

9th Sunday after Pentecost

Immanuel Lutheran Church ELCA
Forest City, Iowa
Pastors Rod Hopp & Zech Anderson, Intern Elizabeth Carr
July 21, 2024 9:15am
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Building community in the name and likeness of Jesus Christ.

Mark's gospel makes clear how great is the press of the crowd, with its countless needs to be met, on Jesus and his disciples. Yet in today's gospel Jesus advises his disciples to get away and rest, to take care of themselves. Sometimes we think that when others are in great need we shouldn't think of ourselves at all; but Jesus also honors the caregivers' need. We are sent from Christ's table to care for others and for ourselves.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (based on Psalm 23)

Blessed be the holy trinity, \pm one God, who forgives all our sins, who's mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

You are our shepherd; we shall not be in want. You make us lie down in green pastures and lead us beside still waters. Forgive us our sins known and unknown restore our souls, O Lord, and guide us along right pathways for your name's sake. Have mercy on us, O Lord, remember your covenant. Renew your creation. Restore us, that we might proclaim your good news to all. Amen.

God who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ by grace you have been saved.

Though we walk through the valley of the shadow of death, we shall fear no evil; for you are with us; your rod and your staff, they comfort us. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and we will dwell in the house of the Lord forever. Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: "O God of Love O King of Peace"

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GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, from you come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 23:1-6 From David's line, a righteous shepherd for Israel

SECOND READING: Ephesians 2:11-22 Reconciled to God through Christ, our peace

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: "Hallelujah! Praise Ye the Lord!

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GOSPEL: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56 Christ healing the multitudes

Announcement: Glory to you, O Lord. Conclusion: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON / SERMON

Pastor Zech

WORDS OF INSTITUTION / LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION SONGS: "Bread of Life from Heaven" #474

"Let us Break Bread Together" #471

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

HYMN: "When Peace Like a River" #785

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH: L: In your mercy, C: hear our prayer

Ruby Sue AlbertsenDonna KvaleIsaac SchneiderLiam Bartlesonfamily of Rose MeineckeJennie SpencerHayden DespenasRuth MelbyLucky Truong

Michaela Farus Jill (Lewison) Nedved Missionary Karen Anderson

Doris Johnson **Tim** Schmidt **Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Magallanes**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

L: The peace of Christ be with you always. C: And also with you.

OFFERING: "Come, Holy Spirit" Bill & Gloria Gather Steve & Audrey Olmstead

OFFERTORY: "Let the Vineyards be Fruitful" #182

OFFERING PRAYER

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN: "What a Fellowship what a Joy Divine" #774

BLESSING / DISMISSAL: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. Thanks be to God.

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Worship Participants:

Assisting Minister: Kathy McEnelly

Ushers: Beenken family Piano: Linda Ferjak

Song Leaders: Steve & Audrey Olmstead Communion Set Up: Mary Kingland

Communion Servers: Carolynn Korth, Nancy Westerberg

Audio/Video Techs: Karl Wooldridge/Ken Ferjak

Reader: Mary Kingland Altar Care: Kathy Leuwerke

Today's worship is broadcast at 11:00am over KIOW 107.3 FM. Broadcast is given in memory of Harvey Johnson (July 29 b'day) from Barb Johnson and family.

IMMANUEL'S JUNE GENERAL OFFERINGS:

June 2024 General Offerings: \$34,371.12 June 2023 General Offerings: \$33,074.25

Monthly Budget: \$41,169.33 YTD Actual 2023: \$211,709.02

YTD Actual 2024: \$206,743.63