



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Sunday/Monday August 28th & 29th, 2022, 9:30am/6:00 pm

COVID Protocol Update: Council has lifted COVID protocols as a result of low county numbers, but encourages awareness of ongoing county numbers and personal health.

**12th Sunday
after Pentecost**

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

Invited and inviting—that is the nature of the church. By God's grace in holy baptism we have a place at Christ's banquet table. When, by the power of that same Spirit, humility and mutual love continue among us, the church can be more inviting still.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please STAND, as you are comfortable.)

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose steadfast love endures forever.

Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God, **we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.**

Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

You are free to love as God loves.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG

Christ, Be Our Light

#715

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.

KYRIE

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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!



1 Come, let us join our cheer-ful songs with an-gels round the throne;
 2 “Wor - thy the Lamb that died,” they cry, “to be ex - alt - ed thus!”
 3 Je - sus is wor - thy to re-ceive hon - or and pow’r di - vine;
 4 Let all cre - a - tion join in one to bless the sa - cred name



ten thou-sand thou-sand are their tongues, but all their joys are one.
 “Wor - thy the Lamb,” our lips re - ply, “for he was slain for us!”
 and bless-ings, more than we can give, be, Lord, for - ev - er thine.
 of God who sits up - on the throne, and to a - dore the Lamb.

The book of Proverbs is part of a collection of writings known as wisdom literature. Wisdom literature gave directions to Israel’s leaders and people for the conduct of daily life. Today’s reading is about humility.

The righteous are merciful and full of compassion. (Ps. 112:4)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, **you resist those who are proud and give grace to those who are humble. Give us the humility of your Son, that we may embody the generosity of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

(Please be SEATED.)

WORD

FIRST READING: Proverbs 25:6-7

⁶Do not put yourself forward in the king’s presence or stand in the place of the great;
⁷for it is better to be told, “Come up here,” than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

Word of God.

Word of Life. Thanks be to God.

PSALM 112

¹Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the LORD and have great delight in God’s commandments!

²**Their descendants will be mighty in the land;
 the generation of the upright will be blessed.**

³Wealth and riches will be in their house, and their righteousness will last forever.

⁴**Light shines in the darkness for the upright;
 the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.**

⁵It is good for them to be generous in lending and to manage their affairs with justice.

⁶**For they will never be shaken;
 the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.**

⁷They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; their heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD.

⁸**Their heart is established and will not shrink,
 until they see their desire upon their enemies.**

⁹They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands fast forever; they will hold up their head with honor.

¹⁰**The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away;
 the desires of the wicked will perish.**

(Please be SEATED.)

SERMON

Pastor Tom Skrenes

(Please STAND.)

HYMN OF THE DAY

Beautiful Savior

#838

APOSTLES' 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

Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer.

A brief silence.

For the church and its leaders, we pray. Uphold all deacons, pastors, and bishops who serve and teach your people. Awaken in your church a spirit of invitation that reaches ever outward. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

For the well-being of creation and its inhabitants, we pray. Stir in us reverent awe for the beauty of the natural world, for oceans and lakes, rivers and streams, forests and deserts. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

For the nations and peoples of the world, we pray. Sustain the efforts of those who pursue justice and equity for all. Defend and accompany all immigrants and refugees and all who are persecuted for their ethnic origin or religious beliefs. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

For all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, we pray. Be present with those who live in isolation or fear, especially those who are incarcerated or detained. Comfort all who are sick or grieving. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

For this congregation and its ministries, we pray. Prepare children, teachers, and youth ministry directors for a new year of learning. Embolden our witness to invite others to the table. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

For all the saints who confessed God's name especially Augustine, Bishop of Hippo, and Moses the Black, we give thanks. May we cling to the promise of our risen Savior, Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today, and forever. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your steadfast love; through Jesus Christ, our holy Wisdom. **Amen.**

SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

MEAL

(Please be SEATED.)

OFFERING

OFFERING HYMN

Create in Me a Clean Heart

#186

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



(Please STAND.)

OFFERING PRAYER

God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. 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, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SONG

Holy, Holy, Holy

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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.

COMMUNION

(Please be SEATED.)

LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God

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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

*Let Us Go Now to the Banquet
Here Is Bread*

**#523
#483**

(Please STAND.)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Life-giving God, **through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

SENDING

BLESSING

The God of peace, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF August 28—September 4, 2022



*** BIRTHDAYS:**

Happy 84th Birthday to Don LaForest on August 31st.

