



# *Immanuel Lutheran*

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## *First Sunday in Advent*

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Blessed is the Lord God of Israel,  
For He has visited and  
redeemed His people.

Luke 1:68

## *Serving Us This Week*

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## *Welcome!*

We are excited to share the Good News with you! Guests, please contact us if you are interested in learning more about Immanuel.

# Order of Service

## We Prepare to Meet our Lord

Hymn 66 TLH (Red Hymnal)  
Hark the Glad Sound! The Savior Comes

INVOCATION *We invoke ("call upon") the name of our Triune God.*

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Congregation (C): ♪ Amen!

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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Pastor (P) : God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.

C: If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Let us pray.

C: Almighty God, merciful Father, we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. But we are sorry for our transgressions and pray You, of Your bountiful mercy, to be gracious and merciful unto us. Forgive us for Jesus' sake, renew us by Your Spirit, and lead us in the way everlasting. Amen.

P: Jesus Christ is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. We are forgiven. With boldness and confidence, we may approach the throne to find grace to help in time of need. In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

C: ♪ Amen.

ANTIPHON PSALM 24 WS (PG 25)

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

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P: Let us pray...

C: ♪ Amen.

## OLD TESTAMENT READING ISAIAH 61:1-3

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"The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon Me, Because the LORD has anointed Me To preach good tidings to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives, And the opening of the prison to those who are bound; 2 To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, And the day of vengeance of our God; To comfort all who mourn, 3 To console those who mourn in Zion, To give them beauty for ashes, The oil of joy for mourning, The garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; That they may be called trees of righteousness, The planting of the LORD, that He may be glorified."

## PSALM OF THE DAY PSALM 68: 32-35

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P: Sing to God, you kingdoms of the earth

C: Oh, sing praises to the Lord.

P: To Him who rides on the heaven of heavens, which were of old!

C: Indeed, He sends out His voice, a mighty voice.

P: Ascribe strength to God;

C: His excellence is over Israel, And His strength is in the clouds.

P: O God, You are more awesome than Your holy places.

C: The God of Israel is He who gives strength and power to His people.

ALL: Blessed be God!

## NEW TESTAMENT READING REVELATION 1:4-8

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John, to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from Him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven Spirits who are before His throne, 5 and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler over the kings of the earth. To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood, 6 and has made us kings and priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. 7 Behold, He is coming with clouds, and every eye will see Him, even they who pierced Him. And all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of Him. Even so, Amen. 8 "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End," says the Lord, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

P: Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it!

C: ♪ Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! These words are written that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

## CONFESSION OF FAITH THE APOSTOLIC CREED

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I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

### Hymn 98 v 1-4 TLH (Red Hymnal) Of a Father's Love Begotten

#### SERMON LUKE 1:68-79

*Jesus said, "...Blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!" Luke 11:28*

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"Blessed is the Lord God of Israel, For He has visited and redeemed His people, **69** And has raised up a horn of salvation for us In the house of His servant David, **70** As He spoke by the mouth of His holy prophets, Who have been since the world began, **71** That we should be saved from our enemies And from the hand of all who hate us, **72** To perform the mercy promised to our fathers And to remember His holy covenant, **73** The oath which He swore to our father Abraham: **74** To grant us that we, Being delivered from the hand of our enemies, Might serve Him without fear, **75** In holiness and righteousness before Him all the days of our life. **76** "And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Highest; For you will go before the face of the Lord to prepare His ways, **77** To give knowledge of salvation to His people By the remission of their sins, **78** Through the tender mercy of our God, With which the Dayspring from on high has visited us; **79** To give light to those who sit in darkness and the shadow of death, To guide our feet into the way of peace."

## The Dayspring from on High has Visited Us

1. To Fulfill God's Promises
2. To Deliver Us from Our Enemies
3. To Guide Us in the Way of Peace

*Preaching today: Pastor Joseph Naumann*

Hymn 798 *WS (Tan Hymnal)*  
God, We Praise You

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OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS

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*THE CANTICAL OF MARY (SUNDAY SERVICE)*

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,  
My spirit rejoices in God my Savior.  
For He has looked with favor on His lowly servant,  
From this day all generations will call me blessed;  
The Almighty has done great things for me,  
And holy, holy is His Name.

He has mercy on those who fear Him,  
On those who fear Him in every generation.  
He has shown the strength of His arm,  
He has scattered the proud, the proud in their conceit.  
He has cast down the mighty from their thrones,  
And has lifted, lifted up the lowly.

He has filled the hungry with good things,  
And the rich He has sent away empty.  
He has come to the help of His servant Israel,  
For He has remembered His promise of mercy.  
The promise He made to our fathers,  
To Abraham and His children forever.

Glory, glory 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.

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PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

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*Our Lord Blesses Us*

BENEDICTION *A Good Word or Blessing.*

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Congregational Response: ♪ Amen, Amen, Amen.

