Welcome to Immanuel Lutheran Church

Sunday, May 23, 2021 Pentecost Day and Baptism of Levi Elliot Nickolai

Prelude	
Announcements	
Call to Worship	
Confession and Absolution:	
Opening Hymn "Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading"	#401
Greetings	
Prayer of the Day	
O God, on this day you open the hearts of your faithful people by s	sending into us your
Holy Spirit. Direct us by the light of that Spirit, that we may have	a right judgment in
all things and rejoice at all times in your peace, through Jesus Chr	rist, your Son and
our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one C	God, now and
forever. Amen.	

Second Reading: Acts 2:1-21 Gospel Acclamation "Halle, Halle, Hallelujah" #172 Gospel Acclamation Gospel: John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15 Sermon Rev. Dr. Niveen Ibrahim Sarras Hymn of the Day "Spirit of Gentleness" #396

Holy Baptism of Levi Elliot Nickolai

Prayers of Intercession

A.M.: Uplifted by the promised hope of healing and resurrection, we join the people of God in all times and places in praying for the church, the world, and all who are in need. After each petition respond with "**Graciously hear us.**"

A brief silence.

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and especially for all who are suffering or are in any affliction. Merciful God, you sent your Son to be our peace. Help all those who suffer any pain or grief, hopelessness or anxiety. In your great mercy, **Graciously hear us.** Mighty God, mercifully grant strength to the weak and comfort to those who suffer, that their sickness and pain may be turned into health.

In your great mercy,

Graciously hear us.

God of peace and reconciliation,

bring an end to the sickness of the world,

especially violence, terrorism, war, and their causes.

In your great mercy,

Graciously hear us.

Holy God, Holy One,

your Son prayed that your people may be one.

May the gift of baptism be a power

for healing the church's brokenness,

and bless all efforts for renewal and Christian unity.

In your great mercy,

Graciously hear us.

Loving God,

mend broken relationships and bring peace

to our families, our congregation, this community, and the world.

In your great mercy,

Graciously hear us.

God of healing and rest, help those whose hearts are heavy and weighed down by many troubles. Comfort their suffering, ease their distress, and carry their burdens, and comfort Jack's family. In your great mercy,

graciously hear us.

Eternal God, we thank you for all the faithful departed, especially Jack Fabry. Heal the pain of all who grieve. In your great mercy, **Graciously hear us.**

P: O God, we bring these intercessions before you, knowing that you will hear us as you have promised, and will answer according to the mercy shown in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Offering		
Offertory	"Holy Spirit, Truth Divine"	:
Offertory Prayer		

Holy Communion The Lord's Prayer Invitation to Communion Lamb of God #398

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Blessing after commu	nion	
Prayer after Commun	ion	
Blessing		
Closing Hymn	"God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind"	#400
Dismissal		

"Taste and See"

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Communion Hymn

Prayer Concerns: Thelma, Esther, Kathrine-Sylvia, Abber, Jezel, Joelle, Odeh, April, Brieanna, Alice, Charissa, Scott, Phyllis, Ashley, Laura, David, Sara, Jeff, Edie, Joan, Jamie & Mike, Pastor Mark (Dixie Burk's Brother), Maggie Westaby, Pat, and Sonya (Jackie's Sister-in-Law), Jim Palmer, and Pastor Sean Motley

With our most profound sorrow, we inform you of our beloved **Jack Fabry**, **Jr.**'s death on May 17, 2021. His funeral will be on Friday, May 21, 2021, at 11:00am at Immanuel Lutheran Church. There will be no visitation. Those who attend the funeral are asked to go directly to the sanctuary. The family will not be available to receive your condolences.

Please keep his wife, Babs and his family in your prayers. Cards may be sent to the following address: 511 Washington Street, Mosinee, WI 54455. Please do not send flowers to the family's home at their request.

May 23, 2021, at 10:30 at Emmaus Room and Zoom video, too.

You are invited to attend a listening event concerning writing a social statement on **Church, State, Civic Participation In Our Society.**

Purpose:

A listening event is an opportunity for members of the task force or process builders like Rev. Sarras to hear informally from members of the ELCA regarding their insights and concerns around the issues of church, state, civic participation in our society. It also is a time for the task force to hear about hopes, fears, and expectations for the social statement they are to develop.

Background on social statements

Generally speaking, social statements are the most elaborate, and they provide broad frameworks to assist our church and its members in learning and discerning about social issues in the context of faith and life.

The ELCA Task Force on Church, State, and Civic Participation provides the focused leadership for the social statement process. It consists of about 18 members approved by the ELCA Church Council to serve for over four years. The work is carried out under the Theological Discernment Team in the Office of the Bishop. A number of ELCA staff and church council members serve as advisors. The task force meets to study the issues, hear reports from Listening Events, and in time will prepare a draft social statement for review across the church and then finalize a proposed statement that, ultimately, will be voted upon at the 2025 Churchwide Assembly.

Your participation is very much needed.

Join Zoom Meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86204417430?pwd=RVJNOTRTaS9uTTlXak5OSll2TWVO UT09

Dial by your location +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

Meeting ID: 862 0441 7430 Passcode: 260809

ILC Worship In-Person Services & Other Meetings:

- May 23, 2021, 9:00 AM masks optional. Pentecost Day. <u>Please remember to wear red</u>. *Levi Nickolai, Son of Jorden and Karma Nickolai,* will be baptized on Pentecost day. Come witness and celebrate this significant event in the life of this seven-month-old boy.
- Tuesday, May 25, 2021, at 6:05 pm church council meeting.
- May 30, 2021, 9:00 AM masks required-- Trinity Sunday. Trinity Lutheran Seminary will be offering a complete pre-recorded online worship service, as well as a version with just the sermon by the Rev. Dr. Kit Kleinhans).
- June 6, 2021, 9:00 AM. Live Service. The video created from the Live Service will be uploaded to YouTube and sent to Public Access. Watch for dates and times.

Future dates and options will be published on our website.

ILC Summer Edition Newsletter. The next newsletter will be the Summer Edition which will include the months June, July, and August. The deadline for submissions will be May 24, 2021.

• The following ILC services and ministries will continue to be online, via telephone and Spectrum TV:

- Our Facebook Page: @ILCWausau
- Our YouTube Channel: Search "Immanuel Lutheran Church of Wausau Wisconsin, Inc." on Sunday afternoon. Our Website: <u>http://www.immanuelwausau.org</u> (Click on Video Gallery)
- Spectrum TV Cable Channel 980 at 11AM Sunday, 5:45 PM Tuesday & 9:15 AM Thursday or online: Wausau Area Access Media: waam.viebit.com (Left side, scroll to Immanuel Lutheran.)
- **Dial-a-Sermon is Live. Dial 1-715-200-9495.** Pastor Niveen's weekly sermon is now available on any telephone.

Church office phone number is 715-842-3644. Pastor Niveen's direct line is 510-355-4352.

Our Sister Church is the Lobatla Parish. The address is: c/o Justice Pule, P.O. Box 160, Motswedi 2870, Republic of South Africa.