

IMMANUEL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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*Our mission as disciples of Jesus,
is to commit ourselves to making Christ known through
worship, service, outreach, learning, and loving one another*



Sunday, October 11, 2020

19th Sunday after Pentecost

*11am Outdoor Worship Service
held at Thomas Tree Farm

Lector: Connie Dattilio

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Altar Flowers are dedicated to the Glory of God and in honor of Gail Miller's birthday by Pam Miller

- **Worship Services at Immanuel:**
 - **Saturday evenings**
 - Online zoom service at 5:00pm
 - **Sunday mornings – through mid-October**
 - Online zoom service at 9:00am followed by **Dwelling in the Word Bible Study**
 - Outdoor in-person service at 11:00am (held at Thomas Tree Farm)
 - **Target date of October 18**
 - to move Sunday in-person worship service indoors.
 - Saturday service to remain at 5pm on Zoom.
- **Dwelling in the Word:**
 - following Sunday Zoom worship
- **Food Distribution:** Tues & Sat, 10am – 12pm
 - Cash donations for milk needed
- **Zoom Bible study:** Tuesday 3pm
- **Church Council:** Tuesday 7pm on Zoom

- **Yard Sale**

- Thanks to everyone who supported our yard sale this year! Everyone appreciated the beautiful weather – the volunteers, the customers, the Shred Mill truck, and our 38 vendors!!
- The \$1,388 proceeds will be donated to support the *Wreaths Across America* ceremony at Immanuel on December 19th.

- **October Monthly Mission Offering –
*Wreaths Across America***

- Offerings accepted through end of month.
- More information is in the October newsletter and in Pastor's weekly email, including a sponsor form.
- Link to sponsor wreaths for Immanuel's cemetery:
<https://www.wreathscrossamerica.org/pages/164670/Overview/?relatedId=0>

- **Wreaths Across America at Immanuel on Dec 19th**



- Proceeds from the Yard Sale sponsors 90 wreaths!
Thank you!!
- Use this clipart as a visual to see where we are in reaching our sponsorship goal.

**Please help us color
all the stars on the wreath!**
One star = 30 sponsored wreaths

PRAYER CONCERNS

Bert Albert
Ron Davidson
Mike & Barb Shelton
Dessie Ann Hann
Caroline Marshall
Pr Peter & Nicole Roy
Matt Siran
Catherine Cormick
Tony Haines
Jerry Trent
Pr Earl & Lori Janssen
Tom & Sue Becke
Shari Trevey Brayton
Delores Whitehead
David Barnhart
Connie Dattilio
Audrey Moose
Liz & Brett Richardson
Donna Marshall
Joe Zentgraf
Gene Black
Mike Hockensmith
Ginger
Ryan Whitehead
Don Diserod
Doris Dell
Pat Davis
Ardice Holbrook

Carol Nicoll
Carroll Lutheran Village
Pam & Tyler Mullins
Mary Mitchell
Shanihya Derossett
David MacArthur
Donna Kent
John Adcock
Gene Voight
David Sparaco
Our men & women in
uniform
Austin Maloney
Bill & Barb Skelley
Glenn Minnick
Gulla Vandergucht
Eugene Link
Ellen Hopkins
Gary Polinski
Sandy Hughes
Ray Sims
Rudy Fernandez
Chuck Smith
Brandon Toston
Olivia Arriazola
Christine Palmisano
Gene Yingling

PRELUDE *The King of Love My Shepherd Is*

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who creates, redeems,
and sustains us and all of creation. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin
in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Faithful God, **have mercy on us.**

**We confess that we are captive to sin
and cannot free ourselves.**

**We turn from your loving embrace
and go our own ways.**

**We pass judgment on one another
before examining ourselves.**

**We place our own needs
before those of our neighbors.**

We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves.

**Make us humble, cast away our transgressions,
and turn us again to life in you
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God hears the cries of all who call out in need,
and through his death and resurrection,
Christ has made us his own.

