

FIRST READING: Genesis 18:1-10a

The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. ²He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. ³He said, “My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. ⁴Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. ⁵Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant.” So they said, “Do as you have said.” ⁶And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, “Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes.” ⁷Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. ⁸Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

⁹They said to him, “Where is your wife Sarah?” And he said, “There, in the tent.” ^{10a}Then one said, “I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son.”

Psalm 15

SECOND READING: Colossians 1:15-28

[Christ Jesus] is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth

or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

²¹And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²²he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him—²³provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel.

²⁴I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ’s afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. ²⁵I became its servant according to God’s commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, ²⁶the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. ²⁷To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. ²⁸It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

GOSPEL: Luke 10:38-42

Now as [Jesus and his disciples] went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. ³⁹She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord’s feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, “Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me.” ⁴¹But the Lord answered her, “Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; ⁴²there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her.”

Martha
welcomed
Jesus
into her
home

LUKE 10:38



Next Sunday’s Readings: Genesis 18:20-32; Psalm 138; Colossians 2:6-15 [16-19]; Luke 11:1-13.

Cover: Woman opening door. Photo by Ken Koskela. Copyright © 2024 Alamy Stock Photo. Used by permission.
Readings are from the New Revised Standard Version Bible with Apocrypha, copyright © 1989 by the Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States. Revised Common Lectionary copyright © 1992 by the Consultation on Common Texts (CCT), admin. Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved. Used by permission. Please visit our website at www.augsburgfortress.org.
Copyright © 2025 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved. May not be reproduced. Printed in U.S.A.

ITEM013730 ELCA-R

Immanuel Lutheran Church

34606 E. 2450 N. Rd., Colfax, IL
(309)723-5091

immanuelcolfax@hotmail.com

Interim Pastor – Pastor Nathan Feig
217-637-9606 feig777@yahoo.com

Council President: Eli Petersen 815-848-2155 ejpetersen4@gmail.com
Church Secretary: Cindy Wilson 309-825-4099 ckwilson1983@gmail.com

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

Welcome to Worship at Immanuel - We are delighted to have everyone worshiping with us today. We invite you to sign a communion card, if you would please, so that we might have a registry of those sharing Holy Communion with us.

Prayer before Worship: Dear Lord, place your hand on my shoulder, your words in my mouth, and guide my steps to follow you. Amen.

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. *If you would rather receive a blessing instead of Holy Communion, please come forward and cross your arms to your shoulders as indication of needing a blessing today. All are welcome at the Lord's table.*

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.

From sundaysandseasons.com. Copyright © 2024 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved.

Newsletter, bulletin, and member information or changes may be sent to
ckwilson1983@gmail.com or immanuelcolfax@hotmail.com

This Week at Immanuel 10:30 am - Worship

Sunday, July 20, 2025

WORSHIP LEADERS: PASTOR NATHAN FEIG
Lay Reader: Elton Mau
Greeters: Terry & Kay Bose
Ushers/Acolytes: Jerry & Suzie Kukuck
Communion: Denny & Amy Winterland
Organist: Cindy Wilson

Please include the following people in our prayers:

Lois Barker, Gary Kessinger, Cheryl Poppe, Jeannie Weber, Bob & Nancy Lasser, Judy Logan, Kevin and Chad Allen (family members of Von Becker), Cindy Harris, and Rebecca Casson
We include prayers for the family and friends of Bob Logan (Von Becker's father).

[Please share known updates for any changes to this list.]

Announcements

Wanted – anyone who would be willing to share ideas, a little time and energy to help us put a float in the Colfax parade on August 9th. Please contact Eli Petersen for more information or to offer your services.

On August 9th, from 5:00 – 7:00 pm, the congregation is invited to celebrate with Virginia Winterland in honor of her upcoming 95th Birthday. An open house will be held at the home of Darrell Winterland, 33201 E. 1600 North Rd., Colfax.

LWR Quilts - We will be knotting quilts on Tuesday, July 29 from 12:30-3 pm.

If you can thread a needle and tie a knot, we could use your help! Also, there is a box in the parish hall of pre-cut packages of quilt squares that can be sewn into quilt tops. Please use 1/2" seam, a tight/short stitch, and do not make a cross pattern.. Questions, see Dee Winterland.

One Week Left to donate! Monetary Donations are also being accepted for the Outreach Committee Student Clothing Drive - During the open registration day at Ridgeview Elementary School, we can offer 2 tables of clothing/shoes, similar to a free garage sale to allow families to "shop" for clothing when they pick up their free school supplies. Boxes for drop-offs will be available at the back of the church through July 27. Registration Day is August 1, 2025. Lists or items requested can be found at the table or on the doors.

