



Immanuel Ev. Lutheran Church
Immanuel Lutheran School &
Children of Grace Preschool
20882 Walden Ave. Hutchinson, MN 55350

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
OCTOBER 1, 2023

**CHOIR – Immanuel Lutheran School and
Children of Grace Children sing**

We follow Setting One on page 154.

CONFESSION

LORD, HAVE MERCY

GLORY BE TO GOD

The Word

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Mercifully grant, O God, that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts, for without your help we are unable to please you; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

FIRST READING – Ezekiel 18:1-4,25-32

¹ The word of the LORD came to me: ²“What do you people mean by quoting this proverb about the land of Israel: “‘The parents eat sour grapes, and the children’s teeth are set on edge’?”

³“As surely as I live, declares the Sovereign LORD, you will no longer quote this proverb in Israel. ⁴For everyone belongs to me, the parent as well as the child—both alike belong to me. The one who sins is the one who will die.

²⁵“Yet you say, ‘The way of the Lord is not just.’ Hear, you Israelites: Is my way unjust? Is it not your ways that are unjust?”

²⁶ If a righteous person turns from their righteousness and commits sin, they will die for it; because of the sin they have committed they will die. ²⁷ But if a wicked person turns away from the

wickedness they have committed and does what is just and right, they will save their life. ²⁸ Because they consider all the offenses they have committed and turn away from them, that person will surely live; they will not die. ²⁹ Yet the Israelites say, ‘The way of the Lord is not just.’ Are my ways unjust, people of Israel? Is it not your ways that are unjust?”

³⁰ “Therefore, you Israelites, I will judge each of you according to your own ways, declares the Sovereign LORD. Repent! Turn away from all your offenses; then sin will not be your downfall.

³¹ Rid yourselves of all the offenses you have committed, and get a new heart and a new spirit. Why will you die, people of Israel? ³² For I take no pleasure in the death of anyone, declares the Sovereign LORD. Repent and live!

PSALM 25 (*see insert*)

SECOND READING – Philippians 2:1-11

Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, ² then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind. ³ Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, ⁴ not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.

⁵ In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

⁶ Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; ⁷ rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. ⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross!

⁹ Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION page 161



Refrain



All: My sacrifice, O God, is a broken / spirit;
a broken and contrite heart you will / not despise.

Refrain

GOSPEL – Matthew 21:23-32

²³ Jesus entered the temple courts, and, while he was teaching, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him. “By what authority are you doing these things?” they asked. “And who gave you this authority?”

²⁴ Jesus replied, “I will also ask you one question. If you answer me, I will tell you by what authority I am doing these things. ²⁵ John’s baptism—where did it come from? Was it from heaven, or of human origin?”

They discussed it among themselves and said, “If we say, ‘From heaven,’ he will ask, ‘Then why didn’t you believe him?’” ²⁶ But if we say, ‘Of human origin’—we are afraid of the people, for they all hold that John was a prophet.”

²⁷ So they answered Jesus, “We don’t know.” Then he said, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

²⁸ “What do you think? There was a man who had two sons. He went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work today in the vineyard.’” ²⁹ “‘I will not,’ he answered, but later he changed his mind and went. ³⁰ “Then the father went to the other son and said the same thing. He answered, ‘I will, sir,’ but he did not go.

³¹ “Which of the two did what his father wanted?” “The first,” they answered. Jesus said to them, “Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God ahead of you. ³² For John came to you to show you the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes did. And even after you saw this, you did not repent and believe him.

HYMN – 547 “At the Name of Jesus”

SERMON – Matthew 21:23-32

“Repentance Is a Change of Heart”

APOSTLES’ CREED

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING

HYMN – 602 “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

PRAYER

LORD’S PRAYER

BLESSING

HYMN – 496:1,5,6 “Jesus! Name of Wondrous Love”

Serving today at Immanuel:

Organist: Jane Vacek

Elder: Jason Horrmann

Video Taping: Mark DeVries

Power Point: Lily DeVries

Altar Guild: Wanda Gauer

Ushers: Jeremy Prieve, Michael Thompson, Chuck Nisse, Brad Duesterhoeft, Andy Prieve, Alex Prieve, Kyle Podratz

Attendance

September 24

Our Gifts - Offerings

Budget:\$ Mission:\$

Grounds Maintenance: \$

New School: \$

CONGREGATIONAL/VOTER’S MEETING

Tuesday, October 17 at 7 p.m.

Everyone Welcome to attend.

~~Calendar of Events & Announcements~~

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Contacts

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Monthly Calendar (under Church/calendar)

Weekly Bulletins (under Church/service)

Church Services Broadcasted Mondays at 10:00 am & Sundays at 9 pm on Nuvera channel 10 or Mediacom channel 107.3



<https://www.facebook.com/immanuelhutch>

Services are streamed live on Sundays at 10 a.m.



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Living in God's Grace this Week

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| Today, Sunday: | 9:00 | a.m. | Sunday School |
| | 10:00 | a.m. | Worship Service |
| | 5:30 | p.m. | GILL Bonfire at ILC |
| Monday: | 10:00 | a.m. | Bible Study |
| | 7:00 | p.m. | Bible Study |
| Tuesday: | 5:00 | p.m. | Ladies Aid Decorate Church |
| | 6:00 | p.m. | Anderson Gardens Tour |
| Sunday: | 9:00 | a.m. | Sunday School |
| | 10:00 | a.m. | Worship Service |
| | 11:00 | a.m. | Celebrate Q3 & Q4 Birthdays |

2024 Altar Guild

If you are interested in re-enlisting for the guild or if you would like to be a new member, please sign up on the sheet available on the table in the entry.



