

**SECOND SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST**

JUNE 23, 2019

**IMMANUEL
LUTHERAN
CHURCH
Missouri Synod**



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***Sunday*
9:00 AM
Worship Service**

**Adult Bible Class
Sunday School
10:30 a.m.**

**Holy Communion:
1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday**

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8:00 am to 12:00 pm**

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Jesus had done for him.*

(Luke 8:39)

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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 - Lord Jesus Christ, You are the liberator and defender of all people. Free me from the power of sin, death, and Satan, that I may serve You and my neighbors with joy and gladness, for You reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

AS WE GATHER - In the Readings for today, we see God's desire to extend His kingdom to all people. In the Old Testament Reading, God says, "Here am I" to a nation that was not Israel. In the Epistle, we see that race, economic status, and gender do not disqualify anyone from being saved by Christ. God's kingdom is for all people. In the Gospel, Jesus embarks to the country of the Gerasenes and casts out a legion of demons from a man. Jesus frees this demon-possessed man and brings him into His kingdom. As we seek to extend God's kingdom, we share the Gospel with people from every tribe, nation, and language group. Like Jesus, show no partiality.

WELCOME

PRELUDE

DIVINE SERVICE, SETTING FOUR

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OPENING HYMN

Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

LSB 528

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 71:20-24; antiphon: v. 3*

P Be my strong refuge, to which I may resort continually; You have given the commandment to save me, for You are my rock and my fortress.

C **You, who have shown me great and severe troubles, shall revive me again, And bring me up again from the depths of the earth.**

P You shall increase my greatness, and comfort me on every side.

C **Also with the lute I will praise You— and Your faithfulness, O my God! To You I will sing with the harp, O Holy One of Israel.**

P My lips shall greatly rejoice when I sing to You, and my soul, which You have redeemed.

C **My tongue also shall talk of Your righteousness all the day long; for they are confounded, for they are brought to shame Who seek my hurt.**

P Be my strong refuge, to which I may resort continually; You have given the commandment to save me, for You are my rock and my fortress.

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. O God, You have prepared for those who love You such good things as surpass our understanding. Cast out all sins and evil desires from us, and pour into our hearts Your Holy Spirit to guide us into all blessedness; 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 65:1–9*

(Though God seeks all people, many reject Him.)

“I was sought by those who did not ask for Me; I was found by those who did not seek Me. I said, ‘Here I am, here I am,’ To a nation that was not called by My name. 2 I have stretched out My hands all day long to a rebellious people, Who walk in a way that is not good, According to their own thoughts; 3 A people who provoke Me to anger continually to My face; Who sacrifice in gardens, And burn incense on altars of brick; 4 Who sit among the graves, And spend the night in the tombs; Who eat swine’s flesh, And the broth of abominable things is in their vessels; 5 Who say, ‘Keep to yourself, Do not come near me, For I am holier than you!’ These are smoke in My nostrils, A fire that burns all the day. 6 “Behold, it is written before Me: I will not keep silence, but will repay— Even repay into their bosom— 7 Your iniquities and the iniquities of your fathers together,” Says the Lord, “Who have burned incense on the mountains And blasphemed Me on the hills; Therefore I will measure their former work into their bosom.”

8 Thus says the Lord:

“As the new wine is found in the cluster,
And one says, ‘Do not destroy it,
For a blessing is in it,’
So will I do for My servants’ sake,
That I may not destroy them all.
9 I will bring forth descendants from Jacob,
And from Judah an heir of My mountains;
My elect shall inherit it,
And My servants shall dwell there.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God

PSALM *Psalm 3; antiphon: v. 8*

P Salvation belongs to the Lord. Your blessing is upon Your people.

C Lord, how they have increased who trouble me! Many are they who rise up against me.

P Many are they who say of me, “There is no help for him in God.”

C But You, O Lord, are a shield for me, My glory and the One who lifts up my head.

P I cried to the Lord with my voice, And He heard me from His holy hill.

C I lay down and slept; I awoke, for the Lord sustained me.

P I will not be afraid of ten thousands of people Who have set themselves against me all around.

C Arise, O Lord; save me, O my God! For You have struck all my enemies on the cheekbone; You have broken the teeth of the ungodly.

