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# REFORMATION DAY October 28, 2018 Divine Setting Five ~ Page 213

**As We Gather** ~ The Son of God Has Set Us Free from Sin and Death by His Grace

"Wisdom is justified by her deeds" (Matt. 11:19), and the true Wisdom of God, Christ Jesus the incarnate Son, justifies us by His deeds. He prepares His way by the preaching of repentance, but He has suffered the violence of the Law and voluntarily handed Himself over to violent men, that we might eat and drink with Him in His Kingdom and "remain in the house forever" (John 8:35). For He is "a friend of tax collectors and sinners" (Matt. 11:19), and He has rescued us by His grace from the slavery of sin and death. By the proclamation of His eternal Gospel "to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people" (Rev. 14:6), "the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law" (Rom. 3:21), "that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus" (Rom. 3:26). And by hearing the Gospel of Christ Jesus, "whom God put forward as a propitiation by His blood, to be received by faith" (Rom. 3:25), "you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free" (John 8:31–32).

#### **Announcements**

(As the Cross, a symbol of our redemption, enters the sanctuary, God's people stand and fix our eyes upon it)

**Processional Hymn** 

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"In Adam We Have All Been One"

#### **Confession and Absolution**

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(Please be seated)

## (Please stand, if able)

## **Kyrie**

P Lord, have mercy.

C Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Hymn p 948

"All Glory Be to God Alone"

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

P Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

## (Please be seated)

## **First Reading**

Revelation 14:6-7

6Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. 7And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

<u>Gradual</u> Ps. 48:1a, 12-14a

Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised in the city of our God!

Walk about Zion, go around her, number her towers, consider well her ramparts, go through her citadels, that you may tell the next generation

that this is God, our God forever and ever.

**Epistle** Romans 3:19–28

19Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God.

20For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin. 21But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— 22the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: 23for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, 24and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, 25whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. 26It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. 27Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. 28For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

<u>Hymn</u> p 656

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

Verse 1: All

Verse 2: Men

Verse 3: Women

Verse 4: All

## (Please stand, if able)

Holy Gospel John 8:31–36

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

31So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, 32and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." 33They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?" 34Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. 35The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. 36So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

<u>Creed</u> p 954

"We All Believe in One True God"

Sermon "If the Son Sets You Free, You Will Be Free Indeed"  John	8:31-34	
(Please stand, if able)		
Prayer of the Church (Please be seated)		
Offering (Please stand, if able)		
SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT		
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## The Immanuel Spirit

**Welcome to Immanuel!** Welcome one and all. As we worship, let us consider the possibility of growing closer to Christ and to one another. Christ made the following promise: "Whoever does the will of God are my brother and sister..." (Mark 3:35). Obedience to God, therefore, makes us the family of God. Let us try to fulfill the promise. Please join us for fellowship after the service.

**Guests:** Please sign our guest book, or a guest card in the pew and place in the offering plate before leaving.

**Scripture Lessons for next Sunday:** Revelation 7:9–17, 1 John 3:1–3 and Matthew 5:1–12.

**Stewardship:** Romans 3:20 – "For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin." The Law of God is good – it's just that we sinners cannot save ourselves by the Law. Salvation is a free gift of God because that is the only way we could ever be saved. The Law shows us God's holiness and thus our own sin. And now in Christ we can look at the Law and see it in a new light as well – as a guide for how to live a godly life in thanksgiving to God for His gracious forgiveness in Christ.

Communion Statement: As we learn from 1 Corinthians, when we commune together we make a confession of our oneness in doctrine and understanding of God's Word. Since those who show publicly that they agree with the teachings believed, taught, and confessed by the Pastor and congregation at which the Sacrament is distributed, we ask that those who are not members in good standing of a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, or one of our sister churches to please refrain from partaking of the Sacrament. Instead, if you would like to receive a blessing, you are more than welcome to come to the altar rail and please indicate you would like to receive a blessing by crossing your arms in front of your chest. A list of church bodies with whom we share Altar and Pulpit fellowship is posted on the bulletin board in the hallway. If you would like to visit about this doctrine and practice, please talk to Pastor or an Elder. For further study on this matter see Matthew 5:23ff, 18:15-35, 26:26-39; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20 and 1 Cor. 11:17-34. Thank you.

**Sunday School:** Today in Sunday School, the children will learn about how God saved the Hebrews by parting the waters in "Crossing the Red Sea." Ask your children to tell you what they know about this story. Talk about, "How does God fight for us and save us from sin, death, and the devil?" Discuss Baptism and how water combined with God's Word washes you clean from sin and gives you eternal life.

