

# Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 29, 2019

**THEME: A child of God makes Jesus a priority in their life, despite the cost.**

**OPENING ANTHEM:** "A Prayer" (Gary Stieg)

**HYMN 428:** "Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me?"

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**PRAYER OF THE DAY:** Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**FIRST LESSON:** Proverbs 9:8-12 (EHV)

*True wisdom finds its beginning in "the fear of the Lord" – loving and respecting the one true God in faith.*

8 Do not warn a mocker, or he will hate you. Warn a wise person, and he will love you.

9 Give advice to a wise person, and he will become even wiser. Teach a righteous person, and he will add to his learning.

10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding,

11 because through me your days will be multiplied, and years will be added to your life.

12 If you are wise, you are wise to your own advantage. But if you scoff, you alone will bear the consequences.

**PSALM OF THE DAY:** Psalm 19 (p.70) (sung in unison)

*We see God's glory not only in the wonderful works of nature, but also in the "radiant" messages that come from his Holy Word.*

**SECOND LESSON:** Philemon 1, 10-21 (EHV)

*Paul encourages Philemon to show his Christian faith by accepting back Onesimus not as a slave, but "as a dear brother."*

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon, our dear friend and coworker,

10 I am appealing to you on behalf of my child Onesimus. I became his father while I was in chains. 11 There was a time when he was useless to you, but now he is useful both to you and to me. 12 I have sent him (who is my very heart) back to you. Welcome him. 13 I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might serve me in your place while I am in chains for the gospel. 14 But I did not want to do anything without your consent, so that your kindness would not be the result of compulsion, but of willingness. 15 Perhaps this is why he was separated from you for a while: so that you would have him

back forever, 16 no longer as a slave, but as more than a slave, as a dear brother. He certainly is dear to me, but he is even more of a dear brother to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

17 So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. 18 And if he has wronged you in any way or owes you anything, charge it to me. 19 I, Paul, have written this with my own hand: I will repay it—not to mention that you owe me your very self. 20 Yes, brother, I am asking for a favor from you in the Lord. Refresh my heart in Christ. 21 Confident of your obedience, I write to you, knowing that you will do even more than I ask.

**CHOIR:** "Halle, Halle, Halle"

**THE HOLY GOSPEL:** Luke 14:25-33 (EHV)

*The cost of following Jesus is not a meritorious work, but a faithful recognition that he comes first. That fact will change a Christian's life.*

25 Large crowds were traveling with Jesus. He turned and said to them, 26 "If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. 27 Whoever does not carry his own cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. 28 For which of you, if he wants to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost to see if he has enough to complete it? 29 Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, everyone who sees it will begin to ridicule him, 30 saying, 'This fellow began to build, but was not able to finish.' 31 Or what king, as he goes out to confront another king in war, will not first sit down and consider if he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? 32 And if he is not able, he sends out a delegation and asks for terms of peace while his opponent is still far away. 33 So then, any one of you who does not say farewell to all his own possessions cannot be my disciple.

**HYMN 465:** "Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken"

**SERMON THEME:** Just How Much Is This Going to Run Me?

1. First, you have to estimate the cost
2. Second, you have to consider your resources
3. Then, you have the blessings of being a disciple

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

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH & LORD'S PRAYER**

**HYMN 355:** "Take the World, but Give Me Jesus"

**BENEDICTION**

**HYMN 463:** "Jesus Call Us O'er the Tumult"

**SILENT PRAYER & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Serving Us Today ~ September 29, 2019**

*Organist:* Marge Schroeder

*Ushers:* John Hornig, Matt Fink & Larry Stowe

*Altar Guild:* Dave & Judy Zarter & Jan Zellmer



**The Flowers Adorning Our Altar** have been provided by the Nieman Family.

**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.

**Thursday, October 3:** There will be a Christmas Church Decorating 2019 meeting at 9:30 a.m. in our Fellowship Hall. Yes, it's time to start planning and preparing for implementing our "new" theme. All are invited and encouraged to be involved. The more, the merrier!

**The New Evangelical Heritage Version (EHV) Bibles** have arrived. The cost is \$25.00 each. Please see Pastor after Service to pick up your Bible.

**All Immanuel Members** are invited to visit St. John's Lutheran in Maribel today at 1:00 p.m. to hear their new Rodgers' organ. For those that are interested, we will have a quick brunch at Primo's (room directly to the left as you enter) and leave from there to go to St. John's.

**November 8 at Immanuel:** Germanfest! Sign-up sheet and recipes coming soon! More information will be in our October Lamplighter. Mark your calendars!

**Please keep in your prayers:** Gloria Pagel and Elizabeth Maitland (Jim Daubert's mother-in-law).

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OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GIFTS		THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL	
Needed per week	\$3,379.00	<b>Office Hours</b>	Tues. Weds & Thurs. 8:00 a.m. -Noon
Budget Received 09-22-19	\$1,559.00		
Budget Need to date	\$128,402.00	<b>Today</b>	10:00 a.m. Adult Doctrine Class
Budget Received to date	\$113,043.23	<b>Today</b>	1:00 p.m. Organ demonstration at St. John's
		<b>Tuesday</b>	9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class
		<b>Wednesday</b>	5:00 p.m. GriefShare Meeting
		<b>Wednesday</b>	6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
		<b>Thursday</b>	9:30 a.m. Christmas Decorating Meeting
Attendance on 09-22-19	80	<b>Sunday</b>	9:00 a.m. Mission Festival Service
		<b>Sunday</b>	10:00 a.m. Sunday School
		<b>Sunday</b>	10:00 a.m. Congregation Discussion
		<b>Sunday</b>	11:00 a.m. Potluck Luncheon