Betty Powell welcomed her 9th great grandchild into the family on July 7. Beau Allen Powell born to Bryce and Demi Powell. He weighed in at 8 lbs 2 ozs. and was welcomed home by his big sis Kansas, 2 1/2 yrs old. Beau shares his middle name with his grandpa and great grandpa both deceased.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH | COLFAX
P R E S E N T S



SUNDAY SERVICE

COMMUNITY WORSHIP
UNDER THE PAVILION

AUGUST 10TH

2025

9:30
AM

JOIN US FOR A COMMUNITY WORSHIP SERVICE UNDER THE
PAVILION ON MAIN STREET IN COLFAX ON SUNDAY, AUGUST
10TH AT 9:30AM. LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED BY IMMANUEL
LUTHERAN CHURCH FOLLOWING THE SERVICE AT THE
LEGION. BRING YOUR LAWN CHAIRS. ALL ARE WELCOME!

www.immanuellutherancolfax.org
Questions? Contact Eli 815-848-2155

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

July 20, 2025

Perhaps the church, at its best, is “all ears.” God urges the faithful, again and again, to “listen up!”—to heed the word that gives life. So it was with Abraham and Sarah, Mary and Martha, and the early church at Colossae. So it is today as we join the assembly to hear the word of God, the word of life.

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gathering

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

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS *Please stand as you are able.*

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

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

C: Amen.

P: Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,

C: you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen.

P: You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God’s children through faith. In the cross of ☩ Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.

C: Amen. *Congregation may be seated.*

GATHERING SONG

As We Gather at Your Table

ELW 522

*GREETING

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.**

*THE KYRIE

WOV page 28

△ Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: Lord. . . . have mer - cy: ⊕ Lord, have mer - cy.

△ Chri - ste e - le - i - son: Christ, have mer - cy: ⊕ Christ, have mer - cy.

△ Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: Lord. . . . have mer - cy: ⊕ Lord, have mer - cy.

* HYMN OF PRAISE

WOV page 29

⊕ Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;

glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

I Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we

wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

⊕ Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;

glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

u Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the

right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

⊕ Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;

glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

I For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly

Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther, A - men.

⊕ Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;

glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth,

and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. Eternal God, you draw near to us in Christ, and you make yourself our guest. Amid the cares of our lives, make us attentive to your presence, that we may treasure your word above all else, 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 Genesis 18:1-10a back of bulletin

The Lord visits Abraham and Sarah to tell them that the long-awaited promise of the birth of a child will be fulfilled for them in their old age.

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

PSALM Psalm 15

Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? Who may abide upon your holy hill?
Those who lead a blameless life and do what is right, who speak the truth from their heart;
They do not slander with the tongue, they do no evil to their friends;
they do not cast discredit upon a neighbor.
In their sight the wicked are rejected, but they honor those who fear the Lord. They have sworn upon their health and do not take back their word.
They do not give their money in hope of gain, nor do they take bribes against the innocent.
Those who do these things shall never be overthrown.

READING Colossians 1:15-28 back of bulletin

This letter offers a mystical teaching, that the great mystery of God is "Christ in you." Because Christ is present in the church, Christians share in his life, suffering, and glory.
After the reading . . . L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the reading of the Gospel
*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION WOV, page 29

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

Al - le - lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL READING Luke 10:38-42 back of bulletin

The Gospel is announced:
P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke ... C: Glory to you, O Lord.
During his visit to the home of Mary and Martha, Jesus reminds Martha that her concern for her many tasks distracts from the one thing that precedes all else: abiding in the presence of God.
P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.
Congregation may be seated.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

HOMILY Pastor Nathan Feig

HYMN OF THE DAY What a Friend We Have in Jesus ELW 742

*APOSTLES' CREED please stand as you are able
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 INTERCESSION

P: In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world.

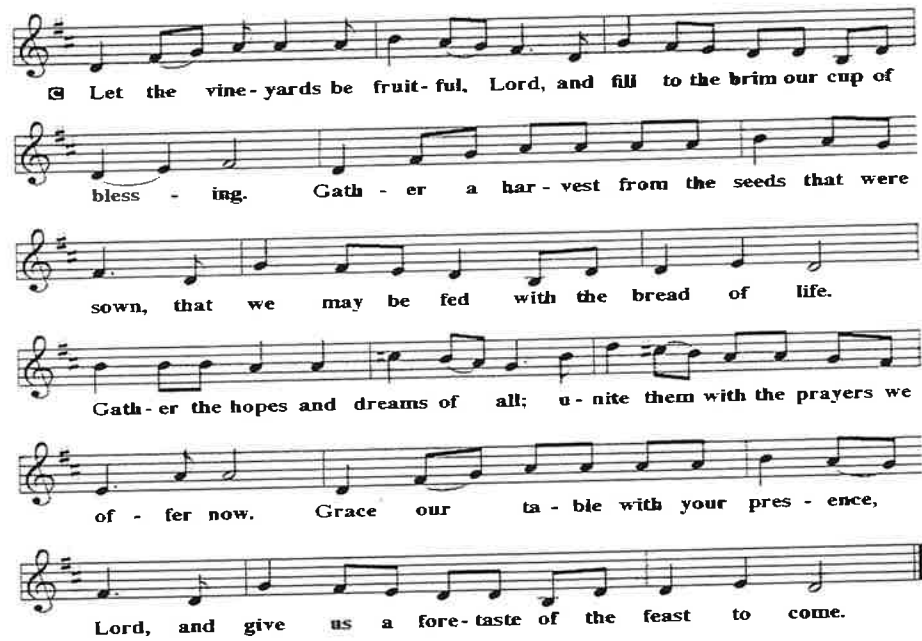
After each petition: P: God of grace, **C: hear our prayer.**

P: Trusting in your lovingkindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ. **C: Amen.** *Congregation may be seated.*

WE GATHER OUR OFFERINGS

*OFFERING SONG *Please stand as you are able*

WOV page 35



*OFFERING PRAYER

P: Let us pray... Creator God,

**C: in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful.
Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we
may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. 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.

