

Back to the Basics: A life of Purposeful Worship

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Welcome to Immanuel where God is with us!



'Immanuel' is a name the Bible uses for Jesus. It means 'God is with us.' When born Christmas Day, Jesus is literally 'with us.' He lives 'with us' to save us.

Jesus is still 'with us.' We have his words, the Bible. It teaches our constant need for a Savior, reveals God's forgiveness, and guides our Christian living.

To our guests, we extend a warm welcome and are happy to have you worship with us! If you have questions for our pastor, please catch him after service or scan this QR code with the camera on your smart device. He would love to assist as possible.



Our congregation offers these services should you need them:

- Copies of the sermon are on usher's cart at the back of the sanctuary.
- Bible story color sheets, also on the usher's cart.
- A nursery at the rear of the sanctuary.
- Restrooms directly behind the usher's cart, a water cooler to your left.

Today's Worship Focus



Christ is the center of our worship. We follow a yearly set of readings that explores and applies the life, work, and teachings of Christ for us.

We are in the **Season of Pentecost**. Fifty days after Easter, the Holy Spirit used God's Word to create faith in the hearts of many. Still today, the Holy Spirit uses God's Word to create faith and keep faith strong.

Prayers before service may be found in the blue hymnal, page III & 255-258.

Our worship service is printed in this bulletin (also printed in the hymnal; The Service: Setting One, page 154). Consider taking a moment to become familiar with it.

Current Series: Back to the Basics

Today: A Life of Purposeful Worship

Worship is not you giving God something, but God giving to you. Have you considered worship like that? God gives so that we may praise him.

Next Week: A Life of Thoughtful Witnessing

An eyewitness simply retells what he has seen. You have heard and seen how God saved you. Handed his Word, we get to simply retell.

Readings: Isaiah 62:1-7, Romans 10:11-17, Luke 24:44-53

OPENING HYMN #623

"O Bless the Lord, My Soul" (Stand for final verse)



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Son.

INVOCATION

Minister: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

sent the world his truth and grace

Congregation: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

Blessed are they whose sin the Lord does not count against them. (Psalm 32:1-2)

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Almighty and merciful Father, we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed what we have devised and desired in our hearts. We have offended you and sinned against your holy law. We have done the things that we should not have done, and we have not done the things that we should have done. Have mercy on us, Lord! Spare us, forgive us, and restore us, according to your promises in Christ Jesus.

Silence for meditation and reflection

God, our merciful Father, has forgiven all our sins. He sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and Savior. Jesus paid the penalty for our guilt by his death on the cross and freed us from death by his resurrection from the grave. We have peace with God now and forever!

Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

Kyrie

In peace let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



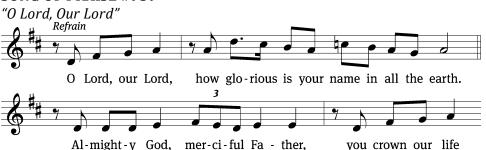
For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



SONG OF PRAISE #939





THE WORD

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Grant, O merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace that they may be cleansed from all their sins and serve you with a quiet mind. We ask this through your

Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

FIRST READING Genesis 8:15-22

Noah thanks God for saving his life—both his physical and spiritual life

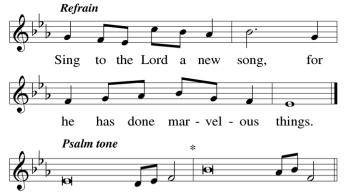
¹⁵Then God said to Noah, ¹⁶"Come out of the ark, you and your wife and your sons and their wives. ¹⁷Bring out every kind of living creature that is with you—the birds, the animals, and all the creatures that move along the ground—so they can multiply on the earth and be fruitful and increase in number on it." ¹⁸So Noah came out, together with his sons and his wife and his sons' wives. ¹⁹All the animals and all the creatures that move along the ground and all the birds—everything that moves on land—came out of the ark, one kind after another. ²⁰Then Noah built an altar to the LORD and, taking some of all the clean animals and clean birds, he sacrificed burnt offerings on it. ²¹The LORD smelled the pleasing aroma and said in his heart: "Never again will I curse the ground because of humans, even though every inclination of the human heart is evil from childhood. And never again will I destroy all living creatures, as I have done. ²²"As long as the earth endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night will never cease."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 111

Christians marvel at God graciously preserving our bodies and saving our souls



Great are the works of the LORD;* they are pondered by all who delight in them.

