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About The Cover:

Paul's life was wrapped up in Jesus—in His suffering, death, and resurrected life. Christ is committed in all that He has said and done for us. Christ always remains faithful, even if we are faithless. The Jesus who knew Paul is the same Jesus who commits Himself to and loves each of us. His promise to be faithful to and love His people went all the way to the cross and will never stop.



HE REMAINS
faithful

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THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Theme for Worship: Our Old Testament lesson gives us the beginning of the story of Ruth. We'll build upon that lesson by hearing the rest of the story in this short but powerful book. While set well over 1,000 years before Jesus, Ruth's story (more accurately Naomi's story) points to the redeeming work of Jesus and gives words and references to Jesus salvific mission. This morning, we will also be recognizing the work of the LWML in service to our Lord.

♪ **Pre-Service Music**

Spiritwind

Ringling of the Bells

Welcome

♪ **Opening Song: "Abba Father"**

Chorus: Abba, Abba Father, You are the potter, We are the clay, the work of Your hands.

**Mold us, mold us and fashion us
Into the image of Jesus Your Son,
Of Jesus your Son. *Chorus***

**Father, may we be one in You,
May we be one in You,
As He is in You and You are in Him. *Chorus***

**Glory, Glory and praise to You,
Glory and praise to You,
Forever, Amen, Forever Amen. *Chorus***

The Invocation

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

[C] Amen

The LWML Pledge

C In fervent gratitude for the Savior's dying love and His blood-bought gift of redemption we dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have; and in obedience to His call for workers in the harvest fields, we pledge Him our willing service wherever and whenever He has need of us. We consecrate to our Savior our hands to work for Him, our feet to go on His errands, our voice to sing His praises, our lips to proclaim His redeeming love, our silver and our gold to extend His Kingdom, our will to do His will, and every power of our life to the great task of bringing the lost and the erring into eternal fellowship with Him. Amen.

Introit

Psalm 34:2–4, 17; antiphon: Psalm 48:1a

P Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised

C in the city of our God!

P My soul makes its boast in the LORD;

C let the humble hear and be glad.

P Oh, magnify the LORD with me,

C and let us exalt his name together!

P I sought the LORD, and he answered me

C and delivered me from all my fears.

P When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears

C and delivers them out of all their troubles.

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 Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised

C in the city of our God!

Collect of the Day

P Let us pray.

P & **C** Almighty God, You show mercy to Your people in all their troubles. Grant us always to recognize Your goodness, give thanks for Your compassion, and praise Your holy name; 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

Ruth 1:1–19a

¹In the days when the judges ruled there was a famine in the land, and a man of Bethlehem in Judah went to sojourn in the country of Moab, he and his wife and his two sons. ²The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion. They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. ³But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. ⁴These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. They lived there about ten years, ⁵and both Mahlon and Chilion died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband. ⁶Then she arose with her daughters-in-law to return from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the fields of Moab that the LORD had visited his people and given them food. ⁷So she set out from the place where she was with her two daughters-in-law, and they went on the way to return to the land of Judah. ⁸But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, “Go, return each of you to her mother’s house. May the LORD deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. ⁹The LORD grant that you may find rest, each of you in the house of her husband!” Then she kissed them, and they lifted up their voices and wept. ¹⁰And they said to her, “No, we will return with you to your people.” ¹¹But Naomi said, “Turn back, my daughters; why will you go with me? Have I yet sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? ¹²Turn back, my daughters; go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. If I should say I have hope, even if I should have a husband this night and should bear sons, ¹³would you therefore wait till they were grown? Would you therefore refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, for it is exceedingly bitter to me for your sake that the hand of the LORD has gone out against me.” ¹⁴Then they lifted up their voices and wept again. And Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her. ¹⁵And she said, “See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law.” ¹⁶But Ruth said, “Do not urge me to leave you or to return from following you. For where you go I will go, and where you lodge I will lodge. Your people shall be my people, and your God my God. ¹⁷Where you die I will die, and there will I be buried. May the LORD do so to me and more also if anything but death parts me from you.” ¹⁸And when Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more.

¹⁹So the two of them went on until they came to Bethlehem.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

2 Timothy 2:1–13

¹You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, ²and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also. ³Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. ⁴No soldier gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to please the one who enlisted him. ⁵An athlete is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. ⁶It is the hard-working farmer who ought to have the first share of the crops. ⁷Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in everything. ⁸Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in my gospel, ⁹for which I am suffering, bound with chains as a criminal. But the word of God is not bound! ¹⁰Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory. ¹¹The saying is trustworthy, for:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;

¹²if we endure, we will also reign with him;

if we deny him, he also will deny us;

¹³if we are faithless, he remains faithful—

for he cannot deny himself.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Children's Message

Pastor Marty

The Holy Gospel Lesson

Luke 17:11–19

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 17th chapter.

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

¹¹On the way to Jerusalem [Jesus] was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. ¹²And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance ¹³and lifted up their voices, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.” ¹⁴When he saw them he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went they were cleansed. ¹⁵Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; ¹⁶and he fell on his face at Jesus’ feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷Then Jesus answered,

“Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? ¹⁸Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” ¹⁹And he said to him, “Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord

C Praise to you O Christ

♪ Sermon Song: “Everything I Am”

(Sung 2 times) Everything I am, everything I have,
Everything I can, I bring to You.
For You alone are worthy,
So I come to give You praise,
And everything I am I bring to You.

Sermon: “The Story of Ruth”

Rev. Marty Marks

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. 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: "Lord I Lift Your Name on High"

**Lord, I lift Your name on high, Lord, I love to sing Your praises.
I'm so glad You're in my life, I'm so glad You came to save us.
You came from heaven to earth to show the way,
From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay;
From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky;
Lord, I lift Your name on high.**

The Benediction

Silent Prayer

Postlude

PARTICIPANTS October 12, 2025		
Altar Guild: Carolyn McQuillan		
	8:00 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
Musicians	Linda Conrad, <i>organist</i> C-J Motisi, <i>pianist & soloist</i>	Angela Pringnitz, <i>Spiritwind coordinator</i>
Pastor	Rev. Marty Marks	Rev. Marty Marks
Children’s Message	Rev. Marty Marks	Rev. Marty Marks
Acolyte	Isaac Martinez	Elly Pringnitz
Lay Reader	Yvette Lubbers	Jackson Harms
Radio Narrator	Doug Nelson	---
Videographer/Sound	Mark Mistic	Nathan Allen
Slides	Ted Stone	Doug Nelson
Ushers	Jeff Bannister, Tom Sawyer & Taylor McWilliams	Dan Lohmeier, Will Michels & Dennis Maakestad

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2026: January 4, 11, 18 & 25

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Friday: 8:30 a.m.— 12:30 p.m. *Closed Fridays when school is not in session.*

Regular hours: Monday - Thursday 8:30—4:30

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