

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Immanuel Lutheran Church & School

September 20, 2026

11:00am Modern Divine Service

Embrace ~ Educate ~ Engage

Ringling of the Bell

Welcome and Announcements

Greeting of the Saints

Opening Song

"Goodness of God"

Verse 1

I love You, Lord

Oh, Your mercy never fails me

All my days I've been held in Your hands.

From the moment that I wake up until I lay my head.

Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God.

Chorus

And all my life You have been faithful.

And all my life You have been so, so good.

With every breath that I am able.

Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God.

Verse 2

I love Your voice.

You have led me through the fire and in darkest nights.

You are close like no other.

I've known You as a father.

I've known You as a friend.

And I have lived in the goodness of God. **Chorus**

'Cause Your goodness is running after, it's running after me.

Your goodness is running after, it's running after me.

With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now.

I give You everything.

'Cause Your goodness is running after, it's running after me. **Chorus**

Oh, I'm going to sing of the goodness of God.

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Invocation

P: We begin in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Confession and Absolution

P: Brothers and Sisters in Christ, walking humbly together, I invite you to confess your sins with me before the Lord.

C: **Heavenly Father, we confess that we have not always walked as Your people; we have sinned and fallen short of how You have called us to live. And yet we know that You are a God of mercy and grace, we humbly ask that You forgive us our sins and set us on Your path of righteousness. We ask this through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Amen.**

P: In the stead and by the command of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, I announce the Grace of God to you and forgive you of all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Kyrie Gloria

Chris Winston

Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy,
Lord have mercy unto me.

Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy,
Lord have mercy unto me.

Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison
Kyrie eleison unto me.

Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy,
Lord have mercy unto me.

Glory to God in the highest and peace to His people on earth.

We praise, we bless, we adore You.

We give thanks for Your great glory.

O Lord, God heavenly King, mighty Father

Lord Jesus Christ only begotten Son

You take away the sins of the of the world, receive our prayer.

For You alone are holy You alone are the Lord.

You alone are the most high.

Jesus Christ with the Holy Spirit to the Glory of God the Father.

Please be seated

"Seek the LORD while he may be found;
 call upon him while he is near;
 let the wicked forsake his way,
 and the unrighteous man his thoughts;
 let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him,
 and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.
 For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
 neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD.
 For as the heavens are higher than the earth,
 so are my ways higher than your ways
 and my thoughts than your thoughts."

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading

Philippians 1:21-30

For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account. Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again.

Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, and not frightened in anything by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God. For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake, engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

R: Please stand for the reading of the Gospel.

Alleluia

Chris Winston

♩=132

D D/F# D/G D D/F# D/G

5 D D/F# D/G D/B D/A E/G# A A/G F#m

Al - le - lu - ia Al - le - lu Al - le - lu - ia Al - le - lu Al - le - lu - ia

10 Bm D/A G(add2) A(sus4) D D/F#

Al - le - lu Al - le - lu - ia

14 D/G D/B D/A D/G A D

Al - le - lu - Al - le - lu - ia Al - le - lu Al - le - lu - ia

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twentieth chapter.

C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Holy Gospel

Matthew 20:1-16

[Jesus said:] "The kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and to them he said, 'You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.' So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You go into the vineyard too.' And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.' And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius.

Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius.

And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?' So the last will be first, and the first last."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Please be seated

Children's Message

Please stand

Song of the Day

"Lord, I Need You"

Lord, I come I confess
Bowing here I find my rest.
And without You, I fall apart.
You're the one that guides my heart.

Chorus

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You.
Ev'ry hour I need You.
My one defense, my righteousness;
Oh, God, how I need You.

Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more.
Where grace is found is where You are.
And where You are, Lord, I am free.
Holiness is Christ in me.
Where You are, Lord, I am free.
Holiness is Christ in me. *Chorus*

So, teach my song to rise to You.
When temptation comes my way.
And when I cannot stand, I'll fall on You.
Jesus, You're my hope and stay.

