



**12th Sunday
after Pentecost**

Welcome to worship! Please complete a Connection Card and place the card in the offering plate. Thank you!

In Isaiah we hear that God's house shall be a house of prayer for all people and that God will gather the outcasts of Israel. The Canaanite woman in today's gospel is a Gentile, an outsider, who is unflinching in her request that Jesus heal her daughter. As Jesus commends her bold faith, how might our church extend its mission to those on the margins of society? In our gathering around word and meal we receive strength to be signs of comfort, healing, and justice for those in need.

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Sunday, August 20, 2023, 9:30 am, Monday, August 21, 2023, 6:00 pm

GATHERING

- PRELUDE
- WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS
- TEMPLE TALK
- CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

Stacy McEachern

(Please stand as you are comfortable.)

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God, **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew 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.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy spirit.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG *Help Me, Jesus* **TFF #224**

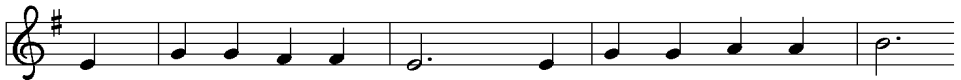
Help me, Jesus, to love my neighbor as myself.
Help me, Jesus, to love my neighbor as myself.
He doesn't care 'bout the color of your skin
or what religion you've been in.
Help me, Jesus, to love my neighbor as myself.

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.

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- 1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
- 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
- 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
 Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
 Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

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1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
 3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
 Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
 Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
 on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
 Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
 Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
 For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of all peoples, **your arms reach out to embrace all those who call upon you.**
Teach us as disciples of your Son to love the world with compassion and constancy,
that your name may be known throughout the earth, through Jesus Christ, our
Savior and Lord. Amen.

(Please be seated.)

WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 56: 1, 6-8

¹Thus says the LORD: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed.

⁶And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD, and to be his servants, all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it, and hold fast my covenant—⁷these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.

⁸Thus says the Lord GOD, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, I will gather others to them besides those already gathered.

Word of God.

Word of Life. Thanks be to God.

The prophet calls upon Israel to do justice in view of God's imminent intervention to save. Righteousness and obedience define who belongs to the Israelite community—not race, nationality, or any other category.

SECOND READING: Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

[Paul writes:] ¹I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. ^{2a}God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

²⁹For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. ³⁰Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, ³¹so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. ³²For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

Word of God.

Word of Life. Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as you are comfortable.)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

GOSPEL: Matthew 15: 21-28

The holy gospel according to...

Glory to you, O Lord.

²¹Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. ²²Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." ²³But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." ²⁴He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." ²⁵But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." ²⁶He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." ²⁷She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." ²⁸Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated.)

SERMON

Pastor Breanne Kinnunen

(Please stand as you are able.)

HYMN OF THE DAY

Build a Longer Table

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- 1.) Build a longer table, not a higher wall,
feeding those who hunger, making room for all.
Feasting together, stranger turns to friend,
Christ breaks walls to pieces; false divisions end.
- 2.) Build a safer refuge, not a larger jail;
Where the weak find shelter, mercy will not fail.
For any place where justice is denied,
Christ will breach the jail wall, freeing all inside.

God has not rejected Israel. Rather, the call and gifts of God are irrevocable so that, while all have been disobedient, God has mercy upon all.

Jesus teaches his disciples that true purity is a matter of the heart rather than outward religious observances. Almost immediately, this teaching is tested when a woman considered to be a religious outsider approaches him for help.

- 3.) **Build a broader doorway, not a longer fence.**
 Love protects all people, sparing no expense.
 When we embrace compassion more than fear,
 Christ tears down our fences: all are welcome here.
- 4.) **When we lived as exiles, refugees abroad,**
 Christ became our doorway to the reign of God.
 So must our tables welcome those who roam,
 None can be excluded; all must find a home.

