

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost 10:30 A.M. Worship with Eucharist August 14, 2022

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. 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. The liturgy is printed in this bulletin. If you're joining us via Zoom, please remain muted until you get to the part where you will be invited to unmute and participate in some parts of the liturgy, as marked by this symbol. $\mathbb{Q} = \text{UNMUTE}$

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. The pastor will say "The body of Christ given for you and the blood of Christ shed for you" following the singing of the Lamb of God.

The other option is to come forward to receive the bread from the Pastor and wine or grape juice from the Assisting Minister. The glasses will be pre-poured, with the grape juice in the inner circle and wine in the outer circle. Each person will take their own glass from the tray. The Assisting Minister and Pastor will remain masked

during the distribution. Please keep in mind proper physical distance from other worshippers in coming forward and in removing your mask to consume the elements. Empty glasses can be deposited in trays on the front pews. This will be a continuous communion, standing to receive the elements. Please deposit the cups and wrappers in the trash receptacles as you leave the sanctuary.

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

The word of God is a refining fire. Jesus is the great divide in human history. He invites our undivided attention and devotion. Today in worship we are surrounded by a great "cloud of witnesses." In the word and in holy communion we are invited yet again to look to Jesus, "the pioneer and perfecter of our faith."

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

Prelude

"Andantino, In Green Pastures, and An Interlude" by Harold Darke

Confession and Forgiveness

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose steadfast love endures forever.
- A

 A Amen.
- P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P Merciful God,
- A we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way.
 Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table.
 When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side.
 Set us again on the path of life.
 Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors.
 Amen.
- P Hear the good news!
 God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy.
 In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.
 You are free to love as God loves.
- A 🐧 Thanks be to God! Amen.



- Greeting.
 - P The grace of our Lord Jesus, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit us, be with you all.

Holy Spirit, light-revealer,

Mortals, angels, now and ever praise the holy Trinity!

glory, glory be to thee.

A Name And Also with you!

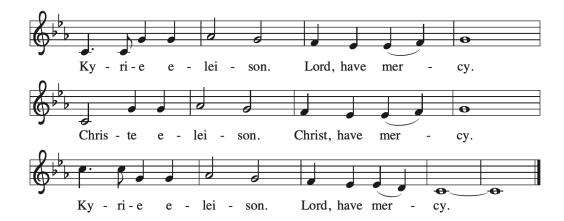
Alleluia! Alleluia!

alleluias without end!

May the light which thou dost send

fill our songs with alleluias,

Kyrie



Canticle of Praise

"Glory to You God"



Prayer of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- A **Q** And also with you.
- P Let us pray...

Pause for a moment of silence...

P O God, judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression, and you call us to share your zeal for truth. Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, 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

Isaiah 5:1-7

R A reading from Isaiah.

¹Let me sing for my beloved my love-song concerning his vineyard:

My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill.

²He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines;

he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected it to yield grapes,

but it yielded wild grapes.

 ³And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard.
 ⁴What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it?
 When I expected it to yield grapes,

en i expected it to yield grapes why did it yield wild grapes?

5And now I will tell you
what I will do to my vineyard.
I will remove its hedge,
and it shall be devoured;
I will break down its wall,
and it shall be trampled down.
6I will make it a waste;

it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown with briers and thorns; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it.

⁷For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his pleasant planting; he expected justice, but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry!

R Word of God, word of life.

A Thanks be to God!

Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19 ELW Psalm Tone 6

The organ will play the tone and then the Assembly will sing the verses through.

The right side of the Assembly sings the lightface verses to the tone; the left side of the Assembly sings boldface verses.

Tone:



¹Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph ¹ like a flock; shine forth, you that are enthroned up- ¹ on the cherubim.

²In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, ¹ and Manasseh, stir up your strength and ¹ come to help us.

⁸You have brought a vine [|] out of Egypt; you cast out the nations and [|] planted it.

⁹You cleared the | ground for it; it took root and | filled the land.

¹⁰The mountains were covered ¹ by its shadow and the towering cedar trees ¹ by its boughs.

¹¹You stretched out its tendrils [|] to the sea and its branches [|] to the river.

¹²Why have you broken [|] down its wall, so that all who pass by pluck [|] off its grapes?

