

4th Sunday after Pentecost

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

God does not promise that the path of the disciple will be easy. Jeremiah feels the pain of rejection from those who do not want to hear what he has to say. Jesus declares that his words may brina stark division. Even so, we need not be afraid for God accounts for each hair on our heads. Though we may experience rejection, frustration, division, and death, God's grace and love make us a new creation each dav. Marked with the cross and filled with holy food, we are sent from worship to witness to Christ in the world.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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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.

Silence is kept for reflection.

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.

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GATHERING SONG GREETING

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

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In peace, let us pray to the Lord.







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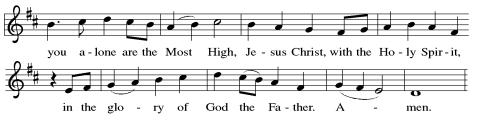
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For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Teach us, good Lord God, to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, except that of knowing that we do your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

(Please be seated.)

WORD

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 20: 7-13

⁷O LORD, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all day long; everyone mocks me. ⁸For whenever I speak, I must cry out, I must shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. ⁹If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name," then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. ¹⁰For I hear many whispering: "Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. "Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him." ¹¹But the LORD is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. ¹²O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. ¹³Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

Word of God.

Word of Life. Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 69: 7-18

⁷Surely, for your sake I have suffered reproach, and shame has covered my face.

⁸I have become a stranger to my own kindred,

an alien to my mother's children.

⁹Zeal for your house has eaten me up; the scorn of those who scorn you has fallen upon me.

¹⁰I humbled myself with fasting, but that was turned to my reproach. R ¹¹I put on sackcloth also, and became a by-word among them.

¹²Those who sit at the gate murmur against me,

and the drunkards make songs about me.

¹³But as for me, this is my prayer to you, at the time you have set, O LORD: "In your great mercy, O God, answer me with your unfailing help.

¹⁴Save me from the mire; do not let me sink;

let me be rescued from those who hate me and out of the deep waters.

¹⁵Let not the torrent of waters wash over me, neither let the deep swallow me up; do not let the pit shut its mouth upon me.

¹⁶Answer me, O LORD, for your love is kind; in your great compassion, turn to me. ¹⁷Hide not your face from your servant; be swift and answer me, for I am in distress.

¹⁸Draw near to me and redeem me; because of my enemies deliver me.

Jeremiah accuses God of forcing him into a ministry that brings him onlv contempt and persecution. Yet Jeremiah is confident that God will be a strong protector against his enemies and commits his life into God's hands.

Answer me, O LORD, for your love is kind. (Ps. 69:16)

SECOND READING: Romans 6: 1b-11

In baptism we were incorporated into the reality of Christ's death and resurrection. We have been made new in Christ through his death and resurrection to live freed from sin. ^{1b}Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. ⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷For whoever has died is freed from sin. ⁸But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Word of Life. Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as you are comfortable.)



GOSPEL: Matthew 10: 24-39

The holy gospel according to...

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the twelve:]²⁴"A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; ²⁵ it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! ²⁶"So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. ⁷What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. ²⁸Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul: rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell.²⁹Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰And even the hairs of your head are all counted. ³¹So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. ³²"Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; ³³but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. ³⁴"Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. ³⁵For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; ³⁶ and one's foes will be members of one's own household. ³⁷Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; ³⁸and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it."

The Gospel of our Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated.)

Jesus warns his disciples that their ministry in his name will meet with opposition. However, he assures them that they need not fear for the truth will come to light. Life is found in Christ. HYMN OF THE DAY

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

APOSTLE'S CREED

hear our prayer.

(Please stand as you are comfortable.)

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,

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,

Trusting in God's abundant mercy, let us offer our prayers for a world in need.

