



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

**SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST
SEPTEMBER 12, 2021**

HYMN - 353 “Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness”

We follow the Service of Word and Sacrament on page 26.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; for you lie and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

FIRST LESSON - Isaiah 35:4-7a

⁴Say to those with fearful hearts, “Be strong, do not fear; your God will come, he will come with vengeance; with divine retribution he will come to save you.”

⁵Then will the eyes of the blind be opened and the ears of the deaf unstopped. ⁶Then will the lame leap like a deer, and the mute tongue shout for joy. Water will gush forth in the wilderness and streams in the desert. ⁷The burning sand will become a pool, the thirsty ground bubbling springs.

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SECOND LESSON - James 1:17-27

¹⁷Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. ¹⁸He chose to give us birth through the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of all he created.

¹⁹My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, ²⁰because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires. ²¹Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you.

²²Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. ²³Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror ²⁴and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. ²⁵But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it—not forgetting what they have heard, but doing it—they will be blessed in what they do.

²⁶Those who consider themselves religious and yet do not keep a tight rein on their tongues deceive themselves, and their religion is worthless. ²⁷Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.

VERSE OF THE DAY - Philippians 4:4

Alleluia. Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Alleluia.

GOSPEL - Mark 7:31-37

³¹Then Jesus left the vicinity of Tyre and went through Sidon, down to the Sea of Galilee and into the region of the Decapolis. ³²There some people brought to him a man who was deaf and could hardly talk, and they begged Jesus to place his hand on him.

³³After he took him aside, away from the crowd, Jesus put his fingers into the man’s ears. Then he spit and touched the man’s tongue. ³⁴He looked up to heaven and with a deep sigh said to him, “*Ephphatha!*” (which means “Be opened!”). ³⁵At this, the man’s ears were opened, his tongue was loosened and he began to speak plainly.

³⁶Jesus commanded them not to tell anyone. But the more he did so, the more they kept talking about it. ³⁷People were overwhelmed with amazement. “He has done everything well,” they said. “He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak.”

CHILDREN’S SERMON

HYMN - 235 "Praise the Almighty; My Soul, Adore Him"

SERMON - Mark 7:31-37

"Be Opened!"

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OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

THE SACRAMENT - *We invite those who agree with the teachings of this church and of the WELS to partake of the true body and blood of Jesus Christ.*

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

471 "Renew Me, O Eternal Light"

304 "Jesus Sinners Does Receive"

BLESSING

HYMN - 520 "Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old"

Zion will celebrate their 125th anniversary next Sunday, September 19. In place of Zion's Sunday morning service, there will be a special anniversary service at 2:00 p.m. The offering has been designated for the ILS school building project.

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Serving today at Immanuel:

**Organist:** Jane Vacek **Elder:** Justin Black  
**Video Taping:** Mark DeVries **Power Point:** Mike Heine  
**Altar Guild:** Wanda Gauer and Wendy Hellwig  
**Ushers:** Kori Leske, Jay Mackedanz, Steve Wendorff, Mike Yerks, Craig Kohls, Carl Horrmann, Tom Schlueter, Lucas Plamann

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on Nuvera channel 10 or Mediacom channel 107.3

Please note ILS' NEW web site: [www.hutchinsonlutheranschool.com](http://www.hutchinsonlutheranschool.com)

Monthly Calendar (under calendar) Weekly Bulletins (under service)  
"Like" us on Facebook



**Living in God's Grace this Week**

|                |             |             |                                   |
|----------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|
| Today, Sunday: | <b>9:00</b> | <b>a.m.</b> | <b>Sunday School</b>              |
|                | 10:00       | a.m.        | Worship Service                   |
|                |             |             | <i>LWMS Door Offering</i>         |
|                | 11:00       | a.m.        | <i>Show Off your Wheels</i>       |
| Monday:        | 6:30        | p.m.        | PTF                               |
|                | 7:00        | p.m.        | Bible Study                       |
| Wednesday:     | 4:15        | p.m.        | Confirmation                      |
| Thursday:      | 10:00       | a.m.        | Bible Study                       |
| Sunday:        | <b>9:00</b> | <b>a.m.</b> | <b>Sunday School</b>              |
|                | 10:00       | a.m.        | Worship Service w/Communion       |
|                | 2:00        | p.m.        | Zion's Anniversary Service @ Zion |



Today, September 12<sup>th</sup> after church

*Ice Cream Treats*

&

*"Show off your Wheels"*

*Barrel Train Rides for the Kids*

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Looking for afternoon caregivers with **Latch Key** for the 2021/2022 school year. It would be 2-5 days a week (either just a few days or everyday) from after school at 3:00 until the last child is picked up no later than 6:00, but typically around 5:00. Looking for someone with lots of energy and loves playing with kids. Please contact Brittany Clark, ILS Secretary, at the school 587-4858, if interested.



