



Today's Message

3rd Sunday After Pentecost "Rising Above Discouragement"

Rev. Dr. Larry W. Tieman · June 5, 2016

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New Here... Welcome!

If you are new to Immanuel Lutheran Church and School, we would love to meet you! Be sure to stop by our "Connection Center" where a **welcome gift** is waiting for you, and thanks for sharing worship with us today!

What's Happening:

You can always keep in touch with what's happening by checking in at our website: www.immanuelcl.org

Connecting

A Connection card helps us to get to know you! We like to send a thank you for visiting us, and to help you find classes or connections that might best fit what you are looking for.

I'd like to Know More

We would love to answer your questions! Call the church office or eMail: mwolowiec@immanuelcl.org

Service Times: Saturday Evenings, 6:00pm Historic Church · Sunday Mornings 8:00 - 9:30 - 11:00 Pathway Court *

Sermon Notes

What Jesus did then he still does today, that is to help everyone rise above discouragement...

I. DON'T DENY REALITY

A. Jesus the h_____ and great p_____ - giver never insulted people by telling them that their problems weren't real.

B. The storms of the n_____ world are real, just like the storms of the s_____ and psychological worlds.

C. The first step to overcoming discouragement is to a_____ there are problems.

"If you keep doing what you've always done; you'll always get what you've always gotten."

II. HAVE THE COURAGE TO CONSIDER ALTERNATIVES

A. Jesus Said...

1. ...take up your cross and f_____ me.
2. ...if you have f_____ you can move m_____.

Memory Verse

*"...if you have faith like a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there', and it will move, and **nothing will be impossible for you.**"* - in part, Mt 17:20

B. Jesus refused to be defeated by circumstances. If we want to rise above discouragement we need to:

1. L_____ g_____ of the past dead-ends.
2. Consider the alternatives that C_____ has already shown to us.

"By the mercies of Christ think it possible ye might be mistaken." - Oliver Cromwell

III. TOUCHED BY CHRIST

A. Jesus calls us to open to the Divine in p_____ and h_____.

B. We are forever learning that G_____ is f_____ us, not against us.

C. The power of the living Christ r_____ people up from discouragement, despair, and death itself.

MY NEXT STEPS...

- ☐ Memorize Matthew 17:20
- ☐ Consider how God's thoughts might be different than our own, as stated in Isaiah 55:6, 8 & 9.
- ☐ Return next week to Immanuel; together we will courageously seek what is possible with Christ.

This Week at >>



Immanuel

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Touching Hearts and Transforming Lives with the Light of Jesus Christ...



Celebrating Graduations!

Enjoy Cake and Coffee Between Services Today!

Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing...

- 1 Thessalonians 5:11



Pray for those sharing the Light of Christ

In Tijuana, June 3rd—10th

Teaching VBS, Building Houses, and Sharing Community.
Keep in your prayers; 16 travelers, 3 houses, and many souls.

*"The LORD himself goes before you and will be with you; He will never leave you nor forsake you.
Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged." - Deuteronomy 31:8*



Pastor Appreciation Sunday, June 12th

Honoring Pastor Tieman for 10 years at Immanuel, and 25 years in the ministry! Offer encouragement, share a card, and enjoy a cake & coffee reception between services.



Thursday, June 16th

2:00—4:00pm in the Library

Saving Lives just got sweeter!

Donate a pint of blood and you'll receive a certificate for a free pint of Ice Cream! Register at: www.hartlandbc.org



6th—8th Grade Students, Connecting...

Thursday Nights, 6:00pm—8:00pm, June 16th—August 18th. Meet in the field across from the loading dock, rain or shine! (\$5/week, 1st time guests are free). Will not meet July 14th due to Confirmation Camp. For more details, contact: studentministries@immanuelcl.org.

*Altar Flowers are in Celebration of Terry and Carol Ernst's 50th wedding anniversary
and in celebration of Heather Marts' birthday !*

We Celebrate Community...

... and all who are fighting the fight against cancer. We give thanks for those who have gone home, for those who are still with us, and for the ability to come together in the search for a cure.

To God be the Glory!

Get the latest up-to-date class listings, event postings, and information at: www.Immanuelcl.org

* **Families with Young Children:** Changing tables are found in the washrooms down the hall on the left of the worship area.
Nursing Mom's room is located behind the desk in the Library (doors on the back wall of worship area).