

**Let Us Pray**

...for our members who are homebound:

**Leona Albin, Loretta Brandt, Alma Hassebrock, and Paul Zimmerman.**

...for God's healing hand that has touched the lives of those who have been ill recently;

...for those in need of the Lord's care and mercy, of whom we do not know at this hour;

...and for our members and friends who are in the service of our country.

**Statistics**

May 13 Attendance.....77  
May 13 Offering.....\$1,590.00

**Those Assisting Us Today**

Elder .....Aaron Warsaw  
Altar Guild .....Kathy Brendel and Debbie Lammle  
Organist .....Alicia Haggin  
Accolyte .....Ryan McPike  
Lay Reader .....Joy Johnson

**Upcoming Mowing Schedule**

May 26.....Myron and Eric Zimmerman  
June 2.....Steve Warsaw and Larry Camp  
June 9.....Don Warsaw

**Agnus Day**



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**IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OSMAN**  
The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

***Seventh Sunday of Easter***

May 20, 2012 at 9:30 a.m.



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Welcome in Jesus' Name

Lutherans believe that Jesus Christ is present in the Sacrament so that we receive His true body and blood along with the bread and wine (Mark 14:22, 24; 1 Corinthians 10:16). We further believe that in this Sacrament, we receive the forgiveness of sins (Matthew 26:28) and strength to live an improved Christian life (Galatians 2:20). A worthy communicant is one who is truly repentant of his/her sins and who resolves to amend his/her life (1 Corinthians 11:28). Furthermore, this Sacrament is not only a communion with Christ (Matthew 18:20; 1 Corinthians 10:16), but also with one another (1 Corinthians 10:17; Acts 2:42). Those desiring to commune with us for the first time should register with the pastor in his office BEFORE the service begins.

**About our service today...**The Paschal Candle, the tall candle in the front of the church, represents the presence of the risen Christ with His disciples during the 40 days between Jesus' Resurrection and Ascension. This presence is symbolized by the candle being lighted on Easter Sunday at the first announcement of Christ's Resurrection, and having it burn throughout the services from before church to after church for the subsequent Sundays. The candle is extinguished on Ascension, which was last Thursday. Instead of a service this past Thursday, the opening of today's service will recall Christ's ascension, and during that reading the candle will be extinguished. The candle is then used only for Baptisms (where it reminds us that the presence of the risen Christ comes to live in the newly baptized through the washing of baptism and the gift of the Holy Spirit) and Funerals (reminding us that the presence of the risen Christ lived in the person that has died).

**OPENING HYMN, "See, the Lord Ascends in Triumph" .....494**

The Ascension Story: Acts 1:1-11

Collect for Ascension

**HYMN, "On Christ's Ascension I Now Build" .....492**

Collect for Seventh Sunday of Easter

**First Reading:** Acts 1:12-26

**HYMN, "A Hymn of Glory Let us Sing" .....493:1-4**

**Epistle:** 1 John 5:9-15

**HYMN, "A Hymn of Glory Let us Sing" .....493:5-6**  
*(Please stand for the Gospel on stanza 6)*

**Gospel:** John 17:11b-19

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Seventeenth Chapter.

**C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

(the Gospel is read)

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

**HYMN OF THE DAY, "Son of God, Eternal Savior" .....842**

Sermon

Nicene Creed (back cover of hymnal)

Confession and Absolution (from page 203)

P: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our Heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

**C: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen**

The Prayer of the Church

Offering

The Service of Holy Communion (page 194 ff)

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN, "Draw Us to Thee" .....701**

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN, "O Lord, We Praise Thee" .....617**

Post Communion Liturgy (page 199 ff)

**CLOSING HYMN, "Christ Sits at God's Right Hand" .....564**

## Announcements

**Choir Practice Today!** There will be a short choir practice after church on May 20 for Pentecost Sunday.

**Youth Group Camp Out Information:** The Youth Group Camp Out will be held on Friday evening thru Saturday morning, May 25th and 26th at the church hall/grass area. There will be a parents/youth meeting immediately following church in the Annex on Sunday, May 20th! Please plan to attend for any additional information and/or questions. Thanks!

**Serving our Country overseas?** Please let Debbie Lammle know if any members of our congregation have family members serving overseas at this time.

**Geraniums for Pentecost.** Please sign up for geraniums on the bulletin board **today!** They will displayed next Sunday for Pentecost. The cost is \$7 and checks should be made to Immanuel Lutheran Church and given to Mike Hendricks. Thanks in advance for helping celebrate this special event in the church.

**Congratulations** to Ashley Hadler and Bryce Martin who were united in holy matrimony last night here at Immanuel. Bless their marriage, O God, with peace and happiness, and make their Love fruitful for Your glory and their joy here and in eternity.

**VBS Volunteers!** We need some **Amazing Volunteers** for VBS! Help share the Gospel of Jesus Christ as we explore Bible stories, take Bible challenges, make crafts, eat snacks, play games, sing and more! If you can help full or part time, we have a job for you - snacks, games, crafts, teachers, and anything in between! Also, a VBS teacher/helper meeting will be announced in coming weeks. Cookie helpers - a sign up sheet will be on the back bulletin board. Please see Annette if you are called to help.

**Come support McLean County Thrivent Habitat for Humanity Night** with the Bloomington Edge. On Friday, June 8th, The Bloomington indoor football team, the Edge, will play Cedar Rapids at 7 p.m. at the U.S. Cellular Coliseum in Bloomington. For the \$12 ticket, you will receive an end zone ticket, a popcorn and a soft drink. A portion of your ticket purchase will go back to the Habitat for Humanity for the building of a Habitat house in Bloomington. Check out the poster on the back bulletin board for the details. If interested, see Brenda Hendricks.

## Additional Announcements

**Thanks** to Darryl Redding and Debbie Lammle for visiting the shut-ins this week.

**Thanks** to Debbie Martin and Debbie Lammle for coordinating the project to reupholster the chairs and loveseat in the Annex. They look great!

**Thank you** to the Church Council and church members for the gift certificate. I appreciate your thoughtfulness. I enjoyed interacting with members, Pastor McPike, and Pastor Schmidt while serving as the Church Secretary. May the Lord continue to bless all members of the Immanuel Lutheran Church of Osman! Karen Bryan

**Get your Six Flags tickets here!** 2012 Six Flags St. Louis discounted tickets are available in the Annex on the Secretary's desk. They are good from June 11-July 29. Tickets are \$29.99 per person plus tax (a savings of \$20 per person from the main gate price) and one coupon is good for up to 4 people. Go ahead and help yourself to these tickets!

**Items for the Bulletin or Newsletter?** Please submit items for the Bulletin or the Newsletter to SecretaryOsmanLutheran@frontier.com or by phone at 309-828-5883. Your items must be received by **NOON on Wednesday** to be included in the Bulletin for that week. The deadline for the monthly Newsletter is **NOON on the Wednesday before the last Sunday of the month.** Thank You! Linda Warsaw