

Immanuel Lutheran Church and School

The Thread

September 13th, 2026



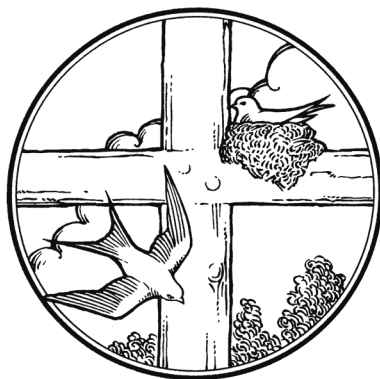
Lectionary Summary:

Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

1 Kings 17:8–16
Galatians 5:25—6:10
Matthew 6:24–34

Anxious Bondage vs. Confident Trust

“You cannot serve God and money” (Matt. 6:24–34), for they require two contrary forms of service. Worry is the worship given to the false god of mammon, an unbelieving anxiousness and focus on the things of this world. Faith is the worship of the true God, a confident trust that He is a loving Father who will care for all of our needs in both body and soul. The widow of Zarephath served God— that is, she believed the word of the Lord spoken by Elijah that the bin of flour would not be used up nor would the jar of oil run dry (1 Kings 17:8–16). He who feeds the birds and clothes the flowers will certainly provide for our daily needs. For He has already provided for our eternal needs, clothing us with Christ’s righteousness in Baptism and feeding us His body and blood for our forgiveness. With such confidence we are liberated from worry and freed to do good with our material resources, especially to those who are of the household of faith (Gal. 5:25–6:10).



Sunday Divine Service - 9:00 am
Sunday Bible Study - 10:15 am

Contact Us:

Church & School Office
Office Hours: M–F: 7:30 am–3:30 pm
(618) 684-3012
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MEMORY VERSE

Let me hear in the
morning of your
steadfast love, for in
you I trust. Make me
know the way I should
go, for to you I lift
up my soul.

PSALM 143:8

Live Broadcast

If you are unable to join us for church today, don’t miss the opportunity to listen to our service live this morning at 9:00 a.m. on 103.9 FM WXAN. The radio broadcast re-airs on Sunday evenings at 9:00 p.m. You can also view the livestream or recording on our YouTube channel.

Church Announcements:

Pastoral Coverage Update: As we continue through the call process, we will be blessed to have a visiting pastor or seminarian with us each week to lead us in worship. This Sunday, **Rev. Art Eichhorn** will be back with us. Following worship service, he will lead Bible Study in the church basement. We are thankful for those who are willing to serve our congregation during this time and look forward to welcoming them each week.

Emergency Pastoral Care During Our Vacancy:

If you need emergency pastoral care during our pastoral vacancy, please call Alyssa in the church office at **618-684-3012**. She will contact one of the pastors who has graciously agreed to assist Immanuel during this time. For pastoral emergencies after regular office hours, please contact any one of our Elders listed below. They will help connect you with an assisting pastor.

Board of Elders:

Jeff Streuter—618-559-1991
Charlie Homan—618-201-5085
Bruce Mueller—618-319-0060
Mike Clough—618-559-6981
Gary Carter—618-792-5233

Pastoral Call: If you know of a pastor who may be looking for *or* open to receiving a call, please contact Tom Morgan, Jeff Streuter or one of the Elders. We appreciate your recommendations and ask that you continue to keep Immanuel and our call process in your prayers.

Thrivent Choice Dollars: Thrivent recently provided Choice Dollars to those with policies through their company. These Choice Dollars can be directed to the non-profit of your choice by logging in to your account online. You can search for Immanuel and direct the funds toward supporting the church and school. If you need help figuring out how to direct these Choice Dollars, please contact the Church Office. Thank you for your support!



School Announcements:

Our school was filled with a variety of apple activities and crafts this past week. Captain Applesauce came to visit our PreK-2nd grade students for a special story time. Many photos were shared on our school Facebook page from this event.

A special thank you goes to PTL for building the float for the Kiddie Parade. Another special thank you to the parents who donated candy for the older students to distribute during the parade. We greatly appreciate everyone who took time out of their day to assist with the float, donate candy, and/or walk in the parade.

★ **SAVE THE DATE!** ★



KIDS IN THE DIVINE SERVICE

What is a "parament"?

