

FIRST READING: Genesis 3:8-15

[Adam and Eve] heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. ⁹But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" ¹⁰He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." ¹¹He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" ¹²The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." ¹³Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." ¹⁴The LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. ¹⁵I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel."

Psalms 130

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 4:13—5:1

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, ¹⁴because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. ¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this slight

momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, ¹⁸because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. ¹⁹For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

GOSPEL: Mark 3:20-35

[Jesus] went home; and the crowd came together again, so that [Jesus and the disciples] could not even eat. ²¹When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." ²²And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." ²³And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? ²⁴If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. ²⁶And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. ²⁷But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered. ²⁸"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; ²⁹but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"—³⁰for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit." ³¹Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. ³²A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." ³³And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" ³⁴And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! ³⁵Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

Here are
my mother
and my
brothers!

MARK 3:34



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Our mission is to invite people to know Jesus Christ so that we may all share God's love.

Welcome to Worship at Immanuel as we worship together in the name of the Father our Creator, the Son our Savior, and the Holy Ghost.

Prayer before Worship: Heavenly Father, listen to our hearts, for the words spoken and those left unsaid, that you may know our needs and have us understand the needs of those around us. Amen.

Pastor Ed is working in the church office on Friday mornings from 9:00-ish – 11:00 am. Please call in advance if you would like to reserve time to talk or visit with him.

Prayer Requests: We welcome requests of prayers for our members, friends and families throughout our communities and beyond. Anyone is welcome to leave a note on the desk in the office or contact the pastor.

Offering envelopes are located and available on the table in the entry.

Please designate how you would like to have your offering used if for anything other than general funds.

The Lord's Supper, (offered on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month) the Eucharist, or Holy Communion is a means of God's grace whereby the real presence of Christ is offered. All are welcome to receive Communion at Immanuel Lutheran Church.

We have Children's Bulletins for those who wish to enhance the worship experience for the kids. They can be found each week on the table with the regular Sunday Bulletins.

Newsletter, bulletin, and member information or changes may be sent to

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This Week at Immanuel 9:00 am Worship

Sunday, June 9, 2024

WORSHIP LEADER: MARCIA BUCHS, SAM

Lay Reader: Angie Kratochvil

Greeters: Elton & Spring Mau

Ushers/Acolytes: Harlan Brucker, Shannon Roark

Organist: Cindy Wilson

Sunday, June 16, 2024

WORSHIP LEADER: PASTOR ED HUDELSON

Lay Reader: Jerry Kukuck

Greeters: Alan & Sabrina Petersen

Ushers/Acolytes: Dan & Ty Harms

Communion: Dennis Griepentrog, Jerry K.

Organist: Kimberly Petersen

In your prayers, please include our members who are not able to be with us today: Virginia Winterland (home); Iva Mae Petersen (Pontiac); Gary Kessinger

We also include the following people in our prayers: Lucy McKinley, Cheryl Poppe, Robert Ruff, Jeannie Weber, Tim Dawson, Von Becker's Parents, Bob & Judy Logan, Nancy Lasser, Loren Powell, Lori Becker (sister-in-law of Von Becker), and Daviney Steidinger-Reynolds (a student at Ridgeview).

Announcements

Today we welcome Weston Dale Winterland into the family of Christ through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Weston is the son of Greg Winterland and Hilary Borge, born on June 25, 2023. His Sponsors are Deborah Meister and Nathan Borge.

A HUGE VBS Thank you - We extend a very heart-felt Thank you to the Parish Education Committee for their dedication and energy devoted to the children of our community this week. With the help of many helpers and volunteers who donated their time and energy, they all put together an incredible week of Vacation Bible School. We are blessed to have so many talented and inspiring members among us. Thank you to everyone!

The Baby Bottles in the basket at the back of the church are a project we do to support the Hope Center of Pontiac. They provide resources for young mothers and children who are in need for any reason. Our goal is to fill 20 bottles with change (or other monetary donations) from now through Father's Day.

Quilting for Lutheran World Relief

We will be knotting quilts on Tuesdays, June 11 and 25, from 12:30-3:00 p.m.

Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 9, 2024

A house divided against itself cannot stand. Jesus makes this observation in light of charges that he is possessed. He is possessed, not by a demon, but by the Holy Spirit. We who have received the Holy Spirit through baptism have been joined to Christ's death and resurrection and knit together in the body of Christ. Those with whom we sing and pray this day are Jesus' family. With them we go forth in peace to do the will of God.

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Vacation Bible School Presentation

God is a Friend who's Real

"We believe, and we know you are the Holy One of God." John 6:69

God is a Friend who Loves

"Just as I have loved you, you should love each other." John 13:34

God is a Friend we can Trust

"I am leaving you with a gift – peace of mind and heart." John 14:27

God is a Forever Friend

"I am the resurrection and the life. Anyone who believes in me will live, even after dying." John 11:25

God is a Friend for Everyone

"For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16

*GREETING *Please stand as you are able*

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

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. All-powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

Congregation may be seated

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

READING

Genesis 3:8-15

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Immediately after Adam and Eve eat the forbidden fruit, they hide from God. Neither takes responsibility for their sin, instead blaming each other, the snake, and even God. The curse on the snake was understood as a messianic prophecy by the early church, who associated Eve's "offspring" with Christ.

After the reading . . . L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalm 130

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord;

O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.

If you were to keep watch over sins, O Lord, who could stand?

Yet with you is forgiveness, in order that you may be feared.

I wait for you, O Lord; my soul waits; in your word is my hope.

My soul waits for the Lord more than those who keep watch for the morning, more than those who keep watch for the morning.

O Israel, wait for the Lord, for with the Lord there is steadfast love; with the Lord there is plenteous redemption.

For the Lord shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

Please stand as you are able

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (sung)

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***Alleluia. Lord to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.***

*GOSPEL READING

Mark 3:20-35

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The Gospel is announced:

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark ...

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

In response to charges that he is possessed, Jesus wonders aloud how anyone who is demon-possessed can cast out demons. Those who do the will of God are possessed by the Holy Spirit, siblings of Christ.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

HOMILY

Marcia Buchs, SAM

HYMN OF DAY

Borning Cry

ELW 732

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Weston Dale Winterland

ELW page 227

The congregation is invited to follow the order or worship for Holy Baptism in the front of the Hymnal.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P: We come before the triune God to pray for our communities, ourselves, and our world.

After each petition: P: Merciful God, **C: receive our prayer.**

P: Receive our prayers, O God, and come quickly to our aid, through the power of the Spirit and the love of Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

*LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray. . .

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.

WE GATHER OUR OFFERINGS

*OFFERING SONG *Please stand as you are able*

ELW 186

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Let us pray... God of abundance,

C: you have poured out a large measure of earthly blessings and we live in safety and security. Teach us to set our hearts on you and not these material blessings. Grant us in wisdom to use your blessings to your glory and to the service of humankind. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

*BLESSING

P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,
✠ be upon you now and forever.

C: Amen.

*HYMN

Children of the Heavenly Father

ELW 781

*DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

If you or your children participated in VBS this week, we would love to hear some of their thoughts and comments about their experience. We may share some of those comments, along with pictures in the next newsletter.

Also – if you would like to receive newsletters or more information about Immanuel, please send an email to Cindy Wilson at ckwilson1983@gmail.com or look us up on the website: www.immanuellutherancolfax.org