



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH  
WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

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**The Ten Commandments**  
Midweek Lenten Service 1



The Sermon on the Mount

**Wednesday, February 25, 2026 – 6:30 p.m.**

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“Making more and stronger disciples of Jesus Christ  
through the power of the Holy Spirit.”

# Welcome to Immanuel!

*Please turn off your cell phones and/or paging devices. Thank you!*

**If you are a guest**, please fill out a guests' card located in the cardholder on the back of each pew and then place it in the offering plate. We look forward to meeting you!

**Members**, please help us love and care for one another by filling out an attendance card. Remember to include all the members of your family who are present in worship today. Thank you for filling out an attendance card every time you attend church.

*In preparation for worship, we ask that you silence your cell phones and/or paging devices. Thank you. The time before service begins can be a good time to pray and prepare your heart and mind for worship. You will find helpful prayers on the inside cover of the hymnal located in the pew in front of you.*

## PRESERVICE MUSIC / BELLS

### EVENING PRAYER

*Lutheran Service Book pg. 243*

### + SERVICE OF LIGHT +

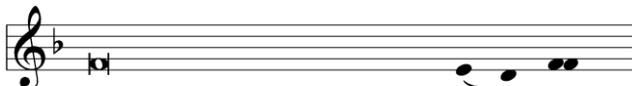
*Please stand*



**L** Now is the time of God's fa - vor;



**C** now is the day of sal-va - tion.



**L** Turn us again, O God of our sal - va - tion,



**C** that the light of Your face may shine on us.



**L** May Your justice shine like the sun;



**C** and may the poor be lift - ed up.

## PHOS HILARON



**L** Joy - ous light of glo - ry:



**C** of the im - mor - tal Fa - ther; heav - en - ly, ho - ly,



bles - ed Je - sus Christ. We have come to the



set - ting of the sun, and we look to the eve - ning light.



We sing to God, the Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it:



You are wor - thy of be - ing praised with pure voic - es for -



ev - er. O Son of God, O Giv - er of life:



the u - ni - verse pro - claims Your glo - ry.

# THANKSGIVING FOR LIGHT

♩ Blessèd are You, O Lord our God, king of the u - ni - verse,  
who led Your people Israel by a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of  
fire by night. Enlighten our darkness by the light of Your Christ;  
may His Word be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path;  
for You are mer - ci - ful, and You love Your whole cre - a - tion  
and we, Your creatures, glo - ri - fy You, Father, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it.

♩ A - men.

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of eight lines of music. The first seven lines correspond to the lyrics provided. The eighth line is a short melodic phrase ending with a double bar line. The lyrics are: "Blessèd are You, O Lord our God, king of the u - ni - verse, who led Your people Israel by a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night. Enlighten our darkness by the light of Your Christ; may His Word be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path; for You are mer - ci - ful, and You love Your whole cre - a - tion and we, Your creatures, glo - ri - fy You, Father, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it." The final line of music is marked with a square symbol and the text "A - men."

## + PSALMODY +

### PSALM 141

Psalm 141:1-4, 8

♩ Let my prayer rise be - fore You as in - cense,  
the lift - ing up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.  
O Lord, I call to You; come to me quick - ly; hear my voice

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in a key signature of two sharps (D major). It consists of three lines of music. The first line corresponds to the lyrics: "Let my prayer rise be - fore You as in - cense,". The second line corresponds to: "the lift - ing up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice." The third line corresponds to: "O Lord, I call to You; come to me quick - ly; hear my voice". The score ends with a double bar line.

when I cry to You. Let my prayer rise be - fore You as in - cense,  
the lift - ing up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.  
Set a watch be - fore my mouth, O Lord, and guard the door of my lips.  
Let not my heart in - cline to an - y e - vil thing;  
let me not be oc - cu - pied in wick - ed - ness with e - vil - do - ers.  
But my eyes are turned to You, O God; in You I take ref - uge.  
Strip me not of my life. Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and  
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it; as it was in  
the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.  
Let my prayer rise be - fore You as in - cense,  
the lift - ing up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.

**L** Let us pray.

Let the incense of our repentant prayer ascend before You, O Lord, and let Your loving-kindness descend on us that, with purified minds, we may sing Your praises with the Church on earth and the whole heavenly host and may glorify You forever.

**C** Amen.

*Please be seated*

**OFFICE HYMN, LSB 707, “Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways”**

**+ READINGS +**

**FIRST READING, Matthew 6:24-34**

<sup>24</sup>[Jesus said:] “No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money. <sup>25</sup>“Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? <sup>26</sup>Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? <sup>27</sup>And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? <sup>28</sup>And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, <sup>29</sup>yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. <sup>30</sup>But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? <sup>31</sup>Therefore do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ <sup>32</sup>For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. <sup>33</sup>But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. <sup>34</sup>“Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.”

**L** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## **SECOND READING, Matthew 5:13-16**

<sup>13</sup>“You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people’s feet. <sup>14</sup>“You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. <sup>15</sup>Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. <sup>16</sup>In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

**L** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**L** In many and various ways God spoke to His people of old by the prophets.

