

FIRST READING: 2 Kings 4:42-44

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to [Elisha,] the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." ⁴³But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the LORD, 'They shall eat and have some left.'" ⁴⁴He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the LORD.

Psalm 145:10-18**SECOND READING: Ephesians 3:14-21**

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. ¹⁶I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, ¹⁷and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. ¹⁸I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

²⁰Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

GOSPEL: John 6:1-21

Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. ²A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. ³Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples.

⁴Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. ⁵When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" ⁶He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. ⁷Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." ⁸One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, ⁹"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" ¹⁰Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. ¹¹Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹²When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." ¹³So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. ¹⁴When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world."

¹⁵When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

¹⁶When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, ¹⁷got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. ¹⁸The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. ¹⁹When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. ²⁰But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." ²¹Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

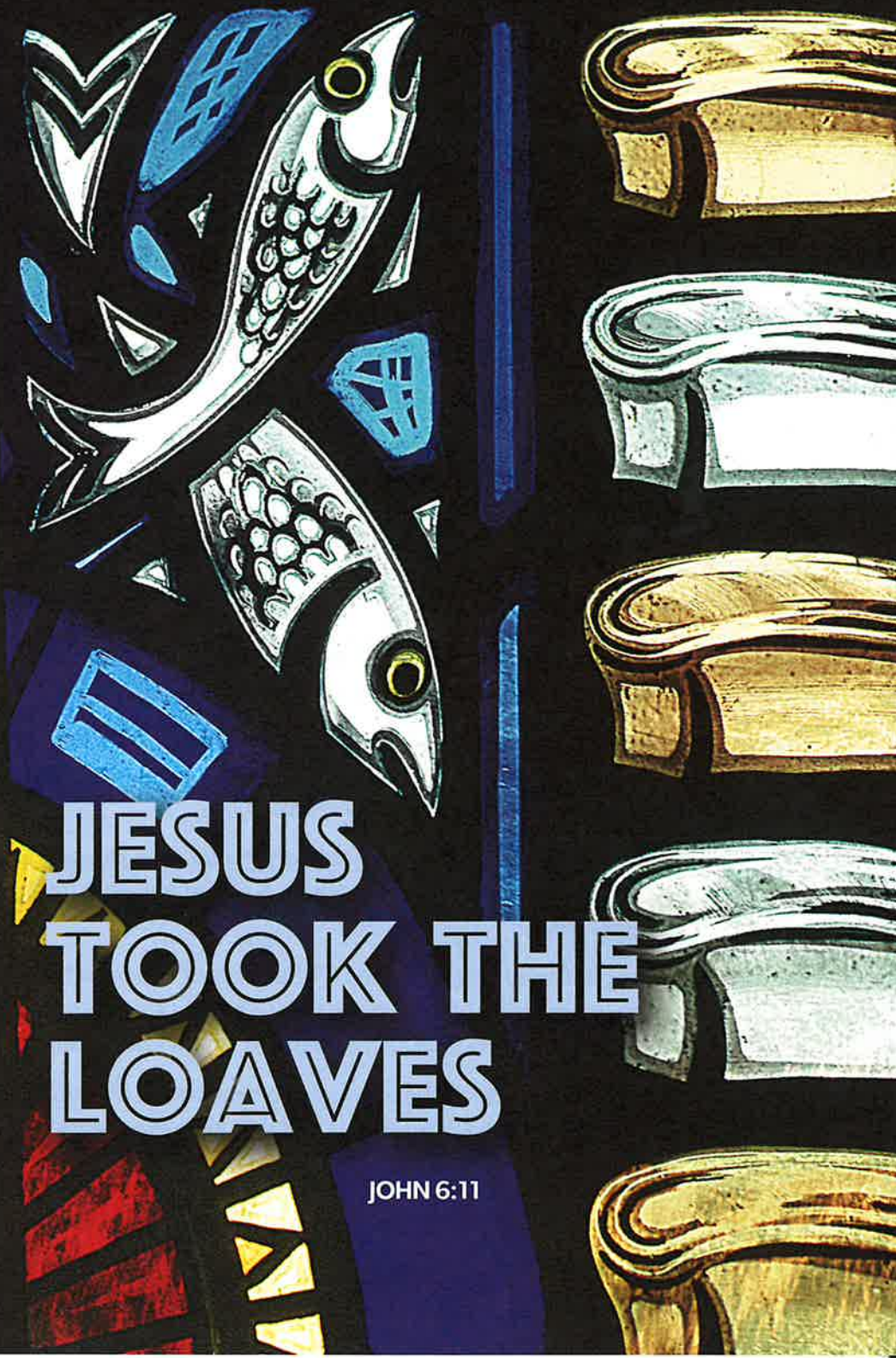
Next Sunday's Readings: Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15; Psalm 78:23-29; Ephesians 4:1-16; John 6:24-35.

