

**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY  
AFTER PENTECOST**

**AUGUST 26, 2018  
IMMANUEL  
LUTHERAN  
CHURCH  
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***Sunday*  
9:00 AM  
Worship Service  
Adult Bible Class  
Sunday School  
10:30 a.m.**

**Holy Communion:  
1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday**

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8:00 am to 12:00 pm**

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**"For laying aside the commandment  
of God, you hold the tradition of  
men-- the washing of pitchers and  
cups, and many other such things  
you do."**

**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
AUGUST 29, 2018**

**WELCOME to IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

We wish to extend a warm welcome to all our visitors this morning. It is our hope that you will benefit by your worship here with us, and that you will return again soon. We would greatly appreciate it if everyone would fill out an Attendance/Communion card so that we can keep track of our attendance. They are the 3x5 white cards located in the pew racks in front of you.

Next week we celebrate Holy Communion. We teach that in the receiving of the Lord's Supper each person receives the real presence of the Body and Blood of Christ for the forgiveness of their sins. If you are not a member of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod and desire to partake of Communion, please ask to speak with Pastor Weber or one of the elders prior to the service.

**A Prayer Upon Entering Church** - Almighty and merciful God, You cleanse and renew Your people through the saving work of Your Son, my Bridegroom, Jesus Christ. Grant that I, who have been made spotless by Him, ever walk in faithfulness and truth; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, my Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**AS WE GATHER** - They're perfect! "Stain-resistant! Wrinkle-free! Easy-care!" Not only are the pants good-looking, but they're also functional. While store catalogs may use these terms to grab your attention and sell their products, the Bible uses similar words to proclaim the wonderful news of God's free grace for you! Jesus has redeemed you by His blood in order to "present the church to Himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish" (Ephesians 5:27). Like a bride beautifully adorned and awaiting her bridegroom, we anticipate the final coming of our Lord Jesus, even as we today receive Him who comes to us in His body and blood. Let us join together and give praise to the One who has declared us to be spotless!

**WELCOME**

**PRELUDE**

(A quiet time for prayer and meditation in preparation for worship)

**DIVINE SERVICE, SETTING FOUR**

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**OPENING HYMN**

*Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty*

**LSB 901**

**INVOCATION**

**P** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*(We take a moment of silence to reflect on our sin and our need for the Savior.)*

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. *(John 20:19-23)*

C **Amen.**

**INTROIT** *Psalm 26:1-2, 6-7; antiphon: v. 8*

P O LORD, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

C Vindicate me, O LORD, for I have walked in my integrity, and I have trusted in the LORD without wavering.

P Prove me, O LORD, and try me; test my heart and my mind.

C I wash my hands in innocence and go around Your altar, O LORD, proclaiming thanksgiving aloud, and telling all Your wondrous deeds.

**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.**

P O LORD, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

**KYRIE**



**Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.**

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



**C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;  
2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;  
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!  
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.  
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shipped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,  
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.  
Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—  
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

## SALUTATION

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** Let us pray. Almighty and merciful God, defend Your Holy Church, which You have made spotless with the blood of Your Son, that we hold fast to Your Word and rejoice in all of Your goodness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Isaiah 29:11-19*

(The Lord will again do wonderful things with His people.)

11 The whole vision has become to you like the words of a book that is sealed, which men deliver to one who is literate, saying, "Read this, please." And he says, "I cannot, for it is sealed." 12 Then the book is delivered to one who is illiterate, saying, "Read this, please." And he says, "I am not literate." 13 Therefore the Lord said: "Inasmuch as these people draw near with their mouths And honor Me with their lips, But have removed their hearts far from Me, And their fear toward Me is taught by the commandment of men, 14 Therefore, behold, I will again do a marvelous work Among this people, A marvelous work and a wonder; For the wisdom of their wise men shall perish, And the understanding of their prudent men shall be hidden." 15 Woe to those who seek deep to hide their counsel far from the Lord, And their works are in the dark; They say, "Who sees us?" and, "Who knows us?" 16 Surely you have things turned around! Shall the potter be esteemed as the clay; For shall the thing made say of him who made it, "He did not make me"? Or shall the thing formed say of him who formed it, "He has no understanding"? 17 Is it not yet a very little while Till Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field, And the fruitful field be esteemed as a forest? 18 In that day the deaf shall hear the words of the book, And the eyes of the blind shall see out of obscurity and out of darkness. 19 The humble also shall increase their joy in the Lord, And the poor among men shall rejoice In the Holy One of Israel.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God**