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

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

the gospel with all the world. God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

If You But Trust in God to Guide You

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the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen. Renew our You entice your church to speak truth that challenges false notions of peace. Prevail upon us with the good news of Christ's death and resurrection, that we are compelled to share lives that we mav welcome and Under your watch not even a sparrow goes unnoticed. Safeguard plant and animal habitats care for one threatened by melting glaciers, rising oceans, and receding coastlines. Amplify the voices of another and those calling for responsible stewardship of the earth's resources. God, in your mercy, that we may live and Our world is enduring violence and destruction. Rescue your people in nations experiencing serve within conflict or crisis. Thwart the efforts of those who sow chaos and terror, and guide those the greater working to bring about peace and reconciliation. God, in your mercy, hear our prayer. community of Negaunee and the world. witnessing to others your

You have counted even the hairs of our heads. Reassure anyone experiencing poverty, homelessness, unemployment, or exploitation that every life has value. Look favorably upon all who struggle. Answer us, for your steadfast love is good. God, in your mercy, hear our praver.

A brief silence.

Even when we experience rejection your love invites us to new life. Lift up anyone who feels shunned or excluded on account of their gender, race, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, or any other human distinction. Make your people one. God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

All who have died with Christ also live with him. We give thanks for Philipp Melanchthon and all the saints whose faithful confession inspired our own discipleship, and raise us, with them, to eternal life. God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

(Please be seated.) MEAL

OFFERING

OFFERING SONG

(Please stand as you are comfortable.)

We Give Thee But Thine Own (vs. 1)

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.

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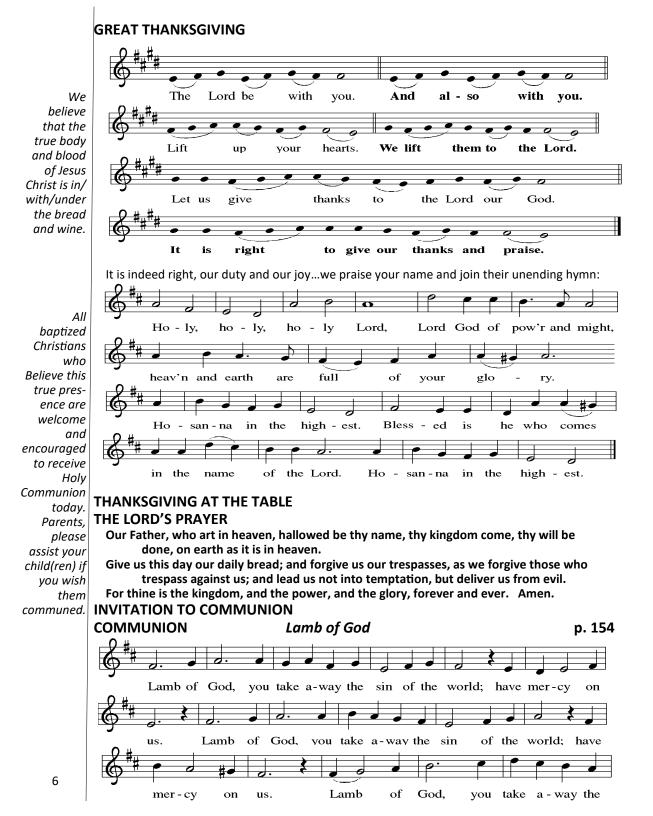
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abundant love, grace, and

welcome.





COMMUNION HYMNS:

Will You Come and Follow Me #798 Children of the Heavenly Father #781

(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

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 June 25, - July 2, 2023

*<u>SYMPATHY & GOD'S BLESSINGS TO</u>: Becky (Pat) DeWitt on the loss of her father, *Cameron Luke*, on Friday, June 9th. Also, condolences to his grandchildren: Taylor and Luke DeWitt and all of the DeWitt / Luke Family.

*<u>FELLOWSHIP HOUR</u>: Are you willing to help with Fellowship hour? Donations are needed such as bakery, crackers, cheese, fruit, or whatever suits your fancy, & cleanup! <u>Your Fellowship Hour</u> <u>committee for June will be FAITH FORMATION</u>. If it fits your schedule to bring items before Sunday morning, there are shelves in the refrigerator tagged for <u>Coffee hour</u>. Or leave on the counter marked "Coffee Hour". Please contact <u>Hayley Smith (906) 367-4295 or Paulette Patron (906) 361-1562</u> with your date & any item you wish to bring. (July's Fellowship Hour Committee is Social Ministry. If you can help with this, please call Linda Sjolund at 906-242-5020.)