* COMMUNION LITANY

P: The Lord be with you.

(spoken) **C: And also with you.**

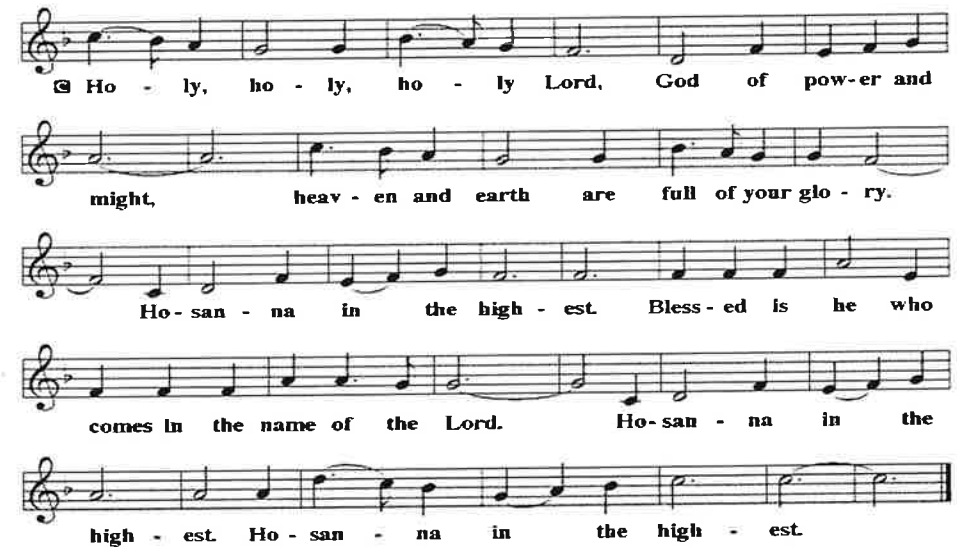
P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

WOV page 36



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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 death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

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

**C: 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

P: The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.
Congregation may be seated.

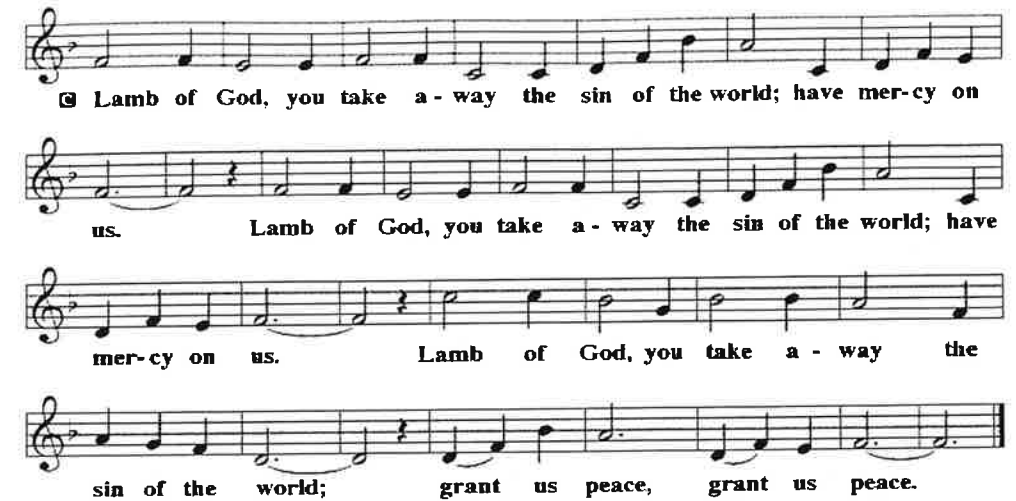
DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

*All are invited to receive Holy Communion at the Lord's table. The inner circle of cups contain grape juice, the rest are wine. Please follow the directions of the ushers.
If you would rather receive a blessing instead of Holy Communion, please come forward and cross your arms to your shoulders as indication of needing a blessing today. All are welcome at the Lord's table.*

COMMUNION HYMNS

Lamb of God

WOV page 39



HYMN

My Faith Looks Up To Thee

ELW 759

After all have returned to their places, please stand as you are able.

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

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Let us pray... Mothering God,

C: you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. Amen.

* BLESSING

P: The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit ☩ bless you and give you peace. **C: Amen.**

* HYMN

God Be With You Till We Meet Again

ELW 536

*DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Live by the Spirit. **C: Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE