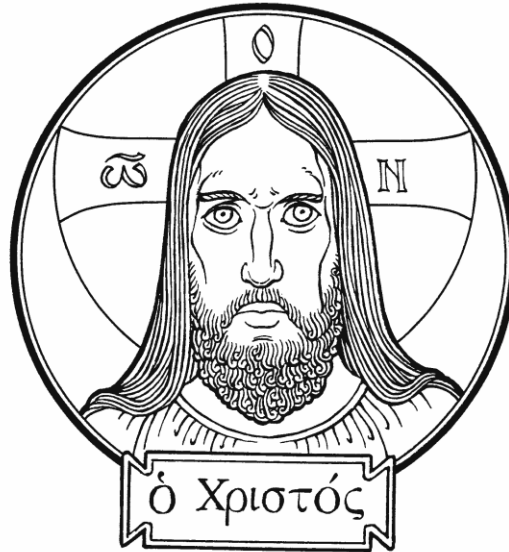


Welcome to
Immanuel Lutheran Church
A Congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

August 27, 2023
Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost



*Simon Peter replied, “You are the Christ (ὁ Χριστὸς),
the Son of the living God.” (Matt 16:16)*

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Rev. J. Philipp Augustine, Pastor

Welcome to Immanuel! We ask everyone to please fill out a white postcard-sized Communication/Communion Card, which has been placed at the entrances. Offerings can be put in the marked grey baskets.

>> **Guests**, please fill out the card with your name and address. Place in the offering basket, hand to an usher or elder, or drop in the basket as you come forward for Holy Communion. If desiring to commune, please visit with the pastor (see Communion statement below) and note your home congregation. We hope you have enjoyed our worship service, and we invite you to join us again soon.

>> **Members**, please fill out the Communion Card to inform the church office of your attendance today and any needed prayers and visits.

Holy Communion Statement

The Lord's Supper is celebrated in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive this sacrament, are asked to first speak with the pastor.

For our communicants: gluten-free host is available along with grape juice in the center of the individual cups for those who have allergies or sensitivities to those respective elements. Please request it as you approach the pastor or the elder.

Our Mission

Immanuel Lutheran Church exists to spread the Gospel in its truth and purity through Word and Sacraments in accordance with the Confession of The Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod. Immanuel Lutheran School exists to share the Gospel, so children become disciples of Jesus.

Busy Bags: Available at the entrance are 'Busy Bags' = activity bags of color crayons/books, for any child. Borrow and use them for the service and return them to their hook for the next time!

Liturgy: Setting Three, page 184

Sermon: "An Offensive Confession" – Matthew 16:13-20

Hymns:

909 - Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

645 - Built on the Rock

628 - Your Table I Approach

761 - Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

575 - My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

644 - The Church's One Foundation

Organist: Debra Eggenberger

Elders/Ushers: Mark Bartsh, Robert Lamprecht, Brent Wohlers

Acolyte/cross bearer: Elders over summer

Altar Duty September: Debra Eggenberger, Jean Wingert

OUR OFFERING OF WORSHIP

Sunday August 20: 72

OUR OFFERING OF MATERIAL GIFTS

Sunday, August 20: \$ 5,073.00

OUR OFFERING OF PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING

Those known to be hospitalized: *David Smith, Susan Miller, Bob Lamprecht, and Bill Wohlers.* For any prayer requests wanted on the Congregational Prayer Chain, or in public worship services, call the church office (534-3700) or Kim Zabel (507) 272-6301 or E-mail office@immanuelplainview.org

God's richest blessing on those celebrating birthdays this week

August 27: Kathy Lehnertz, Heather Grummons, Alvin Lutringer

August 28: Shanna Decker-Lunasin

August 29: Kenneth Bigelow, Sherrie Decker

August 31: Kasey Schulz, Blake Dessner

September 1: Dennis Anderson, Karen Timm

CONNECTED

2023-2024

JOHN 15:1-5

The theme for the 2023-24 school year is "Connected" based on John 15:1-5, especially verse 5 where Jesus says, "*I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.*" Weekly chapel themes will teach how we are connected and why God connects us to Himself and to each other. Come and join us on Wednesdays at 8:25 a.m. All are welcome!

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