Happy 87th Birthday to Roy Tossava on August 31st



*** FELLOWSHIP HOUR:** Are you willing to help with Fellowship hour? Donations are needed such as bakery, crackers, cheese, fruit, or whatever suits your fancy-and cleanup! Your Fellowship Hour coordinator for August is Stacy McEachern. Please contact her with your date & item. Phone (906) 361-9123. **Please give a helping hand to Stacy. Thank you!**

*** GOD'S WORK OUR HANDS SUNDAY,** September 11 – **Project Lift Up Ukraine.** Tiffany Ampe will join us for the Sunday morning worship as a guest speaker regarding



her & her husband Joe's efforts to deliver medical supplies to Ukrainian refugees. They will take a humanitarian flight to Poland on September 19 with bags full of medical supplies. We can help by collecting these supplies to assist with this project. **Items needed are:** **1.** turn-stiles (these are tourniquets); **2.** first aid kits (larger EMT kits) &



backpack first aid kits; 3. raincoats (vinyl one size that can be worn over clothing and a backpack); **4.** shoes (all kinds! When the Russians force civilians out, they make them strip completely naked They walk without even undergarments or shoes); **5.** anti-burn preparations; **6.** thermal underwear (winter is coming and there is heat insecurity with the gas issues); **7.** backpacks; **8.** water filters; **9.** power banks (portable solar ones) which are used to charge phones and as a flashlight); **10.** quality vitamins as they can't get them there and nutrition is at a very low point. The donations may be placed in the totes marked **Medical Supplies for Ukraine** in the Fellowship Hall. Also, there is an excellent article from upmatters.com from April regarding Joe and Tiffany Ampe story about what they are doing to assist Ukraine refugees. The article also lists an Amazon gift registry under Jenny Stoudt, Uppers for Ukraine. God's Blessings to you all, *Linda Sjplund*

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Pray For: *Nancy Burton, Betty Carilli, Kevin Carlson, Renae Carlson, Sue Cohan, Connie Foster, Dan Hendrickson, Peggy Jackson, Tom Johnson, Betty Kinnunen, Marian Kulju, Anna Laurila, Don & Mary Leece, Diane Nault, Don Palomaki, Stephanie Penhale, Joyce Peterson, Susie Pizoli, Delores Reichel, Jim Ritzenhein, Jessica Roberts, and all COVID patients.*

Our Shut-ins: *Bettie Ahola, Jonelle Collins, Rudy Gagnon, Charlene Kivistö, Timothy Kjellman, Betty Lukkarinen, Leo Nirva, Vera Palomaki, Janet Penhale, Butch Pynnonen, Lillian Rivers, Paul Smith, Lynne Tossava, Richard Toyra.*

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



SERVING IN WORSHIP: *Pastor Tom Skrenes*

Organist/Pianist/Musician: *Connie Scanlon*

Choir Director: *Connie Lindblom* / **Choir Accompanist:** *Vicki Lempinen*

Worship Services: Sun. @ 9:30 am / Mon. @ 6 pm

Office Hours: 8 am-12 pm, Mon.-Thurs. (or by appt.)



VOLUNTEERS ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

9:30 am USHERS/GREETERS — *Mike Frustaglio*
— *Alice Mutkala*

6 pm USHERS/GREETERS — *Kevin Crupi*
— *Reuven Romback*

9:30 am LECTOR — *Alice Mutkala*

6 pm LECTOR — *Linda Ogea*

9:30 am COMMUNION ASSISTANTS
— *Jean Manginen*
— *Diane Faust*

6 pm COMMUNION ASSISTANTS
— *Julie Mager*

9:30 am Tech Team — *Mark Patraw*

6 pm Tech Team — *Mark Patraw*

(COMMUNION SET-UP FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST — *Alice Mutkala*)

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 she 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 com-pany. 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 five years ago leaving an uneducated mom with five children. He will need \$350 per year to help support his family and which is a huge sum of money for his family.



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.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS
August 28, 2022 - September 4, 2022

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

www.ImmanuelNegaunee.org

- Sunday** **12th Sunday after Pentecost**
- 9:30 am - Worship Service
- 10:30 am - Coffee & Fellowship
- 7:30 pm - AA Group Meets (men & women)
- Monday** - 6:00 pm - Worship Service
- Wednesday** - 10:00 am - Bible Study (in-person)
- Thursday** - 10:00 am - Quilting
- Friday** **OFFICE CLOSED**
- 10:00 am - Women's AA Group Meets
- Saturday** - 8:00 am - Men's Bible Study and Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)
- Sunday** **13th Sunday after Pentecost**
- 9:30 am - Worship Service
- 10:30 am - Coffee & Fellowship
- 7:30 pm - AA Group Meets (men & women)
- Monday** **OFFICE CLOSED in observance of LABOR DAY**
 (Enjoy your Labor Day, and Stay Safe!)
- **NO 6:00 pm Worship**

NOTE: Don't forget the Men's Breakfast/Bible Study this coming Saturday, September 3rd, at 8 - 10 am in the Fellowship Hall. Enjoy a nourishing breakfast meal for body and mind, as a discussion of Sunday's readings and any topic that you may want to share follows the breakfast. For any questions, please call Walter Scanlon @ 906-235-2294.

Thank you for giving \$ 1,007.00 in July to **Habitat for Humanity, Marquette County.**
The recipients will be richly blessed with your generosity! Thank you!