

The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 A.M. Worship with Eucharist In-Person and via Zoom August 8, 2021

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.

Please keep your masks on during the worship service and when moving to and from your place in the Fellowship Hall during coffee hour. Announcements, celebrations, and time to socialize with one another will take place after worship during coffee hour in the fellowship hall. You're welcome to attend the coffee hour in-person, or via Zoom. After worship Scan this QR code with your smartphone camera to join the coffee hour via Zoom

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 until 1:00 P.M. 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! Activity bags are available from the greeters. 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 is printed in this bulletin. We will use the hymnal for hymns.

Receiving Holy Communion

We invite you to share with us in the sacramental meal because Christ invites you! There is no specific age requirement for Communion. For safety we have individually packaged communion with either wine or grape juice that you can pick up at the entrance of the sanctuary. We will commune all together in the pews at the designated time. Please deposit the cups and wrappers in the trash receptacles as you leave the sanctuary.

The Offertory

To practice safe social distancing, offerings and donations may be placed in the offering plate either as you enter the sanctuary or as you leave, after worship service.

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

Jesus says that the bread he gives for the life of the world is his flesh, and whoever eats this bread has eternal life now and will be raised on the last day. In Ephesians Paul tells us what this life Jesus gives us looks like, this life we live as those marked with the seal of the Holy Spirit in baptism. We live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us. The whole purpose of life is giving yourself for the other.

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

Prelude

Partita on "Be Thou My Vision"

Daniel Pinkham

The Assembly stands when directed and turns toward the font.

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.
- A Amen.
- P Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

- P God, our provider,
- A It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live.

We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you.

We take offense at your teachings and your ways.

Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn?

Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

P Beloved people of God:

in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished.
By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough.
Through Jesus, + the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy:
you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

A Amen.



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!

Canticle of Praise



Prayer of the Day

The presiding minister leads the prayer of the day.

P Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

Gracious God, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord..

A Amen.

The Assembly is seated.

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

Reading from the Hebrew Scriptures

1 Kings 19:4-8

R A reading from 1 Kings.

⁴[Elijah] went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

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

Psalm 34:1-8

The organ will play the tone through once. The right side of the Assembly sings the lightface verses to the tone; the left side of the Assembly sings boldface verses.

Tone:



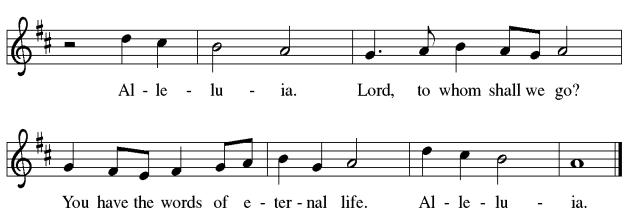
- ¹I will bless the LORD at all times; the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.
- ²I will glory [|] in the LORD; let the lowly hear [|] and rejoice.
- ³Proclaim with me the greatness ¹ of the LORD; let us exalt God's ¹ name together.
- ⁴I sought the LORD, who | answered me and delivered me from | all my terrors.
- ⁵Look upon the LORD^I and be radiant, and let not your faces ^I be ashamed.
- ⁶I called in my affliction, and [|] the LORD heard me and saved me from [|] all my troubles.
- ⁷The angel of the LORD encamps around those who ¹ fear the LORD and de- ¹ livers them.
- ⁸Taste and see that the | LORD is good; happy are they who take ref- | uge in God!

Reading from the New Testament

Ephesians 4:25--5:2

- R A reading from Ephesians.
 - ²⁵So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. ²⁶Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷and do not make room for the devil. ²⁸Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. ²⁹Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. ³⁰And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. ³¹Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, ³²and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. ^{5:1}Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, ²and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.
- R Word of God, word of life.
- A Thanks be to God!

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel John 6:35, 41-51

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

A Glory to you, O Lord!

³⁵Jesus said to [the crowd,] "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. ⁴¹Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." ⁴²They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" ⁴³Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. ⁴⁴No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. ⁴⁵It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. ⁴⁶Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

A Praise to you, O Christ!

The Assembly is seated.

Sermon

Time of Silence

A bell will sound to signal a time of silence for reflection.

During this time, you may want to meditate on one word 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 with song.



The Apostle's 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 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 the People

- L Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation. *pause*
- L For the church of Christ in all its diverse forms. For mission developers, new mission starts, and all communities of faith exploring new models of ministry for the sake of the gospel. For congregations facing difficult decisions about their future. God, in your mercy,

A Hear our prayer.

L For the health and well-being of creation. For shade trees that provide refuge from the hot summer sun. For lakes, rivers, and oceans contaminated by pollution and all who lack clean water. God, in your mercy,

A Hear our prayer.

L For those called to positions of authority in our legal system, we pray. For judges, lawyers, law clerks, and court employees who ensure the fair administration of justice. For corrections officers and prison chaplains, that they would deal mercifully with those who are incarcerated. God, in your mercy,

A Hear our prayer.

