NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 11, 2019

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Sunday 9:00 AM Worship Service

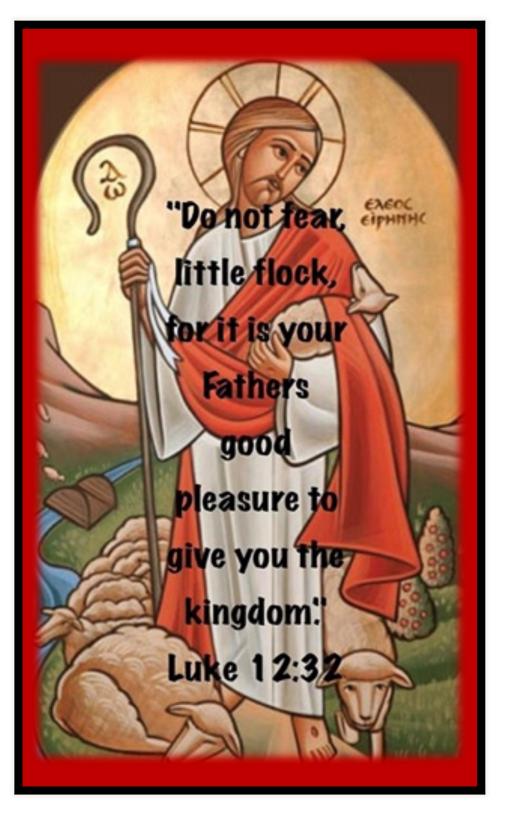
Adult Bible Class Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

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

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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 Loving God, by Your Word You call forth everything out of nothing. Grant that I who has been called to new life in Christ Jesus continue to hear and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns in communion and love with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.
- AS WE GATHER How easy it is to become anxious when things go differently than we had hoped. We worry about ourselves and our loved ones. We experience everyday anxieties and big cosmic ones too. Sometimes anxiety can become so serious that professional help is needed. Paul writes in Philippians 4:6, "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God." Easier said than done, Paul! Jesus invites us to let anxiety be. Concerning the things most of us worry about—like food, clothing, provisions—Jesus observes that just as the birds, the lilies, and the grass are well-provided for, we will be taken care of as well. The adventure of life is one of faith: entrusting ourselves to the care of God, seeking first God's reign, and experiencing the rich provision enjoyed by all of creation as a gift.

WELCOME

PRELUDE

DIVINE SERVICE, SETTING FOUR		PAGE 203
OPENING HYMN	The Lord, My God, Be Praised	LSB 794

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 147:8–11; antiphon: v. 7*

- P Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; Sing praises on the harp to our God,
- C Who covers the heavens with clouds, Who prepares rain for the earth, Who makes grass to grow on the mountains.
- P He gives to the beast its food, And to the young ravens that cry.
- C He does not delight in the strength of the horse; He takes no pleasure in the legs of a man.
- P The Lord takes pleasure in those who fear Him, In those who hope in His mercy Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; Sing praises on the harp to our God,

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SALUTATION

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. Almighty and merciful God, by Your grace we live as Your people who offer acceptable service. Grant that we may walk by faith, and not by sight, in the way that leads to eternal life; 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

Genesis 15:1–6 (God's promises to Abraham)

1 After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, saying, "Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your exceedingly great reward." 2 But Abram said, "Lord God, what will You give me, seeing I go childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" 3 Then Abram said, "Look, You have given me no offspring; indeed one born in my house is my heir!" 4 And behold, the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "This one shall not be your heir, but one who will come from your own body shall be your heir." 5 Then He brought him outside and said, "Look now toward heaven, and count the stars if you are able to number them." And He said to him, "So shall your descendants be." 6 And he believed in the Lord, and He accounted it to him for righteousness.

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God

PSALM *Psalm 33:12–22; antiphon v. 20*

- P Our soul waits for the Lord; He is our help and our shield.
- C Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, The people He has chosen as His own inheritance.
- P The Lord looks from heaven; He sees all the sons of men.
- C From the place of His dwelling He looks On all the inhabitants of the earth;
- P He fashions their hearts individually; He considers all their works.
- C No king is saved by the multitude of an army; A mighty man is not delivered by great strength.
- P A horse is a vain hope for safety; Neither shall it deliver any by its great strength.
- C Behold, the eye of the Lord is on those who fear Him, On those who hope in His mercy,
- P To deliver their soul from death, And to keep them alive in famine.
- C Our soul waits for the Lord; He is our help and our shield.
- P For our heart shall rejoice in Him, Because we have trusted in His holy name.
- C Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, Just as we hope in You.
- P Our soul waits for the Lord; He is our help and our shield.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

EPISTLE

Hebrews 11:1–16

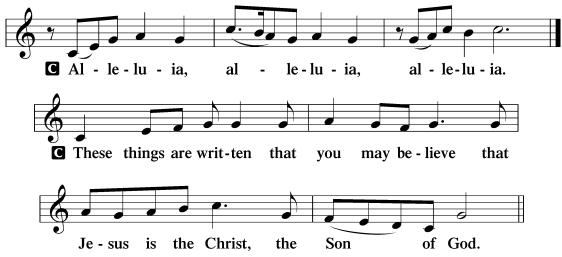
(The people of God living by faith)

