

Immanuel Ev. Lutheran ChurchImmanuel Lutheran School & Children of Grace Preschool 20882 Walden Ave. Hutchinson, MN 55350 Pastor: Eugene DeVries

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

HYMN – 876 "Fight the Good Fight"

We follow Setting Three on page 188

CONFESSION

LORD, HAVE MERCY
GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST

The Word

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you see that we have no power to defend ourselves. Guard and keep us both outwardly and inwardly from all adversities that may happen to the body and all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

FIRST READING – 1 Kings 18:21-39

- ²¹ Elijah went before the people and said, "How long will you waver between two opinions? If the LORD is God, follow him; but if Baal is God, follow him." But the people said nothing.
- ²² Then Elijah said to them, "I am the only one of the LORD's prophets left, but Baal has four hundred and fifty prophets. ²³ Get two bulls for us. Let Baal's prophets choose one for themselves, and let them cut it into pieces and put it on the wood but not set fire to it. I will prepare the other bull and put it on the wood but not set fire to it. ²⁴ Then you call on the name of your god, and I will call on the

name of the LORD. The god who answers by fire—he is God."

Then all the people said, "What you say is good."

²⁵ Elijah said to the prophets of Baal, "Choose one of the bulls and prepare it first, since there are so many of you. Call on the name of your god, but do not light the fire." ²⁶ So they took the bull given them and prepared it.

Then they called on the name of Baal from morning till noon. "Baal, answer us!" they shouted. But there was no response; no one answered. And they danced around the altar they had made.

²⁷ At noon Elijah began to taunt them. "Shout louder!" he said. "Surely he is a god! Perhaps he is deep in thought, or busy, or traveling. Maybe he is sleeping and must be awakened." ²⁸ So they shouted louder and slashed themselves with swords and spears, as was their custom, until their blood flowed. ²⁹ Midday passed, and they continued their frantic prophesying until the time for the evening sacrifice. But there was no response, no one answered, no one paid attention.

Then Elijah said to all the people, "Come here to me." They came to him, and he repaired the altar of the LORD, which had been torn down. ³¹ Elijah took twelve stones, one for each of the tribes descended from Jacob, to whom the word of the LORD had come, saying, "Your name shall be Israel." ³² With the stones he built an altar in the name of the LORD, and he dug a trench around it large enough to hold two seahs of seed. ³³ He arranged the wood, cut the bull into pieces and laid it on the wood. Then he said to them, "Fill four large jars with water and pour it on the offering and on the wood." ³⁴ "Do it again," he said, and they did it again.

"Do it a third time," he ordered, and they did it the third time. ³⁵ The water ran down around the altar and even filled the trench.

³⁶ At the time of sacrifice, the prophet Elijah stepped forward and prayed: "LORD, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Israel, let it be known today that you are God in Israel and that I am your servant and have done all these things at your command. ³⁷ Answer me, LORD, answer me, so these people will know that you, LORD, are God, and that you are turning their hearts back again."

³⁸ Then the fire of the LORD fell and burned up the sacrifice, the wood, the stones and the soil, and also licked up the water in the trench. ³⁹ When all the people saw this, they fell prostrate and cried, "The LORD—he is God! The LORD—he is God!"

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SECOND READING - Ephesians 6:10-18

¹⁰ Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. ¹¹ Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. ¹² For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. ¹³ Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. ¹⁴ Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, ¹⁵ and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. ¹⁶ In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. ¹⁷ Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

¹⁸ And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION page 194



All: In you, LORD, I have taken refuge; let me never be / put to shame; Deliver me in your / righteousness.

Refrain

GOSPEL – Mark 9:14-27

¹⁴ When they came to the other disciples, they saw a large crowd around them and the teachers of the law arguing with them. ¹⁵ As soon as all the people saw Jesus, they were overwhelmed with wonder and ran to greet him.

¹⁶ "What are you arguing with them about?" he asked.

¹⁷ A man in the crowd answered, "Teacher, I brought you my son, who is possessed by a spirit that has robbed him of speech. ¹⁸ Whenever it seizes him, it throws him to the ground. He foams at the mouth, gnashes his teeth and becomes rigid. I asked your disciples to drive out the spirit, but they could not."

