

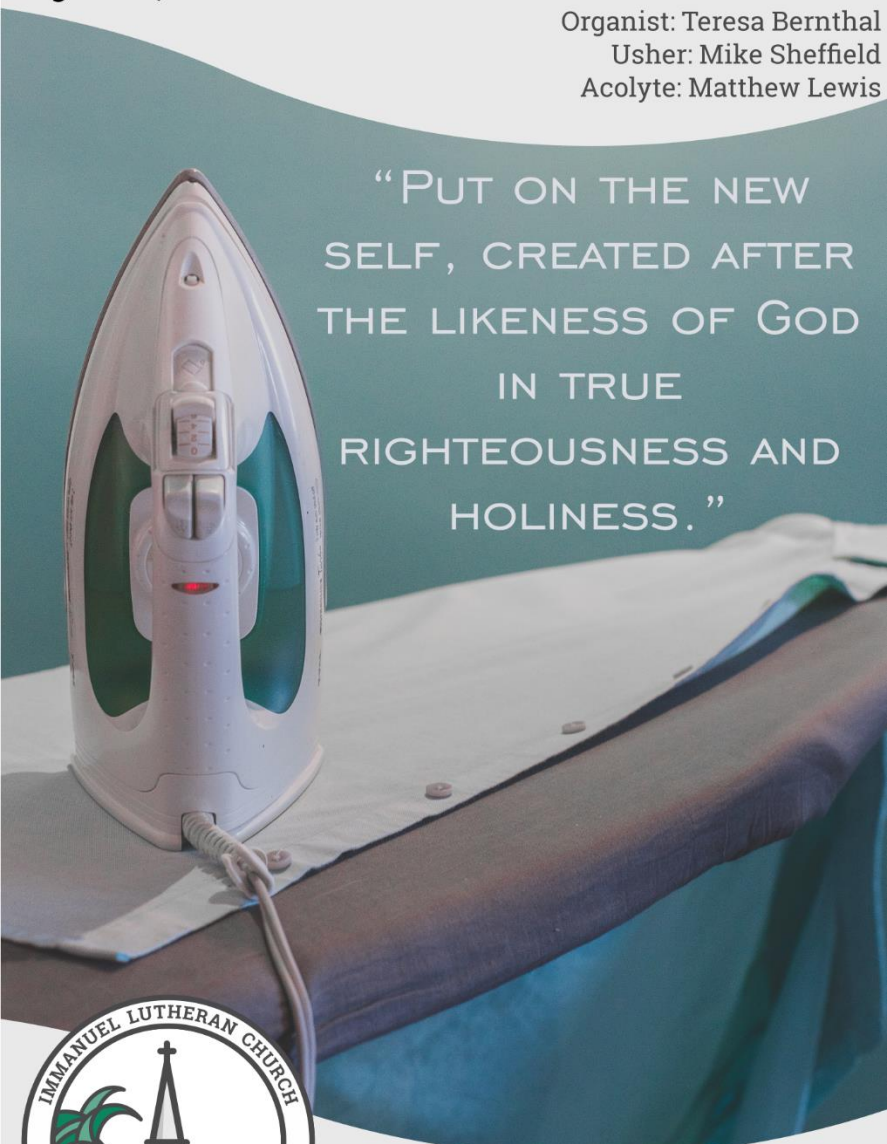
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Pentecost 12

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PRE-SERVICE MEDITATION

Ps. 34:1-8

¹ I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth. ² My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad. ³ Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together! ⁴ I sought the LORD, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears. ⁵ Those who look to him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed. ⁶ This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him and saved him out of all his troubles. ⁷ The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them. ⁸ Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!

✠ Order of Divine Worship ✠

OPENING PRAYER

Hymn: TLH #34:1-3,6 "Through All the Changing Scenes of Life"

P In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C *♩* **A - - - men.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

We come before God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord.

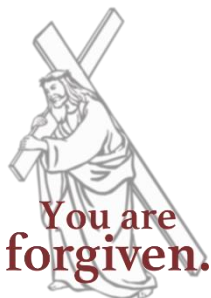
C *♩* **Who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

C *♩* **And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.**

P Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C **O most merciful God, who hast given Thine only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee and of Thy will and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end that by Thy grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**



P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in His name He gives power to become the sons of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

C A - - - men.

