

Second Sunday  
*after*  
Pentecost



June 6, 2021

**IMMANUEL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

*A Reconciling in Christ Congregation*

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The People of Immanuel are Ministers of the Church  
 The Rev Scott R. Lee, Pastor  
 Kathleen Schneider, Director of Music

*Please pick up your Fellowship cups on the way into the Sanctuary for Holy Communion.*

PRELUDE (*Prayerful time for reflection.*)

^Mission Statement:

**C: We of Immanuel are claimed, gathered, and sent by God to live Christ's example through worship, education, and service.**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination. (Kneeling as able.)*

**God, our provider, help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.**

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, ✝ the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.**

## ^OPENING HYMN

## How Good, Lord, to Be Here!



- 1 How good, Lord, to be here! Your glo - ry fills the night;
- 2 How good, Lord, to be here, your beau - ty to be - hold
- 3 Ful - fill - er of the past and hope of things to be,
- 4 Be - fore we taste of death, we see your king - dom come;
- 5 How good, Lord, to be here! Yet we may not re - main;



your face and gar - ments, like the sun, shine with un - bor - rowed light.  
 where Mo - ses and E - li - jah stand, your mes - sen - gers of old.  
 we hail your bod - y glo - ri - fied and our re - demp - tion see.  
 we long to hold the vi - sion bright and make this hill our home.  
 but since you bid us leave the mount, come with us to the plain.

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

**C:** And also with you.

## ^KYRIE



Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.



Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.



Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.



Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy.

## ^HYMN OF PRAISE

## This Is the Feast

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-t'ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le -



lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es,



wis - dom, and strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-t'ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le -



lu - ia. 2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and



join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or,



glo - ry and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A-men.

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 For the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*Final refrain*



This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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P: The Lord be with you

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray

## ^PRAYER OF THE DAY

**All-powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

## FIRST READING

## Genesis 3:8-15

*Immediately after Adam and Eve eat the forbidden fruit, they hide from God. Neither takes responsibility for their sin, instead blaming each other, the snake, and even God. The curse on the snake was understood as a messianic prophecy by the early church, who associated Eve's "offspring" with Christ.*

<sup>8</sup>[Adam and Eve] heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.<sup>9</sup>But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" <sup>10</sup>He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." <sup>11</sup>He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" <sup>12</sup>The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." <sup>13</sup>Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." <sup>14</sup>The LORD God said to the serpent,

"Because you have done this,  
 cursed are you among all animals  
 and among all wild creatures;  
 upon your belly you shall go,  
 and dust you shall eat  
 all the days of your life.

<sup>15</sup>I will put enmity between you and the woman,  
 and between your offspring and hers;  
 he will strike your head,  
 and you will strike his heel."

Word of God, word of life: **Thanks be to God**

PSALM 130 (*Read responsively*)

*Wait for the LORD, for with the LORD there is steadfast love.*

<sup>1</sup>Out of the depths

I cry to you, O LORD;

<sup>2</sup>**O LORD, hear my voice!**

**Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.**

<sup>3</sup>If you were to keep watch over sins,

O LORD, who could stand?

**<sup>4</sup>Yet with you is forgiveness,  
in order that you may be feared.**

<sup>5</sup>I wait for you, O LORD; my soul waits;  
in your word is my hope.

**<sup>6</sup>My soul waits for the Lord more than those who keep watch for  
the morning,  
more than those who keep watch for the morning.**

<sup>7</sup>O Israel, wait for the LORD, for with the LORD there is steadfast love;  
with the LORD there is plenteous redemption.

**<sup>8</sup>For the LORD shall redeem Israel  
from | all their sins.**

## SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 4:13—5:1

*Life in the present is transitory and cannot compare with the eternal home God has prepared for us. So we do not despair no matter what life might bring because we know that as God raised Jesus from the dead, God promises to bring us into eternal life.*

<sup>13</sup>Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, <sup>14</sup>because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. <sup>15</sup>Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

<sup>16</sup>So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. <sup>17</sup>For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, <sup>18</sup>because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

<sup>5:1</sup>For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Word of God, word of life: **Thanks be to God**

## ^GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

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

## ^HOLY GOSPEL

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark the 3rd Chapter

**C: Glory to you O Lord**

*In response to charges that he is possessed, Jesus wonders aloud how anyone who is demon-possessed can cast out demons. Those who do the will of God are possessed by the Holy Spirit, siblings of Christ.*

[Jesus went home;] <sup>20</sup>and the crowd came together again, so that [Jesus and the disciples] could not even eat. <sup>21</sup>When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, “He has gone out of his mind.” <sup>22</sup>And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, “He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.” <sup>23</sup>And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan? <sup>24</sup>If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. <sup>25</sup>And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. <sup>26</sup>And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. <sup>27</sup>But no one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

<sup>28</sup>“Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; <sup>29</sup>but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin”—<sup>30</sup>for they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.”