## PSALM

*Psalm 14*

P The fool says in his heart, "There is no God." They are corrupt, they do abominable deeds, there is none who does good.

**C The LORD looks down from heaven on the children of man, to see if there are any who understand, who seek after God.**

P They have all turned aside; together they have become corrupt; there is none who does good, not even one.

**C Have they no knowledge, all the evildoers who eat up My people as they eat bread and do not call upon the LORD?**

P There they are in great terror, for God is with the generation of the righteous.

**C You would shame the plans of the poor, but the LORD is his refuge.**

P Oh, that salvation for Israel would come out of Zion!

**C When the LORD restores the fortunes of His people, let Jacob rejoice, let Israel be glad.**

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**EPISTLE**

*Ephesians 5:22-33*

(Christ, the Bridegroom, makes the Church His Bride and gives Himself up for her.)

22 Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. 23 For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body. 24 Therefore, just as the church is subject to Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in everything.

25 Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her, 26 that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word, 27 that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish. 28 So husbands ought to love their own wives as their own bodies; he who loves his wife loves himself. 29 For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as the Lord does the church. 30 For we are members of His body, of His flesh and of His bones. 31 "For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." 32 This is a great mystery, but I speak concerning Christ and the church. 33 Nevertheless let each one of you in particular so love his own wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

**Alleluia and Verse**



**C** Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



**C** These things are writ-ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



**C** Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## HOLY GOSPEL

*Mark 7:1-13*

(Jesus rebukes those who reject God's commands in order to establish their own traditions.)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.

C **Glory to You , O Lord.**

1 Then the Pharisees and some of the scribes came together to Him, having come from Jerusalem. 2 Now when they saw some of His disciples eat bread with defiled, that is, with unwashed hands, they found fault. 3 For the Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they wash their hands in a special way, holding the tradition of the elders. 4 When they come from the marketplace, they do not eat unless they wash. And there are many other things which they have received and hold, like the washing of cups, pitchers, copper vessels, and couches. 5 Then the Pharisees and scribes asked Him, "Why do Your disciples not walk according to the tradition of the elders, but eat bread with unwashed hands?" 6 He answered and said to them, "Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written: 'This people honors Me with their lips, But their heart is far from Me. 7 And in vain they worship Me, Teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.' 8 For laying aside the commandment of God, you hold the tradition of men—the washing of pitchers and cups, and many other such things you do." 9 He said to them, "All too well you reject the commandment of God, that you may keep your tradition. 10 For Moses said, 'Honor your father and your mother'; and, 'He who curses father or mother, let him be put to death.' 11 But you say, 'If a man says to his father or mother, "Whatever profit you might have received from me is Corban"—' (that is, a gift to God), 12 then you no longer let him do anything for his father or his mother, 13 making the word of God of no effect through your tradition which you have handed down. And many such things you do."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## APOSTLES CREED

**All I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**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.**

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*Salvation unto Us Has Come*

**LSB 555; vs. 1-7**

**SERMON** "Man's Hypocritical Heart Can Only be Cleansed with God's Word, not Traditions"  
(Mark 7:13)

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

For the Christian Church, both here and throughout the world, that, united in the redeeming blood of Christ, we share the saving Gospel wherever we are and to whomever we meet, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, send us forth to share Your Word.**

P For the living out of our vocations, that all who are blessed with callings in our homes, in our workplaces, in our larger society, and in the Church faithfully represent our Savior by what we say and do, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, help us to serve You by serving others.**