L For all who cry out to you in their affliction. For exiles, refugees, and others who face long and difficult journeys, uncertain about the future. For all who mourn the death of a loved one. For all who are sick, especially Steve Andes, Maren Baylaender, Rebecca Bernstein, Serena Bernstein, Marlene & Jacques Chatain, Babs Deacon, Lucas Forzley, Bob Fried, Jennifer Grethe, Jim Jung, John and Nancy, Judith Kratochvil, Elizabeth and Ernie's family, Veronica Repasz,

Lorrie Roche, Darryl Simchak, Alyssa Steinberg, George Stewart, Leslie Thais, Grace and Alex, and those we name now aloud or in the silence of our hearts [...]. God in your mercy,

A Hear our prayer.

L For this assembly gathered around your table, we pray. For those among us who bake bread and prepare the vessels for our communion celebration. For those who bring the food from this table to those who are homebound or hospitalized. God, 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 Hear us, O God.

A Your mercy is great.

L For those who have been raised to eternal life, we give thanks. With Dominic, founder of the Order of Preachers (Dominicans), Lawrence, deacon, martyr, Clare, Abbess of San Damiano; Florence Nightingale; Clara Maass, renewers of society; Maximilian Kolbe, Kaj Munk, martyrs; and all the saints we praise you for the bread of life that keeps us in your love forever. God, in your mercy,

A Hear our prayer.

P We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our 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 the Risen Christ, saying "Peace be with you," "The peace of the Lord," or similar words in an appropriate safe gesture as you speak peace to your neighbors.

Offering

An offering for doing God's mission, including the care of those in need. Offering may be placed in the offering plate either before or after you exit the sanctuary. You scan this code with your smartphone camera to make your financial offering online.



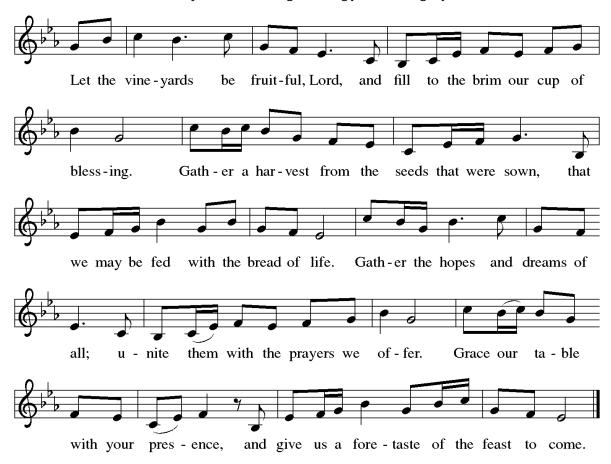
Offering Music

"Come Down, O Love Divine" Wilbur Held

Presentation of the Gifts

"Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful"

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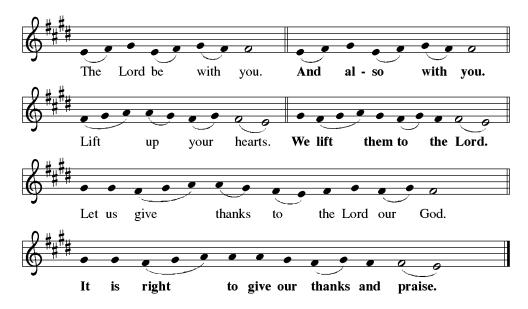
Offering Prayer

- L Let us pray.
- L Jesus, Bread of life,
 you have set this table with your very self,
 and called us to the feast of plenty.
 Gather what has been sown among us,
 and strengthen us in this meal.
 Make us to be what we receive here,
 your body for the life of the world.

A Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

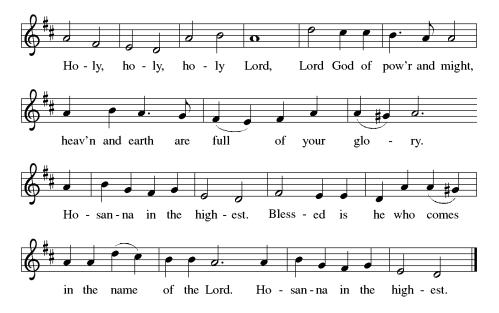
Dialogue The Assembly sings the boldfaced responses.



Preface The Presiding Minister begins the prayer:

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. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy The Assembly joins in singing:



Thanksgiving at the Table

P O God triune, how majestic is your name in all the earth.
Over the eons your merciful might evolved our home, a fragile tree of life.
Here by your wisdom are both life and death, growth and decay, the nest and the hunt, sunshine and storm, darkness and light.
Sustained by these wonders, we creatures of dust join in the ancient song: The earth is full of your glory.

A The earth is full of your glory.

P O God triune, you took on our flesh in Jesus our healer. In Christ you bring life from death; we remember his cross, we laud his resurrection.

Broken like bread, he enlivens our body.

Outpoured like wine, he fills the earth with goodness.

Receiving this mystery, we mortals sing our song:

The earth is full of your glory.

A The earth is full of your glory.

P We praise you for the heart of Jesus, so filled with your love for this earth. 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.

Gathered around this table, we your children unite in this song: The earth is full of your glory.

A The earth is full of your glory.

