
IMMANUEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Pentecost Sunday | June 9, 2019

ELDERS

*Katherine Anderson (Clerk of Session), Dan Balzer, Phyllis LePeau, Lew Luttrell,
Carl Pickard, Leon Sinclair, Alva Steffler, Steve Westfall, Ken Wolgemuth*

DEACONS

*Phebe Balzer, Judy Bryson (Chair), Tim Curley, Colin Holman, Marc Johnson, Michael Kendrick,
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STAFF

*George A. Garrison, **Senior Pastor**; Annette LaPlaca, **Minister of Congregational Life**;
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Immanuel is affiliated with the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (EPC).



Welcome, Visitors!

Thank you for choosing to attend Immanuel this morning. We hope that you will find a warm welcome and that you will experience the presence of our Lord here. Our congregation comes from all kinds of backgrounds, so wherever you are in your faith journey, you are welcome here.

Do you have young children with you this morning?

At Immanuel we believe God deeply loves and values children and mysteriously begins His work in them long before they may be able to articulate it. We joyfully welcome children of all ages into our worship service to join the larger body of Christ in worship, confession, giving, and fellowship. We offer a nursery for children under the age of three, a worship program designed for children in preschool through second grade, and Sunday School for ages preschool through fifth grade during the school year. Please stop by the **Children's Ministry Station** (in the Gathering Place) before the service to sign your children in and get more information on our ministries.

Let us contact you.

At the end of each row, there is a friendship folder with welcome cards and a place for you to let us know you were here. If you simply sign your name and address, we'll send you a letter with more information about Immanuel. If you include your phone number and email, we'll be glad to contact you that way too. Thank you for coming!

Note: If you need **hearing assistance**, please speak to one of our ushers or sound crew.

IN IMMANUEL AND BEYOND

From the Finance Committee – The giving goal for the operating budget in May was \$65,000. The actual giving in May was \$41,445 or 64% of the giving goal. Giving for the first five months of 2019 for the operating budget was \$293,304 or 92% of the giving goal of \$318,000.



VBS 2019 - June 24-28 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

REGISTER ONLINE: www.immanuelpresbyterian.net/vbs

AGES: Children entering 1st through 6th grade in the fall

COST: \$10 per child, \$30 max per family (scholarships available)

VBS NEEDS

CREW LEADER: We are still in need of at least 1 adult crew leader, as well as any teens interested in serving. (We currently don't have any teens signed up!)

Blue IPC t-shirts! Please bring to church and give to Annika (if you want it returned to you please put your name on the tag).

Artificial Christmas Trees! Please speak to Annika or email her if you have one we could borrow for our forest scenery. annikadurbin@gmail.com

DONATIONS: Please check the Supply Donation Board in the Gathering Place for items we need donated for Crafts, Snacks, and Games. Thank you!

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

TODAY

If you have concerns or are **in need of prayer**, [Lew Luttrell](#) is available at the front following the service.

Thanks to our musicians: Mary Hopper, Alethea Funck, Steve Wall, John Zimmerman

Pentecost Voices: During the Pentecost scripture reading, you heard "Jesus Is Lord, Alleluia" in many languages. We thank the following participants. Thanks to Howie Whitaker for the wind sound composition and Sue Lundin for organizing.

Colin Holman: English, Sarah Holman: Italian, Jeff Wisdom: Hebrew,
Diane Jerdan: French, Steve Bretsen: Norwegian, Phebe Balzer: Arabic,
Serena Balzer: Spanish, Tom Nguyen: Vietnamese, Trudy Zimmerman:
German, Alex Loney: Latin, Seth Ehorn: Greek, Marilyn Spradley: Portuguese,
Grace Mayell: Korean

Thanks also to Phebe Balzer and Angela Wisdom for adding to worship with the Pentecost streamers.

The quilted hangings for Pentecost were created by Dotty Luttrell and Carol Wilhoit.

Sign up today for the **Men's Breakfast** on Saturday, June 22, at 7:45 a.m. This will be the last one until fall. Cost is \$5. Jim Wilhoit will be the speaker.

11:00 a.m.	VBS volunteer training and lunch
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Food Pantry
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.	Youth Group

THIS WEEK

Tuesday	11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Food pantry open
Thursday	5:30 - 8:00 p.m.	Food Pantry open
	7:00 - 8:30 p.m.	Women's Bible Study at Terra Vincent's home, 26W430 Natalie Ct., Carol Stream, IL

Who We Seek to Be

Called and gathered by the grace of Jesus Christ, we exist as a community of love and truth to celebrate the infinite glory of God through:

Joyful worship centered in the wonder and wisdom of the living Word

Resolute fellowship in Christ made alive by the unifying love of the Spirit among us

Transformative learning for all ages toward full maturity in Christ

Loving service to one another, the community and the world, reflecting the servant heart of Jesus

Spirited mission to the lost near and far, proclaiming the gospel in word and deed

WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE: *Jesus Savior, Pilot Me* arr. Nielson
Holy Spirit Medley arr. Wyrzten

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS ANNETTE LAPLACA

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: By sending down a confusion of languages, the Most High scattered the nations.

All: By distributing the tongues of fire, God calls all peoples to unity. In harmony we glorify the Holy Spirit.

Pastor: In the sound of a mighty wind rushing from the heavens, the Most High trumpets good news over the earth.

All: We worship and glorify the Holy Spirit. May the Savior who opens the gates of paradise open our hearts to wisdom and truth.

