

A.M. *Alleluia*. One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God. *Alleluia*. (Matt. 4:4)

Gospel: Matthew 14:13-21

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Niveen Sarras

Hymn of the Day “Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ” #674

The Nicene 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.

You take resources that appear to be meager, bless them, and there is enough. May your church trust that what you bless and ask us to share with the world is abundantly sufficient. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Your bountiful creation offers sustenance and life for all creatures. Protect this abundance for the well-being of all. Reverse the damage we have caused your creation (*local needs may be named*). Replenish ground water supplies, provide needed rains in places of drought, and protect forests from wildfires. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You offer yourself to all the nations and peoples of the earth, inviting everyone to abundant life. Bring the prophetic vision to fullness, that all nations will run to you and that nations who do not know you will find their joy in you. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You open your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing. Hear the anguish of tender hearts who cry to you in suffering and satisfy their deepest needs. Bring wholeness and healing to those who suffer in body, heart, soul, and mind. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You offer freely the fullness of salvation. Give our congregation ILC such a welcoming heart, that our words and actions may extend your free and abundant hospitality to all whom we encounter. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O God our Healer, show your compassion for the whole human family that is in turmoil and burdened with covid-19. Hear our cry, O God, Listen to our prayer. Come to our aid as the coronavirus spreads globally, heal those who are sick, support and protect their families and friends from being infected. We pray especially for our Sister church, Lobatha in South Africa as their country is suffering greatly from this virus. Grant us your spirit of love and self-discipline so that we may work with them to control and eliminate the coronavirus. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You gather your saints as one, united in the body of Jesus. Bring us with all your saints to the heavenly banquet. We remember with love and thanksgiving the saints we have known and we do not

know *especially* Dominic,¹ founder of the Order of Preachers (Dominicans), who died in the year of 1221 and we will commemorate him this coming Saturday. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**. In the certain hope that nothing can separate us from your love, we offer these prayers to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Sharing of Peace

Offering

Offertory

"We Give Thee but Thine Own"

#686

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.**

Holy Communion

Great Thanksgiving

pg. 190

Holy, Holy, Holy

pg. 190

Thanksgiving at The Table

The Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Communion

Lamb of God

pg. 191

Communion Hymn

"Remember Me"

Prayer after Communion

Blessing

Closing Hymn

"Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

#843

Dismissal

Prayer Concerns: Thelma, Esther, Barb, Pam, Kathrine-Sylvia, Jazel, Joelle, Ibrahim and Odeh, Norm, April, Brianna, Alice, Charissa, Scott, Phyllis, Mary, Ashley, Laura, David, Sara, Jeff, Edie, Joan, Jamie & Mike, and Ted.

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

News

Saturday, September 26th, 2020: The East Central Synod of Wisconsin assembly will be on September 26th. Further assembly details and registration information will be coming in upcoming weeks.

¹ Dominic was a Spanish priest who saw the wealth of the clergy as a stumbling block for the church, so he formed a movement, the Order of Preachers (commonly called Dominicans) devoted to itinerant preaching and living in poverty. From sundaysandseasons.com.

Thursday-Friday, August 6-7, 2020: Global Leadership Summit 2020. you're invited to join with thousands of leaders across North America for The Global Leadership Summit. This year the GLS is being presented online. Pricing is \$189 per individual ticket and \$169 for purchases of 2+ tickets. Your registration will give you access to the 2-day Livestream event and video recordings for 7 days, giving you flexible options to watch.

Saint Andrew Lutheran Church in Wausau is hosting this virtual event and you can register here: <https://www.salc-wausau.org/gls/>

Because of COVID-19, Pastor Niveen will be working from home in the coming months. She will be at the church occasionally and upon your request. However, she is only a phone call away and the church office will remain open Monday-Thursday, 9am-3pm. If you want to speak with Pastor Niveen, simply call the church office and leave a message. Pastor Niveen has access to voice mail and checks voice mail on a regular basis. You may also email her at Pastor.Immanuel.Wausau@gmail.com

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.)
<i>Would you like to read for our video worship services? Please contact Jackie to set this up. Thank you!</i>	

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>

Men’s group meets on Wednsdays (subject to change) at 8:30 AM at Marathon Park at the shelter on the west wing of the park across from the RV and camping area. Bring your own chair. Men’s group do social distancing. Contact Rick Lohr if you have any question.

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.