

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

10am Family Worship Service

July 31, 2022—10am

We celebrate the Lord's Supper today! Please prepare yourselves using these questions as a guide:

- Have I been baptized in the Name of the Triune God, Father, Son & Holy Spirit?
- Do I believe that I am a sinful being without hope for eternal life except in mercy of Jesus Christ?
- Do I believe in Jesus as My Savior?
- Do I believe that Jesus Christ is personally present in communion with His body and blood to forgive my sins, as the Bible teaches?
- Do I desire and strive by the power of the Holy Spirit to live a God-pleasing life?

As you come to the Lord's Supper you are affirming with each communicant that Jesus is your Lord and Savior, and that the Lutheran Church's confession of Jesus Christ and His Supper is your confession as well. White grape juice is now available in the center of the communion tray for those who cannot partake of alcohol.

We welcome Pastor James Guelzow this morning, a former Pastor of Messiah of Tampa. Pastor Guelzow retired about 8 years ago after 40 years of ministry. He had served Messiah since 1983; he and his wife Lynn now live in northwest Tampa. We welcome you, Pastor Guelzow!

Next Sunday Pastor Dan returns and will also be with us on Sunday August 14.

Prelude

Welcome: Pastor James Guelzow

Opening Song: "Father, I Adore You"

Father, I adore You,
Lay my life before You,
How I love You

Jesus, I adore You,
Lay my life before You,
How I love You

Spirit, I adore You,
Lay my life before You,
How I love You

The Call to Worship: Psalm 126

Pastor: We rejoice, for the Lord has done great things for us!

All: His love and concern for us have set us free from captivity.

Pastor: Our mouths can now be filled with laughter, and songs of joy can be sung from our lips.

All: Let us put on the garment of praise, for He has turned our tears into laughter and our sorrows into songs of joy.

Pastor: Let us rejoice and give praise to our Mighty God; the great I AM

All: for He has forgiven us and set us free

Pastor: In the name of God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

A Time of Praise *(please rise)*

Sing: Breathe

This is the air I breathe,
This is the air I breathe:
Your Holy presence living in me.
This is my daily bread.

This is my daily bread.
Your very word spoken to me.
And I, I'm desperate for You.
And I, I'm lost without You

Sing: As the Deer

As the deer panteth for the water,
So my soul longeth after Thee
You alone are my heart's desire,
And I long to worship Thee.

Refrain

You alone are my strength, my shield
To You alone may my spirit yield.
Your alone are my heart's desire,
And I long to worship Thee.

You're my friend and You are my brother
even through You are a King
I love You more than any other,
So much more than anything

Refrain

I want You more than gold or silver,
Only You can satisfy.
You alone are the real joy giver
And the apple of my eye

Refrain

A Time for Prayer

Pastor: Lord, thank You for this day and for our time of worship. Fill us with Your Spirit, that we may be all that You have called us to be and to serve You with our time, treasures and talents; all to Your glory Lord. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

Let us confess our sins and receive God's forgiveness

All: O Lord, unless You are Lord of my life, I will get in the way of You being Lord of the Church. My own desires, selfish-ideas, personal theologies tear down what You build up. Forgive me Lord and give me a new vision for Your Kingdom.

Pastor: The Lord hears the prayers of our hearts this morning and He says to you and me, "I will remove your sin as far as the East is from the West and I will remember it no more." We praise God for His mercy and grace given to us through His Son Jesus Christ.

As a Called servant of our Lord, I declare to you that your sins are forgiven in the name of Jesus.

All: **Amen.** *(Please be seated)*

Children’s Message Song:

“He’s Got the Whole World in His Hands”

He’s got the whole world in His hands
He’s got the whole wide world in His hands,
He’s got the whole world in His hands,
He’s got the whole world in His hands

He’s got the wind and the rain in His hands
He’s got the sun and the moon in His hands,
He’s got the wind and the rain in His hands,
He’s got the whole world in His hands

He’s got the tiny little baby in His hands,
He’s got the tiny little baby in His hands,
He’s got the tiny little baby in His hands,
He’s got the whole world in His hands

He’s got you and me, brother, in His hands,
He’s got you and me, sister, in His hands,
He’s got you and me, brother, in His hands
He’s got the whole world in His hands.

