

6th Sunday after Pentecost

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

The mystery of God's wavs is sometimes hidden from the wise and intelligent. Jesus associates with those often excluded from the reli*gious community.* Like Paul, we struggle with our own selfish desires and seek God's mercy and forgiveness. We gather to be refreshed by Christ's invitation: "Come to me. all you that are weary." Gathered around word, water. and meal. we find rest for our souls.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

520 US Hwy 41 E + Negaunee, MI 49866 (906) 475-9161 + FAX (906) 475-9403 Office@ImmanuelNegaunee.org + www.ImmanuelNegaunee.org Sunday, July 9, 2023, 9:30 am

GATHERING

PRELUDE WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

(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. Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure.

Amen.

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

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned. We have hurt our community. We have squandered your blessings. We have hoarded your bounty. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Righteous God, we confess that we have sinned. We have failed to be honest. We have lacked the courage to speak. We have spoken falsely. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.

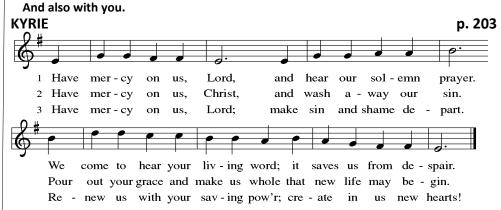
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God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of + Jesus Christ. Amen.

GATHERING SONG GREETING Give Me Jesus

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



CANTICLE OF PRAISE p. 204 1 Glo-ry God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all be to the earth. 2 Glo-ry be Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love. to 3 Ho-ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call; sur - pass - ing worth: Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of 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: dore you, lift high our we ex - alt you, we a we thanks and praise. on the cross you died to save now you reign at God's right hand. us; the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright. Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our Saints and 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 God on high! be to

PRAYER OF THE DAY

You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

(Please be seated.)

WORD

FIRST READING: Zechariah 9:9-12

⁹Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. ¹⁰He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the warhorse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall command peace to the nations; his dominion shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. ¹¹As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. ¹²Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double. Word of God.

Word of Life. Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 145:8-14

⁸The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

⁹LORD, you are good to all, and your compassion is over all your works. ¹⁰All your works shall praise you, O LORD, and your faithful ones shall bless you.

¹¹They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your power, ¹²that all people may know of your power and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

The coming messianic king will inaugurate an era of disarmament and prosperity. Because of God's covenant with Israel, the people are designated as "prisoners of hope."

> The LORD is gracious and full of compassion. (Ps. 145:8) 2

¹³Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom;

your dominion endures throughout all ages.

You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in all your works.

¹⁴The Lord upholds all those who fall and lifts up those who are bowed down.

SECOND READING: Romans 7:15-25a

¹⁵I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. ¹⁷But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. ¹⁹For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. ²⁰Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. ²¹So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. ²²For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, ²³but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? ^{25a}Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Word of God.

Word of Life. Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as you are comfortable.)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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GOSPEL: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

The holy gospel according to...

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus spoke to the crowd saying:] ¹⁶"To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, ¹⁷'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.' ¹⁸For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; ¹⁹the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."

²⁵At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

²⁸"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

The Gospel of our Lord. Praise to you, O Christ. Jesus chides people who find fault with both his ministry and that of John the Baptist. He thanks God that wisdom and intelligence are not needed to receive what God has to offer.

Life captive

(Please be seated.)

SERMON

(Please stand as you are comfortable.)

HYMN OF THE DAY APOSTLE'S CREED

Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling

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Pastor Chrys Hendrick

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.