INTROIT

Ps. 34:8-10; 145:16

A collection of passages that set the tone for the service.

- P** You open Your hand; You satisfy the desire of every living thing.
- C** **Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!**
- P** Oh, fear the LORD, you his saints, for those who fear Him have no lack!
- C** **The young lions suffer want and hunger; but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.**
- P** You open Your hand; You satisfy the desire of every living thing. Glory be to the Father!

GLORIA PATRI

Latin for "Glory be to the Father"

C Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;

as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

VERSE OF THE DAY

John 6:51a,b

Alleluia. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this Bread, He will live forever. Alleluia.

THE KYRIE

Latin for "O Lord." We approach our Lord with a cry for help in all the needs of our life.

The musical score consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a bass clef staff. The key signature is one flat (B-flat). The first system of music has the lyrics: "Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -". The second system of music has the lyrics: "on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us." The piano accompaniment features chords and moving lines in the left hand.

GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST

TLH #237:1

- C** ♪ All glory be to God on high, Who hath our race befriended! To us no harm shall now come nigh, The strife at last is ended. God showeth His good will to men, And peace shall reign on earth again; O thank Him for His goodness!
- P** Let us pray. ... through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** ♪ A - - - men.

OLD TESTAMENT READING – 1 Kings 19:1-8 Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. ² Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life as the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." ³ Then he was afraid, and he arose and ran for his life and came to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and left his servant there. ⁴ But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a broom tree. And he asked that he might die, saying, "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my fathers." ⁵ And he lay down and slept under a broom tree. And behold, an angel touched him and said to him, "Arise and eat." ⁶ And he looked, and behold, there was at his head a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. And he ate and drank and lay down again. ⁷ And the angel of the LORD came again a second time and touched him and said, "Arise and eat, for the journey is too great for you." ⁸ And he arose and ate and drank, and went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb, the mount of God.

GOSPEL READING – John 6:35-51 Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. ³⁶ But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. ³⁷ All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. ³⁸ For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. ³⁹ And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. ⁴⁰ For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day." ⁴¹ So the Jews grumbled about him, because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." ⁴² They said, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" ⁴³ Jesus answered them, "Do not grumble among yourselves. ⁴⁴ No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. ⁴⁵ It is written in the Prophets, 'And they will all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me-- ⁴⁶ not that anyone has seen the Father except he who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷ Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸ I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹ Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰ This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹ I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

The Apostles' Creed is a summary of Christian faith as taught by the Apostles. We boldly confess what God has taught us to believe.

I believe in God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn: TLH #388:1,2,4,6

"Just as I Am, without One Plea"

SERMON – Ephesians 4:17-24 Now this I say and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds. ¹⁸ They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart. ¹⁹ They have become callous and have given themselves up to sensuality, greedy to practice every kind of impurity. ²⁰ But that is not the way you learned Christ!-- ²¹ assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus, ²² to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, ²³ and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, ²⁴ and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.


Christ's Spiritual Reconditioning

I. Out with the Old

II. In with the New

OFFERTORY

In this prayer we OFFER God our hearts, asking Him for that best of all gifts, the Holy Spirit.

C  **Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

Hymn: TLH #408


“Jesus Christ, My Pride and Glory”

- OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS -

Followed immediately by the Offering Hymn printed below:

OFFERING HYMN: TLH #441:1

“We Give Thee But Thine Own”

C  **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.**

PRAYER, LORD'S PRAYER, and BLESSING

P The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you; The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you His peace.

C  **Amen, amen, a – men.**

Closing Hymn: TLH #410

“Jesus, Lead Thou On”

✝ Announcements ✝

Lord's Blessings to Joel Bernthal, who departs today for Immanuel Lutheran High School in Eau Claire, WI. Joel is entering his freshman year at Immanuel and will be living there for the majority of the next nine months. We pray that the Lord blesses his time at Immanuel, trusting that just as God watches over us here, He will be doing the same for Joel in Eau Claire. May the Lord grant safe travels to the Bernthals, and may He cause Joel to prosper in his time away from us.

Looking Ahead...

