

Immanuel Lutheran Church and School

The Thread



Twentieth Sunday after Trinity ~ October 13th, 2024

Lectionary Summary:

Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

Isaiah 55:1-9

Ephesians 5:15-21

Matthew 22:1-14

Jesus Invites Us to His Wedding Feast to Receive Abundant Righteousness

The Holy Spirit sounds forth the Gospel call: “*See, I have prepared my dinner ... Come to the wedding feast*” (Matt. 22:1-14). But many reject this invitation in favor of worldly pursuits. And so the call goes out to others, both the good and the bad. For the wedding invitation is not based on the qualifications of those invited but on the basis of the merits and work of Christ. The feast is free: “*He who has no money, come, buy and eat ... delight yourselves in rich food.*” (Is. 55:1-9). Those rejecting the Spirit’s work shall experience God’s wrath and judgment. Those who are not clothed in Christ’s righteousness shall be cast into outer darkness where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Let us therefore seek the Lord while He may be found, for He will have mercy upon us. Let us redeem the time, being filled with the Spirit, giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ (Eph 5:15-21).



Sunday Divine Service - 9:00 am
Sunday Bible Study - 10:15 am

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MEMORY VERSE

**For the wages of
sin is death, but
the free gift of
God is eternal
life in Christ
Jesus our Lord.**

ROMANS 6:23



Live Broadcast

If you are unable to join us for church today, don't miss the opportunity to listen to our service live this morning at 9:00 a.m. on 103.9 FM WXAN. The radio broadcast re-airs on Sunday evenings at 9:00 p.m. You can also view the livestream or recording on our YouTube channel.

Church Announcements:

Bible Study Snacks: A big thank you to LWML as they will provide treats the entire month of October.

LWML Mites: The LWML will collect mites following the Divine Service this morning.

Sunday Bible Study: As we wrap up our study of the Ten Commandments, Pastor has a few ideas of what we could study in the coming weeks. Be sure to come downstairs following the Divine Service today for coffee, snacks, and (most importantly) fellowship around God's Word, so that you can also help decide what we study next.

Wednesday Bible Study: Gather to study God's Word each Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. This Bible study offers a wide array of topics and opportunity to explore questions and areas of interest as we dive into Scripture, the Lutheran Confessions, and the Christian devotional life.

"Gift Card" Baby Shower Basket: The ladies of the church are sponsoring a "Gift Card" baby shower for Pastor and Moriah's baby girl, Lydia Elizabeth. If you wish to participate, a basket will be placed on the table at the back of the church for you to place your card in. The basket will be available October 13th & 20th.

Trunk-or-Treat: Trunk-or-Treat will be Thursday, Oct. 31 from 5:00–8:00 pm. Contact Theresa Karg 618-534-8175 if you can participate. You will need to arrive at 4:30 pm that evening to get your car ready. Donated candy or prizes would be appreciated, any donations can be dropped off near the mailboxes in the church or in the church/school office.

Food Collection Drive; Church vs School: Immanuel Lutheran Church and School will be hosting a food collection drive, September 29–October 28. All food will be donated to the Murphysboro Food Pantry, just in time for Thanksgiving. While all foods are welcome, the MFP has requested the following items:

Ground Cinnamon, Garlic Powder, Canned Pumpkin Puree, Marshmallows, Jiffy Cornbread Mix, Canned Cream of Mushroom Soup, Shelf-Stable Pie Shells, Stuffing Mix



School Announcements:

This week was the end of our 1st Quarter of school. It's hard to believe we've been in school for over 40 days.

Save the Date: PTL's annual chicken and dumpling fundraiser will be held on Sunday, November 10.

The food collection is underway. Thank you to those who have already donated canned goods or shelf-stable items that will be donated to the Murphysboro Food Pantry. The collection ends on Sunday, October 27.

The 5th-8th grade classes are selling Cardinal calendars. They are \$20 per calendar. Last day to purchase is November 8th. Proceeds will help them take a field trip to the Ark Encounter and Creation Museum at the end of the school year. Please contact the church office if you would like to place an order.

