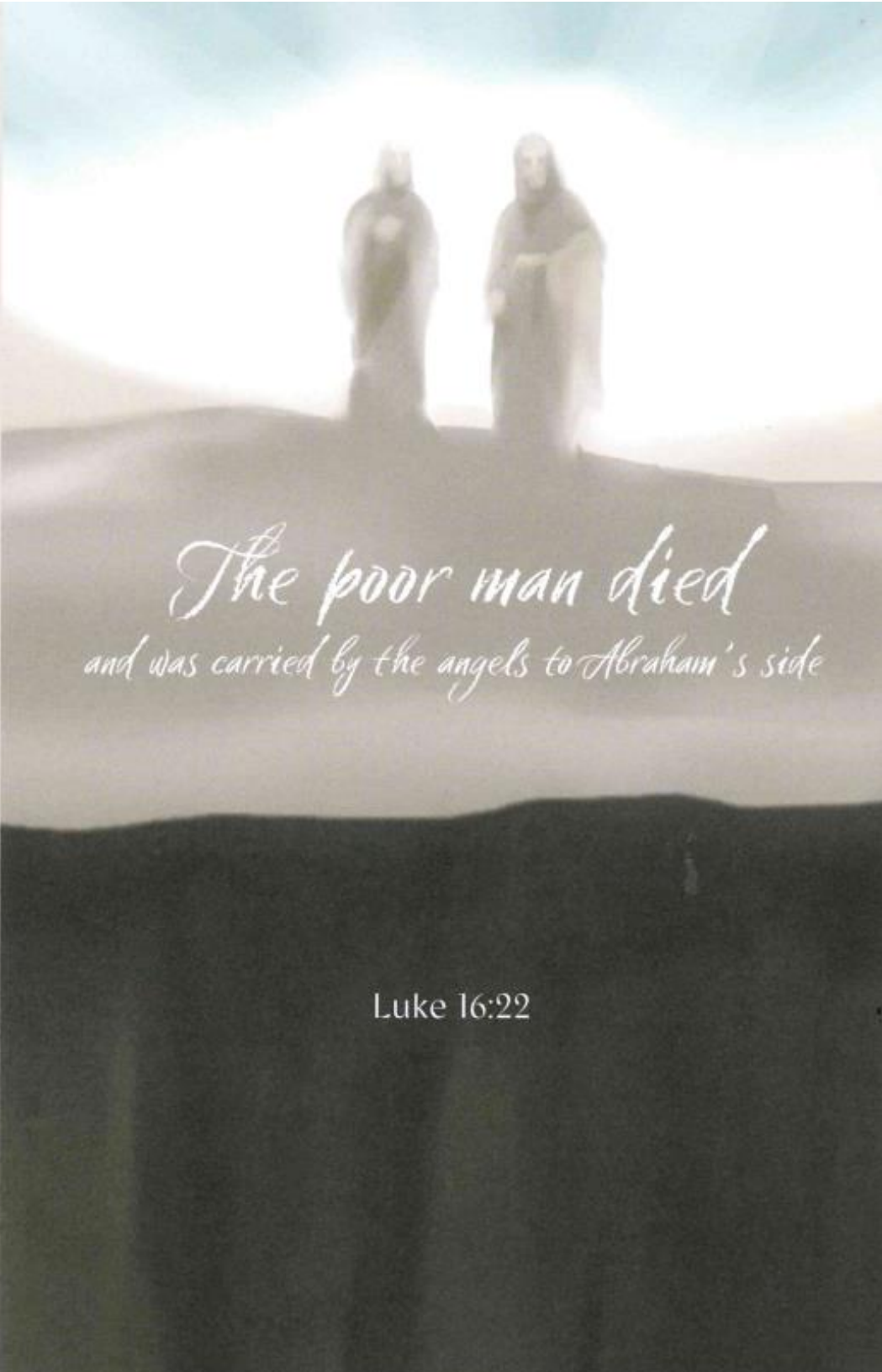


**FULL VERSION**  
**September 28, 2025**  
**10:30AM**  
**In Person**  
**& Facebook Live**  
**Broadcast at**  
**10:30 AM WLBK**  
**On 1360 Radio**

**About The Cover:**

In life and in death, Lazarus was comforted by the Word of the Lord, while the rich man sought only comforts that did not last. The rich man, even after death, believed that Lazarus was there to serve him and his family. His family already had everything they needed to find the comfort of God: the Law and the Prophets. We have everything we need today. Whether rich or poor, true comfort is found only in God's Word made flesh, Jesus, who has indeed risen from the dead.



*The poor man died  
and was carried by the angels to Abraham's side*

Luke 16:22

# IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH AND STUDENT CENTER

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10:30 a.m. In Person  
FB Live & YouTube

## THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**Theme for Worship:** In our Epistle lesson Paul continues writing to Timothy, who was sent to be a head Pastor for the Church in Ephesus. This morning we'll hear Paul's instructions on how to select others who will serve along side Timothy and under His guidance. These same instructions still ring true, when properly understood, for how the Church selects its leadership today. This morning we'll take a closer look at the role of "Pastor" and their task of leading people to the Good Shepherd, Jesus Christ.

