

19th Sunday after Pentecost

COVID Protocol
Update: Council has
lifted COVID
protocols,
but encourages
awareness of
ongoing county
numbers and
personal health.

Welcome to worship! Please complete a Connection Card and place the card in the offering plate. Thank you!

Pray always. Do not lose heart. This is Christ's encouragement in the gospel today. Wrestle with the word. Remember your baptism again and again. Come regularly to Christ's table. Persistence in our every encounter with the divine will be blessed.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

520 US Hwy 41 E + Negaunee, MI 49866 (906) 475-9161 + FAX (906) 475-9403 Office@ImmanuelNegaunee.org + www.ImmanuelNegaunee.org Sunday, October 16th, & Monday, October 17th, 9:30 am & 6 pm

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP GATHERING SONG

Special Music
O Lord, Hear My Prayer

Kitty Raymond

(Please stand as you are comfortable.)

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

(All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.) Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days. **Amen.**

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does. Silence is kept for reflection.

God of mercy and forgiveness, we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.

Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven + and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

(Please be seated.)

INSTALLATION OF TRANSITION TEAM

Rev. Bruce J. Thorsen

Pastor: A church family is constantly changing. Loved ones come to the end of their lives. Individuals come and go in our church life. It is important and right that we recognize these times of passage, of endings and beginnings. Today we install your Transition Team. They will assist me in working through your transition process.

Transition Team, in the presence of this congregation, will you commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility, and promise to discharge your duties in harmony with the constitution of the church?

Team: I will and I ask God to help me.

Pastor: Will you love, serve, and pray for us, as we lead your congregation forward during this important time of change?

Team: I will and I ask God to help me.

Pastor: Almighty God, who has given you the will to do these things, give you the power of his Spirit so that you may perform them with strength and compassion. **Amen.** (*Please stand as you are comfortable.*)

Pastor: I ask all of you, now, people of this congregation. Will you pray for your Transition Team and honor them for their work's sake and in all things strive to live together in the peace and unity of Christ?

Congregation: We will and we ask God to help us.

Pastor: By your statements of commitment and the affirmation of this congregation, I declare you installed as the Transition Team of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Negaunee, in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy spirit. **Amen.**

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord God, tireless guardian of your people, you are always ready to hear our cries. Teach us to rely day and night on your care. Inspire us to seek your enduring justice for all this suffering world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

(Please be seated.)

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FIRST READING: Genesis 32: 22-31

²²The same night [Jacob] got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." ²⁷So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." ³¹The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

Word of God.

Word of Life. Thanks be to God.

PSALM 121

¹I lift up my eyes to the hills; from where is my help to come?

²My help comes from the LORD, the maker of heaven and earth.

³The LORD will not let your foot be moved

nor will the one who watches over you fall asleep.

⁴Behold, the keeper of Israel will neither slumber nor sleep;

⁵the LORD watches over you; the LORD is your shade at your right hand;

⁶the sun will not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

⁷The LORD will preserve you from all evil and will keep your life.

⁸The LORD will watch over your going out and your coming in, from this time forth forevermore.

SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 3:14—4:5

¹⁴But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, ¹⁵and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. ^{4:1}In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: ²proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. ³For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires. ⁴and will turn away from listening to the

Returning to the home he had fled many vears before after stealing his brother's birthright and his father's blessing, Jacob wrestles all night long with a divine adversary who ultimately blesses him and changes his name to "Israel," a name that means "he wrestles with God."

My help comes from the LORD, the maker of heaven and earth. (Ps. 121:2)

The writer of this letter continues his instruction of Timothy, his younger colleague in ministry, by emphasizing the importance of faithful teaching despite opposition.

truth and wander away to myths. ⁵As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

Word of God.

Word of Life. Thanks be to God.



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GOSPEL: Luke 18: 1-8

The holy gospel according to......

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Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ²He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' ⁴For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.' " ⁶And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? ⁸I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ. (Please be seated.)

SERMON HYMN OF THE DAY

Day by Day

Pastor Bre Kinnunen

#790

(Please stand.)

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER SONG

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

#752

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

In gratitude and humility, let us join together in prayer on behalf of all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

Jesus tells a parable of an unjust judge who is worn down by a widow's pleas. Jesus is calling God's people to cry out for justice and deliverance. For if an unethical judge will ultimately grant the plea of a persistent widow, how much more will God respond to those who call.