Fall Yard Work: The Board of Education is starting a youth group for all middle school and high school students. The youth group will gather on November 11 for a devotion, a service project, and pizza party. We are looking for people who need help with outside yard work that day. Please contact Megan Schutt, Sherry Baker, or Markie Koepp if you are interested in having us come help you with a project that day or if you know of someone in need of help. Thanks! ~The Board of Education

Building Healthy Families for Oct. 28th: As you and your children or grandchildren plan fanciful costumes for Halloween this week, take time to reflect on the masks you wear. How do you think others view you? How do you want them to view you? More importantly, how does Jesus view you? (Look up 1 Samuel 16:7 and Colossians 2:13-14) Resist the temptation to compare yourself with others and don't allow feelings of insecurity to rob you of your identity in Christ. God knows who you really are. He loves you and created you for a purpose. ~ Lutheran Family Service of Iowa: Des Moines (515) 251-4900.

Life Quote for Oct. 28th: "God justifies sinners by grace through faith for Jesus' sake. Salvation comes as a gift and not because of one's own works. This truth stands at the heart of all Christians say and do ... God's graciousness governs how we engage life issues. Not only are human beings forgiven, redeemed, and resurrected by grace, but every human life is valued and beloved by grace—age, appearance, and ability notwithstanding. Even after 500 years, we rejoice to proclaim and perform this Gospel." Rev. Michael W. Salemink, executive director of Lutherans For Life ~ A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life www.lutheransforlife.org

Lutheran Hour for Nov. 4th: Hear "The Problem of Heaven" by Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. What if we get to heaven-and we don't like it?  $^{\sim}$  Listen next Sunday on 600 WMT at 6:30 a.m., 1190 KFJB at 8:30 a.m., WHO-1040 at 7:30 a.m., & 1410 KGRN at 7:30 a.m.

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Cleaning: Household(s) responsible for the week of Oct. 28th through Nov. 3rd is Kruse. Household(s) responsible for the week of Nov. 4th through Nov. 10th is Louden/Schutt. If it is your week to clean church & you have other obligations or prefer to write a check rather than cleaning, the cost is \$50. Please contact Amber Carnine (641-990-5985) ASAP & no later than the Thursday of the week before it is your week to clean.

Next Sunday is Missions Sunday. November's recipient is MICA. Immanuel has a long-standing tradition of supporting MID-IOWA COM-MUNITY ACTION (MICA) Food Pantry. Mid-Iowa Community Action, Inc. (MICA) is a private, nonprofit organization serving children and families in central Iowa. Established in 1965 to serve children and families affected by the conditions of poverty, MICA provides early childhood, health, family development and housing services as well as community enrichment programs. Some of their most well-known programs include Head Start, Family Development and Self-Sufficiency (FaDSS), the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), and WIC (Women, Infants and Children).

**Snowbirds:** Please provide the church office with your contact information if you are heading for warmer weather in the next coming months. Thank you!

**Thanksgiving Potluck Sign-up sheet** is on entryway table. Wednesday, November 14th will be our potluck beginning at 5:30 p.m. with the service following.

MICA is in need of plastic grocery sacks. MICA is open Monday-Friday from 8:30am to 4:30pm and is located at 611 4th Ave in Grinnell.

**Today is Food Pantry Sunday.** Items can be left inside the blue container under the entryway table.

"Thank you for all of the prayers, cards, and gifts during Pastor Appreciation Month and for my birthday.

I feel appreciated, and am very thankful to be serving the saints of Immanuel.

May the Lord bless you and keep you!"

Pastor Koepp

"Dear Members of Immanuel:

St. Paul wrote, "For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake He became poor, so that you by His poverty might become rich." (2 Cor. 8:9)

Thank you for your donation in the amount of \$631.00 for the Lutheran Hour Ministries. Your generosity to further the work of Iowa District East Missions is greatly appreciated.

May God continue to richly bless you in and through our Savior Christ Jesus."

God be with you, Rev. Dr. Brian Saunders President

"Thank you for your donation.
Words cannot express how grateful we are!"

Thank you! John, Carly, Kylee, & Kaiden Hammond



## DON'T FORGET TO TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK 1 HOUR NOVEMBER 3RD



Leave your checkbook at home!

Give electronically instead!

Electronic Giving is a convenient and secure way to provide consistent financial support to our church.

Ask for an authorization form from the Board of Stewardship

## Giving 2019

Those currently giving electronically, if you wish to make any changes to your offering for next year, please inform the church secretary.

## How to Help Give to Disaster Relief

Text LCMSDISASTERS to 41444
Give to flood relief
Give to hurricane relief

888-930-4438

To make a credit card gift by phone, call the LCMS toll-free donor care line between 8 a.m. and4:10 p.m. Central time

## Mail

Note how you want your gift used on the memo line or in an enclosed note (such as: Disasters where needed most, flood relief, hurricane relief, etc.)

> Make check payable and mail to: The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod P.O. Box 66861 St. Louis, MO 63166-6861

Stay Connected
Visit the LCMS Disaster Response Facebook page
for the latest news and event information.