P For husband and wife, child and family, widowed and single, that all who receive God's grace in their various vocations know contentment in their estate and live noble, upright, and holy lives in, but not of the world, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, grant Your blessing.**

P For all public servants who selflessly serve others, including the members of our armed forces, that they would be defended by our mighty God and take refuge in His merciful care, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, be their shield and defense.**

P For all who suffer in heart, mind, and body, [especially . . .], that they receive Healing mercies from above, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, restore and heal those we name before You.**

P For these and all other concerns that are upon our hearts and minds, that our Gracious Father answer us for the sake of Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, we ask for this grace in Jesus' name. Amen.**

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

### OFFERING

**LORD'S PRAYER**      *(Matthew 6:9-13)*

**All 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.**

### BENEDICAMUS

P Let us bless the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

### BENEDICTION

P 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.**

**SENDING HYMN**

*Go, My Children, with My Blessing*

**LSB 922; vs. 1-4**

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**Portals of Prayer** for July to September are available In the Narthrex.



***Sunday School:***

After service in the Fellowship Hall.  
Enrich your spiritual life with the Word.  
**Pastor Weber** will be leading the Adult Bible Study.

**Children's Sunday School**  
is available with lots of fun activities.





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**School Orientation/Meet the Teacher:**  
Today, August 26, 2018 in the classroom  
from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Pray for the start of the new school year, which starts tomorrow, August 27th. Let us lift up school personnel and students for God's guidance and direction in their every day goings and comings, for a year of success both spiritually and academically. Praise God for his faithfulness.

*Lord Jesus Christ, You have entrusted to Your people the task of teaching all nations. Enlighten with the wisdom of Your Holy Spirit those who teach and those who learn that the joyous truth of the Gospel may be known in every generation, for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

(Above prayer is an excerpt from: A LONGER LOOK AT THE LESSONS for Pericopes as Listed in Lutheran Service Book, Series B; Propers 15–29, Lesson 2-Christian Education Sunday.)



**The True Tradition of the Church Is the Ministry of the Gospel of Christ Jesus, Her Savior**

The true tradition of the Church is the Gospel, which is the preaching and administration of Christ Jesus. Other traditions, although not commanded by God, may serve and support that sacred tradition of the Gospel. But the Church dare not “[reject] the commandment of God” in order to establish or hold to “the tradition of men” (Mark 7:8-9). Sinful people attempt to draw near to the Lord “with their mouth” and to honor Him “with their lips,” while their hearts are far removed from Him (Is. 29:13). Yet, He is “the Holy One of Israel,” who brings about salvation by His cross. Therefore, “the wisdom of their wise men shall perish,” but “the deaf shall hear” and “the eyes of the blind shall see” (Is. 29:14-19). This mystery of Christ is profound, for He is the husband of the Church, and He is her Savior. Not because of any works that she has done, but solely for the sake of His great love, He “gave himself up for her, that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word” (Eph. 5:25-26).

<b>8/19/2018</b>		
<b>Sunday Worship</b>	<b>28</b>	
Plate:	\$	11.00
Envelopes:	\$	1,560.00
Donations:		
Memorials:		
<b>Total:</b>		<b>\$ 1,571.00</b>
Bible Class:	<b>11</b>	<b>\$ 16.00</b>

*Fifteenth Sunday  
after Pentecost*

Readings:  
(Proper 17)

*Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9  
Psalm 119:129-136  
Ephesians 6:10-20  
Mark 7:14-23*

<b>Bi-Weekly Church Activity Schedule</b>		
	August Sunday Servants:	September Servants:
Elder:	Ken Eilers	Joe Winston
Altar Guild:	Donna Jackson & Lorri Marchant	B.J. Neuhaus & Maribel P.
Music:	Bonny Winston	
This Week	Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost	
Usher:	Dan Wehling	
Sunday:	Worship Service	9:00 am
	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study	10:30 am
<b>Next Week</b>	Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost	
Usher:	Earl Neuhaus	
Sunday:	Holy Communion Worship Service	9:00 am
	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study	10:30 am