Renew our lives that we may welcome and care for one another and that we may live and serve within the greater community of Negaunee and the world, witnessing to others your abundant love. grace, and welcome.

For all the baptized, that they become skilled in compassion and grace and equipped to share the good news with all. Grant your followers persistence in proclamation and prayer. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

For air and sky, clouds and sun, that they provide rain to parched land and relief to flooded ground. Renew and restore our polluted atmosphere and empower us to be worthy stewards of creation. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

For judges, juries, and all who work in the judicial system, that they desire wisdom, seek truth, rule with fairness, and have the courage to do what is right. Eliminate oppression and injustice in our criminal justice system. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

For all who are lonely, especially those who have newly arrived in an unfamiliar city or country, political prisoners without recourse to justice, hospital patients without visitors, and any who are ill or grief-stricken. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

For those in our congregation and community engaged in advocacy work, that with the persistence of the widow, they lift their voices in seeking justice on behalf of others. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

For those who have taught us faith and now rest in your heavenly peace, that we remember and give thanks for these saints who shared the gospel through word and deed. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

With grateful hearts we commend our spoken and silent prayers to you, O God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

PRAYER SONG Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

#752

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

(Please be seated.)

MEAL



OFFERING HYMN

Jesus Paid it All

CCLI # 22331

 I hear the Savior say, "Thy strength indeed is small, Child of weakness, watch and pray, Find in Me thine all in all." Refrain

Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe; Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.

2.) Lord, now in-deed I find, Thy power, and thine alone,

Can change the leper's spots, And melt the heart of stone.

Refrain

Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe; Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.

4.) And when, before the throne, I stand in Him complete,

"Jesus died my soul to save," My lips shall still repeat.

Refrain

Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe; Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.

(Please stand.)



OFFERING PRAYER

Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

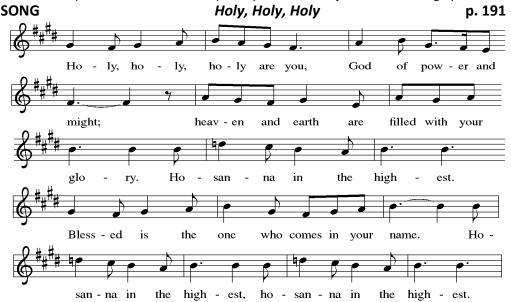
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise We praise your name and join their unending hymn:



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

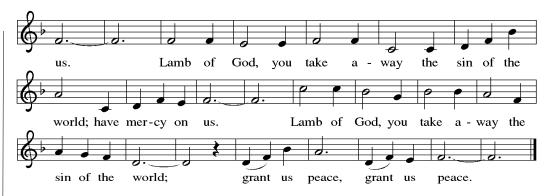
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION

(Please be seated.)

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



COMMUNION HYMNS

O Jesus, I Have Promised #810 Come to the Table #481

(Please stand.)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace. And may the holy Trinity, + one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace, with Christ beside you.

Thanks be to God.

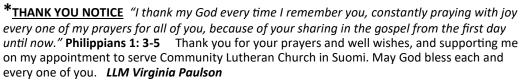
POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCMENTS FOR THE WEEKS OF October 16—October 23,

*BIRTHDAYS: Happy 83rd Birthday to Bob Sylvester on October 17th.

*SYMPATHY & GOD'S PEACE TO:

- Connie (Dan) Lindblom on the loss of her mother, Janet Ruth Penhale, on Tuesday, October 11th. Also, condolences to Janet's grandchildren: Ellen, Douglas, Philip (Jamie) Lindblom, and to her great-grandson, Fiitzgerald Lindblom, and all of the Penhale/Lindblom Family.
- Dave (Kris) Keranen on the loss of his brother, *Jeffrey Keranen*, on Sunday, October 9th in Tomah, Wisconsin. Also, condolences to all of the Keranen Family.







*<u>FELLOWSHIP HOUR</u>: Are you willing to help with Fellowship hour? Donations are needed such as bakery, crackers, cheese, fruit, or whatever suits your fancy, & cleanup! <u>Your Fellowship Hour coordinator for October is the Property Committee</u>. Please contact them with your date & item <u>@</u> (906) 235-2294.