# Closing Hymn 705 WS (Red Hymnal)

## Come, O Long-Expected Jesus

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# Last Week

## Gatherings

Saturday Worship 11/21: 37

Saturday Family Bible Study: 4

Sunday Worship 11/22: **In Person 64 ; Views 156**

Sunday Family Bible Study 11/22: 13

Primrose Bible Study 11/27: 8

*Note: the number of views listed is as of 11/27/2020; "views" does not represent the number of viewers, but rather only the number of computers/devices that accessed it*

## Fruits of Faith

Immanuel	Plate/Mail	CashApp
Current Expenses <i>Weekly Need:</i>	\$7,901.50	\$625
ILS Foundation	\$30	
MPF Floor Replacement	\$55.50	\$200
Benevolent Fund	\$60	
Interactive Display Fund	\$5	

## CLC

Missions (CB) <i>Weekly Need: \$3,845.17</i>	\$560	\$5
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## Memorial for Gehardt Mueller

Student Aid ILC	\$25
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## Memorial for Roger Tolzmann

ILS	\$15
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## Thanksgiving Offering

Current Expenses	\$2,985
Major Improvement	\$50
ILS Student Aid	\$465
Preschool Fund	\$50
Thanksgiving	\$2,577.25
CLC Missions CBP	\$160

# This Week

- Sat Nov 28 6:00p WORSHIP, In-Person  
7-7:45p Family Bible Class- Sanctuary
- Sun Nov 29 9-9:45a Family Bible Class- Sanctuary  
9:15a Radio Sermon: *KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM*  
10:00a WORSHIP, In-Person or Live Stream. Join us live by following the link at the top of the page on our website  
[www.ImmanuelMankato.org](http://www.ImmanuelMankato.org) OR find and watch the recording afterwards at [www.ImmanuelMankato.org/sermons/](http://www.ImmanuelMankato.org/sermons/)
- Mon Nov 30 Have a great week!
- Tues Dec 1 3-5p Pastors' Office Hours  
5:30p ERC Meeting- pastor's office  
7:00p Outreach Committee- HS Language Room
- Wed Dec 2 12:45p Televised WORSHIP Service, *Charter #181; Consolidated Comm #7*  
6:00p Advent Service
- Thu Dec 3 8-10:00a Pastors' Office Hours  
10:00a Bible Study, *Walnut Towers, 105 E Walnut St*  
5:00p In Person Confirmation Class  
5:45p Televised WORSHIP Service, *Charter #181; Consolidated Comm #7*  
6:00p Online Confirmation Class
- Fri Dec 4 9:00a Primrose Bible Study- *1360 Adams St*  
5:00p Communion Packet Pick Up
- Sat Dec 5 11:00a Communion Packet Pick Up  
6:00p WORSHIP In-Person **Communion Weekend**  
7-7:45p Family Bible Class - Sanctuary
- Sun Dec 6 9-9:45a Family Bible Class- Sanctuary  
9:15a Radio Sermon: *KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM*  
10:00a WORSHIP In-Person or Live Stream- **Communion Weekend**

## Immanuel Announcements

**HOLIDAY GREETING CARDS** Women's Study Guild has updated the card display in the back-church entry. It now includes Thanksgiving and Christmas cards. Cards are available for purchase for 50 cents each.

**FROM THE BOARD OF FIANCE** We are currently roughly \$184,400 away from our 2020 year giving goal. This gap represents 26.4% of

our budgeted giving and is a significant amount of money to make up over the next 6 weekends (counting today) and Thanksgiving. With the short-fall and our remaining budget we need to give ~\$31,000 a week. Please take some time to prayerfully consider your giving.

**ANNIVERSARY** Former Immanuel members, Al and Mary Hansen, will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on December 10. Please help their family celebrate with a card shower! Their address is: 1116 Birchwood Lane, Aberdeen, SD 57401

**RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE** December 24th 8am-Noon, Immanuel has the opportunity to host a blood drive in the new gym, visit [https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=](https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=&search=Immanuel+Lutheran+Church+School) and search Immanuel Lutheran Church School.

**SENIOR COOKIE DOUGH SALE** Due to current events all our sales will be online this year. But funds still go to the Senior Class Trip! Please check it out if you are interested in cookies and want to help the Seniors out! <https://app.scoreboard.coach/storefront/sales/9NNYrfHAP0CpJTOzTUwPoQ>

**ADVENT SERVICES** We will be having Advent Midweek services starting this Wednesday at 6pm. Please join us as we prepare for the celebration of the birth of our Lord Jesus.

## *CLC Announcements*

**CLC CALLS** Faith Lutheran, Markesan, WI has called Quinn Sprengeler, Redemption, WA to be their upper grade teacher/principal <> Pastor Michael Gurath, Holy Cross, Phoenix, AZ has been called by Redeemer, Cheyenne, WY <> Teacher Matt Thurow, Berea, Inver Grove Heights, MN has been called to teach grades 4-8 and serve as principal for Holy Trinity Lutheran School, West Columbia, SC<> Pastor Del Maas, Gift of God, Mapleton, ND has been called by Redeemer, Bowdle and Zion, Ipswich, SD<> Pastor Sam Rodebaugh, Immanuel, Winter Haven, FL has been called by Living Savior, Eden Prairie, MN<>Recently colloquized Terry Stringer, a member of St., Stephen, Heyward, CA has been called and has accepted the call by Trinity, Spokane, WA to serve as "Assistant Vacancy Pastor" in a one year call. Pastor Wayne Eichstadt is the vacancy pastor.

If you have an announcement or event for next weekend's bulletin, please send it to [Bulletin@ImmanuelMankato.org](mailto:Bulletin@ImmanuelMankato.org) or contact one of the pastors by Thursday at 12 pm. Thank you!