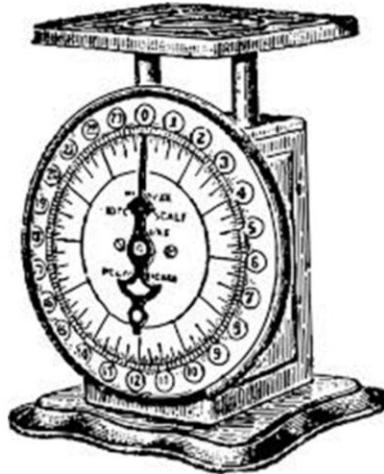


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Welcome



The Fourth Sunday After Pentecost Sunday, June 28, 2020

Pastor Kyle Castens

Worship Times

Sundays

8:00am & 10:30am

Sunday School & Bible Study
9:15-10:15am in the FLC

Communion Services

1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays
No Communion
on 2nd & 4th Sundays

Connections

Church Website

ilcfestus.org

Daycare/Preschool Website

immanuellutheranchildcare.com

Church office

636 937-5525

Office Hours M-Thurs, 9am-2pm

Friday, 9am-noon

Daycare/Preschool

636 937-0043

Visiting us?

***We are happy you are
here today!***

There is an attendance form at the end of each pew. We would love for you to fill out the visitors portion with information you are comfortable leaving with us.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
CRYSTAL CITY, MISSOURI
The Fourth Sunday After Pentecost
June 28, 2020

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SERVING US TODAY

Rev. Kyle Castens	Pastor
Rev. Craig Reiter	Pastor
Drew Oswald	Seminarian
Rhonda Johnson	Organist
Julie Schubert	Song Leader
Jillian Schubert	Song Leader
Joseph Schubert	Song Leader

AS WE GATHER

A battle has been raging over the centuries between those who ignore the hard truth that we are sinners, hopeless by ourselves, and those who have realized the real good that our Lord has graciously won for us. At the time of Jeremiah, self-proclaimed prophets such as Hananiah preached a false peace even as Israel was in exile in Babylon. In Paul's day, members of the Early Church thought freedom from God's Law meant they could ignore it. And when Jesus was calling new disciples, He warned that following Him would mean "a sword" coming between them and even members of their families. In Christ, the peace that only God can bestow has been given to us by grace. Because of the truly good news of Jesus' death and resurrection, we can face the hard truth of our sinfulness and then sing with the psalmist of the real good, "the steadfast love of the Lord, forever" (Psalm 89:1).

+ REMEMBER YOUR BAPTISM +

HYMN - LSB 915 "TODAY YOUR MERCY CALLS US"



1 To - day Your mer - cy calls us To wash a - way our sin.
2 To - day Your gate is o - pen, And all who en - ter in
3 To - day our Fa - ther calls us; His Ho - ly Spir - it waits;
4 O all - em - brac - ing Mer - cy, O ev - er - o - pen Door,



How - ev - er great our tres - pass, What - ev - er we have been,
Shall find a Fa - ther's wel - come And par - don for their sin.
His bless - ed an - gels gath - er A - round the heav'n - ly gates.
What should we do with - out You When heart and eye run o'er?



How - ev - er long from mer - cy Our hearts have turned a - way,
The past shall be for - got - ten, A pres - ent joy be giv'n,
No ques - tion will be asked us How of - ten we have come;
When all things seem a - gainst us, To drive us to de - spair,



Your pre - cious blood can wash us And make us clean to - day.
A fu - ture grace be prom - ised, A glo - rious crown in heav'n.
Al - though we oft have wan - dered, It is our Fa - ther's home.
We know one gate is o - pen, One ear will hear our prayer.

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INVOCATION

Pastor In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *Psalm 124:8; 130:3-4*

Pastor Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People who made heaven and earth.

Pastor If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

People But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

Pastor Because we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition and have sinned in thought, word, and deed, let us employ the faith the Holy Spirit has given us and go to our gracious heavenly Father, asking His forgiveness for the sake of His Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

Pastor Almighty God has given His only Son to bear the punishment of our sins on the cross so that we might know the peace of His presence now and the joys of heaven hereafter. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People **Amen.**

+ READ THE WORD +

HYMN - LSB 901 "OPEN NOW THY GATES OF BEAUTY" (Verse 1)

I O - pen now thy gates of beau - ty; Zi - on, let me
en - ter there, Where my soul in joy - ful du - ty
Waits for Him who an - swers prayer. Oh, how bless - ed
is this place, Filled with sol - ace, light, and grace!