A parament (pronounced PAIR-uh-ment) is a colored piece of cloth that hangs on the important items of furniture in the sanctuary. **Can you**

find the altar? You may see a colored piece of cloth hanging on it. This parament is called the "frontal" or "superfrontal." **Can you find the pulpit?** The pulpit has a parament, too, as do many of the important furniture items in the sanctuary. Look around to see how many paraments are in your church.



Why do we use paraments?

Paraments honor God and beautify His sanctuary based on the seasons of the Church Year. For example, during the season of Pentecost, the paraments are green. During Lent, the paraments are purple. The word "parament" comes from the Latin word "parare" which means "to decorate or adorn." The paraments are not silent decorations. Each parament helps to proclaim the wonderful news of salvation through Jesus Christ!



Parents: Before or after worship, allow your child to get a closer look at the paraments in the sanctuary. (Remind them to be reverent in God's holy places.) Instruct them that the colors might be different than what they would expect at certain times in the Church Year. For example, the paraments are red on Reformation Day even though it falls during the season of Pentecost.



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Offering Income from last week:

September 6th, 2026:

Regular Offerings	\$ 6,563.00
Loose Plate	\$ 17.00
Total Offerings	\$ 6,580.00

Restricted Funds:

School Memorial	\$ 200.00
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Attendance:

September 6th, 2026	83
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Service Participants - This and Next Week

Sunday, September 13th, 2026

Celebrant & Preacher: Rev. Art Eichhorn

Organist: Landon Hicks

Elder: Mike Clough

Ushers: Scott Imhoff, Mike Clough, Steve Williams, Bryan Hollmann & Brett Newton

Altar Guild: Angie Imhoff

Acolyte: Gage Pittman

Sunday, September 20th, 2026

Celebrant & Preacher: Rev. Jeff Prewitt

Organist: Luella McComb

Elder: Charlie Homan

Ushers: Scott Imhoff, Mike Clough, Steve Williams, Bryan Hollmann & Brett Newton

Altar Guild: Angie Imhoff

Acolyte: Frankie Flores

Prepare for Worship Next Week

Sunday, September 20th, 2026

Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Hymn of the Day:

LSB 742 "454—Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle"

Readings:

1 Kings 17:17–24

Ephesians 3:13–21

Luke 7:11–17



Daily Lectionary Readings:

Date	Old Testament Reading	New Testament Reading
9/13	2 Chron. 32:1–22 <i>Hos. 1:1–14:9</i>	Col. 1:1–23
9/14	2 Chron. 33:1–25 <i>Jonah 1:1–4:11</i>	Col. 1:24–2:7
9/15	2 Chron. 34:1–4,8–11,14–33 <i>Nah 1:1–3:19</i>	Col. 2:8–2:23
9/16	2 Chron. 35:1–7,16–25 <i>Zeph. 1:1–3:20</i>	Col. 3:1–25
9/17	2 Chron. 36:1–23 <i>Philemon 1–25</i>	Col. 4:1–18
9/18	Neh. 1:1–2:10 <i>Hag. 1:1–2:23</i>	1 Tim 1:1–20
9/19	Neh. 2:11–20; 4:1–6	1 Tim 2:1–15

Short Order of Daily Prayer:

In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son
and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

O Lord, open my lips,
and my mouth will declare Your praise.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now,
and will be forever. Amen.**

*A hymn, canticle, or psalm may be sung or spoken
–The Hymn of the Day from the previous or upcoming
Sunday or a Psalm per day could be used.*

*One or both of the Daily Lectionary Readings
from the table above is read.*

*The appointed Weekly Small Catechism Reading
from the table above may be read.*

Apostles' Creed

Lord's Prayer

*Prayers for others and ourselves
–The Prayer List to the right is a good place to
start. LSB pages 305–318 is helpful as well.*

Luther's Morning or Evening Prayer

Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Weekly Small Catechism Readings:

Sunday <i>Before Divine Service</i>	Christian Q & A
Sunday <i>After Divine Service</i>	Table of Duties
Monday	The Ten Commandments
Tuesday	The Creed
Wednesday	The Lord's Prayer
Thursday	The Sacrament of Holy Baptism
Friday	Confession
Saturday	The Sacrament of the Altar



Comfort and Health:

† Those in the Armed
Forces, Law Enforcement,
Fire, Emergency Medical
Services, & Healthcare

