

Welcome to Immanuel Lutheran!



**18th Sunday after Pentecost – September 23, 2018
8:30 a.m.**

Call to Worship

Jesus Christ is the Bread of Life.

Come, let us partake in him.

Jesus Christ is the Light of the World.

Come, let us worship him.

Jesus Christ is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

Come, let us abide in him.

In the name of the Father, ✝ and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit,

Amen.



Worship leader reads regular print, *congregation responds with* **bold print.**

Gathering Song – “We Who Once Were Dead”

ELW 495 (v. 1-4)

- 1 We who once were dead
now live, fully knowing
Jesus as our head.
Life is overflowing
when he breaks the bread.
- 2 We were lost in night,
but you sought and found us.
Give us strength to fight;
death is all around us.
Jesus, be our light.



Gathering Song – “We Who Once Were Dead”

ELW 495 (v. 1-4)

3 He became our bread;
Jesus died to save us.
On him we are fed,
eating what he gave us,
rising from the dead.

4 Let us share the pain
you endured in dying;
we shall then remain
living; death defying,
we shall rise again.



Welcome

- Please take a moment to sign the *Friendship Pads*.
- We will be celebrating *holy communion*. All are welcome.



Living in God's Grace as a Neighbor to the World

Confession and Forgiveness

Trusting God's promise of forgiveness, let us confess our sins against God and one another.

Eternal God our creator,

in you we live and move and have our being. Look upon us, your children, the work of your hands. Forgive us all our offenses, and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires. By your grace draw us near to you, our refuge and our strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Worship leader reads regular print, *congregation responds with* bold print.

Confession and Forgiveness

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit given to us.

In the mercy of almighty God, Christ died for us while we still were sinners; and for his sake, God ✝ forgives you all your sins.

Amen.



Worship leader reads regular print, *congregation responds with* **bold print.**

Canticle of Praise – *ELW* p. 169

Please join in singing:

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia. (*sing twice*)

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his.



Canticle of Praise – *ELW* p. 169

Please join in singing:

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia. (*sing twice*)

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.



Canticle of Praise – *ELW* p. 169

Please join in singing:

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia. (*sing twice*)

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia. (*sing twice*)



Apostolic Greeting

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

And also with you.



Worship leader reads regular print, *congregation responds with* **bold print.**

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. O God,
**our teacher and guide, you draw us to
yourself and welcome us as beloved
children. Help us to lay aside all envy
and selfish ambition, that we may
walk in your ways of wisdom and
understanding as servants of your
Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and
Lord. Amen.**



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Lessons

1st Lesson – Jeremiah 11:18-20

Psalm - Psalm 54

You are encouraged to practice the art of listening as the lessons are read - the way in which the gospel was originally passed on.

The lessons are printed in the Celebrate insert if you wish to follow along or refer to the lesson at a later time.



Psalm 54

- 1 Save me, O God, by your name; in your might, defend my cause.
- 2 **Hear my prayer, O God; give ear to the words of my mouth.**
- 3 For strangers have risen up against me, and the ruthless have sought my life, those who have no regard for God.
- 4 **Behold, God is my helper; it is the Lord who sustains my life.**

Worship leader reads regular print, *congregation responds with* bold print.

Psalm 54

5 Render evil to those who spy on me; in your faithfulness, destroy them.

6 **I will offer you a freewill sacrifice and praise your name, O LORD, for it is good.**

7 For you have rescued me from every trouble, and my eye looks down on my enemies.

Worship leader reads regular print, *congregation responds with* **bold print.**

Gospel Acclamation – *ELW* p. 171

Please join in singing:

**Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia.**



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Psalm - Psalm 54

Gospel – John 21:1-25

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Children's Time

All those young (and young at heart) are welcome to come forward for a special time with the Pastor



Sermon

“Final Words”

Pastor Jeff Schlesinger



Song of the Day – “The Church of Christ in Every Age” *ELW 729*

- 1 The church of Christ, in ev'ry age beset by change, but Spirit-led, must claim and test its heritage and keep on rising from the dead.
- 2 Across the world, across the street, the victims of injustice cry for shelter and for bread to eat, and never live before they die.



Song of the Day – “The Church of Christ in Every Age” *ELW 729*

- 3 Then let the servant church arise,
a caring church that longs to be
a partner in Christ's sacrifice,
and clothed in Christ's humanity.
- 4 For he alone, whose blood was shed,
can cure the fever in our blood,
and teach us how to share our bread
and feed the starving multitude.



Apostles' Creed

We are made God's people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**I believe in God, the Father
almighty, creator of heaven and
earth.**



Worship leader reads regular print, *congregation responds with* **bold print.**

Apostles' Creed

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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Apostles' Creed

**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.**



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Immanuel Lutheran Prayer Concerns



- Members – The **family of June Schlesinger** upon her death; **Sandy Schlorf; Don Rebholz; Marilyn Ward; Keith Eich; Gene Williams; Don Schmidt**
- Friends & Family – **Shari Allen** (*Donna Ganz' niece*)
- Our Leaders - *ELCA Bishop - Elizabeth Eaton; NIS Bishop - Jeffrey Clements; Heart of Illinois Lutheran Parish Pastor Jeff Schlesinger*

Are there additional prayer requests?

Prayers of Intercession

Freed by God in Christ to live and love and serve, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's beloved creation.

Each petition concludes:

Lord in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Into your wide embrace, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your boundless mercy through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer.

Amen.