Glorious and majestic <u>are</u> his deeds,*
and his righteousness endures for<u>ev</u>er.
He has caused his wonders to be re<u>mem</u>bered;*
the LORD is gracious and com<u>passionate</u>.

Refrain

The works of his hands are faith <u>ful</u> and just;*
all his precepts are trust<u>worthy</u>.

He provided redemption for his <u>people</u>;*
he ordained his covenant for <u>ev</u>er.

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of <u>wis</u>dom;*
all who follow his precepts have good under <u>standing</u>.

Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son*
and to the Holy <u>Spir</u>it,
as it was in the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. <u>A</u>men.

Refrain

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 9:10-15

We who have received God's mercy find ways to share God's mercy with others

¹⁰Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. ¹¹You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God. ¹²This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of the Lord's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God. ¹³Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, others will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else. ¹⁴And in their prayers for you their hearts will go out to you, because of the surpassing grace God has given you. ¹⁵Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Psalm 105:1



Give praise to the LORD, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done.

Refrain

GOSPEL Luke 17:11-19

Jesus' undeserved mercy motivates and provides purpose for our praise

¹¹Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. ¹²As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance ¹³and called out in a loud voice, "Jesus, Master, have pity on us!" ¹⁴When he saw them, he said, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were cleansed. ¹⁵One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. ¹⁶He threw himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him—and he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷Jesus asked, "Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? ¹⁸Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹Then he said to him, "Rise and go; your faith has made you well."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

HYMN OF THE DAY #624





SERMON Luke 17:11-19

Why Do You Worship?

- 1. Let Jesus' mercy motivate you.
- 2. Let Jesus' mercy reveal the purpose.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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.

OFFERING

At this time our offering will be brought forward and presented to the Lord. For those still desiring to give an offering, an offering plate remains near the Usher's Cart at the back of the church.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

O Lord, our God, you are wise and powerful, good and gracious. Your mercies are new every morning. Each day you open your hand and provide for the needs of your children on earth.

We praise you for every grace and blessing.

Strengthen your Church in all the world. Let your comforting message of salvation in Christ Jesus be proclaimed to troubled souls everywhere.

Use our ministries and offerings to extend your healing and your hope.

We bring you our requests for the various structures of our society. Bless our national, state, and local governments.

Grant us civil servants who are worthy of honor and respect.

Grant prosperity to our businesses and industries. Give employers a sense of fairness toward their workers, and employees a feeling of joy and pride in their workmanship.

Help us find satisfaction in all work well done.

Invigorate the schools of our land. Give success to every effort that helps students read, think, and communicate in ways that will promote an informed and responsible citizenry. Arouse curious minds to discover the wonders of your created order.

Give us teachers and students who pursue excellence.

Strengthen the families of our country. Give fathers and mothers a renewed commitment to be good parents. Give children and young people the wisdom to regard their parents as your representatives.

Lead us to love one another as you have loved us.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

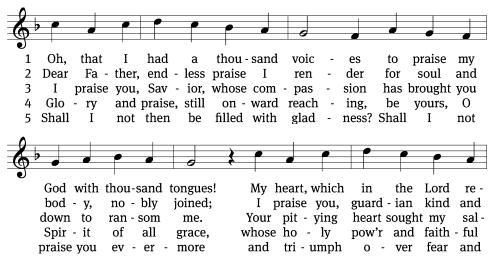
Silent prayer.

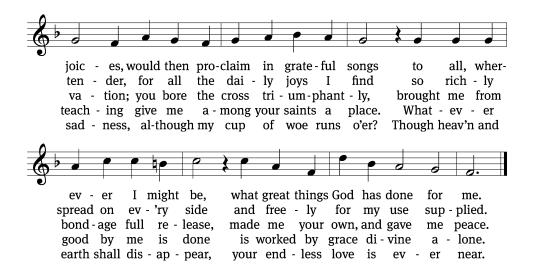
Gracious Father, we pray boldly as Jesus taught, with the confidence that you will hear and with the faith that you will respond for our welfare.

Amen.

