

Come, Holy Spirit, and fill the hearts of Your faithful people and kindle in them the fire of Your love: You, who through diverse tongues gathered together the nations in the unity of faith.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH 20th Saturday After Pentecost
Church Phone: 812-867-5088 — October 14, 2023 --- 5:30 pm
Worship with Holy Communion

Opening Prayer /// **Opening Hymn:** *“The Church’s One Foundation”* 644

Invocation: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C:** *Amen.*

P: O Lord, open my lips.	C: <i>And my mouth will declare Your praise.</i>
P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me;	C: <i>Make haste to help me, O Lord.</i>
P: God the Father, made the Plan	C: <i>He gave to us the Plan of the Gospel.</i>
P: Jesus carried out the Plan.	C: <i>He died on the Cross for our sins</i>
P: The Holy Spirit makes the Plan a part of our lives	C: <i>He opens our hearts</i>
P: The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit	C: <i>The Holy Trinity that grants life</i>
P: Our God made, carried out, and brought	C: <i>His plan of salvation to us.</i>
P: This is the day the Lord has made	C: <i>We will rejoice and be glad in it.</i>

Psalmody: *Psalm 23*

P: The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not be in want. **C:** *He makes me lie down in green pastures, He leads me beside quiet waters, He restores my soul.*

P: He guides me in paths of righteousness for His name’s sake. **C:** *Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.*

P: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. **C:** *You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.*

P: Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, **C:** *And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.*

All: *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

Collect: Almighty God, You invite us to trust in You for our salvation. Deal with us not in the severity of our judgment but by the greatness of Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C:** *Amen.*

Hymn: *“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”* 733

O.T. Lesson: *Isaiah 25: 6-9* /// **Epistle Lesson:** *Philippians 4: 4-13*

Holy Gospel: *Matthew 22: 1-14*

Hymn: *“Spread the Reign of God the Lord”* 830

Children's Sermon /// Sermon /// Confession of Faith: Nicene Creed (back of hymnal)

Offering brought to the Altar

Prayers: The families of Martin, Daniel, Harley and Charlee; Mason, Jean and Bryan; and McKannan, Mary and Tony.

Lord's Prayer (Back of Hymnal)

Confession of Sins

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, our Lord, have mercy upon us. Forgive 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.*

Absolution: Upon this your confession, I by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Admonition to Communicants: I exhort you in Christ, that you give attention to the Testament of Christ in true faith, and above all take to heart the Words with which Christ presents His body and blood to us for forgiveness. That you take note of, and give thanks for, the boundless love that He showed us when He saved us from the wrath of God, sin, death, and hell by His blood; and that you then externally receive the bread and wine, that is, His body and blood, as a guarantee and pledge. Let us then in His name, according to His command, and with His own Words administer and receive His Sacrament.

Blessing of Elements /// Distribution

Hymn: "Sent Forth By Guide Blessing" 643

Closing Collect: *Heavenly Father, You grant us Your Spirit to open our eyes and enlighten our minds to serve You and fellow believers; lead us by Your Spirit to enable us to witness of Your love, live according to Your will, bring Your Word of life to others, rejoice in the goodness You have showered upon us, and reflect Your love in how we reach out to others; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.*

Benediction

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**Kirk Horstmeyer, Pastor
Karen Whitehead, Organist**

WHAT THE SCRIPTURES TEACH CONCERNING THE LORD'S SUPPER

In I Corinthians 11 the Holy Spirit led Paul to write, "This is my body" and "This cup is the new covenant in my blood" to explain the spiritual truth of the Supper: Christ is truly present in His body and blood in the bread and wine. This is a mystery, a Heavenly gift; one we can only understand in faith. Paul further says, "Therefore whoever eats the bread and drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord" and, "let a man examine himself...for he who eats and drinks, eats and drinks judgment to himself if he does not judge the body rightly." There is no doubt from our Lord's Word, we are receiving His body and blood. The Father offers us forgiveness, unity of faith, strengthening of faith, etc.; it is never our right, we approach His altar only by His invitation. If you are visiting we ask that you please speak with the Pastor before receiving the Lord's Supper. We strive to lovingly carry out our responsibility to ensure the supper remains a blessing for all, never a curse. May His richest blessing be upon you all.