¹³The wild boar of the forest has | ravaged it, and the beasts of the field have | grazed upon it.

¹⁴Turn now, O [|] God of hosts, look [|] down from heaven;

¹⁵behold and [|] tend this vine; preserve what your right [|] hand has planted.

¹⁶They burn it with ^I fire like rubbish;

at the rebuke of your countenance | let them perish.

¹⁷Let your hand be upon the one at | your right hand, the one you have made so strong | for yourself.

¹⁸And so will we never turn a- ¹ way from you; give us life, that we may call up- ¹ on your name.

¹⁹Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.

Reading from the New Testament

Hebrews 11:29--12:2

R A reading from Hebrews.

²⁹By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. ³⁰By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. ³¹By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

³²And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—³³who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, ³⁴quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. ³⁵Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. ³⁶Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. ³⁷They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented—³⁸of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

³⁹Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, ⁴⁰since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

^{12:1}Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, ²looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

- **R** Word of God, word of life.

The Assembly stands to greet the Good News of Jesus.



My sheep | hear my voice.*

I know them, and they | follow me.

Gospel Luke 12:49-56

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

A Glory to you, O Lord!

[Jesus said:] ⁴⁹"I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! ⁵⁰I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! ⁵¹Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! ⁵²From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; ⁵³they will be divided:

father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

⁵⁴He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens. ⁵⁵And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. ⁵⁶You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

P The Gospel of the Lord.

A Praise to you, O Christ!

The Alleluia of the Gospel Acclamation is sung once again. The Assembly is then seated.

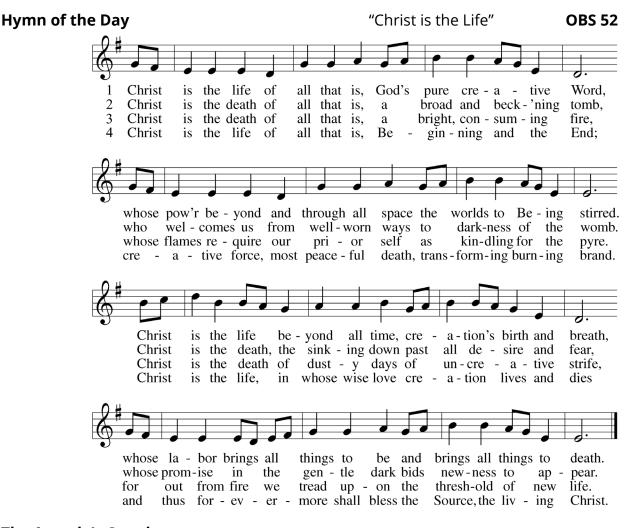
Sermon

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.

the forgiveness of sins,

the + resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

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,

Α

Prayers of the People (a) the Responses

- L Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer.
- L Arise, O God, and sustain your church. We pray for all who dedicate their lives to serving your people. Renew our commitment to our siblings in faith around the globe, and bless the work of our ecumenical and interfaith partners. Merciful God,

A **()** receive our prayer.

L Arise, O God, and sustain those who are called. We pray for our church leaders especially, we pray for our bishops Elizabeth and Yehiel, our pastor Mark, our president Dana, our council, and our justice ministries. Merciful God,

A receive our prayer.

L Arise, O God, and sustain your creation. We pray for all places affected by natural disasters. Transform the devastation of floods and fires into fertile ground for new life and growth. Fill heaven and earth with your life-giving Spirit. Merciful God,

A receive our prayer.

L Arise, O God, and sustain the nations. We pray for all elected officials. Kindle in them a desire to administer your justice. Strengthen their resolve to defend those who are vulnerable and to stand publicly against all forms of oppression. Merciful God,

A receive our prayer.

L Arise, O God, and sustain those who are oppressed. We pray for people harmed by racist discrimination, ableist discrimination, and all people discriminated against based on their gender identity or sexual orientation. Rescue us from all systems that degrade our fellow human beings. Merciful God,

A receive our prayer.

L Arise, O God, and sustain this assembly. We pray for this community, celebrating with those who rejoice and weeping with those who weep, especially Steve Andes, Rebecca Bernstein, Serena Bernstein, Tom Couch, Babs Deacon, Lucas Forzley, Marcie Heyl, Jim Jung, Judith Kratochvil, John & Nancy Lang, Paul LeVon, Lorrie Roche, Merle Shearer, Darryl Simchak, Lloyd Stivers, and those we name now aloud or in the silence of our hearts [...]. In our joy and in our tears, be near us. Merciful God,

A receive 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 Merciful God,

A receive our prayer.

L Surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, we remember the saints especially Maximilian Kolbe, Kaj Munk; Mary, Mother of Our Lord, and Bernard, Abbot of Clairvaux; who have gone before us. May we run with perseverance the race set before us until we find our rest in you. Merciful God.

A receive our prayer.

P Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your steadfast love; through Jesus Christ, our holy Wisdom.

A Amen.

Peace

- P The peace of Christ be with you always.
- A Name 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.

Meal: God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ ...

Offering An offering for doing God's mission, including the care of those in need. You scan this code with your smartphone camera to make your financial offering online.



Offering Music

"Tranquilly"" By C. Hubert H. Parry

Presentation of the Gifts

"Don't Be Afraid" ACS 1027

The Assembly stands and sings as the gifts are brought forward.



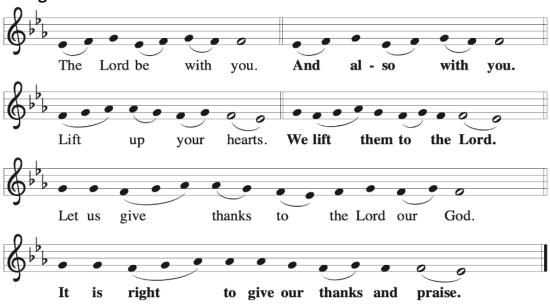
Offering Prayer

- L Let us pray.
- L God of abundance:
 you have set before us a plentiful harvest.
 As we feast on your goodness,
 strengthen us to labor in your field,
 and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all,
 in the name of Jesus.

A Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Dialogue



Preface The Presiding Minister begins the prayer:

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

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 Holy God, mighty and merciful, your people praise you, saying: Your mercy endures forever.

A **Q** Your mercy endures forever.

By your promise

you bound yourself to earth and all its creatures, granting them life and calling them to flourish, setting the sign of your bow in the clouds, the colors of your love and faithfulness.

Your mercy endures forever.

A **Q** Your mercy endures forever.

By your promise you joined us to Jesus, your Beloved, grafting us into your living Vine, and calling us to bear the fruit of your self-giving love.

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.

With this bread and cup we remember his life laid down and lifted up as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

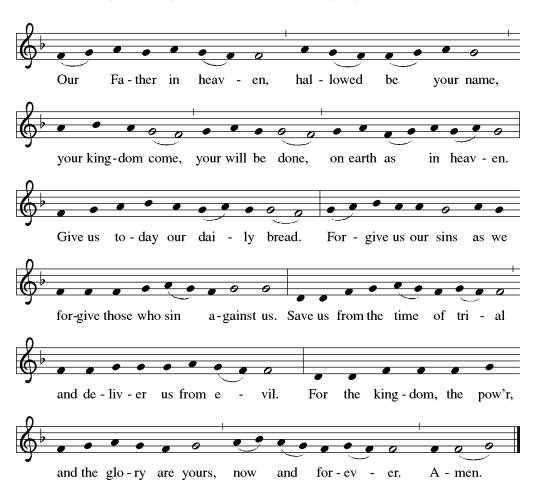
Send your Holy Spirit upon us and these gifts of bread and wine.
Bless us to be a blessing. Make us a sign of your faithfulness.
Send us to tend and cherish the earth and to serve the world with mercy and love.
With all the saints in light, with the earth and all its creatures,
with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, through Christ Jesus,
in your Spirit, now and forever.

- P Amen, and amen.

The Lord's Prayer

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P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:



The Breaking of the Bread and Invitation

- P In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy.

The Assembly is seated.

Communion Song "Be Known to Us" **ACS 40** Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break-ing of the bread. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu ia. Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break-ing of the bread. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu ia, al-le - lu-ia.

Distribution of Holy Communion

For those who are communing with the packets or online, the pastor will say "The body of Christ given for you and the blood of Christ shed for you".