¹⁹ "You unbelieving generation," Jesus replied, "how long shall I stay with you? How long shall I put up with you? Bring the boy to me."

²⁰ So they brought him. When the spirit saw Jesus, it immediately threw the boy into a convulsion. He fell to the ground and rolled around, foaming at the mouth.

²¹ Jesus asked the boy's father, "How long has he been like this?"

"From childhood," he answered. ²² "It has often thrown him into fire or water to kill him. But if you can do anything, take pity on us and help us."

²³ "If you can'?" said Jesus. "Everything is possible for one who believes."

²⁴ Immediately the boy's father exclaimed, "I do believe; help me overcome my unbelief!"

²⁵ When Jesus saw that a crowd was running to the scene, he rebuked the impure spirit. "You deaf and mute spirit," he said, "I command you, come out of him and never enter him again."

²⁶ The spirit shrieked, convulsed him violently and came out. The boy looked so much like a corpse that many said, "He's dead." ²⁷ But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him to his feet, and he stood up.

HYMN – 517 "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

SERMON – Ephesians 6:10-18

"Take Your Stand Against Evil"

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING

THE SACRAMENT (page 199) - We invite those who hold membership in this church or any church in fellowship with WELS, to partake of the true body and blood of Jesus Christ.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

872 "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"
653 "Lord, To You I Make Confession"

BLESSING

HYMN - 869:1,4 "Onward, Christian Soldiers"

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Serving today at Immanuel:

Organist: Jane Vacek Elder: Jason Horrmann

Video Taping: Mark DeVries Power Point: Lily/Alex DeVries

Altar Guild: Marilyn Rusch

Ushers: Kori Leske, Jay Mackedanz, Steven Wendorff, Mike

Yerks, Craig Kohls, Carl Horrmann, Tom Schlueter, Lucas Plamann

Our Gifts

Attendance Offerings

September 8 = 103 Budget:\$ Mission:\$

New School Contributions: \$

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Living in God's Grace this Week			
Today, Sunday:	9:00	a.m.	Sunday School
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			LWMS DOOR OFFERING
Monday:	10:00	a.m.	Bible Study
	7:00	p.m.	Bible Study
Wednesday:	4:15	p.m.	Confirmation
Sunday:	9:00	a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00	a.m.	Worship Service

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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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LWMS door offering TODAY -

Sunday, September 10th. *Thank you!*

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Sunday, September 29 after church we will welcome our new members and the

children that were baptized at ILC:

Grace Holz Kellsie and Peyton Weber Baker Weber Lettie Grof

Treats will be served.



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, September 22^{nd} Totes are available in the church entryway. *Thank you*.

Items needed:

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

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

Gift Cards

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Fellowship Committee meeting:

Wednesday, September 25, at 7 p.m. in the meeting room.

Anyone is welcome to join the Fellowship Committee to help plan various activities for our congregation.

If any questions, please feel free to contact Julie Thompson.

Support WELS Missions!

Learn more at the LWMS Crow River Circuit Fall Rally

"Let the Children Come to Me"

Speaker: Branch Lutheran School of Haiti

Sat., September 28, 2024

St. Paul's - Alexandria

718 Victoria Dr, Alexandria MN 56308



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

Please RSVP participants by September 22

to: Mindy Kramer at mjatzremark4648@yahoo.com



Join Us on September 28!

MLC Ladies' Auxiliary Day

Saturday, September 28 9:30 am - 12:30 pm Learn about MLC's newest programs and plans. Hear updates from MLC students and faculty.



Immanuel Grace Lutheran School is having a fundraiser at Buffalo Wild Wings on Monday, September 30th. Anytime between 11 a.m. and 11 p.m. Dine in or take out.

Present this ticket (below) to your server and Buffalo Wild Wings will donate 15% of your total bill (not including tax, gratuity, alcohol or promotional discounts) to the school.

Thank you for your continued support!!