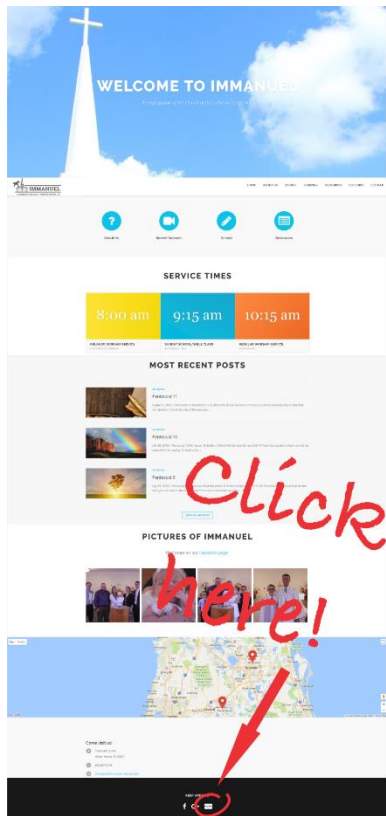
- ✝ **Today:** Orlando Service
- ✝ **Aug. 26:** Orlando Service
- ✝ **Aug. 26:** Back to School Party
- ✝ **Aug. 27:** ILS School Begins
- ✝ **Sept. 2:** Bible Class & Sunday School Resume

ILC Tuition Fund has been set up by the voters to assist families who want to send their children to Immanuel Lutheran in Eau Claire, WI. As we encourage all forms of Christian Education in our midst, a good way to help promote and encourage such education is by helping out financially. It has been quite some time since our congregation has sent a student to Eau Claire, but we now anticipate representatives from our congregation being at ILC for the next 20+ years. If you are able to contribute to this fund, you may write "ILC Tuition Fund" on your envelopes or make use of the "Scholarship Fund" envelopes located in the back of church. In the future, they will be included in your envelope boxes.

Do you shop on Amazon? You now have the option to direct 0.5% of the money spent on your Amazon purchases to be donated by the company to our church and school. To do this, the next time you plan to shop on Amazon, visit <https://smile.amazon.com> and search for "Immanuel Lutheran Church Winter Haven" to find us. Select the church as your charitable organization that you will be supporting, and any purchase you make will benefit the congregation. You will still have to visit <https://smile.amazon.com> when shopping for it to work; using the regular Amazon site will not leave a donation.

CLC Call News The Rev. David Ude, pastor of Living Hope Lutheran, Appleton WI, has returned the call to Bethel Lutheran, Morris MN. The Rev. Robert Sauers is being installed at Luther Memorial, Fond du Lac, WI in a special service later this afternoon.

E-Giving is now an option here at Immanuel. If you are more comfortable using electronic forms of payment than you are cash or checks, Immanuel now has a PayPal account. If you have PayPal, you can send your offering to “immanuelwinterhaven@gmail.com,” or you can go to our church website and click the “PayPal” button at the bottom of the page for a direct link (see image to the right). If you send an offering this way, please select “Friends and Family.” Using the note section, you are welcome to make designations for your offerings as well as include your envelope number. I pray this service will be beneficial to our congregation.



Bible Class & Sunday School

will resume in just a few short weeks. While the church service provides us the opportunity to receive the nourishment that our souls need, Bible Class is a great way to grow in faith and knowledge of the Lord. We hope to see you there!

Shut-in/Encouragement List **Loye Issitt** continues to battle for good health with a kidney condition. **Betty Sweet** is now living at the memory care facility at Spring Haven. **Emily Kuehne** suffers from a variety of ailments and is in a constant state of pain. **Patti Meno** recently had an operation and is recovering at home. **Ray Seger** remains shut-in at Spring Lake Rehabilitation Center. **Bill Issitt III** remains mostly housebound while recovering from several health problems. **Richard Cook** remains mostly housebound due to general unsteadiness. **Johanna Jaehnigen** remains mostly housebound, being no longer able to drive.

Last Week (8/5) WH – 53

General = \$2409 | CLC Missions = \$75 | Prop. Improvement= \$255
Total Offering = \$2,739

Usher: Sheffield | Acolyte (8/19): Mason G | Cleaner (8/18): Sedberry