P O God triune, you create the worlds, you uphold the living, you embrace the dead.
Send forth your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.
Strengthen us for our journey with this meal, the body and blood of Christ.
Give us a future that trusts in you and cares for your earth.
Empowered by your promises, we rise from our deaths to praise you again:
The earth is full of your glory.

A The earth is full of your glory.

- P Amen, and amen.
- A Amen, and 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

P Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

A Thanks be to God.

Distribution of Holy Communion

The Assembly is seated.

P This is the body of Christ, given for you.

All communing may partake of the bread

P This is the blood of Christ, shed for you. *All communing may drink of their cup.*

For those fasting, receive this prayer of blessing in God's presence:

P May God who loves you be truly present with the Spirit of grace, mercy and joy, uplifting and blessing you in the promise of never-failing love God makes to God's children.

Table Dismissal

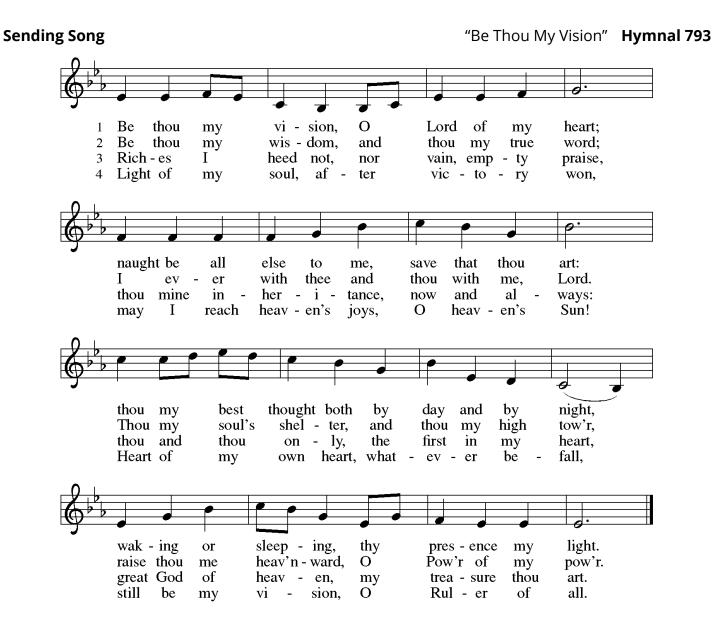
P May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you, and keep you in God's grace.

A Amen.

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray:
Jesus, Bread of life,
we have received from your table
more than we could ever ask.
As you have nourished us in this meal,
now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.
In your name we pray.

A Amen



Blessing

- P The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, + be upon you now and forever.
- A Amen.

Dismissal

- L Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.
- A Thanks be to God.

PostludeFestive March
Daniel Pinkham

Please stay for a time of fellowship immediately following the service in Fellowship Hall, as well as on Zoom.

Zoom Participants, alas, you must provide your own refreshments.

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

To join coffee hour via Zoom on a smartphone, scan with your camera to get the link.



Serving in worship today...

| esiding Minister | |
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| sisting Minister Kathryn Skelton | |
| ntorSara Krentz | Cantor |
| ctor Susan Ross | Lector |
| ganistChristine Kraemer | Organist |
| usic DirectorJames Morehead | |
| ble PreparationKathryn Skelton | Table Prepar |
| om HostGrace Yarnoff | Zoom Host |
| ıdio-Visual TechniciansTom Couch, Kevin McDaniel | Audio-Visual |
| shers | Ushers |

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This Week's Commemorations

Dominic, founder of the Order of Preachers (Dominicans), died 1221

Sunday, August 8, 2021

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, died 258 Tuesday, August 10, 2021

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, died 1253 Wednesday, August 11, 2021

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.

Florence Nightingale, died 1910; Clara Maass, died 1901; renewers of society Friday, August 13, 2021

Nightingale was born in England and horrified her wealthy family by deciding to become a nurse. She led a group of nurses in ministering in the midst of the Crimean War and worked for hospital reform. Maass, a native of New Jersey, was also a war nurse, and volunteered as a subject for research on yellow fever. She died of the disease.

Maximilian Kolbe, died 1941; Kaj Munk, died 1944; martyrs Saturday, August 14, 2021

Father Kolbe was a Franciscan priest arrested by the Nazis and confined in Auschwitz. Kolbe gave generously of his meager resources, and finally volunteered to be starved to death in place of another man. A Danish Lutheran pastor and playwright, Munk strongly denounced the Nazis who occupied Denmark in the Second World War. His sermons and articles helped to show the anti-Christian nature of the movement.

Upcoming Events – for details see the weekly e-blast, *Immanuel Newsfeeds*, or the website Calendar at www.immanuelevanston.org.

| Wednesday, Augu | st 11 | Midweek Adult Spiritual Discussion via Zoom | 7:00 pm |
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| Saturday, August ´ | 14 | Memorial Service for Ernest LeVon | 2:00 pm |
| Sunday, August 15 | , | Sunday Hybrid Worship | 10:30 am |
| | | Council Meeting | 12:30 pm |
| | | New Community Church Worship | 1:00 pm |

Immanuel's Staff and Leadership

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