<sup>31</sup>Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. <sup>32</sup>A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.” <sup>33</sup>And he replied, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” <sup>34</sup>And looking at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! <sup>35</sup>Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ**

SERMON

Pastor Scott Lee

^APOSTLES' CREED

**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 into hell.\***

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of 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**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *(Kneeling as able.)*

**Response: “Hear our prayer.”**

**^PEACE**

**P:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C:** And also with you.

**P:** Let us share the peace.

## OFFERING

*We join other Christians in joyfully responding to God’s goodness, through your personal giving. Many people give electronically and we thank all growing disciples in advance for their supportive giving.*

## **^OFFERTORY HYMN**

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the

brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the

seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.

Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the

prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,

and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

## OFFERING PRAYER

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. **Amen.**

## +HOLY COMMUNION+

## ^GREAT THANKSGIVING

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** **And also with you.**

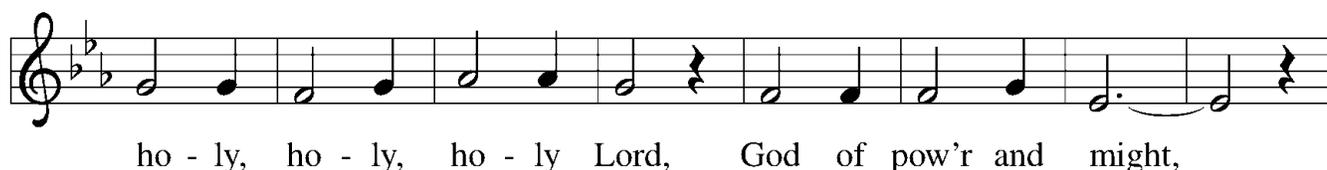
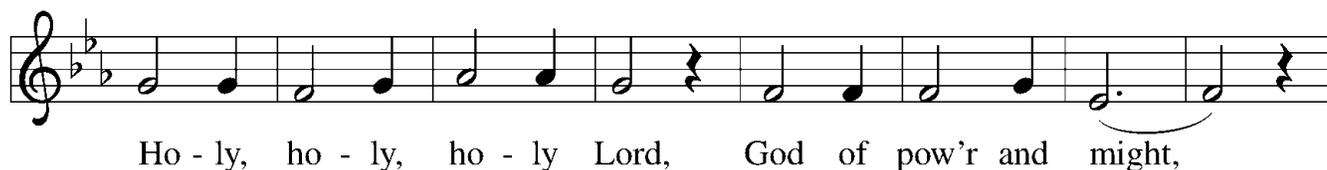
**P:** Lift up your hearts.

**C:** **We lift them up to the Lord.**

**P:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C:** **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

**P:** It is indeed right and salutary.....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:





Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Let us pray using the words as our Lord taught us:

### ^LORD'S PRAYER (*Spoken*)

**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.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

**P:** Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

**C:** Amen

## DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

*All baptized Christians are welcome to share the bread and wine of **Holy Communion**. Please pick up your communion card and “Fellowship Cup”, an all-in-one wafer and juice set (the bread and wine) when entering the sanctuary. The pastor says “The Body of Christ given for you.” and the assistant minister says, “The Blood of Christ shed for you.” (Hint: you may want to rest your “Fellowship Cup” on the pew to steady it). Remove your mask, open the top protective film to uncover the “body” (an unleavened wafer), place in your mouth then open the 2<sup>nd</sup> protective film to uncover the “blood” (100% grape juice) and drink. Replace your mask. Please dispose of your cup in the receptacle provided when leaving the sanctuary. Sign the communion card and place it in the offering plate.*

### Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on  
 us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
 world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
 sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

**P:** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C:** Amen

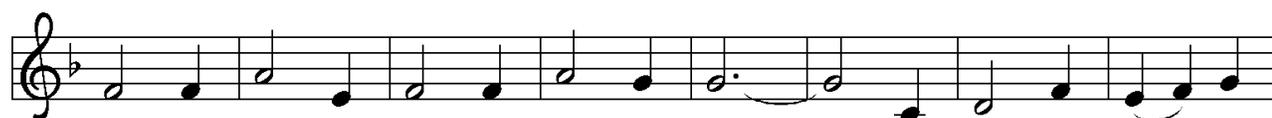
## Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise



Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry - one what God has



done. Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.



Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and lead us forth in



joy with shouts of thanks-giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. **Amen.**

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### ^BENEDICTION/BLESSING

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, **✝** be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

#### ^HYMN

## A Mighty Fortress Is Our God



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -  
 2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -  
 3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - 'ning to de -  
 4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who



to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and  
 ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom  
 your us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they  
 fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with



wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe  
 God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?  
 can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;  
 weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,



has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might  
 The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,  
 in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;  
 goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,



he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.  
 God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.  
 God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.  
 they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

## ^DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.  
**Thanks be to God.**

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### ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

<b>SUNDAY</b>	Christian Ed Mtg.	12:00 PM
	Worship & Music Mtg.	12:00 PM
<b>MONDAY</b>	Bereavement Mtg.	6:30 PM
<b>TUESDAY</b>	Resource Mtg.	6:00 PM
<b>THURSDAY</b>	Bible Study ( <i>Zoom</i> )	7:00 PM

**ReconcilingWorks**  
 LUTHERANS FOR FULL PARTICIPATION



As a **Reconciling in Christ congregation**, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Norwood, commits to celebrating the love of God with ALL people as we are all made in God's image. Whatever your abilities, gender identity, sexual orientation, relationship status, race, culture, faith tradition or economic circumstance; whatever your past or present – you are welcome to share in God's love and our community.