HYMN #484

"Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices"





Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death. We pray this through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

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.

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.

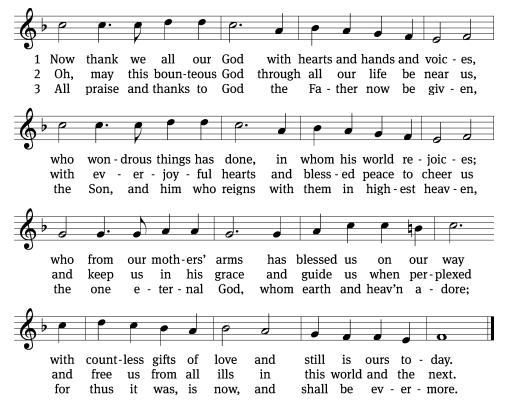
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

Amen.

CLOSING HYMN #597

"Now Thank We All Our God"



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Setting One from Christian Worship

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday (10/12)	8:00 AM 9:00 AM 10:15 AM 3:30-6:00 PM	Worship Sunday School / Bible Class Worship WELS Youth Night @ Section 715 Axe Throwing	
Tuesday (10/14)	11:30 AM 6:00 PM	OWLS Ladies Aid	
Wednesday (10/15)	3:45 PM 6:30 PM	Catechism Bible Class	
Sunday (10/19)	9:00 AM 10:00 AM 10:15 AM	Worship (with Holy Communion) Fellowship to Follow Mission Presentation	

BIBLE CLASSES have resumed on Sunday mornings with a study of Church-Mission-Ministry. Can you define 'church'? And, what does a 'church' exist to do? How does a 'church' actually do what it says it will do? ... Do you have clear, concrete answers to those questions? As a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church, consider studying the reason for the existence of your congregation. Gain a clear picture of your church's greatest goal and how it strives to reach that goal. Haven't attended Bible Class before? This is a great time to come, sit, study, listen, and learn!

Wednesdays, we will spend several weeks wrestling with life's highest priority as discussed in <u>Ecclesiastes</u>. This Bible book, with many somber notes, peels back the 'layers of life' so that you find real focus through life's work, possessions, and responsibilities. <u>All materials will be provided</u>.

MISSION FESTIVAL Join us Sunday, October 19 for our Mission Festival Sunday as we welcome Pastor Ben Enstad (Pastor @ St. Paul - Green Bay & chairman of the mission board in our neighboring Northern Wisconsin District). Stay (as able) for a brief presentation on how God works through us to reach souls.

Pastor Enstad writes: "Mission work is exciting, and daunting. It's exciting to see the gospel spread around the world in languages we don't speak and cultures we don't understand. It's exciting to see new home missions take off running as they reach communities with the gospel with a Confessional Lutheran voice that they may have never heard before. It's also exciting to do mission work in our own backyards. But for us individually, that's also the most daunting. Hear the exciting mission work happening across our nation, near and far, as well as encouraging us to be excited about seeking opportunities to do mission work right here in Mosinee."

FAITH COMES BY HEARING Ladies Aid is again sponsoring a project to buy "Bible Sticks" for our troops and their families, as well as, putting audio Bibles (Proclaimers) into the hands of all people. For more information about *Faith Comes By Hearing* please speak with a Ladies Aid member. Donations to this wonderful way of sharing the gospel are due by December 7th. Please make checks out to Immanuel Ladies Aid and place them in the Ladies Aid mail box. Thank you.

LONG RANGE SURVEY FOR IMMANUEL MEMBERS The Church Council seeks your input regarding perceived needs for facility improvements. Each Immanuel member (over age 18) received a survey in their church mailbox. Please complete and return to <u>mailbox marked 'SURVEY'</u> by October 26th. Questions may be directed to church president Matt Sondelski (715-573-1389) or to Pastor Ewald.

OWLS Our October meeting will be seeing another part of the world where Christ is being taught. Joy Peterson will be giving a presentation on her and her daughter's trip to London. Sights of London and the mission church will be shown. Join us at Immanuel Lutheran, Mosinee on October 14th at 11:30. Snacks will be served and all guests are welcome to join us, looking forward to seeing everyone. Questions contact Evan or Sandy Dobberfuhl 715-693-1337.