*PROJECT KEEP KIDS WARM This will be the 13th season for Project Keep Kids Warm in our area. Last year over 300 kids were helped with warm winter clothing & footwear. Fundraising is underway. This effort is coordinated with Wesley United Methodist Church in Ishpeming and our Social Ministry Committee. There are boxes near the stairs by the Fellowship Hall to put any NEW coats, boots, hats, scarves, & mittens you may want to donate. Distribution to needy persons will be done later. Thank you for your donation.

*WELCA INFORMATION ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 24, 9 am—1 pm ET, Messiah Lutheran Church in Marquette will have a semi-truck in the parking lot for loading of boxes of quilts/kits. This truck will then transport all boxes to the LWR distribution center in St. Paul, MN. Please see the LWR website for more information or email office@messiahlutheranmqt.org if you have questions regarding this local Ingathering. (NOTE: It would be helpful to the Messiah staff & volunteers to know IN ADVANCE what time you are planning to be at Messiah to load your boxes on the semi-truck. Please email this info to office@messiahlutheranmqt.org if you know in advance.)



*CONFIRMATION UPDATE During this 'Call Process', Confirmation will look a little different this year. The confirmation classes will meet on the 3rd Monday of the month for fellowship & service opportunities from 6pm - 8pm, with dinner provided. Classes will be combined with confirmands from Immanuel, Prince of Peace in Harvey, & Messiah in Marquette. These sessions will allow the youth to learn & connect during this important part of their faith walk. This new program is still being cultivated with the help of new team leaders. If anyone has questions, please email Hayley Smith, Hayley-smith@hotmail.com, or call/text 906-367-4295. NOTE: There are 2

more Confirmation Retreats. The 2nd Confirmation Retreat will be hosted by Immanuel on Saturday, December 3rd, 10 am - 3 pm. The 3rd Confirmation Retreat will be at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Harvey on Saturday, February 25th, 2023, 10 am - 3 pm. ALSO, PLEASE NOTE: THERE WILL BE CONFIRMATION AT IMMANUEL ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 17th, FROM 6 PM - 8 PM. PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND.

*FALLING UPWARD MEN'S RETREAT There is a Men's Retreat at Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp that will take place Friday, October 28th—Saturday, October 29th. Based on the Franciscan priest Richard Rohr's insights, a fascinating and helpful look at the peculiar gifts & challenges in the 2nd half of life as we navigate with courage & hope the shifting sands of identity, utility, & meaning. The cost is \$75 & space is limited. For more information, including registration, please see www.fortunelake.org.





*LIFELONG FAITH FORMATION with Pastor Tom Skrenes will be starting soon. The 1st session is Saturday, October 22, from 10:00—11:15 am EST in the Fellowship Hall. The title is: 'Living Together as Church: Lutheran Structure and Function.' It will also meet the following 4 Saturdays, October 29, November 5, 12, 19, again from 10 am to 11:15 am EST in the Fellowship Hall. This study will also be available on Zoom, giving participants a choice between the two options. Hope to see you at the study.



*ABIGAIL CIRCLE MEETING TIME CHANGE The Abigail Circle will once again meet on WEDNESDAY (NOT THURSDAY) at 1:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall as in the past. Please mark your calendar for this change and see you at the Circle gathering with the Gather magazine for prayer and discussion.



*TRANSITION TEAM Immanuel's Transition Team consists of: Walter Scanlon, Kitty & Ben Raymond, Jim Hayward, Sally Echelbarger, Hayley Smith, & Linda Sjolund. Their leader is Rev. Bruce J. Thorsen, Intentional Interim, Bethany Lutheran Church, Ishpeming, MI. Pray for their diligence, trust & responsibility.



KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

<u>Pray For</u>: Nancy Burton, Betty Carilli, Kevin Carlson, Renae Carlson, Sue Cohan, Connie Foster, Dan Hendrickson, Peggy Jackson, Tom Johnson, Betty Kinnunen, Marian Kulju, Anna Laurila, Don & Mary Leece, Diane Nault, Don Palomaki, Stephanie Penhale, Joyce Peterson, Susie Pizzoli, Delores Reichel, Jim Ritzenhein, Jessica Roberts, and all COVID patients.

