

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

June 1, 2025

10:30 a.m.



Welcome to Immanuel! As we worship together let us rejoice in the love that God has shown us in Jesus Christ and share that love with each other.

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Musicians/Song Leaders: Lisa Anderson, Justine Johnson, Patty Leach, Traci Mosher, Donna Rue & Debbie Satern

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Today's hymns are projected on the wall.

Please stand as you are able where the asterisk (*) appears.

Prelude *"Spirit of the Living God"* by Jacob Sooter & Mia Fieldes

PL **Welcome**

*PL **Mission Statement:** Our mission is to welcome, accept and encourage all people as we follow Jesus.

GATHERING

*Call to Worship

PL Eternal God, you have raised Christ to rule over the universe!

C We sing your praise in awe and wonder. Alleluia!

PL You have raised Christ to reign over all human history.

C All is taken up in the grace of Christ. Alleluia!

PL You have raised up Christ to rule over our hearts and our lives.

C We bow in humility and gratitude, and give our lives to serve in love and wonder. Alleluia!

***Opening Song** *"How Great is our God"* & Words on Screen
 "How Great Thou Art" Medley

*Greeting

PL Siblings in Christ, beloved children of God: grace, mercy, and peace be with you all.

C And also with you.

*PL **Prayer of the Day** (prayed by all)

O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

A First Reading: Acts 16:16-34

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God. (NRSV)

A The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God

A Second Reading: Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

"See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end." Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. "It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star." The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." And let everyone who hears say, "Come." And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift. The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen. (NRSV)

A The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God

Gospel Verse

"Open Our Eyes, Lord"

W&P #113

*PL The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventeenth chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

*Gospel: John 17:20-26

[Jesus prayed:] "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. "Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me.

I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.” (NRSV)

*PL The Gospel of the Lord

C Praise to you, O Christ

Kid’s Time Pastor Leah Stolte-Doerfler

Message Pastor Leah Stolte-Doerfler

Song of the Day “10,000 Reasons” Words on Screen

Stepping into the World Quilt Presentation

PL Today we celebrate those who are taking another step in their faith journey. Will the class of 2025 and their parents please come forward. Parents, in Christian love you presented your children for Holy Baptism. In their Baptisms, sacred promises were made. As parents it was part of your calling to see that those sacred promises were kept. You have fulfilled those promises. We now ask you to covenant with this congregation for the ongoing support of their faith journeys. Do you intend to routinely lift your children up in prayer?

Parents ‘I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.’

PL Congregation, do you promise to support and encourage these parents in the keeping of these sacred promises?

C ‘We will, with God's help.’

PL Graduates, when you were children, your parents promised God to keep you in the Christian faith. When you were confirmed, you took responsibility for the promises made for you in your Baptism. You acknowledged your covenant and relationship with God and God’s church. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in Holy Baptism:

to live among God's faithful people,
to hear God's Word and share in his supper,
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,

to serve all people, following the example of our Lord Jesus,
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

Graduates ‘I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.’

PL On this important day, the day when we mark your ‘Stepping into the World’ and bless you with the gift of a quilt, we ask God's blessing on you and on the whole people of God in Christ Jesus.

We pray: God of creation, we ask your blessing on these graduates as they enter a new period in their lives of faith. Bless them and grant them your gifts: joy as they live among your faithful people; openness in hearing your Word and thankfulness in sharing your supper; eagerness in sharing the good news of Christ through their words and actions; dedication in serving all people following the example of the Lord Jesus; and a hunger for justice and peace. We ask these things through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

Graduates are invited to kneel. Parents wrap their child in the quilt and lay hands on to bless the Graduate.

PL There was a day when your parents held you in their arms and rocked you to sleep. They cuddled you in a blanket to keep you warm, safe and comforted. Very soon you will be launching a new life, away from the safety and security of this home, family, church, and community.

As you go out into the world, may this quilt be a reminder of your parents’ love and the nurture of this Christian community. Wherever you go, when the night is cold and you feel alone, may it help you remember you are never alone.

(Parents) _____, we come this day before God to bless you and thank the Creator for the gift you have been to us. You have given our lives a deeper meaning and a deeper calling. Through you, we have come to understand the nature of God’s love, of joy, of forgiveness. We thank God today for the gift that you have been to our lives. Wherever you go, you will always be a part of us. Wherever you go, our love goes with you. Whatever you do, you will always be a part of our hearts.

We bless you in the name of Jesus Christ. May this quilt remind you of our love, the warmth of this faith community and the power of the Holy Spirit. And on those nights when we cannot wrap you in our arms, may you wrap yourself in this quilt and know that in God's family you are never alone.

