphat from Abel Meholah to succeed you as prophet. Jehu will put to death any who escape the sword of Hazael, and Elisha will put to death any who escape the sword of Jehu. Yet I reserve seven thousand in Israel — all whose knees have not bowed down to Baal and whose mouths have not kissed him.”

So Elijah went from there and found Elisha son of Shaphat. He was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen, and he himself was driving the twelfth pair. Elijah went up to him and threw his cloak around him. Elisha then left his oxen and ran after Elijah. “Let me kiss my father and mother goodbye,” he said, “and then I will come with you.”

“Go back,” Elijah replied. “What have I done to you?”

So Elisha left him and went back. He took his yoke of oxen and slaughtered them. He burned the plowing equipment to cook the meat and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out to follow Elijah and became his servant. (NIV)

📖 The Word of the Lord.

🙏 Thanks be to God.

PSALM 16

📖 Keep me safe, my God,
for in you I take refuge.

🙏 I say to the LORD, “You are my Lord;
apart from you I have no good thing.”

📖 I say of the holy people who are in the land,
“They are the noble ones in whom is all my delight.”

🙏 Those who run after other gods
will suffer more and more.

I will not pour out libations of blood to such gods
or take up their names on my lips.

📖 LORD, you alone are my portion and my cup;
you make my lot secure.

🙏 The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;
surely I have a delightful inheritance.

📖 I will praise the LORD, who counsels me;
even at night my heart instructs me.

🙏 I keep my eyes always on the LORD.
With him at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

📖 Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices;
my body also will rest secure,

🙏 Because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead,
nor will you let your faithful one see decay.

📖 You make known to me the path of life;

🙏 You will fill me with joy in your presence,
with eternal pleasures at your right hand. (NIV)

SECOND READING, Galatians 5:1, 13-25

It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.

You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love. For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: "Love your neighbor as yourself." If you bite and devour each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other.

So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other, so that you are not to do whatever you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

The acts of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. *(NIV)*

☐ The Word of the Lord.

☑ **Thanks be to God.**

*HYMN, "Lead On, O King Eternal" (v. 1) LBW Hymn 495

Lead on, O King eternal!
The day of march has come;
Hence-forth in fields of conquest
Your tents will be our home.
Through days of preparation
Your grace has made us strong;
And now, O King eternal,
We lift our battle song.

*GOSPEL, Luke 9:51-62

☐ The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the ninth chapter.

☑ **Glory to you, O Lord.**

☐ As the time approached for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem. And he sent messengers on ahead, who went into a Samaritan village to get things ready for him; but the people there did not welcome him, because he was heading for Jerusalem. When the disciples James and John saw this, they asked, "Lord, do you want us to call fire down from heaven to destroy them?" But Jesus turned and rebuked them. Then he and his disciples went to another village.

As they were walking along the road, a man said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go."

Jesus replied, "Foxes have dens and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head."

He said to another man, "Follow me."

But he replied, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father."

Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and proclaim the kingdom of God."

Still another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but first let me go back and say goodbye to my family."

Jesus replied, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God." *(NIV)*

☐ The Gospel of the Lord.

☑ **Praise to you, O Christ.**

HYMN, "Lead On, O King Eternal" (v. 3) LBW Hymn 495

Lead on, O King eternal:
We follow, not with fears,
For gladness breaks like morning
Where'er your face appears.
Your cross is lifted o'er us;
We journey in its light;
The crown awaits the conquest;
Lead on, O God of might!

*HYMN, "O Jesus, I Have Promised"

LBW Hymn 503

1. O Jesus, I have promised
To serve you to the end;
Remain forever near me,
My master and my friend.
I shall not fear the battle
If you are by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway
If you will be my guide.
2. Oh, let me feel you near me;
The world is ever near.
I see the sights that dazzle,
The tempting sounds I hear.
My foes are ever near me,
Around me and within;
But, Jesus, then draw nearer
To shield my soul from sin.
3. Oh, let me hear you speaking
In accents clear and still
Above the storms of passion,
The murmurs of self-will.
Now speak to reassure me,
To hasten or control;
Now speak and make me listen,
O Guardian of my soul.
4. O Jesus, you have promised
To all who follow you
That where you are in glory
Your servant shall be too.
And Jesus, I have promised
To serve you to the end;
Oh, give me grace to follow,
My master and my friend.

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended to hell.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended to heaven
and is seated at the right hand the Father.
He will come again 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.**

OFFERING OF OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

*LBW Hymn 501, "He Leadeth Me: Oh, Blessed Thought," is
sung as the offerings are received.*

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HYMN, “He Leadeth Me: Oh, Blessed Thought”

Hymn 501

1. He leadeth me: O, blessed thought!
Oh, words with heav'nly comfort fraught!
Whate'er I do, where'er I be,
still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me!

Refrain: He leadeth me, he leadeth me,
By his own hand he leadeth me.
His faithful foll'wer I would be,
For by his hand he leadeth me.

2. Sometimes mid scenes of deepest gloom,
Sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom,
By waters calm, o'er troubled sea,
Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me. *Refrain.*

3. Lord, I would clasp thy hand in mine,
Nor ever murmur nor repine;
Content, whatever lot I see,
Since 'tis my God that leadeth me. *Refrain.*

4. And when my task on earth is done,
When by thy grace the vict'ry's won,
E'en death's cold wave I will not flee,
Since God through Jordan leadeth me. *Refrain.*

***THE PRAYERS AND LORD'S PRAYER**

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***BLESSING**

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☞ 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.