LADIES AID meets Tuesday, October 14th at 6:00pm. **Please note date and time changes.** We will be filling Trunk or Treat gift bags with mittens from 6:00-6:30pm, and our scheduled meeting will begin at 6:30pm. All ladies of the congregation are invited to attend. Please contact Joy Peterson (920.737.3147) with questions.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE is Monday October 20th, from 3:00-7:00 PM. It only takes 30-45 minutes to donate and can help up to three people. Walk-ins are welcome; however, they are on a first come first served basis. Schedule a time to donate by calling 715-572-9833.

TRUNK OR TREAT Immanuel Lutheran's Community Trunk or Treat is Sunday, October 26th from 1-3pm. In order for this to be a success, we're looking for help in a number of areas:

- Consider signing up to decorate your car and handing out candy to the youth who will attend this event. We're hoping for 350 in attendance. Need ideas for decorating? How about the Ninja Turtles or My Little Pony, or why not portray one of the Bible stories you know and love! Look at Pinterest for ideas!
- We need volunteers to direct parking, help stuff treat bags, assist with games, and help in other ways as well. Sign-up sheets are found on church bulletin board.
- We are also looking for donations of wrapped candy or monetary donations for candy to help to make sure we have enough candy for this event.

Please contact Jeff Wendorf (715.496.0059) or Pastor Ewald (715.693.2910) with any questions. Thank you.

EVANGELISM BASICS— our time together exploring ways and receiving encouragement to share our faith will not meet in October (due to Mission Festival). We resume November 16th, 10:15am.

Serving You in Worship:					
	Usher	Live Streaming	Display		
Sunday					
Oct. 12, 8:00 AM	Jeff Wendorf	Matt Sondelski	Aidan Sondelski		
Sunday					
Oct. 12, 10:15 AM<	Rod Sparby		Clara Ewald		
Sunday					
Oct. 19, 10:15AM	Terry Landwehr	Joy Peterson	Dean Peterson		

NORTHLAND NOTES

WELS YOUTH NIGHT Wausau area WELS teens (grades 8-12) are welcome to join us on today for WELS Youth Night! We have reserved Section 715 axe throwing in Rib Mountain from 3:30pm-6:00pm for fellowship, food and a lot of fun! Parents must sign a waiver for their teens ahead of time and we are asking for \$20 at the door. A sign-up can be found at mysaintpeter.org. Questions can be directed to Pastor Kevin Schnake pastors@mysaintpeter.org, Pastor Ben Phelps pastorben@littlelionschildcare.org, or Pastor Grundmeier jgrundmeier@NLHS.org. For more information regarding the event please see the entryway bulletin board.

GRANDPARENTS DAY – Monday, October 13 Northland will celebrate **Grandparents Day** on **Monday, October 13, from 9:15am–1:00pm**. All biological and honorary grandparents are invited to join us for chapel, classes, fellowship, and a complimentary soup lunch.

Calling all bakers (and treat-buyers too)! For **Grandparents Day**, we'd love your help by providing a tray of desserts. Please bring goodies to the office the morning of **October 13**. Thank you!

DO YOU HAVE A THRIVENT ACCOUNT? If you have a Thrivent account you are eligible for a grant that can help Northland! We can help you every step of the way! Please contact Stacy Summers at 715-212-4610 or opportunities@nlhs.org.



How can I be Christ's ambassador?

Consider pursuing one or more of these.

Reflect: Consider your unique community. How might you connect with your neighbors to meet a need, build relationships, and share the love of Jesus?

Volunteer: Explore how a group from your church might assist a mission congregation through the WELS Mission Journeys program (wels.net/missionjourneys).

Support: Visit wels100in10.net to explore the 100 Missions in 10 Years initiative and how you can help plant new missions and aid ministry enhancement efforts.

Learn: Invite a mission speaker to visit your congregation to share firsthand stories of gospel outreach (wels.net/speaker-request).

Grow: Build your congregation's outreach culture through Everyone Outreach, an in-person workshop offered by WELS Commission on Evangelism (everyoneoutreach.com).

Remember: The work of the church is Christ's alone, but Christ works through YOU!





Visit christthroughus.net for more ideas and to learn more about WELS' "Christ through us" long-range strategic plan.

