

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 22, 2019

THEME: A Christian's life is one of humility – our only boast is in the Lord.

HYMN 397: *"Just As I Am"*

THE COMMON SERVICE – Page 15

PRAYER OF THE DAY: O Lord Jesus Christ, preserve the congregation of believers with your never-failing mercy. Help us avoid whatever is wicked and harmful, and guide us in the way that leads to our salvation; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

FIRST LESSON: Proverbs 25:6 & 7 (EVH)

Self-exaltation has no place in the physical or spiritual life of a child of God.

25:6 Do not honor yourself in a king's presence. Do not stand in a place reserved for great people, 7 because it is better to be told, "Come up here," than for you to be humiliated before a ruler whom your eyes have seen.

PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 119a (p.109) (spoken responsively / sing the refrains)

"Blessed" or happy is the person who seeks the Lord with all his heart. He will never be put to shame.

SECOND LESSON: Hebrews 13:1-8 (EVH)

The Christian properly channels his love by extending it to people and withholding it from money.

13:1 Continue to show brotherly love. 2 Do not fail to show love to strangers, for by doing this some have welcomed angels without realizing it. 3 Remember those in prison, as if you were fellow prisoners, and those who are mistreated, as if you yourselves were also suffering bodily.

4 Marriage is to be held in honor by all, and the marriage bed is to be kept undefiled, for God will judge sexually immoral people and adulterers. 5 Keep your life free from the love of money, and be content with what you have. For God has said:

"I will never leave you; and I will never forsake you."

6 So then we say with confidence,

"The Lord is my helper, and I will not be afraid. What will man do to me?"

7 Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Carefully consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith. 8 Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

VERSE OF THE DAY: Alleluia. Your words became my joy, the delight of my heart. Alleluia.

(Jeremiah 15:16 EVH)

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 14:1, 7-14 (EVH)

In Christ's kingdom, conventional thinking is turned upside down. Certainly a reflection on Solomon's words, Jesus exhorts us to attain greatness through humility and to be most generous when there is no chance of being repaid.

14:1 One Sabbath day, when Jesus went into the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat bread, they were watching him closely.

7 When he noticed how they were selecting the places of honor, he told the invited guests a parable. 8 "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not recline in the place of honor, or perhaps someone more distinguished than you may have been invited by him. 9 The one who invited both of you may come and tell you, 'Give this man your place.' Then you will begin, with shame, to take the lowest place.

10 "But when you are invited, go and recline in the lowest place, so that when the one who invited you comes, he will tell you, 'Friend, move up to a higher place.' Then you will have honor in the presence of all who are reclining at the table with you.

11 "Yes, everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted."

12 He also said to the one who had invited him, "When you make a dinner or a supper, do not invite your friends, or your brothers, or your relatives, or rich neighbors, so that perhaps they may also return the favor and pay you back.

13 "But when you make a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, 14 and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you. Certainly, you will be repaid in the resurrection of the righteous."

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HYMN 487: *"O Lord of Heaven and Earth and Sea"*

SERMON THEME: A Whole Different Way of Thinking

1. Make a humble attitude evident in your living
2. Make true generosity evident in your giving

CREATE IN ME A CLEAN HEART – Page 20

OFFERING HYMN 485 Verses 1 & 2: *"We Give Thee but Thine Own"* (Please Stand)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH & LORD'S PRAYER- Page 20

ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION – Page 21

HYMN 311: *"Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness"*

SONG OF SIMEON – Page 24 (Please Stand)

BENEDICTION

CHOIR: *"Go No in Peace"*

SILENT PRAYER & ANNOUNCEMENTS



Serving Us Today ~ September 22, 2019

Organist: Marge Schroeder

Altar Guild: Rachel Freerking, Kay Kohfeldt & Edie Nieman

Ushers: Karl Luft, Jim Daubert, Marty Waite & Tom Gregory

Communion Assistant: Marty Waite



During Our Worship Service this morning we will be celebrating the Lord's Supper. Non-members are asked to speak with the Pastor before the service prior to communing.

The Flowers Adorning our Altar this morning have been sponsored by the Nieman Family in honor of Matt and Sammy Nieman's wedding. Congratulations!

Ladies' Guild first meeting of the Fall will be on Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. in our Fellowship Hall. The evening will feature an appetizer and salad supper. Hostesses for the evening are Pat Stieg and Darlene Zepczyk. All ladies of our congregation are invited to bring either your favorite appetizer or salad and get reacquainted with the ladies group of Immanuel!

Autumn/Thanksgiving Banner Project: The Ladies' Guild will meet to work on this project on Thursday at 10:30 a.m. in our Fellowship Hall.

After worship on October 6, we will have a congregational forum to discuss our new organ and church remodel. All are encouraged to stay and offer ideas, opinions and concerns.

Mission Festival Is Scheduled For October 6. After the congregational forum, our Ladies' Guild will hold a potluck lunch. Start thinking about what yummy recipe to make for your dish-to-pass! FYI, the Packers play at 3:30 p.m. so you won't be rushed to get home.

Visit to St. John's

Please Remember In Your Prayers: Julaine Hanneman and Gloria Pagel.

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OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GIFTS		THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL	
Budgeted Need per week	\$3,379.00	Office Hours	Tues, Wed., Thurs 8:00 a.m. - Noon
Budgeted Received 09-15-19	\$2,848.00	Today	10:00 a.m. Adult Doctrine Study
Budgeted Need to date	\$125,023.00	Monday	Lamplighter Articles Due in Church Office
Budgeted Received to date	\$111,484.23	Tuesday	9:30 a.m. Bible Class
		Tuesday	6:00 p.m. Ladies' Guild First Fall Mtg
		Wednesday	5:00 p.m. GriefShare
		Wednesday	6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
		Thursday	10:30 a.m. LG Banner Project
		Sunday	9:00 a.m. Worship Service
		Sunday	10:00 a.m. Sunday School
Worship Attendance 09-15-19	80	Sunday	10:00 a.m. Adult Doctrine Study