Those who wish, please come forward as the ushers direct, to receive the bread from the Pastor and wine or grape juice from the Assisting Minister. The glasses will be pre-poured, with the grape juice in the inner circle and wine in the outer circle. Each person will take their own glass from the tray. The Assisting Minister and Pastor will remain masked during the distribution. Please keep in mind proper physical distance from other worshippers in coming forward and in removing your mask to consume the elements. Empty glasses can be deposited in trays on the front pews. This will be a continuous communion, standing to receive the elements.

- 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.*

Communion Hymn



- How clear is our vo - ca - tion, Lord, when once we heed your call
- if, for-get-ful, we should find your yoke is hard to bear; mar-vel how your saints be-come in hin-dranc-es more sure; But
- 3 We
- In what you give us, Lord, to do, to - geth - er or



live ac-cord-ing to your word and dai - ly learn, re-freshed, re - stored, world-ly pres-sures fray the mind and love it - self can - not whose joy - ful vir - tues put to shame the ca - sual way we wear your name, old rou-tines or ven-tures new, may we not cease to look to



The Assembly stands as directed.

Blessing after Communion

P May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you, and keep you in his grace.

A Amen.

Prayer after Communion

L Let us pray. Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus.

A Amen.

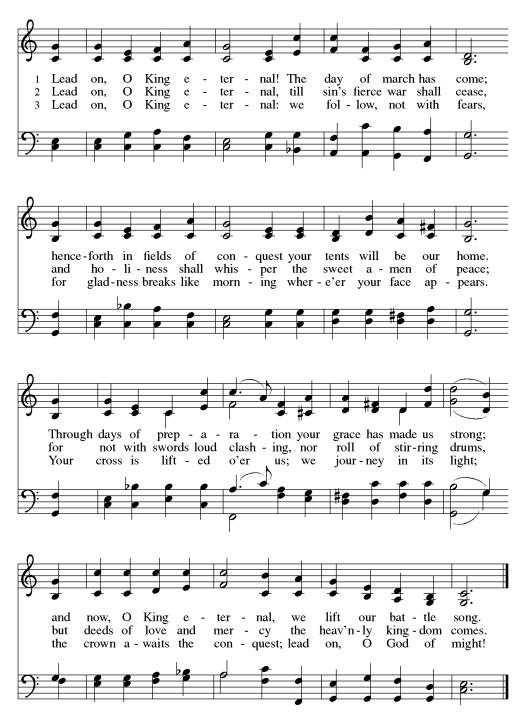
Blessing

Ρ The God of peace, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always.

Α Amen.

Sending Song

"Lead On, O King Eternal" **ELW 805**



Dismissal

- L Go in peace. Love your neighbor.
- A **(a)** Thanks be to God.

Postlude "A Scherzetto"
By Eric Thiman

Please stay for a time of fellowship immediately following the service in Fellowship Hall. You may remove your mask when eating or drinking and please continue to social distance.

Refreshments today are provided by the Skelton Family.

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...

Presiding Minister	The Rev. Mark Sloss
Assisting Minister	Laurie Stivers
	Mary Ann Kearns
Acolyte	Kit McCarthy
Organist	Christine Kraemer
•	James Morehead
Table Preparation	Diane Keely
•	Jerry Larson
	Tom Couch, Kevin McDaniel, Tyler Heyl, Mark Kearns
Ushers	

This Week's Commemorations

Maximilian Kolbe, died 1941; Kaj Munk, died 1944; martyrs Sunday, August 14, 2022

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.

Mary, Mother of Our Lord Monday, August 15, 2022

The church (including Martin Luther) honored Mary with the title theotokos, meaning "God-bearer," for her role in giving birth to the Son of God. Her song, the Magnificat, speaks eloquently of God's lifting the lowly and feeding the hungry.

Bernard, Abbot of Clairvaux, died 1153 Saturday, August 20, 2022

Bernard, a Cistercian monk, was a man of great spirituality who wrote mystical works and criticized those whom he thought took an overly intellectual approach to the faith. He became an abbot, and wrote several hymns that are still beloved today.

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Upcoming Events – for details see the weekly e-blast, *Immanuel Newsfeeds*, or the website Calendar at www.immanuelevanston.org. Worship services can be attended either in person or online.

Monday, August 15	FA Meeting	6:30 pm
Sunday, August 21	Sunday Worship	10:30 am
	Council Meeting	12:30 pm
	New Community Church	1:00 pm

Imanuel's Staff and Leadership

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