

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost - October 13, 2019

THEME: Our attitude about money and possessions reflects the relationship we have with God.

HYMN 414: *"I Leave All Things to God's Direction"*

THE COMMON SERVICE – Page 15

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Lord God, you call us to work in your kingdom and leave no one standing idle. Help us to order our lives by your wisdom and to serve you in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

FIRST LESSON: Amos 8:4-7 (NIV)

The Lord, who can see into our hearts, will not forget the dishonest deeds of people who try to take advantage of another for their own greedy gain.

8:4 Hear this, you who trample the needy and do away with the poor of the land, 5 saying, "When will the New Moon be over that we may sell grain, and the Sabbath be ended that we may market wheat?" – skimping the measure, boosting the price and cheating with dishonest scales, 6 buying the poor with silver and the needy for a pair of sandals, selling even the sweepings with the wheat.

7 The LORD has sworn by the Pride of Jacob: "I will never forget anything they have done."

PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 38 (p.81) (sung in unison)

When his conscience plagues him, the Christian knows that God is his only Savior; to trust in anything else is foolishness.

SECOND LESSON: 1 Timothy 2:1-8 (EHV)

The person who knows his true worth is found in the precious blood of Christ shed for us, will offer up prayers and intercessions for the benefit of all people.

2:1 First of all, then, I urge that petitions, prayers, intercessions and thanksgivings be made for all people, 2 for kings and all those who are in authority, in order that we might live a quiet and peaceful life in all godliness and dignity. 3 This is good and pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, 4 who wants all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. 5 For there is one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Christ Jesus, 6 who gave himself as a ransom for all, the testimony given at the proper time. 7 For this testimony, I was appointed a herald and an apostle – I speak the truth, I am not lying – a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

8 Therefore, I want the men in every place to pray, lifting up holy hands, without anger or argument.

VERSE OF THE DAY: Alleluia. "My grace is sufficient for you, because my power is made perfect in weakness." Alleluia. (2 Corinthians 12:9a EHV)

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 16:1-13 (EHV) (Please Stand)

Christ's parable of the shrewd manager teaches us to use our earthly treasures to build heavenly friendships – to support the spread of the gospel message that gives eternal life.

16:1 Jesus also said to his disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager who was accused of wasting his possessions. 2 The rich man called him in and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give an account of your management, because you can no longer be manager.'

3 "The manager said to himself, 'What will I do, since my master is taking away the management position from me? I am not strong enough to dig. I am ashamed to beg. 4 I know what I will do, so that when I am removed from my position as manager, people will receive me into their houses.'

5 "He called each one of his master's debtors to him. He asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' 6 He said, 'Six hundred gallons of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and write three hundred.' 7 Then he said to another, 'How much do you owe?' And he said, 'Six hundred bushels of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and write four hundred and eighty.'

8 "The master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly. For the children of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the children of the light are. 9 I tell you, make friends for yourselves with unrighteous mammon, so that when it runs out, they will welcome you into the eternal dwellings. 10 The person who is faithful with very little is also faithful with much. And the person who is unrighteous with very little is also unrighteous with much. 11 So if you have not been faithful with unrighteous mammon who will entrust you with what is really valuable? 12 If you have not been faithful with what belongs to someone else, who will give you something to be your own? 13 No servant can serve two masters. Indeed, either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and mammon."

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HYMN 421: *"All Depends on Our Possessing"*

SERMON THEME: I Wanna Be Like That

1. Shrewd in my use of God's resources
2. Faithful in my use of God's resources

CREATE IN ME A CLEAN HEART – Page 20

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

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HYMN 312: *"Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared"*

SONG OF SIMEON – Page 24 (Please Stand)

BENEDICTION

HYMN 469: *"Take My Life and Let It Be"*

SILENT PRAYER & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bring a Friend Next Sunday



Serving Us Today ~October 13, 2019

Altar Guild: Barb Luft, Ann Gosdeck & Julie Treichel **Communion Assistant:** Randy Montgomery
Ushers: Dave Schroeder, Dave Leatherman, Gary Troutd & Dennis Troutd **Organist:** Marge Schroeder

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

The Flowers Adorning Our Altar This Morning have been sponsored by Jim Daubert in memory of his mother-in-law Elizabeth Maitland.

Bring A Friend To Church "invitation" can be found in your Worship Folder. This is an effort for ALL of us to bring people into our church to hear the message of our Savior. More invitations are located near our guest registry. Please contact lots of your friends. This is the perfect opportunity for you to take that next step and really extend an invitation!

New Things to Sign-up to do! After Worship today, go directly to the Fellowship Hall and check out all kinds of things to get involved with this Fall at Immanuel.

Ladies' Guild October Meeting is Tuesday, October 22 at 6:30 p.m. We will be playing Bible Trivia, led by Pastor Seelman. Come and join us!


Church Council Members will hold their October meeting on Monday at 6:30 p.m. in our conference room.

Our New Website Is A Work-In-Process. www.immanuel-oshkosh.org Type this information in the ADDRESS LINE, not in the search line. Please feel free to take a look and provide suggestions to help this project to completion.

LWMS Fall Rally is scheduled for Saturday, October 26. Please see our bulletin board for more information.

November 15 at Immanuel: Germanfest! Sign-up sheet and recipes (try something new or share one of your own favorites or just sign-up to attend) are located in our Fellowship Hall. Mark your calendars!

A Couple Of Our Dedicated Members have cleaned-up our church flower beds. There are flower seeds available in our Fellowship Hall for anyone interested in *cone flowers* or *hollyhocks*. Help yourself!

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 Oct. 6	\$3,259.00	Today	10:00 a.m. Adult Doctrine Study
Budgeted Need to date	\$135,160.00	Today	10:00 a.m. Sunday School
Budgeted Received to date	\$118,092.36	Monday	6:30 p.m. Church Council Meeting
		Tuesday	9:30 a.m. Bible Class
		Wednesday	1:00 p.m. Christmas décor preparation
		Wednesday	5:00 p.m. GriefShare
		Wednesday	6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
		Friday	1:30 p.m. Troutd/Phillips Wedding
		Sunday	9:00 a.m. Worship & Bring a Friend Day
		Sunday	10:00 a.m. Coffee & Donuts
Worship Attendance Oct. 6	71	Sunday	10:00 a.m. Sunday School

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