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SALUTATION

Pastor The Lord be with you.

Congregation **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor Let us pray.

Lord God, we hear voices proclaiming false peace and promising abundant blessings in exchange for our lip service and loving intentions.

People **Open our ears to hear the severity of Your Law and our hearts to be overwhelmed by the mercy You offer because of the sacrifice of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 28:5–9

(Jeremiah condemns Hananiah for preaching peace while God has exiled most of the people to Babylon.)

⁵Then the prophet Jeremiah spoke to Hananiah the prophet in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the LORD, ⁶and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the LORD do so; may the LORD make the words that you have prophesied come true, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the LORD, and all the exiles. ⁷Yet hear now this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. ⁸The prophets who

preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. ⁹As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes to pass, then it will be known that the LORD has truly sent the prophet.”

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE

Romans 7:1–13

(The purpose of the Law is to show the gravity of our sin.)

¹Or do you not know, brothers—for I am speaking to those who know the law—that the law is binding on a person only as long as he lives? ²Thus a married woman is bound by law to her husband while he lives, but if her husband dies she is released from the law of marriage. ³Accordingly, she will be called an adulteress if she lives with another man while her husband is alive. But if her husband dies, she is free from that law, and if she marries another man she is not an adulteress.

⁴Likewise, my brothers, you also have died to the law through the body of Christ, so that you may belong to another, to him who has been raised from the dead, in order that we may bear fruit for God. ⁵For while we were living in the flesh, our sinful passions, aroused by the law, were at work in our members to bear fruit for death. ⁶But now we are released from the law, having died to that which held us captive, so that we serve not under the old written code but in the new life of the Spirit.

⁷What then shall we say? That the law is sin? By no means! Yet if it had not been for the law, I would not have known sin. I would not have known what it is to covet if the law had not said, “You shall not covet.” ⁸But sin, seizing an opportunity through the commandment, produced in me all kinds of covetousness. Apart from the law, sin lies dead. ⁹I was once alive apart from the law, but when the commandment came, sin came alive and I died. ¹⁰The very commandment that promised life proved to be death to me. ¹¹For sin, seizing an opportunity through the commandment, deceived me and through it killed me. ¹²So the law is holy, and the commandment is holy and righteous and good.

¹³Did that which is good, then, bring death to me? By no means! It was sin, producing death in me through what is good, in order that sin might be shown to be sin, and through the commandment might become sinful beyond measure.

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 10:34–42

(Jesus warns that following Him must take precedence over every relationship.)

Pastor The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the tenth chapter.
People **Glory to You, O Lord.**

³⁴[Jesus said:] “Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. ³⁵For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. ³⁶And a person’s enemies will be those of his own household. ³⁷Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. ³⁸And whoever does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life

for my sake will find it.

⁴⁰"Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives him who sent me. ⁴¹The one who receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and the one who receives a righteous person because he is a righteous person will receive a righteous person's reward. ⁴²And whoever gives one of these little ones even a cup of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I say to you, he will by no means lose his reward."

Pastor This is the Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to You, O Christ.**

HYMN OF THE DAY "AMAZING LOVE"

**Verse: I'm forgiven because You were forsaken.
I'm accepted, You were condemned.
I'm alive and well, Your Spirit is within me
because You died and rose again.**

**I'm forgiven because You were forsaken.
I'm accepted, You were condemned.
I'm alive and well, Your Spirit is within me
because You died and rose again.**

**Chorus: Amazing love, how can it be, that You, my King would
die for me? Amazing love, I know it's true. It's my joy to
honor You.**

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die for me? Amazing love, I know it's true. It's my joy to
honor you. In all I do. I honor You.**

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honor You. In all I do, I honor You. In all I do, I honor
You.**

SERMON "How Much Does It Weigh?" *Romans 7*

APOSTLES' CREED

Congregation 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

Pastor Let us pray for the Church around the world and for all people in their various circumstances.

In Jeremiah's day, most of the Israelites were in exile in Babylon. Let us pray for people who are displaced from their homes, communities, and countries.