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♪ Pre-Service Music

*Spiritwind*

Ring of the Bells

Welcome

♪ Opening Song: "Come Now is the Time to Worship"

*Chorus:* Come now is the time to worship  
Come now is the time to give your heart  
Come just as you are to worship  
Come just as you are before your God  
Come

1. One day every tongue  
Will confess You are God  
One day every knee will bow  
Still the greatest treasure remains  
For those who gladly choose You now

*Chorus:* Come now is the time to worship  
Come now is the time to give your heart  
Come just as you are to worship  
Come just as you are before your God  
Come

2. Willingly we choose to surrender our lives  
Willingly our knees will bow  
With all our heart soul mind and strength  
We gladly choose You now

*Chorus:* Come now is the time to worship  
Come now is the time to give your heart  
Come just as you are to worship  
Come just as you are before your God  
Come

*Ending:* Come come just as you are come 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 119:73–75, 77; antiphon: v. 76*

**P** Let your steadfast love comfort me  
**C** according to your promise to your servant.  
**P** Your hands have made and fashioned me;  
**C** give me understanding that I may learn your commandments.  
**P** Those who fear you shall see me and rejoice,  
**C** because I have hoped in your word.  
**P** I know, O LORD, that your just decrees are righteous,  
**C** and that in faithfulness you have afflicted me.  
**P** Let your mercy come to me, that I may live;  
**C** for your law is my delight.  
**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** Let your steadfast love comfort me  
**C** according to your promise to your servant.

## Collect of the Day

**P** Let us pray.

**P & C** O God, You are the strength of all who trust in You, and without Your aid we can do no good thing. Grant us the help of Your grace that we may please You in both will and deed; 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

*Amos 6:1–7*

<sup>1</sup>“Woe to those who are at ease in Zion, and to those who feel secure on the mountain of Samaria, the notable men of the first of the nations, to whom the house of Israel comes! <sup>2</sup>Pass over to Calneh, and see, and from there go to Hamath the great; then go down to Gath of the Philistines. Are you better than these kingdoms? Or is their territory greater than your territory, <sup>3</sup>O you who put far away the day of disaster and bring near the seat of violence?

<sup>4</sup>“Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory and stretch themselves out on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock and calves from the midst of the stall, <sup>5</sup>who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp and like David invent for themselves instruments of music, <sup>6</sup>who drink wine in bowls and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!

<sup>7</sup>Therefore they shall now be the first of those who go into exile, and the revelry of those who stretch themselves out shall pass away.”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Epistle

*1 Timothy 3:1–13*

<sup>1</sup>The saying is trustworthy: If anyone aspires to the office of overseer, he desires a noble task. <sup>2</sup>Therefore an overseer must be above reproach, the husband of one wife, sober-minded, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, <sup>3</sup>not a drunkard, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. <sup>4</sup>He must manage his own household well, with all dignity keeping his children submissive, <sup>5</sup>for if someone does not know how to manage his own household, how will he care for God’s church? <sup>6</sup>He must not be a recent convert, or he may become puffed up with conceit and fall into the condemnation of the devil. <sup>7</sup>Moreover, he must be well thought of by outsiders, so that he may not fall into disgrace, into a snare of the devil. <sup>8</sup>Deacons likewise must be dignified, not double-tongued, not addicted to much wine, not greedy for dishonest gain. <sup>9</sup>They must hold the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience. <sup>10</sup>And let them also be tested first; then let them serve as deacons if they prove themselves blameless. <sup>11</sup>Their wives likewise must be dignified, not slanderers, but sober-minded, faithful in all things. <sup>12</sup>Let deacons each be the husband of one wife, managing their children and their own households well. <sup>13</sup>For those who serve well as deacons gain a good standing for themselves and also great confidence in the faith that is in Christ Jesus.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

### The Holy Gospel Lesson

Luke 16:19-31

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 16<sup>th</sup> chapter.

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

<sup>19</sup>[Jesus said:] “There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. <sup>20</sup>And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, <sup>21</sup>who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man’s table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. <sup>22</sup>The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried, <sup>23</sup>and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. <sup>24</sup>And he called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.’ <sup>25</sup>But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. <sup>26</sup>And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.’ <sup>27</sup>And he said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house— <sup>28</sup>for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.’ <sup>29</sup>But Abraham said, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.’ <sup>30</sup>And he said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ <sup>31</sup>He said to him, ‘If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.’”

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

**C** **Praise to you O Christ**

### ♪Sermon Song: “Awesome in this Place”

Verse: (2 times – Spiritwind does verse 1st time)

**As I come into Your presence, past the gates of praise,  
into Your sanctuary till were standing face to face;  
I look upon Your countenance, I see the fullness of Your grace,  
and I can only bow down and say,**

*Chorus:* **You are awesome in this place, Mighty God,  
You are awesome in this place, Abba Father,  
You are worthy of all praise, to You our lives we raise,  
You are awesome in this place, Mighty God.**

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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**

**☐ 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: “He is Exalted”**

**He is exalted, the King is exalted on high; I will praise Him.**

**He is exalted, forever exalted and I will praise His name!**

**He is the Lord, forever His truth shall reign;**

**Heaven and earth rejoice in His holy name.**

**He is exalted, the King is exalted on high.**

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## **The Benediction**

## **Silent Prayer**

## **Postlude**

PARTICIPANTS September 28, 2025		
Altar Guild: Carolyn McQuillan		
	8:00 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
<b>Musicians</b>	Linda Conrad, <i>organist</i> C-J Motisi, <i>pianist &amp; soloist</i>	Angela Pringnitz, <i>Spiritwind coordinator</i>
<b>Pastor</b>	Rev. Marty Marks	Rev. Marty Marks
<b>Children's Message</b>	Rev. Marty Marks	Rev. Marty Marks
<b>Acolyte</b>	Alexis Cruz	Chloe Marks
<b>Lay Reader</b>	Charlie Schmidt	Angela Pringnitz
<b>Radio Narrator</b>	Sue Harms	---
<b>Videographer/Sound</b>	Doug Nelson	Doug Nelson
<b>Slides</b>	Kevin Harms	Nathan Allen
<b>Ushers</b>	Ken Boldt, Alexis Cruz & Hayden Harms	Jen Allen, Will Michels & Chloe Marks

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