P Salvation belongs to the Lord. Your blessing is upon Your people.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

EPISTLE

Galatians 3:23-4:7

(In Christ we are liberated from the Law and adopted as heirs.)

23 But before faith came, we were kept under guard by the law, kept for the faith which would afterward be revealed. 24 Therefore the law was our tutor to bring us to Christ, that we might be justified by faith. 25 But after faith has come, we are no longer under a tutor. 26 For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. 27 For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. 28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. 29 And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise. 1 Now I say that the heir, as long as he is a child, does not differ at all from a slave, though he is master of all, 2 but is under guardians and stewards until the time appointed by the father. 3 Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world. 4 But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, 5 to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons. 6 And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying out, "Abba, Father!" 7 Therefore you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

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



HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 8:26-39

(Jesus liberates a man possessed by many demons.)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighth chapter.

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

26 Then they sailed to the country of the Gadarenes, which is opposite Galilee. 27 And when He stepped out on the land, there met Him a certain man from the city who had demons for a long time. And he wore no clothes, nor did he live in a house but in the tombs. 28 When he saw Jesus, he cried out, fell down before Him, and with a loud voice said, "What have I to do with You, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg You, do not torment me!" 29 For He had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. For it had often seized him, and he was kept under guard, bound with chains and shackles; and he broke the bonds and was driven by the demon into the wilderness. 30 Jesus asked him, saying, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion," because many demons had entered him. 31 And they begged Him that He would not command them to go out into the abyss. 32 Now a herd of many swine was feeding there on the mountain. So they begged Him that He would permit them to enter them. And He permitted them. 33 Then the demons went out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd ran violently down the steep place into the lake and drowned. 34 When those who fed them saw what had happened, they fled and told it in the city and in the country. 35 Then they went out to see what had happened, and came to Jesus, and found the man from whom the demons had departed, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. 36 They also who had seen it told them by what means he who had been demon-possessed was healed. 37 Then the whole multitude of the surrounding region of the Gadarenes asked Him to depart from them, for they were seized with great fear. And He got into the boat and returned. 38 Now the man from whom the demons had departed begged Him that he might be with Him. But Jesus sent him away, saying, 39 "Return to your own house, and tell what great things God has done for you." And he went his way and proclaimed throughout the whole city what great things Jesus had done for him.

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

Preserve Your Word, O Savior

LSB 658

SERMON

"Freed to Tell What Great Things God Has Done for You!"

(Luke 8:39)

OFFERTORY

Just as I Am, without One Plea

LSB 570

OFFERING

SHARING OF THE PEACE

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.

Dear heavenly Father, place Your wise hand upon all the nations of the earth, give them leaders who seek after justice and peace, and lead all people to the freedom of Your Gospel. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lord, lift up all those who are weighed down by the guilt and shame of sin. Release them from their bondage and point them to forgiveness as the feet of Jesus. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lord, walk with all those who are grieving in the shadow of death, [especially . . .]. Comfort them with the hope of the resurrection to eternal life. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lord, strengthen all those who are fighting against the power of Satan. Remind them of Your presence in Your Word and Sacraments. Empower them to resist Satan's lies with the truth of Your Word. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lord, give hope to all those who are isolated and lonely. Bring them into the presence of the loving community of Your Church that they find help and hope among Your people. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Look, look with favor upon all who are sick, injured, and recovering, [especially . . .].
Have mercy upon them and heal them according to Your will. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Dear heavenly Father, send Your people to every corner of the earth with Your
Gospel message, that all who do not know the saving power of Your Son's death
and resurrection hear the good news of forgiveness, life, and salvation. Lord, in
Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your
mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

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.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices

LSB 811

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace and serve the Lord!

C Thanks be to God!



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

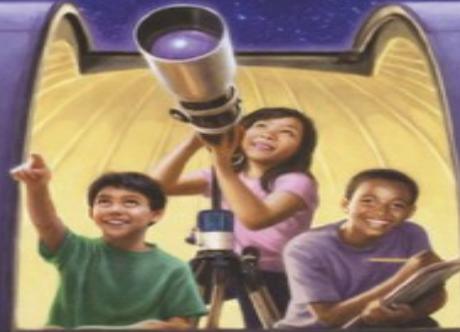
*Join us for Sunday School and Bible Study at 10:30 a.m.
in the Fellowship Hall.*

*You have fellowship with one another and also enrich your
spiritual life with the Word.*

Rev. Weber is leading the Bible Study.