– Veronica Manwaring, Principal



PTL's Chicken and Dumpling Dinner

Sunday, November 10, 2024
10:30am - 12:00pm
(or until sold out)

Carry-out Only

Enter double glass doors under portico between church and school

\$12 per meal which includes:
chicken and dumplings, mashed potatoes,
green beans, roll, and a dessert

\$12 for a 1 quart container of chicken and dumplings
MUST be pre-ordered by Friday, November 1

*If ordering 5 or more meals, please pre-order by
Friday, November 1*

HURRICANE HELENE UPDATE



PRAYER

Lord of heaven and earth, we know that you hold all things and people in Your hands. In your mercy, provide for the needs of those who have been affected, in big ways or small, by Hurricane Helene. Work through the efforts of those who bring relief, aid and comfort, and protect all involved from any further harm. Most of all, help us to keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith. In His name we pray. Amen.

HURRICANE HELENE made landfall near Perry, Fla., on Sept. 26 as a Category 4 storm. Since that time, it has left a devastating trail of death and destruction across the southeastern United States. The death toll is currently estimated at more than 180 people in six states.

On Sept. 30, the Rev. Dr. Ross Johnson, director of LCMS Disaster Response, departed for a multi-day visit to assess the damage, after which an initial response plan will be developed in cooperation with the districts affected. Other LCMS districts and Recognized Service Organizations are also assisting with the response.

While early reports seemed to indicate the damage would not be extensive, that quickly changed. In Florida, the Tampa and St. Petersburg areas sustained severe flooding, with multiple homes taking in water, making them currently uninhabitable. Meanwhile, south-central Georgia experienced significant tree damage, and western North Carolina — particularly Asheville — remains in dire conditions, with closed roads impeding transportation, and widespread power and cellular outages making communication difficult or impossible.

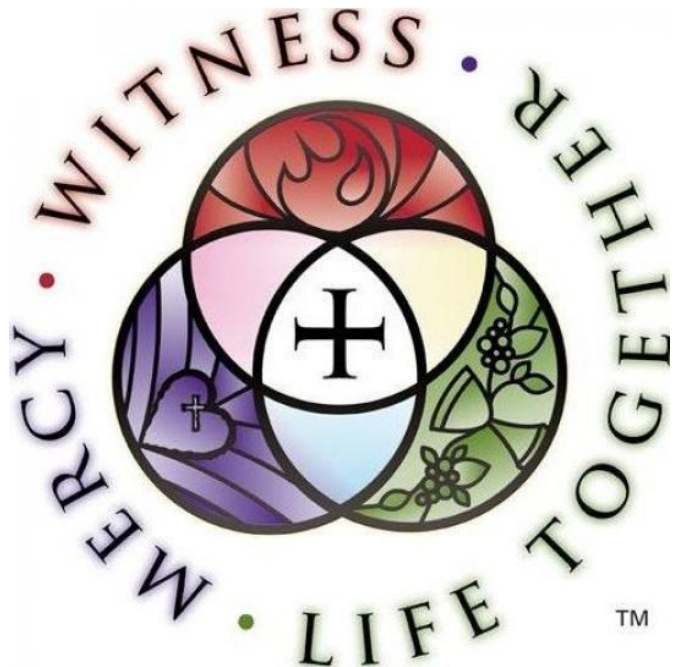
Johnson encourages everyone in the LCMS to take part in the response as they are able. First, and most important, please pray for those affected by the storms. Second, consider volunteering to assist with the response. Third, consider a gift to LCMS Disaster Response.



LCMS Disaster Response:

To Volunteer:

Visit lcms-lert.org



Ways To Give:

Visit lcms.org/givenow/disaster

Text “LCMSDISASTERS” to 41444

Call the LCMS toll-free gift line between 8 a.m. and 4:10 p.m.(CT) at 888-930-4438

Mail – Make checks payable to “The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod” (or “LCMS”). On the memo line, write “Disaster Response” and mail to the LCMS, P.O. Box 66861, St. Louis, MO 63166-6861.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

KIDS' SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School lessons are taught by Mrs. Michele Carter

SUNDAYS FROM 10:15AM-11:15AM
CAFETERIA IN CHURCH BASEMENT

All children are welcome!



Important Dates in the Church:

17 October

Ignatius of Antioch, Pastor and Martyr

Ignatius was the bishop of Antioch in Syria at the beginning of the second century AD and an early Christian martyr. Near the end of the reign of the Roman Emperor Trajan (AD 98–117), Ignatius was arrested, taken in chains to Rome, and eventually thrown to the wild beasts in the arena. On the way to Rome, he wrote letters to the Christians at Ephesus, Magnesia, Tralles, Rome, Philadelphia, and Smyrna, as well as to Polycarp, bishop of Smyrna. In the letters, which are beautifully pastoral in tone, Ignatius warned against certain heresies (false teachings). He also repeatedly stressed the full humanity and deity of Christ, the reality of Christ's bodily presence in the Lord's Supper, the supreme authority of the bishop, and the unity of the Church found in her bishops. Ignatius was the first to use the word *catholic* to describe the universality of the Church. His Christ-centeredness, his courage in the face of martyrdom, and his zeal for the truth over against false doctrine are a lasting legacy to the Church.*

18 October

St. Luke, Evangelist

St. Luke, the beloved physician referred to by St. Paul (Colossians 4:14), presents us with Jesus, whose blood provides the medicine of immortality. As his traveling companion, Paul claimed Luke's Gospel as his own for its healing of souls (Eusebius). Luke traveled with Paul during the second missionary journey, joining him after Paul received his Macedonian call to bring the Gospel to Europe (Acts 16:10–17). Luke most likely stayed behind in Philippi for seven years, rejoining Paul at the end of the third missionary journey in Macedonia. He traveled with Paul to Troas, Jerusalem, and Caesarea, where Paul was imprisoned for two year (Acts 20:5–21:18). While in Caesarea, Luke may have researched material that he used in his Gospel. Afterward, Luke accompanied Paul on his journey to Rome (Acts 27:1–28:16). Especially beloved in Luke's Gospel are the stories of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:29–37), the prodigal son (Luke 15:11–32), the rich man and Lazarus (Luke 16:19–31), and the Pharisee and the tax collector (Luke 18:9–14). Only Luke provides a detailed account of a Christ's birth (Luke 2:1–20) and the canticles of Mary (Luke 1:46–55), of Zechariah (Luke 1:68–79), and of Simeon (Luke 2:29–32). To show how Christ continued His work in the Early Church through the apostles, Luke also penned the Acts of the Apostles. More than one-third of the New Testament comes from the hand of the evangelist Luke.*



Weekly Small Catechism Readings:

The following chart may be used to pray through the entire Small Catechism weekly.

Sunday <i>Before Divine Service</i>	Christian Q & A
Sunday <i>After Divine Service</i>	Table of Duties
Monday	The Ten Commandments
Tuesday	The Creed
Wednesday	The Lord's Prayer
Thursday	The Sacrament of Holy Baptism
Friday	Confession
Saturday	The Sacrament of the Altar

Daily Lectionary Readings:

Join in the congregation's daily devotional life with this week's readings.

Date	Old Testament Reading	New Testament Reading
10/6	Deuteronomy 5:22—6:9	Matthew 9:1—17
10/7	Deuteronomy 6:10—25	Matthew 9:18—38
10/8	Deuteronomy 7:1—19	Matthew 10:1—23
10/9	Deuteronomy 8:1—20	Matthew 10:24—42
10/10	Deuteronomy 9:1—22	Matthew 11:1—19
10/11	Deuteronomy 9:23—10:22	Matthew 11:20—30
10/12	Deuteronomy 11:1—25	Matthew 12:1—21

Stewardship Thoughts:

Isaiah 55:2 – “Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy?”

What Isaiah says here is reminiscent of what Jesus says about putting our earthly wealth in places where “moth and rust destroy” (Matt. 6:19). Where we put the money God has given us to manage says a lot about the way in which we actually view life. What do your spending priorities say about what you think is truly important in life?

