

# **Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**

10:30 A.M. Worship with Eucharist August 5, 2018

## Welcome!

Immanuel Lutheran Church is a Reconciling in Christ congregation.

We welcome people of every age and size, color and culture, every sexual orientation and gender identity, socio-economic status and marital status, every ability and challenge.

We welcome believers and questioners, and questioning believers.

We're glad God has called you here today! If you're a guest, please feel free to introduce yourself to our pastor or assisting minister. If you would, sign the guest book in the Gathering Area or fill in a guest card, and we'll be happy to send information on how you can get involved at Immanuel.

#### **Facilities**

- Our parking lot is located on the south side of the church off Sherman Avenue. You may park in the lot at any
  time, whether for church events or for shopping or other errands in downtown Evanston; weekdays, see the
  church office at the Lake St. entrance to get a parking pass. On Sundays, additional parking is available across
  the street at the Holiday Inn or in Lot 6 on Lake St. across from the Police and Fire Headquarters. Parking
  meters are free on Sunday!
- The parking lot entrance is an accessible entrance. An elevator is located just inside that door.
- Restrooms are downstairs near the meeting of the two hallways. Accessible restrooms are located near the
  elevator on both upper and lower levels. A gender-neutral restroom is located on the lower level by the
  elevator.
- We love having children in worship! There is a nursery and changing/crying room for parents to use, if needed, located downstairs. There are also changing tables in both restrooms on this level, by the elevator. An usher will be happy to direct you.
- Hearing assistance is available. Ask an usher for equipment.
- Wi-Fi is available throughout most of the building. The network is "Immanuel," password "allarewelcome". Please use the Internet responsibly!

#### **About Our Worship**

Our Sunday worship is organized around the proclamation of the Word of God and the celebration of the Lord's Supper. It has a familiar form each week, but the content changes for each service according to a calendar shared with many other Christians. Our hymnal, *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*, is organized so that page numbers for the liturgy are in the front part of the book, while hymn numbers are in the second part. The liturgy and hymns are printed in this bulletin, but page numbers are provided for those who wish to follow along in the hymnal.

## **Receiving Holy Communion**

We invite you to share with us in the sacramental meal, because Christ himself invites you! At the direction of the usher, come forward if you are able, and kneel at the altar rail, starting at the walls. Receive the bread in the palm of your hand. (Gluten-free wafers are available. Just ask the pastor.) You may eat it immediately, then take the silver chalice and drink from it or, if you prefer, take a small cup from the tray. The cups in the outer ring contain wine. The cups in the center contain grape juice. As you return to your seat place your empty cup in the trays provided at the ends of the front pews. Return to your place via the side aisles after you have communed. If you need to have Communion brought to you, please sit on the aisle, and let either the pastor or an usher know before the service that you would like to commune at your seat. If you desire a blessing but not the sacrament, you are invited to come forward with everyone else and fold your arms over your chest to indicate this.

# **Gathering:** The Holy Spirit assembles us as the People of God ...

Apparently not satisfied by Jesus' feeding of thousands, some who were there press him for a sign of his power; perhaps it is daily manna they want. As always in John's Gospel when people want a sign, Jesus offers himself. He is the Bread come from heaven to give life to the world. He calls us to come to him and believe in him, and through that relationship to know the one who sent him.

**P:** Presiding Minister **L:** Leader/Assisting Minister **R:** Reader **A:** Assembly + All may make the sign of the cross.

#### **Pre-Service Music**

Variations on Communion Hymns

Bach, Walther, et. al.

## **Confession and Forgiveness**

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, full of compassion and mercy, abounding in steadfast love.
- A Amen.
- P Trusting God's promise of forgiveness, let us confess our sin against God and one another.
  - Silence for reflection and self-examination.
- P Eternal God our creator,
- A in you we live and move and have our being.

Look upon us, your children, the work of your hands.

Forgive us all our offenses,

and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires.

By your grace draw us near to you, our refuge and our strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

- P Since we are justified by faith,
  - we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

God's love has been poured into our hearts

through the Holy Spirit given to us.

In the mercy of almighty God,

Christ died for us while we still were sinners;

and for his sake, God + forgives you all your sins.

A Amen.

# **Gathering Song**



# Greeting

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

# A And also with you!

Kyrie



Canticle of Praise Hymnal 163



## **Prayer of the Day**

- P Let us pray. O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- A Amen.

The Assembly is seated.

#### Welcome and Announcements

Word: God speaks to us in scripture, preaching, and song ...

## **Reading from the Hebrew Scriptures**

Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

R A reading from Exodus.

<sup>2</sup>The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. <sup>3</sup>The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

<sup>4</sup>Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not."

