



IMMANUEL  
LUTHERAN  
CHURCH

August 6, 2017

*Welcome to all! Our mission at ILC: To thank, praise, honor and serve our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ as we gather and worship, grow in the Word, and serve God by serving people.*

A special welcome to guests and visitors! May our time together be a blessing to you.

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### **Information for Visitors ...**

**Coffee & Fellowship** is available in the Lower Narthex each Sunday between services.

**A Nursery** is available from 8:15am-12:00pm for children through age 4. It is located in the hallway just outside the Narthex.

**Children's bulletins** are available from the ushers.

**Elevator** is located through the basement and the ushers' room in the sanctuary.

**Sunday School** is at 9:45am and all ages are welcome. Adult classes meet in the Conference Room, Parlor and Cry Room.

**Red Worship Attendance pads** are passed during the offering. Please take a moment to register your attendance. Visitors, please let us know if we can be of service to you.

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**Summer Worship Times:** 8:45 & 11:00am – May 28<sup>th</sup> – Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>

### **HOLY COMMUNION**

The sacrament is celebrated at both worship services every Sunday. All are welcome, believing that our Lord is present offering grace and forgiveness. You will commune by intinction, meaning you may dip the wafer in either the wine or grape juice or you may drink from the common cup.

*Gluten-free wafers and/or white grape juice are available at both services.*

**Please Turn Off All Cell Phones & Pagers**

## OPENING SONG

### STRIKE UP THE MUSIC

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Tune: Pennsylvania Polka*

Strike up the music, the band has begun,  
It's time for Polka Worship!  
Add in your voice, then, come join in the fun,  
It's time for Polka Worship!  
Lift up your heart, lift it up to the Lord.  
It's time for Polka Worship!  
Holy Lord, we come before You,  
Receive our praises as we adore You!

Praise the Father for his love before the world was made.  
Praise the Savior for his coming down to give us aid.  
Praise the Spirit for his comfort, never does it fade.  
Praise the Trinity, let us praise the One in Three,  
The Father, the Son, and Spirit, One in Three.

*(Instrumental Interlude)*

Praise the Father, creator of heaven and of earth.  
Praise the Savior, redeemer who gives us a new birth.  
Praise the Spirit, sanctifier working through the Word.  
Praise the Trinity, let us praise the One in Three,  
The Father, the Son, and Spirit, One in Three.

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## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### GATHERING SONG

#### IN HEAVEN THERE IS NO FEAR

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*Tune: In Heaven There Is No Fear*

In Heaven there is no fear, No hunger, death, nor tears.  
In Heaven is endless joy, Christ is risen! Now nothing can destroy.

In Heaven God's children see The Lamb who set them free.  
In Heaven God's children sing "Alleluia, my Savior and my King."

In Heaven where streets are gold, No one gets sick nor old.  
In Heaven the lame now walk, Those once blind see and now the mute can talk.

In Heaven a room's prepared, Where all by faith are bound.  
In Heaven each will receive a white robe, a new ring, and a crown.

*(Instrumental Interlude)*

In Heaven there is no night, God's glory is its light.  
In Heaven, this lovely place, Where all enter by God's amazing grace.

In heaven the redeemed live In glory evermore.  
In Heaven the saved are blessed By the Father, Son, and Spirit evermore.

In Heaven there is no fear, No hunger, death, nor tears.  
In Heaven is endless joy. Christ is risen! He reigns now over all.

### THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

**P:** In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

**C: We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.**

P: Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

**C: By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all. We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.**

P: Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. Glorious God, your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen**

## **FIRST READING Isaiah 55:1-5**

*God invites Israel to a great feast at which both food and drink are free. God also promises to make an everlasting covenant with all the people, with promises that previously had been limited to the line of kings. As David was a witness to the nations, these nations shall now acknowledge the ways in which God has glorified Israel.*

<sup>1</sup>Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. <sup>2</sup>Why do you

spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. <sup>3</sup>Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. <sup>4</sup>See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. <sup>5</sup>See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

P: Word of God, word of life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## **SECOND READING Romans 9:1-5**

*This begins a new section in Paul's letter in which he will deal with the place of Israel in God's saving plan. He opens by highlighting how Israel's heritage and legacy include being God's children, having God's covenants, being given God's law, participating in worship of God, and receiving divine promises.*

<sup>1</sup>I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit—<sup>2</sup>I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. <sup>3</sup>For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. <sup>4</sup>They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; <sup>5</sup>to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

P: Word of God, word of life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

### **SONG: SPEAK THROUGH THE GOSPEL**

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*Tune: Julida Polka*

We come to you, O Lord, because you call us.  
We come to you, O Lord, because you want us.  
We come to you, O Lord, because you love us.  
Speak through the Gospel, Lord. Open up our ears.