Graduates rise. Parents kneel. Graduates place hands on parents' shoulders to bless them.

(*Graduates*) _____, you have given of your heart and of your home. You have loved and cared for me, even when it was difficult. I bless you this day for the sacrifice you made to give me life. I thank God this day for the power and selflessness of your love. I honor you for your courage, your patience, your wisdom and your undying love. Wherever I go, you will always be a part of me. Wherever I go, your love and example will continue to bless me. Whatever I do, I will always be your child and I thank God for blessing my life with you. I bless you in Jesus' name.

Parents stand.

PL Wherever you wander, no matter how dark the night, may the warmth of this quilt, the love of your parents, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the fellowship of this church, the power of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you now and forever. Go with God's blessing. Amen.

***The Prayers**

- A God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need. *A brief silence.*
Welcoming God, you invite all people to come and encounter your love. Give your church open hearts and minds to embrace all who seek your presence. Increase the capacity for cooperation between denominations and congregations. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.**
- A Creating God, your might is seen in storms and in silence. Where drought threatens, bring rain. Where waters flood, ease them back. Where fire, earthquake, hurricane, or tornado destroy, shelter your people and restore your land. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

- A Discerning God, fill the hearts of leaders with your passion for justice and mercy. Call the nations of this world to tables of peace and collaboration. Encourage governments to seek avenues of collective benefit and joy. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.**
- A Abiding God, all people are held in your care. Accompany survivors of abuse, trauma, and exploitation. Strengthen our resolve to listen and advocate on behalf of all who are unnoticed. Hear our prayers for those close to our heart. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.**
- A Rejoicing God, be with this congregation as summer begins in the northern hemisphere. Keep travelers safe. Keep the vulnerable cool. Invigorate summer ministry efforts in our community, and support the well-being of children and young people. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.**
- A Loving God, the beginning and the end, you are with us throughout our lives. In gratitude for the saints who have died, we look toward your coming again among us. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.**
- A We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.
- C Amen.**

MEAL

Offertory

"I Give You My Heart "

Words on Screen

***PL Offertory Prayer** (read by all)

Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world. Amen.

***PL Words of Institution**

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.

Communion Songs *"Jesus"* by Chris Tomlin
 "Come and Sing Praises" Words on Screen

PL Post-Communion Prayer (prayed by all)
Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. Amen.

SENDING

Announcements

***Sending Song** *"Goodness of God"* Words on Screen

*Blessing

PL The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, ☩ Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always.

C **Amen.**

***Dismissal**

PL Christ is risen.

C Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

PL Go in peace. In Christ you are made new.

C Thanks be to God.

Postlude

“The Blessing”

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Welcome to Immanuel! We are so glad you worshiped with us today!

Congratulations to Chelsea Luna and Helen Yancey on their upcoming graduation! Join us for a cake reception after worship to celebrate.

Youth Group Parent & Youth Informational Meeting - June 1

Join us in the fireside room following church [11:45 am]. We'll discuss the upcoming summer plans for youth group. I would encourage anyone with incoming 5th & 6th graders to also join us! -Kate Bush

Homer Davenport Parade Float Meeting - June 1

We are off to a great start in planning for the Homer Davenport Parade. We brainstormed ideas and have begun our research and pulling things together. Interested in helping? Please join us in the library after worship service. This is a great opportunity for community outreach and an invitation to participate in community at Immanuel. If you have questions, please contact Dawn Taylor at 503-580-9036 or dawn.allyne.taylor@gmail.com

Esther Circle - June 5

All women are invited to attend the Esther Circle meeting Thursday, June 5 at Immanuel. We meet in the Fireside room for social time at 9:30, and will have Bible Study from *Gather* magazine at 10 am. Bring a friend and come to meet other friends! If you have any questions, please contact Lynn Gannon at (503) 329-2585 or lpma.gannon@gmail.com

Vacation Bible School - June 23-27, 5:30-8:00 pm

This year's theme is 'True North: Trusting Jesus in a Wild World.' We welcome children from age 3 through 6th grade. Each evening begins with a full meal. Register at www.myvbs.org/immanuelsilverton.

We need volunteers! Contact Brenda Wilson at 503-779-8154 for program information and volunteer opportunities. Those available to help with meals and prep contact Audrey Nickodemus.

Sunday School

Sunday School will begin again in the Fall.

Want to stay up to date on events? Contact the office to subscribe to our weekly emails. The monthly calendar is on the front door as well as our website.