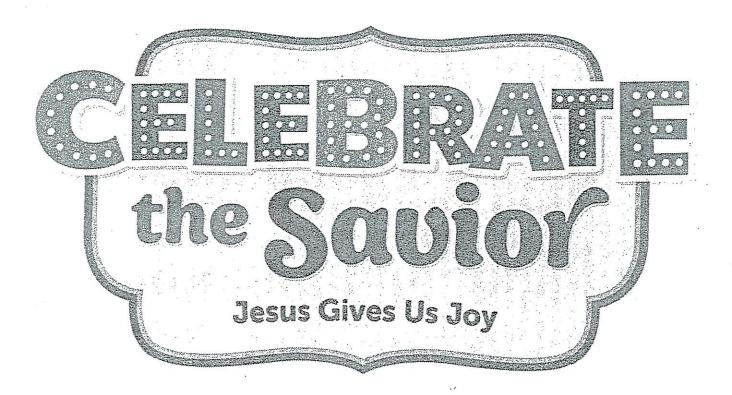
Immanuel Lutheran Church Vacation Bible School 2024



Sermon: "Celebrate the Savior" John 16:20 & 1 Peter 1:8-9
Saturday, June 22 & Sunday, June 23, 2024
Immanuel Lutheran Church & School
Okawville, Illinois 62271
The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

WELCOME TO IMMANUEL

We gather on the Lord's Day knowing that "Christ being raised from the dead will never die again" (Romans 6:9). Welcome, visitors who have joined us today. If we can help in any way, please call: Church 618-243-6216 or School 618-243-6142.

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Immanuel Web Site: immanuelokawville.org Saturday:19 Communed: 15 Sunday:58 Communed: 51

Bible Class: 8

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Prayer concerns to be included in our public prayers may be shared with Pastor Wood and/or the church office. Prayers may be for particular individuals or concerning wider issues. Let us pray!

- All members of Immanuel including:
 - At home –Jackie Bening, Bill Durham, Gloria Eggemann, Kellee Helbig, Leonard Hemminghaus, Linda Schuetz, Crystal Strasburg, Mike Strasburg, Nancy Weeke
 - At Brightly in Mascoutah Bernice Hemminghaus
 - At Friendship Manor in Nashville Lois Rabenort
 - At Freeburg Care Center Loraine Schneider
 - At Bethesda Gardens in Loveland, Colorado Carol Wennemann
- Non-members with health concerns: Crystal Hasheider, wife of Matt Hasheider; ILS Kindergarten teacher, Jody Liszewski; Tim Schnitker, son-in-law of Sharon Storck; Evelynn Yuengel, neighbor of the Helbig family.
- Dale and Carol Brockmann on their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Altar flowers are placed in honor of the occasion.
- That the Lord would continue to provide for his work in this place through generous giving, willing workers, and wise stewardship
- The staff, faculty, and students of Immanuel Lutheran School
- The educational mission of Christ Our Rock Lutheran High School
- All who work or study in West Washington County Schools
- Jamielynn (Tinkey) Flores, LCMS missionary in the Dominican Republic
- Rev. Hans Trinklein, visiting professor at Concordia University, Nebraska
- The mission work of the Southern Illinois District, including...
 - ...all congregations, schools, and district leaders
 - ...urban ministry in East St. Louis
 - ...campus ministry at SIU-C and SIU-E
 - ...prison and jail ministry in many locations
 - ...partnership with Seminario Concordia El Reformador, Dominican Republic

THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Order of Service - Responsive Prayer Two

Opening Song "Celebrate the Savior" (Sunday)

VBS Children

Opening Versicles

- L O Lord, open my lips,
- and my mouth will declare Your praise.
- Make haste, O God, to deliver me;
- make haste to help me, O Lord.
 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Psalm 95:1-7a (in unison)

¹Oh come, let us sing | to the LORD;*
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal- | vation!

²Let us come into his presence with thanks- | giving;*
let us make a joyful noise to him with | songs of praise!