We come to you, O Lord, because we need you.  
We come to you, O Lord, help us to see you.  
We come to you, O Lord, because we love you.  
Speak through the Gospel, Lord. Open up our eyes.

*(Instrumental Interlude)*

Speak through the Gospel, Lord. Come now and feed us.  
Speak through the Gospel, Lord. Come now and free us.  
Speak through the Gospel, Lord. Come now and lead us.  
Speak through the Gospel, Lord. Open up our hearts.

## **GOSPEL Matthew 14:13-21**

*After John the Baptist is murdered, Jesus desires a time of solitude. Still, his compassion for others will not allow him to dismiss those who need him, and he is moved to perform one of his greatest miracles.*

<sup>13</sup>Now when Jesus heard [about the beheading of John the Baptist], he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. <sup>14</sup>When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. <sup>15</sup>When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." <sup>16</sup>Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." <sup>17</sup>They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." <sup>18</sup>And he said, "Bring them here to me." <sup>19</sup>Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. <sup>20</sup>And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. <sup>21</sup>And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

P: The gospel of the Lord:  
C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **SERMON**

## HYMN OF THE DAY

### WHAT A FRIEND MEDLEY

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*Tune: Happy-Go-Lucky Polka*

What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry, everything to God in prayer!  
O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,  
All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer.

What a friend, O what a friend we have in Jesus,  
What a friend, O what a friend we have!  
What a friend, O what a friend we have in Jesus,  
What a friend, O what a friend we have!

One there is, above all others, well deserves the name of friend;  
His is love beyond a brother's, costly, free, and knows no end.  
When he lived on earth, they scorned him; "Friend of sinners" was his name.  
Though the angels have adored him, still he answers to that claim.

*(Instrumental Interlude)*

There's a wideness in God's mercy, like the wideness of the sea;  
There's a kindness in his justice, which is more than liberty.  
There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than up in heav'n.  
There is no place where earth's failings have such kindly judgment giv'n.

What a friend, O what a friend we have in Jesus,  
What a friend, O what a friend we have!  
What a friend, O what a friend we have in Jesus,  
What a friend, O what a friend we have!

## **APOSTLES CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.\* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

**P: Lord in your mercy,**

**C: Hear our prayer.**

## **PEACE**

**P: The peace of Christ be with you always.**

**C: And also with you.**

## **OFFERING**

## **SONG DURING OFFERING**

### **FAITH OF OUR FATHERS MEDLEY**

*Tune: Blue Skirt Waltz*

Faith of our fathers living in us today  
Oh, how our hearts sing, full of your loving grace.  
Faith of our fathers, holy faith, we will be true to thee.  
Come and be with us, now to eternity.

The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord.  
She's his new creation by water and the word.  
Faith of our fathers, holy faith, we will be true to thee.  
Come and be with us, now to eternity.

O Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end.  
Stay forever near me, my master and my friend.  
Faith of our fathers, holy faith, we will be true to thee.  
Come and be with us, now to eternity.

I love to tell the story of unseen things above.  
Of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.  
Faith of our fathers, holy faith, we will be true to thee.  
Come and be with us, now to eternity.

## **OFFERING PRAYER**

P: God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord. **Amen.**

## **THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

### **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**

## **SONGS DURING COMMUNION**

### **PSALM 103**

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Tune: Lichtensteiner Polka*

Bless, oh bless the Lord, he's holy,  
Forgives your sin, satisfies within, let him come in!  
Bless, oh bless the Lord, Redeemer,  
Savior of all, on him his children call.

The Lord is full of passion, mercy, kindness, forgiveness for all,  
He loves us as his children and he's there if we should ever fall.  
Bless, oh bless the Lord, Redeemer,  
Savior of all, on him his children call.

*(Instrumental Interlude)*

Bless, oh bless the Lord, he's holy,  
Forgives your sin, satisfies within, let him come in!  
Bless, oh bless the Lord, Redeemer,  
Savior of all, on him his children call.

The Lord is full of passion, mercy, kindness, forgiveness for all,  
He loves us as his children and he's there if we should ever fall.

Bless, oh bless the Lord, Redeemer,  
Savior of all, on him his children call.

**WE OFFER BREAD AND WINE**

*Tune: The Barking Dog Polka*

We offer bread and wine, to show our love for you.  
We share this sacred meal, because you want us to.  
Lord, accept us as we are, for we come from near and far  
To worship through your Son.  
Children of a sinful race, who do seem so out of place,  
But worshipping as one.

Our work, our joy, our pain, we also offer you.  
Accept our humble gifts, because we want you to.  
Lord, accept us as we are, for we come from near and far  
To worship through your Son.  
Children of a sinful race, who do seem so out of place,  
But worshipping as one.