**And when I cannot stand, I'll fall on You.
Jesus, You're my hope and stay.**

**Lord, I need You, oh, I need You.
Ev'ry hour I need You.
My one defense, my righteousness;
Oh, God, how I need You.**

**Lord, I need You, oh, I need You.
Ev'ry hour I need You.
My one defense, my righteousness;
Oh, God, how I need You.
My one defense, my righteousness;
Oh, God, how I need You.**

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Sermon

Rev. Benjamin Braun

Please stand

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life ✠ everlasting. Amen**

Prayer of the Church

A: Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

A: Heavenly Father, keep us all ever mindful that it is only by Your grace we are included in Your kingdom and privileged to serve in it. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

A: Lord God of life and death, whether we live or die, we are Yours. Embolden Your Church to honor You with our bodies in this life, that we may also depart this life in faith to be with Christ, which is far better. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

A: Gracious God, bless this nation and all people in their rightful callings. Grant that we may serve our neighbors in love, and that all authorities would exercise their callings with humility and wisdom on behalf of the defenseless. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

A: O Lord, have mercy on all Your servants who are sick, depressed, lonely, ignored, shut in or in hospice care especially Rita, Carrie Ann, Orin, Earl, Carol, Dorothea, and Loretta. Guard them and keep their faith strong, that they may know with certainty that to live is Christ and to die is gain. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

A: Hear us, heavenly Father, for the sake of Christ Jesus, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Sanctus

Chris Winston

D D/F# G D/F# G D/F# A ³

Ho-ly Ho-ly Ho - ly Lord God of hosts, Hea-ven and earth are full of Thy glo - ry

5 D D/F# G D/F# Em D/F#

Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord most_ high. Bless - ed is He that

8 G G#7 A G A(sus4) A D

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

P: Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever.
Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new covenant in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

Agnus Dei

Chris Winston

Chords: D, F#m/C#, G(add2), D/A, A

5 Lamb of God, Lamb of God, You take a-way the sins of the world

9 Lamb of God Lamb of God Have mer - cy on us. Lamb of

13 God You take a - way the sins of the World. Grant us

17 Peace Oh Grant us peace.

Please be seated

Silent Prayer before Communing

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Holy Communion Preparation and Information

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who a

re not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor.

Those wishing to receive the common cup should decline the individual cups when they are offered. In the center of each individual tray are several light-colored cups of non-alcoholic wine.

Children who have not yet been taught these beliefs concerning Holy Communion (offered in our church starting at grade 4) and any others not receiving the Sacrament may come forward and receive a blessing from the pastor. Simply fold your arms to indicate "blessing only".

Communion Song

"This Is Amazing Grace"

Verse 1

**Who breaks the power of sin and darkness,
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger?
The King of glory, the King above all kings.**

Verse 2

**Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder
and leaves us breathless in awe and wonder?
The King of glory, the King above all kings.**

Chorus

**This is amazing grace, this is unfailing love,
That You would take my place, that You would bear my cross.
You would lay down Your life that I would be set free,
Jesus, I sing for all that You've done for me.**

Verse 3

Who brings our chaos back into order,
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter?
The King of glory, the King of glory.

Verse 4

Who rules the nations with truth and justice,
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance?
The King of glory, the King above all kings. *Chorus*

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain.
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave.
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain.
Worthy is the King who conquers the grave.
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain.
Worthy is the King who conquers the grave.
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain.
Worthy, worthy, worthy. *Chorus*

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Please stand

Communion Dismissal

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in
body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.

C: **Amen.**

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C: **Amen.**

Closing Song

"Trust In God"

Verse 1

Blessed assurance Jesus is mine
He's been my fourth man in the fire time after time
Born of His Spirit washed in His blood
And what He did for me on Calvary is more than enough

Chorus

I trust in God, my Savior
The One who will never fail
He will never fail. *Repeat 1x*

Verse 2

Perfect submission all is at rest
I know the author of tomorrow has ordered my steps
So this is my story and this is my song
I'm praising my risen King and Savior all the day long. *Chorus*

I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered
I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered
I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered
That's why I trust Him
That's why (I trust Him). *Chorus*

I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered
I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered
I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered
That's why I trust Him
That's why (I trust Him). *Chorus*

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P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

*Offering will be received as you leave the sanctuary (Please place completed
Attendance Register in the offering plate)*



ALL CHURCH PICNIC IS TODAY! Food ~ Music ~ Fun

Join us today for the 4th annual Tulsa Area LCMS Picnic

Where: Haikey Creek Park Tri-Plex

Time: 4:00-7:00pm

Live music, relay & group games, cornhole tournament & more!