THIS WEEK

TONIGHT: Worship w/HC 5:30 pm
SUNDAY: Worship w/HC 8:00 am, Worship w/HC 10:15 am
TUESDAY: Confirmation 6:00 pm
WEDNESDAY: Choir Practice 6:00 pm
THURSDAY: Bible Study 9:30 am and 6:00 pm
Next SATURDAY: Confirmation 9:30 am, Worship w/HC 5:30 pm
Next SUNDAY: Worship 8:00 am, SS 9:10 am, Worship 10:15 am

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE: WEEKLY ATTENDANCE: Sat, Oct 7: 38 LS: 33; Sun, Oct 8: 8 am: 55; 10:15 am: 52

Member Prayer List: Next Saturday and Sunday we will be praying for the families of McKinney, Neil, Stephanie, Dylan, Sam and Hunter; McWilliams, Kim, Cindy, Warren and Morgan; and McWilliams, Sharon.

THANK YOU: Dear Adult and Youth Workers of Immanuel, There just aren't words enough to say how very much I appreciate all the things you've done for me and "my kids". The sun deck you rebuilt with 2 new sets of steps that are perfect for me to get up and down. The new steps and porch in front and all with sturdy handrails, the weeding and mowing, trash and limb hauling, the dog walking when no safe yard was available on their own and the big smiles all around during & after.

Pastor & Shelly Donavon, Bart & Lori Schutz, Marcus Horstmeyer, Myles Belt, Terry & Ann Ayers, Bob Millier, Scott Wittman, Mark Somers and Kevin Korff. Hope I didn't miss anyone!? God Bless You All, Vicki Boehne *"Many hands make light work"*

VOTER'S MEETING: There will be a Voter's Meeting on Sunday, October 22nd following the 10:15 am service. Everyone is encouraged to attend!

HELP NEEDED FOR ASSISTING WITH LIVESTREAMING: I'm looking for another person to learn how to livestream our church service. You should be comfortable with computers. The instructions are all written out and it's not hard to learn. We livestream the first service so you need to commit to being at the 8am service once or twice a month since we rotate this responsibility. If you are interested, please call or text Cheryl Bratten 812-604-9076.

FOOD PANTRY: our food bank is pretty low in all areas except Mac & Cheese, we still have an ample supply of this as well as corn, beans and peanut butter. We could use canned fruit, jelly, soup, small packets of mashed or scalloped potatoes, small packets of rice or pasta meals, spaghetti sauce, raisins, spaghetti-o's, Hamburger Helper. We could also use small bottles of laundry detergent, dish soap, smaller packages of toilet paper (4 roll), bars of soap, small boxes of tooth paste, tooth brushes and small bottles of shampoo.

LWML EVANSVILLE EAST/WEST ZONE RALLY: Sat, Oct 21st, St. Johns Lutheran Church, Evanston, Indiana, from 9 am to 1 pm CST. There will be a light lunch served. Our speaker will be Joe Boway, missionary to Liberia. A special offering will be taken to be given to the missionary. Please make check out to LWML East Zone and we will write one check to the missionary. The ingathering will be both new and used catechism books. They are attempting to collect 5000 to take back to Liberia. Please register no later than October 13th, by contacting Iris Wittman 812-549-8276, email: mariawit35@gmail.com or Ellen Ferguson (H) 812-359-4333, (cell) 270-314-8850, email: robeln@att.net **Bev Racine is going to the LWML Rally. If you need a ride let her know. 812-867-2306. Let her know by October 8 and she will contact Iris.**