

THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY



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WELCOME VISITORS

Today we celebrate the Sacrament of our Lord Jesus Christ's true body and blood. Since receiving the Lord's Supper expresses fellowship with the Lord and agreement with the teaching of the pastor and congregation, we follow the Biblical practice of closed communion. All guests are kindly asked to speak with Pastor Braaten before communing at our altar. Normally, members from congregations of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod are welcome to partake, as are people from churches in fellowship with the LCMS.

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Divine Service, Setting Three with Holy Communion

5:30 PM

9:00 AM

Saturday, August 16, 2014

Sunday, August 17, 2014

Stand

The PROCESSIONAL HYMN

LSB 504 "Father Most Holy"

The INVOCATION, CONFESSION, and ABSOLUTION

LSB 184

The INTROIT

Ps. 54:1–3, 7; antiphon: Ps. 54:4–5



Behold, God is my | helper;
the Lord is the upholder | of my life.
He will return the evil to my | enemies;*
in your faithfulness put an | end to them.*

**O God, save me, | by your name,*
and vindicate me | by your might.**

O God, | hear my prayer;
give ear to the words | of my mouth.*

**For strangers have risen against me; ruthless men | seek my life;*
they do not set God be- | fore themselves.**

For he has delivered me from every | trouble,
and my eye has looked in triumph on my | enemies.*

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

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The KYRIE

LSB 186

The GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

LSB 187–189

The SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

LSB 189

P Let us pray,

C Let Your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of Your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions, make them to ask such things as shall please You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen. (*Sung*)

Sit

The FIRST READING

2 Samuel 22:26–34

“With the merciful you show yourself merciful; with the blameless man you show yourself blameless; with the purified you deal purely, and with the crooked you make yourself seem tortuous. You save a humble people, but your eyes are on the haughty to bring them down. For you are my lamp, O LORD, and my God lightens my darkness. For by you I can run against a troop, and by my God I can leap over a wall. This God—his way is perfect; the word of the LORD proves true; he is a shield for all those who take refuge in him. “For who is God, but the LORD? And who is a rock, except our God?”

This God is my strong refuge and has made my way blameless. He made my feet like the feet of a deer and set me secure on the heights.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

And he called him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager.’

And the manager said to himself, ‘What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.’ So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he said to the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ He said, ‘A hundred measures of oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.’ Then he said to another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He said, ‘A hundred measures of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and write eighty.’ The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ. (*Sung*)

The NICENE CREED

LSB 191

Sit

The HYMN OF THE DAY

LSB 730 “What Is the World to Me”

The SERMON

Stand

The OFFERTORY

LSB 192

Sit

The OFFERING

Stand

The OFFERING RESPONSE

**We give Thee but Thine own; Whate’er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone; A trust, O Lord, from Thee.**

**May we Thy bounties thus; As stewards true receive,
And gladly, as Thou blessest us, To Thee our first fruits give!**

The PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Lord, in Your mercy.

C Hear our prayer.

The SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

LSB 194–199

Sit

The HYMN

LSB 497 “Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord”

LSB 566 “By Grace I’m Saved”

Stand

The NUNC DIMITTIS

LSB 199–200

The SALUTATION, BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION

LSB 201–202

The RECESSIONAL HYMN

LSB 708 “Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart”

SERVING TODAY

CELEBRANT.....*Rev. Jason M. Braaten*

ORGANIST.....*Mr. Glenn Linstead*

Mrs. Leigh Ann Whitson

CANTOR.....*Miss Alexis Nau*

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ATTENDANCE

Saturday 18
Sunday 73

OFFERINGS

General Fund..... \$1,933.00
YTD Budgeted..... \$104,273.40
YTD Actual..... \$98,774.85

FUNERAL CHAIR

*Tammy Kresin—August
Joan Rahn—September*

COFFEE COMMITTEE

*Harold & Irene Wattjes—August
Ann Carroll—September*

ALTAR FLOWERS

Mike & Tina Russo

GREETERS

Today..... *Ruth Sims (West)
Tim & Teri Pollock (East)*
Next Week..... *Donna Campbell (West)
Harold Wattjes (East)*

COMMUNION HELPERS

Today..... *Ronald Legg
Wanda Long, Marissa Russo*
Next Week..... *Mark Whitson
Sherrie Hoel, Lexi Russo*

ACOLYTES

Today..... *Gunnar Campbell (Crucifer)
Caleb Stumeier (Torches)
Coulson Poffenberger (Torches)
Ethan Stumeier (Gospel)*
Next Week..... *Gunnar Campbell (Crucifer)
Ethan Stumeier (Torches)
Josh Dyer (Torches)
Caleb Stumeier (Gospel)*

THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL

Sunday (8/17)	9:00 AM	Divine Service with Holy Communion
	10:30 AM	Bible Class
Monday–Thursday		No Matins
Saturday	5:30 PM	Divine Service with Holy Communion
Sunday (8/24)	9:00 AM	Divine Service with Holy Communion
	10:30 AM	Bible Class

IN OUR PRAYERS

HEALTH CONCERNS: Brenda Bunting; Ellie Crawford; Whitney Czerwonka; DeDe Eversole; Jim Harbaugh; Erica Kremitzki; Amy Lee; Barb Pearson; Fred Rahn; Dana Stenger.

