

**Statistics**

August 9 Attendance ..... 38  
August 9 Offering ..... \$2,110.00  
August 16 Attendance ..... 60  
August 16 Offering ..... \$1,235.30

**Those Assisting Us Today**

Elders: Dwight Hooker, Jim VanWakeman,  
Steve Martin, and Bob Zimmerman

Organist: Alicia Haggin

**Agnus Day**



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**Mowing List**

Aug 29: Leonard Delaney  
Sept 5: Myron, Randy, Eric Zimmerman  
Sept 12: Neil Bidner  
Sept 19: Bryan and Greg Warsaw

**Bulletin Deadline**

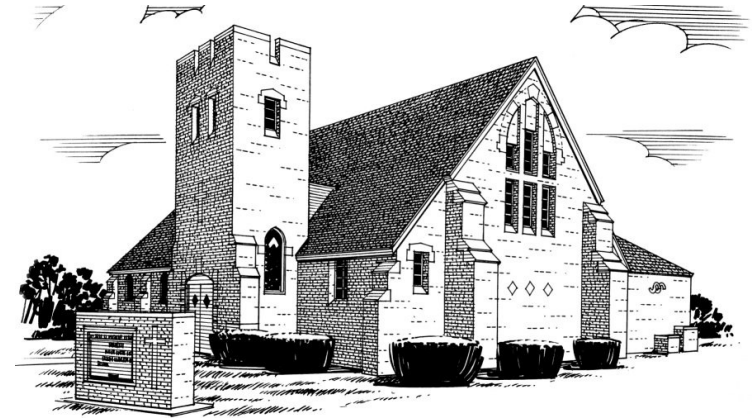
If you have announcements for the weekly Bulletin, please forward those to Linda Warsaw by **NOON on Wednesdays**. You may contact her by email at [secretary@osmanlutheran.org](mailto:secretary@osmanlutheran.org) or by phone at **309-828-5883**. Thank you!

**IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OSMAN**

The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

**Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost**

*August 23, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.*



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## Service with communion

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### Readings

#### **Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 51:1-6**

A. O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

#### **Epistle: Romans 11:33-12:8**

A. O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

#### **Holy Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20**

A. O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Nicene Creed

Hymn of the Day, "**Built on the Rock**" ..... **645**

Sermon: "**The Sacrifice of Ourselves**" based on Romans 12:1-8

Prayer of the Church

*Offering plates are available in the back of the church. Thank you!*

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Communion Distribution

*Congregation will remain seated. Please follow the directions of the elders to leave the church. Communion will be given at the back of the church as you exit. Please observe social distancing regarding any visiting in the parking lot. Thank you for helping promote health and wellness in these difficult times.*

## TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (23 August 2020)

Service Notes: "**The Lord Jesus Christ Is the Son of the Living God**" Jesus asked His disciples: "But who do you say that I am?" (Matt. 16:15). The question is also put to us: Who do you say that He is? Flesh and blood do not reveal this to us, but by the ministry of the Gospel, the Father in heaven reveals His Son to us on earth, who has become flesh and suffered death for our salvation. Thus, we believe and confess that He is "the Christ, the Son of the living God" (Matt. 16:16). As He died for our transgressions and was raised for our justification, He looses us from all our sins and preserves our life within His Church, against which even "the gates of hell shall not prevail" (Matt. 16:18-19). His salvation is forever, and His righteousness "will never be dismayed" (Is. 51:6). He comforts us with the Gospel in His Church, so that "joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song" (Is. 51:3). Therefore, "according to the measure of faith that God has assigned" (Rom. 12:3), we also offer ourselves "as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God" (Rom. 12:1) through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Green in nature during the growing season is in contrast to the "death" of winter. Green is on our paraments reminding us of the faith life that lives within us.

### **Let Us Pray...**

...for our members who are homebound: **Johanne Bloch, and Karen Bryan**  
...for thanksgiving and praise for our blessings;  
...for God's healing hand for those who have been ill;  
...for Declan Lammle for healing his heart murmur so heart surgery is not needed!  
...for Brandon Miller for health and healing;  
...for Cameron Harmon for healing and strength as he battles cancer;  
...for Skinner (Greg) Johnson for healing and strength as he recovers from knee replacement surgery;  
...for Darryl Redding for healing and strength during chemo treatments.  
...for Malachi Johnson and his Effingham Bravo Company National Guard Unit who are deployed for a 9-month tour of duty;  
...for all first responders and medical field workers during this crisis;  
...for those in need of God's mercy and care;  
...for the Central Illinois District;  
...for the citizens of Iowa and Northern Illinois who are recovering from storm damage and also for the farmers who took an extreme loss to their crops due to the storms;  
...for the teachers and students who are beginning their school year with a little more stress than usual due to COVID 19 restrictions which has forced many changes.  
...for Immanuel, Broadlands;  
...and for St. Peter, Thawville.

## Announcements

**You MUST call** either Rick Hardesty 309-830-8531 or Jill Hardesty 217-841-3487 to reserve a seat in the church on Sundays or an East parking lot spot for communion for every Sunday. There are only 40 spaces in the church available each week and they usually fill up fast.

**For the parking lot services**, please plan to gather in the east lot and remain in your car if you want communion. You turn your car radio to FM 90.5 to hear the Sunday Service. After the congregation has received communion, Pastor will be out to give communion to you. If you need hymnals, please let an Elder know.

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**Questioning of the Confirmands** will be after the service today in the fellowship hall starting at 11AM. The Confirmands, parents, elders, and teachers will be attending this questioning due to the COVID 19 restrictions for the congregation. The Rite of Confirmation will be held in separate services next week. At the 9AM service Megan Bidner and Jenna Clemmons will be confirmed. At the 10:30AM service Addison Warsaw will be confirmed. At the 12:30PM service Ashley Genzel will be confirmed. At the 2:30PM service Jack and Reese Gallier will be confirmed. They and their guests will have priority for seating that day. PLEASE call Rick and Jill Hardesty for your church reservations for any of these services. If the church is filled with the 40 seat restriction, some may have to listen in the parking lot.

**A friendly reminder** to all members who use the back door to the Annex. . . Once you exit through the door you have to push the door entirely shut. It does not shut securely by itself. It is not a repairable problem as it is just how the door is made. It has been found partially open several times recently which hinders the security of our building.

**Update on Malachi Johnson:** Please hold all packages and letters to Malachi Johnson at this time until further notice. There will be another relocation occurring. When able, a new address will become available. Thank you!

**Operation Christmas Child** - Once again we will be packing shoe boxes in November for children in poor countries across the world. Since school supplies are on sale NOW, this would be a good time to purchase needed items. We are in need of scissors, ink pens, pencil sharpeners, colored pencils (10-12 packs), markers (10-12 packs), erasers, glue sticks, toothbrushes, combs, and bars of soap. We usually fill 12 boxes for boys and 12 boxes for girls so other small items can be added such as matchbox cars, bracelets, small hair bows or clips, etc. We could not do this project without the help of the congregation. There will be a collection box on the back elder's pew. Through a Thrivent Action Team we will also be receiving \$250 for this project. If you would like to pack a box or have questions about what is acceptable, please see Terri Hooker or Connie Warsaw. Thanks so much for helping with this worthwhile project.