Pre –register now!

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JESUS SAVES THE WORLD



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**July 22 - 26th
5:30pm –7:30pm**

A prayer for the church

by James L. Brauer

Congregations: Consider using these words in the Prayer of the Church on or before July 14, as you pray together for the Synod convention (July 20–25). Reproduction for parish use is permitted.

O Christ, when You ascended into heaven, You sent Your disciples into the world to make disciples of all nations by baptizing them and teaching them to observe everything You commanded. Bless our church body, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, as it holds its 2019 convention.

O Lord, You brought great joy to the wise men when they saw the star that led them to You. Give all members of our Synod great joy in following You, that in every situation they are ready to hear Your Word, give thanks for all Your benefits and trust in Your promises.

Ruler of All, Your Word brought the universe into existence and is able to turn rebellious sinners into thankful servants. With Your Word govern and sustain every congregation, educational institution, service organization and church worker in our Synod. Guide them in their tasks of sharing the Good News of Your victory over sin, death and the devil. Help everyone who labors in Your Kingdom to be Your faithful servant.

Lamb of God, You are the Alpha and Omega and Head of Your Church. Guide those who plan the convention's worship, business and communications, that everything done or said there would serve Your purpose of bringing salvation to every nation and people. Direct the work of floor committees as they review proposals and draft motions, that all who are involved may hear clearly, discuss calmly and prepare wise recommendations. Give all delegates, especially those who will cast votes, diligence in studying the issues at stake, wisdom in discerning Your will and charity in dealing with others, that every decision they make will honor and serve You. Send the Holy Spirit on all who are elected to positions of authority, that they will be enabled to serve with a pure heart, to seek Your guidance in all matters and to carry out their duties faithfully and well. Watch over all who travel to the convention that they may arrive safely; protect them from every harm as they labor together and as they return home.

Shepherd of the Church, You supply us with everything we need and are always with us. Continue to nourish and strengthen us with Your Word and Sacraments, and fill our hearts with gladness, so that by our labors under Your guidance, many more may be brought into Your flock.

O Jesus, we ask all this in Your name, for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Jesus Brings Release from the Bonds of Sin, Death and the Devil

The Lord finds those who did not seek Him or ask for Him. He spreads out His hands “to a rebellious people” (Is. 65:2) and calls them to be His people and to dwell in peace upon His holy mountain (Is. 65:9). For wherever Jesus Christ enters in, Satan is cast out. Those who were enslaved and driven mad by the assaults and accusations of the devil are set free by the Word of Christ. He drowns and destroys the old Adam in us with the waters of Holy Baptism and thereby brings us out of death into life. No longer naked in our shame, living “among the tombs” (Luke 8:27), we are brought into the Lord’s house, fully clothed by Christ; He has come in “the fullness of time” (Gal. 4:4) to fulfill the Law on our behalf and to redeem us from its every accusation. Therefore, having been justified by His grace through faith in His Gospel, “you are no longer a slave, but a son” (Gal. 4:7).

6/16/2019		
Sunday Worship	25	
Plate:		\$ 3.00
Envelopes:		\$1,278.00
Donation:		
Memorial:		
	Total:	\$ 1,281.00
Bible Class:	7	-0-

***Third Sunday
after Pentecost
Readings:***

*1 Kings 19:9b-21
Psalm 16
Galatians 5:1, 13-25
Luke 9:51-62*

Bi-Weekly Church Activity Schedule	
	June Sunday Servants:
Elder:	Earl Neuhaus
Altar Guild:	Billie Jo Neuhaus & Maribel Perez
Music:	Bonny Winston
This Week	Second Sunday after Pentecost
Usher:	Dan Wehling
Sunday:	Worship Service 9:00 am
	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:30 am
Next Week	Third Sunday after Pentecost
Usher:	Don Vogel
Sunday:	Holy Communion Worship Service 9:00 am
	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:30 am