If you are interested in helping the **Property Committee** with the grass cutting and cleaning up around the church please touch base with Property Committee members Frank Martinsen or Fred Warner. Help is always **GREATLY** appreciated.



**VBS Aug. 9<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> 9:00Am-12 Noon** - Mark your calendars – by popular demand – VBS is coming again this summer.

**“Knights of the North Castle”!** We need everyone’s help to keep this going and make it another successful year. If you can donate any of your time for VBS or **sponsor a child for VBS for \$10.00**, please contact **Jeanne Warner** to see how you can be a part of this year’s event!



Celebrate **Father’s Day, Sunday June 20<sup>th</sup>**, at Immanuel with fellowship and Carnations!

**June Council Meeting** has been rescheduled from Sunday June 20<sup>th</sup> (Father’s Day) to the following Sunday, June 27<sup>th</sup> after worship.

**Ascension Day Worship from the Delco Conference.** This year the Delco conference of our Synod (of which Immanuel is one of 19 congregations) created a Pre-recorded virtual service on YouTube. Churches were invited to contribute to the service. We were blessed to have Kathleen Schneider, Joyce Morrison and Thom Graham do the Hymn of the Day and Pastor Lee was part of an interactive piece with 7 other Pastors from our conference. Thanks to you all for your contributions! If you did not have a chance to watch on Ascension Day it is available to watch anytime, just go to our website: [www.immanuelnorwood.org](http://www.immanuelnorwood.org). Then under the “News-Virtual Worship” go to our Facebook link and scroll down to find the Ascension Day service. One hint, once you click on it, it takes about 30 seconds for the service to begin. Enjoy!!!

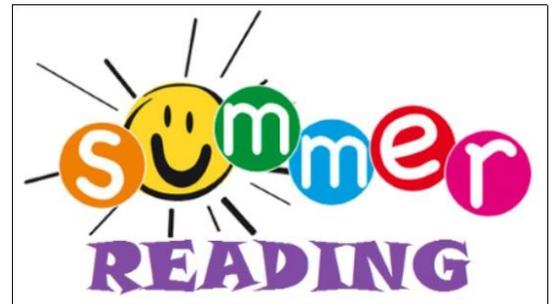




We will again be marching in the Norwood 4th of July parade that will take place on Saturday, July 3rd. It's a great opportunity to get Immanuel's name out in the community and the more folks we have walking, the better the effect. Please consider spending an hour or so with us that morning walking and showing off our Immanuel pride. It's an easy walk and we always have a fun time. Please see Colleen Kelly with any questions or to sign up. Thanks for your help!

**Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study** invites you to participate in our summer reading book. Read at your leisure during the summer and when we return (hopefully in-person) in September we will discuss the book.

Summer reading book is "You Are Never Alone: Trust in the Miracle of God's Presence and Power" by Max Lucado. You can order yourself from [Christianbooks.com](http://Christianbooks.com) or on Amazon (don't forget to use AmazonSmile and designate Immanuel Norwood to receive a percentage) or I can order for you. Just let me know. We are excited to get back to being together. Enjoy your summer reading! Jeanne Warner



### **Outreach Committee Backpack & Essential School Supplies Drive!**

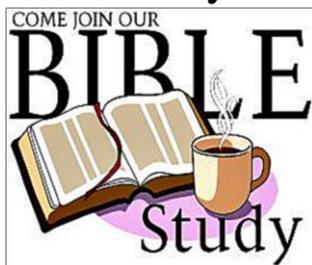
Outreach Committee is again sponsoring a school supply collection. Please drop off any new school supplies at the designated box in the hospitality area. Please place your donations there by the end of July so that we may give them to groups that are preparing backpacks to give away. Remember that school children range from Kindergarten to 12th grade! Watch for sales! Thank you for being generous.





**Shop online with Amazon.** Enter through Amazon Smile and select Immanuel Lutheran Church Norwood as your charity and half of 1% will go to Immanuel. Thanks for supporting Immanuel.

**Immanuel Weekly Virtual Bible Study** - Our weekly Thursday night Bible study is wrapping up this month and will have finished our second



series in 2021. We adapted to the pandemic and held “Zoom” Bible study starting in February and went through the end of June. So far in 2021 we have studied the 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm and the Lord’s Prayer using the “Life Guide” Bible study guide format. We are taking the

summer off and plan to start back up in September. When we do start back, we are hoping to do it in a way that we may be able to accommodate both virtual and in person study, details to be worked out!

Look for information in our weekly worship bulletin announcements, on the web site and in upcoming newsletters about exactly when and how to join us once we restart in September! Hope you can join us in September!

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