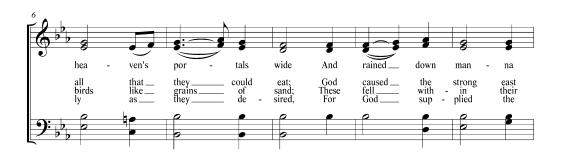
<sup>9</sup>Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.'" <sup>10</sup>And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. <sup>11</sup>The LORD spoke to Moses and said, <sup>12</sup>"I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.'"

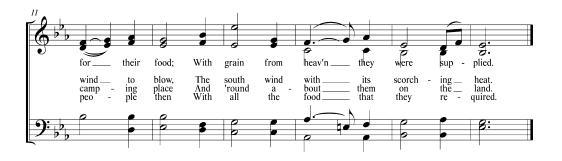
<sup>13</sup>In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. <sup>14</sup>When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. <sup>15</sup>When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat."

- R Word of God, word of life.
- A Thanks be to God!

# Psalm 78:23-29







## **Reading from the New Testament**

Ephesians 4:1-16

R A reading from the Letter to the Ephesians.

<sup>1</sup>I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, <sup>2</sup>with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, <sup>3</sup>making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. <sup>4</sup>There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, <sup>5</sup>one Lord, one faith, one baptism, <sup>6</sup>one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

<sup>7</sup>But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. <sup>8</sup>Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people." <sup>9</sup>(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? <sup>10</sup>He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) <sup>11</sup>The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, <sup>12</sup>to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, <sup>13</sup>until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. <sup>14</sup>We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. <sup>15</sup>But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, <sup>16</sup>from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

R Word of God, word of life.

#### A Thanks be to God!

The Assembly stands to greet the Good News of Jesus.

# **Gospel Acclamation**

Hymnal 174



Gospel John 6:24–35

P This is the Good News of Jesus Christ according to John.

## A Glory to you, O Lord!

<sup>4</sup>When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were [beside the sea,] they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

<sup>25</sup>When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" <sup>26</sup>Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. <sup>27</sup>Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." <sup>28</sup>Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" <sup>29</sup>Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." <sup>30</sup>So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? <sup>31</sup>Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" <sup>32</sup>Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. <sup>33</sup>For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." <sup>34</sup>They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

<sup>35</sup>Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

# A Praise to you, O Christ!

The Gospel Acclamation is sung once again. The Assembly is then seated.

#### Sermon

#### Time of Silence

A bell will chime to begin a time of silence for reflection.

During this time, you may want to meditate on one word or phrase from the scriptures or from the sermon that stands out to you, asking the Spirit to show you how it applies to your own life.

When the bell sounds a second time, the Assembly stands to respond to the Word.



## The Apostles' Creed

- L With the whole Church, let us profess our faith.
- A 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 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.

he ascended into heaven,

## **Prayers of the People**

- L Trusting in our loving and almighty God who abundantly provides the bread of life to all who hunger, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.
- L Holy God, you give gifts and talents to every member of the church. We pray for our bishops, Elizabeth and Wayne, our pastor, Keith, our president, Sara, our Council, and for all whom you have called here in your name. Strengthen all your children and bring them to a full understanding and maturity in Christ. Lord, in your mercy,

# A hear our prayer.

L Creator God, our complex and wonderful world is a sure sign of your abundance and care. Provide for every creature, and rain down the bread of heaven that gives life to the world. Protect from the ravages of fire all who stand in harm's way. Lord, in your mercy,

# A hear our prayer.

L Peaceful God, draw the nations of the world to harmony and mutual understanding. Bind all of humanity in the unity of love and peace that comes through the Spirit. Lord, in your mercy,

# A hear our prayer.

L Gracious God, we pray for those who are hungry, homeless, and who have lost family or friends. Lead them to places of safety, food, and rest. We pray especially for Serena Bernstein, Margaret Carlson, Lynn Carson, Bob Fried, Kimberly Gann, Virginia Giraldo, Jennifer Grethe, the family of Dick Heisler, Judy Hokenson, Ron Laudert, Richard Lewis, Joe Skelton, John and Doris

Strom, and those we name now aloud or in our hearts [...]. Satisfy the desire of every living thing. Lord, in your mercy,

#### A hear our prayer.

L Merciful God, you have brought us all together in this time and place. Bless this congregation, including those who are absent, and draw us into closer communion with you, each other, and our community. Lord, in your mercy,

#### A hear our prayer.

- L And now, sisters and brothers, for what else shall we pray?

  The petitions and thanksgivings of the Assembly, silent or spoken aloud, are invited.
- L Lord, in your mercy,

# A hear our prayer.

L Infinite God, we praise you for the lives of those who have died in Christ, remembering especially Dominic, Lawrence, and Clare. Keep our hearts in hope, for we have all received the food that endures to eternal life. Lord, in your mercy,

## A hear our prayer.

P Almighty and loving God, we look to you in hope and trust, knowing that you will do far more than we can ask or imagine, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

#### A Amen.

#### Peace

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

# A And also with you.

Greet one another in the peace of Christ, saying "Peace be with you," "The peace of the Lord," or similar words.