³For the LORD is a | great God,*
and a great King a | howe all gods

and a great King a- | bove all gods.

To his hand are the depths | of the eart

In his hand are the depths | of the earth;*
the heights of the mountains are his | also.

⁵The sea is his, for he | made it,* and his hands formed the | dry land.

⁶Oh come, let us worship and | bow down;* let us kneel before the LORD, our | Maker! ⁷For he | is our God,* and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep | of his hand.

Lesson One

Matthew 2:1–12

¹Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, ²saying, "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him." ³When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. ⁵They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet:

6"And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel."

⁷Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. ⁸And he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word, that I too may come and worship him." ⁹After listening to the king, they went on their way. And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was. ¹⁰When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. ¹¹And going into the house they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. ¹²And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

- This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

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Lesson Two Mark 2:1–12

¹When [Jesus] returned to Capernaum after some days, it was reported that he was at home. ²And many were gathered together, so that there was no more room, not even at the door. And he was preaching the word to them. 3And they came, bringing to him a paralytic carried by four men. ⁴And when they could not get near him because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him, and when they had made an opening, they let down the bed on which the paralytic lay. 5 And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "My son, your sins are forgiven." Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts, "Why does this man speak like that? He is blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?" 8And immediately Jesus, perceiving in his spirit that they thus questioned within themselves, said to them, "Why do you question these things in your hearts? Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise, take up your bed and walk'? 10 But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"—he said to the paralytic—11"I say to you, rise, pick up your bed, and go home." 12 And he rose and immediately picked up his bed and went out before them all, so that they were all amazed and glorified God, saying, "We never saw anything like this!"

- L This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

849 Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

Lesson Three Matthew 14:13–21

¹³Now when Jesus heard [about the death of John], he withdrew from there in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick. ¹⁵Now when it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves." ¹⁶But Jesus said, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." ¹⁷They said to him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." ¹⁸And he said, "Bring them here to me." ¹⁹Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. ²¹And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

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- Thanks be to God.

895 Now Thank We All Our God

Lesson Four Luke 23:32–49

³²Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. ³³And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." And they cast lots to divide his garments. ³⁵And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!" ³⁶The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine ³⁷and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

³⁹One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ⁴¹And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴²And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." ⁴³And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

⁴⁴It was now about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour, ⁴⁵while the sun's light failed. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two. ⁴⁶Then Jesus, calling out with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commit my

spirit!" And having said this he breathed his last. ⁴⁷Now when the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God, saying, "Certainly this man was innocent!" ⁴⁸And all the crowds that had assembled for this spectacle, when they saw what had taken place, returned home beating their breasts. ⁴⁹And all his acquaintances and the women who had followed him from Galilee stood at a distance watching these things.

- This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Matthew 28:1-10

¹Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ²And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. ⁵But the angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. ⁶He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁵Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you." ⁸So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him. ¹⁰Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me."

- I This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

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Lesson Five

Luke 24:13-35

13That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. ¹⁶But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷And he said to them, "What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?" And they stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" ¹⁹And he said to them, "What things?" And they said to him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. ²¹But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes,

and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. ²²Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, ²³and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. ²⁴Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see." ²⁵And he said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" ²⁷And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

²⁸So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther, ²⁹but they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. ³¹And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight. their eyes were opened to us the Scriptures's burn within us while he talked to us on the ³²They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?" ³³And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵Then they together, ³⁴saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

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- Thanks be to God.

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Offering

Kyrie

I O Lord,

have mercy.

L O Christ,

have mercy.

I O Lord,

have mercy.

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.

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.