Hear the truth that God proclaims:
Your sins are forgiven in the name of † Jesus Christ.
Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and newness
to do God's work in the world. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

ELW #532 Gather Us In vs 1,2

**¹ Here in this place the new light is streaming,
now is the darkness vanished away;
see in this space our fears and our dreamings
brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken,
gather us in, the blind and the lame;
call to us now, and we shall awaken,
we shall arise at the sound of our name.**

**² We are the young, our lives are a myst'ry,
we are the old who yearn for your face;
we have been sung throughout all of hist'ry,
called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty,
gather us in, the proud and the strong;
give us a heart, so meek and so lowly,
give us the courage to enter the song.**

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GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray...

Lord of the feast,

you have prepared a table before all peoples
and poured out your life with abundance.

Call us again to your banquet.

Strengthen us by what is honorable, just, and pure,
and transform us into a people of righteousness
and peace, through Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord. Amen. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 25:1-9

After a hymn of praise acknowledging God as a shelter for the poor, the prophet portrays a wonderful victory banquet at which death—which in ancient Canaan was depicted as a monster swallowing up everyone—will be swallowed up forever. The prophet urges celebration of this victory of salvation.

O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure.

For you have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the palace of aliens is a city no more, it will never be rebuilt.

Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you.

For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress, a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat.

When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm, the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place, you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was stilled.

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken.

It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.

This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.
**The Lord makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.**

You restore my soul, O Lord, and guide me
along right pathways for your name's sake.
**Though I walk through the valley
of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil;
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil,
and my cup is running over.
**Surely goodness and mercy
shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

SECOND READING: PHILIPPIANS 4:1-9

Though writing from prison and facing an uncertain future, Paul calls on the Philippians to rejoice and give thanks to God no matter what the circumstance. God's peace is with us and binds together our hearts and minds in Jesus Christ, especially when things around us do not seem peaceful.

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL VERSE: *Firm Foundation* (*chorus only – twice*)

Chorus

Jesus You're my firm foundation

I know I can stand secure

Jesus You're my firm foundation

I put my hope in Your holy Word

I put my hope in Your holy Word

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GOSPEL: MATTHEW 22:1-14

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus tells a parable indicating that the blessings of God's kingdom are available to all, but the invitation is not to be taken lightly.

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is

ready; come to the wedding banquet.’ But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’ Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

“But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’ And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

YOUNG PEOPLE’S MESSAGE

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW #720 We Are Called

**1 Come! Live in the light!
Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!
We are called to be light for the kingdom,
to live in the freedom of the city of God.**

Refrain

**We are called to act with justice,
we are called to love tenderly;
we are called to serve one another,
to walk humbly with God.**

**2 Come! Open your heart!
Show your mercy to all those in fear!
We are called to be hope for the hopeless
so hatred and blindness will be no more.**

Refrain

**We are called to act with justice,
we are called to love tenderly;
we are called to serve one another,
to walk humbly with God.**

**3 Sing! Sing a new song!
Sing of that great day when all will be one!
God will reign, and we'll walk with each other
as sisters and brothers united in love.**

Refrain

**We are called to act with justice,
we are called to love tenderly;
we are called to serve one another,
to walk humbly with God.**

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APOSTLES CREED

**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 INTERCESSION

With confidence in God's grace and mercy,
let us pray for the church, the world,
and all those in need.

A brief silence.

Gracious host,
fill your church with a spirit of joyous hospitality.
We pray for bishops, teachers, church leaders,
and all children of God as they invite others
to your table of boundless grace.
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious host,
as creation waits with eager longing for redemption,
protect your creatures that are mistreated.
Restore valleys, mountains and pastures,
and still and running waters.
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious host,
as you set a table in the presence of enemies,
so bless the efforts of diplomats,
international peace workers,
and world leaders who navigate conflict.
May they proceed with dialogue and understanding,
so that justice and peace prevails.
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious host,
let your gentleness be known
among those who are weary
or ill including all on our prayer list
and those we remember before you now...

