

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD
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14th Sunday After Pentecost

August 17, 2008

VISITORS - WE WELCOME YOU to this house of prayer this morning. May you feel at home among friends as we worship together. We invite you to sign your name in the guest book in the back of the church and hope you will return again soon.

Today we partake of the Sacrament of the Altar, a feast where we receive the true body and blood of Christ along with the visible elements of bread and wine. Those visitors desiring to commune at this altar should first speak with the pastor regarding their beliefs. Though the Lord offers this gift to His church for the forgiveness of sins, He also admonishes us through St. Paul: "Whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of profaning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself" (1 Corinthians 11:27-29). Therefore, in faithfulness to our Lord and with love for our guests, this congregation insists on the Scriptural practice of Closed Communion. For a salutary use of the Lord's Supper, it is essential that those communing here be properly instructed, sorry for their sins, desiring God's forgiveness and His grace to live a sanctified life, and believe in the true presence of the body and blood of Christ in the Lord's Supper. Furthermore, since attendance at the Sacrament is Biblically and historically a sign of church fellowship, those who present themselves for Communion are to be in doctrinal agreement and fellowship with The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod.

Prelude
Welcome
Ringing of the Bell
Opening Hymn: #745, "In God, My Faithful God"

Invocation

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Introit of the Day, prayed responsively worship insert

Collect of the Day

VBS Musical Offering: "You Are My Friends" Kevin Bueltmann

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gradual, prayed responsively worship insert

Epistle Romans 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel Matthew 15:21-28

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 15th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

(The Gospel is Proclaimed)

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ!

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Hymn of the Day: #756, "Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me"

Sermon: "Trust in the Midst of Adversity"

Offering

Prayer of the Church

P: Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Confession and Announcement of Grace

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

(Silence for self-examination)

P: "Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that He may lift you up in due time." (1 Pet. 5:6)

C: I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

P: The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins. Amen.

Admonition to Communicants

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Words of Institution

Salutation

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

Distribution

#760, "What God Ordains Is Always Good"

#719, "I Leave All Things to God's Direction"

#728, "How Firm a Foundation"

Post-Communion Prayer

Benediction

VBS Song: "Let's Get Started" Keith Settle

Silent Prayer

Announcements

Postlude

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Tuesday:	6:30PM	Fellowship Club Corn Feed at Walter & Dorraine Banitt's
	7:30PM	Summer Midweek Bible Study
Thursday:	12:00PM	Ladies Aid Picnic, Bay Point Park
	7:00PM	CILS School Board Meeting - Concordia
Friday:	5:30PM	Stumpf/Lager Wedding Rehearsal
Saturday:	2:30PM	Wedding of Lucas Stumpf and Charissa Lager
Next Sun:	9:30AM	Worship

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Today	- Marian Burkard
Monday	- Jim Kelm
Wednesday	- Dylan Frazier, M/M William Boyer
Thursday	- Ashleigh Gernentz
Friday	- Adam Bremer, Mildred Reitman, Alex Simanski M/M Dean Budensiek, M/M Russell Carlson
Saturday	- Marissa Augustin, Cole Gernentz, Elyce Kliever

IN OUR PRAYERS

Pastor Lyle Kath (undergoing cancer treatment); Margie Stumpf (healing); Paul Nystuen (resurgence of bladder cancer); Syvilla Madsen (undergoing cancer therapy); Dave Dicke (in need of a liver transplant); Marian Burkard (healing); Ryan Buck (Goodhue man recovering from a paralyzing snowmobile accident); Katie O'Connor (has a tumor); Mikey Staples (healing); Ruth Dankers (recovering from surgery); Linda Hardy (healing); Mike Heim (undergoing chemotherapy and radiation for a brain tumor); Doug Dankers (recovering from eye surgery); Cheryl Sykes (sister of Todd Burns, recovering from a stroke); Dennis Herling (father of Johnathon Burns' girlfriend, diagnosed with a brain aneurysm).

Church Float

A big thank you to Dan and Pat Banitt for all their help with the church float this year. Getting Immanuel's name out in the community is essential to the mission of our congregation. Community parades provide a great opportunity as we remember our church's mission "to know Him" and "to make Him known."

Immanuel Church Choir

The adult choir of Immanuel will begin rehearsing on Wednesday, September 10th at 7:30PM. The plan is to have a sundae party as part of the opening session. Members are encouraged to bring toppings to share. The choir is always looking for more members and there is a special need for sopranos. Men and women high school age and up are encouraged to attend. Note reading is not required for participation.

Life Quote – August 17

"Jesus' compassionate touch and protective hands are for all people, regardless of size and importance in this world. In fact, He is especially compassionate and protective of those who are on the bottom of the social ladder—children, lepers, tax collectors, prostitutes, and sinners. He welcomes the helpless, the hurting, those most likely to be trampled, and those who can bring Him nothing in return. No one is too small or insignificant to be blessed by Jesus' hands." *Rev. Dr. Glenn A. Nielsen, Professor, Director of Vicarage, Concordia Seminary, St. Louis.* **Quote from Lutherans For Life / www.lutheransforlife.org**

Sunday School Teachers Needed

It's that time again! Sunday School will start on September 7th at 9:00AM and we need teachers. If you would like to team teach to minimize your weekly commitment, that is acceptable and encouraged. This year the classes will be divided as follows:

Preschool/Kindergarten; 1st and 2nd Grade; 3rd and 4th Grade; 5th through 8th Grade; and High School

A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board for those who are able to help with Sunday School this year. If you have questions, please see Pastor Sorenson at church or call him at your convenience (388-4577). Thank you.

Sunday School to Begin

The Sunday School will begin again on September 7th at 9:00AM. If your child is new to Sunday School and you would like some additional information, please see Pastor Sorenson at your earliest convenience. Signs will be posted on the 7th letting you know which rooms will be used for Sunday School and where the different grade levels will meet. Thanks.

VBS Thank You

This year's "Friendship Trek" VBS was a blessing to our congregation. A special word of thanks goes to Sheila Stehr for her willingness to serve again as the Coordinator for VBS. Other helpers included: Pastor Sorenson (Group/Music Leader), Callie Simanski (Arts and Crafts Leader), Leah Dicke (Lesson Teacher), and Connie Duden, Sara Sorenson, and Jerry Stehr (Snack Providers). Thanks go out also to the parents and children who supported this year's VBS and made it such a wonderful experience.

Addresses for College Students and Service Personnel

It is a blessing to get cards, devotional materials, and other greetings out to our college students and service personnel on a regular basis. If you are in either one of these categories or you are a parent of someone in college or in the service, please see that pastor gets an updated address and contact information. You may leave updates in Pastor's box, give him a call (388-4577), or send him an e-mail at immanuelcms@ll.net.

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, August 24

8:30AM on KCUE-AM; 6:00PM on KDHL-Faribault (920)

"Mistaken Identity"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus

Does anybody really know you? Probably not? Next Sunday's Lutheran Hour message speaks to those who think they know Jesus but who probably don't. If you know somebody like that, help them listen to next Sunday's broadcast. (Matthew 16:15)

A Little History as We Celebrate our 150th Anniversary

In 1983, the congregation of Immanuel celebrated its 125th Anniversary. The major festival was at 2:00 in the afternoon on July 31st. Dr. Oswald Hoffman served as the guest preacher.