Worship leader reads regular print, *congregation responds with* **bold print.**

Sharing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you
always.

And also with you.

*Please turn to those around you and
share a sign of God's peace.*



Worship leader reads regular print, *congregation responds with* **bold print.**

Offering

*We respond to God's grace by offering what God has first given us so that the good news of Jesus may continue to be proclaimed through the ministries of Immanuel Lutheran Church. **Thank you** for your generous response.*



Offering Song – “Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil” – *ELW 512*

please join in singing...

Lord, let my heart be good soil, open to the seed of your word.

Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is understood.

When my heart is hard, break the stone away. When my heart is cold, warm it with the day. When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.

Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord let my heart be good soil.

Offering Prayer

Let us pray. Merciful God,
**you open wide your hand and satisfy
the need of every living thing. You have
set this feast before us. Open our
hands to receive it. Open our hearts to
embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We
pray this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**



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Communion

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and
praise.**



Worship leader reads regular print, *congregation responds with* **bold print.**

Communion - *Preface*

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Worship leader reads regular print, *congregation responds with* **bold print**.

Communion: Holy, Holy *ELW p. 173*

please join in singing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.



Communion

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.



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Communion

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.



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Communion

please join in singing:

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Communion

The table is set. The gifts are ready. Come and receive God's grace.



Worship leader reads regular print, *congregation responds with* **bold print.**

Communion: Lamb of God *ELW p. 174*

please join in singing:

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin
of the world; have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin
of the world; have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin
of the world; grant us peace, grant
us peace.**



Communion Distribution

*As we receive the bread and cup today,
we receive grace upon grace from
Jesus: forgiveness, new life and
salvation.*

*Come and hold your hands out and
receive God's goodness with the holy
word of thanks: "**Amen!**"*



Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which you have now received, strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

Amen.



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Prayer after Communion

Let us pray. Jesus Christ, host of this meal,
**you have given us not only this bread
and cup, but your very self, that we may
feast on your great love. Filled again by
these signs of your grace, may we
hunger for your reign of justice, may we
thirst for your way of peace, for you are
Lord forevermore. Amen.**



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Announcements - *Upcoming Activities*

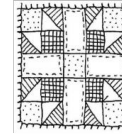
- **Sunday 9/23/18**
 - 8:30 a.m. – Harvest Sunday Worship @ Immanuel
 - 9:45 a.m. – Sunday School @ Immanuel
 - 10:30 a.m. – Worship @ First
- **Friday 9/28/18** – Bible Study @ Immanuel, 9:00 a.m.
- **Saturday 9/29/18** - Immanuel N.I.C.E. Volunteer, 8:00 a.m.
- **Sunday 9/30/18**
 - 9:45 a.m. – Sunday School @ Immanuel
 - 10:30 a.m. – HOILP Joint Worship @ Immanuel
 - 11:37 a.m. – Parish Meal

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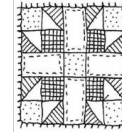


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Quilt



Silent Auction



WELCA fall fundraiser

**featuring quilts and additional
handmade items.**

September 9-September 23

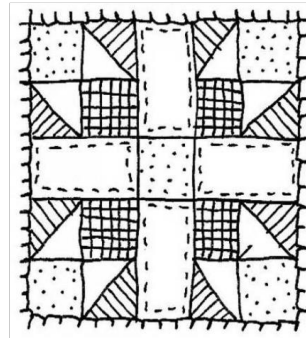


Bidding on these quilts will close



during coffee fellowship

Sunday, September 23.



*Funds received from this
project will be used to
maintain the many
benevolences and activities
supported by our Immanuel
WELCA organization.*

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September 23, 2018

Get Out and Shoot Some Pictures!

Don't forget to submit pictures for "Season of Creation"!



9/30 – **Earth Sunday**

- *Submit your pictures of vast landscapes showing all that the earth has to offer*

10/7– **Humanity Sunday**

- *Pictures of human beings interacting with God's grand creation: working, playing, surviving, etc.*

10/14– **Sky Sunday**

- *Night sky, cloudy skies, sun risings and settings – point your camera up and shoot*

10/21 – **Hill & Mountain Sunday**

- *Let's see those high places – perhaps they're pictures of the very places you took your Earth Sunday pictures.*

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September 23, 2018

Announcements

NIGHT ON THE TOWN

October 13, 2018

6:00 p.m.

Verucchi's Ristorante

600 N. Greenwood Street

Spring Valley, IL

Sign up sheet is in the overflow/narthex.

This Month's Hosts – Brad & Mary Ehlers

Benediction

May God, whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine, grant you the gifts of faith and hope.

Almighty God, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.



Sending Song – “Thy Strong Word” *ELW 511 (v. 1, 3, 5)*

- 1 Thy strong word did cleave the darkness;
at thy speaking it was done.
For created light we thank thee,
while thine ordered seasons run.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise to thee who light dost send!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia without end!



Sending Song – “Thy Strong Word” *ELW 511 (v. 1, 3, 5)*

3 Thy strong Word bespeaks us righteous;
bright with thine own holiness,
glorious now, we press toward glory,
and our lives our hopes confess.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise to thee who light dost send!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia without end!



Sending Song – “Thy Strong Word” *ELW 511 (v. 1, 3, 5)*

5 Give us lips to sing thy glory,
tongues thy mercy to proclaim,
throats that shout the hope that fills us,
mouths to speak thy holy name.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
May the light which thou dost send
fill our songs with alleluias,
alleluias without end!



Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord!
Thanks be to God!



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