Children’s Message: Scott Wilcox

The First Reading – Colossians 3:1-11

¹ If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.

² Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.

³ For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

⁵ Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry.

⁶ On account of these the wrath of God is coming.

⁷ In these you too once walked, when you were living in them.

⁸ But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth.

⁹ Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices ¹⁰ and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator.

¹¹ Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, ^[e] free; but Christ is all, and in all.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel

Pastor: The Holy Gospel is written in the 12th chapter of St. Luke beginning at the 13th verse.

¹³Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me."

¹⁴But he said to him, "Man, who made me a judge or arbitrator over you?"

¹⁵And he said to them, "Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions."

¹⁶And he told them a parable, saying, "The land of a rich man produced plentifully, ¹⁷and he thought to himself, 'What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?'

¹⁸And he said, 'I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods.

¹⁹And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry."

²⁰But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?'

²¹So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

People: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

The 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 life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn: “Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone”

Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound,
that saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost but now I’m found,
was blind but now I see.

T’was grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fear relieved.
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

The Lord has promised good to me,
His Word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.

(The Ending)

My chains are gone, I’ve been set free
My God, my Savior has ransomed me.
And like a flood, His mercy rains
Unending love, amazing grace

Sermon – “Rich Toward God” *Luke 12:13-21 Pastor Guelzow*

Sing: “Seek Ye First”

Seek ye first the kingdom of God,
And His righteousness
And all these things shall be added unto you!
Allelu, Alleluia!

Ask and it shall be given unto you,
Seek and ye shall find
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you,
Allelu, Alleluia!

Man does not live by bread alone,
But by ev’ry word
That proceeds from the mouth of the Lord,
Allelu, alleluia!

Offerings are gathered

The Prayers

Successful cancer treatment (non-Hopkins Lymphoma) for Nancy Schild, former teacher of ILS and member of Immanuel
Healing for Ruth Krause

(Please help us keep our attendance numbers accurate by filling out the attendance cards and giving to Ushers at communion.)

The Lord's Prayer *(Please rise)*

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.

Welcome to the Table of the Lord

The Words of Institution

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pastor: The table is prepared, the Master has called us to dine, let us come with joy. Distribution is continuous style with post communion blessing given at the end to all.

Song: "Change My Heart O God"

Change my heart, oh God.
Make it ever true.
Change my heart, oh God.
May I be like You.

You are the potter.
I am the clay.
Mold me and make me.
This is what I pray.

Change my heart, oh God.
Make it ever true.
Change my heart oh God.
May I be like You.

(Welcome to the Table of the Lord. Distribution is continuous style; after you have received the bread and the wine, feel free then to dismiss yourself to return to your seat; the post communion blessings will be given to all at the end.)—

Post Communion Collect

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart in peace.
Please rise for the benediction.

The Benediction

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

People: Amen, Amen, Amen!

The Closing Hymn: "I Love You Lord"

I love you Lord, and I lift my voice
To worship you, O my soul, rejoice!
Take joy, my King in what you hear:
May it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear.

Repeat

Our Vision:

Pastor: As a reminder of the reason why we exist as a church let us speak our vision statement together.

All: Through Word and Sacrament ministry, we share the love, joy and peace of Jesus Christ among ourselves and with those around us.

Pastor: Our worship has ended, our service now begins. Let us go in peace.

All: And serve the Lord

Altar flowers are placed to the glory of God and in loving memory of Athlee Muehlnickel, by Grace Houck and family

Services will be live-streamed and a recording of service will be posted by the end of the day.

