

First Reading: Isaiah 5:1-7

Let me sing for my beloved my love song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. He dug it and cleared it of stones and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it and hewed out a wine vat in it; and he looked for it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes. And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. What more was there to do for my vineyard, that I have not done in it? When I looked for it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes? And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and briars and thorns shall grow up; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel, and the men of Judah are his pleasant planting; and he looked for justice, but behold, bloodshed; for righteousness, but behold, an outcry!

Epistle Reading: Philippians 3:4 -14

though I myself have reason for confidence in the flesh also. If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

Holy Gospel Reading: Matthew 21:33-46

“Hear another parable. There was a master of a house who planted a vineyard and put a fence around it and dug a winepress in it and built a tower

and leased it to tenants and went into another country. When the season for fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to get his fruit. And the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again, he sent other servants, more than the first. And they did the same to them. Finally, he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.’ And they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons.” Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the Scriptures: “‘The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord’s doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes’”? Therefore, I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people producing its fruits. And the one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him.” When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they perceived that he was speaking about them. And although they were seeking to arrest him, they feared the crowds, because they held him to be a prophet.

Comparing & Complaining



Lessons learned from the parable of workers in a vineyard.

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“Christ Sits at God’s Right Hand”

Sermon

Hebrews 2:1-18

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Offerings & Offertory

“Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful” **#955**

Prayers

Benediction

Sung: Amen, amen, amen

 **Closing Hymn** **#644**
“The Church’s One Foundation”

Measure of Our Stewardship:

Attendance: Sunday – September 27 – 116

Contributions: General-\$1,721 | Missions-\$26 | Building Fund-\$42 | Cemetery-\$0 | Noah's Ark Preschool-\$30 | Portals of Prayers-\$0 | Special Offerings-\$0 | Lutheran Witness-\$0 | Plate-\$83 | Total- **\$1,902**

September Online Giving: General-\$3,234 | Missions-\$50 | Building Fund-\$199 | Cemetery-\$0 | Noah's Ark Preschool-\$30 | Portals of Prayers-\$0 | Special Offerings-\$0 | Lutheran Witness-\$0 | Plate-\$46 | Total- **\$3,559**

Weekly Happenings at Immanuel

Sunday, October 4th | *Guest Pastor Bob Alsleben*

8:30 am | Choir Practice

9:00 am | Worship Service **/NO** Holy Communion

10:00am | Sunday School

NO | Bible Class

German Dinner Tickets on sale

Monday, September 28-October 13th

Pastor & Sherry on Vacation

Tuesday, October 5th

Noah's Ark Preschool Fundraiser @ BBG

Wednesday, October 7th

NO | Bible Class

NO | Confirmation Classes

Friday, October 9th

NO | online 100 Bible Stories

Sunday, October 11th | *Guest Pastor Michael*

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8:30 am | Choir Practice

9:00 am | Worship Service

10:00am | Sunday School

NO | Bible Class

Thank You:

Deacons – Jayson Hochsprung | Jerry Zaske

Organist – Karen Buckentin

Head Usher – Trent Benson

Assistant Head Usher-Vacant

Ushers – Emma Olson | Josie Lindeman

Acolytes – Brock Zimmerman | Maddie Zimmerman

Included In Our Prayers This Week

Wes & Barb Hoyhtya, Duane Becker, Dawn Wolter; Seminary Adopt-A-Student, Jeffrey Goetz & Stephen Peeler. Our Missionaries – Rev James Sharp and Rev Dr. Walter Steele and their families, and all those We name privately in our hearts.

Announcements

Congratulations to Emerey Draeger on receiving her Bible this morning.

Immanuel:

Today we welcome Guest Pastor Bob Alsleben as he preaches to us this morning. We would like to thank him for sharing God's Word and for his message this morning.

Thank you, Pastor Alsleben, for being with us today!

German Dinner Tickets on Sale Today!

Tickets for Immanuel's German Dinner are now available for purchase! Don't wait—get your tickets early and join us for a wonderful meal and fellowship. Volunteer and donation sign-up sheets are also available on the table in the Narthex. Be sure to sign up and help make this special event a success!

Reminder – Immanuel Choir:

There will be choir practice next Sunday at 8:30 AM

Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Worship Service

Sermon Text: "Hebrews 2:1-18"

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Introit

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; *

for his steadfast love endures forever!

The stone that the builders rejected *

has become the cornerstone.

This is the LORD's doing; *

it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day that the LORD has made; *

let us rejoice and be glad in it.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; *

for his steadfast love endures forever!

Collect of the Day

Gracious God, You gave Your Son into the hands of sinful men who killed Him. Forgive us when we reject Your unfailing love and grant us the fullness of Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.