SEMINARY STUDENT: Dustin Fry.

HOMEBOUND: Bernita Ashwill; Bessie Benson; Cora Jahnke; Neil Olinger; Corinne Oye; Art Rahn; Ruth Rentschler.

MILITARY: Jeremy Gordon; Jack Leonard; Sam Leonard; Jake Lindgren; Raymond Longtin; Joey Pollock; Chase Reifsteck; Blake Stokes; Paige Stokes; Ruben Wilson.

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS . . . Jer 8:4–12; 1 Cor 12:1–11; Luke 19:41–48.

ABOUT THIS WEEK'S READINGS . . . *“The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness”* (Luke 16:1–9). The steward's shrewdness is praiseworthy for two reasons. First, he knew the master would be merciful. He trusted that the master would honor the debts he forgave in the master's name. In the same way, though we have squandered our heavenly Father's possessions in selfishness and sin, Jesus is the Steward who has canceled our debt, knowing that His forgiveness will be honored by the Father because of the holy cross. Secondly, the steward was shrewd in using oil and wheat to provide for his earthly welfare. So also do these earthly elements aid us when pressed into heavenly use in the anointing of baptism and the wheat of the Lord's Supper. Those who have the Sacraments will have an eternal home when their earthly home fails. These provide us aid in times of temptation (1 Cor. 10:6–13). For the Lord is our strength and a shield to all who trust in Him (2 Sam. 22:26–34).

THOUGHTS ABOUT STEWARDSHIP . . . Luke 16:8 “For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light.” Money is a tool that can be used for good or wicked purposes. Often unbelievers show more shrewdness in this than we Christians. If we really believe all that stuff we say in the Creed every Sunday . . . won't that affect how we use our money?

THE ALTAR FLOWERS . . . are given by Mike & Tina Russo to the glory of God in thanksgiving for all the help and support from Immanuel when Marissa was ill in church.

THANK YOU . . . to all of you who helped at the church clean-up day. Much was accomplished and the building and grounds are ready for another year of Sunday School, Catechism, and much, much, more.

EXPERT GUESTS, EXPANSIVE TOPICS, EXTOLLING CHRIST . . . Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show hosted by LCMS pastor, Rev Todd Wilken, and produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, Illinois. You can listen at your convenience at www.issuesetc.org.

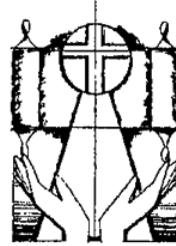
PEACE MEALS . . . August is Immanuel's month to deliver Peace Meals. Peace Meals delivers Monday–Thursday, beginning at 11:00 AM. Team up with someone from church to help get these low-cost, nutritious meals to those in need. Please contact Roger & Wanda Long to volunteer.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER NEEDED . . . for the 2014–2015 Academic Year. If you are willing to teach for one, two, or three months out of the year, please contact Pastor Braaten. We are in need of one teacher for the 4th–6th grade class. If this position is not filled those grades will not have Sunday School.

PASTOR WILL BE AWAY . . . on vacation August 18–August 31. If you have an emergency and need to contact him, you may do so on his mobile phone (217) 460-2077, or you may contact one of the Elders.

THERE ARE STILL . . . openings to put flowers on the Altar. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the hallway by the sanctuary or call the church office. Flowers are \$30.00 and can be special ordered. Flowers can be taken home after the Sunday's service.

Kids in the DIVINE SERVICE



What is the “Prayer of the Church”?

The Prayer of the Church, or the “Prayers” as it is sometimes called, is the part in the service where the pastor leads us through a series of petitions, or prayers, with responses from the congregation. For example, after each petition the pastor may say: “Let us pray to the Lord,” and the congregation may respond with “Lord, have mercy.” See if you can find the Prayer of the Church in your hymnal. Try to find the other response that the pastor and congregation might say.

Why do we do this in the Divine Service?

Do you know anyone who needs praying for? Wouldn't you like to have the rest of the congregation praying for that person too? If so, then this is a good time to do it! During the Prayer of the Church, we pray for all of the people of our congregation, particularly those who are sick and shut-in. We also pray for our missionaries, for our government, for all believers and many others. No wonder it's called the Prayer of the Church!

FOR PARENTS

Before the Divine Service, remind your children to pay close attention to the words of the prayers. Encourage them to join in the responses with the rest of the congregation. Try using these responses in your prayers at home.

A PRAYER FOR IMMANUEL

My dear Lord Jesus, I want to know You as Savior and Friend, Help me to grow into a mature disciple so that I can demonstrate God's love and forgiveness in all I do. Teach me to share my faith in You and to serve others in my vocation. Make Immanuel Lutheran Church a place where lost and hurting people find friendship, forgiveness, and faith, and where Christians gather to serve You in love for one another, for the community, and for the world. Amen.

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