If you prefer not to shake hands, you might raise your hand in a gesture of blessing
as you speak peace to your neighbors. After the Peace, all return to their seats.

**Offering** An offering is gathered for doing God's mission, including the care of those in need.

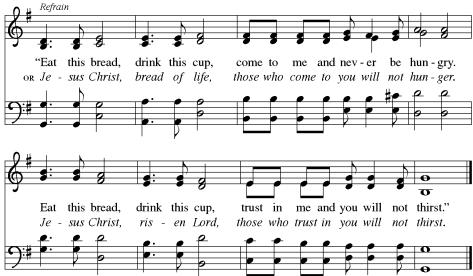
Offering Music "Trio"

#### **Presentation of the Gifts**

"Eat This Bread" Hymnal 472

Rheinberger

Continue singing as the gifts are brought forward and the Table is prepared.



## **Offering Prayer**

- L Let us pray.
- A Merciful God, you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## The Great Thanksgiving

## Dialogue

- P The Lord be with you!
- A And also with you!
- P Lift up your hearts.
- A We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- A It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### **Preface**

P It is indeed right to give you our thanks and praise, O God, for you have sent us bread from heaven to give life to the whole world. You are above all and through all and in all, and by your word all things were created. You fed your people with manna from heaven, and even when they defied you, if they turned from their callous ways, you fed them again with your wisdom and truth.

In your Son, Jesus Christ, you have offered yourself to us as the bread of life that we might be nourished and built up as one body in the bond of peace. Though he was murdered by the powers of this world, you raised him from the depths of the earth to fill the whole universe with his gifts and baptize all things into one body, held together by one Spirit, under one Lord.

Therefore, with hearts full of gratitude, we sing joyfully, giving thanks to you, who are both Father and Mother to us, at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. We join our voices with Dominic, Lawrence, and Clare, and with all your holy ones of all times and places. With earth and all its creatures, with sun, moon, and stars, with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your Name, and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy Hymnal, p. 193



## Thanksgiving at the Table

P Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal:

you we praise and glorify, you we worship and adore.

You formed the earth from chaos; you encircled the globe with air;

you created fire for warmth and light; you nourish the lands with water.

You molded us in your image,

and with mercy higher than the mountains, with grace deeper than the seas, you blessed the Israelites and cherished them as your own.

That also we, estranged and dying, might be adopted to live in your Spirit, you called to us through the life and death of Jesus.

In the night in which he was betrayed,

our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;

broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,

and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

P Together as the body of Christ,

we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:

#### A Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

P With this bread and cup we remember your Son, the first-born of your new creation.

We remember his life lived for others, and his death and resurrection, which renews the face of the earth.

We await his coming, when, with the world made perfect through your wisdom, all our sins and sorrows will be no more.

# A Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

P Holy God, holy and merciful one, holy and compassionate,

send upon us and this meal your Holy Spirit,

whose breath revives us for life, whose fire rouses us to love.

Enfold in your arms all who share this holy food.

Nurture in us the fruits of the Spirit,

that we may be a living tree, sharing your bounty with all the world.

# A Amen. Come, Holy Spirit!

- P Holy and benevolent God, receive our praise and petitions, as Jesus received the cry of the needy, and fill us with your blessing, until, needy no longer and bound to you in love, we feast forever in the triumph of the Lamb: through whom all glory and honor is yours, O God, O Living One, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy church, now and forever.
- A Amen.

## The Lord's Prayer

- P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:
- A Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

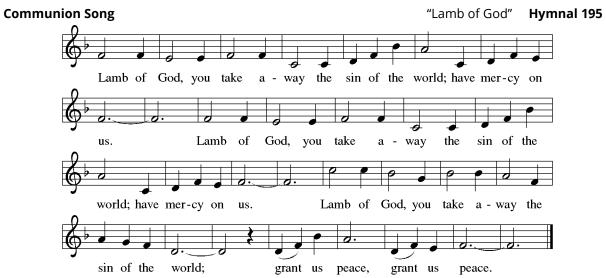
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

## The Breaking of the Bread and Invitation

- L Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread.
- A Thanks be to God!

# **Distribution of Holy Communion**

The Assembly is seated. Please come forward as the ushers direct, and as you are able. See the inside front cover for instructions concerning Holy Communion.



The Assembly stands when directed by the Presiding Minister.

