

Welcome to Immanuel Lutheran Church
Sunday, May 30, 2021
The Holy Trinity

Prelude
Announcements

Due to Trinity Lutheran Seminary’s delay in sending the bulletin for this Sunday, Pastor Sarras is sharing our regular Sunday bulletin which is slightly different than the video.

Confession and Forgiveness

Canticle of Praise **“Glory Be to God in Highest”** **pg. 121**

Greetings
Prayer of the Day

Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Hymn **“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”** **#858**

First Reading: Isaiah 6:1-8

Psalm: Psalm 29

Second Reading: Romans 8:12-17

Gospel Acclamation **“Alleluia”** **#124**

Gospel: John 3:1-17

Pulpit Hymn **“Come Thou Almighty King”** **#408**

Sermon **Rev. Dr. Kit Kleinhans**
Dean of Trinity Lutheran Seminary

Hymn of the Day **“Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God Almighty”** **#413**

Nicene Creed

Prayers of Intercession

Let us come before the triune God in prayer.

A brief silence.

We pray, O God, for your holy church around the world. Revitalize and renew us, that we may be reborn once again through the waters of baptism and the blowing wind of your Spirit. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We give you thanks for your power revealed to us in creation; for cedar and oak trees, for rushing waters, for the echoes of thunder. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray for the nations and our leaders, that led by your Spirit, they work towards a world where all of your children enjoy peace. We pray especially for (*nations currently experiencing war or turmoil may be named*). Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray for healing for all those who suffer, especially victims and survivors of trauma or violence. Give respite to those living with PTSD or any other mental health concerns. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray for this worshipping community ILC, that the splendor of your majesty and the holiness of your mystery may be glorified through our worship and our relationships with one another. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray for the families and friends of those who have given their lives in service to our nation. May they be comforted in their sadness. May they be reassured that the sacrifice of their loved ones contributes to a worthy cause. May they be proud of those they have lost, entrusting their ultimate fate into your gracious hands. . Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We give you thanks, O God, for those who have died in the faith (*especially Jack Fabry, John Calvin,¹ Jiri Tranovský,² and Justin, martyr³ and whom the church will commemorate this week*). We remember also those whose lives have been lost due to the horrors of war.

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting you hear our prayers through Jesus Christ, your Son, who taught us to pray...

¹ **John Calvin, renewer of the church, died 1564, Thursday, May 27, 2021**

Gifted both as a systematic theologian and as an interpreter of scriptures, Calvin embraced the Reformation, and as a preacher in Geneva, Switzerland, brought a theocratic government to it. He is regarded as the father of the Reformed churches.

² **Jiri Tranovský, hymnwriter, died 1637, Saturday, May 29, 2021**

Tranovský is considered to be the father of Slovak hymnody as well as an important reformer of the Slavic church. He translated the Augsburg Confession (the basis of Lutheran teachings) and published a collection of Slovak hymns.

³ **Justin, martyr at Rome, died around 165, Tuesday, June 1, 2021**

Born of pagan parents, Justin was influenced by an elderly Christian in Ephesus. He became a teacher of philosophy and the Christian faith. Jailed for practicing an unauthorized religion, he refused to renounce his faith and was beheaded.

**The Lord's Prayer
Sharing of Peace**

Offering

Offertory

Offering Prayer

Blessing

“We Are All One In Christ”

#643

Closing Hymn

Dismissal

“I'll Fly Away”

NEWS

Prayer Concerns: Thelma, Esther, Kathrine-Sylvia, Abber, Jezel, Joelle, Odeh, April, Brianna, 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

Thank you to the members of our congregation who served as ushers and attendants for the memorial service of Jack Fabry. Big thanks to Jackie Loos for having the memorial service live on YouTube for those who could not attend the service.

Attention! Effective Sunday, June 6, 2021. The church council met on May 25, 2021 and the following decisions were approved by them.

- **We will no longer prepare a pre-recorded service each Sunday and share it before the service on Sunday. Instead, we will live stream service on YouTube each Sunday at 9am. You may find our services here:
Our YouTube Channel: Search “Immanuel Lutheran Church of Wausau Wisconsin, Inc.” or type this in the browser address bar:**

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCtGIA3X4ZB0nLGjeXSbG0JQ>

Please note: because of this change, there will NOT be a new video at 11:00am on TV Public Access.

Important: The only way to view the service on Sunday will be for you to tune in to YouTube on Sunday at 9am (for live) or any time after 10:30 am on that day on YouTube. Pastor Niveen will send the congregation a link to that video.

- **Bulletin Information: The weekly bulletin will continue to be mailed only to our homebound members and those who can't come to church for health reasons. Those who have health challenges may call the church office at (715)**

842-3644 to request to be added to the weekly bulletin mailing list. The weekly bulletin is always available on our website on Thursday. We will also resume distribution of the paper bulletin at church each week.

- **We will resume Holy Communion, both elements, on the 1st and 3rd Sunday and for occasional festivals. We will provide the blood of Christ in small glass cups according to the guidelines provided to us.**
- **The hymnal books will return to the pews.**
- **We will return to live music and singing.**
- **The newsletter will be distributed to the homebound and to those who request it – those with health challenges.**
- **The offering plate will be placed in the Narthex. Please feel free to leave your envelope there. The counters will resume their ministry, as well as the ushers. The schedule will be added to the newsletter and mailed.**

Pastor Niveen and Jackie appreciate ALL of you during the challenge of serving you in a pandemic. May the Lord protect us and guide us.

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 newsletter will be delayed so that the church council can include some important documents. It will be mailed by June 5, 2021.

The Dial-a-Sermon will be cancelled. However, Pastor Niveen's weekly sermon will be available on our website in the Audio Library each week.

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

- Our Facebook Page: @ILCWausau
- Our YouTube Channel: Search "Immanuel Lutheran Church of Wausau Wisconsin, Inc." on Sunday afternoon. Our Website: <http://www.immanuelwausau.org> (Click on Video Gallery)
- Spectrum TV Cable Channel 980 at 5:45 PM Tuesday & 9:15 AM Thursday or online: Wausau Area Access Media: waam.viebit.com (Left side, scroll to Immanuel Lutheran.)

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.