*(Instrumental Interlude)*

We realize we're poor, but we offer what we can.  
Accept our change of heart, accept our open hand.  
Lord, accept us as we are, for we come from near and far  
To worship through your Son.  
Children of a sinful race, who do seem so out of place,  
But worshipping as one.

Now as we celebrate this sacrament of love,  
You give yourself to all, a gift from heav'n above.  
Lord, accept us as we are, for we come from near and far  
To worship through your Son.  
Children of a sinful race, who do seem so out of place,  
But worshipping as one.

## **PRAISE MEDLEY**

*Tune: The Happy Wanderer*

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,  
That saved a wretch like me.  
I once was lost, but now am found,  
Was blind, but now I see.

He lives, he lives, he lives,  
He lives, Christ Jesus lives today.  
He lives, he lives, Christ Jesus lives today.

Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing  
My great Redeemer's praise.  
The glories of my God and King,  
The triumph of his grace.

(Instrumental Interlude)

In Christ there is no east or west,  
In Him no north or south,  
Just one great fellowship of love  
Throughout the whole wide world.

He lives, he lives, he lives,  
He lives, Christ Jesus lives today.  
He lives, he lives, Christ Jesus lives today.

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

P: We thank you, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have fed us in a way our hearts can understand, with the saving body and blood of Jesus Christ. Enliven us by your presence in this meal, that we may be your presence in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you and be gracious.  
The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace. **Amen.**

## **SENDING SONG**

### **GO NOW AND SERVE HIM**

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*Tune: The Beer Barrel Polka*

Go now and serve him, serve Jesus, Savior and King.  
Go tell the story of the salvation he brings.  
Let us be faithful, let us go forth with God's Word.  
For no one should be forgotten, let God's message be heard.

With varied talents, all useful to our great Lord,  
Go now and serve him, let every gift be employed.  
We have one purpose, touch every life that we can.  
Let us plan and work together, so God's love fills the land.

(Instrumental Interlude)

Go tell the story, of Jesus, Savior and King.  
Go with the Good News, tell how forgiveness he brings.  
Tell how he loves us, suffered and died in our place.  
Go and tell the joyful story, of his kindness and grace.

## **DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace. Share the good news.

C: **Thanks be to God.**



**Mission Statement**

*To thank, praise, honor and serve our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ as we gather and worship, grow in the Word, and serve God by serving people.*

**GATHER and Worship**

***Please pray for these ILC members:***

Norman Weiss	Elois Sakewitz	Mildred Huebel	Ernest Smith
Marie Davis	Andy Shuvalov	Glenn Herzog	David Kasper

***Please also pray for these friends & extended family members:***

Thomas O'scier	Seth Munk	Rodney Reed	Mike Emken
Ima Kankel	Thaine Manske	Camryn Adkison	Sharon Gruebmeyer
Calen Stewart	Diane Miller	Mickey Elsner	Katie Swarts
Randall Foley	Diana Mitschke	Evangeline Neese	Louis Wiederhold, Jr.
Chu-Shan Lin	Tedra Clearwater	Rev. Mark Gruebmeyer	Sandy Bailey
Ben Grumbine	Legend Hendrickson		

***In our time of loss we pray for:*** The Family of Connie Highly, Phyllis Schaefer's daughter, who passed away July 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Parish Hall Flowers** are placed to the glory of God in loving memory of Max & Alvina Kuempel by their children.

***This Week's Gatherings:***

Today	Heatherwilde Asst. Living	1:30pm
	Pflugerville Care Center	2:15pm
Mon.	Men's Basketball	8:00pm
Tues.	Heatherwilde Asst. Living	1:30pm
	Pflugerville Care Center	2:15pm
	Stewardship Committee Meeting – Narthex	5:30pm
	Day School Board Meeting – Conference Room	6:00pm
	Other Committee Meetings	7:00pm
Wed.	UP-Pville – Parlor	8:30am-3:30pm
	Tired & Retired	11:30am
Thurs.	UP-Pville – Parish Hall	8:30am-3:30pm
	WELCA Salad Supper – Parish Hall	6:30pm
Sat.	Congregation Workday – Power wash tables/chairs	8:30am-12:30pm
	Prayer Shawl Ministry – Narthex	9:00am
	Parish Hall Reserved	4:00pm
Sun.	Summer Worship Service – Parish Hall	8:45 & 11:00am
	Sunday School	9:45am



**Ladies Salad Supper:** Please join us in the Parish Hall for our annual Salad Supper on Thursday, August 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. Bring a favorite salad to share and enjoy an evening of good food and fellowship. Our guest speaker will be “Katie Luther”. She will reflect on her life as the wife of the “Great Reformer” Martin Luther. Hope to see you there!

