

Sermon
Silence for Reflection

*We pause to reflect on how God is at work through the living Word,
in and through our lives, in the community and in the world...*

-WE RESPOND TO GOD-

Offering
Offertory **#184 "Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord..." (Red)**
**"Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.
Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown,
that we may be fed with the bread of life.**

**Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer.
Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come."**

The Prayers of the Church
Sharing of the Peace

-ORDER FOR HOLY COMMUNION-

Communion Invitation - All baptized Christians, who believe that Jesus Christ comes to us in and through the bread and wine of Holy Communion are invited to participate in the Lord's Supper. Young persons not yet communing are asked to fold their hands and receive a blessing from the pastor. Those communing are asked to hold out their hand, palm up. Grape juice is available for those who prefer it; simply cover your hand over the cup, and the pastor will serve you grape juice. Welcome to the Lord's Table!

Great Thanksgiving **.Pg. 129 (Red)**
Sanctus **#525 "You Are Holy, You Are Whole" (Red)**
Words of Institution **.Pg. 130 - #11 (Red)**
The Lord's Prayer **Congregation Sings ("Debts," "Debtors")**
Distribution of the Lord's Supper
Lamb of God **.Pg. 135 (Red)**
Hymns During Communion **#491, 490, 502, 856 (Red)**
Post-Communion Prayer **.Pg. 136 (Red)**

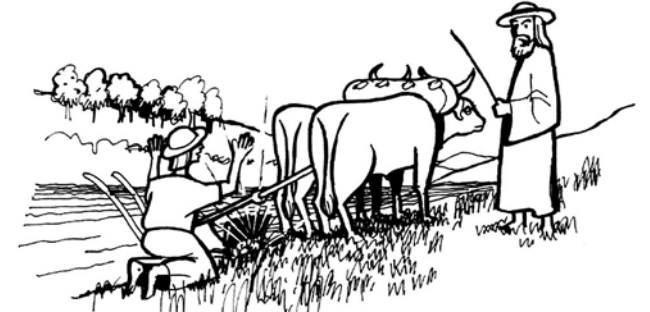
-WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD-

Announcements
Blessing
Pastor: As the earth keeps turning, hurtling through space, and night falls and day breaks from land to land, let us remember that in waking, sleeping, being born and dying we are part of one world, one humanity. Let us go from here in peace and serve the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Closing Hymn **#840 "Now Thank We All Our God" - Verses 1-2 (Red)**
Postlude

**SAVED
By Grace,
CALLED
To Serve**



**THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN
IS LIKE A TREASURE BURIED
IN A FIELD** MT. 13:44

All Members: Ministers

**11th Sunday after Pentecost
July 27, 2008 - 9:00 a.m.**

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ENABLING OUR MINISTRY

Ministers All Members	Communion Assistant Heidi Hoekstra
Presiding Minister Daniel Belgum-Blad	Lector TBD
Council President Bob Starz	Acolyte Joseph Evenson
Organist Marion Kingery	Ushers ... Paul & Denise Hedberg, Lee & Deb Mickle
Secretary Janelle Eisenbacher	Greeters Brian & Lisa Hovey
Sextons Paul & Rolayne Beerman family	Coffee Servers Barb Everson, Elsie Potter
Offering Counter Paul Hedberg Dan & Sandy Petersen

ORDER OF SERVICE

As we enter the Sanctuary, let us speak to God.

As we worship, let God speak to us. As we leave, let us speak to each other.

-WE PREPARE TO WORSHIP-

Prelude Music

Welcome & Call to Worship

ConfessionPg. 94 (Red)

Hymn#660 "Lift High the Cross" - Verses 1,2 (Red)

Holy BaptismPg. 227 (Red)

Hymn#660 "Lift High the Cross" - Verses 3,4 (Red)

-WE PRAISE GOD-

KyriePg. 120 (Red)

Prayer of the Day - Read in Unison

O God, your ears are open always to the prayers of your servants. Open our hearts and minds to you, that we may live in harmony with your will and receive the gifts of your Spirit; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

-GOD SPEAKS TO US-

First Lesson I Kings 3:5-12

^{3:5}At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." ^{3:6}And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. ^{3:7}And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. ^{3:8}And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. ^{3:9}Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?" ^{3:10}It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. ^{3:11}God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, ^{3:12}I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you.

