

**Welcome to Immanuel Lutheran Church
Lectionary 13 | Service of the Word
Sunday, June 28, 2020**

Prelude

Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

Amen.

Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Reconciling God, we confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives. We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts. We fail to believe that you provide enough for all. We abuse your good creation for our own benefit. We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us. We sin in thought, word, and deed. By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.

Beloved of God, by the great abundance of divine mercy we have peace with God through † Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained grace upon grace. Our sins are forgiven. Let us live now in hope. For hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Opening Hymn

"All Are Welcome"

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Greeting

Kyrie

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Canticle of Praise

"Lord I Lift Your Name on High"

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Prayer of the Day

O God, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

First Reading: Genesis 22:1-14

Psalm: Psalm 13

Second Reading: Romans 6:12-23

Gospel Acclamation

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Gospel: Matthew 10:40-42

Pulpit Hymn

“Blessing, Honor, and Glory”

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Sermon

Rev. Dr. Niveen Sarras

Hymn of the Day

“Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound”

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The Apostles’ Creed

Prayers of Intercession

A.M.: Called into unity with one another and the whole creation, let us pray for our shared world.

A brief silence.

God of companionship, encourage our relationships with our siblings in Christ. Bless our conversations. Shape our shared future and give us hearts eager to join in a festal shout of praise. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of abundance, you make your creation thrive and grow to provide all that we need. Inspire us to care for our environment and be attuned to where the earth is crying out. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of mercy, your grace is poured out for all. Inspire authorities, judges, and politicians to act with compassion. Teach us to overcome fear with hope, meet hate with love, and welcome one another as we would welcome you. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of care, accompany all who are in deepest need. Comfort those who are sick, lonely, or abandoned. We pray especially for Thelma, Esther, Barb, Pam, Kathrine Sylvia, Jezel, Joelle, Ibrahim and Odeh, Norm, April, Brianna, Alice, Charissa, Scott, Phyllis, Mary, Ashley, Laura, David, Sara, Jeff, Edie, Joan, and Ted. Strengthen those who are in prison or awaiting trial. Renew the spirits of all who call upon you. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of community, we give thanks for this congregation. Give us passion to embrace your mission and the vision to recognize where you are leading us. Teach us how to live more faithfully with each other. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of love, you gather in your embrace all who have died (*especially Irenaeus, Bishop of Lyon*). Keep us steadfast in our faith and renew our trust in your promise. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

P: Receive these prayers, O God, and those too deep for words; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray ...

The Lord’s Prayer

Sharing of Peace

Offering

Offertory

"Lord, Let My Heart be Good Soil"

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Offertory Prayer

A.M.: Let us pray in unison. God of goodness and growth, **all creation is yours, and your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens. Water and word, wine and bread: these are signs of your abundant grace. Nourish us through these gifts, that we might proclaim your steadfast love in our communities and in the world, through Jesus Christ, our strength and our song. Amen.**

Blessing

Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. God, the creator, ✝ Jesus, the Christ, and the Holy Spirit, the comforter, bless you and keep you in eternal love. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

"On Our Way Rejoicing"

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Dismissal

News:

Sunday , July 5, 2020, We will have Holy Communion. You will receive only the body of Christ. According to Lutheran theology, receiving one element of the Holy Communion, bread alone or wine alone, means that the communicant receives the full communion.

Monday, July 6, 2020, The church office will be closed in observation of the Independence Day in United States.

June 28, 2020, 9am: In-Person Worship Service today (Masks Required). In addition to in-person worship services, 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."
- ❖ Our Website: <http://www.immanuelwausau.org> (Click on Video Gallery)
- ❖ Spectrum TV Cable Channel 980 at 11:00am on Sunday or online: Wausau Area Access Media: waam.viebit.com (Left side, scroll to Immanuel Lutheran.)

*Would you like to read for our video worship services? Please contact Jackie to set this up.
Thank you!*

Weekly devotional: Pastor Niveen shares a weekly devotional video each Wednesday. Find the devotional for this week on our website: <http://immanuelwausau.org/weekly-devotionals>

Secured Mailbox: There is one installed next to the church office. It is on the outside the building on the wall. You are encouraged to drop your offering there.



Holy Communion is now available at ILC. This table is located by the front office. Each package contains the Body of Christ and a prayer. Pastor Niveen has blessed each one. All the packages were assembled using the highest sanitizing measures.

The Summer Edition of the ILC Newsletter will be mailed and emailed on June 29, 2020. If you have anything you want to add, please inform Jackie.

2020 ILC ‘Saucy’ Food Drive. The Neighbor’s Place feeds over 400 families every week. They are in need of the following items: New, unopened kitchen condiments such as: ketchup, mustard, relish, mayo, cinnamon, salad dressings, tarter sauce, and etc. Please drop off items at the church. I (Jackie), will place a container outside the church office for your items. We will collect items through Wednesday, July 1, 2020. We will need a volunteer to drop off the items on Thursday, July 2, 2020. Thank you!

Our Sister Church is the Lobatla Parish. Address is: c/o Moruti (Pastor) Rev. G.M. Nkale, P.O. Box 160, Motswedi 2870, Republic of South Africa. Email for Pastor: nkalesto@gmail.com