

# IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Pastor  
Praise Band  
August 7, 2022

## ANNUAL COMMUNITY FESTIVAL

### Gathering Praise

### "Here I Am to Worship"

1 Light of the world,  
You stepped down into darkness,  
Opened my eyes, let me see.  
Beauty that made this heart adore You,  
Hope of a life spent with You.

*Chorus: Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down,  
Here I am to say that You're my God.  
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,  
Altogether wonderful to me.*

2 King of all days; Oh, so highly exalted,  
Glorious in Heaven above.  
Humbly You came to the earth You created,  
All for love's sake, became poor.

*Chorus: Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down,  
Here I am to say that You're my God.  
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,  
Altogether wonderful to me.*

*Bridge (Sung by Praise Band)*

### Welcome & Announcements

### Brief Order for Confession & Forgiveness

P: We begin in the name of our Triune God: Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit.  
Our God calls us beloved children, gathers us into one flock and guides us into all truth.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Gracious God,

**C: We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God, strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. Amen.

**C: Amen.**

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.**

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For this holy house, and for those who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us Pray:

C: **Almighty and merciful God, only by your gift of grace can the faithful offer service that is worthy of you and deserving of praise. Keep us from stumbling as we run to receive your promises; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

First Reading Acts Genesis 15: 1-6  
Psalm Psalm 33: 12-22  
Second Reading Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16  
Gospel Luke 12: 32-40

Children's Sermon / Sermon

Rev. Eric Miletti

HYMN OF PRAISE

**"Great is Thy Faithfulness"**

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1 Great is thy faithfulness,  
O God my Father;  
There is no shadow of turning with thee;;  
Thou changest not,  
Thy compassions, they fail not;  
As thou hast been, forever wilt be.

*Refrain: Great is thy faithfulness!  
Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
All I have needed thy hand hath provided;  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

2 Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

*Refrain: Great is thy faithfulness!  
Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
All I have needed thy hand hath provided;  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

*Refrain: Great is thy faithfulness!  
Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
All I have needed thy hand hath provided;  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

## Confession of Faith

**We confess God is the creator of all people  
and has created us to live in a covenant of love  
established through the Word and Sacraments.**

**We confess that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God,  
and he takes away the sins of the world.**

**By his name and grace we live our lives of mission and witness for the world.**

**We believe by the power of the Holy Spirit.  
That Spirit calls us to be God's presence in our world.  
Our mission is to bring the love of Christ and the power of his forgiving love  
to all the world. When Christ comes again we will gather before God's throne  
with all who believe and worship and praise God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit –  
for all eternity. Amen.**

### **Prayers of the People**

*Each petition ends with: "Lord, in your mercy." Congregation responds: "Hear our prayer."*

### **Praise Song:**

#### **"Little Mustard Seed"**

If you had faith like a little mustard seed,  
That's what the Lord asks from us  
If you had faith like a little mustard seed,  
That's what the Lord asks from us  
You will command to the mountains  
Move away, move away, move away.  
You will command to the mountains  
Move away, move away, move away.  
And the mountains will move away,  
Will move away, will move away.  
And the mountains will move away,  
Will move away, will move away.

### **Sharing of the Peace**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you all.  
C: **And also with you.**  
P: Let's share the peace of Christ with one another.

### **Offering**

#### **"Change My Heart, O God"**

*Chorus: Change my heart, O God  
Make it ever true,  
Change my heart, O God,  
May I be like you.*

1 You are the potter,  
I am the clay;  
Mold me and make me,  
This is what I pray.

### **Offertory Prayer**

P: God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing.  
Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through  
Jesus Christ, our Redeemer and Lord.  
C: **Amen.**

### **Celebration of the Lord's Supper**

#### **The Words of Institution The Lord's Prayer**

**Holy Communion: All who are baptized and believe that Christ is truly present in the Sacrament are welcome to join us at the Lord's Table.** Come forward at the direction of the usher. If you are unable to come forward to receive the Sacrament, please let the usher know, and the Sacrament will be brought to you. **Grape juice and gluten-free wafers are also available;** let the pastor or communion assistant know of your need as you are served. Any who have not been instructed in the Sacrament may come forward to receive a blessing.

## Songs of Praise and Meditation:

### ***“Just As I Am”***

- 1 Just as I am, without one plea,  
But that Thy Blood was shed for me,  
And that Thou bidd'st me come to thee,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 2 Just as I am and waiting not  
To rid my soul of one dark blot,  
To Thee Whose Blood can cleanse each spot,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 3 Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,  
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;  
Because Thy promise I believe,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 4 Just as I am; Thy Love unknown  
Has broken ev'ry barrier down;  
Now to be thine, yea, thine alone,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 5 Just as I am, though tossed about,  
With many a conflict, many a doubt,  
Fightings and fears, within, without,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 6 Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind  
Sight riches, healing of the mind  
Yea, all I need in Thee to find  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

### ***“One Bread, One Body”***

*Refrain: One bread, one body, one Lord of all:  
One cup of blessing which we bless,  
And we, though many throughout the earth,  
We are one body in this one Lord.*

- 1 Gentile or Jew, servant or free,  
Woman or man, no more.

*Refrain:*

- 2 Many the gifts, many the works,  
One in the Lord of all.

*Refrain:*

- 3 Grain for the fields, scattered and grown,  
Gathered to one for all.

*Refrain*

### ***“Sanctuary”***

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary  
Pure and holy, tried and true  
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living  
Sanctuary for you... (Repeat)

## Post-Communion Blessing & Prayer

### Benediction

## Departing Praise

### *“Just A Closer Walk with Thee”*

*Refrain*      *Just a closer walk with thee,  
Grant it, Jesus, is my plea;  
Daily walking close to thee,  
Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.*

1      I am weak but thou art strong;  
Jesus, keep me from all wrong;  
I'll be satisfied as long  
As I walk, dear Lord, close to thee.