☞ **Amen.**

***HYMN, “Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus”**

LBW Hymn 487

1. Let us ever walk with Jesus,
Follow his example pure,
Through a world that would deceive us
And to sin our spirits lure.
Onward in his footsteps treading,
Pilgrims here, our home above,
Full of faith and hope and love,
Let us do our Father's bidding.
Faithful Lord, with me abide;
I shall follow where you guide.

2. Let us suffer here with Jesus,
And with patience bear our cross.
Joy will follow all our sadness;
Where he is there is no loss.
Though today we sow no laughter,
We shall reap celestial joy:
All discomforts that annoy
Shall give way to mirth hereafter.
Jesus, here I share your woe;
Help me there your joy to know.

3. Let us gladly die with Jesus.
Since by death he conquered death,
He will free us from destruction,
give to us immortal breath.
Let us mortify all passion
That would lead us into sin;
Then by grace we all may win
Untold fruits of his creation.
Jesus, unto you I die,
There to live with you on high.

4. Let us also live with Jesus;
He has risen from the dead
That to life we may awaken.
Jesus, since you are our head,
We are your own living members;
Where you live, there we shall be
In your presence constantly
Living there with you forever.
Jesus, if I faithful be,
Life eternal grant to me.

WELCOME TO ALL who are worshiping with us today. We especially welcome our visitors. If you are unfamiliar with our worship, one of our members will gladly assist you. Visitors, please be sure to sign the guest register in the narthex. We hope that you will worship with us again soon.

ALL ARE INVITED to stay for a time of fellowship following worship. Donuts, coffee, and juice are available. A free-will offering is received to cover expenses.

SERVICE TEAM #2 is looking for volunteers to serve on Sundays during July. Members are encouraged to volunteer for these ways of serving. Please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board.

WALLY AND CLEO MILLER are celebrating their 65th wedding anniversary on Thursday, June 30. Cards may be sent to them at 1920 Baldwin Street, Sturgis, SD 57785. We congratulate them on this significant occasion and thank God for years of faithfulness.

A FREE LUNCH is available at Whitewood Elementary School from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Monday through Friday for all children up to age 18 and for all adults age 60 and over.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL is tentatively scheduled for July 24-28 at Oak Park. We will be working together with the other churches of Whitewood for VBS. VBS will be from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. We are looking for teachers and helpers for VBS. Please let Pastor David know if you might be able to help. Also please let Pastor David know if those dates and times work for your family.

OUR MISSION OF THE MONTH is Lutherans Outdoors in South Dakota. Lutherans Outdoors is a camping ministry operating three camps: Outlaw Ranch near Custer, NeSoDak Bible Camp near Waubay, and Klein Ranch near Isabel. You can learn more about Lutherans Outdoors at losd.org. Mission of the Month highlights one of the ministries supported through your regular giving to Immanuel. Grace Smith, one of our members, is serving as a counselor at Outlaw Ranch this summer — another way Immanuel is supporting the ministry of Lutherans Outdoors.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER THIS WEEK:

Renae Besler	Loren Christensen
Don Dubbe	Lenae Ebel
Bev Karlson	Felicity Kramer
Rosie Ridley	Kathy Rost
Violet Rost	Ann Sogge
Treonna Solbie	Joe Taggart
Steve Vasknetz	Del Zambon
Barb & Jack Wanstedt	
Arnie Arnio (brother of Chris Burleson)	
Christina Badalis (friend of Jon & Shelley Iverson)	
Wayne Besler (brother of Ralph Besler)	
Lori Buck (cousin of Shelley Iverson)	
Ron Burns (friend of Bill & Chris Burleson)	
Julia Davis (cousin of Shelley Iverson)	
Marla Ebel (sister of Rita Shewmake)	
Melanie Erickson (sister of Brenda Rath)	
Ellen Fiechtner (mother of Ardith Petersen & Lois Rath)	
Wayne Fiechtner (brother of Ardith Petersen & Lois Rath)	
Dallas Fox (friend of Jordan Smith)	
Pastor Phillip Gagnon (friend of Pastor David Baer)	
Barb Haskell (mother of Mark Tracy)	
Cindy Hoffman (sister of Linda Grams)	
Brenda Hunt (daughter in-law of Carol Vercoe)	
Nancy Island (sister of Bev Karlson)	
Ike & Lanette Iverson (father and step-mother of Jon Iverson)	
Willis Kopren (nephew of Wally & Cleo Miller)	
Karen Miller (sister of Maxine Ripley)	
Mitch Palmer (friend of Paul Swisher)	
Nancy Porter (friend of Bill and Chris Burleson)	
Tim Ripley (friend of Paul Swisher)	
Nathan Sanders (friend of Bill & Chris Burleson)	
Jeremy Sundby (nephew of Claire & Maxine Ripley)	
Jess Teigen (friend of Amelia Knutson)	
Tori Tetrault (young daughter of Tyler and Breynn Tetrault)	
Xayne Vroman (great grandson of Cindy and Harold Davis)	

A prayer list is printed in the bulletin each week. If you have any additions to the list or corrections, please let Pastor David know.