Heavenly Father, use humanitarian efforts on every level to supply what they lack, until the eyes of world's power brokers are open to see their plight and put people's needs above their own political aspirations. Lord, in Your mercy,

People **hear our prayer.**

Pastor Prophets regularly "prophesied war, famine, and pestilence." Let us pray for refugees from warfare, those who lack the basic necessities of life, and all who are dealing with long-term ills or sudden emergencies.

Lord Jesus, use compassionate people and agencies to provide food, clothing, and shelter where they are needed; guide emergency and medical professionals as they tend those under their care; and open our eyes to see opportunities in which we may serve. [*Specific petitions may be added.*] Lord, in Your mercy,

People **hear our prayer.**

Pastor Paul wrote that because we belong to one another in the Body of Christ and have died to the law, "we may bear fruit for God." Let us pray for ourselves and the Church wherever it gathers in Christ's name.

O Holy Spirit, strengthen us and our brothers and sisters around the world as we seek to give our lives in loving service to You, reaching out to the lost, strengthening the weak in faith, and rejoicing together as we receive the real good that comes to us through Word and Sacrament. Lord, in Your mercy,

People hear our prayer.

Pastor These and any other things You would have us ask, heavenly Father, grant to us for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, for we dearly desire to sing of the steadfast love of the Lord, now and forever.

People Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

**Congregation 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.**

OFFERING

BENEDICTION

Pastor 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.

Congregation Amen.

HYMN - LSB 559 "OH, HOW GREAT IS YOUR COMPASSION"



1 Oh, how great is Your com - pas - sion, Faith - ful Fa - ther,
 2 Your great love for this has striv - en That we may, from
 3 Firm - ly to our soul's sal - va - tion Wit - ness - es Your
 4 Lord, Your mer - cy will not leave me; Ev - er will Your
 5 I will praise Your great com - pas - sion, Faith - ful Fa - ther,



God of grace, That with all our fall - en race
 sin made free, Live with You e - ter - nal - ly.
 Spir - it, Lord, In Your Sac - ra - ments and Word.
 truth a - bide. Then in You I will con - fide.
 God of grace, That with all our fall - en race



In our depth of deg - ra - da - tion You had mer - cy
 Your dear Son Him - self has giv - en And ex - tends His
 There He sends true con - so - la - tion, Giv - ing us the
 Since Your Word can - not de - ceive me, My sal - va - tion
 In our depth of deg - ra - da - tion You had mer - cy



so that we Might be saved e - ter - nal - ly!
 gra - cious call, To His sup - per leads us all.
 gift of faith That we fear not hell nor death.
 is to me Safe and sure e - ter - nal - ly.
 so that we Might be saved e - ter - nal - ly.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you for joining us today, either in person or via YouTube. The Sunday Worship Service will continue to be Livestreamed on YouTube. There are Bible studies on Sunday and Wednesday and daily devotions. Go to ilcfestus.org and click on the red YouTube Channel button to view the services and devotions.

The Wednesday morning Bible Study meets at 10:00 AM via Zoom Meeting ID: 969 078 1062; Password 895086. The group is enjoying a study of the "Places of the Bible."

The Sunday morning Bible Study "One Nation Under God: Healing Racial Divides in America" meets at 9:15 AM. The study will continue for the next four Sundays, ending on July 26. The link to join the study was sent to everyone via email. The Study begins on Page 64 this week. Here is the link to join:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/76566315598?pwd=ZC9Qd2ZlK2pFd2ExT0xpUWRUeVhPdZ09>

VOTER'S MEETING:

We will be having our Voter's Meeting on **Sunday, July 12**, immediately after the late service in the FLC. **No lunch** will be served at this meeting. If you are not a voter, but would like to be, just pick up a copy of the constitution/bylaws in at the church office, read it, and come to the meeting.

Thanks to everyone who has so generously donated items for the food pantries. The blue bins will continue to be at the FLC for more donations.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR July 5, 2020
OLD TESTAMENT READING: Zechariah 9:9-12
SECOND READING: Romans 7:14-25a
GOSPEL: Matthew 11:25-30

The Lord's Offerings as of June 15, 2020

	Offerings - 6/7 and 6/14	Year to Date
Budget Requirement	\$11,754.33	\$129,297.63
Actual Offerings Received	9,236.03	115,838.57
Ahead / (Behind) Budget Requirement	(\$ 2,518.30)	(\$13,459.06)

Those who are ill:

