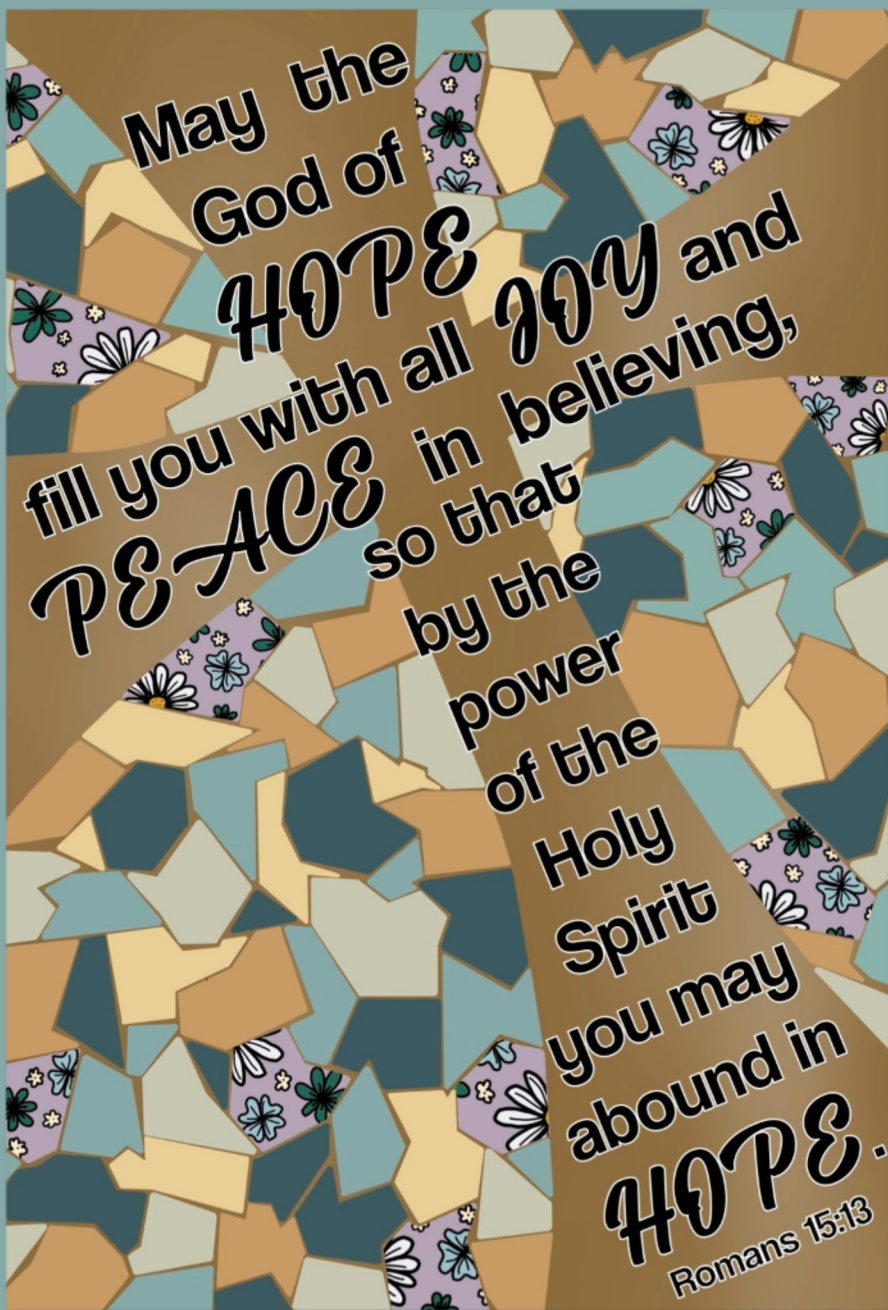


IMMANUEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL

Class of 2021



May 28, 2021

7:00 pm



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Romans 15:13**

School Theme for the 2020-2021 School Year

AS WE GATHER...

"Graduation" comes from the Latin word "gradus" which means "a step." Graduation is indeed a big step, which invites high emotion in the present and uncertainty in the future. Today, we give thanks for God's blessing upon the 'steps' that brought us here, seek spiritual wisdom for the present, and commend ourselves and our dreams for the future to God's providence.

**Eighth Grade Graduation
May 28, 2021 7:00pm**

PRELUDE

Immanuel String Ensemble

Susanna Morrison, viola; Tyler Morrison, cello; Maggy Card, string bass

PROCESSIONAL SONG

"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

LSB 803

Verse 1

Joyful, joyful we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love!
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee, Praising Thee, their sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, Drive the gloom of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day.

Verse 2

All Thy works with joy surround Thee, Earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee, Center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird, and flowing fountain Call us to rejoice in Thee.

Verse 3

△ Thou art giving and forgiving, Ever blessing, ever blest,
Wellspring of the joy of living, Ocean depth of happy rest!

Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Fountainhead of love divine:
Joyful, we Thy heav'n inherit! Joyful, we by grace are Thine!

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit

People: Amen.

RESPONSIVE READING *(Pressing on toward the goal)* *Philippians 3:7-16*

Pastor: We are gathered together this evening to say farewell to and celebrate the achievements of our 2021 Immanuel Lutheran School Graduates.

Graduates: We are thankful for all that we have achieved and for the many more achievements yet to come.

Pastor: The first part of your life's journey is about to be complete. The next journey will open up new experiences and opportunities that offer many choices. As you are eager and ready to begin we pray that you will hold on to the teachings you have learned here at Immanuel. Remember all those people who have loved, supported, and encouraged you throughout these past years.

People: We pray you have many blessings of good will as you journey forth into the world of high school. We thank you for the laughter, fellowship and faith we have all shared together.

Pastor: We pray that God will give you strength, determination, and resilience as you begin to face what lies ahead. Stand up for what you know to be the truth and lean on Him when the ways seem uncertain.

Graduates: God knows the plan He has for us and on that we can rely.

Pastor: And if at some point, when you face situations where the choices are not clear or easy, that you remember to ask God for direction, knowing by faith that He will make your path clear.

People: May our hands and hearts evermore be raised in praise to God our Father.

SOLO

"Minuet in G by Bach"

Ethan Staback, piano

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

AMERICAN LEGION AWARDS

Daphne Matthews

PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE

Ruth Crimmins

TIFFANY LYNN SCHNEIDER AWARD

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GRADUATION MESSAGE

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Director of Youth Ministries

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Gloria Lee

PRESENTATION OF THE 2021 GRADUATING CLASS

Dr. Joy Mullaney
Principal

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS

Marcia Mathes
Chairperson, Board of the Christian School

SOLO

"Allegro"

Tyler Morrison, Cello

From Sonata in E minor, Op. 1, No. 2. Benedetto Marcello

PRAYER FOR GRADUATES

Pastor: As graduates are handed diplomas, God hands out His blessings because He is compassionate, gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

People: **Place into the hands of these graduates, O Lord, faith in the promises You made long ago.**

Pastor: Because we are all made in the image of God we need to remember the gift of free will which allows us to make decisions and choices.

People: Place into the hands of these graduates, O Lord, the courage to make wise and rational decisions and to turn to You in time of need.

Pastor: May they look to the Lord and His strength and seek His face always. May they remember He always listens, is always with them, and will never leave them.

People: Place into the hands of these graduates, O Lord, a reliance on Your wisdom.

Pastor: In Matthew 28: 19 Jesus commissioned the disciples to go out and spread His Word to the world, so likewise do we commission them to do the same. May they always keep Christ in their hearts and remember His teachings.

People: We send them forth now with all our love, encouragement, perseverance, and support. We pray they strive for only the best that they can do and reach the rewards life offers.

Pastor: Great and generous God, may what You have given to these graduates be received with joy. May these graduates always keep the light of Christ alive and daily let His love shine through them. Finally, let us all rejoice knowing the joy of the Lord is our strength.

People: May their joy and light always shine now and forever. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

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.

HYMN

“Go My Children, with My Blessing”
(Faculty verses 1 & 2, Congregation verses 3 & 4)

LSB 922

Verse 1

Go, My children, with My blessing, Never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you; You are My own.
In My love's baptismal river I have made you Mine forever.
Go, My children, with My blessing You are My Own.

Verse 2

Go, My children, sins forgiven, At peace and pure.
Here you learned how much I love you, What I can cure.
Here you heard My dear Son's story; Here you touched Him, saw His glory.
Go My children, sins forgiven, At peace and pure.

Verse 3

Go, My children, fed and nourished, Closer to Me;
Grow in love and love by serving, Joyful and free.
Here My Spirit's power filled you; Here His tender comfort stilled you.
Go, My children, fed and nourished, Joyful and free.

Verse 4

I the Lord will bless and keep you And give you peace;
I the Lord will smile upon you And give you peace:
I the Lord will be your Father, Savior, Comforter, and Brother.
Go, My children; I will keep you And give you peace.

BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

LSB 805

△ Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL

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* National Junior Honor Society Member

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Thank you!

Over the years, dedicated volunteers have assisted Immanuel in the joy of providing a Christian education for our graduates. PTL has sponsored fundraisers to help support art awareness, technology, field day, teacher appreciation week, room parents, painting, playground equipment and a myriad of other projects. Although volunteer opportunities offered since March of 2020 have been limited, we appreciate all of you who were able to support the efforts of the school. We thank God for all of our parents, each and every one of you.

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