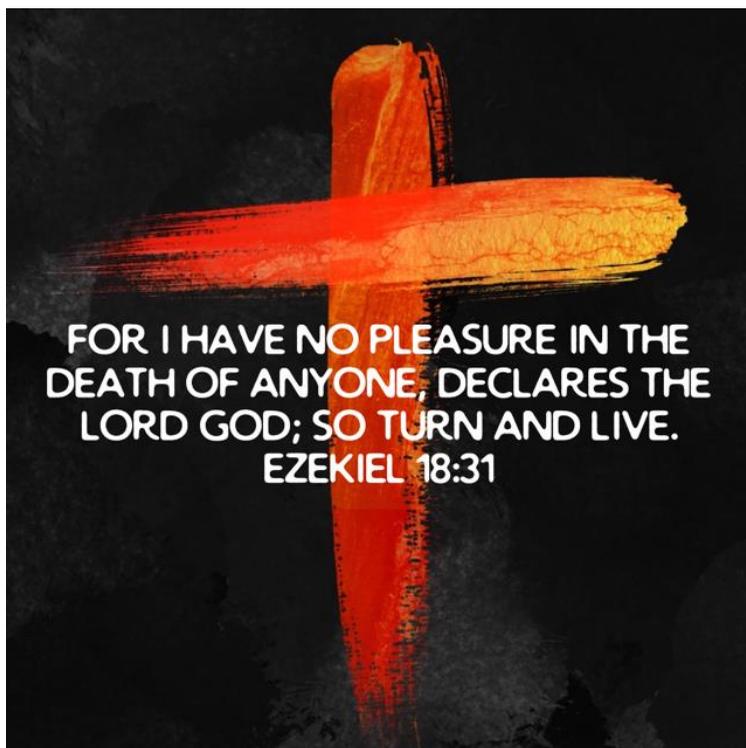


# IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

*“Living a Legacy of Faith.” 150 Years: 1870--2020*

*For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.*

*Psalm 100:5*



September 26, 2020 5:00 p.m.  
September 27, 2020 10:00 a.m.



**AS WE GATHER**

It has become commonplace to speak of God as responsible for determining life and death for us. So we wonder where is God’s justice when the innocent suffer or His mercy when tragedy strikes. But the Lord insists He has no pleasure in the death of anyone— not even the sinner who deserves his punishment.

God’s good and gracious will is that all would be saved and come to the knowledge of His Son. Think how differently we would approach the troubles and trials that affect us and the greater disasters of the world if we took the Lord at His Word and trusted in His will.

**A Few FYI'S as You Worship with Us.**

- **Assisted Listening Devices** are also available from an Elder or Usher.
- **Grace Space** is available up by the pulpit for little children. Please supervise your children when they are using Grace Space.
- **If you do not wish to receive Holy Communion but would like a blessing, simply come forward during the distribution, cross your arms when Pastor approaches you and he will speak a blessing.**
- **Holy Communion** *is offered to those who have been instructed in what the Scriptures teach about Communion. We believe the Bible teaches:*
  - 1) *Jesus Christ is our only Lord and Savior from all sin, death, and the power of evil;*
  - 2) *The Risen Christ is really present in the Sacrament and that with the bread and wine we receive His Body and Blood; and*
  - 3) *We resolve to dedicate our lives to the service of our Lord in His Body, the Church, through worship, sacrificial giving, and thankful living.*
- ***The center of the individual cup trays contains non-alcoholic wine for those who prefer this substitute. Gluten-free communion wafers are available.***



**+ GATHERING +**

**WELCOME**

**GATHERING SONG**

“We Have Come into His House”

TCH 224

**CALLING ON GOD’S NAME**

## **SPEAKING GOD'S WORD TO ONE ANOTHER**

*Psalm 25:6–7; 147:6*

Pastor: The Lord lifts up the humble;

**People: he casts the wicked to the ground,**

Pastor: Remember Your mercy, O Lord, and Your steadfast love

**People: for they have been form of old.**

Pastor: Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions;

**People: according to Your steadfast love, remember me, for the sake of Your goodness, O Lord!**

## **SEEKING AND RECEIVING FORGIVENESS**

Pastor: O mighty God, merciful Father,

**People: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

Pastor: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

Pastor: May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. The peace of the Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

## **+ HEARING GOD'S WORD +**

### **SCRIPTURE READING**

Ezekiel 18:1–4, 25–32

(p. 597, ESV) (p. 834, NIV)

*(The Lord takes no pleasure in the death of anyone, so turn to Him.)*

### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

### **HOLY GOSPEL**

Matthew 21:23–32

(p. 705, ESV) (p. 978, NIV)

*(Which of the two did the will of his father?)*