Versicles

- L Hear my prayer, O Lord;
- let my cry come to You.
- In the day of my trouble I call upon You,
- for You answer me.
- L Hide Your face from my sins,
- and blot out all my iniquities.
- L Create in me a clean heart, O God,

- and renew a right spirit within me.
- Cast me not away from Your presence, [L]
- and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.
- Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, I
- and uphold me with a willing spirit.
- Because Your steadfast love is better than life, I
- my lips will praise You.
- For You have been my help, L
- and in the shadow of Your wings I will sing for joy.
- Teach me Your way, O Lord, that I may walk in Your truth; L
- unite my heart to fear Your name.
- I give thanks to You, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,
- and I will glorify Your name forever.
- May all who seek You rejoice and be glad in You. I
- May those who love Your salvation say evermore, "God is great!"
- Save Your people and bless Your heritage! L
- Be their shepherd and carry them forever. (3)
- Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer;
- listen to my plea for grace.

Collect of the Day

- Almighty God, in Your mercy guide the course of this world so that Your Church L Let us pray. may joyfully serve You in godly peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- Amen.

Evening Prayer (Saturday)

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Morning Prayer (Sunday)

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul,

and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.

Amen.

Benedicamus

- Let us bless the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Blessing

- The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.
- C Amen.

Closing Song "Jesus Always Will Provide" (Sunday)

VBS Children

Acknowledgments

Responsive Prayer 2 from Lutheran Service Book

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Pastor

Pianist (Saturday)

Organist (Sunday)

Acolytes (Saturday)

(Sunday)

Readers (Saturday)

(Sunday)

Eric Wood Nora Wood Sharon Krueger Lily Gass Nolan Langenfeld

Adysen Harre
Devin Hundelt
Laney Hundelt
Raelyn Obermeier
Ryker Obermeier
Sophia Wood

Birthdays: 23rd Tessa Buettner, Dawn Miller 24th Nancy Rossel, Kenneth Jacobs, 25th Nancy Weeke, 26th Julianne Helbig, Rodney Helbig, Brewton Borrenpohl, Darlene Eggemann, 27th Alison Gauch

May Ushers - Saturday - Tricia and Madisyn Rennegarbe, Sunday - Dennis

Maschhoff and Gene Rennegarbe

Saturday service at 5:30 p.m.

Sunday Service at 9:00 a.m.

Bible Class at 10:15 a.m.

90th Birthday Open House: Please join Adeline Blumhorst's family in celebrating her 90th birthday on June 30th from 2-5 p.m.at the RBM golf course. All congregational members are welcome to attend.

VBS: We would like to thank all of our awesome volunteers that helped us this week for Celebrate the Savior VBS! We could not have done it without them. We also want to say thanks to those who generously donated money and supplies for our attendees. We had 99 children enrolled and they each took home a prayer box, a tie dye shirt, other crafts, and had full bellies each day this week! We had a great week and were able to make a donation of our offerings to Concordia Gospel Outreach.

Church Service Scripture Readings: If anyone is interested in reading during Saturday or Sunday church service, please call the church office. Confirmed youth are welcome and are encouraged to serve in this way.

Save The Date Church pictorial directory pictures will be taken on August 22-24.

SCHOOL NEWS

Immanuel Lutheran School is searching for an afternoon part time pre-school aide this next school year. If you are interested or would like more information, please call Mr. Bower at 618-243-6142.

Immanuel Wee Care is in search of a custodian for a couple hours each day after 5:30 p.m. If you are interested or would like additional information, please call Cheri Kurtz at 618-243-6161.

ILS gym floor replacement is underway. The new floor should be completed by July 15. The installers have guaranteed the heating in the floor should work properly.

ILS floor cleaning and waxing is scheduled for Saturday, July 13 and Saturday, July 20. If you are able to help move desk, chairs, tables, etc. out of the way for those dates please come over to the school after church services on Sunday, July 7 and Sunday, July 14 to help prepare for the task. Doulos Floor Finishing said they will start with the East side classrooms and bathrooms on the first scheduled date.

You can help the school financially by doing the following: Shop With Raiseright – For complete information visit www.shopwithraiseright.com or contact Deann Muehlhauser at deann85@gmail.com Checks payable to ILS PTL. Go to smile.amazon.com/ch37-0916756 and Amazon donates to Immanuel Lutheran Church and School Okawville. Participate in the Kroger Community Rewards program. Join Casey's Rewards today and donate to our school. This is for instore, online or at the pump purchases.