1 Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. 2 For by it the elders obtained a good testimony. 3 By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible. 4 By faith Abel offered to God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, through which he

obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts; and through it he being dead still speaks. 5 By faith Enoch was taken away so that he did not see death, "and was not found, because God had taken him"; for before he was taken he had this testimony, that he pleased God. 6 But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him. 7 By faith Noah, being divinely warned of things not yet seen, moved with godly fear, prepared an ark for the saving of his household, by which he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness which is according to faith. 8 By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to the place which he would receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. 9 By faith he dwelt in the land of promise as in a foreign country, dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise; 10 for he waited for the city which has foundations, whose builder and maker is God. 11 By faith Sarah herself also received strength to conceive seed, and she bore a child when she was past the age, because she judged Him faithful who had promised. 12 Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born as many as the stars of the sky in multitude—innumerable as the sand which is by the seashore. 13 These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off were assured of them, embraced them and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth. 14 For those who say such things declare plainly that they seek a homeland. 15 And truly if they had called to mind that country from which they had come out, they would have had opportunity to return. 16 But now they desire a better, that is, a heavenly country. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for He has prepared a city for them.

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA and VERSE





HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 12:22–40

(Let anxiety be.)

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

C Glory to You , O Lord.

22 Then He said to His disciples, "Therefore I say to you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat; nor about the body, what you will put on. 23 Life is more than food, and the body is more than clothing.24 Consider the ravens, for they neither sow nor reap, which have neither storehouse nor barn; and God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds? 25 And which of you by worrying can add one cubit to his stature? 26 If you then are not able to do the least, why are you anxious for the rest? 27 Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; and yet I say to you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. 28 If then God so clothes the grass, which today is in the field and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will He clothe you, O you of little faith? 29 "And do not seek what you should eat or what you should drink, nor have an anxious mind. 30 For all these things the nations of the world seek after, and your Father knows that you need these things. 31 But seek the kingdom of God, and all these things shall be added to you. 32 "Do not fear, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. 33 Sell what you have and give alms; provide yourselves money bags which do not grow old, a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches nor moth destroys. 34 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. 35 "Let your waist be girded and your lamps burning; 36 and you yourselves be like men who wait for their master, when he will return from the wedding, that when he comes and knocks they may open to him immediately. 37 Blessed are those servants whom the master, when he comes, will find watching. Assuredly, I say to you that he will gird himself and have them sit down to eat, and will come and serve them.38 And if he should come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, and find them so, blessed are those servants. 39 But know this, that if the master of the house had known what hour the thief would come. he would have watched and not allowed his house to be broken into. 40 Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect."

- 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		Have No Fear, Little Flock	LSB	735
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SERMON"Fearlessly Freed to Make Ready for What the Father Has Given You,
Little Flock, -- His Great Kingdom of Heaven!"(Luke 12:32)

OFFERTORY	Create in Me	LSB 956

OFFERING

SHARING OF THE PEACE

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P Let us pray together in Christ Jesus for all people according to their needs. Loving God, grant us the freedom to let anxiety be. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P Loving God, grant us eyes that see and hearts that appreciate Your grace in calling people out of the nothing of darkness into the kingdom of Your beloved Son, Jesus. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Loving God, grant us wise and faithful pastors who speak Your truth in love and Your love in truth. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Loving God, grant us civil leaders in every society that serve for the good of all people. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Loving God, grant healing to the sick and all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, [especially...]. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- P Loving God, grant us together with all Your saints life eternal in Your kingdom, which has no end. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P Into Your hands 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	Christ Be My Leader	LSB 861

DISMISSAL

- P Go in peace! Serve the Lord!
- C Thanks be to God!

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

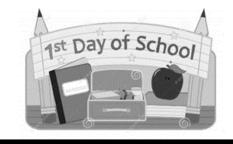
Join us for Sunday School and Bible Study at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. You have fellowship with one another and also enrich your spiritual life with the Word. Rev. Weber is leading the Bible Study.

Upcoming School Events:



Sunday, August 25th

3 p.m. to 5 p.m.



Monday, August 26th 8:00 a.m.

"Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming

at an hour you do not expect." Luke 12:40

The Lord Is Surely Coming to Give You His Kingdom

The Lord Himself was Abraham's shield and great reward. For "the word of the Lord came to him" and sustained the patriarch's faith in the face of death (Gen. 15:4). By divine grace, Abraham "believed the Lord, and he counted it to him as righteousness" (Gen. 15:6), on account of the holy Seed, Christ Jesus. To that one old man, the Lord granted "descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore" (Heb. 11:12). The Lord is likewise faithful to you. It is His glad desire "to give you the kingdom" (Luke 12:32). Therefore, "do not be anxious about your life," but instead "seek his kingdom" (Luke 12:22, 31). Set your heart on that treasure. "Stay dressed for action and keep your lamps burning ... for the Son of Man is coming" (Luke 12:35, 40).

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Music:	Bonny W	inston			
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Usher:	Ken & Bo	b Eilers			
Sunday:	Worship	Service			9:00 am
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