Prepare for Worship Next Week:

13 October

Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity

Hymn of the Day:

LSB 607 From Depths of Woe I Cry to Thee

Readings:

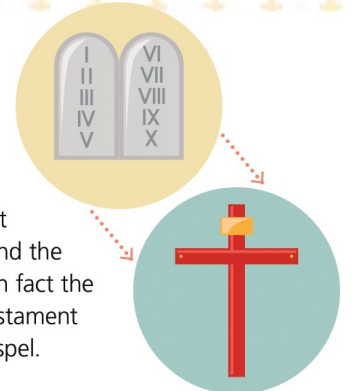
Genesis 1:1—2:3

Ephesians 6:10—17

John 4:46—54



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**KIDS IN THE
DIVINE SERVICE**
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Law and Gospel

Many people wrongly think that the Old Testament is the Law and the New Testament is the Gospel. In fact the Old Testament and the New Testament each contain both Law and Gospel.

What are the basics of the Law and the Gospel?

The Law teaches us God's will for how we live, namely the Ten Commandments. God's Law demands perfection, but it is impossible to be perfect. According to the Law, we are sinners, and are in big trouble with God. We need someone to save us. The Law shows us our sins.

The Gospel tells us what Jesus has done to save us from our sins. But the Gospel doesn't stop there. It tells us what Jesus continues to do for us because of His great love for us. The Gospel shows us our Savior, Jesus!

An easy way to remember all of this is to think of the following letters: S.O.S. The Law “shows our sins” while the Gospel “shows our Savior”!



Parents: Distinguishing between Law and Gospel is a life-long venture of study. Perhaps you or your child can take notes during the sermon. Following the Divine Service, discuss these notes, identifying the Law and the Gospel in the sermon.



Service Participants - This and Next Week

Sunday, October 13th, 2024

Organist: Landon Hicks

Elder: Charlie Homan

Ushers: Bryan Hollmann, Orval Rowe, Josh Proctor, Scott Maloney & Charlie Homan

Altar Guild: Paula Wheeler & Jean Winters

Acolyte: Gage Pittman

Greeters: Terry & Jan Estel

Sunday, October 20th, 2024

Organist: Landon Hicks

Elder: Mike Clough

Ushers: Bryan Hollmann, Orval Rowe, Josh Proctor, Scott Maloney & Charlie Homan

Altar Guild: Paula Wheeler & Jean Winters

Acolyte: Jackson Fager

Greeters: Susan Beckman & girls

Offering Income from last week:

October 6th, 2024:

Regular Offerings \$ 7,860.00

Loose Plate \$ 174.00

Total Offerings \$ 8,034.00

Restricted Funds:

Memorials \$ 50.00

Attendance:

October 6th, 2024: 122



Anniversaries:

† 10-16 Scott & Valerie Draves

† 10-18 Will & Jennifer Fox

Birthdays:

† 10-14 Brian Manwaring

† 10-14 Laura Lynn Mueller

† 10-15 Bernadine Ihle

† 10-15 Carsyn Karg

† 10-16 Eric Hollmann

† 10-16 Tonya Walker

† 10-18 Sue Williams

† 10-18 Forrest Miesner

Baptismal Anniversaries:

† 10-15 Landon Hicks

† 10-15 Rob Hicks

† 10-17 Sara Streuter

† 10-19 Emily Newton

Immanuel Families:

† Bryce & Janet Cramer

† Loraine Cramer

† Tony, Michelle & Andrew Cramer



Comfort, health, recovery:

† Those in the Armed Forces, Law Enforcement, Fire, Emergency Medical Services, & Healthcare

† David Arbeiter

† Brenda Miesner

† Norman Beckman

† Nelda Miesner

† Leah Carter

† Wilma Nelson

† Lydia Christian

† Don Porter

† Ben Dallas

† Jeff Presutti

† Valerie Draves

† Amanda Reinhardt

† Tina Doan

† Sarah Reitzel

† Paul Estel

† Becky Streuter

† Terry Estel

† Alice Svanda

† Annette Etherton

† Brenda Todd

† Jane Gilbert

† Evie Todd

† David Gregory

† Richard Weber

† Marilyn Imhoff

† Sue Williams

† Virginia Lewis

† Beth Zobel

† Ron Manwaring

† Carol Zobel

† Rev. Ted Mayes

Let us pray at all times in the Spirit with boldness and confidence — making supplication for all the saints (Ephesians 6:18).
✠ Pastor Christian