**God's Creation 2022 Calendars:** We have 25 calendars for sale. **Cost: \$7.00 each.** Please connect with Julie Thompson if you are interested in purchasing. *Thank you.* Please make checks payable to "Immanuel Fellowship Committee".



**The Ladies Aid is again sponsoring a drive for the Martin Luther College (MLC) food bank.** MLC has a food bank program for married students that is supported by donations from WELS congregations and their members. This program provides food staples and practical items such as paper towels, toilet paper, Kleenex, toiletry items, cleaning supplies and laundry and dish soaps. Donations will be accepted from now thru Sunday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>. A cart will be available in the church entryway. Thank you.

### Items needed:

Gift Cards  
Chocolate chips or other baking chips and nuts  
Muffin mixes, cookie mixes  
Pie fillings, blueberry, etc. (No pumpkin, please)  
Canned meats: chicken, spam, small hams, tuna  
Cream soups and Chunky soups  
Canned peaches and pears, lite varieties -- Applesauce - any size jar  
Mac and Cheese  
Jelly (No grape jelly, please)  
Cooking oil (48 oz or smaller)  
Pickles and olives  
Bottles fruit blend juices such as Old Orchard -- Regular Coffee, no instant  
Granola bars  
Liquid laundry soap and dish soap  
Packages of Toilet paper (packages of 4 rolls)  
Single rolls of paper towels -- Toilet bowl cleaner and cleaning supplies



## Interested in learning how to support WELS missions?

Attend the LWMS Crow River Circuit

## Fall Rally!

Sat., Sept. 25, 2021

Registration at 10:15 – Coffee & Rolls & Shop the Thai Village  
Event begins at 11:00

### **Calvary Lutheran - Glenwood**

411 SE 2<sup>nd</sup> St. Glenwood, MN 56334

*Rally Schedule:*

*Devotion & Bible Study*

*Luncheon and shop Thai Village crafts to support economic self-sufficiency and Christian Education in Thailand.*

*Mission Speaker – Kate Tohal, "Equipping Christian Witnesses"  
Business Meeting*

*Interested in attending via Zoom? Contact Teresa Ross at [taross316@gmail.com](mailto:taross316@gmail.com) Or watch Livestream on CRC Facebook page.*

**All women of the Crow River Circuit are invited and encouraged to bring guests. Children & families welcome!**

please RSVP participants by Sept. 20  
to: Barb Schutt at [bas2838@hotmail.com](mailto:bas2838@hotmail.com)

**Door Offering  
TODAY, for LWMS.  
Thank you!**

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Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Children of Grace Pre-School

NEW WEBSITE: [www.hutchinsonlutherschool.com](http://www.hutchinsonlutherschool.com)  
<https://www.facebook.com/immanuelutherschoolhutchinson>



*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*

- **\*\*New\*\* Caseys Rewards.** – Go to [www.caseys.com](http://www.caseys.com)
- [cocacola.com/give](http://cocacola.com/give) – for Coke products, enter the code
- **Country Hearth – Loaves4Learning**
- **Ink Cartridges** – There is a collection box in the entryway.
- **School Mall Fundraiser** - [www.SchoolMall.com](http://www.SchoolMall.com)
- **Amazon Fundraiser** - [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com)
- **Cash Wise Points**– enroll at [www.cashwise.com](http://www.cashwise.com)



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

### ~~ School Calendar ~~

Monday, September 13 – 6:30p PTF

Saturday, September 18 – Soccer Tournament at St. Peter

Tuesday, September 21 – Volleyball at Gaylord

Thursday, September 23 – Soccer at Gibbon

Friday, September 24 – Parent Drive Day

Friday, September 24 Cross Country Meet at For Ridgely

Saturday, September 25 – Soccer Tournament at MLC

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The Council/Voters will consider bids for snow removal in October. Anyone who would like to be considered for the job should submit information to Lynn Mackedanz before the October meetings.



Starting in December, we will need a new volunteer to help run the Power Point slides during worship. Speak to Mike Heine for more information.



Before the next Ladies Aid Meeting October 6th, starting at 6:30 PM we will decorate the church with fall decorations. Anyone interested in helping us out, is more than welcome!



At the October 6th Ladies Aid meeting, (starting at 7:00 PM) we will have speakers Joyce Kaping and Colleen Anderson from Farm Girl Fresh as our highlight for the evening. They will give us ideas, suggestions and recipes on how to cook healthy with the fresh produce we have from our gardens or the local farmers market. Joyce and Colleen are from Litchfield. For a sneak peak at what they have to offer, check out their website [www.farmgirlfresh.com](http://www.farmgirlfresh.com). Everyone is welcome!



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