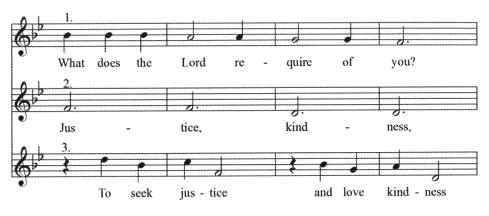
## **Blessing after Communion**

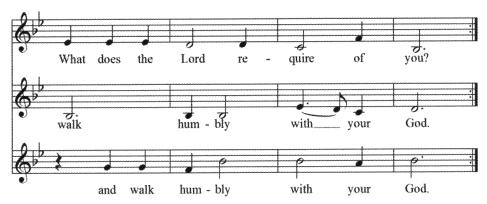
- P The body and blood of our + Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- A Amen.

## **Post-Communion Song**

"What Does the Lord Require of You"

To be sung as a round: the right side of the Assembly begins the song with line 1; the left side begins line 1 when the right side begins line 2. Everyone sings through all three lines twice.





# **Prayer after Communion**

Let us pray. Jesus Christ, host of this meal, you have given us not only this bread and cup, but your very self, that we may feast on your great love. Filled again by these signs of your grace, may we hunger for your reign of justice, may we thirst for your way of peace, for you are Lord forevermore.

#### A Amen.

## **Sending of Communion**

P Let us pray. Gracious God, loving all your family with a mother's tender care: As you sent the angel to feed Elijah with heavenly bread, assist those who set forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are sick or homebound. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those who will receive this sacrament, and give us all the comfort of your abiding presence through the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

#### A Amen.

#### **Sending Song**

"Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer" (printed on following page) Hymnal 618

Please turn as the cross passes you to face the doors through which you will be sent out in mission.

#### **Blessing**

P Go out from here and live lives worthy of the one calling which we all share. In humility, gentleness, and patience, speak only what is true and loving, and so grow into the unity that is ours in Christ.

And may God the Giver of Bread feed you in body and soul.

May + Christ Jesus, the Bread of Life, sustain you always.

And may the Holy Spirit unite you in the bond of peace.

A Amen.

#### Dismissal

- L Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve in Christ's name!
- A Thanks be to God!

#### **Postlude**

Please stay for a time of fellowship immediately following the service.

Refreshments today are provided by the Roderers.

Come enjoy one another's company and hear about all the opportunities for service and community!

# Serving in Worship today...

Presiding Minister	Pr. Keith Fry
Assisting Minister	Kathryn Skelton
Acolyte	
Lector	
Communion Minister	Anne Heider
Organist	
Table Preparation	Kathryn Skelton
Communion Bread	
Ushers	

# Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer



#### This Week's Commemorations

# Dominic, founder of the Order of Preachers (Dominicans), d. 1221 Wednesday, August 8, 2018

Dominic was a Spanish priest who saw the wealth of the clergy as a stumbling block for the church, so he formed a movement, the Order of Preachers (commonly called Dominicans) devoted to itinerant preaching and living in poverty.

# Lawrence, deacon, martyr, d. 258 Friday, August 10, 2018

As one of the seven deacons of the church at Rome, Lawrence was responsible for the church's financial matters and for the care of the poor. Asked by the emperor to gather the church's treasure, he presented a collection of orphans, lepers, and the like. The enraged emperor had him put to death.

# Clare, Abbess of San Damiano, d. 1253 Saturday, August 11, 2018

A contemporary of Francis of Assisi, Clare and a growing number of companions established a women's Franciscan community, called the Order of Poor Ladies, or Poor Clares. She inspired other women to pursue spiritual goals.

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## Hungry to Do

Barley bread on the ground and fish in hand, like manna that came down from heaven in the wilderness for their ancestors, left the crowd addled and eager to know how to keep this food coming. But had they not noticed? Pay attention. Receive, take and eat on the grassy green hillside by the sea just as your ancestors did on the sandy brown desert floor.

Apparently when Jesus answered the crowd's question, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" by telling them that God's work is God's work, they were not satisfied. They wanted to know what to do. Jesus continued, "Believe" (John 6:28–29).

Oscar was desperate to have what his wife had, unrattled faith. Relentlessly, just as day after day he stalked rummage sales, scoured flea markets, and searched secondhand shops to find treasures, he hunted for the land of faith where breath would be easy, sight would be sharp, trust would be simple, and steps would be certain on ground that would not shift. He wanted to have what his wife had, unrattled faith. The day he pled and shrugged, "What can I do to have it?" she said this: "Oscar, just give up."

What must we do to end the hunger to *do*? We must be ready to lose enough to gain, be brave enough to be weak, be empty enough to be full, be vulnerable enough to be safe, be done enough to be done.

The crowd pressed Jesus. "Sir, give us this bread always" (John 6:34). Jesus said, in effect, "Why sure, that's what I do."

# Immanuel's Staff and Leadership

The Rev. Keith Fry	Pastor
Sara Krentz	
James Morehead	
Greg Hummel	Organist
Laurie Stivers	——————————————————————————————————————
Kristen Wood	Parish Administrator

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