

Immanuel – St. Paul's



Lutheran Church
Missouri Synod



Septuagesima

February 17, 2019

8:00 am

Order of Worship

Morning Worship
TLH pg. 5ff

Hymns

372, 297, 293

10:00 am

Order of Worship

Holy Communion
LSB pg.184

Hymns

746, 580, 555, 563, 909, 693

The Sermon

Sermon Text

1 Corinthians 9:24-10:5

Sermon Title

Christian Discipline

Today's Readings

First Reading

Exodus 17:1-7

Epistle Reading

1 Corinthians 9:24-10:5

Gospel Reading

Matthew 20:1-16

A Note to Our Visitors

We welcome you in the name of our living Savior, Jesus Christ, and we pray that your time of worship with us today will be a blessing to you.

Immanuel-St. Paul Lutheran Parish

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My sheep listen to My voice; I know them and they follow Me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of My hand. John 10:27-28



Church Notes

February 17, 2019

**Next Sunday's
Scripture
Readings Are:**

Isaiah 55:10-13
2 Corinthians 11:19-12:9
Luke 8:4-15

Septuagesima (meaning "about 70 days")—Grace is undeserved.

The Collect for this Sunday implores God to graciously hear us, who are justly punished for our sin, so that we may be delivered by God's goodness. The goodness of God is emphasized in the parable (Matt 20:1-16), where all the laborers receive the reward because of the goodness of the landowner. So we too, receive the reward of eternal life, because God is good, and Another has borne the heat and burden of the day for us that we might have it.

Valentine's Dinner

Today St. Paul's Sunday School will host a Valentine's dinner featuring salad, pasta, garlic bread, drinks, and dessert. The dinner is a servant event for the Sunday School children, who will be collecting a free-will offering. Please come, grab your drinks, set down, and let the children serve you.

160th Anniversary Committee

On May 12, 2019, St. Paul's will celebrate its 160th Anniversary. Volunteers are needed to help the congregation recognize this event. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Pastor Smith or Gary Misselhorn.

Luther's Small Catechism Presentations

Come join us as we explore the Christian Faith this evening at St. John's Lutheran Church in Ruma at 4pm. The topic will be "Holy Baptism", presented by Rev. Mark Nebel. On Tuesday, February 19, 6pm at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Evansville, the topic will be "Confession", presented by Rev. Timothy Sims.



In my distress I called upon the LORD. From his temple he heard my voice.

Higher Things High School Youth Gathering

The next Higher Things Youth Gathering (LCMS) is coming again this summer. Last year we had the conference nearby at SIU. This year we could feasibly make use of either July 2-5 gathering at Concordia University in Chicago or July 16-19 gathering at Concordia University Wisconsin. The conference is open to any student who will either be entering into high school, in high school, or has just completed high school. The early bird registration cost (before January 31) is \$375. There is a 500-word essay competition to subsidize the entire or partial cost of attendance for youth (18 or younger) requiring financial assistance. If you would like more information or to sign-up please contact Pastor Sean. Additional information is also posted at: <https://media.higherthings.org/conferences/concordia2019/>

Christ Our Savior Lutheran High School

Support COS FFA: If you give a donation at Buchheit of Sparta to support FFA between now and February 25, your donation will be given to the COS FFA. In return, Buchheit's will give you a coupon good for \$5 off your next \$25 purchase.

Fish & More: Join us for our annual Fish & More Dinner Friday, March 1 from 4:30 to 7. We will be serving fish, chicken, sides and desserts in the COS gym with plenty of room for a crowd. Handicap parking is available behind the gym. If you would enjoy helping with this event, please call COS.

Sponsor a Thrivent Action Team: If you would like to organize or participate in a Thrivent Action Team to benefit COS, please let us know what you would like to do. We can help you fill out the application. Each project team is given up to \$250 along with organizational material and t-shirts to help make their project successful. For more information, see: <https://www.thrivent.com/actionteam/>

Don't forget to direct Thrivent Choice Dollars®

Eligible Thrivent Financial members who have been designated Choice Dollars have until **March 31, 2019**, to direct any remaining 2018 Choice Dollars. Go to Thrivent.com/thriventchoice to learn more and find program terms and conditions. Or call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice" after the prompt.

Shadow Days: Parents of eighth graders and potential transfer students are encouraged to call and make arrangements for their student to spend a day at *Christ Our Savior* shadowing a COS student and learning more about the COS advantage.

Part-Time Secretary

Our secretary, Jessica, will soon be graduating and studying for the bar exam. As a result, a replacement will soon be needed.

Responsibilities include producing all bulletins and service folders for regular Sunday services and special services (e.g. midweek services and funerals), ordering office supplies, updating the church calendar(s), responding to emails, and maintaining records. (Those with additional computer skills may also be responsible for updating the church's website.) Prior secretarial experience is not needed, but familiarity with Microsoft Word, email, and basic computing skills are preferred.

Work will usually be limited to one day per week for an average of 3 to 5 hours per week (hours vary depending on the length of the bulletin and other tasks needed to be done). More time than this may be needed in the event there is a funeral or during the Christmas and Easter seasons when there are more services. The day and time you choose to work is somewhat flexible, but should generally be on a Thursday, Friday, or Saturday.

Jessica will work closely with the new secretary until such time as he/she is fully trained and comfortable working on his/her own.

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming the new secretary, please contact Gary Misselhorn or any council members. However, if you have any questions about the job, please contact Jessica.

KFUO

This week on KFUE AM850, we continue in the book of Ezekiel on Thy Strong Word with Rev. William Weedon and guest pastors (weekdays at 11:00 a.m.), ward off theological boredom with curious topics and questions on Cross Defense with Rev. Bryan Wolfmueller and his guest (2/18 at 2:00 p.m.), and hear God's Word preached to us in Daily Chapel weekdays at 10:00 a.m. Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or wherever you get your podcasts!

***Come, Holy Spirit,
And Fill the Hearts of Your Faithful***

This Week at Immanuel-St. Paul

<i>Sunday</i>	8:00 am	Immanuel – Morning Worship H
	8:45 am	St. Paul’s Sunday School
	10:00 am	St. Paul’s – Holy Communion
	11:30 am	St. Paul’s Sunday School Valentine’s Lunch
	4:00 pm	Six Wonders of Christianity @ St. John’s, Ruma
<i>Monday</i>	6:30 pm	Men’s Pinochle @ St. Paul’s
<i>Tuesday</i>	8:00 am	Pastor Sean’s Morning Bible Study on KFUO Radio AM 850 or kfuo.org
	6:00 pm	Six Wonders of Christianity @ St. Peter’s, Evansville
<i>Wednesday</i>	6:30 pm	Bible Study – Gospel of Mark @ SP
<i>Thursday</i>	1:00 pm	St. Paul’s Ladies Aid/LWML Meeting
<i>Fri & Sat</i>		Bulletin Items Deadline
		SID Jr. High Catechetical Retreat @ Camp Wartburg
<i>Next Sunday</i>	8:00 am	Immanuel – Holy Communion
	8:45 am	St. Paul’s Sunday School
	10:00 am	St. Paul’s – Morning Worship
	4:00 pm	Pastor Sean Teaching “The Six Wonders of Christianity” @ Ruma