## **TODAY**

Organist	Esther Huedepohl			
	Ken Mergen			
Greeter	Mintle			
	Terry Stanek & Troy Johnson			
ServersRok	oin Marcinik & Cheryl Christinson			
Acolyte/Crucifier	Ellie Mintle & Alex Eichenberger			
NEXT	SUNDAY			
	Esther Huedepohl			
	Keith Thorpe			
	Murken			
	Troy Johnson & Steve Haase			
	Sue Ford & Marrina Kaloupek			
Acolyte/Crucifier	Jenna Mintle & Oliver Louden			
Our Gifts to God	(given at Immanuel)			
October 21, 2018				
Attendance	68			
Holy Communion	46			

## **Week Ahead**

## **TODAY**

Reformation Sunday	9:00 a.m.				
Christian Education/Popcorn Sunday					
7th/8th Confirmation					
5th/6th (families) Pre-Confirmation					
Food Pantry Sunday					
THURSDAY					
Bible Study	11:00 a.m.				
Elders' Meeting					
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NEXT SUNDAY					
All Saints' Day	9:00 a.m.				
2nd Plate Missions: MICA					
Christian Education	10:15 a.m.				
7th/8th Confirmation					
5th/6th (families) Pre-Confirmation					

## **BIRTHDAYS**

Thursday...Emily Louden Friday...Markie Koepp





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www.immanuelgrinnell.org

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# Prayer Chain/Prayer Requests.... Who do I contact?

Prayer Chain Email/Bulletin -->> Church Secretary
Please email Amber at immanuelutheran@iowatelecom.net for
requests to be sent out on the church prayer email chain and/or
included in the bulletin.

Special Prayer request during Church Service -->> Rev. Koepp If you would like a special prayer during the prayers of the church on Sunday, please contact Rev. Koepp: Email: koeppj@hotmail.com Cell: 507-829-3901 Home: 641-260-8394 Office: 641-236-6691 Office Hours: Monday--Thursday 8am--3pm

**Deadline for any bulletin announcements** (prayer requests, meetings, calendar items, ect.) are <u>Thursdays by 5:00 p.m.</u>

# The Divine Service Introduction Our Lutheran Heritage of Worship

## **Pastor David Miller**

Trinity Lutheran Church, Cedar Rapids, Iowa

## **The Preface**

The Preface has a very ancient history, originating from the liturgy of Hippolytus, the bishop of Rome in the late second and early third centuries. It begins the Service of the Sacrament with the familiar Salutation that we heard near the beginning of the Service of the Word, "The Lord be with you... And with your spirit." Because the Divine Service consists of the Service of the Word and the Service of the Sacrament, it makes sense that the congregation acknowledges at both points in the service that the pastor has the Spirit of God through his ordination to publicly preach and administer the sacraments. In the early Church, this was important because it helped to solidify the pastor's relationship to his people at a time when many false teachers and ones who had received no ordination at all wrongly stepped into the pastoral role.

The second exhortation to "Lift up your hearts" was to remind the people to fix their attention on the holy things of God in preparation for the Sacrament. It alludes to St. Paul's words in Colossians 3:1, "If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God." In the Divine Service, we are to seek after the body and blood of Christ which is present with us in bread and wine, as high heaven is brought low and our low spirits are made high in our union with Jesus at the altar.

The third exhortation, "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God" is the thanksgiving of the Church for the gift of the Sacrament which the Lord provides His people. This follows in the tradition of what Christ Himself did before receiving the meal of the Last Supper: "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 them." We also give thanks as we, ourselves, are participants in that same banquet, called the Lord's Supper. This giving of thanks is why Holy Communion is sometimes called the Eucharist. It is a great gift of God through which He is present for us and makes us benefactors of His death and resurrection. We, therefore, give Him utmost thanks.

## Battle of the Worldviews What To Expect On the College Campus

## Sr. High Retreat November 16-17

We will discuss various attacks on the Christian faith and learn how to respond with God's Word and just plain common sense. This weekend retreat will be beneficial for all high school students, even if they are not planning to attend college. We will also provide opportunity for Q & A.

## Registration

#### \$45 per student

Register online through EventBrite by visiting <a href="https://2018srhigh.eventbrite.com">https://2018srhigh.eventbrite.com</a>, or send your completed order form with a check for \$45 to the district office:

IOWA DISTRICT EAST - LCMS 1100 BLAIRS FERRY RD MARION IA 52302-3039

### **Forms**

All student will need to bring a completed **Health & Photo Release** form with them to camp. This can be found on our district website, along with a packing list, at lcmside.org

#### Questions

Visit our district website online for information about the event, or send any questions you may have to Christina White at the district office: christina@lcmside.org

lcmside.org



I'm not really sure where time went, but we are again making preparations for the 2018 Christmas Share program. Last year we were able to provide gifts to 166 families, thanks to all of our sponsors. We are again reaching out and searching for sponsors so we can make the holidays brighter for many in need this year. The people we serve often get no other help with holiday gifts, so we are eager to do all we can to help, and we hope you will too.