APOSTLE'S CREED

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

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Confident that God receives our joys and concerns, let us offer our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

O God, your Spirit gathers the church. Shepherd those who are newly baptized and newly ordained in the proclamation of the gospel, breathe life into ecumenical and inter-religious endeavors, and support missionaries throughout the globe. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

You created the earth and all its inhabitants and declared it good. Clean polluted skies, seas, and soil, provide nourishment to plants and animals, and make us aware of our impact on the environment. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

You call leaders to bridge differences and practice generosity. Inspire all in authority to protect people in harm's way, deliver those in bondage, support fair elections, provide care for military personnel and veterans, and show mercy to those for whom they have responsibility. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

You provide for those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit. Embrace people who have been rejected because of difference, heal trauma caused by racism or prejudice, shield any who are persecuted, console the dying, and heal the sick. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

O God, you journey with us in all of life's transitions. Guide those preparing for baptism, marriage, and retirement. Guide our church council and committees in their visioning and ministry. Safeguard those who travel. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We give you thanks for those who now rest from their labors especially Bernard of Clairvaux, whom the church commemorates today. Motivate us by their lives of dedication to the gospel, until that day when we join with them in our eternal home. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, in the name of the one who reconciled all creation to himself, Jesus Christ our Savior.
Amen.

*Renew our lives
 that we may
 welcome and
 care for one
 another and
 that we may live
 and serve within
 the greater
 community of
 Negaunee and
 the world,
 witnessing to
 others your
 abundant love,
 grace, and wel-
 come.*

SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

(Please be seated.)

MEAL

OFFERING

(Please stand as you are comfortable.)

OFFERING SONG

Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring (v. 1, 2)

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OFFERING PRAYER

God of field and forest, sea and sky, **you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

(Please be seated.)

We believe that the true body and blood of Jesus Christ is in/with/under the bread and wine.

All are welcome and encouraged to receive Holy Communion today. Parents, please assist your child(ren) if you wish them communed.

COMMUNION

Lamb of God

1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;

you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
 you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
 e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

COMMUNION HYMNS:

- Bread of Life, Our Host and Meal* #464
 - One Bread, One Body* #496
- (Please stand as you are comfortable.)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SENDING

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Pastor Bre Kinnunen

BLESSING: Psalm 67

Let all the peoples praise you, O God. (Ps. 67:3)

- ¹May God be merciful to us and bless us; may the light of God’s face shine upon us.
- ²**Let your way be known upon earth, your saving health among all nations.**
- ³Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.
- ⁴**Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations on earth.**
- ⁵Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.
- ⁶**The earth has brought forth its increase; God, our own God, has blessed us.**
- ⁷May God give us blessing, and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe.

BLESSING

The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed + bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the harvest. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF August 20 - August 27, 2023

***ALTAR FLOWERS:** The Altar flowers today are *In Memory of Leslie Kujala* who died on Monday, August 14th, in Saint Albans, Vermont, from *Reuven & Marlene Romback*.

***BIRTHS: CONGRATULATIONS & GOD’S BLESSINGS TO:** *Alexandra (Lexy) Lee (Johnson) Halverson* and *David Andrew Halverson* on the birth of their son, **Maverick Lee Halverson**, on July 26th, 2023. The proud grandparents are *Tanya & David Johnson*, and the proud great-grandparents are *Linda & Larry Dillman*.



***SYMPATHY & GOD'S PEACE TO:**

- *Carl Basto* on the loss of his son, **Brian Paul Basto**, on Thursday, August 10th. Also, condolences to all of the Basto Family.
- *Marlene (Reuven) Romback* on the loss of her brother, **Leslie Kujala**, on Monday, August 14th in Saint Albans, Vermont. Also, condolences to all of the Kujala / Romback Family.
- *Sue Cohan* on the loss of her former husband & friend, **Patrick Michael Cohan**, on Tuesday, August 1st. Also, condolences to step-sons: *Michael (Marilyn)*, *Kristopher (Stephanie)*, and *Timothy Kjellman*, and all of the Cohan Family.
- *Becky (Pat) DeWitt* on the loss of her father, **Cameron Luke**, on Friday, June 9th, and whose memorial service was held here at Immanuel on Thursday, August 10th. Also, condolences to Cameron's wife, *Elaine*, his grandchildren: *Luke & Taylor DeWitt*, *Matthew (Andrea) DeWitt*, and all of the Cameron Family.