* INVOCATION

** Congregation stands.*

* OPENING SONG: *Spirit of God, Unleashed on Earth*

1 Spir - it of God, un-leashed on earth with rush of
 2 You came in power, the church was born; O Ho - ly
 3 With burn - ing words of vic - tory won in - spire our

wind and roar of flame! With tongues of fire saints
 Spir - it, come a - gain! From liv - ing wa - ters
 hearts grown cold with fear, re - vive in us bap -

spread good news; earth, kin - dling, blazed its loud ac - claim.
 raise new saints, let new tongues hail the ris - en Lord.
 tis - mal grace, and fan our smol - dering lives to flame.

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WE ARE DISMISSED TO LOVE AND SERVE

* CLOSING SONG: *Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God*

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1. Ho - ly Spi - rit liv - ing Breath of God, breathe new
 2. Ho - ly Spi - rit, come a - bide with - in; may Your
 3. Ho - ly Spi - rit, from cre - a - tion's birth, gi - ving

3
 life in - to my will - ing soul; Let the pre - sence of the
 joy be seen in all I do. Love e - nough to co ver
 life to all that God has made. Show Your pow - er once a -

6
 Ri - sen Lord, let His life re - new and make me whole.
 ev - ery sin in each thought and deed and at - ti - tude.
 gain on Earth, as You fill Your Church with fervent praise.

9
 Cause Your Word to come a - live in me; give me faith for what I
 Kind - ness to the great - est and the least; gen - tle - ness that sows the

12
 Let the frag - rance of our prayers arise; lead us on the road of
 can't yet see. Give me pass - ion for Your
 path of peace. Turn my striv - ings in - to
 sac - ri - fice, that in u - ni - ty the

14
 pu - ri - ty; Breath of God, show Christ in all I do.
 works of grace; Breath of God show Christ in all I do.
 face of Christ will be clear for all the world to see.

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¹⁹ I will show wonders in the heavens above
and signs on the earth below,
blood and fire and billows of smoke.
²⁰ The sun will be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood
before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.
²¹ And everyone who calls
on the name of the Lord will be saved.’

²² “Fellow Israelites, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you
by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you
yourselves know. ²³ This man was handed over to you by God’s deliberate plan and
foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him
to the cross. ²⁴ But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death,
because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him. ²⁵ David said about him:

“I saw the Lord always before me.
Because he is at my right hand,
I will not be shaken.
²⁶ Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices;
my body also will rest in hope,
²⁷ because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead,
you will not let your holy one see decay.
²⁸ You have made known to me the paths of life;
you will fill me with joy in your presence.’ ” NIV

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON: *The Symbols of the Spirit*

WE ARE RENEWED IN GOD’S GRACE

CALL TO CONFESSION

ALVA STEFFLER

Leader: Do not marvel that Jesus says to us: “You must be born again.” That which is
born of the flesh is flesh and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. The wind
blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it
comes from and where it is going, so it is with everyone who is born of the
spirit, he who convicts us of sin and leads us into all righteousness.

**All: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought,
word, and deed, both by what we have done and by what we have left
undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart. Too often we have
failed to welcome into our hearts your quickening Spirit of love and power.
We are truly sorry and humbly repent. Wash away our sins; send rain on
our dry ground; bend our rigidity; inflame our cold hearts; anoint us for
witness; and direct our wandering feet into your ways. Amen.**

SONG: *Spirit of the Living God*

HYMN 726

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because
through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life sets us free from the law of sin
and death. And if the Spirit of God who raised Jesus from the dead lives in us,
God who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to our mortal bodies
through the Spirit, who lives in us.

* ACCLAMATION

**All: To him who loves us, and frees us from our sins by his blood, to him be
glory and power forever and ever. Amen.**

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

(Please share God’s peace with those around you.)

WE BRING OUR PRAISES, PRAYERS AND GIFTS

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY: *Reveries for Horn and Piano, Op. 24* Alexander Glazunov
STEVE WALL, JOHN ZIMMERMAN

* DOXOLOGY

**All: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

(Children 3 years through 2nd grade are dismissed to go downstairs.)

PASTORAL PRAYER

* HYMN: *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart*

HYMN 338

WE HEAR GOD SPEAK

(Please stand for the Old Testament reading.)

* OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: *Genesis 11:1-9*

¹ Now the whole world had one language and a common speech. ² As people moved eastward, they found a plain in Shinar and settled there. ³ They said to each other, "Come, let's make bricks and bake them thoroughly." They used brick instead of stone, and tar for mortar. ⁴ Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, with a tower that reaches to the heavens, so that we may make a name for ourselves; otherwise we will be scattered over the face of the whole earth."

⁵ But the LORD came down to see the city and the tower the people were building. ⁶ The LORD said, "If as one people speaking the same language they have begun to do this, then nothing they plan to do will be impossible for them. ⁷ Come, let us go down and confuse their language so they will not understand each other."

⁸ So the LORD scattered them from there over all the earth, and they stopped building the city. ⁹ That is why it was called Babel—because there the LORD confused the language of the whole world. From there the LORD scattered them over the face of the whole earth. NIV

(Please be seated for the New Testament reading.)

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: *Acts 2:1-28*

¹ When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ² Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³ They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

PENTECOST VOICES

⁵ Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. ⁶ When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. ⁷ Utterly amazed, they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans?" ⁸ Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome ¹¹ (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!" ¹² Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?"

¹³ Some, however, made fun of them and said, "They have had too much wine."

¹⁴ Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. ¹⁵ These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ "In the last days, God says,
I will pour out my Spirit on all people.
Your sons and daughters will prophesy,
your young men will see visions,
your old men will dream dreams.

¹⁸ Even on my servants, both men and women,
I will pour out my Spirit in those days,
and they will prophesy.