We'll be signing up families the week of October 29 through November 3 at the Drake Community Library in Grinnell. Family gift information will be forwarded to sponsors the week of November 5, and gift drop off day is scheduled for Monday, December 10. Gifts will be distributed to families on December 15. We will be asking families that qualify for assistance for needs or gift suggestions, including sizes, favorite colors, etc., to help sponsors with gift ideas and to help with gift selections. Our families realize that the lists we give to sponsors are "suggested" gifts, because they are truly thankful for all sponsors do for them. Our goal is to help see that Christmas is enjoyable for every family, despite hard times.

We are in need of sponsors for individuals and families (large and small), and if you are unable to shop or prefer we do that for you, monetary contributions are always appreciated. If you'd like to help in another way, we can always use helping hands that would like to volunteer their time. If you would like to sponsor a family or and individual, or if you'd like to volunteer your time, please call me at (641) 990-0404, or email share@windstream.net.

We appreciate and thank you for supporting Christmas Share and look forward to hearing from you.



Thank you.

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Second Mile Christmas Share P. O. Box 229 Grinnell, IA 50112 Phone: (641) 990-0404

Email: share@windstream.net



## IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH Voters Assembly Meeting Minutes Sunday July 15, 2018

The quarterly meeting of the Church Voters was held on Sunday, April 15,2018. Members Present: Pastor Koepp, Steve Haase, Chris Christinson, Dewey Murken. Maralee Kruse, Ann Kirgis, Joan Heimsoth, Arnie Heimsoth, Richard Huedepohl, Esther Huedepohl, Dianna L. Kelting, Darlo Kelting, Doug Kruse, Carol Stone, Marvin Stone, Keith Thorpe, Helen Thorpe, Tammy Smith, Ruth Honold, Marvin Honold, Ken Mergen, Jan Mergen, Sharon Krumm, Diane Carnine, Pam Haase, and Barb Shell.

Vice President Steve Haase called the meeting to order and Pastor Koepp opened with prayer.

**New Voting Members:** None

## APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

• Minutes of the April 15, 2018 quarterly meeting were distributed for review and comment. Motion made by Ken Mergen to accept the minutes with a correction to the spelling of Dewey Murken's name. Tammy Smith 2nd, Motion carried.

### REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND BOARDS

## Board of Elders: Keith Thorpe

- Approaching 1-year anniversary with Pastor Koepp.
- Asking past confirmands to service as ushers and in the kitchen to keep them involved.

## Treasurer's Report: Chris Christinson

• Written report attached. All bills have been paid and the current balances are reflected on the report.

## Board of Trustees: Doug Kruse and Darlo Kelting

- Contractors have looked at building and will be sending bids for siding costs.
- The City of Grinnell has grant money and would like to do something
  with the storm sewer water on the property. The city will contact
  Immanuel to discuss timing and scope of project.
  Darlo will follow up with the city if we do not have an update by the end
  of July.
- A Davenport company repaired the church organ. Richard Huedepohl offered to pay the bill.
- 3 trees need removed from the property.
- 2 new programable thermostats are installed in the Fellowship Hall.

## **Board of Evangelism:** Dianna Kelting

- Requesting members to fill out the "Family of the Week" information sheets.
- Welcome baskets are going well. If members see someone new in church let the Evangelism committee know.
- 4th of July Parade went well. Pastor Koepp had 17 calls after the parade about Immanuel. Next year will ask more members to be involved. 1500+pieces of candy were given out.
- Possible bake sale to benefit building fund.

## **Board of Education:** Pastor Koepp for the Board

- VBS went well
- Monthly meetings will resume in August
- Memory workbooks will continue
- Collected items for Pregnancy Center in Newton.

## **Board of Stewardship:** Sharon Krumm

• 2nd quarter giving statements have been prepared and distributed.

## Board of Fellowship: Not active

## Church Secretary: Pastor Koepp

• Amber will be working from home during the Summer months and only come in on Friday's.

## **Pastor Koepp's Report:**

- Provide spiritual leadership to members of Immanuel church, preparing weekly sermons, preaching and conducting worship services.
- Counseling/home visits, attending board meetings, visiting sick/shut-ins and providing Communion to those who cannot attend Sunday Divine service.
- Would like to visit with all members at Immanuel and will send letters to schedule a time in advance.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

• Pastor from St. Silas made a report at the District Convention. Attendance is declining but town is still growing so they are reaching out. St. Silas report posted on bulletin board.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Members wished Pastor and safe and restful vacation.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Voter's Meeting: October 20th, 2018 at 10:30 AM

Submitted by: Barb Shell