**C** **But now in these last days He has spoken to us by His Son.**

*Please stand*

## **APOSTLES’ CREED**

**C** **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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.**

## **TEN COMMANDMENTS**

**C** **You shall have no other gods.**

**You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.**

**Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.**

**Honor your father and your mother.**

**You shall not murder.**

**You shall not commit adultery.  
 You shall not steal.  
 You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.  
 You shall not covet your neighbor's house.  
 You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.**

*Please be seated*

**SERMON:** The First & Second Commandments

**+ CANTICLE +**

*Please stand*

**MAGNIFICAT**

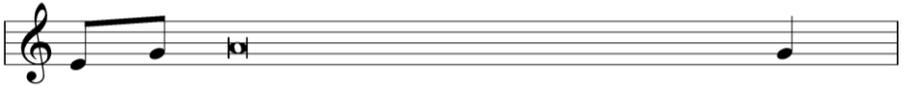
Luke 1:46-55

*Refrain*

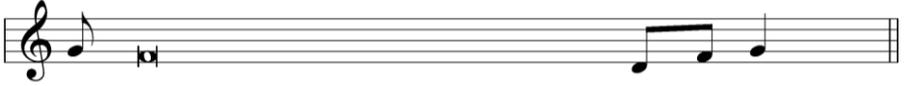
My soul mag-ni - fies the Lord, and my spir - it re -  
 joic - es in God, my Sav - ior. My soul mag-ni-fies the  
 Lord, and my spir - it re - joic - es in God, my Sav - ior.

1 For \_\_\_\_\_ He has re - - - - - garded  
 2 For the Mighty One has done great things to . . . . . me,  
 3 He has shown strength with His . . . . . arm;  
 4 He has filled the hungry with good . . . . . things,  
 5 Glo - ry be to the Father and to the . . . . . Son

1 the lowliness of . . . . . His hand - maiden.  
 2 and holy . . . . . is His name;  
 3 He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.  
 4 and the rich He has sent emp - - - - - ty a - way.  
 5 and to the . . . . . Ho - ly Spirit;



1 For be - hold, from this . . . . . day  
 2 and His mercy is on those who . . . . . fear Him  
 3 He has cast down the mighty from their . . . . . thrones  
 4 He has helped His servant Israel in remembrance of His mercy  
 5 as it was in the be - - - - - ginning,



1 all generations will . . . . . call me blessed.  
 2 from generation to . . . . . gen - er - ation. *Refrain*  
 3 and has exalt - - - - - ed the lowly.  
 4 as He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his seed for - ever.  
 5 is now, and will be forever. . . . . A - - men. *Refrain*

*Please be seated*  
**OFFERING**

**HYMN, LSB 437, “Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed”**

**+ PRAYER +**

*Please stand*  
**LITANY**



**L** In peace let us pray to the Lord:



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

- L** For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For Matthew, our Synodical President, and Heath, our District President, for all pastors in Christ, for all servants of the Church, and for all the people, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For President Donald Trump, for all public servants, for the government and those who protect us, that they may be upheld and strengthened in every good deed, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For those who work to bring peace, justice, health, and protection in this and every place, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For those who bring offerings, those who do good works in this congregation, those who toil, those who sing, and all the people here present who await from the Lord great and abundant mercy, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For favorable weather, for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For our deliverance from all affliction, wrath, danger, and need, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For . . . [*additional bids for prayer may be inserted here*] . . . let us pray to the Lord:

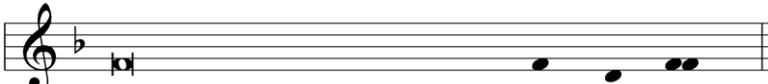
**C** **Lord, have mercy.**



**L** For the faithful who have gone before us and are with Christ, let us give thanks to the Lord:



**C** **Thanks be to God.**



**L** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.

*Silence for individual prayer may follow.*



**L** Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, one another, and our whole life to Christ, our Lord:



**C** To You, O Lord.

### COLLECT FOR PEACE

**L** O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

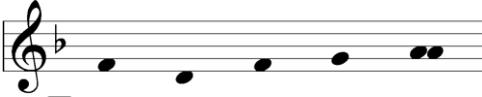
### LORD'S PRAYER

**L** Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

**C** **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

*Please stand*

## BENEDICAMUS



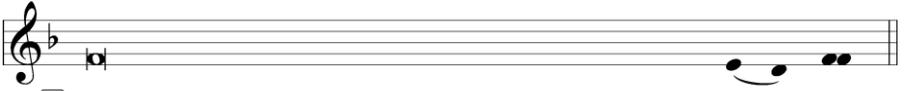
**L** Let us bless the Lord.

Psalm 103:1



**C** Thanks be to God.

## BENEDICTION



**P** The almighty and merciful Lord,  
the Father, the  $\text{†}$  Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and pre - serve you.



**C** A - men.

**CLOSING HYMN, *LSB* 422, “On My Heart Imprint Your Image”**

**BELLS / POSTLUDE**

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