

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 Sunday after Pentecost
Church Phone: 812-867-5088 **October 15, 2023 --- 8:00 am**

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>

Confession and Absolution: pg. 184-185 *///* **The Introit:** *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.*

Gloria Patri: Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to the God the Son, Glory be to God the Spirit, Great Jehovah Three in One! Glory, Glory, While eternal ages run. (LSB 506)

Kyrie: Have mercy on Your people, Lord. Have mercy Christ, Our King (LSB 733) Renew us by Your mercy, Lord; Accept the prayers we bring.

Gloria: Alleluia! Sing to Jesus; His the scepter, His the throne; Alleluia! His the triumph, (LSB 851) His the victory alone. Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion Thunder like a mighty flood: “Jesus out of ev’ry nation Has redeemed us by His blood.”

P: The Lord be with you. **C:** *And with your spirit.*

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* /// **Confession of Faith:** *Nicene Creed (back of hymnal)*

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

Sermon

Confessional Hymn: “*In God We Believe*” (802)

In God we believe: the Creator whose pow’r In mercy has brought us renewal this hour
In Jesus, the Savior, our hope is secure True God and True Man once the cross He endured

God’s Spirit at work in our lives we confess: With power and truth the church now He does bless
As saints, God’s forgiven, one day we shall then Be living in glory forever. Amen.

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* /// **Blessing of Elements** /// **Distribution**

Closing 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
Matthew Wilson, 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

TODAY: 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, Steak Dinner in support of Case & Jozie Farney
Next SUNDAY: Worship 8:00 am, SS 9:10 am, Worship 10:15 am, Steak Dinner in support of Case & Jozie Farney

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 off 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.**