Strengthen doctors, medical care workers,
and caretakers who see to their needs.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious host,
when we are quick to judge outward appearance,
remind us how you clothe all in your mercy.

We pray for ministries that provide needed clothing
and other personal care assistance
in this community, including Manchester House,
NESAP and Shepherd's Staff.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Gracious host,
as we remember those who have died
and are gathered at the heavenly banquet,
comfort us with your presence.

Assure us of your peace at all times.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Listen as we call on you, O God,
and enfold in your loving arms all for whom we pray,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

OFFERING

Your offerings are especially needed during this time of crisis. You may mail your offering to the church office or give online through our church website



www.immanuellutheranccmd.org
or the Tithe.ly app at <https://tithe.ly/give>

Thank you for helping us
pursue God's mission together!

OFFERING SONG

ELW #184 Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

**Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord,
and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.
Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown,
that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gather the hopes and dreams of all;
unite them with the prayers we offer.
Grace our table with your presence,
and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.**

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Music: Ronald A. Nelson, b. 1927

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OFFERING PRAYER

Blessed are you,

O God, maker of all things.

**You have set before us these gifts
of your good creation.**

**Prepare us for your heavenly banquet,
nourish us with this rich food and drink,
and send us forth to set tables
in the midst of a suffering world,
through the bread of life, Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God,

our Bread of life, our Table, and our Food,
you created a world in which all might be satisfied
by your abundance.

You dined with Abraham and Sarah,
promising them life,
and fed your people Israel with manna from heaven.
You sent your Son to eat with sinners
and to become food for the world.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his life given for us
and his rising from the grave,
we await his coming again
to share with us the everlasting feast.

By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal:
strengthen us to serve all in hunger and want,
and by this bread and cup
make of us the body of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,
in your holy Church, both now and forever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the banquet table
where Christ gives himself as food and drink.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We give you thanks, gracious God, that you have
once again fed us with food beyond compare,
the body and blood of Christ.

Lead us from this place, nourished and forgiven,
into your beloved vineyard to wipe away the tears
of all who hunger and thirst,
guided by the example of the same Jesus Christ
and led by the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you
and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor +
and give you peace. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

ELW #536 God Be with You Till We Meet Again

**¹ God be with you till we meet again;
by good counsels guide, uphold you,
with a shepherd's care enfold you;
God be with you till we meet again.**

Refrain

**Till we meet, (till we meet,
till we meet, (till we meet again,)
till we meet at Jesus' feet; (till we meet,)
till we meet, (till we meet,)
till we meet, (till we meet again.)
God be with you till we meet again.**

**² God be with you till we meet again;
holy wings securely hide you,
daily manna still provide you;
God be with you till we meet again.**

Refrain

**Till we meet, (till we meet,
till we meet, (till we meet again,)
till we meet at Jesus' feet; (till we meet,)
till we meet, (till we meet,)
till we meet, (till we meet again.)
God be with you till we meet again.**

**³ God be with you till we meet again;
when life's perils thick confound you,
put unfailing arms around you;
God be with you till we meet again.**

Refrain

**Till we meet, (till we meet,
till we meet, (till we meet again,
till we meet at Jesus' feet; (till we meet,
till we meet, (till we meet,
till we meet, (till we meet again.)
God be with you till we meet again.**

Text: Jeremiah E. Rankin, 1828-1904

Music: GOD BE WITH YOU, William G. Tomer, 1833-1896

SENDING

We are God's family on a journey of love with Jesus,
rich in history and tradition yet open to the Spirit,

- welcoming all in worship and learning,
- growing in faith as the Spirit leads us,
- reaching out with our neighbors
to serve those in need,
- sharing with others God's all-embracing love.

We invite you to walk with us on this journey.

**Let us go in peace and make Christ known through
worship, service, outreach, learning, and
loving one another. Amen! Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE



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