*****"<u>GOT 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. <u>Contact Stacy McEachern for</u> scholarship details! Call or text: (906) 361-9123 or stacymc6@gmail.com. Get registered!

*<u>SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CONVERSATION</u> 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 *Ben Raymond*. The group continues meeting each Sunday until further notice.









*INSTANT CHURCH DIRECTORY To view the directory online, go to members.Instant



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*DISCONTINUING OF RECYCLING OF CANS/BOTTLES It was decided by the Parish Administrator Noreen Collins after discussing this with Faith Formation Committee person Paulette Patron and Youth Committee person, Stacy McEachern, that there will be a discontinuation of the program for recycling cans and bottles at Immanuel Lutheran Church. A Big Thank You goes out to Paulette Patron and her grandson Hadden for returning the last carload of cans! Thanks to all who contributed to this worthy cause over the years. This was a great fundraiser for the Youth Program, but it is time to say Goodbye!



*MONTHLY MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST: The men's prayer breakfast will be meeting NEXT Saturday, July 1st, from 8 am - 10 am in the Fellowship Hall. For more information or if you have questions, please call or text Walter Scanlon at 906-235-2294.



KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Pray For: 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.

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

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



VOLUNTEERS ASSISTING IN SERVICE

SERVING IN WORSHIP: Walter Scanlon Pastor Thomas Skrenes 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	- Reuven Romback - Scott Couture
6:00 pm GREETERS	- Diana Hetrick - Jim Hetrick
9:30 am USHERS	- Reuven Romback - Scott Couture
6:00 pm USHERS	- Diana Hetrick - Jim Hetrick
9:30 am LECTOR	- Alice Zinsser
6:00 pm LECTOR	- Tom Johnson
9:30 am COMM ASST'S	- Kathryn Sundine - Al Sundine - Deb Moyer
6:00 pm COM AST	- Connie Kemper
9:30 am Tech Team	- Tyler Moore

(Communion Set-up for June is Tyler Moore)

JUNE'S MONTHLY MISSION

IN JUNE our focus will be Answer the Call, an offering toward development of future pastors in our Northern Great Lakes Synod (NGLS). Support is given for current and future pastors by choosing a month in the Spring to receive a special offering for Answer the Call.

WHAT IS "ANSWER THE CALL"? It is an annual campaign of the Northern Great Lakes Synod to request financial support for both seminary students and current pastors still paying off the debt of their seminary degree. Gifts given to Answer the Call are divided equally between Seminarian Scholarships and the Endowment ministry for Clergy Debt Relief. We invite congregations and individuals to *answer the call* to give, so seminarians can *answer the call* to prepare for ministry, and pastors can *answer the call* to serve in the mostly rural context of the NGLS.

If you wish to give to Answer the Call, use the *June Monthly Mission envelope* from your offering envelope box or in some other way designate your gift. *Thank you for your generosity, and for your investment in the future leaders of our Church!*

Thank you for giving \$ 682.00 in May to <u>ELCA Missionary Support via Superior Central Conference.</u> The recipients will be richly blessed with your generosity! Thank you!



CALENDAR OF EVENTS June 25, 2023 - July 2, 2023

YOU CAN FIND ALL ONLINE INFORMATION REFERENCED BELOW AT... <u>www.ImmanuelNegaunee.org</u>

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Sunday	- 9:30 am	- Worship Services
-	- 10:30 am	- Coffee & Fellowship
		- Sunday Morning Bible Conversation (Today's leader is <i>Ben Raymond.)</i>
	- 7:30 pm	- AA Group Meets (men & women)
Monday	- 6:00 pm	- Worship Service
Wednesday	- 10:00 am	- Bible Study
Thursday	- 10:00 am	- Quilting
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