

**FULL VERSION**  
**August 10, 2025**  
**9 A.M. Service**  
**In Person**  
**& Facebook Live**  
**Broadcast at**  
**10:30 AM WLBK**  
**On 1360 Radio**

*These things will be added to you*

Luke 12:31

**About the Cover:**  
Jesus points to the beauty of the lilies of the field as a way of reminding us of the graciousness of God to give us what we need for this life. Christ has brought us the kingdom of God by taking up our sin on the cross and clothing us with the robe of His righteousness. Since we are so beautifully clothed in Christ unto eternity in Holy Baptism, we can truly let go of our anxieties over the things of this life



# IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH AND STUDENT CENTER

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FB Live & YouTube

## THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**Theme for Worship:** This morning we'll hear the well known message from Jesus about "not worrying." While certainly true, it is a very difficult things to put into practice. We'll hear how faith in God and His promises "emulsifies" our fears and worries. We'll rejoice like Abraham that like him, our faith is credited to us as righteousness, through Christ!

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♪ **Pre-Service Music**

*Spiritwind*

**Ringing of the Bells**

**Welcome**

♪ **Opening Song: "Only By Grace"**

*Words & Music by Gerrit Gustafson*

**Only by grace can we enter, only by grace can we stand,  
Not by our human endeavor, but by the blood of the Lamb;  
Into your presence You call us, You call us to come into Your presence,  
You draw us and now by Your grace we come, now by Your grace we come.**

*Chorus:* **Lord if you mark our transgressions, who would stand?  
Thanks to Your grace we are cleansed by the blood of the Lamb.  
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**Now by Your grace we come.  
Now by Your grace we come, now by Your grace we come.**

## **The Invocation**

**[P]** We begin in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**[C]** Amen

## Apostles Creed

**C** 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.

## Introit

*Psalm 147:8–11; antiphon: v. 7*

- P** Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving;  
**C** make melody to our God on the lyre!  
**P** He covers the heavens with clouds; he prepares rain for the earth;  
**C** he makes grass grow on the hills.**P** He gives to the beasts their food,  
**C** and to the young ravens that cry  
**P** His delight is not in the strength of the horse,  
**C** nor his pleasure in the legs of a man,  
**P** but the LORD takes pleasure in those who fear him,  
**C** in those who hope in his steadfast love.  
**P**& **C** 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.  
**P** Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving;  
**C** make melody to our God on the lyre!

## Collect of the Day

- P** Let us pray.  
**P** & **C** Almighty and merciful God, it is by Your grace that we live as Your people who offer acceptable service. Grant that we may walk by faith, and not by sight, in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

## Service of the Word

### Old Testament Reading

*Genesis 15:1–6*

<sup>1</sup>After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: “Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.” <sup>2</sup>But Abram said, “O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” <sup>3</sup>And Abram said, “Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will

be my heir.” <sup>4</sup>And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: “This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir.” <sup>5</sup>And he brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your offspring be.” <sup>6</sup>And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Epistle

*Hebrews 11:1–16*

<sup>1</sup>Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. <sup>2</sup>For by it the people of old received their commendation. <sup>3</sup>By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.

<sup>4</sup>By faith Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain, through which he was commended as righteous, God commending him by accepting his gifts. And through his faith, though he died, he still speaks. <sup>5</sup>By faith Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him. Now before he was taken he was commended as having pleased God. <sup>6</sup>And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him. <sup>7</sup>By faith Noah, being warned by God concerning events as yet unseen, in reverent fear constructed an ark for the saving of his household. By this he condemned the world and became an heir of the righteousness that comes by faith.

<sup>8</sup>By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. <sup>9</sup>By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. <sup>10</sup>For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. <sup>11</sup>By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised. <sup>12</sup>Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.

<sup>13</sup>These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. <sup>14</sup>For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. <sup>15</sup>If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. <sup>16</sup>But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel Lesson

Luke 12:22-34

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 12<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>22</sup>[Jesus] said to his disciples, "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. <sup>23</sup>For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. <sup>24</sup>Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! <sup>25</sup>And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? <sup>26</sup>If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest? <sup>27</sup>Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. <sup>28</sup>But if God so clothes the grass, which is alive in the field today, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! <sup>29</sup>And do not seek what you are to eat and what you are to drink, nor be worried. <sup>30</sup>For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them. <sup>31</sup>Instead, seek his kingdom, and these things will be added to you.

<sup>32</sup>"Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. <sup>33</sup>Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. <sup>34</sup>For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

♪ Sermon Song: "Grace Alone"

1. Every promise we can make, every prayer and step of faith,  
every difference we will make, is only by his grace.  
Every mountain we will climb, every ray of hope we shine,  
every blessing left behind, is only by His grace.  
Grace alone which God supplies,  
strength unknown He will provide.  
Christ in us, our Cornerstone.  
We will go forth in grace alone.
2. Every soul we long to reach, every heart we hope to teach,  
everywhere we share His peace, is only by His grace.  
Every loving word we say, every tear we wipe away,  
every sorrow turned to praise, is only by his grace.  
Grace alone which God supplies,  
strength unknown He will provide. Christ in us, our Cornerstone.  
We will go forth in grace alone.

Sermon: "Faith Emulsifies Anxiety "

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## Confession and Absolution

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C** Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

## The Offering- *The plates are brought forward*

*(An offering plate is available in the narthex; plates will not be passed during the worship service. Immanuel has the ability to accept offerings through online giving. Families can easily give one-time or set up as recurring gifts. Simply make a secure donation via electronic check by visiting [www.ImmanuelDeKalb.com](http://www.ImmanuelDeKalb.com). If you choose to set up a recurring gift, you will be prompted by email to create your own online donor account to manage your gifts.)*

## ♫The Offertory

*--Spiritwind*

## Announcements

## The Intercessory Prayers

*The Leader says prayers for specific and general concerns of God's people, following each petition with "Lord in your mercy" to which the congregation responds with "**Hear our prayer.**"*

## The Lord's Prayer

- C** 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

## ♪The Closing Song: “Ancient Words”

1. Holy words long preserved for our walk in this world; They resound with God’s own heart, O, let the ancient words impart; Words of life, words of hope, give us strength help us cope; in this world where’er we roam, ancient words will guide us home.

*Chorus:* Ancient words, ever true, changing me, changing you; we have come with open hearts, O let the ancient words impart. (last time: We have come with open hearts, O let the ancient words impart. O let the ancient words impart.)

2. Holy words of our faith handed down to this age, came to us through sacrifice; O, heed the faithful words of Christ; Holy words long preserved for our walk in this world; They resound with God’s own heart; O, let the ancient words impart.

## The Benediction

## Silent Prayer

## Postlude



PARTICIPANTS – August 10, 2025 Altar Guild: Jackie Hanson	
<b>Musicians</b>	Angela Pringnitz, <i>Spiritwind</i>
<b>Pastor</b>	Rev. Marty Marks
<b>Acolyte</b>	Isaac Martinez
<b>Lay Reader</b>	Darlene Hillman
<b>Radio Narrator</b>	Doug Nelson
<b>Videographer/Sound</b>	Ted Stone
<b>Slides</b>	Mark Misic
<b>Ushers</b>	Jackson Harms, Dan Lohmeier, Taylor McWilliams

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**Altar Flowers:** “In loving memory of our uncle, Richard Seip,” by the families of Judi Wright and Pat McKinley.

**Radio Broadcast:** “To the glory of God and in loving memory of my husband, Pastor Philip Hanson,” by Jackie Hanson.

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