October BIRTHDAYS

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| 10-3 Carolyn Guetersloh | 10-14 Laura Lynn Mueller |
| 10-3 Jason Jarrett | 10-15 Bernadine Ihle |
| 10-4 Erica Clendenin | 10-15 Carsyn Karg |
| 10-5 Javen McRoberts | 10-16 Eric Hollmann |
| 10-6 Sara Streuter | 10-16 Tonya Walker |
| 10-6 Richard Weber | 10-18 Sue Williams |
| 10-6 Julie Marik | 10-18 Forrest Miesner |
| 10-6 Laura Holmes | 10-20 Audrey Vaughn |
| 10-7 AJ Boese | 10-20 Maebrie Middendorf |
| 10-7 Nancy Wright | 10-21 Austin Jarrett |
| 10-9 Lloyd Mueller | 10-23 Elizabeth VanOver |
| 10-10 Jeff Presutti | 10-24 Sarah MacFarlane |
| 10-10 Abby Beckman | 10-27 Leah MacFarlane |
| 10-11 Gage Pittman | 10-28 Judy Dempsey |
| 10-11 Eli Pittman | 10-28 Jim Zobel |
| 10-12 Charles Williams | 10-31 Richard Arbeiter |
| 10-14 Brian Manwaring | |

Altar Guild

- Paula Wheeler
- Jean Winters

Ushers

- Bryan Hollmann
- Orval Rowe
- Josh Proctor
- Scott Maloney
- Charlie Homan

Organists

- 10-6 Landon Hicks
- 10-13 Landon Hicks
- 10-20 Landon Hicks
- 10-27 Corey Williams

Elders

- 10-6 Bryce Mueller
- 10-13 Charlie Homan
- 10-20 Mike Clough
- 10-27 Jeff Streuter

Acolytes

- 10-6 Parker Closson
- 10-13 Gage Pittman
- 10-20 Jackson Fager
- 10-27 Ryker Gregory



October ANNIVERSARIES

- 10-1 Rick & Cindy Fager
- 10-2 Larry & Jo Troue
- 10-2 Scott & Paula Wheeler
- 10-2 David & Cindy Gregory
- 10-4 Kyle & Rachel Fager
- 10-5 Corey & Tina Jarrett
- 10-9 Jeff & Nancy Wright
- 10-12 Scott & Angie Imhoff
- 10-16 Scott & Valerie Draves
- 10-18 Will & Jennifer Fox
- 10-20 Brett & Lindsey Closson
- 10-20 Len & Cindy Novara
- 10-23 Mark & Lana Graff
- 10-25 Bryce & Jan Cramer
- 10-25 Eldon & Debbie Dunn



Fall for Jesus
HE NEVER
LEAVES

OCTOBER 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Pastor on Paternity Leave 6:30 pm School Board Mtg.	2 Pastor on Paternity Leave 8:30 am Chapel	3 Pastor on Paternity Leave	4 Pastor's Day Off	5
6 9:00 am Divine Service K-1 Students Sing 10:15 am Bible Study/ Sunday School	7 6:30 pm Elders Mtg.	8	9 8:30 am Chapel 10:30 am Bible Study	10	11 Pastor's Day Off No School	12
13 9:00 am Divine Service 10:15 am Bible Study/ Sunday School	14 Columbus Day No School/Office Closed 6pm PTL Mtg	15	16 8:30 am Chapel 10:30 am Bible Study	17	18 Pastor's Day Off	19
20 9:00 am Divine Service 2-8 Students Sing 10:15 am Bible Study/ Sunday School	21 6:30 pm Board of Directors Mtg.	22	23 8:30 am Chapel 10:30 am Bible Study	24	25 School Noon Dismissal Pastor's Day Off	26
27 9:00 am Divine Service 10:15 am Bible Study/ Sunday School	28	29	30 8:30 am Chapel	31 Halloween Reformation Day 5:00-8:00 pm Trunk-or-Treat		