**ILC Work Day Event – Cleaning White Tables and Chairs:** Saturday, Aug. 12<sup>th</sup> from 8:30am-12:30pm. We need 4 power pressure washers (2200psi or greater) and lots of “people power” to shuttle the tables and chairs. If you have a power pressure washer we can borrow; or if you have a few hours to spare, please contact Bob Tanner at 512- 990-9645 or rtannerqm@gmail.com; OR Ken Singer at 512-971-4335 or singerkenr@gmail.com.

**Movie Night Monday!! – August 14<sup>th</sup>, Finding Dory** – A FREE movie night that is good fun for anyone! Dinner will be served at 5:00pm and the movie will start at 5:30pm. We will have a pancake dinner that is a free will offering. Bring your pillows and blankets, friends and neighbors. Contact Katie Wegner with any questions.

**Next Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup>** during the Sunday School hour our Middle School group will do a presentation in the Parish Hall on their camp/trip. Adult classes this would be another time you might want to suspend your classes and join us.

**We are thrilled** to share with you that Megan Freudenberg has been appointed by the ELCA to serve as a volunteer in the ELCA Young Adults in Global Mission program! Megan will serve in Central Europe for one year beginning in August. As part of accepting this invitation, Megan is responsible for raising a minimum of \$5,000 toward her year of service. Please prayerfully consider financially supporting Megan. Make checks payable to ILC and put in the note: Megan Freudenberg.

**Ladies:** Please join us for our Southwestern, TX Synodical Women’s Convention in Kerrville, Sep 29<sup>th</sup> – Oct 1<sup>st</sup>. The event will offer bible study, guest speakers, workshops, and fellowship with other “Sisters-in-Christ”. Registration forms are available on the WELCA bulletin Board at the entrance to the basement. Questions: Contact Sharion Tanner at 512-990-9645.

**Special Called Congregational Meeting** is scheduled for Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am in the Parish Hall. The congregation will vote on what to do with the Church's property on 6th Street with these two options:

- **Sell.** If the congregation votes to sell the property, the revenue, which we estimate would be around \$200,000, could be appropriated by the Council to pay off existing debt, invest in other ministry opportunities, etc. It should be noted that the Council would consider any ideas for reallocation of this asset. However, the Council is very interested in debt reduction.
- **Retain.** If the congregation votes to retain the property, the Council would contract the management and lease of the property which would reduce the income while maintaining the asset. Of the estimated \$1,300-1,500 in rent collected each month, several hundred would be deducted for insurance, taxes, property management fees, and maintenance.

**LWR:** In August, our WELCA group will be collecting items for LWR school kits. Items for the kits included 70-page notebooks; unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; blunt scissors; 30cm rulers; pencil sharpeners; black or blue ballpoint pens; 16 or 24 box crayons; and, 2 1/2 inch erasers. Donations may be placed in the WELCA room. Financial donations may also be made.

**Church Mouse:** The Church Mouse Program is to remind college students that God is good, present in their lives & that we are praying/encouraging them as they pursue their dreams. We will match up willing students with an anonymous ILC member. As a church mouse you will pray for your student; maybe send notes of encouragement or small gifts. If interested & want more info., contact Melissa Malinowski at churchmouseilc@att.net or 512-971-5598 or grab an info sheet from the Narthex.

**Last Sunday's Attendance:** Early: 133 - Late: 104

### **Serving Today Aug 6<sup>th</sup>**

Organists: Joy Arnhamn and Vernagene Mott  
Choir Director: Renee Kesselring  
August Elders: Larry Bradley (early) Carol Fletcher (late)  
Readers: Courtney Emken (8:45) **1 needed** (11:00)  
Communion Assts.: Bob & Vicki Lovett, **3 needed** (8:45) Grace Lin, **4 needed** (11:00)  
Ushers: Bob & Vicki Lovett, **2 needed** (8:45) **4 needed** (11:00)  
Children's Message: Katie Wegner (8:45 & 11:00)  
Console/Projectionist: Rick Cox (8:45 & 11:00)  
Coffee Maker: Hal Kuempel  
Altar Guild: Lou Smith

### **Serving Next Week (Aug 13<sup>th</sup>)**

Organists: Joy Arnhamn and Vernagene Mott  
Choir Director: Renee Kesselring  
August Elders: Larry Bradley (early) Carol Fletcher (late)  
Readers: Candy Hansen (8:45) **1 needed** (11:00)  
Communion Assts: Candy Hansen, **4 needed** (8:45) **5 needed** (11:00)  
Ushers: **4 needed** (8:45) **4 needed** (11:00)  
Children's Message: Mike Maluschka (8:45) Katie Wegner (11:00)  
Console/Projectionist: Rick Cox (8:45 & 11:00)  
Coffee Maker: Mark Mueller  
Altar Guild: Cynthia Harlow