Name	Location/Condition	Information
Denise	Cancer	Friend of Lynn Hoff
Kathleen	Recovering	Daughter of Pastor & June Conner
Dylan Abbott	Cancer	Cousin of Bernice Meyer
Marsha Baker	Cancer	Niece of Ruth Westpfahl
Mike Bergstrom	Cancer	Neighbor of Ken & Myra Bins
Tim Bowers	Liver Failure	Friend of Evan Patterson
Denise Brown	Home	Granddaughter of Carol & Chandler James
Caroline Carrow	Home	Aunt of Janene Shelledy
Donald Conner	Home/Hospice	Father of Pat Faerber
Olivia DeClue	Home	Granddaughter of Frank & Linda Lewis
Kyle Dennis	Home	Son of JPAD Paramedic Kevin Dennis
Madison Draves	Home	Granddaughter of Carol Maevers
Steven Effrein	Cancer	Co-worker of Christine Sansoucie
Annette Ellenberger	Home	Daughter of Allen and Pat Welker
Shelley French	Home	Daughter-in-law of Bob & Gayle French
Leila Gendron	Home	Member and Granddaughter of Larry & Jan Sallis
Gracie Gibson	Home	Granddaughter of Joy Albano
Betty & Jerry Govero	Health Concerns	Member and Spouse
Karen Hahn	Hospice	Friend of David & Pat Faerber
Scott Hammon	Family Matters	Friend and Custodian of Immanuel
Lula Bell Hanson	Cancer	Sister of Linda Harmon
Jenny Held	Cancer	Friend of Julie Rodgers
Kelsey Hulen	Home	Granddaughter of Carol Maevers
Bowen Hurst (infant)	Hospital	Child of Christine Sansoucie's Friend
Makenna Jones	Home	Friend of the Ken French family
Marsha Kratzer	Cancer	Wife of Steve Kratzer
Bernice Meyer Family	Family Issues	Member
Wanda Missey	Cancer	Friend of Donna Lorenz
John & Pat Moeser	Home	Brother & Sister-in-Law of Sharon Williams
Jay Moore	Assisted Living	Member
Ronald Prater	Assisted Living	Brother of Sherry Foerstel & Connie Hassell
Judy Sansoucie	Leukemia	Friend of Betty Govero
John Stuart	Cancer	Friend of Marilyn Seabaugh
Randy Uphoff	Home	Son-in-Law of Debbie Bronaugh
Celeste Werner	Home	Niece of DaVonna Lucas
Jerry Werner	Cancer	Friend of Pastor & Jenn Castens
Sharon Williams	Home	Member
Diane Zierow	Cancer	Friend of Ken & Myra Bins

Homebound: Paul & Marilyn Baldonado, Margaret Bronaugh, Loretta Castens, Rev. Chuck & June Conner, Mary Cook, Betty Dobbs, Eleanor Hill, Virginia Jackson, Dorothy Johnson, Lola Poenitske, Margie Randell, Brigham Ross

Special Prayers for Those Serving our Country:			Birthdays	
Kevin Bronaugh - Army	Home	Brother of Debbie Bronaugh	June 28	Clark Ferguson
Scott Coppick – Navy	Virginia	Nephew of Pastor Kyle & Jenn Castens	June 29	Jillian Stackley
Adam Gaines - Army	Afghanis tan	Grandson of Chandler & Carol James	June 30	Jennifer Hall
Todd Grindstaff - Marines	North Carolina	Cousin of Gary & Janet Schaefer	July 1	Tony Wehlermann, Emma Wehlermann
David Heistuman - Air Force	Japan	Nephew of Jan & Larry Sallis	July 2	Darren Mier
Dustin Lorenz – Air Force	Texas	Member, Son of Donna Lorenz	July 3	Peyton Cattoor, Sasha Kennedy Braiden Schopp
Ben Middleton – Air Force National Guard	Home	Friend of Pastor Kyle & Jenn Castens		
Jonah Tucker – Navy	Maryland	Grandson of Mary Cook		
Bryce Wehlermann – Marines	California	Member, Son of Brad & Amanda Wehlermann		
Andrew Wood – Marines	Korea	Son of David & Rachel Wood		
Special Prayers			Anniversaries	
Immanuel Daycare	Caregivers	Expectant Mothers	June 29	Jeremy & Jessie Malusky
			June 30	David & Pat Doenges
			July 1	Donna & Don Willhite
Family Friendly Partners Network				