God of the covenant, you call ministers to proclaim your gospel of grace throughout the world. Inspire pastors, deacons, church musicians, and all ministers of your word as they carry out your work. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of all creation, you reveal your goodness through all you have made: rivers and seas, plants and animals, and endangered species. Prosper the work of conservation organizations, botanical gardens, zoos, and wildlife sanctuaries. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of the nations, you desire that all the peoples of the world live in peace. Guide government leaders at all levels—national, state/province, and local—to work for justice, mercy, and reconciliation. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of compassion, you bring healing to those who are sick, consolation to those who are grieving, and well-being to those who are distraught. Send skilled caregivers to all in need, and make your presence known among all who suffer. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of rejoicing, you have brought us together this day to worship around word and sacrament. Encourage children in their learning and growing, and watch over those who are absent today. Lead us all to places of renewal and refreshment. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

God of all faithfulness, through the witness of the faithful departed you reveal love in action. Embolden us by their example to build up the beloved community in all the contexts we encounter. 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.**

SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

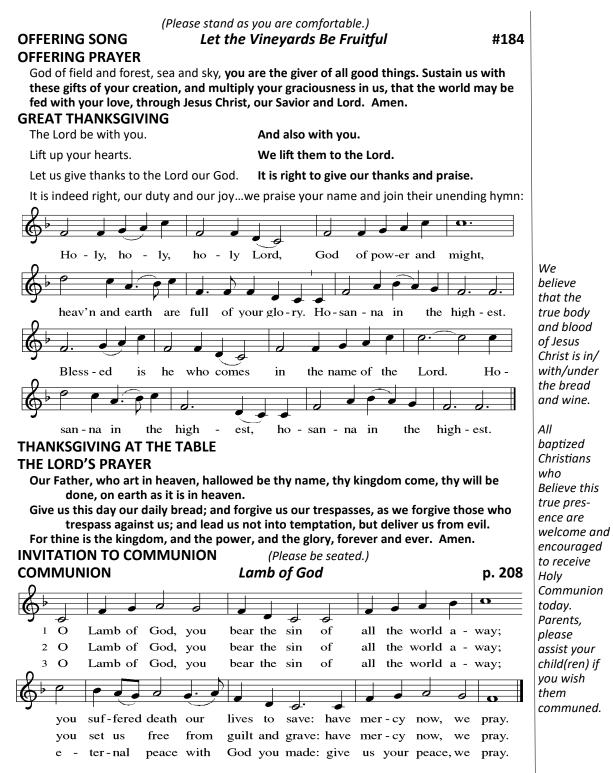


OFFERING

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MEAL

Renew our lives that we may welcome and care for one another and that we may live and serve within the greater community of Neaaunee and the world, witnessing to others your abundant love, arace, and welcome.



COMMUNION HYMNS:

Just a Closer Walk with Thee Come to the Table

(Please stand as you are comfortable.)

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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

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

ANNOUNCMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF July 9 - July 16, 2023



*BAPTISM: WE WELCOME INTO THE FAMILY OF GOD: Blaze Bradley Maxon, son of Brandi Louise (Anderson) Maxon and Adam Duane Maxon, born December 11th, 2022. His big brother is Mayerick Jaymes Maxon and his sponsors are Bradley and Laura Maxon.

*BIRTHDAYS IN JULY

BirthDays

Happy 93rd Birthday to Dolores Reichel on July 1st. Happy 90th Birthday to June Jarvi on July 3rd. Happy 93rd Birthday to Marilyn Anderson on July 27th.



*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 July will be SOCIAL MINISTRY. 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 Linda Sjolund (906-242-5020) with your date & any item you wish to bring. Help in the kitchen is also appreciated.



*****"GOT <u>SNEAKERS</u>??" 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.

* FORTUNE LAKE SUMMER CAMP Fortune Lake Registration is open for Summer Camp! Register now. Immanuel offers scholarships to campers of all ages. Contact Stacy McEachern for scholar-





ship details! Call or text: (906) 361-9123 or stacymc6@ gmail.com. Get registered! *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's leader is TBD. The group continues meeting each Sunday until further notice.

*NORTHERN GREAT LAKES SYNOD OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR POSITION OPEN The Office Administrator's position is open in the Synod Office. A description & more details are on the job description found on the bulletin near the Fellowship Hall stairs. Are you interested?



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online. There's a free mobile app available for download at the Apple® App store in iTunes®, Google PlayTM store & the Amazon Fire App Store. Search for "Instant Church Directory" to get the down-load. The same login protocol as above applies to the app. Need help/have questions? Please contact the church office: (906) 475-9161.