COMMUNITY NOTES

Carillon Concerts at Concordia Seminary: Tuesday evenings in June, bring your camp chairs and/or picnic blankets to get comfortable as you listen to the music from the bell tower. Each free concert begins at 7:00 p.m. and features a different performer. For more details, see csl.edu/campus-life/music-arts/ or ask Pastor Wood.

The Southern Illinois District is currently seeking an Administrative Assistant to support the District President. This full-time position, Monday to Friday, includes comprehensive health care and retirement benefits. The ideal candidate should possess strong verbal, writing, and interpersonal skills. The role involves various tasks such as computer work, email correspondence, phone calls, texting, form completion, filing, and office organization. Knowledge of Filemaker Pro is an advantage. Interested individuals are encouraged to reach out to President Timothy Scharr at sidlcmspres@gmail.com by submitting their resume and inquires.

A Basic Lutheran Early Response Team (LERT) training class will be held for the congregations of the LCMS-Southeran Illinois District, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Nashville on Saturday, July 13th from 9:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m. If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Matt Bierman at 618-967-5522 or matt.bierman@washingtonco.illinois.gov.

GENERAL NOTES

Life Thoughts in the Church Year: "Widen your hearts," the Apostle exhorts his Corinthian companions (2 Corinthians 6:13). He has just instructed them how God's grace prevails to make life worthwhile without regard to anyone's size, skills, or circumstances. Doesn't His love expand our imaginations and affections to receive every human life as a gift and privilege? Won't our voices offer the same opportunities to neighbors in surprise pregnancy and terminal diagnosis?

Life Quotes: "The state of marriage is under a full assault from the devil. He will use whatever means necessary to destroy what God has created. Pray also for all God's children. Pray that love may abound in all homes. Pray that forgiveness may be the first word spoken between husbands and

wives, parents and children. Pray that you and all people receive an increase of the Holy Spirit, for it is only through Him that we may repent of our sinful lives, amend our ways, and live joyfully in the comfort of God's grace." Rev. Matthew Wietfeldt, Concordia Theological Seminary

Stewardship: Luke 6:40 – "A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone when he is fully trained will be like his teacher." This statement is the key to understanding all of sanctification (how we are made holy): It starts with Jesus. He has redeemed us by His sacrifice on the cross, and now we are to follow Him. We are to grow into the image of God, to be like our Teacher, Lord, and King Jesus. We learn generosity from the one who gave His all for our sake. How is the Lord calling you to imitate His generosity in your callings in home, church and society?

Lutheran programs on Radio & TV on Sundays – 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. 850 AM Radio KFUO Lutheran Worship from a Lutheran church; 9:00 a.m. 104.7 FM Rev. Mueller, New Minden Bible Study; 10:30 a.m. TV Station "TCT" "Lutheran Worship." These are not a replacement for being in church and Bible class. These are for times when we are unable to attend in person.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The offerings for Saturday, June 15 and Sunday, June 16 were not counted. Expenses for the week \$15,806.46 Loan balance (borrowed on 06/12/24) \$15,000.00.

Update to Thrivent Choice

Immanuel Lutheran School received \$42.00 from "Thrivent Choice Dollars" designations in June. Thank you to everyone who directed their "Thrivent Choice Dollars" to Immanuel. If you have not contacted Thrivent Choice Recently, please call 800-847-4836 to see if Thrivent has money set aside for you to designate to Immanuel Lutheran Church, Immanuel Lutheran School or another designation of your choice. Money is available through the Thrivent Choice Program. This is <u>not</u> a donation coming out of your investment.

Reminder: Bunker's Restaurant (Golf Course) will give 10% to Immanuel Lutheran Church if you show your bulletin from church when eating on Sundays. Thank you for your support!! RBM Golf Course