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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 10:30-ish – noon. 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 ckwilson1983@gmail.com or immanuelcolfax@hotmail.com

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This Week at Immanuel 9:00 am Worship

Sunday, July 28, 2024

WORSHIP LEADER: PASTOR ED HUDELSON

Lay Reader: Briana Ray

Greeters: Kent & Rebecca Casson

Ushers/Acolytes: Dan, Parker Harms

Organist: Kimberly Petersen

Sunday, August 4, 2024

WORSHIP LEADER: PASTOR ED HUDELSON

Lay Reader: Amy Winterland

Greeters: Norman & Karen Harms

Ushers/Acolytes: tbd

Communion: tbd

Musicians: Pastor Ed & the Band

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

Next Sunday, August 4 – Please join us for Worship under the pavilion in downtown Colfax – 9:00 am. Pastor Ed and his friends will be providing the music for a down-home service. Everyone is welcome!

The 2nd Annual Congregation Golf Outing will also be held next Sunday with lunch starting at noon. There is still time to sign up. Whether you plan to golf or not, please come for the fellowship.

Pastor Ed has adjusted his church office hours. He will be available at Immanuel on Friday mornings from 10:30 – noon(ish). Drop-in visits are always welcome or call ahead to schedule a visit.

Quilting for Lutheran World Relief – The next Knotting date is Tuesday, July 30 from 12:30-3:00 pm. There are pre-cut squares ready to sew together for quilt tops for those who can do sewing at home. We thank you, as always, for any help that can be given.

Please mark your calendars for these special events coming soon:

**September 8 – Bishop Greg Busboom will be attending our Worship Service
God's Work – Our Hands day of service**

More details on these events will be coming soon. Please see the newsletter and future bulletins for more information.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH IS HOSTING A COUNTRY GOSPEL SERVICE IN COLFAX

WORSHIP WITH US ON

Sunday, August 4th, 2024
9AM

New Pavilion on Main
Street in Colfax

All are welcome!

Bring a lawn chair and join
us for an uplifting service!

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

July 28, 2024

Today is the first of five Sundays with gospel readings from John 6, the first four of which focus on Jesus as bread of life. Today Jesus feeds thousands of people with five loaves and two fish. What we have, what we bring to Jesus' table, seems like it is not nearly enough to meet all the needs we see around us. But it is not the adequacy of our supplies or our skills that finally makes the difference: it is the power of Jesus working in the littlest and least to transform this world into the world God desires, a world where all the hungry are satisfied.

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gathering

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

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross in remembrance of baptism as the worship leader begins -

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the God of manna,
the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

C: Amen.

P: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: God, our provider

C: help us. 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.

C: Amen.

Congregation may be seated.

HYMN

Praise and Thanksgiving

ELW 689

*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. Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

Congregation may be seated

Word

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

READING 2 Kings 4:42-44 back of bulletin

Today's reading is part of a larger section of 2 Kings that describes the miracles of Elisha, the successor to Elijah. Here the prophet gives food to a hungry crowd. Though there is not enough food to go around, Elisha trusts God, who provides enough and even more to satisfy the need.

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

PSALM Psalm 145:10-18

All Your works shall praise you, O Lord, and your faithful ones shall bless you.

They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your power,
That all people may know of your power and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures throughout all ages. You, Lord, are faithful in all your works, and loving in all your works.

The Lord upholds all those who fall and lifts up those who are bowed down.

The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord, and you give them their food in due season.

You open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

You are righteous in all your ways and loving in all your works.

You are near to all who call upon you, to all who call upon you faithfully.

READING Ephesians 3:14-21 back of bulletin

We have been rooted and grounded in the love of Christ, which surpasses all human knowledge. Because Christ dwells in our hearts, our lives are continuously strengthened and empowered by the ongoing presence of the Spirit.

After the reading . . . L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**
Please stand as you are able

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (sung) ELW, page 142

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

*GOSPEL READING John 6:121 back of bulletin

The Gospel is announced:

P: The Holy Gospel according to John ... **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

In John's gospel, the miracles of Jesus are called "signs," because they reveal the true character of God. As such, they remain within the mystery of God and cannot be brought under human control.

P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON / NOISY OFFERING

SERMON Pastor Ed Hudelson

HYMN OF DAY **The Church of Christ, in Every Age** ELW 729

*CREED *Please stand as you are able* ELW page 104

P: We confess our faith in the words of the Apostle's Creed,

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and was born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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 CHURCH

P: One in the communion of saints and in the power of the Holy Spirit, we join our voices in prayer.

After each petition: P: In your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

P: Holy God, holy and merciful: into your outstretched arms we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in the one who is the way, the truth, and the life, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. **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.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The Peace of the Lord be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

P: Let us share that peace with one another.

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

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

On What Has Now Been Sown

ELW 550

*DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. **C: Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
2ND ANNUAL

GOLF OUTING

Bring your friends & join us for lunch, golf and fellowship!

**SUNDAY
AUGUST 4TH, 2024**

INDIAN CREEK GOLF COURSE - FAIRBURY
Potluck Lunch: 12:00pm (meat, water, and table service will be provided)
9 Holes of Golf: 1:00pm

\$30 - Per Player

Checks payable to Immanuel Lutheran Church - pay the day of. If you don't have a team of 4, we will put teams together that day. All skill levels are welcome!

For more information, visit our website: www.immanuel.lutheran.colfax.org

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