***FALL WELLNESS RETREAT** Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp is offering a 'Nature Inspired Fall Wellness Retreat' from September 14th - 17th. The registration deadline is September 7th. If you are interested, either email www.fortunelake.org, or call 906-214-2267 for more information.



***YOUTH RETREAT** There will be a Youth Retreat for Grades 3-6 on October 20th and October 21st at Fortune Lake. For more information, call 906-214-2267 or email www.fortunelake.org.

***INSTALLATION OF PASTOR BREANNE KINNUNEN** Pastor Bre will be installed at Immanuel Lutheran Church on **Sunday, September 24th at 3 pm** in the sanctuary with a reception to follow in the Fellowship Hall. Mark your calendar. We all welcome Pastor Bre to Immanuel!!



***AED TRAINING:** There will be an AED Training session held on Sunday, August 27th, from 2—5 pm.



***YOUTH/PARENTS/GUARDIAN MEETING:** Sunday, August 27th, @ 6 pm for those planning to go on the up-coming trip. Call Stacy McEachern (906-361-9123) for more information.

***FELLOWSHIP HOUR:** Are you willing to help with Fellowship hour? Donations are needed such as bakery, crackers, cheese, fruit, or whatever suits your fancy, & cleanup! Your Fellowship Hour committee for August is FORTUNE LAKE / YOUTH. If it fits your schedule to bring items before Sunday morning, there are shelves in the refrigerator tagged for **Coffee hour**. Or leave on the counter marked "Coffee Hour". Please contact **Stacy McEachern (906-361-9123)** with your date & any item you wish to bring. Help in the kitchen is also appreciated.



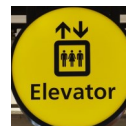
***"GOT SNEAKERS??"** We are collecting used ATHLETIC SNEAKERS which are then sent to a company that reuses those that are still usable and recycles those that aren't. There is currently a bag in the Stewardship corner at Immanuel Lutheran Church where they can be deposited. Thank you for any you may have to donate.



***SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CONVERSATION** Each Sunday morning at 11:00 am, a group meets for a discussion on the Bible lessons from the morning's worship service. They will be meeting in the Youth Room (downstairs) for 1 hour. A group has volunteered to lead this group. **TODAY, August 20th, THERE WILL BE NO BIBLE STUDY CONVERSATION GATHERING HELD.** Next Sunday, August 27th, *Ben Raymond* will be the leader. The group continues meeting each Sunday until further notice.



***ELEVATOR 'OUT-OF-COMMISSION':** The elevator **WILL NOT BE USEABLE** for 3 weeks starting Friday, August 18th. Work is to begin on it to replace it with the new lift. Thank you for your patience.



KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS: Pray For: *Lori Bell, Betty Carilli, Kevin Carlson, Renae Carlson, Dan Hendrickson, Michael Holman, Betty Kinnunen, Michael Kjellman, Anna Laurila, Don & Mary Leece, Diane Nault, Gerald Neldon, Stephanie Penhale, Shirley Pizziola, Jim Ritzenhein, Jessica Roberts, Tim Romback, Louise Spickerman, Bob Walker.*



Our Shut-ins: *Bettie Ahola, Jonelle Collins, Rudy Gagnon, June Jarvi, Timothy Kjellman, Betty Lukkarinen, Leo Nirva, Butch Pynnonen, Dolores Reichel, Lillian Rivers, Paul Alan Smith, Lynne Tossava.* (NOTE: Betty Lukkarinen & Leo Nirva are now in Eastwood Nursing Center. They would appreciate visitors occasionally.)

Members in the Armed Service: *Luke DeWitt, Adrianna Gustafson, Michael Gustafson, Spencer Harvala, Hunter (Jessica) Hetrick, Dennis Koski, Tanner Romback, Michael Sedlock, Ethan Wallner, and all Armed Services Families.*

VOLUNTEERS ASSISTING IN SERVICE

SERVING IN WORSHIP: *Pastor Breanne Kinnunen*

ORGANIST/PIANIST/MUSICIAN: - *Connie Scanlon*

Worship Services: Sunday @ 9:30 am / Monday @ 6:00 pm

Office Hours: 8 am-12 pm, Monday-Thursday (or by appt.)



ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE:

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| 9:30 am GREETERS | - <i>Walter Scanlon</i>
- <i>Dean Patron</i> |
| 6:00 pm GREETERS | - <i>Diana Hetrick</i>
- <i>Jim Hetrick</i> |
| 9:30 am USHERS | - <i>Walter Scanlon</i>
- <i>Dean Patron</i> |
| 6:00 pm USHERS | - <i>Diana Hetrick</i>
- <i>Jim Hetrick</i> |
| 9:30 am LECTOR | - <i>Kathleen Partanen</i> |
| 6:00 pm LECTOR | - <i>Reuven Romback</i> |
| 9:30 am COMM ASST'S | - <i>Val Paulson</i>
- <i>Henna DuMoulin</i>
- <i>Hayley Smith</i> |
| 6:00 pm COM AST | - <i>Katie Ritzenhein</i> |
| 9:30 am Tech Team | - <i>Tyler Moore</i> |

(Communion Set-up for August is *Paulette Patron.*)

AUGUST'S MONTHLY MISSION

IN AUGUST, we will focus on Scholarships for Liberian (Africa)

Children, which is educational in nature. We all take education for granted. We pay our taxes and all of our children receive a high school education with no additional charges to the parents. Parents in Liberia pay for their children's education. Any kind of financial crisis for the family leads to the kids dropping out of school.

Pastor Albert (former Pastor of Mitchell Methodist Church here in Negaunee) has personally identified three children who need help with education expenses:

- Danlette is the daughter of a Christian minister who has passed away and is still in school. Her mom, Promise, is struggling to meet the educational needs of three children.
- Simeon has completed the lower grades but cannot continue because his father was laid off by his mining company. Simeon has dropped out of school because the funds to pay the school authorities are not available.
- Obey is an extended family member of pastor Albert. His dad passed away six years ago leaving an uneducated mom with five children. He is continuing his education beyond high school.



Any help with education expenses will be helpful. We have all heard the expression, *"A mind is a terrible thing to waste"*. Additional information regarding these families is available by contacting Pastor Albert Barchue, Salem United Methodist Church, 23 Mable Street, P.O. Box 438, Pigeon, MI 48755, *"Liberian student-Albert"* in the comment line (if you wish to send a check directly to Albert).

If you wish to give above-and-beyond to this mission, use August's mission emphasis envelope from your offering envelope box or in some other way designate your gift.

Thank you for giving \$ 931.00 in July to
Habitat for Humanity for Marquette County.
The recipients will be richly blessed with your generosity!
Thank you!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

August 20, 2023 - August 27, 2023



YOU CAN FIND ALL ONLINE INFORMATION REFERENCED BELOW AT...

www.ImmanuelNegaunee.org

12th Sunday after Pentecost

- Sunday**
- 9:30 am - Worship Services
 - 10:30 am - Coffee & Fellowship
 - 11:00 am - **NO** Sunday Morning Bible Conversation
 - 7:30 pm - AA Group Meets (men & women)

Monday **BEACON DEADLINE for SEPTEMBER—OCTOBER**
(please have your info to the office this week)

- 6:00 pm - Worship Service

Tuesday - 10:00 am - Bible Study

Wednesday - 6:00 pm - Choir Practice

Thursday - 10:00 am - Quilting

Friday **OFFICE CLOSED**

- 10:00 am - Women's AA Group Meet

Sunday ***13th Sunday after Pentecost***

- 9:30 am - Worship Service
- 10:30 am - Coffee & Fellowship
- 11:00 am - Sunday Morning Bible Conversation today
(Today's leader is *Ben Raymond*)
- 2-5:00 pm - AED Training (1st Session)
- 6:00 pm - Youth / Parent / Guardian Meeting for
those planning to go on the 2024 Trip
- 7:30 pm - AA Group Meets (men & women)