G.I.L.L. – Grace and Immanuel Luther League will meet on TODAY October 1 at 5:30 at ILC. We will have a bonfire at the Teacherage.

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On **Sunday, October 8th** is Pastor Appreciation Day. Take a moment to “Thank” Pastor for all that he does for our congregation.

Thank You

for the early Sunday mornings and the late Monday Nights.

Thank You

for the seed you plant and the disciples you nurture.

Thank You

for the sermons you preach and the prayers you lift up.

Thank You

for the wise counsel and the words of encouragement.

Thank You

for the sacrifice and service.

The Ladies Aid will tour **Anderson's Garden** in Litchfield, Wednesday, October 4. If you would like to car pool, we will be leaving church at 5:30. Otherwise, meet us at Anderson's Garden at 6 p.m. We are planning to eat at a Litchfield restaurant after the tour. Everyone Welcome!!

Also, if you would like to help decorate the church for fall, we will start at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, October 4th.



Join Us on October 7!

MLC Ladies' Auxiliary Day

Saturday, October 7

9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Learn about MLC's newest programs and plans.

See a sneak peek of the musical *Hello, Dolly!*

Hear updates from MLC students and faculty.

Enjoy an afternoon of MLC sports or take in Oktoberfest!

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The Fellowship Committee would like to celebrate

Q3 and Q4, 2023 Birthdays of the congregation.

Sunday, October 8 after church we will be serving cake and coffee in the meeting room. *Please join us for fellowship.*



Belle Plaine Lutheran Home Christmas Party

Once again we will be collecting Christmas and BINGO gifts for the residents at Belle Plaine Hope Center.

These gifts assure that every resident will receive a Christmas gift. You can get ideas for gifts from the “Needs Gift List”. A collection box will be available throughout October with a deadline of **October 29th**. *Thank you.*

“Needs Gift List”

- Craft paints, water-soluble
- Construction paper -- Sketch pads
- Easy craft kits -- Snap-on care models
- Markers -- Scissors
- Puzzles, 300 piece -- Word search puzzles
- Leather making kits -- Manicure sets
- Hand lotion - Hand-held game videos
- CD players, CD’s easy-listening music
- Small snack items for bingo prizes
- Large print books -- Necklaces
- Washable slippers – Men’s aftershave
- Scarves - Baseball caps
- Open-front sweatshirts or cardigans
- Bottled “ice” water any flavor/diet pop
- Puddings -- Word search books
- Small Hershey bars
- Body and Bath Lotion
- Dollar Store Adult Coloring Books

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Fall Cleaning!

Will be delayed until after the first of the year.

Save the Date!

The Immanuel Lutheran Ladies Aid has scheduled another trip to the Ames Center on

Saturday, December 2, 2023 for a 3p Show.

I’m Dreaming of a Looney Christmas

Featuring the Looney Lutherans!

Cost: \$34, bus will be an additional cost.

We will stop to eat at Unhinged Pizza in Glencoe on the way home.

Last Day to sign up is October 29th.

Questions: See Donna Telecky



Immanuel Lutheran School Calendar

Tuesday, October 3 – Soccer at St. Peter

Tuesday, October 3 –Volleyball at Redwood Falls

Wednesday, October 4 – Late Start

Thursday, October 5 – Volleyball at Gaylord



Preschool, Kindergarten, 1st through 8th Grade

The school has a variety of fundraising options to help the school with various activities....won't you help?

SCRIP A current list of the gift cards available thru the school is posted on the bulletin board. You pay the face value of the card and the school receives the % listed. We also carry Cash Wise/Coborns (\$25, \$50, \$100) which does not show on this list. The money earned provides your children with their field trips throughout the year. Remember the cards are available all year long. Thank you for your support of our School and Pre School.
Karen Kohls

- **Caseys Rewards.** – Go to www.caseys.com
- **cocacola.com/give** – for Coke products, enter the code
- **Country Hearth – Loaves4Learning**
- **Ink Cartridges** – There is a collection box in the entryway.
- **School Store Fundraiser** - www.schoolstore.com
- **Cash Wise Rewards** – enroll at www.morerewards.com



• **BoxTops** – This is all digital. For us to get credit, you will need to download the Boxtops for Education App on your smart phone, search Immanuel Lutheran School, Hutchinson and scan your entire receipt.

A complete listing with details is on the table in the entry way by the school display. Thank you for your help.



BUILDING FAITH FOUNDATIONS - New School

Building: Below is a link to our Thrivent page where you, family, alumni, and friends can donate to our building fund. Just click on the link, then push the Make Personal

Donation button. We also have this information on our website

(www.hutchinsonlutherschool.com) under Building Project with a

Donation button that leads you to the same Thrivent page. For traditional check donations envelopes can be provided if you know someone that would rather go that route than online. **BUILDING PROJECT | [Hutchinsonlutheran](http://Hutchinsonlutheran.com)**

(hutchinsonlutherschool.com)



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Do you have Choice Dollars® available?
Have you directed them? You can direct to thousands of organizations enrolled in the program - *including Immanuel Lutheran Church and School!*

School Calendar



Thank you for your support!



The School qualified to receive financing through LACE (Lutheran Association for Church Extension). What is not covered through fundraising will be financed through this organization. The proposed school budget covers all loan payments without requiring extra financial commitments from our congregations.

LACE provides an opportunity for WELS members to purchase investments and receive interest payments. These investments help lower the interest rate on the building's loan payments through LACE.

They are currently offering a 2 YEAR SPECIAL* 5.30%

Visit laceinc.org to learn more and/or to obtain the application.

Designate Immanuel Lutheran School to help reduce the cost of the loan for the school. Only WELS or ELS members are eligible to participate.