Please keep the church office updated on prayers that have been asked to be kept on indefinitely, military and ones for continued healing or cancer treatments.

Continued Prayers

Peace & comfort for the family of Joyce Shefchik, mother of Sue Steenis

Safe travels for Andrew Hynick as his scout troop travels to New Mexico mountains

We pray to God our Lord for the new Hispanic Mission in Immanuel and that through the Holy Spirit he will give us guidance to share the Gospel with new families.

Employment for those struggling to find a job

Healing

David Fortner, son-in-law of Bob & Ann Heinkel

Dona Trlak

Katie LaVere, grand-daughter of Barb LaVere

Battling with Cancer or Serious Illness

Diane, friend of Sandy Goode
Doug Woodward, father of Jennifer Woodward, friend of Beth (Harmon) DeKnoblough
Richard Seedroff
Carol, friend of Pastor Reinke
Victoria Hage, friend of Cindy Szczesny
Art Carroll, friend of the Habeck's
Lee, father of Ashlee Garrett
Rich Richards
Barbara LaVere
Barbara Knott
Yvonne Lenzen, grandmother of Grace Sierra
Pat, suffering with dementia, Aunt of Beth Hutches
Cathy Nichols with terminal cancer, mother of Cathy Wilson
Raymond, brother of Barbara LaVere
David, brother of Larry Habeck
Tracy, cousin of Jacquelyn Hahn
Lisa Steinbrueck, niece of the Steinbrueck's
Don Swisher, step-father of Larry Habeck
Bill, (w/brain cancer) uncle of Brian Littrel
Tom Meyferth

PRAYERS FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Safety for... and strength for families:

Luke Buchholz, Navy, grandson of Ann Donahue, stationed at Norfolk, VA
Matthew Reikowski as he is deployed on the Carl S. Vinson
Logan Crouse, US Army, great-nephew of Joan Crouse, stationed at Ft. Campbell in NC
Carson Crouse, US Army, great-nephew of Joan Crouse, stationed at Ft. Bragg
Samuel Drake, Captain stationed at Holloman AFB in Alamogordo, NM, son of Kerry Drake
Cpl. Xander Ritter, USMC, stationed at Camp Pendleton, CA
Matthew Albers, Major in USAF and in command in Sacramento, CA, son of Deb Albers
Gavin Mattson, para-rescue man, stationed in the Panhandle of FL, grandson of Edith Mattson
Jeremy Brockmeier (USMC) & family, stationed at Camp Pendleton in CA, son of Jerry and Janice Brockmeier

ALSO, FOR ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND FIRST RESPONDERS

PRAYERS FOR OUR FAMILIES

Sunday: Edie Sparks
Monday: Frankie Stallingsg
Tuesday: William & Kathy Steele
Wed: Sue Steenis
Thursday: Richard & Judy Steinbrueck
Friday: Judi Stephens
Saturday: Kurtis Stevens

PRAYERS FOR OUR SCHOOL STUDENTS & FAMILIES

Sunday Derek & Yavier Santiago
Monday: Ana Sarmianto
Tuesday: Katie & Lauren Schneider
Wed: Jaxson & Jayce Schreier
Thurs: Leah & Stephen Schultz
Friday: Aniah & Kyla Shannon
Saturday: Kailou & Lewis Sherman

Please take this scripture and prayer that the Call Committee has prepared and place it on your refrigerator or in a spot where you can see it often. We would encourage all of our Immanuel family to memorize the scripture verse each week and to daily lift each other, the Committee and our Vacancy Pastor, Pastor Dan, in prayer

Do not be frightened and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you...

Joshua 1:9

Lord God, as we continue to navigate this road in calling our next Senior Pastor, we ask Your guidance for the Call Committee. We also ask Your blessing of patience, strength and courage for all of us to continue to live as Your people, encouraging each other in our faith, and taking Your Gospel message to our community. In the strong and precious name of Jesus, Amen.