*Refrain*

2      Through this world of toil and snares,  
If I falter, Lord, who cares?  
Who with me my burden shares?  
None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee.

*Refrain*

3      When my feeble life is o'er,  
Time for me will be no more;  
Guide me gently, safely o'er  
To thy kingdom, dear Lord, to thy shore.

*Refrain*

## Sending

### Blessing of Festival Meal

### *“Doxology”*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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### **Welcome to our worship in Jesus' name!**

Your presence in worshipping the Lord is our joy! Thank you for your faith which brings you here; please come again.

**Attendance and Prayer Card** – Visitors and members of the congregation, please complete any pertinent information on the attendance sheet. **If you do have a Prayer Request, hand it to the usher during the first hymn.**

**Offerings & Attendance on 7/31/22** was \$5,986; 78 members & 13 visitors; no views on Facebook Live.

**The ILC Women of Faith** are planning a “Sisters in Christ Luncheon” for Sunday, August 21st. If you would like to contribute a salad, a fruit or veggie tray, or dessert, please contact Chrystal Coble or the church office.

**The Nursery Room** – We are looking for volunteers of all ages to watch the little ones in the nursery during the 8:00 and 10:30 am services. Please let us now if you can help.

### **THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL**

<b>Sun</b>	9:00 am	Worship at the Chamber with Holy Communion
	11:00 am	Festival begins with music and meal being served
	1:15 pm	Live Auction begins
	2:00 pm	Silent Auction and Raffle end
	2:30 pm	Clean up
<b>Mon</b>	9:00 am	Clean up at the Chamber (Please come out to help)
	<b>6:00 pm</b>	<b>Council Meeting - Parsonage</b>
	6:30 pm	Sunday School Teachers Meet - Parish Hall
<b>Wed</b>	6:00 pm	Adult Meal / Bible Study
<b>Sat</b>	8:30 am	Men of Immanuel Breakfast

## OUR PRAYER LIST

**Those in our congregation:** Larry Bailey, Willie Jean Boeck, Ferguson, Ronnie Moore, Phyllis Stensgaard, Martha Trotter, Terri Walker and Kyle.

**Those in our community:** (will remain on list for three weeks unless otherwise instructed) Joe Arrambide, Ivy Baumann, Kenneth Bravenec, John Briscoe, Rodney Brown, Susan Bruno, Jay Bullington, Carolyn and Delmas Bunton, Gracie Burg, Jim Ellis, Viviani Fonseca, Andrea Herrera, Cathy Hilton, Jeremy & Hollis Hintz, Kim Jameson, *Peggie Knobles*, Larry Koljowski, Anthony Kotara, Brett Kunnemann, Ashley Leyendecker, Chelsey Lyssy, *Mike McEnery*, *Collins Ortmann and Beth*, Edna Otto, Teresa Plesek, Lawton Ramon, Geary Ransom, baby Ellis Reed, Carl (Kip) Richter, Larry Rose, David Salles, Russell Smith, *Colby Stuart & fiancée Rae*, Miguel Tanner, Alene Wanek, Billy Willeford, Leemarie, Leo and Carl, Lonnie and Kenneth, Megan & Frank.

**For those grieving:** *The family of CJ Lambeck and the family Allen McKee*

**For RAIN!**

**For those affected by COVID, cancer, other illnesses:** the family of Brenda Espinet, and Lawrence Geisler

**For peace, understanding, & acceptance for all:**

**For those affected by natural disasters:**

**For the completion of our building project:**

**For our country and for world peace:**

**For those serving in military service here and abroad:** Brian Alderson, Taylor Clarke, Thomas Elder, Stephen Ferry, Eric Koepp, Stephan Mattke, Nathan Pianfetti, Farrah Schluter, Larkin Tremaine, Ashley Trompeter, and Michael Troy, Jr.

### **This week's NALC devotions: August 7 – 13**

#### **Sunday**

▪ Joshua 1:1-18 ▪ Acts 21:3-15 ▪ Mark 1:21-27 ▪ Psalms 19 & 150 (AM) ▪ Psalms 81 & 113 (PM)

#### **Monday**

▪ Joshua 2:1-14 ▪ Romans 11:1-12 ▪ Matthew 25:1-13 ▪ Psalms 135 & 145 (AM) ▪ Psalms 97 & 112 (PM)

#### **Tuesday**

Joshua 2:15-24 ▪ Romans 11:13-24 ▪ Matthew 25:14-30 ▪ Psalms 123 & 146 (AM) ▪ Psalms 30 & 86 (PM)

#### **Wednesday**

▪ Joshua 3:1-13 ▪ Romans 11:25-36 ▪ Matthew 25:31-46 ▪ Psalms 15 & 147:1-12 (AM) ▪ Psalms 48 & 4 (PM)

#### **Thursday**

Joshua 3:14-4:7 ▪ Romans 12:1-8 ▪ Matthew 26:1-16 ▪ Psalms 36 & 147:13-21 (AM) ▪ Psalms 80 & 27 (PM)

#### **Friday**

▪ Joshua 4:19-5:1, 10-15 ▪ Romans 12:9-21 ▪ Matthew 26:17-25 ▪ Psalms 130 & 148 (AM) ▪ Psalms 32 & 139 (PM)

#### **Saturday**

▪ Joshua 6:1-14 ▪ Romans 13:1-7 ▪ Matthew 26:26-35 ▪ Psalms 56 & 149 (AM) ▪ Psalms 100 & 63 (PM)