Second LessonRomans 8:26-39

^{8:26}Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. ^{8:27}And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit

intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. ^{8:28}We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. ^{8:29}For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. ^{8:30}And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified. ^{8:31}What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? ^{8:32}He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? ^{8:33}Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ^{8:34}Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. ^{8:35}Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ^{8:36}As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered." ^{8:37}No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ^{8:38}For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, ^{8:39}nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Gospel AcclamationPg. 124 "Alleluia..." (Red)

Holy GospelMatthew 13:31-33, 44-52

Congregation Responds "Glory to You, O Lord"

^{13:31}He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; ^{13:32}it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches." ^{13:33}He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened." ^{13:44}"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. ^{13:45}"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; ^{13:46}on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it. ^{13:47}"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; ^{13:48}when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. ^{13:49}So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ^{13:50}and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ^{13:51}"Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." ^{13:52}And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

Congregation Responds "Praise to You, O Christ"

Hymn#705 "God of Grace and God of Glory" (Red)

THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL

Today-Sunday-July 27- 11th Sunday of Pentecost

9:00 a.m.Worship/Holy Communion

BAPTISM OF BRITTA SORENSON

10:00 a.m.Fellowship

Tuesday 8:00 a.m.Women's Morning Bible Study @ Bethlehem

Wednesday 9:00 a.m.Fold Outreach

Thursday 7:00 a.m.Men's Morning Bible Study @ Jimmy's

Friday 5:00 p.m.Kaiser/Kalkbrenner Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday 4:00 p.m.Wedding of Dayna Kaiser and Dain Kalkbrenner

Next Sunday-August 3- 12th Sunday of Pentecost

9:00 a.m.Worship/Holy Communion

10:00 a.m.Fellowship

Prayers for our Mission Trip Team

Our Mission Trip Team is in Idaho serving in/near the city of Coeur D'Alene. We ask that you lift them and the Idaho Servant Adventures Ministry in prayers. The participants are: Caitlyn Ehrenberg, Samantha Ehrenberg, Jenna Peterson, Jacob Peterson, Jacob Belgum, Matt Lee, Rebecca Nelson, Dylan Rossell, Robert Rasmusson, Mark Pirsig, Brittany Bolton, Hannah Bolton, Shane Hagstrom, Bethany Eherenberg, and Pastor Dan.

Evangelized and Evangelizing: Living in the Gospel

You and I are invited to read the Gospels together as a synod during the next twelve months. In August, we will start in on the Gospel of Mark. There are blue colored papers on the table in the narthex/entry for you to pick up, as well as study questions on a separate white sheet. The weekly study questions are also available online at <http://www.swmnelca.org/>. Then, together with others in our synod, we can read these letters/gospels. There is a daily reading list and brief comments/questions for each day.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Offering from Sun., July 20, 2008 - 9:00 a.m.

Attendance	72
Regular Offering	\$1798.00
Building Fund	\$65.00
Pony Express	\$10.00
TOTAL	\$1873.00

July Ministry Goal*\$14,990.20
Needed (To Date) To Meet July Ministry Goal\$6590.94

*Our Ministry Goal is the amount we need each month to undertake & accomplish the ministries & mission we have agreed to as God's called and sent people.

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Worship at Immanuel

We invite visitors to sign our guest book in the entry of the church. We are glad you have chosen to worship with us today, and hope you be back to worship with us again. If you would like more information about Immanuel, contact the pastor or a Council member. We invite you for coffee, juice and treats downstairs following worship.

Prayer Concerns

Our church and other area churches; our community; our Synod Bishop, Jon Anderson, and Synod staff, the SW Minnesota and the ELCA Synod; our nation; our companion synod: The South Eastern Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Southern Africa; we remember the people of Palestine and Israel; those serving in the armed services; and that all people on earth may lay down their arms and work for peace and justice for all; our missionaries: James and Carol Sack, serving in Japan; (Please let us know if you have specific prayer requests).

We Welcome Back Pastor Fred Mueller, of Willmar, who is our guest worship leader and preacher this morning. We pray that this morning's worship will be a blessing for all who gather. Thank you, Pastor Mueller, for leading us in the Word and worship this morning.

Holy Baptism Celebrated

Today we celebrate the baptism of Britta Kay Sorenson, daughter of Matt and Karin Sorenson. Britta's sponsors are Tom Borsch and Amber Gullickson. May God bless Britta and her family through the Word and the washing in Baptism.

Birgitta of Sweden, 1373

Birgitta was married at age thirteen and had four daughters with her husband. She was a woman of some standing who, in her early thirties, served as the chief lady-in-waiting to the Queen of Sweden. She was widowed at the age of thirty-eight, shortly after she and her husband had made a religious pilgrimage. Following the death of her husband, the religious dreams and visions that had begun in her youth occurred more regularly. Her devotional commitments led her to give to the poor and needy all that she owned while she began to live a more ascetic life. She founded an order of monks and nuns, the Order of the Holy Savior (Birgittines), whose superior was a woman. Today the Society of St. Birgitta is a laypersons' society that continues her work of prayer and charity.

Pastor Dan on Youth Mission Trip

Pastor Dan is on the Mission Trip to Idaho with our youth July 24-31 (the rest of the participants return August 2 or 3). In the event of a pastoral need, you may contact Pastor Joe Carpenter, the Atwater UMC pastor, at 974-8526.