Our Shut-ins: Bettie Ahola, Jonelle Collins, Rudy Gagnon, Charlene Kivisto, Timothy Kjellman, Betty Lukkarinen, Leo Nirva, Vera Palomaki, Butch Pynnonen, Lillian Rivers, Paul Smith, Lynne Tossava.

Members in the Armed Service: Luke DeWitt, Adrianna Gustafson, Michael Gustafson, Spencer Harvala, Hunter (Jessica) Hetrick, Dennis Koski, Jacque Kurian, Tanner Romback, Trevor Romback, Michael Sedlock, Ethan Wallner, and all Armed Services Families.



SERVING IN WORSHIP: Pastor Bre Kinnunen TRANSITION TEAM SPOKESPERSON: Rev. Bruce J. Thorsen

Organist/Pianist/Musician: Connie Scanlon

Choir Director: Connie Lindblom / Choir Accompanist: Vicki Lempinen

Worship Services: Sunday @ 9:30 am / Monday @ 6 pm Office Hours: 8 am-2 pm, Monday-Thursday (or by appt.)

VOLUNTEERS ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

9:30 am USHERS/GREETERS — Marty Saari

— Kyle Saari

6:00 pm USHERS/GREETERS— Mike Frustaglio

Need Volunteer

9:30 am LECTOR — Dan Collins 6:00 pm LECTOR — Hayley Smith

9:30 am COMMUNION — Fae Collins

ASSISTANTS — Dan Collins

6:00 pm COMMUNION — Kay Korpi

ASSISTANTS

9:30 am Tech Team — Tyler Moore 6:00 pm Tech Team — Tyler Moore

(COMMUNION SET-UP FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER — Paulette Patron)

OCTOBER'S MONTHLY MISSION

IN OCTOBER . . . we focus on *Immanuel's* **Good Samaritan Fund**, a beyond-the-budget financial resource that empowers Immanuel's Good Samaritan Ministry, when appropriate, to back up caring words with caring action for needy people within our congregation and beyond.



What do people who need a Good Samaritan look like? They're people who have come into hard times for various reasons and are feeling very much alone. Perhaps they've lost their job or can't find a job with enough wage or hours. Perhaps they've been hit by illness of body or mind and just can't keep up. Perhaps they're experiencing the financial grief that can come right alongside the greater grief of death or divorce. Perhaps they've made poor decisions but are trying to put life back in order. These and more are their stories, and their very real needs can include help with rent, utilities, food, fuel, etc, etc, etc. What do people who need a Good Samaritan look like? They look a lot like you & me.

If you wish to give above-and-beyond to this ongoing caring mission please use October's mission emphasis envelope from your offering envelopes box or in some other way designate your gift.

Thank you for your generosity!

Thank you for giving \$ 750.00 in September for *ELCA Disaster Relief (LDR)*.

The recipients will be richly blessed with your generosity!
Thank you!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS October 16, 2022 - October 23, 2022



YOU CAN FIND ALL ONLINE INFORMATION REFERENCED BELOW AT... www.ImmanuelNegaunee.org

Sunday	19th Sunday after Pentecost
	 9:30 am - Worship Service 9:30 am - Sunday School 10:30 am - Coffee & Fellowship 7:30 pm - AA Group Meets (men & women)
Monday <u>B</u>	EACON DEADLINE FOR NOVEMBER & DECEMBER
(Please have your info to me sometime this week. T.Y.)	
	9:00 am - Property Committee Meeting6:00 pm - Worship Service6-8:00 pm - Confirmation Class
Tuesday	 9:00 am - Miriam Circle 2:15 pm - Eastwood Worship Service 6:00 pm - Executive Committee Meeting 6:30 pm - Church Council Meeting
Wednesday	 9:00 am Staff Meeting (review of Council meeting) 10:00 am Bible Study (in-person) Abigail Circle (***CHANGE OF DATE) 6:00 pm Choir Practice
Thursday	- 10:00 am - Quilting
Friday	OFFICE CLOSED - 10:00 am - Women's AA Group Meets
Saturday	- 10-11:15 am - Faith Formation study w/Pastor Tom Skrenes
Sunday	20th Sunday after Pentecost - 9:30 am - Worship Service - 9:30 am - Sunday School -10:30 am - Coffee & Fellowship - 7:30 pm - AA Group Meets (men & women)