Please bring a lawn chair and a side or dessert to share.

WOMEN'S RETREAT NEXT SATURDAY

It's Not Too Late to Register!

Join us for our 3rd Annual LWML Women's Retreat: "Falling in Love with Jesus Through Mind, Body & Spirit" — a special time to refresh your heart, deepen your faith, and reconnect with God.

We are excited to welcome our speaker, Christina Hergenrader! Christina is theologically grounded, engaging, professional, and wonderfully funny. She is a natural storyteller who inspires women and encourages them to reconnect with God in meaningful and practical ways.

Christina has authored several books designed to help women live a better story through Scripture and Story. We know her message will encourage, challenge, and inspire you! Don't miss this opportunity to step away, be renewed, and fall more deeply in love with Jesus.

It's not too late to register — we'd love to have you join us on September 26th here at Immanuel from 8:00am-2:00pm. A continental breakfast and lunch are included with your registration. You can pick up a registration form in the Narthex.

Church Directory Update

Our church directory project is moving forward!

Throughout the month of September, church leaders and staff will be compiling updated information and photos from our congregation. We'll also be evaluating the best options for both print and digital publication. Thank you for your patience and participation as we work to create an accurate and helpful directory for our church family!

Welcome!

Thank you for worshiping with us today at Immanuel Lutheran Church.

We are truly grateful that you chose to be with us! It was a blessing to have you in our church family, and we pray that your time with us was filled with encouragement, joy, and a sense of Christ's loving presence.

At Immanuel, we believe that the Lord calls us to grow together in faith and to share His love with one another. We offer a variety of ministries and opportunities for every member of your family to learn, serve, fellowship, and grow in your walk with Christ.

We would love the opportunity to get to know you better! If you would like to connect with our Pastor, have questions about our church, or would like to learn more about Immanuel Lutheran Church and Academy, please contact our church office at [918-258-5506](tel:918-258-5506). Please complete the attendance registry found in your worship bulletin and place it in the offering plate.

We sincerely hope you will worship with us again soon. You are always welcome at Immanuel!

May the Lord bless you and your family, and may His peace be with you.

Church Attendance & Offering

Sunday, September 13, 2026:

8:30am Service attendance: 223	Offering: \$18,086.66
11:00am Service attendance: 63	Online Giving: \$4,113.36

In Our Prayers

Carol Feagins – currently hospitalized due to infection and low white cell blood count. Carol couldn't have the chemo treatment last week. Please pray for her health.

Pastor Braun and family

For Our Armed Forces

Immanuel's Visioning Process – pray for our Elders, Staff, our elected leaders, and for us as a congregation to know God's vision for us and that we will be inspired to pursue it.

Those with Health Concerns – Matt Hagans, Loretta Herzberger

Those with cancer – Allen Beird, Michelle Craig, Donna D., Jill Duran, Carol Feagins, Earl Franklin, Mike Hays, Mark Holcomb, Allen Hufford, Holly Johnson, Lyle Johnson, Shirley Kirkpatrick, Jackie Oestreich, Jonathan Schultz, Gary Siftar, Carrie Ann Swaim, Theresa, Ellen Vester, Lois Wegner, Woody Wicker

Missionary work: Rev. Christian and Gudula Tiews serving in the Eurasia Region; Ben Helge serving in the Czech Republic; Josh Lange and family, working with CWF in Shanghai; Bob & Chris Prouty serving in Australia; Rev. Jason and Anna Marie Steffenson will be serving in Italy. Rev. Bryan and Deaconess Keah Payne serving in Shinyanga, Tanzania.