*<u>HELP NEEDED IN LOADING A TRUCK FOR A PERSON'S MOVE</u> A request was received in the office to ask if anyone would be willing to go to 235 Explorer Street in Gwinn this **Tuesday**, July 11th to help this lady load a truck with her possessions. She is moving downstate and is seeking anyone to help her with loading her belongings. If you are willing, please call her at 906-361-6578, and ask for Peggy. Thanks.

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

<u>Pray For</u>: Lori Bell, Betty Carilli, Kevin Carlson, Renae Carlson, Dan Hendrickson, Michael Holman, Peggy Jackson, Betty Kinnunen, Anna Laurila, Don & Mary Leece, Diane Nault, Gerald Neldon, Don Palomaki, Stephanie Penhale, Joyce Peterson, Shirley Pizziola, Jim Ritzenhein, Jessica Roberts, Tim Romback, Louise Spickerman, Debbie Thornberg, and all COVID patients.

<u>Our Shut-ins</u>: Bettie Ahola, Jonelle Collins, Rudy Gagnon, Timothy Kjellman, Betty Lukkarinen, Leo Nirva, Butch Pynnonen, Dolores Reichel, Lillian Rivers, Paul Alan Smith, Lynne Tossava.

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

EMERGENCY PASTORAL COVERAGE FOR JUNE & JULY				
June 18th—June 26th	- Virginia Paulson (906-475-9641)			
June 27th—July 8th	- Pastor Jack Busche (Grace in Gwinn, 715-660-8956			
	email: pastorjack@graceingwinn.org)			
July 9th—July 16th	- Michael Holman (231-824-6757)			
July 17th—July 24th	- Rev. Molly Eversall (312-576-7353)			

July 25th—July 31st - Virginia Paulson (906-475-9641)

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VOLUNTEERS ASSISTING IN SERVICE

SERVING IN WORSHIP: Pastor Chrys Hendrick

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:

9:30 am GREETERS	- Mike Frustaglio - Larry Marta
6:00 pm GREETERS	- Carrie Villalobos - Sarah Hill
9:30 am USHERS	- Mike Frustaglio - Larry Marta
6:00 pm USHERS	- Carrie Villalobos - Sarah Hill
9:30 am LECTOR	- Martha Hayward
6:00 pm LECTOR	- Dan LaJoie
9:30 am COMM ASST'S	- Alice Zinsser - Bill Zinsser - Linda Dillman
6:00 pm COM AST	- Dan LaJoie
9:30 am Tech Team	- Tyler Moore

(Communion Set-up for July is Alice Mutkala.)

JULY'S MONTHLY MISSION

IN JULY, we focus on <u>Habitat for Humanity</u> Marquette County. Habitat for

Humanity is a part of a global, non-profit housing organization operated on Christian principles that seeks to put God's love into action by building homes, communities, and hope.



This year, one of our members will be a recipient and what a joy it is for all of us.

Repairs to existing homes are also part of the mission. Two homes are under construction in Marquette County. Support for the ReStore helps with all activities. We also hope to provide lunches for volunteers. Please watch for future opportunities.

Help support the vision of Habitat for Humanity: "A world where everyone has a decent place to live."

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

> Thank you for giving \$ 600.00 in June to <u>Answer the Call.</u> The recipients will be richly blessed with your generosity! Thank you!



<u>CALENDAR OF EVENTS</u> July 9, 2023 - July 16, 2023

YOU CAN FIND ALL ONLINE INFORMATION REFERENCED BELOW AT... www.immanuelNegaunee.org

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Sunday		- Worship Services	
		- Coffee & Fellowship	
	- 11:00 am	 Sunday Morning Bible Conversation (Today's leader is TBD.) 	
	- 7:30 pm	 AA Group Meets (men & women) 	
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Monday	- 6:00 pm	- Worship Service—Baptism	
Wednesday	- 10:00 am	- Bible Study	
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Thursday	- 10:00 am	- Quilting	
Friday	OFFICE CLOSED		
	- 10:00 am	- Women's AA Group Meets	
Sunday		Sunday after Pentecost	
		- Worship Service	
		- Coffee & Fellowship	
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