† David Arbeiter
† Sue Beckman
† Leah Carter
† Terry Estel
† Cindy Fager
† John Gosney
† Marilyn Imhoff
† Virginia Lewis
† Ron Manwaring
† Nelda Miesner
† James Morber
† Arlene Parton
† Casey Phillips
† Henry Phillips Jr.
† Randall Phillips
† Don Porter
† Alberta Reiman
† Ina Rothe
† Don Shipley
† Randy Stoffel
† Larry Troue
† Richard Weber
† Sue Williams
† Carol Zobel

Wedding Anniversaries:

† 9-16 Charles & Lorrain
Williams
† 9-17 Henry & Jeri Phillips

Birthdays:

† 9-14 Carrol VanOver
† 9-14 Jackson Fager
† 9-16 Brielle Mueller
† 9-19 Trenton Mueller

Baptismal Anniversaries:

† 9-14 Brenda Todd
† 9-15 Bethany Varner
† 9-17 Gibson Fager
† 9-17 Ella Phillips

Immanuel Families:

† Pat Cottonaro
† Dean & Nancy Craig
† Loraine Cramer



SEPTEMBER



Birthdays

9-4 Thatcher Rieckenberg	9-22 Adam MacFarlane
9-5 Holly Mulvany	9-23 Noah Baird
9-6 Adalynn Cason	9-23 Landon Hicks
9-7 Gloria Perry	9-23 Brandon Spradling
9-7 Parker Closson	9-25 Virginia Lewis
9-12 Patricia Barnoski	9-26 Brett Closson
9-12 Gary Mileur	9-26 Scott Draves
9-14 Carrol VanOver	9-26 Emily Newton
9-14 Jackson Fager	9-27 Wilma Nelson
9-16 Brielle Mueller	9-27 Robert Sumner
9-19 Trenton Wheeler	9-29 Alinda Heron
9-20 Addyson Reinhardt	9-29 Carver Karg
9-21 Veronica Manwaring	

Altar Guild

Angie Imhoff

Ushers

Scott Imhoff

Mike Clough

Steve Williams

Bryan Hollmann

Brett Newton

Elders

9-6 Jeff Streuter

9-13 Mike Clough

9-20 Charlie Homan

9-27 Bruce Mueller

Organists

9-6 Luella McComb

9-13 Landon Hicks

9-20 Luella McComb

9-27 Land Hicks

Acolytes

9-6 Ryker Gregory

9-13 Gage Pittman

9-20 Frankie Flores

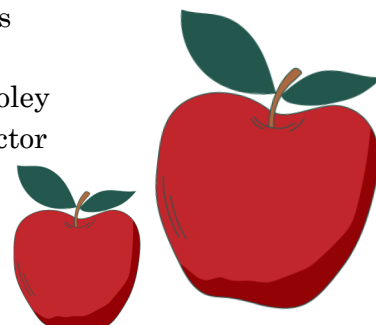
9-27 Eli Pittman



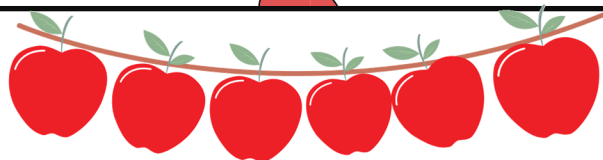
September Anniversaries



9-5 Jeff & Holly Mulvany
9-8 Bruce & Carolyn Davis
9-11 Jason & Tina Jarrett
9-16 Charles & Lorrain Williams
9-17 Henry & Jeri Phillips
9-21 David & Luella McComb
9-22 Theodore & Kelly Lattan
9-25 Jim & Jean Winters
9-28 Kent & Kim James
9-28 Joshua & Carly Dooley
9-29 Joshua & Tara Proctor



Keep me as the
apple of your eye;
hide me in the
shadow of your wings.
Psalm 17:8



September 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 6:30 pm School Board Mtg.	2 8:30 am Chapel	3	4 Goodies w/ Grandparents ILS Noon Dismissal	5
6 9:00 am Div. Service 10:15 am Bible Study	7 No School- Labor Day 6:30 pm Elders Mtg.	8	9 8:30 am Chapel	10	11 2:30 pm Dismissal Kiddie Parade	12 Apple Festival Parade
13 9:00 am Div. Service 10:15 am Bible Study	14	15	16 8:30 am Chapel	17	18	19
20 9:00 am Div. Service PreK Students Sing 10:15 am Bible Study	21 6:30 pm BoD Mtg	22	23 8:30 am Chapel	24	25	26
27 9:00 am Div. Service 10:15 am Bible Study	28	29	30 8:30 am Chapel	31		